

## **List of Programs/Activities Bellville Town & Country Garden Club has planned for 2019/2020**

Meetings at Sens Activity Center, Bellville 2:30 pm (unless otherwise stated – Dec & May are at 11:30 am)

### **2019**

**September 9** – "I'll Raise You One Bed." – Raised Beds and Organic Gardening

Speaker: Jeb Poston, owner of Plants N Things in Brenham on Hwy. 36. Jeb, an avid gardener, shares his love of gardening and all the experience that comes with owning a nursery. Come with plenty of questions

**October 14** - "There's a chill in the air!" Cold weather gardening/ bulbs & seeds

Speaker: T Polk/, owner of Mother Nature Landscaping. Tell us how to make your gardens bloom in the cooler weather.

**Nov 11** - The Beauty of Plants, literally... Skin Care Algae Products and their benefits

Speaker: David Ramjohn, CEO of Algeternal Technologies, will share his enthusiasm about all things green and how they are not only great for gardens but our skin and body. His local company makes skin care and plant food products, and he will explain how they work.

**December 9** – Santa's Elves Workshop with all the Trimmings, 11:30 am

Martin Farms, 1772 TX-159, Bellville

Celebrate the holidays with a Christmas catered meal and holiday demonstration. Judy's program will give us a tour of the Elves

Workshop, showing us how they make wreaths that are sold at the farm. The smell of Christmas will hang in the air! Judy will also share some great holiday decorating ideas using items from their store. This is also a Christmas tree farm so we can all get into the season.

## **2020**

### **January 13** – "You Can Grow Citrus in Your Yard."

Speaker: B. R. Koehler, a Master Gardener, Master Naturalist, and a general expert in all things floral and fauna.

In his presentation, he will cover all the reasons to do this, basics of variety selection, planting techniques, location, spacing, fertilization, summer care, winter care, watering, harvesting and propagation by bud grafting. He hopes to have some delicious 'fruits of their labor' to share with the club.

### **February 10** – It's the BEES Knees

Speaker: Ashley Jewett, a mother of three and an avid beekeeper, does emergency bee removals. Should you find bees in an unwanted location she's the one to call. Ashley will share her Bee-utiful passion and give us tips of how to make our gardens bee-friendly.

### **March 9** – Let's make stuff...HYPERTUFA

Speaker: Barbara Hemmer, resident of Brenham, presented a highly recommended program for the Herb Society and we wanted to bring her here for you too. Hypertufa is popular for making garden ornaments, pots and land forms. It's relatively light compared with terracotta or traditional concrete and can withstand harsh winters, at least down to  $-30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $-22\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$ ). \*\* if you want to participate in the demo, please come prepared to get messy!! Should be fun.

### **April** – "I'll trade you!" ... Our Annual Plant Swap

Bring a cutting or two and your expertise about what you bought to share.

**May** – Year-End Potluck and Officer Installation 11:30 am  
Martha Neva will be hosting our year-end party this year. Everyone is asked to bring a covered delight, be it a salad, casserole, or yummy desert. In addition to the installation, we'll review the year's events and share our summer plans.