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# Gardening & Beautification

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## Nursery News

Stone has been ordered for the road. The potting and propagation areas are now in excellent shape, thanks to the volunteers who helped during recent clean-up sessions. Plant purchases for the Spring Plant Sale are being reviewed, including bee-friendly selections. Plans are to also purchase a card reader to allow customers to pay with credit or debit cards, in addition to the customary cash or check.



Shown at Right—Bob Reynolds (L) and Benny Carter (R) installing 20 new 'Pink Flair' ornamental cherry trees on the Bill Wilson Yoshino Cherry Drive on South Pine Street last month.



Together Present Spring 2016

## Community Gardener 101

February 9—May 3, 2016  
Tuesday evenings 6:00—8:30 pm  
SCC Central Campus  
Ledbetter Bldg, Room 253  
Cost \$199.00

- Composting
- Basic Botany
- Soils—the life of the garden
- Lawn management & irrigation
- Plant propagation lab
- Seeds, vegetables & tools
- Ornamental & native plants
- Houseplants & herbs
- Trees & pruning techniques
- Pest management & entomology
- ABCs of landscaping

Go to [www.sccsc.edu](http://www.sccsc.edu) and type "Community Gardener" in the search box to register. Select individual sessions, or attend the entire 12 week series. Full program fee includes text book and a one year membership to the Club.



## Litter Pick-Up Schedule

Meet at the parking lot behind the Chamber of Commerce on Oakland Avenue at 8 am.

**Free restaurant breakfast afterwards for all volunteers!**

**2016 Litter pick up dates should be available for the February newsletter.**



## Health & Happiness

Please keep all of our soldiers and veterans in your thoughts and prayers.



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Founded in 1948 as the "Dirt Daubers" with 25 members, the Spartanburg Men's Garden Club has grown to over 100 individual & 15 corporate members.

As well as sharing gardening interests, the club has planted over 5,000 trees in Spartanburg, assists with many area beautification projects, teaches a gardening class to the public, and conducts a twice-yearly plant, shrub and tree sale.

## Upcoming Speakers

**February—Tina Clark, owner, Carolina Garden World**  
*"What's New in 2016"*

**March—Spartanburg Beekeepers Association—**  
*"Beekeeping"*

**April—"Disease-Free Roses"**

## January Meeting

**NOTE : MEETING IS TUESDAY!**

**January 19, 2015**

7:00 p.m.

SCC Community Room  
Health Sciences Building

Speaker: Aaron McCarty

### Permaculture



Refreshments:

## Permaculture



Aaron is originally from Orange County California, moved to SC in grade school and graduated from Dorman in 1998. He served in the Navy as a nuclear engineer on an aircraft carrier during Operation Enduring Freedom. Following his military service, he returned to SC where he worked with Piedmont EMS as an EMT.

In 2007 he began gardening organically and studied permaculture with Zev Friedman and Dylan Hamilton of Permaculture in Action in Asheville. After PIA he and a partner owned a permaculture design and installation service in Asheville. He holds a Permaculture Design Certificate, and last spring started Ancient Earth Landscaping, offering both conventional and permaculture landscaping services in the Upstate.

Aaron is also interning with Keiji Oshima of Haiku Bamboo Nursery in Hendersonville, and has started his own bamboo nursery in Boiling Springs. Aaron likes to make hard cider and fermented hot sauces and is married to Wendy, a photographer. They have 2 young sons.

He will share information about permaculture, its origins and design principles, and show techniques that can benefit any garden. The general public is always invited to attend meetings.

### Membership Renewal Time

Single \$20 Family \$28

Forms are at  
[www.dirtdaubers.org/membership.html](http://www.dirtdaubers.org/membership.html), or the meeting. Bring check or cash & completed form to Joyce Crescenzi.