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Gardening & Beautification

A Publication of the Spartanburg Men's Garden Club



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Nursery News

A strainer will be installed in the irrigation system, after the burned out power supplies have been replaced. The new ground fabric is scheduled to be installed. Check your email inbox for calls for volunteers to help weed and spread gravel.



Punica granatum 'Austin'

Pomegranate Trees will be ready for sale this Fall! Hardy, drought tolerant, full sun or part shade. Can be grown into a large shrub or trained like a tree.

Fall Plant Sale

October 14-15

Check Your (Snail) Mailbox: Willing to consider a club name change?

Darvin Helvy, Club President, recently sent a letter to members asking for input on a sensitive subject. This letter is not a vote to change the club name—it is an informal survey to see whether or not the membership would be willing to consider a new club name. Please return your completed survey in the pre-paid envelope, to be post-marked by July 1st. The results of the survey will be shared at the July membership meeting.

Why do this? Several members have had discussions in the community with those who don't know the club accepts women, and who express surprise to learn it. They mention the club name and say that it is not conducive to attracting new members.

Last month your board of directors formed the Focus Group committee to investigate this further. In addition to polling members they will explore costs and other market research, and will keep everyone informed.



Litter Pick-Up Schedule

Meet at the parking lot behind the Chamber of Commerce on Oakland Avenue at 8 am. Free restaurant breakfast after for all volunteers!

Scheduled	Rain Date
June 18	June 25
Sept. 17	Sept. 24
Dec. 10	Dec. 17



Health & Happiness

Peggy Romine's husband Ron passed away June 4th. Additionally, Jeff Hall's father passed away last month. Anne Lineberger is home recovering from surgery.

As we approach Independence Day, please remember that freedom is not free, and keep our servicemen and women in your prayers, along with Peggy, Jeff and Anne.



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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

July 18th—Dixie Damrel, "The Clemson Herbarium"

August 15th—Tim Hemphill, "Forage Plants for Bees"

September 19th —picnic at SCC

October 17th—TBD

November 21st—Patrick McMillan, "What's New for the SC Botanical Garden"



June 4th at Hub City Farmers' Market
L—R: Jane Turner, Prafull Gajendragadkar and Charlie Crescenzi spreading the word about the club and answering gardening questions.

June Meeting

June 20, 2015

7:00 p.m.
SCC Community Room
Health Sciences Building

Speaker: Jason Bagwell
Growing Turf Grass Successfully



Refreshments:
Linda McHam
Ann Shepherd

Growing Turf Grass Successfully

Jason Bagwell, the Department Chair for Horticultural Programs at SCC, is our speaker for the June membership meeting. Jason has a Bachelors of Science in Agronomy and a Masters in Agriculture Education. He's been an instructor at SCC for 17 years. A former wholesale greenhouse owner, he currently farms fescue hay and Lowline Angus cattle in his spare time.

Jason's presentation will cover how to grow and maintain a beautiful, lush lawn. The general public is always invited to attend meetings.

Membership Renewal
Single \$20 Family \$28

Forms are at www.dirtdaubers.org/membership.html, or the meeting.
Bring check or cash & completed form to Joyce Crescenzi.

2017 Slate

Officers to elect in October:

President: Darvin Helvy
Vice President: Joe Maple
Secretary: Charlie Crescenzi
Treasurer: Peggy Wilson

Directors to elect for 2 years:

Phil Abers
Sami Elhassani
Mary Ann Hipp
Lyn Pesterfield
Peggy Romine
Jack Turner

Directors with 1 year left to serve:

Linda Cobb
Tim Hemphill
Bob Reynolds

A big thank you to Prafull Gajendragadkar and Jim Weeks, who will complete their 2 year terms at the end of this year.

Community Gardener 101 presented by;

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Schedule for fall 2016

Aug. 16	Registration and Orientation Composting	Joe Maple MG
Aug 23	Soils, the Life of the Garden	Jason Bagwell*
Aug. 30	Basic Botany	Jay Moore*
Sept. 06	Lawn Management Practical Irrigation	Ted Petoskey ... Sod Father Joe Maple MG
Sept. 13	Annuals and Perennials Container Gardening	Linda Cobb MG
Sept. 20	Propagation Lab <i>Note: West bldg room A-5 (Jack A. Powers bldg)</i>	Kevin Parris*
Sept. 27	Basic Seed Starting Vegetable Gardening & Garden Tools	Joe Maple MG
Oct. 04	House Plants Herbs or Erbs	Dr. Ed Davidson MG
Oct. 11	Ornamental Plants Native Plants	George Gunter MG Dr. Gil Newberry
Oct. 18	Selection and Culture of Trees Pruning Techniques	Kevin Parris*
Oct. 25	IPM Elementary Entomology	TBA Dr. Allen Mackenzie MG
Nov. 01	ABC's of Landscaping 3D Landscaping	Linda McHam MG Tim Hemphill MG

* Spartanburg Community College staff

Class fee \$199.00...Individual topics may be selected for \$29.00 each date.

Location: SCC Main Campus Ledbetter bldg Room 253

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