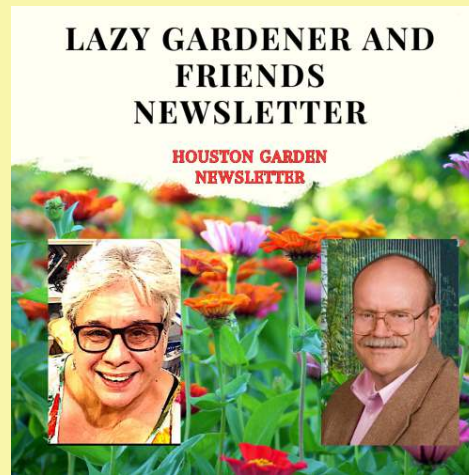


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THE ONE THING WE'RE ALL WISHING FOR NOW? SUPERSTARS FOR OUR GREATER HOUSTON GARDENS!

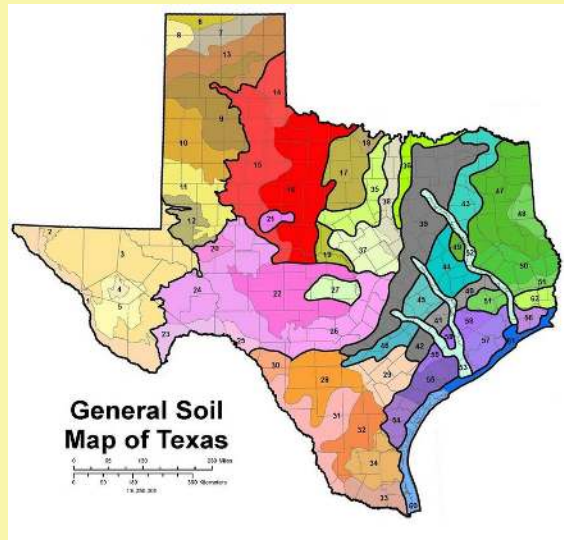
By Brenda Beust Smith | The Lazy Gardener

If you're not having any gardening challenges, this might not affect you. But if you are -- or just love super-hardy flowers in general -- here's your chance to see up close:

1. Texas Superstars® and
2. A Louisiana Iris that really popped my eyes out! First ...

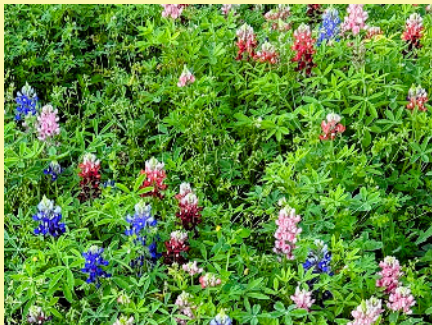
Galveston County Master Gardeners want to introduce all of us -- and especially newcomers -- to the now-40-year-old **Texas Superstars®** plant program (texassuperstar.com/). This Texas treasure focuses on surviving our special challenges (tough winters, droughts, floods, blustering heat, and picky, PICKY soils) -- which can vary unbelievably around our multiple ecosystems where, often, the twains don't comfortably meet!

First let's set the foundation with a [Texas soil map](#)



Google "Texas Soil Maps" photos and you'll find the huge variety of soils and varying "Texas" climates, and where they sometimes overlap. Unsuspected soil challenges can make gardening very challenging, especially for new gardeners.

40 years ago, to help puzzled Texans (and steadily-growing numbers of incoming) gardeners, Texas A&M (with Texas Dept. of Agriculture's Go Texan program) initiated the now wonderful, complex Texas SuperStars* project. Credit also goes to Texas Nursery & Landscape Assn. (TNLA) other participating groups, including Galveston County Master Gardeners. Don't miss GCMG's upcoming Texas Superstar Trail! A few Superstars you will see include:



Texas Bluebonnet, 'Alamo Fire', *Lupinus texensis*



'Henry Duelburg' Salvia, 'Salvia farinacea'

- **Texas Bluebonnet, 'Alamo Fire', *Lupinus texensis* (the 1st identified Texas Superstar® in 2000).** Hardy winter annual native to Texas. 1 foot tall; width — 1 foot wide. Bloom time is March to May. Low water maintenance. Plant scarified seeds in October and November
- **'Henry Duelburg' Salvia, 'Salvia farinacea' (Texas Superstar® 2006).** Texas native, full sun, 3' tall & wide/ Bloom time Spring > Fall, showy blue flowers. Adapts to most soils, drought, humidity, and heat tolerance. Attracts bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds.
- **Belinda's Dream Rose, Rosa 'Belinda's Dream' (Texas Superstar® 2002)** Full sun for best blooms, 5' tall, 4' wide. Well-draining

soil. Moderate water usage. Rich fragrance. Disease-resistant, Earth Kind® designation



• **Rock Rose (Texas Mallow), *Pavonia lasiopetala*. (Texas Superstar® 2021).** Native shrub, full sun to light shade, 2'-4' tall. Well-drained soil; prefers higher pH soil. Low water usage, Tolerates heat, drought, and sun, Blooms April - December. Use in xeriscapes, rock gardens, and mixed borders

- **Gregg's Blue Mistflower, *Conoclinium greggii*, (Texas Superstar® August 2024).** (“*King among butterfly plants*” (reports *Mike Arnold, PhD*). Herbaceous perennial native, Full sun, well-drained soil, Low maintenance and carefree; Use in mixed borders, rock gardens, pocket prairies, mass plantings for slopes, pollinator garden. Reference: <https://texassuperstar.com>.



DON'T UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF FLOWERS! *Texas Superstars@Science* is documenting remarkable ways flowers impact our mental health. Regardless of age or gender, receiving flowers almost always triggers genuine/excited, extended smiles and reduces stress levels beyond the immediate response (5.5 points lower than those without flowers (especially yellow ones) and for days afterwards, reducing depression, anxiety, agitation, etc.).

How? Why?

Just the sight of flowers' soft, organic shapes/colors/scents signal stimulate brain nerves, triggering hormone-related relaxation hormones and activating brain regions associated with calmness and positive feelings. Check links above for more info!

SAT. APR. 11: TEXAS SUPERSTAR® TRAIL & TOUR, by GALVESTON COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS. 9-noon, Discovery Garden in Carbide Park, 4102 Main St. (FM 519), La Marque. FREE. Register: xmg.org/

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Louisiana Iris

RECENTLY, WHEN I WAS SUPPOSED to be focused on financial matters, I had trouble not staring at the most incredible Louisiana iris in front of me. It was so mesmerizing, I almost expected it to say, "*Quit staring at me, lady!*"

I'd never seen such lush, rich, deep, DEEP satiny-purple coloring! Turns out the official name is Black Gamecock, and it's an award-winning late-spring-early summer-blooming, 2-3' LA iris that thrives in wet, boggy, or shallow water with full-to-partial sun.

It's also one of 'too-many-to-count' blooming now in **Frances Brand's** personal Humble gardens (pictured above), now, in "soil that drains well" and "is not too boggy or very wet." Full afternoon sun. Usually they bloom in March, but this year started in mid-January, stopped for the freeze, and started up again in mid-March!

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'Tis the season when most gardening clubs, etc., are desperately trying to fill their club speaker schedules for the coming year. You can't do better than to contact our many speciality gardening groups! Most have speakers (have to ask them about speakers, conditions, etc.!) and are always interested in attracting new members and sharing what's new with their favorite plants.

Plant Societies, almost all of which have members who speak to groups. I have not had a chance to update this list, but these are the best folks to speak on their favorite plants! (Please let me know if any of you are no longer active: lazygardenerbrenda@gmail.com)

- **AZALEAS.** Azalea Trail riveroaksgardenclub.org (membership by invitation only)
- **BEGONIAS.** absastro.tripod.com/branch.htm
- **BONSAI.** houstonbonsai.com
- **BULBS.** Garden Club of Houston Bulb & Plant Mart, gchouston.org (membership by invitation only)
- **BROMELIADS** bromeliadsocietyhouston.org

- CACTUS & SUCCULENTS Houston Cactus & Succulent Society. hcsstex.org
- CAMELIAS Houston Camellia Society.
Email: gedavis456@aol.com
- DAYLILIES (numerous chapters) daylilies.org. Click on "Regional Activities"
- FERNS Gulf Coast Fern Society. gcfernsoc.org
- HERBS Numerous chapters, including (based in Houston) Herb Society of America/South Texas Unit. herbsociety-stu.org
- HIBISCUS American Hibiscus Society/Lone Star Chapter. lonestarahs.org
- MASTER GARDENERS programs near you: mastergardener.tamu.edu
- NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY OF TEXAS / Houston chapter. (numerous area chapters) npsot.org/Houston
- OLEANDERS. International Oleander Society (based in Galveston. oleander.org
- ORCHIDS. Houston Orchid Society houstonorchidsociety.org
- PALMS. Houston Palm Society. palms.org/houston
- PLUMERIAS. Plumeria Society of America. theplumeriasociety.org
- ROSES. Houston Rose Society. houstonrose.org & Texas Rose Rustlers (antique roses). texasroserustlers.org
- TREES. Trees for Houston treesforhouston.org
- VEGETABLES. Urban Harvest. urbanharvest.org

NOTES: If I omitted any (GARDENING ONLY) specialty groups, please let me know. Houston also has literally thousands of neighborhood garden clubs. If you can't find one in your area, log on: Houston Federation of Garden Clubs: houstonfederationgardenclubs.org.

Best of luck to you! FAVOR? If I've overlooked any groups or you have disbanded, please let me know so I can add/or post corrections:

lazygardenerbrenda@gmail.com

Would you also let me know:

1. If you successfully schedule someone, to confirm that the group is still active?
2. If you simply can't reach or get a response from groups? I'll try to run down another source for that plant/topic for you. And I'll inform readers to remove that group from this list.

THANKS!!!

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Local vendors, live music, and expert gardening advice all in one place.
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 Saturday, March 28th
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 **Special Guest**
SKIP RICHTER
12-2 PM

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Plant Talk: Perennials in the Landscape with
Master Gardener Irene Pavlowski 10am-11am

Looking for the **Texas Superstars®** plant program plants mentioned in above article?

Find these and many more at Nature's Way Resources in the retail nursery.

Visit the 3rd Annual Spring Garden Festival on March 28

Potpourri

CAN YOU SPOT THE DIFFERENCE? Some captions got mixed up in last week's issue. See corrections [here!](#)

Don't know what's changed? (email Brenda - lazygardenerbrenda@gmail.com)

- **ATTN. GARDEN/PLANT GROUPS --** [Nature's Way Resources](#) offers free guided tours of NWR's extensive nursery/soil/mulch enterprise to plant-oriented, organized groups. As usual, NWR's now-expanded meeting site is free to above groups. Reservations a must for both. Great time to visit!



- **GOOD NEWS FOR BUSY/LAZY GARDENERS:** Curbside pickup is now available in the [Nature's Way Resources](#) nursery, and we're offering plant preorders for special requests. Call in your order, pick it up when it works for you, or let us try to source the plants you're looking for on upcoming shipments. *Find inventory sheet [here](#).*

- **SUBMITTING A CALENDAR EVENT?** *For best chance of getting it in next upcoming newsletter, submit in exact requested format (see top of calendar below. Reformatting by us may = delay in publication)*

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is based on her 40+ years as the Houston Chronicle's Lazy Gardener
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John's Corner

NEWS FROM THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF SOIL AND PLANTS

Continuing with last week's theme, we will be exploring what healthy soil is, how to build and maintain it, and more. Please read on to enjoy the writings and teachings of our late founder, John Ferguson.

Subject: What Is A Healthy Soil – Part 2 (Continued)

2) Minerals

These trace minerals are found in granite and basalt sands, products from the ocean (seaweed and fish emulsions), green sand or glauconite, and a few other mined products that were all discussed in detail in previous newsletters and are available on the [website](#).

We have talked about humus and minerals, which play extremely important roles in the soil, but typically compose less than 10% of the total volume of the soil. The remainder of the soil consists of sand, silt, and clay particles. These are technically minerals, which are called silicates; an example is the feldspars that have quartz (SiO₂) as their basic building block.

Of these, clay is the most important and valuable in horticulture and agriculture. Clay contains nutrients; it helps the soil hold onto other nutrients (high cation exchange capacity or CEC), which prevents leaching, and helps hold water.

Clays are the smallest of soil particles; they have high nutrient and water retention capabilities, and they help bond larger soil particles together. However, a high percentage of clay can make the soil difficult to work, shrink and swell as water content changes; it becomes slippery when wet, very hard when dry, and has very poor aeration. Clay particles are so small that it might take hundreds or more to be the size of a silt particle.

When wet and rubbed between one's fingers, clays feel smooth and slippery.

Silt particles are also made of quartz minerals that are between clay and sand in size and properties, important in loam soils, but not important by themselves. Silt soil rubbed between fingers feels like talcum powder.

Sands are the coarsest of all soil particles and are made almost exclusively of quartz minerals. Sandy soils are well aerated, they drain rapidly, and the looseness is ideal for root growth; however, moisture and nutrient retention are very poor.

Each soil component has good and bad points, so how do we as gardeners overcome this problem? We use, find, or make what is called loam, which are soils that contains equal amounts of clay, silt, and sand, plus some organic matter. Is this the ideal garden soil?

Pretty close. It is easy to optimize soil conditions for a given plant. For example, the brassica family (cabbage, Brussels sprouts, cauliflower, etc.) prefers a slightly alkaline soil with a higher percentage of clay.

This contrasts with peppers and tomatoes that prefer slightly acidic soils high in silt and sand with less clay. However, both plant groups grow better in soils high in humus, and both will grow fine in opposite conditions if there is enough good-quality organic matter (quality compost) mixed in.

- Coming Next Week: What Is A Healthy Soil – Part 3

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March

FRI.-SAT., MAR. 20-21: HOUSTON ARBORETUM SPRING PLANT SALE, 9 am–2pm, 20 West Loop North (between Post Oak Boulevard & Woodway Dr.). houstonarboretum.org

FRI-SAT, MARCH 20-21, MARCH MART PLANT SALE, Fri., 8am-4pm, Sat., 8am-3pm, Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Gardens, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble. Free. friendsofmercer.org, 713-274-4166

SAT. MAR 21: SPRING GARDEN SALE, 9-11AM, Discovery Garden in Carbide Park, 4102 Main St. (FM 519), La Marque. galvestonmg.square.site

SAT., MAR 21: SPRING PLANT SALE by MONTGOMERY COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS, 9am-noon, Texas A&M Agrilife Extension, 9020 Airport Rd., Conroe 936-539-7824, mcmga.com

SAT., MAR. 21: CLEAR LAKE NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY PLANT SPRING SALE, 8-10am, Environmental Institute Of Houston,.2700 Bay Area Blvd. npsot.org/chapters/clearlake/

WED. MAR 25: GENERAL ADENIUM CARE, by **EDDIE NOVAK** and **JENNIFER PESKY**, 7pm, Multi-Purpose Metropolitan Center, 1475 West Gray. Free. [Houston Cactus and Succulent Society. hcsstex.com](http://HoustonCactusandSucculentSociety.hcsstex.com)

SAT., MAR. 28: NPSOT PINES & PRAIRIES NATIVE PLANT SALE, 8:30am, 2701 Lone Star Parkway, Montgomery. Plant list week prior [Pines and Prairies - Native Plant Society of Texas](#)cccccccccccc

SAT., MAR. 28: SEED SNAILS by ANGELA CHANDLER, 10am–noon,1411 West Main St, League City, \$35. College of the Mainland. 409-933-8461; [Register](#)

SAT., MAR. 28: SPRING PLANT SALE by SAN JACINTO COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS, 9am-1pm, Coldspring Community Center, 101 E. Cedar Ave., Coldspring, . txmg.org/sjmg/

SAT., MAR. 28: GARDEN VILLAS GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE, 9am-2pm, Garden Villas Park, 6720 S. Haywood Dr., Free

April

WED., APR. 1: ANNUAL PLANT SALE by Gardeners by the Bay
9am-12pm, rear of Webster Presbyterian Church, 201 W NASA Pkwy, Webster: gbtb.org

WED., APR. 8: GROW YOUR BEST ROSES 2026 by SUZANNE GILBERT, Noon–2pm, Mercer Visitor’s Center, Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Gardens, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd. Free. Register: pct3.com/MBG

FRI., APR. 10: TOUR “NATIVE WILDFLOWERS” by HORTICULTURE STAFF, 9–10am, Visitor’s Center, Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Gardens, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd. Free. Register: pct3.com/MBG

SAT. APR. 11: TEXAS SUPERSTAR® TRAIL & TOUR, by **GALVESTON COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS**. 9-noon, Discovery Garden in Carbide Park, 4102 Main St. (FM 519), La Marque. FREE. Register: txmg.org/

SAT., APR. 11: HERB FESTIVAL AT THE WYNNE HOME by HERB SOCIETY OF AMERICA, TEXAS THYME UNIT, 8am-1pm., 1428 Eleventh St., Huntsville. Free. 936-891-5024. www.texasthymeunit.org

SAT., APR 11: LONE STAR DAYLILY SOCIETY PLANT SALE, 9am-4pm; Pearland Lumber & Ace Hardware, 2027 N Main St., Pearland. lonestardaylilyociety.org, 281-331-0162.

SAT., APR. 18: HOW TO FERTILIZE FRUGALLY by ANGELA CHANDLER, 10am–noon, Mainland City Centre, 10000 Emmett F Lowry, Texas City, \$29. College of the Mainland. 409-933-8461

SAT., APR 18: SEED STARTING & PROPAGATION by FORT BEND COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS, 9-10:30am. FBC Fairgrounds, 4310 Tx 36, Rosenberg. 281-342-3034, fbmg.org/grow-your-own-2026/

SAT., APR 18: PRESENT PETALS AND PATHWAYS GARDEN TOUR by SJC Master Gardeners, 10am-3pm. Coldspring. <https://txmg.org/sjmg>

SAT., APRIL 18: OPEN GARDEN DAY by MONTGOMERY COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS, 9am-noon, Texas A&M Agrilife Extension, 9020 Airport Rd. 936-539-7824, mcmga.com

FRI.-SUN., APR. 17-19: 2026 KINGWOOD GARDEN CLUB GARDENSCAPES HOME & GARDEN TOUR & PLANT SALE. \$30. KingwoodGardenClub.org

FRI., APR 24: USING IRRIGATION WISELY by FORT BEND COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS, 1-2:30pm Online. 281-342-3034. fbmg.org/landscape-success-2026/

TUES., APR. 28: COMPOSTING 101 by HARRIS COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS, 10:30-11:30am, Visitor's Center, Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Gardens, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd. Free. Register: pct3.com/MBG

May

SAT., MAY 2: LONE STAR DAYLILY SOCIETY ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW AND PLANT SALE, Sale: 8am-3pm; Show 1-3pm, Alvin Senior Citizens Building, 309 W Sealy, Alvin. Free. lonestardaylilyociety.org, 281-331-0162.

SAT-SUN, MAY 9-10, GALVESTON BAY ORCHID SOCIETY SHOW & SALE, Sat., 9am-5pm. Sun. 10am-4pm. Webster Civic Center, 311 Pennsylvania Avenue Webster. Free. galvestonbayorchidsociety.org

THURS., MAY 14: POLLINATORS TO ATTRACT BENEFICIALS by MONTGOMERY COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS, 6:30- pm, Texas A&M Agrilife Extension, 9020 Airport Rd. Contra 936-539-7824, mcmga.com

SAT., MAY 16: POLLINATORS & COMPANION PLANTS by FORT BEND MASTER GARDENERS, 9-10:30am, Bud O'Shieles Community Center, 1330 Band Rd., Rosenberg. 281-342-3034. <https://fbmg.org/grow-your-own-2026/>

**FRI., MAY 22: CONTAINER GARDENING by FORT BEND COUNTY
MASTER GARDENERS.** 1-2:30pm Online. 281-342-
3034. fbmg.org/landscape-success-2026/

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BRENDA BEUST SMITH

WE KNOW HER BEST AS THE LAZY GARDENER . . .

but Brenda Beust Smith is also:

- * a national award-winning general feature writer & editor
- * a nationally-published writer & photographer
- * a national horticultural speaker
- * a former Houston Chronicle reporter

When the Chronicle discontinued Brenda's 45-year-old "Lazy Gardener" print column -- started in the early '70s as a fun side-project to reporting -- John Ferguson called immediately (the next morning!) to ask if she'd continue publishing it for his **Nature's Way Resources**. Familiar with John's international reputation as a soil/mulch expert, she jumped at the opportunity and has been writing weekly for NWR ever since! The name, she says, is STILL not just fun, it's TRUE!

Brenda's gradual sideways step from general reporting into also doing gardening reporting led first to an 18-year series of when-to-do-what **Lazy Gardener Calendars**, then to her **Lazy Gardener's Guide** book which morphed into her **Lazy Gardener's Guide on CD**, which she now emails free upon request (lazygardenerbrenda@gmail.com)

Brenda became a Harris County Master Gardener and, over the years, served on the boards of many Greater Houston area horticulture organizations. She hosted local radio and TV shows, most notably a 10+-year Lazy Gardener specialty show on HoustonPBS (Ch. 8) and her call-in "EcoGardening" show on KPFT-FM.

For over three decades, Brenda served as Assistant Production Manager of the **GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA'S "BULLETIN"** magazine. Although still an active broad-based freelance writer, Brenda's main focus now is **THE LAZY GARDENER & FRIENDS HOUSTON GARDEN NEWSLETTER** with John Ferguson and Pablo Hernandez of Nature's Way Resources.

A native of New Orleans and graduate of St. Agnes Academy and the University of Houston, Brenda lives in Humble, TX, and is married to the retired Aldine High School Coach Bill Smith. They had one son, Blake.

Regarding this newsletter, Brenda is the lead writer, originator of it and the daily inspiration for it. We so appreciate the way she has made gardening such a fun way to celebrate life together for such a long time.

About her column, Brenda says: "I don't consider myself a 'garden writer.'" I started out 50+ years ago as a very lazy "gardening reporter." I still feel that way today. I hope my columns inspire/help newcomers, but I do not write to them. I write to very experienced gardeners who want to expand their horizons.

JOHN FERGUSON -- *Founder, Mentor, and Friend (1951–2025)*

John was a native Houstonian and had over 35 years of business experience. He passed down [Nature's Way Resources](#), a composting company that specializes in high-quality compost, mulch, and soil mixes, to his son Ian Ferguson. He held an MS degree in Physics and Geology and was a licensed Soil Scientist in Texas.

John won many awards in horticulture and environmental issues. For years, he represented the composting industry on the Houston-Galveston Area Council for solid waste. His personal garden has been featured in several horticultural books and "Better Homes and Gardens" magazine. His business has been recognized in the Wall Street Journal for the quality and value of its products. He was a member of the Physics Honor Society and many other professional societies. John is the co-author of the book ***Organic Management for the Professional***.

For this newsletter, John contributes articles regularly and is responsible for publishing it.

SHELBY CASSANO

Shelby Cassano is the communications and marketing lead for Nature's Way Resources and the editor of The Lazy Gardener and Friends newsletter. Through her business, Leaf and Ledger, she exclusively partners with NWR to direct all marketing efforts, from strategy and planning to technical production of the newsletter. Shelby holds a B.S. in Agriculture with a concentration in Horticulture from Stephen F. Austin State University and previously managed the company's nursery.



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