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Club News

Welcoming Men & Women

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- The Club, in cooperation with the City of Spartanburg, planted about 50 replacement cherry trees on South Pine. The ones the Club had planted thirty or so years ago needed to be replaced, and this is an ongoing project.
- In addition, through the leadership of Bob Reynolds, we continued working on clearing/beautification of intersections around the city and county (US 29/I-26, US 221/I-26, along US 221 south of Spartanburg, etc.).
- The Container Program has been led by Tim Hemphill for the ten years or so. He is temporarily stepping down as chair of this program. Mark Carlson has agreed to lead this program through the next year as we transition to more of a committee-type operation. Many THANKS to TIM HEMPHILL for his leadership the past years! He has been the person, along with Mary Ann Hipp, there doing the things that needed to be done. Through their leadership, we have improved our inventory.
- Cecelia Miller has agreed to take on the task of publicity from Darvin Helvy who has done a wonderful job for the last four or five years. Thanks to Darvin for his work on this committee!
- The Annual Meeting will be November 19 with the installation of the new officers and directors. Refreshments will be provided by the "old and new" board members and officers.

SMGC Speaker **Ervin Lineberger** **November 19,** **2018** "Career Satisfaction Through Farming"



Ervin Lineberger, a father of 5 grown children and grandfather to 8, is our speaker for the November 2018 meeting. Ervin is the distinguished brother of our very own Everette Lineberger. He is the co-owner of Lineberger's Killdeer Farms with his wife, Debbie. Ervin has a long history of farming and education throughout his career. He received his BS in Agricultural Education from NC State, a MS in Psychology from Appalachian State and an Ed.D. in Community College Administration from NOVA Southeastern University. Ervin has been a full-time farmer since 1982 with 45 acres in cultivation. He currently grows blackberries and grapes. His academic career included 12 years as the Academic Dean at Catawba Valley Community College in Hickory, NC. Among Ervin's industrial accomplishments have been his terms as NC Strawberry Growers Association Past President, NC Wine and Grape Council Past President, NC Muscadine Growers Assn. Current Present and North American Raspberry and Blackberry Association. Past President. At 78 years old, Ervin is looking forward to retirement.



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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.



Renew Now
2019 Membership
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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.

Winterberry Holly

Are you looking for something to liven up your winter landscape? How about a Winterberry Holly, *Ilex verticillata*? This deciduous holly loses its leaves in the fall so the bright red berries are clearly visible on the bare branches all winter. Winterberry hollies are native to eastern North America and are attractive to birds who love their abundant fruit. We have two female varieties of this stunning plant available in the container nursery, 'Winter Red' and 'Sparkleberry', as well as a male variety 'Apollo' which is needed for pollination. As always, plants in the nursery are available at our plant sales in the spring and fall, or contact a board member anytime to meet someone up at the nursery.

