NEW LOCATION: George H. W. Bush Presidential Library, 
theater in the Rotunda (free parking) 
College Station, TX.

The George W. Bush Presidential Library at Texas A & M University will be the site of Landscape Design School IV, February 17-18, 2014. The Schools are sponsored by Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. & The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Mrs. Diane Perez of Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. and Dr. William C. Welch, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service announce the latest in the series which is offered in four separate schools, approximately six months apart, each with 12 hours of instruction, in the Bryan-College Station area. These courses offer an opportunity to learn from professional landscape architects and horticulturists about how successful landscapes are designed. Specifics include color, scale, history, practicality, plant selection and hardscape choices. We believe that good landscapes reflect a “sense of place” and the application of good design principles. Participants may take the four courses in any sequence. Garden Club members, Master Gardeners, Nurserymen and others who are interested in furthering their knowledge of landscape design are welcome to attend.

The February 17-18 program begins with Barbara Coody, MLA, speaking on “Development of Landscape Design from World War II to Present”. Bob Ruth, ASLA, will lecture on “Contemporary Landscape Design”. Houston landscape architect, Jim Patterson, ASLA, LEED AP, will discuss “Redesign of Areas”. Andrea Fox, MLA will provide an interesting presentation relating to “Organization and Individual Responsibility”. “History & Development of Community Gardens” will be presented by Dr. Joe Novak, longtime faculty member in Horticulture at Texas A&M University. Alan King, ASLA will present “Designs for the Future” and “Evaluating Landscape Designs of Residential, Public, and Business Property”.

For the optional lecture this time, Chris Wiesinger will present a program on “The Bulb Hunter: A Story of Seeking Out Botanical Treasures”.

A special feature for Course IV is a bus tour of several professionally designed landscapes, both residential and commercial in the College Station area. Design work by Bob Ruth, ASLA and Alan King, ASLA will be described by the designers during the tour.

Master Gardeners who complete a course and pass the test may apply to their MG Chapter to receive 12 hours of credit toward their requirements for continuing education. Texas Garden Club members who successfully pass the examination for all four courses are eligible to become
nationally accredited Landscape Design Consultants. **Texas Certified Nursery Professionals** who pass the course may apply this to their requirement for recertification with the Texas Nursery and Landscape Association (TNLA)

Registration for the course will be $135.00 by February 1, 2014 (two lunches and a local bus tour are included) – make check payable to Landscape Design. Registration will be $155 after February 2, 2014. The optional reference book, good for all four courses, is *Stewards of the Land*. It may be purchased for an additional $40.00 by January 27, 2014. The book will be reserved for participants to pick up the first morning of the course. The text is a reference for all four courses, although not required for graduation. The lectures will not be taken directly from the text. It is just another viewpoint of the material being presented.

Registration information and questions:
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https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/southerngarden/

Again for this course, Stewart Thompson of Martha’s Bloomers Garden Center in Navasota, is hosting a complimentary wine and cheese reception for the participants following the first day of lecture beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Dinner reservations following the reception ($16.95, tax included) may be made on the first day of the session.