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SEMINAR SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 22

11:00am Love Your Garden More —And Spend Less Doing It

Howard Garrett, The Dirt Doctor

Howard Garrett, the Dirt Doctor, shares decades of organic gardening expertise in this engaging seminar on how to enjoy gardening more while spending less. Discover smart, natural strategies that reduce costs, simplify maintenance, and create healthier gardens—all while making gardening more enjoyable and rewarding. Perfect for gardeners who want better results without wasting time or money.

12:30pm Rose Rosette: What is it?

Elizabeth Green, Ellis County Master Gardener Association

Learn how to recognize the signs of rose rosette disease by comparing affected plants with healthy rose growth. Elizabeth Green will share the latest research and recommendations from Texas A&M AgriLife, helping gardeners better understand this disease and the best practices for managing it.

2:00pm Tree Care Simplified: From Planting to Problem Solving

Howard Garrett, The Dirt Doctor

The Dirt Doctor presents practical, organic solutions for planting, maintaining, and troubleshooting common tree problems. Learn how to select the right trees, establish them successfully, provide proper long-term care, and prevent issues before they begin—helping your trees stay healthy, strong, and thriving for years to come.

3:30pm Growing Fruit in Ellis County

Maureen F. Nitkowski, Ellis County Master Gardener Association

Successful gardening begins with understanding your local growing conditions, including climate, soil, water availability, and temperature range. With these factors in mind, appropriate plants can be selected, starting with those that are most likely to thrive and succeed in your specific environment.

4:15pm Landscape Planning from the Beginning

Janet Madison, Ellis County Master Gardener Association

Learn about the importance of planning your landscape before you plant. This presentation will cover the planning process and discuss: (1) the reality of landscape maintenance, (2) how you plan to use your outdoor space, and (3) choosing the right plants for the right place.



Sunday, August 23

1:00pm Fall Planting for Spring Blooms

Marj McClung, Ellis County Master Gardener Association

Discover how to select and plant bulbs, corms, and rhizomes to create a vibrant spring garden. Learn which varieties thrive in the soil and climate of Ellis County, along with planting techniques, timing, and care practices that promote healthy growth and abundant blooms year after year.

2:00pm Texas Native Bees: Your Garden's Best Friend

Paul Thomas, Ellis County Master Gardener Association

Have you ever looked around your garden and wondered, "I've got plenty of fruit and vegetables, but I haven't seen a single honeybee." I did too, so I started digging into the question. What I discovered was surprising—not all bees are honeybees! In fact, Texas is home to hundreds of native bee species, many of which are excellent pollinators. Join us as we explore the fascinating world of Texas native bees, learn how to recognize them, and discover how they help our gardens thrive.

MAKE YOUR OWN GARRETT ORGANIC GARDENING JUICE

Mix the following in a gallon of water.

Garrett Juice (ready to spray):

1 cup compost tea or liquid humate
1 ounce molasses
1 ounce apple cider vinegar
1 ounce liquid seaweed

For Garrett Juice Plus and more fertilizer value add:

1–2 ounces of liquid fish (fish hydrolysate) per gallon of spray.

For disease and insect control add:

¼ cup garlic tea or
1/4 cup garlic/pepper tea or
1–2 ounces of orange oil

For homemade fire ant killer add:

2 ounces of orange oil per gallon of Garrett Juice

Note: To avoid burning plant foliage, the ready-to-use solution should not have more than 2 ounces of orange oil per gallon of spray



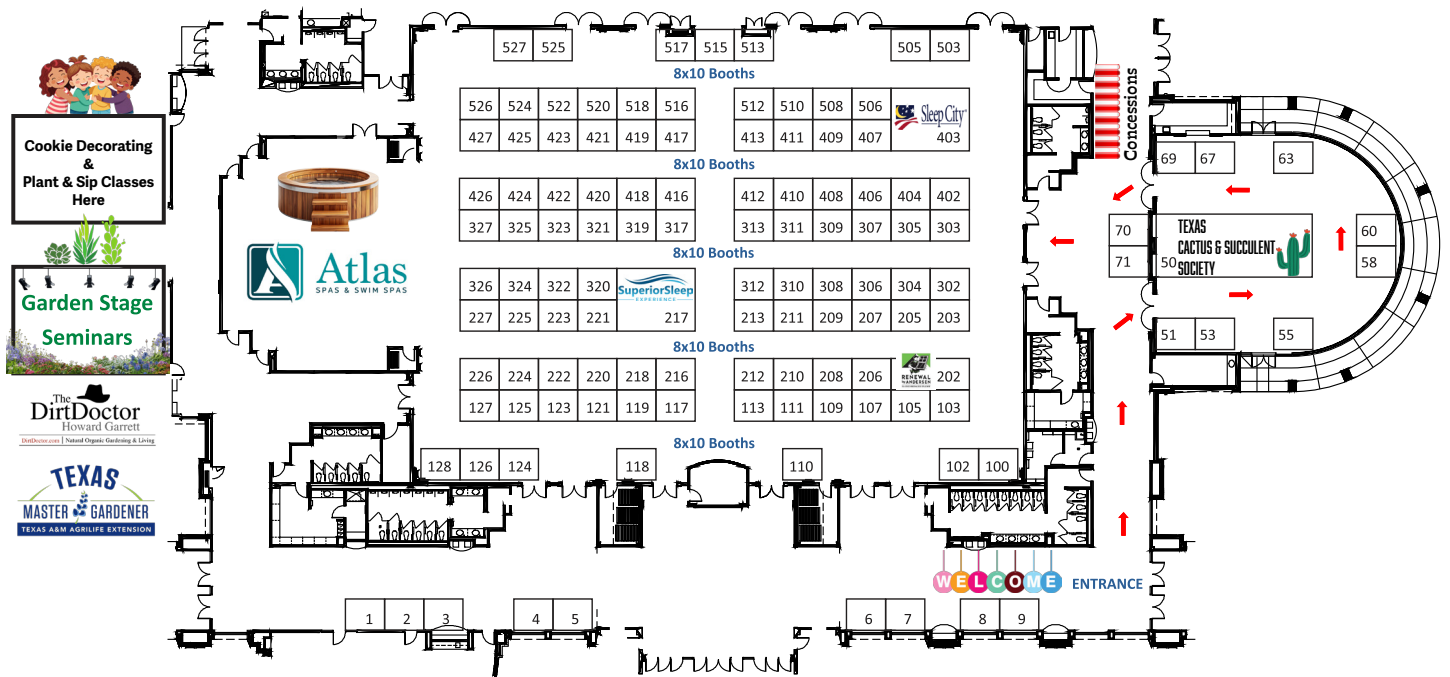
Howard Garrett, *The Dirt Doctor*

Howard Garrett is a nationally syndicated radio host, arborist, and leading authority on natural organic gardening and living. Known as the "Dirt Doctor," he has authored 15 books, chairs the Texas Organic Research Center, and has served on the Texas Department of Agriculture's Organic Advisory Board.

With a background in landscape architecture from Texas Tech University, Howard transitioned fully into organics in the late 1980s, pioneering large-scale commercial conversions—including Frito-Lay's national headquarters—and advancing research on natural planting techniques, native species, and major water-saving practices.

His consulting work spans major corporations, educational institutions, and agricultural operations, including recent projects supporting organic hemp production. Howard hosts a weekly radio show heard in over 240 markets, writes a regular column for The Dallas Morning News, and reaches millions through DirtDoctor.com.

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KIDS ZONE



FREE* Birdhouses

Kids will have a great time assembling these adorable DIY birdhouses during the Home and Garden Show—and they'll get to take them home to decorate and enjoy!



FREE* Tree of Thanks

Create a colorful Tree of Thanks and celebrate the people and things you're grateful for! Kids can decorate the blank foam leaves with messages of thanks using their own markers at home.

*While supplies last.

FREE Cookie Decorating Class

with Dazore Bradford, founder of *Cooking the Details*

(All ages welcome and only one class per person per day please.)

Dazore Bradford, founder of Cooking the Details, brings a hands-on, from-scratch approach focused on connection, practical skills, and fun. In this relaxed, creative cookie decorating class, you'll learn useful techniques while enjoying time in the kitchen—perfect for all skill levels.

SATURDAY
11:30am & 1:30pm

SUNDAY
2:00pm



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FREE Paint & Sip Class

with Gisella Kaendler

(For Ages 21+)

Join us for a fun, hands-on Terrarium Make & Take class led by Gisella Kaendler. Let your creativity bloom as you design your own botanical masterpiece to take home. This free class is perfect for friends, families, and anyone who loves plants—no experience needed! Gisella will guide participants step-by-step through the planting process, making it engaging, creative, and easy! Space is limited, so please review the available time slots and sign up in advance. No duplicate sign-ups allowed.

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SATURDAY

11:00am & 2:00pm

SUNDAY

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Build Your Own Flower Bag

with Clari's Bouquets

(\$20)

Pick your favorite bag, then choose 5 beautiful blooms + 3 fun fillers to create your own gorgeous, one-of-a-kind bouquet!

Pick it. Build it. Love it. Take it home!



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Save time with everything for your home and garden under one roof. Save money with show only discounts. Have fun with activities for the whole family and so much more!

FAMILY Fun

- Cookie decorating classes with Chef Dazore from Cooking the Details
- Hands-on Terrarium Make & Take class led by Gisella Kaendler of Plant & Sip
- FREE Kids Crafts

EXPERT Garden Advice

- Learn from Howard Garrett, *The Dirt Doctor*
- Ellis County Master Gardeners

... **AND MORE!**

SHOP the Art, Gift and Gourmet Marketplace

- Gourmet Treats
- Roasted Nuts
- Cakes
- Fudge
- Wine Tasting
- Home Fragrances

