Spring Garden Tour ~ Flora after the Freeze

_Garden spaces in River Bend, University Lakes, and Hundred Oaks_

It is certain after our winter deep freeze almost all gardens in the Baton Rouge area have been affected. What was not certain was the fate of the 2014 Hilltop Spring Garden Tours. Several brave and dedicated gardeners stepped up to the plate so that we can offer you one spring tour on Sunday, May 18, 2014.

As you can imagine it has taken a leap of faith for our garden hosts to remain on the tour. We hope you will save the date and come out in support of these passionate gardeners who are working so hard to prepare their gardens for viewing this year. The tour will feature eclectic gardens in the River Bend, University Lakes, and Hundred Oaks areas including a backyard fern oasis with outdoor art, a woodland garden with a meandering rock lined stream and a camellia collection, a whimsical garden with lots of surprises that will lift your spirits, an extraordinary landscape designer's

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Every Tree Tells a Story Signboard Exhibition

Through a program called Landslide, The Cultural Landscape Foundation (TCLF) draws immediate and lasting attention to threatened landscapes and unique features. Landslide both highlights and monitors at-risk landscapes and annual thematic listings to save this heritage for future generations. In conjunction with the 2010 Landslide selections: "Every Tree Tells a Story," Hilltop is hosting the outdoor signboard exhibit in the "Cathedral" area of the Arboretum through April, 30, 2014.

The exhibit highlights the history, threat, and ways to become involved with 12 trees and tree collections across the country and in Puerto Rico. These horticultural specimens, many under threat, range from a two-century old tulip poplar in Washington D. C., threatened tree canopy created by over 6,000 Frederick Law Olmsted era heritage trees in Louisville, Kentucky, to the hundreds of pine trees in wooded Weymouth Heights Subdivision in North Carolina with carvings known as "boxes" made by former slaves. They stand as living reminders of our country's past and have the potential to witness future generations. Visit www.lsu.edu/hilltop for additional information about the 12 trees and tree collections on display.

The exhibition has been made possible by generous support from Presenting Sponsor, The Davey Tree Expert Company, and with additional support from Garden Design, American Photo, American Forests, Joseph & Sylvia Slifka Foundation and Susan Turner & Scott Purdin.
Greetings! I would like to start by thanking John Murrill for his very successful tenure as our board president. It will be a daunting task to follow him! During his four years of service, John was instrumental in bringing the Imogene Newsom Brown Education Facility, Beverly Brown Coates Auditorium, Bert Turner Courtyard and Eve Perry Watson Cistern to completion. These additions have already become very important parts of the Hilltop Arboretum legacy. Dr. Neil Odenwald and Van Cox have completed a very successful garden design course utilizing the new education facility!

As the new president, I have felt the need to better understand Hilltop. I have reviewed the history, mission and vision as we think about the future of Hilltop. I started with reading Emory Smith’s book “Hilltop My Story” with illustrations of native plants by June Gonce. Emory and I both grew up in the Midwest alongside the Rock Island Railroad! It is remarkable that he had the vision to preserve the site he purchased in 1929. He donated Hilltop to LSU in 1981 to allow the site to be an outdoor workshop for all to understand our native plants and landscape design.

We held a board retreat in February to update all on the current status of Hilltop and to look toward future development. It has been helpful to visit with those who knew Emory. Many of his friends have shared their stories and insights with me. One in particular was Julia Hawkins who collected plants with Emory, proofread his book, and helped her husband, Dr. Murray Hawkins, when he served as our first Friends president. Julia celebrated her 98th birthday at the new education facility in February! Nanjing Cypress trees were donated to Hilltop by Dave Morgan, and were planted in Dr. Hawkins memory on site. We will be working with landscape architects Reed Hilderbrand to map out the next phase of development of the site over the next four months.

We all should spend more time exploring the site. The native spring ephemerals are beautiful this spring. Paul Orr notes the site changes almost daily this time of year. What we learn here makes us better shepherds of our environment. A winter like this past one emphasizes the importance of our native plants.

Our spring garden tour will be held on Sunday, May 18th from 1-5pm. I would like to thank Carol and Pete Newton, Dr. Joel Podolsky, Denise Van Schoyck and Terry Tuminello, Patrice and Richard Ellis, and Mary Johnson for sharing their gardens with us after the difficult winter. You should not miss their fantastic and varied gardens.

I would also like to thank our retiring board members. Sidney Coffee served on the Garden Tour Committee, and shared her garden with us on a tour. Dyke Nelson served as a member of the Building Committee, and was instrumental in shepherding the construction of the new building along. Mary Tharp served as a member of the Garden Tour Committee, Junior Master Gardener Committee as well as teaching at countless camps over the years, and board Secretary for 2013. Mary will continue to participate in the Garden Tour and Junior Master Gardener Committees. Randy Harelson was the Symposium Committee Chairman, served on both the PlantFest and Site Committees, organized a garden trip to New Roads, and even participated as a teacher in the Hilltop Summer Academy.

We welcome our newest board member Chris Werner. Chris has recently retired. He was a member of the board at an earlier time, and a garden tour host many times. Chris and his wife Sharon sponsored numerous dinners for our symposium speakers.

Please remember to share your knowledge of Hilltop with your friends and neighbors. There is so much that can be learned here. See you at Hilltop!

Terry Rehn
On Thursday, October 17, 2013 the LSU Hilltop Arboretum held a ribbon cutting and open house celebration for the $1.42 million expansion project recently completed by Lincoln Builders of Baton Rouge.

The Imogene Newsom Brown Education Facility will be the first LSU building to be registered with the U. S. Green Building Council for possible Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design [LEED] certification. It will play host to educational and fundraising events and will be the final piece of a 1999 building plan that includes the existing administrative building, library and open-air pavilion designed by award-winning Lake Flato Architects of San Antonio, Texas.

The Bert Turner Courtyard designed by Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects of New York will anchor the education facility including the Beverly Brown Coates Auditorium to the existing open-air pavilion. The courtyard will provide an important demonstration for best-practices for developing outdoor living space that extends the indoor space into the landscape, and works in concert with natural systems to utilize water and plant resources in a sustainable way. The 2,050 square foot auditorium with a warming kitchen, more than doubles the existing capacity for activities.

The Friends of the LSU Hilltop Arboretum raised all funds for the expansion project through private donations. We are so grateful to over 200 donors that made this project possible.

The ribbon cutting and open house commenced after a brief program at 6pm that featured remarks by John Murrill (President, Friends of Hilltop Arboretum), Ted Flato (Principal, Lake Flato Architects), Stuart Bell Ph.D. (Executive Vice chancellor and Provost, LSU), Alkis Tsolakis (Dean, LSU College of Art and Design), Bradley Cantrell (Director, LSU Robert Reich School of Landscape Architecture), and Peggy Davis Coates (Director, LSU Hilltop Arboretum).

**Entertaining at Hilltop**

We are so excited you are considering the LSU Hilltop Arboretum for a small 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 complex includes:

- Cherry Owen Library — a small meeting room
- Margaret Holmes Brown Pavilion — a covered open-air space
- Beverly Brown Coates Auditorium — a climate-controlled, multi-purpose space
- Bert Turner Courtyard — a gathering space, connecting the pavilion to the auditorium

We invite you to review the Facility Rental Information, 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, Paula Dillemuth can answer any questions you may have about Hilltop's facility and can assist you with planning your event and completing your registration forms. To schedule an appointment with us call 225-767-6916 or email hilltop@tigers.lsu.edu
Youth Camps: Register for Spring and Summer ~ Space Limited!

JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER
We say bloom where you are planted and happy gardening!

JMG Easter Camp
April 24 – 25, 9am-1pm
7-10 year olds
For 2 Days:
$50 Members
$85 Non-Members
(Include Annual Membership)

JMG Summer Camp
June 16 – 20, 9am – 1pm
7-10 year olds
For 5 Days:
$125 Members
$160 Non-Members
(Include Annual Membership)

It’s not too early to let us know you would like to send your child to the Junior Master Gardener Summer Camp. Join us and you’ll have fun learning about how to design a garden and what’s bugging you and your plants by exploring the world of insects and plants and diseases. And finally you’ll learn more about you, your friends and your community, and discover how to make plans for your future. Children who participate will be eligible for Junior Master Gardener Chapter Pins: Chapter 2 (Water Drop), Chapter 5 (Flower) and Chapter 8 (Compass).

SUMMER SPROUTS
June 2 – 13
9am – 1pm, 4-7 year olds
Cost: $225 Members
$260 Non-Members
(Include Annual Membership)

During the first two weeks in June, there will be more than just bees buzzing at Hilltop! The trails and pavilion area will be abuzz with activity from the HILLTOP SUMMER SPROUTS campers. This hands-on nature adventure takes advantage of the beautiful 14 acre site of Hilltop Arboretum. Activities include nature hikes, arts and crafts, story time, and seed planting. The children learn about plant and pond life, as well as animals, insects and other creatures in nature. Last year’s campers had a wonderful experience as they explored the Hilltop trails, planted seeds, and even received messages from the fairies in the Fairy Tree. The two week hands-on experience culminated in a family day picnic event on the last day of camp.

Healthy snacks will be provided throughout the day in the spring and summer camps. Parents will provide a brown bag lunch and drink. Thank You to our Community Partners that make this program possible the Junior League of Baton Rouge and the East Baton Rouge Parish Master Gardeners!

This year we welcome back camp director Cindy Lou Who Peterson and her assistant camp counselor Cassandra (Miss C) Fullmer. We’ll also have junior camp helpers as well. Hilltop Summer Sprouts camp is designed for children ages 4 – 7 years old and runs from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Monday June 2nd through Friday June 13th. We’re also very excited because this year we’ll be able to utilize Hilltop’s new Educational Building. Don’t miss the chance for your kids or grand kids to experience Hilltop.

A TYPICAL DAY INCLUDES:
• 9:00 Arrival and activity choices
• 10:15 Snack time (provided)
• 10:30 Group activities with camp counselors: Nature walks, field games, arts and crafts, music and movement.
• 12:00 Lunch
• 12:30 Story time, organized games and free play
• 1:00 Departure

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Additional information and registration for all camps are available online at our NEW website www.lsu.edu/hilltop or call 225-767-6916 or email hilltop@tigers.lsu.edu
HILLTOP IN BLOOM
WINE DINNER

Matherne's Supermarket (Highland Road) is pleased to announce our next "joint epicurean event" with Friends of Hilltop Arboretum! You'll enjoy a great selection of white & red wines, carefully paired with a 5 course dinner prepared especially by Chef Regan Hounshell. Chef has leaned heavily on fresh vegetables to entice you!

Thursday, May 1 ~ 6:30-9pm
$65 Per Person

Matherne's Supermarket
Wine Dinner Room
7255 Highland Road

RECEPTION
Belgian Endive with Fresh Crab Salad
Ruffino Borgo Conventi Pinot Grigio

DINNER
Creamy "Brown Spice" Apple Bisque
Clos du Bois Reserve Chardonnay

Wild Arugula & Bacon Salad with Toasted Pecans, Dried Cranberries & Chevre
Mark West Santa Lucia Pinot Noir
Simi Pinot Noir

Choice Angus Boneless Short Ribs with Roasted Garlic
Mashed Potatoes ~ Sautéed Flowering Kale
Hayman & Hill Meritage
Wild Horse Cabernet Sauvignon

DESSERT
Kathy’s "Candy-Stuffed" Chocolate Cupcakes
Clos du Bois Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

Proceeds will be used to fund a summer internship for a worthy student.

Seating Limited!
Register at hilltop@tigers.lsu.edu
or call 225-767-6916.

Margaret Stones’ Flora of Louisiana:
In Bloom at LSU’s Museum of Art and the Hilltop Arboretum

LSU’s Museum of Art and the Hilltop Arboretum present a series of collaborative tours highlighting the watercolor drawings of South Louisiana’s native flora, which inspired celebrated Australian botanical artist Margaret Stones. This program kicks off on Sunday, April 13 from 3pm to 5pm and continues in June and July. Join locally celebrated horticultural expert Neil Odenwald and botanist Lowell Urbatsch for a series of tours which begin with an investigation of Stone’s watercolors on view at the LSU Museum of Art followed by a walking tour on the grounds of the LSU Hilltop Arboretum to experience the plants in nature Stones meticulously rendered in her botanical paintings.

Neil Odenwald was a professor of landscape architecture at LSU and, after Doc Reich’s retirement, director of the department. Dr. Odenwald is a fellow of the American Society of Landscape Architecture and a co-author of many books, including Southern Plants for Landscape Design, The Bountiful Flower Garden: Growing and Sharing Cut Flowers in the South, and Live Oak Splendor: Gardens Along the Mississippi, from Natchez to New Orleans.

Dr. Lowell Urbatsch has been Professor of Botany and Director of the LSU Herbarium since 1975. Dr. Urbatsch was the consulting botanist for Margaret Stones’ Native Flora of Louisiana project. He identified native species and the location of their natural habitat throughout the state. He was responsible for confirming the identifications of species of plant cuttings supplied by the many different collectors who became participants in the statewide project. He also made certain the taxonomical nomenclature was accurate and up-to-date.

The Program continues on Sunday June 15th and July 20th at 3pm at the LSU Museum of Art followed by visit to the LSU Hilltop Arboretum for a tour of 17 plants collected by Hilltop’s donor Emory Smith, and painted by Margaret Stones. Space is limited. Tickets ($10) for the exhibit and walking tour are available at the LSU Museum Shop or by calling 225 389-7210. Participants are responsible for travel to the LSU Hilltop Arboretum located on historic Highland Road between Bluebonnet and Siegen Lane. Watercolor prints of the Bigleaf Magnolia (Magnolia macrophylla) painted by Stones, and one of Emory Smith’s favorite Hilltop plants, will be available for sale at the Hilltop Gift Shop after the walking tour for ($35).
**Louisiana Bartram Trail Project**

*LSU's Hilltop Arboretum* is leading a regional partnership to mark Bartram's Trail of Discovery in Louisiana. Partners and locations have been identified for four historical markers and three other potential sites are under consideration. Hilltop is working closely with the Bartram Trail Organization to assure appropriate locations are selected for the markers. The four sites currently identified include Hilltop Arboretum, Burden Museum and Gardens, downtown Baton Rouge and Pointe Coupee Parish.

Hilltop's 2014 annual symposium "Magnolias, Azaleas, Southern Native Plants: Bartram's Trail of Discovery" focused on the work of the Bartram's, both in the States and in England, was the incentive for this project to mark William's trail in Louisiana and to celebrate pockets of the natural vegetation he may have seen.

Burden Museum and Gardens, also open to the public, is part of the Manchac drainage area. The land came into the Burden family in the mid 1800's and Windrush Plantation remained with the family until the land was donated to LSU. The complex contains the Rural Life Museum focused on early life styles, research gardens and includes several natural areas, including the "Windrush Natural Area" registered with the Louisiana Natural Area Registry Program through the Louisiana Chapter of The Nature Conservancy. According to its registry, this area contains one of the best examples of "old growth" bottomland hardwood forest in Louisiana.

Downtown Baton Rouge is the location of old "New Richmond" identified in Bartram's Travels. The Beauregard Town Civic Association, which represents one of two residential areas in downtown Baton Rouge listed on the National Register of Historic Places, has stepped up to partner with Baton Rouge's Downtown Development District to sponsor a third historical marker. This marker will be located at the South Boulevard Trailhead being developed for a levee top trail open to walkers, runners and cyclists. The trail, part of which is already constructed, will soon be 15 miles in length, stretching along the Mississippi River from downtown Baton Rouge to Bayou Manchac.

The Pointe Coupee Historical Society has taken on the task of sponsoring the fourth marker and is in the process of identifying and selecting an appropriate location in Pointe Coupee Parish. This marker will celebrate the conclusion of Bartram's trip to the west and the hospitality extended to him by the people of this community. Pointe Coupee Parish, home to some of the earliest settlers of Louisiana, has long been recognized for the key role it has played in Louisiana's history, culture and economy.

*Mark your calendar and attend a talk by Randy Harelson about the Bartram Trail Project at the Foundation for Historical Louisiana on June 12th at 6:00pm. Visit our website www.lsu.edu/hilltop for more details about the presentation. Thank you to the Bartram Trail Committee (Randy Harelson, Michele Deshotel, Peggy Coates and Pam Sulzer) for moving the project along.*
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garden, and a lush urban garden of varied textures and color.

You will not want to miss this tour and you will come away from it with a renewed interest in the power of nature to restore balance in a garden! Hilltop's Hodge Podge Nursery will be open for business the day of the tour, 1-5pm. A spring garden tour ticket is $20. Tickets are available at each garden the day of the tour, online www.lsu.edu/hilltop, and at LSU's Hilltop Arboretum (225) 767-6916 or email hilltop@tigers.lsu.edu.

Garden Descriptions

Patrice and Richard Ellis
1402 Kenmore Avenue 70808

A gated front entry opens to a gravel path that winds through evergreen landscaping shaded by live oaks. An antique bench and chairs provide a place to rest and enjoy the lush greenery. The path leads through an iron gate that opens to reveal an outdoor living area. Perennials, annuals and tropical foliage define the walkways that wander past a sugar kettle, fish pond, gazebo and a garconniere. The covered porch spans the back of the home and includes both sitting and dining areas as well as a swing and a fireplace. A collection of bird feeders, concrete sculpture and wrought iron are nested within the view from the porch. A red tuteur, or trainer, is the focal point in the enclosed perennial and herb garden located at the side of the home.

Mary Johnson
3155 Hundred Oaks 70808

Except for a small flower garden in an area close to the road which gets sun, my garden is predominately shade and semi-shade. As a result most of my remaining plants are adapted to these conditions. This includes shade tolerant natives, ferns, hostas and ligularia, and although this indicates few flowers it is an area rich in textures. Aside from my plant materials I like to subtly insert garden art.

Denise Van Schoyck & Terry Tuminello
6236 Riverbend 70820

Riverbend subdivision is so close to LSU that residents can hear the chimes from the campanile as well as the action at Tiger Stadium during football season. But even in the shadow of the state's flagship university, there are many dedicated gardeners who have created their own oasis of serenity. The Van Schoyck - Tuminello residence features numerous, mature hardwood trees plus a gentle slope that provides a shady backyard retreat.

Situated on almost an acre, the lot posed a number of challenges compounded by the hurricanes which periodically altered the best of plans. A grove of mature camellias, some over 30 years old, cluster under deciduous trees providing color in the cold months and verdant cool in the heat of summer. A waterfall and stream reminiscent of a favorite autumnal getaway was recreated to emphasize the slope of the land. Plant selection has been eclectic with heavy emphasis on native and naturalized species punctuated by exotics.

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And for those who chose to wander down the flagstone paths, there are places to sit and contemplate as well as a surprise for vegetable garden and fruit orchard enthusiasts’ beyond the garden gate.

Carol and Pete Newton
1587 Richland Avenue 70808

Carol and Pete bought their home on Richland Avenue in December of 1992. They had always enjoyed the Hundred Oaks area and had been actively looking in the area for some time.

What they purchased was a much older, mostly frame home with jalousie windows and no insulation that actually sits on two half lots. Carol and Pete painted the house and cleaned up the landscape over the next three years. In the fall of 1995 they began renovations drawn by architect Don Zerinque. After the major renovations were complete, it was time to revisit the landscape. Pete drew a schematic plan that still guides their efforts today.

The garden is, in many ways, a garden of two lots combined. Large existing Sweet Gum trees give a wooded feel to much of the backyard providing shade for a mixed bag of plants. The other half has evolved over the years with Sweetbay Magnolias and Tulip Magnolias working together to provide the spaces around their home and pool. Large lawn areas provide the linkage through the garden.

Yet finished, an existing back house provided a retreat for their boys when they were younger, and now anchors a vegetable garden that has rare moments of glory.

This work in progress represents a garden that is in large part “together” and one that might bring to mind “the cobbler’s children need new shoes!”

Please visit www.lsu.edu/hilltop for a description of the garden of Dr. Joel Podolsky.

What Our Friends Are Doing

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**REFLECTIONS IN THE GARDEN**
Mondays ~ noon-1pm
- May 5 ~ Use of Spices in Cooking
- June 2 ~ Weed Be Out
- July 7 ~ Small Water Features

**Garden Fest at Burden**
Sat, Jun 21

**LOUISIANA EARTH DAY**
Sun, Apr 27. noon ~ 8:30pm
Visit: www.laeartday.org

**Master Gardener Programs**
For additional information: mflauzin@cox.net

**Spring Plant Sale**
Sat, Apr 12. 8am ~ 3pm

**Southern Region**
**Master Gardener Conference**
Baton Rouge Crowne Plaza
Early Registration Open
Tues-Fri, Oct 21-24

**NEW LOOK FOR THE HILLTOP ARBORETUM WEBSITE!**

Hilltop’s new website, at same address www.lsu.edu/hilltop, was launched on March 3, 2014. The site was designed by Lori Martin, Director LSU Web & New Media Development (Office of Communications and University Relations) and her talented staff including ME Hart and Alexandra Zimmerman. This huge undertaking would not have been possible with our volunteer Deb McMillin who has been our web editor for many years. This new WordPress website can be edited from the internet which will allow for greater flexibility in updating the content.

**Clean House! Support Hilltop!**

Yes, you can! Did you know that 50% of the proceeds from the sale of items donated to Here Today Gone Tomorrow can be directed to Friends of Hilltop?

All you have to do is bring your re-sale items to Here Today Gone Tomorrow at 10240 Burbank Drive and mention that you would like the proceeds to be directed to Hilltop at account number 640. When your donated items are sold, Hilltop will receive half the proceeds!
HILLTOP Thanks One & All!
August 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014

Annual Appeal
John Amato, Beverly and Dudley Coates, Charles Coates, Laura Courrier, Peggy Duerr, John Turner and Jerry Fischer, Mildred Fry, Melanie Hirschfeld, Preston Huey Jr. Katherine Inzer, Katherine Jacobs, Kay and Trent James, Loice Lacy, Deb and Ken McMillin, David Morgan, Paul and Nancy Murrill, Josephine Nixon, Samra Palliyath, Teresa Rouge, Patricia Day and Joe Simmons, Betsy and Neil Thomas, Janice and Cornell Tramontana, Sue Turner, Margaret Vick

New and Renewing Members
Cypress $500-$999
Barbary and Roly Beaudin, Ann and Bill Monroe, Josephine Nixon, Lynda and T. O. Perry

Magnolia $250-$499
Cherie and Rob Arkley, Susan and Richard Lipsey, Deb and Ken McMillin, Judie and Kirk Patrick, Denise and Terry Tuminello

Dogwood $100-$249
Ashley Albert, Virginia and John Amato, Margaret and David Bach, Bobbie Bankston, Sue Bartlett, Rita Bourque, Claudia and "B" Brian, Roy Coats, Vallaan Corbett, Jane and Jimmy Culpepper, Anne Dunn, Winifred Gill, Joanna Grigsby, Melanie Hirschfeld, Margaret and Tom Humble, Anne and Walter Leggett, Laura L’Herisson, Julie and Paul Orr, Allen Odenwald, Gail and Bill Pryor, Ann and Michael Ruth, Sarah Schoeffler, Mary Thrall, Melanie and Craig Vitramo MD, Sharon and Chris Werner, Judy and Frank Foll, Lorice and Geoffrey Say

Azalea $50-$99
Sissy and John Bateman, Susan and Larry Brousard, Elizabeth and John Clark, Charles Coates, Carolynn Englert, Sandra and Jim Fox, Sandy and David Franz, Kay Heinrich, Katherine King, Natalie McGall, Connie McMillin, Margaret and James Meyer, Rose Marie and Jimmie Powell, Kellie Hedin and Edward Pratwitz, Dorothy Provost, Janice and Cornell Tramontana, Charles Walker, Ann Whitmer, Becky and Ken Wilson, Manfred and Curtis Cary, June Peay

Violet $35-$49
Paul Aromens, Edith Babin, Donna Belanger, Michael Blandin, Jason Bradford, Judy Brown, Linda Bush, Helen and Bill Campbell, Alma Chassez, Laura and Ned Clark, Judy Coghlan, Patricia Cooper, Peggy Jo and Doc Cox, Louis Curet, Laura Dauenhauer, William DeGravelles, Michele Deshotel and Gill Gautreaux, Celeste and Tom Dolan, Melanie Drury, Margo Egin, Adriane Emeton, Frances Focan, Fred Fellner, Lane Foll, Kim and Bennett Ford, Mildred Fry, Susie and Julius Furr, Rusty Gaude, Lorraine Gautreau, Della Graham, Colin Groff, Maureen Hebert, Robert Hollis, Wanda Hith, Kay and Trent James, Teresa Janecic, Mary Anne Johnson, Brenda and David Kors, Sue LeHaye, Patricia Landrum, Linda Landry, Joel and Louis Lefebvre, Susan Lindig, Kathleen Long, Gail Lounibois, Shirley Lyons, Fran Martin, Sharon and Max Marx, Sharon Matese, John Mayronne, Brad McDonald, Maureen and Sean McGlynn, Sandra Mooney, Patti Mouton, Kathleen and Charles Perilloux, Gretchen Peterson, William Phillips, Keith Pittre, Jamie Poche, Mary Jo Pohlig, Jeanne Powers, Lori Radunz-Davis, Kathleen Randall, Jill Rehn, Sandy Rhodes,

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For Carol Gail: Donna Welch
For Patricia Watkins: Ellen Gilmore

For Marion Drummond: Ashley Alber, Mary Beth and Ronald Allison, Linda Askoy, H. P. Bacot, Claudia and "IP" Brian, Winifred Byrd, Staci Catron (Southern Garden History Society), Anna Beth Clerk, Beverly and Dudley Coates, Peggy and Charles Coates, Debbie and Jerry Corbo, Sandra and William Crawford, Colette and Andy Dean, Paula and Bob Dillemuth, Finlay Drummond, Laurie Drummond, EBR Master Gardeners, Dr. Eric Blank, Irene Ellis, Jon Engerson, Janet and Wayne Forbes, Diane xegebre, GHX Industrial, Randy Heselson, Virginia Hart, Jane Honeycutt, Mary Jane Howell, Maggie Ann Jenkins, Arelene and Neil Keestner, Anne and Walter Leggett, Helen Levy, Renee and Paul Major, John Mayronne, Margaret Ann Miller, Mobile County Master Gardeners, Carol and Pete Newton, Neil and Rebekah Odenwald, Laura Osborne, Allen Odenwald, Judie and Kirk Patrick, Anne Provien, Dorothy Proseel, Terry Rehn, Tina Reid, Ann Reilly, Gary Saunou, Celeste Spann, Pam and Jerry Sutler, Donna Welch, Martha and George Whipple, Wayne Womick

Corporate Memberships
Goss Wealth Management, Lincoln Builders of Baton Rouge

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Alliermarie Corporation, ExxonMobil Foundation

Donations
For Pete Newton: Judy and Frank Foll, EBR Master Gardeners
For Julia Hawkins: Laura Shucker

For New Building Grand Opening: Heirloom Cuisine
For Annual Symposium: Mathemorns Supermarket (Highland Road), Community Coffee

Here Today Gone Tomorrow, Reilly Family Foundation, Charlotte Seldenberg

Gift of a Membership
For Connie and Fritz Hollenberg, Bordelon/Lackey Families, Marilyn and Doug Whitehurst: Beverly and Dudley Coates
For Ed Miremont: Elizabeth Gibbons

Full Garden Tour Hosts
• In Lefayre: Sue Turner and Charles Henson
• In College Town: Patricia and William Cooper and Joan and Gene Covert
• In Broadmoor: Marion Drummond’s Garden shown by Beverly and Finlay Drummond
APRIL
Thurs, April 10
GARDEN TRIP TO EAST
Sun, April 13, 3-5 pm
MARGARET STONES’
FLORA OF LOUISIANA
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EVERY TREE TELLS A STORY
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Sun, July 20, 3-5 pm
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JEFFREY CARBO
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS
ALEXANDRIA + BATON ROUGE

SEPTEMBER
Sun, Sept 28, 12:30 – 4 pm
PLANTFEST TEASER!
Marion Drummond Remembered …
Featuring Laurie Drummond, Mi-
chael Hopping & Johnny Mayronne

OCTOBER
Sat, Oct 4 – Sun, Oct 5
PLANTFEST!

NOVEMBER
Mon, Nov 24 – Tues, Nov 25
JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER
Fall Camp

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Tues, Dec 2, 12noon
ANNUAL MEETING

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