

## Event Registration

**\$25 per Person**

(Includes Lunch)

Register by calling Tallapoosa County Extension at (256) 825-1050.

(Online Registration Not Available)

DO NOT MAIL REGISTRATION FORM  
WITHOUT CALLING FIRST  
SEATS ARE NOT RESERVED UNTIL  
PAYMENT IS RECEIVED  
SPACE IS LIMITED TO FIRST 350  
PARTICIPANTS

Registration Deadline: *September 22, 2017*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Tallapoosa County Extension Office  
125 N. Broadnax Street, Room 23  
Dadeville, AL 36853

Make check payable to:

**Tallapoosa County Master Gardeners**

The 2017

## Fall Gardening Extravaganza

will be held at the  
Betty Carol Graham Technology Center  
located on the campus of  
Central Alabama Community College  
1675 Cherokee Road  
in  
Alexander City, Alabama



The Betty Carol Graham Technology Center ( X )  
is on the east side of campus. Parking for the  
building will be on the left just past the pond.

# Fall Gardening Extravaganza

**September 29, 2017**

*Alexander City, Alabama*



Hosted by  
Tallapoosa County Extension Office and  
Tallapoosa County Master Gardeners Association

**extension**  
ALABAMA A&M & AUBURN UNIVERSITIES

**Chris VanCleave**, "The Redneck Rosarian", is passionate about gardening and growing roses. He is an active member of the Birmingham chapter of the American Rose Society, serving two terms as President. In 2007, he created the Rose Chat Podcast which has reached over a half a million listeners with news



and information on growing the world's most beloved flower, the rose. He was a contributor to the 2015 Southern Living Gardening Book, has appeared on P. Allen Smith's Garden Home television show and was featured in the June 2015 issue of Southern Living Magazine. His writing is seen at About.com, HomeDepot.com and on his popular website; RedneckRosarian.com, where he chronicles his gardening adventures and explores an intrinsic mix of life, faith and gardening. Mr. VanCleave recently launched a line of gardening tools in partnership with DeWit Garden Tool company in Holland.

**Felder Rushing** is a 10th-generation American gardener whose colonial and pioneer ancestors settled across the Southeast, bringing many plants with them. Rushing's overstuffed, quirky cottage garden has been featured in dozens of magazines and TV programs



- including a cover of Southern Living and in the New York Times. Felder is the international founder of **Slow Gardening**, a highly satisfying approach that focuses on finding and following personal garden bliss, using all senses through all seasons. He is author or co-author of 18 gardening books, including several national award winners, and former Extension Service urban horticulture specialist who actually started the Master Gardener program in his state of Mississippi. Felder has written thousands of gardening columns in syndicated newspapers, and has had hundreds of articles and photographs published in regional and national garden magazines.

# 2017 Fall Gardening Extravaganza

Friday, September 29th



- 8 a.m. Arrival / Registration
- 9 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
- 9:15 a.m. **Chris VanCleave**
  - ◆ "Roses for the Real World"
- 10:30 a.m. **Felder Rushing**
  - ◆ "Slow Gardening"
- 11:30 a.m. Recognize Sponsors
- 11:45 a.m. Box Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. **Sarah Van Beck**
  - ◆ "Old Daffodils in Alabama Gardens"
- 1:45 p.m. **Carol Reese**
  - ◆ "Take a Walk on the Wild Side"
- 3 p.m. Conclusion

**Sara L. Van Beck** is former chair of the Historics Committee of the American Daffodil Society (ADS), serving for six years but currently serves as a Corresponding Member of the Royal Horticulture Narcissus Classification Advisory Group. She is a past president of the Georgia Daffodil Society and answers the general internet 'help line' for the Florida Daffodil Society. She has recently published *Daffodils in American Gardens, 1733-1940* (2015), and co-authored with her mother Linda *Daffodils in Florida: A Field Guide to the Coastal South* (2003), and has written articles for *The Daffodil Journal*, *The Magnolia*, bulletin of the Southern Garden History Society, and *Florida Gardening*. Van Beck received her Masters degree in Archaeology from the University of Florida and worked as a museum curator with the National Park Service.



**Carol Reese** is an Ornamental Horticulture Specialist with UT Extension, where her job for the last 20 years has been to keep the green industry professionals up to date with an increasingly savvy gardening clientele. Her Hort degrees are from Mississippi State where she taught classes in plant materials and landscape design. In her home community of Sessums, MS, she managed the family owned Reese Orchard for several years, where the major crop is the large and tasty Asian persimmon. She is a contributor to several garden magazines, and writes a weekly gardening and nature column for the Jackson Sun in Jackson TN. However, she says her most important credentials are learning from her mistakes and successes, and from those of other gardeners, but her favorite place to learn is while roaming the woods and fields in the company of her large collection of motley mutts. Her talk - Take a Walk on the Wild Side - will discuss how to create fabulous habitat and wildlife garden alive with birds, bees and butterflies, yet have a sense of strong design and year round appeal for the humans and other critters that enrich and entertain.

