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Plant Sale

The fall plant sale was held October 5 and 6, although it felt more like mid-July than early fall. Thanks to the hard work of several members all summer, we had a large selection of great looking plants, and our customers were able to find many things to suit their needs.



We had a great turn-out from members both Friday and Saturday even though Charlie Crescenzi was out of town and didn't bring any of his famous brownies for us to munch on.

Many thanks to all those who made our sale a success, especially Mark Carlson who made informational signs for each group of plants, most of which included pictures of specimens growing in our area.



SMGC Speaker

October 15, 2018

Dr. Natalie Spivey

"Why GMO?"

Natalie is an Associate Professor of Biology at Wofford College where she teaches courses in general biology, genetics, and microbiology. Her specialty is the regulation of gene expression in plants.



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Founded in 1948 as the "Dirt Daubers" the Spartanburg Men's Garden Club welcomes men, women and corporate members with an interest in nature.

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 Tree & Shrub sale.



Note: We plan to install plants at the Train Depot this month, based a plan from Linda McHam. This is a one-time occurrence where we will install the plants and the City will maintain them.

The 2019 Slate

This month of October, we will be electing officers and directors for 2019. The slate of candidates recruited by the nominating committee are:



- President: **Don Crowder**
- Vice-President: **Bob Reynolds**
- Secretary: **Cecelia Miller**
- Treasurer: **Mary Ann Hipp**
- Two-Year Directors: **Jack Turner, Charlie Crescenzi, Sami Elhassani, Mark Carlson, Phil Abers, Ben Waddell**

Note that **Dick Schelat** is a director, but he will be in the 2nd year of a two year term for 2019.

If others are interested in joining the board, nominations can be made at the October Meeting.

Upcoming Speaker

November 19, 2018

Ervin Lineberger

"Career Satisfaction Through Farming"

Renew Now
2019 Membership
 Single \$20 Family \$28 Student \$5
 Corporate \$100

Forms are located at **DirtDaubers.org/Membership** and will be available at the next general meeting.

Bring check or cash & completed form to Joyce Crescenzi.

The Club started in 1948 as the DirtDaubers, and changed names two years later to the Spartanburg Men's Garden Club. We held a banquet in 2008 in celebration of the 60th anniversary, as well as to present the Order of the Palmetto award to Henry Pittman, who has been a tremendous member of the Club for over fifty years, and who led many of the treescaping projects during that time.

