 

**ADVANCED MASTER GARDENER VEGETABLE TRAINING**

**FEBRUARY 19, 20, 21**

**TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION DALLAS COUNTY**

**RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND DEMONSTRATION CENTER**

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**Agenda**

**Wednesday-February 19,2020**

**12:00 Complimentary Luncheon( Included with Registration)**

 **1:00 p.m.** **Welcome and Introductions:**

 Stephen Hudkins, CEA/Horticulture Dallas County

**1:15 p.m**. **Factors To Consider When Planning A Garden – Steve Hudkins &Jeff Raska**

Location - Site selection

Soil Type-Soil properties

Water availability

How much produce do you need- yield expectations

**1:45 p.m.** **Row Garden Soil Preparation -Jeff Raska**

Soil Test-Yes or No and Why

The lasagna approach

Mulch vs. compost

**2:15 p.m. Break**

**2:30 p.m.** **Raised Beds - Steve Hudkins**

Construction materials

Soil materials, Size, Cost

**3:00 p.m. Watering and Irrigation – Jeff Raska**

Drip Irrigation

Rain Barrels

**3:30 p.m.** **Variety Selection For Texas Gardens – Jeff Raska**

 **Utilizing The Planting Guides – Jeff Raska**

**4:00 p.m. Hands on Workshop building the Raised Bed and Drip Irrigation system**

**5:00 p.m.** **Program Ends**

**6:00 p.m**. **Dinner (Included with registration)**

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**Thursday-February 20, 2020**

**8:00 a.m.** **Assemble-Coffee**

**8:30 a.m. Starting and Sustaining a School Garden- Larry Thompson**

**9:15 a.m. Patio and Container Gardening**

**10:00 a.m. Break**

**10:15 a.m. Starting seed and transplants- Duddly Hargrove & Lisa Patterson**

Lecture and tour of the Propagation barn & greenhouse

 **11:30 a.m. Leave for Field Trip**

**12:15 p.m.** **Lunch (***Included with Registration***)**

**1:00 p.m**. **Field Trip –Paradise Missionary Baptist Church-raised bed gardens, Big Tex Farm(Texas State Fair), Hydroponic vegetable production**

**5:00 p.m**. **End of Session**

**6:00 p.m. Dinner on your own**

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**Friday-February 21,2020**

**8:00 a.m**. **Assemble and Coffee**

**8:30 Organic Production- Skip Richter**

**10:00**  **Break**

**10:15 Overview of Vegetable Crops -Skip Richter**

**11:45 a.m. Questions and Answers**

**12:00 p.m.** **Session Ends**

**INSTRUCTORS:**

Mr. Skip Richter, CEA/Horticulture, Brazos

Ms. Lisa Patterson, Dallas County Advanced Master Gardener-Vegetables

Mr. Duddly Hargrove, Dallas County Advanced Master Gardener- Vegetable Propagation

Mr. Larry Thompson, Dallas County Advanced Master Gardener – Vegetables

Mr. Steve Hudkins, CEA/Horticulture, Dallas County

Mr. Jeff Raska, Horticulture Program Assistant, Dallas County

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