PLANTFEST! TEASER 2017



"Planting in Post-Flood Baton Rouge" **Presents Lee Rouse!**

Sunday, September 24, 1:00-4:00 pm \$10 Me bers/\$15 Non-Me bers

Lee Rouse, LSU AgCenter Horticulture Agent for East Baton Rouge Parish, will talk about 25 plants for the home garden that thrive in wet conditions. Lee is a contributor to the Advoca e, WRKF, and aintains the East Baton Rouge Parish Master Gardener Facebook page. He is an alu nus of the LSU College of Agriculture. In addition to Lee, Hilltop volunteers will talk about plants that survived the flood in their own gardens.

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To put the "tease" in this annual PlantFest! "pre-quel", one of each of the plants presented will be eligible for purchase. We will host a drawing to determine who gets to purchase what. The rules of engagement are as follows:



- only Teaser registrants may participate
- they may put their name in up to six plant hats
- and they must be present to win their opportunity to purchase

And if this is not enough to set your horticultural barometer rising, the post-program "walk about" through the Hodge Podge Nursery and its field of plant dreams ought to do it. Scheduled 14 days prior to the " ain event", the Teaser will find the PlantFest! arena already set up with plants in their final nestling place and their infomercial signs installed.

What better occasion to start your plant list and check it twice, to determine which plants will be naughty or nice for your landscape AND guess-timate just how many wagons and co-conspirators you will need to achieve your gardening mission!

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT



I t's a great time to be at Hilltop. Exciting things are happening. The energy from our many volunteers and members is amazing! We are about to begin a major project "regreening" the arboretum that is the next

stage in our master plan. Our native plant and tree collections have been in decline in recent years. We are going to correct that! The mound will be moved and an amphitheater formed. Re-grading of the back of the property will improve drainage and create meadows and walking paths. Construction of the new bridge over the ravine will begin soon including restoration of the area with native plants. Tremendous thought and effort has gone into creation of the upcoming programs, tours and trips. Check them out. You won't be disappointed! Volunteer for Plantfest. The Hodge Podge Nursery is looking better than ever and needs

help finding new homes for all their plants. Remember, when buying plants one is never enough! The Friends of Hilltop Arboretum should be proud of what's been accomplished here since Emory Smith donated the property to LSU. But, we can't stop now. Please consider a donation for the purchase of trees for our upcoming project. As always, your memberships and donations keep us going and are greatly appreciated in our efforts to preserve a lasting legacy of native plants and trees. I am inspired and honored to be serving as your president.

See you at Hilltop! Chris Werner

We Have Exciting Plans to Move Forward!

Two projects will get underway to restore, improve and enhance the arboretum grounds this fall. LSU's property insurance is covering the cost to rebuild the C. J. Brown, Sr. Footbridge and to replant trees, shrubs and perennials that were taken down during a thunderstorm in the ravine near the "Cathedral," one of Emory Smith's favorite areas of the arboretum. The Friends are contributing additional funds to upgrade from wooden to steel structural beams for the bridge, and the Capital Area Native Plant Society is donating plants. The project will be finished this fall.



The Friends are funding a project to grade the back half of the property to alleviate low spots that breed mosquitoes and make it difficult to maintain the site during extended periods of rain. With the earthmoving equipment on site, we will relocate the mound to form an amphitheater, a gathering space for children's programs and other Hilltop events.

PLANTFEST! 2017

Celebrating Our 34th Annual Sale

Saturday, OCT 7, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm & Sunday, OCT 8, 12 noon – 4 pm

Don't miss the opportunity to learn from Hilltop's family of gardeners!

The Fall sale will continue our annual celebration of plants by offering the largest selection of natives and adapted plants in one place at one time in the Gulf South. Our Hodge Podge Plant Selection Committee has assembled a collection of plants that we know will thrive in your garden under normal and extreme conditions like flooding. Plant signs provide all the information you need to know to make the best selection of plants for your garden.

Brace yourself for a botanical "all you can tweet" plant feast ... trees, shrubs, perennials, vines, ferns, fruits, gingers, camellias, incredible edibles, ornamental grasses, and more that run the gamut from native and traditional to eclectic and electric newcomers. To spice up the mix, plants are imported from a diversity of nurseries located in Alabama and Texas, as well as Louisiana. Well over 5,000 plants will be assembled ... some making their debut at Hilltop this year.

Landscape architects, contractors and designers; arborists; horticultural specialists; growers; plants men and women; Master Gardeners ... all will be on hand to help you with your plant selections. Plant display vignettes that bedazzle with color, or speak to those who want to go native or attract butterflies will help you get growing and suggest just the right plant for your space.

The Hilltop Gift Shop will be joined by specialty plant and craft vendors to meet all the needs of gardeners and their gardens. We offer a membership incentive that adds up to 20% in savings on plants purchased during the two days of the sale.

> Check our website www.lsu.edu/hilltop one week prior to the sale for a list of plants offered-at PlantFest!

Volunteer for PlantFest! online at https://sites01.lsu.edu/wp/hilltop/2017-plantfest-volunteer-form/





North Perimeter Tree Planting

Decades of storms, aging trees, and more recently Formosan termites, have reduced our plant collections significantly. We feel a sense of urgency to get moving on establishing a new generation of plants to ensure we continue to fulfill Emory Smith's dream that Hilltop is a "complete arboretum of native Southern tre s and plants." In January 2018, we will begin a mass planting (40 feet deep x 470 feet wide) of mixed evergreen trees and shrubs to screen the northern edge of the property, and to expand upon the existing native plant collections. The planting plan includes southern magnolia, sweet bay magnolia, spruce pine, wax myrtle, and star anise. We have contributions in hand to prepare the site, install irrigation and plant some trees. To complete the entire planting we need \$25,000 more by October 31, 2017.

Donate Online

Please help us reach our fundraising goal with a taxdeductible contribution for one tree (\$75), two trees (\$150), three trees (\$225), four trees (\$300), planting section (\$500) of four trees and ten shrubs, or any other amount you ay like to give. Donate online at www.lsu. edu/hilltop by clicking on "Support" on the enu bar of the home page, then "Tree Planting" found on the left side bar under "Donation Basics."

Mail Donation

If you would prefer to contribute with a check, a ke it out to Friends of Hilltop Arboretum and ail to P. O. Box 82608, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70884.



Hilltop's Hodge Podge Volunteers

Hilltop's on-site Hodge Podge Nursery is an outgrowth of Emory Smith's philosophy. From its humble beginnings as a quiet corner at our annual October plant sale (now dubbed PlantFest!), Hodge Podge has literally "blossomed" into an all-volunteer mini-nursery operation that boasts upwards of 6,000 plants representing over 600 different species. Tucked into a shady nook near Mr. Smith's old home, the nursery has its own irrigation system, greenhouse and homemade tables to accommodate our stash of propagated, purchased and passalong plants, all lovingly tended by a notoriously spunky mix of dedicated volunteers.



Illuminated Garden Nightscapes Featuring Beverages and Appetizers Sunday, November 12, 6:00-9:00pm

Are you looking for a special, one of a kind event on a beautiful fall evening to gather with friends and faily or for a date night? Pull out your sweaters and join us for an enchanting tour of three night lit gardens with festive gathering spaces for socializing, usic and enjoying beverages and appetizers fro our new cookbook *Passalong Recipes From the Podge II – "Digging Deeper."*

Our garden tour hosts are Patrice & Richard Ellis, DeEtte & Mike Montalbano, and Devera & Jerry Goss -- all long-time Hilltop fans and supporters with ever changing gardens. The



stage will be set for the tour with illuminated white lights, candles and dramatic up-lit majestic trees.

The Ellis garden is a hidden gem in an older neighborhood with plant collections that will excite the most astute connoisseur and outdoor rooms decorated with the artistic flair of these two interior designers in which to sit and relax on a cool fall evening. Patrice and Richard create one-of-a-kind clay and wood bird feeders. The couple has graciously donated a few for a raffle the evening of the tour.

The Montalbano and Goss families are next-door neighbors in Oak Hills. Both of their gardens extend down to the lake, and include any inviting garden niches to sit and relax. A unique feature are the lighted pathways that connect both gardens for strolling back and forth, and enjoying the water front views. The "Tiki Bar" will be open at the Goss garden and "Garden Kitchen" at the Montalbano garden for refreshments throughout the evening. We will take pre-orders for the new cookbook, which we hope to have available for holiday gift

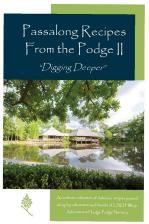


giving. We'll be back in touch once the cookbook is available for purchase in the Hilltop Gift Shop. Visit our website www.lsu.edu/hilltop for full descriptions of the gardens, tour map with garden addresses, and a list of beverages and appetizers that will be served.

TICKETS for this event are \$20.00 and can be purchased online at www. lsu.edu/hilltop, at Hilltop (call:225-767-6916/e ail:hilltop@lsu.edu) or the evening of the tour at any of the gardens.

Passalong Recipes From the Podge II "Digging Deeper"

Our second edition of "Passalong Recipes From the Podge II "Digging Deeper" ha a delicious collection of new recipes for your cooking enjoyment. The book is dedicated to the hard-working, fun-loving volunteers who support LSU Hilltop Arboretum and its mission of bringing people and plants together, and to the memory of those we miss: Paula Dillemuth, Marion Drummond, Suzie Ehrlicher and Carole Guillory. A special thank you to the cookbook crew: Melanie Hirschfeld, Pam Sulzer, Margaret Humble, Denise Van Schoyck and Janet Forbes, and to the many contributors who generously shared their favorite recipes. The book is in the publishing phase and we hope to have it ready for holiday gift giving. Stay tuned we will be in touch when the book is available for purchase in the Hilltop Gift Shop!



"Discover Nature" Programs

Through a partnership with the Capital Area Native Plant Society (CANPS) and the Louisiana Master Naturalist of Greater Baton Rouge (LMNGBR), we are proud to offer an exciting series of "Discover Nature" programs that feature local experts who are in touch with nature and are eager to share their experiences.

All programs will begin at 6:30pm in the Beverly Brown Coates Auditorium.

For members of Hilltop, CANPS and LMNGBR the fee is \$5 per program, \$10 for non-members, pay at the door.



Birds Need You: Grow Native Plants Tuesday, September 26, 2017 Featuring Jane Patterson

Why is it important for you to incorporate native plants in your garden? Birds depend on them for food, shelter, and places to nest. Most landscaping plants available in nurseries are exotic species fro other countries prized for qualities that ake poor food sources for native the birds. With 96 percent of all terrestrial bird species in North America feeding insects to their young, planting insect-proof exotic plants means a scarcity of food. Jane will talk about Plants For Birds, a new online program by the National Audubon Society designed to help inform and encourage individuals to grow native plants that benefit wildlife.

Jane Patterson is a volunteer with the Baton Rouge Audubon Society. Her programs about birds engage both young and adult audiences.



Common Garden Visitors: Native Bee Pollinators

Tuesday, October 24, 2017, 6:30p Featuring Christina Mogren, PhD

Did you know Louisiana has over 200 native bee species! While some are distinguished by yellow, orange or red stripes, others range in color from all black to metallic blues and greens. Some species of bees specialize on one type of flower, like the Southeastern blueberry bee, while others are generalists and can feed on many types of flowers. You will learn that a variety of floral shapes, sizes and colors are needed to attract the greatest diversity to your garden. The ajority of native bees only travel a few hundred feet from their nests. Providing for nesting is therefore essential to ensuring native bees come back to your garden year after year. Chrissy will teach you how to build a "Bee Hotel" for your garden so you can do your part for urban pollinator conservation.

Christina Mogren, PhD. Is a Post-Doctoral Researcher with the Entomology Department at the LSU Ag-Center. Christina's research includes evaluating the risks associated with in-hive and environmental pesticides, pollinator nutrition, and urban pollinator conservation among other areas of interest.





"Alligator mississippiensis the Greatest Species Preservation Story Since Noah's Ark"

Tuesday, January 23, 2018, 6:30p Featuring John Currier

Please join us for this presentation about the history of the America Alligator. It will include a description of the alligator life cycle and the sustainable scientific management progra that was developed in Louisiana and is considered a model for the rest of the world.

John Currier is a retired public school teacher and principal. He has harvested alligators commercially for 35 years and licensed by Louisiana as a nuisan e hunter for about 30 years. He recently captured a baby alligator that had taken up residence in the Hilltop pond and released the juvenile in safe waters in West Baton Rouge Parish.



Discover Delta Country

Meandering Along the Mississippi and Ouachita Rivers

November 1 – 2, Depart 7:00 am | Return 6:00 pm

All-inclusive trip pricing! Double Occupancy: Members \$285 & Non-Members \$320 Single Occupancy: Members \$360 & Non-Members \$395 Non-member rates include annual membership!

In the Delta, King Cotton sprouted from the fertile farmland that still dominate the region, as did



the hard-luck chants of the field workers that evolved into America's original music form: The Blues. On day one, we will head north on Highway 61! After crossing the mighty "Mississip" at Natchez. Our first stop will be west of Ferriday, Louisiana, at Frogmore Plantation, where the historical cotton, plantation culture and music story is told by the "Delta Singers". By the 19th century, cotton was the Delta's premier crop, for which there was high international demand. A trip to Delta Country would not be complete without an understanding of the contributions of cotton and its labor force to the 19th Century regional economy and 21st century cotton production with computerized 900 bales-per-day cotton gins.

After a quick bite to eat at Frogmore, we will set our compass north to Monroe, Louisiana, the home of Biedenharn Museum and Gardens. The Biedenharn Museum, Joseph Biedenharn's former 1914 home, gives visitors a look at one of the most interesting Coca Cola Museums around, with rooms full of memorabilia, including the first Coca-Cola delivery truck, which delivered Biedenharn bottles, filled with Coke in the 1890's. Head Gardener Frances Hutson will lead a tour of Elsong Gardens and Conservatory, named after Biedenharn's daughter Emy-Lou. Hilltop friend and supporter Neil Odenwald served as a



consultant for the garden. Recommended by the Friends of Hilltop Arboretum "El Presidente" Chris Werner, a highlight of the tour will include an "Old Fashion Coke Float" while we sit back and enjoy a presentation by Frances Hutson who will show us how to create a container garden



with "Thrillers, Spillers and Fillers". Before we lay our heads to rest at the Home2 Suites by Hilton for the evening, off we go to downtown Monroe to the banks of the Ouachita River for dinner with entrée and dessert at Warehouse Restaurant #1, a local favorite in a unique building that was once a cotton warehouse.

On day two, "wake up sleepy head and get up out of that bed!" After breakfast we head east to **Poverty Point** to catch up with their very best (Continued on page 10)



Backyard Bird Gardener Camp



Thanksgiving Break

November 20-21, 9am-1pm, 7-10 Year Olds For 2 Days: \$50 Members ~ \$85 Non-Membe s (Includes One-Yea Membe ship)

A BACKYARD BIRD GARDEN is a place where our feathered friends can find food, water, cover, and a place to raise their young. A young gardener will learn that the right native plants, arranged to mimic nature, will provide birds all the food they need to be happy in your backyard or in a patio garden. Instead of just visiting

your garden to snack, birds will call it home!

Each child will receive a "*Bird Garden To Go*" kit that will include plants to attract hummingbirds and other birds, seeds, birdfeeders for different types of birds, a birdbath, and a variety of snacks to hang in the garden as cold-season snacks. A great benefit of creating a bird-friendly garden is enjoying your garden while watching a bluebird dropping in for a worm in a freshly dug patch, a warbler snapping at insects, or a hummingbird probing nectar-rich flowers while robins sing in the trees.

Nutritional snacks will be provided throughout the day. Parents will provide a brown bag lunch and drink. Online registration (www.lsu.edu/hilltop) or call 225-767-6926 or email hilltop@lsu. edu.

Entertaining at Hilltop

We are so excited you are considering the LSU Hilltop Arboretum for a s all gathering, corporate event, family party or wedding! Our award-winning facility designed by Lake | Flato Architects of San Antonio, Texas include beautiful views of nature and a pond with an elevated wooden boardwalk surrounded by Louisiana aquatic plantings.

The Imo Brown Complex includes:

- Cherry Owens Library a small meeting room
- Margaret Holmes Brown Pavilion a covered openair space
- Beverly Brown Coates Auditoriu a climatecontrolled, multi-purpose space
- Bert Turner Courtyard a gathering space, connecting the pavilion to the auditoriu

We invite you to review the Facility Rental Infor ation, Policies and Registration Form and the Facility Layout Plan online at www.lsu.edu/hilltop to determine if Hilltop is a venue you would like to consider for your special



event. Our Event Coordinator, A y Hughes can answer any questions you ay have about Hilltop's facility and can assist you with planning your event and completing your registration forms. To schedule an appoint ent with us call 225-767-6916 or e ail hilltop@lsu.edu



It's Holly Time!

Native evergreen and deciduous hollies provide necessary food and cover to wildlife, including numerous songbirds. Their foliage serves as food for the caterpillars of the Henry's Elfin butterfly (1), and we should not forget that

caterpillars are an essential food source for baby birds. Even without winter foliage, the Possumhaw *Ilex decidua* puts on a spectacular winter display of red fruit. Possumhaw is not picky about soil as long as it is moist.



If you want a very slow-growing, but eventually large, evergreen tree, the American Holly (2) *Ilex opaca* is an excellent candidate, unless you



plan on going barefoot under its canopy, because it does have little spines on the leaves. For a narrower form, faster growth, and gentler leaves, the Dahoon Holly *Ilex cassine* is an excellent choice. For a finer texture, and something that can be pruned to shrub form or grown as a small tree, the Yaupon Holly (3) *Ilex vomitoria* is excellent. For a wet or consistently moist area, the



Inkberry Ilex glabra, with black fruit, is perfect.

Remember that all hollies have male and female flowers on separate plants, so you will need to have a female in order to have the showy fruit. It is possible you may also need a male, depending on whether there are any males already in your area.

The Capital Area Native Plant Society works in the Greater Baton Rouge Area to provide a vari-



ety of opportunities for people to learn about the value and beauty of native plants in landscaping and in natural habitats. Please visit our web site at canps.weebly.com.

Article by Helen Peebles, CANPS

New Children's Bookshelf

Provides good reading for kids visiting the Arboretum

Help us establish a small library of children's books about trees, nature, plants, animals, bugs, gardening, ponds and woods, and all things Hilltop! The books will stay on a designated Children's Bookshelf in the Hilltop library and will be available to the public for reading.

A specially designed bookplate will identify each book as belonging to the Hilltop Children's Bookshelf, in memory of Paula Dille uth. Paula was Hilltop's Ad inistrative Assistant and started the Hilltop Summer Academy.

Hilltop friend Randy Harelson is putting together a booklist with suggestions by longtime kindergarten teacher Margo Eglin and LSU children's literature instructor Ann Trousdale. Those who would like to participate will purchase a book and give it to Hilltop. For ore infor ation, write Hilltop at hilltop@lsu.edu or call 225-767-6916.





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Discover Delta Country

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ranger who will lead our tour. Poverty Point became a World Heritage Site in 2014. Built by American Indians 3,400 years ago, Poverty Point was part of an enormous trading network that stretched for hundreds of miles across the continent. Its design, with multiple mounds and Cshaped ridges, is not found anywhere else. In its time, it had the largest earthworks in the Western Hemisphere. Many people lived, worked, and held special events at this huge site. This has led some to call it North America's first city. Now it is ti e for lunch! Off we go back across the "Mississip" at Vicksburg, where we will turn south on Highway 61 for lunch at the Old Country Store in Lorimar co plete with a vast array of knick-knacks. Arthur Davis is the chief cook, anager, hand shaker, singer and storvteller at the famous restaurant touted for some of the best food around, including his signature dish fried chicken. Filled up on tasty food, our bus driver will take us to Windsor Ruins, 15 minutes away. The designated Mississippi landmark is the ruins of what was once the largest antebellum house ever built in the state. Windsor Mansion was ho e to Smith Coffee Daniel II, a wealthy plantation owner, his wife and children. What reains todav is colu ns. The assive structures can seem evocative and a little mysterious, but that's what attracts people.

On the return trip to Baton Rouge, you can sit back and watch the sunset in Delta Country as we enjoy a wine and cheese party prepared for us by none other than Hilltop board member Teri Rome. A Speial thanks to Linda Babin for lending a helping hand in planning the trip. Linda grew up in Oak Grove in West Carroll Parish, went to college in Monroe and now serves on the Friends of Hilltop Arboretum Board of Directors.

What Our Friends Are Doing

EBR Ma ter Gardeners Learn More: www.ebrmg.com

LIBRARY SERIES Oct 19, 6:30-8:30pm Topics: Citrus and Blueberries and Bug Off: Keep Tho e Garden Pe ts Under Control

<u>Burden Horticulture Society</u> Learn More: www.burdenhorticulturesociety.com

REFLECTIONS IN THE GARDEN SERIES Oct 2, 12noon – 1pm Fruit Tree for the Home Gardener Featuring Dr. Charlie Johnson Burden Conference Center

<u>Herb Society of Baton Rouge</u> Learn More: www.hsabr.org

Sept 28, 6:30pm **Making Herbal Salt** Featuring Linda Grider Burden Conference Center

<u>Capital Area Native Plant Society</u> Learn More: www.canps.weebly.com

> Sept 30 Mississippi Crane Wildlife Refuge Field Trip

<u>Baton Rouge Green</u> Learn More: www.batonrougegreen.com

Nov 18, 7-10pm GREENUP Red Stick Main Library @ Goodwood

Loui iana Master Naturalist of GBR Learn More: www.lmngbr.org

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HILLTOP CALENDAR

 \sim Whats yet to come in 2017 and a peak at next year \sim

SEPTEMBER

Sun, Sept 24, 1-4pm **PLANTFEST TEASER** Featuring Lee Rouse

Tues, Sept 26, 6:30p Birds Need You: Grow Native Plants Featuring Jane Patterson

OCTOBER

Sat, Oct 7 – Sun, Oct 8 PLANTFEST!

Tues, Oct 24, 6:30p Common Garden Visitors: Native Bee Pollinators Featuring Christine Mogren, PhD

NOVEMBER

Wed, Nov 1 – Thurs, Nov 2 Discover Delta Country Fall Garden Trip

Sun, Nov 12, 6-9pm Illuminated Garden Nightscapes Evening Fall Garden Tour

Mon, Nov 20 – Tues, Nov 21 Backyard Bird Gardener Camp 9a – 1p

DECEMBER

Sat, Dec 2, 9am – 2pm Year End Plant Sale

Tues, Dec 5, 12noon Annual Meeting

JANUARY 2018

Tues, Jan 23, 6:30p **"Alligator mississippiensis the Greatest Species Preservation Story Since Noah's Ark"** Featuring John Currier





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