



# 10am: molly harris

#### CREATE YOUR OWN BUTTERFLY GARDEN

Offers a brief history of the Butterfly Garden at our Demonstration Idea Garden (DIG) and cites the specific plants that make it a successful pollinator garden. Photos with descriptions of these plants gives homeowners good ideas for planning their own pollinator gardens.

Molly became a Master Gardener in 2009 and was certified as a Master Naturalist (2008–14). Her property in College Station is certified by the National Wildlife Federation, the Texas Department of Parks & Wildlife, and the Project Monarch Watch.

# 11AM: MICHAEL VIDRINE

#### YEAR-ROUND VEGETABLE GARDENING

Advice on how to vegetable garden for production throughout the year.

Michael comes from a family of lifelong gardeners and became a Master Gardener in 2004. He moved to Brazos County in 2011 and raises vegetables, fruits, nuts and bees while doting on his grandchildren who live nearby.

#### 1PM: FRED RAPCZYK RAISED BED GARDENING

Explores the need for raised beds in the home garden and reveals the methods and tips for building them.

Fred is a retired Firefighter/Paramedic. After retiring in 2013 he took a more active role in gardening, becoming a Master Gardener in 2014. He enjoys gardening and sharing his experiences that he has learned with others.



Visit the intersection of mental health and horticulture and discover the many ways that time in the garden helps to cultivate a healthy body and mind.

Katie has been a certified Master Gardener since 2016 and uses her experience as both an educator and victim's advocate to share the healing power of plants in both natural and clinical settings.

### **3PM: SKIP RICHTER** SUCCESS WITH FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES IN CONTAINERS

Learn the benefits of container gardening and tips for bountiful success while avoiding the common pitfalls along the way.

Skip Richter is the County Extension Agent in Horticulture for Brazos County. He writes a weekly gardening column for The Eagle and hosts the Gardening Success radio show on KAMU. He is a contributing editor to Texas Gardener magazine and the author of Texas Month-by-Month Gardening.

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SEMINARS AND SPEAKERS



## **1PM: HEGE KALAOUZE** HOME COMPOSTING FOR THE BEGINNER

This seminar offers a practical approach for beginners and the many options available for composting at home.

Hege, after many years of home gardening and home composting with varying degrees of success, was eager to learn more about gardening. She completed the Master Gardener program in 2016, became a member of the composting team and speaks on the importance of composting.

### 2PM: SAM FEAGLEY MANAGING OUR SOIL, NUTRIENTS, AND IRRIGATION WATER

Demonstrates how to manage our water for lawn and garden irrigation and management of soil nutrients.

Sam is a Texas native with a PhD in soil chemistry who taught and carried on research in the Agronomy Department at LSU (16 years) and the Soil and Crop Sciences Department at TAMU (24 years). After retiring in 2017 he became a credentialed Master Gardener in 2018 and speaks on many subjects in his field.