



## Mississippi State University Extension Service

# Quick Bites

### What is Quick Bites?

Quick Bites is a program offered through the Mississippi State University Extension Service that provides timely information on a wide variety of topics to citizens across the state through interactive video. For your convenience, the programs are held during lunch (12-1pm) on Thursdays. So bring your lunch and join us for a Quick Bite.

### Schedule for May 2008

#### May 1st

#### How can I afford \$4.00 a gallon gas?

Don't let high fuel costs drive you nuts! Learn how to cope with the high cost of gas with cost-savings tips, what actually works and what does not.



*Susan Cosgrove*, Area Family and Resource Development Agent/County Director

#### May 8th

#### Covering Ground

This program will be "on-site" on the grounds of the MSU campus. Take a tour of some of the new plantings and learn some great tips and techniques to use in your own yard. The "Bulldog" gardens offer some great examples that you scale down or just out right copy for your home gardens. Tips on soil preparation, mulching, design, pruning and selection of plants will be shared as we see what's "covering the ground" at Mississippi State.



*Lelia Kelly, PhD*, Consumer Horticulture Specialist, Mississippi State University

For more information contact your local county Extension office.

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On-campus participants can attend in the Bost Building room 409.

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#### May 15<sup>th</sup>

#### Floral Design Mechanics II, Bases for Fresh Floral Designs

In this segment, we will cover more specific mechanics that can be used for fresh floral arrangements for the home and special occasions.



*James DelPrince*, Ph.D., AIFD, PFCI, Associate Professor of Floral Design

#### May 22<sup>nd</sup>

#### Growing Your Knowledge Using the Internet

During this Quick Bites, you will learn how to use interactive online resources to plan your garden or landscape before purchasing the materials.



*Mariah Smith*, Instructor, Computer Applications and Services, MSU-ES

#### May 29<sup>th</sup>

#### Pest Management in Vegetable Gardens

Insect pests can take a bite out homegrown vegetables before you get a chance to. This session focuses on some of the most damaging pests and gives recommendations on how to manage and control them.



*Blake Layton, PhD*, Extension Professor Entomology and Plant Pathology