

## Upcoming Events

**Thursday, March 5, 2015**

Ron Wong of Memphis  
Cooking Asian Cuisine

**Tuesday, March 31, 2015**

Evelyn Roughton – in honor  
of the 40<sup>th</sup> Catfish Festival

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## Keep in Touch!

Please make a note of our email address: [wistergardens1440@gmail.com](mailto:wistergardens1440@gmail.com). We are building an email base for all members of Friends of Wister Gardens to keep you updated on events.

***“The mission of the Friends of Wister Gardens shall be to support and to encourage the development of the goals and projects of the Gardens, to serve as ambassadors, to advance the awareness of the Gardens, and to enhance the experiences of visitors.”***

## **10TH ANNUAL WISTER GARDENS WORKSHOP**

The theme of the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Wister Gardens Workshop is “Gardening, Southern Style.” Please join us on Saturday, April 18 from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Registration opens at 9:00 am and workshops begin at 10:00 am. Our speakers are Floral Designer Bob Wilbanks, Culinary Artist Anthony Wade, and Landscape Designer Dr. Robert Brzuszek.

Tickets are \$25 per person or \$20 each for groups (10 or more) in advance by April 1. Admission is \$30 the day of the event. Ticket includes coffee, donuts, and lunch. Make your checks payable to Wister Henry Foundation, C/O Guaranty Bank, P. O. Box 657, Belzoni, MS 39038.

## ***Here’s What’s Cooking***

One of the perks to becoming a member of Friends of Wister Gardens is the variety of our Cooking Demonstrations. Delta area chefs and renowned home cooks kindly donate their time to cook, entertain, and serve the guests who attend.

Our Cooking Demo Committee, Diédre Barret, Liz Barret, and Melissa Townsend, have done an excellent

job of planning these fundraising events. They cost \$40 per person and begin at 6:30 p.m. These events are so enjoyable for a night out with good food and entertainment from some of the Delta’s best cooks.

To sign up for events, contact Liz Barret at 662-571-7300. Seating is limited at these events, so call in your reservations early.

## **Upcoming Demos:**

### **March 5th**

**Ron Wong** - preparing Asian cuisine

### **March 31st**

**Evelyn Roughton** – in honor of the 40<sup>th</sup> Catfish Festival



We thank you for your continued support.

Membership for Friends of Wister Gardens is \$25 a person annually.

Checks should be made payable to :

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P. O. Box 657  
Belzoni, MS 39038

Larger donations as well as Memorials and Honorariums for loved ones are welcomed.

## Right in Our Own Backyard

Wister Gardens is a beautifully maintained garden paradise with wonderful facilities for events such as weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, family reunions, business meetings, and luncheons.

The rates are reasonable and include amenities such as tents, tables, chairs and Viking kitchen facilities. The Garden Manager, Lynn Howard, does a fabulous job with the upkeep of our

grounds and facilities. Spread the word to your friends about Belzoni's hidden treasure, "The Delta's Garden."

To book events, contact Lynn Howard at 662-836-6471.

## What's New in the Gardens

On behalf of the Board of the Friends of Wister Gardens, I would like to thank you for your support and membership over the past year. We are grateful for your contributions that have helped with the general maintenance of Wister Gardens. We strive to plan events to raise much needed funds for improvements and repairs at the Gardens and to entertain our members in the process with various cooking demos, the fall "Blues in the Gardens" and our Spring Gardening Workshop.



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