

NORTH CENTRAL REGION

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(North Louisiana)

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Dr. M. Ron Robbins – Professor

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- Responded to horticultural inquires from Louisiana citizens.
- Participated in the Louisiana Master Gardener Agent conference.
- Served as Secretary of the North Louisiana AgriBusiness Council.
- Served as Past-President of the Louisiana Academy of Sciences.
- Served on the Board of Directors of the North Louisiana AgriBusiness Council.
- Served as Science Editor of the American Society for Horticultural Science.
- Served on the Awards/Legislative Appreciation Committee of the North Louisiana AgriBusiness Council.
- Initiated a horticultural hotline service for the Northwest and Northeast LSU AgCenter regions.
- Served as co-agent with Northeast Louisiana Master Gardeners Association.
- Served on the Executive Committee of the North Louisiana AgriBusiness Council.
- Participated in the Centennial Conference of The American Society for Horticultural Science.
- Conducted trials for the USDA National Turfgrass Evaluation Program.
- Conducted ornamental okra breeding program.
- Participated in the LSU AgCenter Horticultural Summit.
- Served as invited horticulturist on the Four Season's Garden Show.

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- Established fruit orchard tours at Eddie Romero's and Daniel Romero's orchards in Iberia parish.
- Produced fruit and nut section for fall and winter editions of Horticulture Hints.
- Consultations and visits with Agcenter personnel and growers concerning questions and problems in producing fruit and pecans.
- Presented fruit and pecan training programs to master gardeners at Franklinton and Natchitoches.
- Provided pecan exhibit and information at Pecanland Mall and Ag Expo in Monroe.
- Assist in organizing and making presentations at the North Louisiana Fruit Growers Conference and The Deep South Fruit & Vegetable Growers Conference and Trade Show.
- Made appearances on KNOE television station in Monroe in support of the pecans and LSU AgCenter.
- Participated on talk radio in Monroe to answering fruit and pecan questions.
- Produced a pecan Newsletter, "In A NutShell".
- Produced Articles for Pecan South.
- Gave Presentations at two pecan grower educational meetings and at Pecan Research/Extension Station Field Day.
- Wrote "Improving Pecan Quality", "Harvesting and Storing Pecans" and "Loquat Produces a Delicious Fruit" articles for News You Can Use.

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