



GARDENING & BEAUTIFICATION

January 16, 2003

Meeting: January 20, 2003, 7:30 PM

Place: The Arts Center, 385 Spring St. Spartanburg, SC

Program: Our Speaker is **Gail Medlin**, Manager of Wild Birds Unlimited, located on East Main Street, Spartanburg. Gail has great expertise in the habits of birds and is a great advisor to those of us who enjoy attracting and observing feathered friends.

Spring Sale – At our Director's meeting, we set the Spring Sale date for April 12th. Hatcher Garden will have its sale the same date, and we hope that the combined effect will prove to have a favorable effect on both sales as it has in the past.

A work session at the Garden is set for Saturday, February 1st. A new shipment of plants is scheduled to arrive and more repotting work needs to be done. Sign up at the meeting !

Some members are propagating plants for our supply at the Garden. Of note is that Walter Soderberg has prepared and planted 225 crape myrtle cuttings. Jess Taylor also has "stuck" a sizeable number of cuttings. If you have any contributions by way of producing or potting any seedlings, start now!

Hatcher Garden – Hatcher has kicked off its annual fund raising drive for 2003 operating expenses. Our Directors voted to donate a sizeable sum to the drive. A project to upgrade some of the asphalt paths in the Garden has been started at least partially funded by the Civitans and an earlier donation from our Club.

Hatcher has planned more youth activities – two sessions of the Junior Master Gardener program – one from March to June, and another from August to November. Additionally, the Kidfest program, of which we are a sponsor, will be held in September.

The staff and volunteers at the Garden were successful in clearing most of the damage from the recent icestorm.

Tree projects - Newt Hardie has directed planting of 38 Yoshino Cherry trees on South Pine Street . He obtained the trees from the Phillips tree farm, and they were planted by John Belue, who continues to give our Club great service in skillfully installing trees. We've invoiced the City for the costs of this project they agreed earlier to underwrite.

The important **Route US 221** project is proceeding. The next move is to meet a state Department of Transportation requirement to have a public meeting for the review of the project with adjoining property holders.

We hope for a March meeting, and understand that the Roebuck Improvement Assn. will identify the owners and distribute a leaflet about the meeting. Then the County will seek bids for the project, and hopefully we can have all in order for planting to begin by early Winter.

This large project represents a cooperative effort between the private and public sectors. The total cost is expected to be in the order of \$100,000. We put up \$5000, The Roebuck Improvement Ass'n \$15,000, and the balance of about \$80,000 is to be covered by a Federal grant

Another sizeable tree- scaping undertaking is just about complete along Southport Road between Reidville Rd. and Rte 221. A super collection of elm, willow oak, October glory maple, kousa dogwood and crape myrtle have been installed by the SPATS organization in which we participate.

Flower Beds – John Williams reports that the plantings at the Library flag garden are in good order –holly rearranged, lantana mulched, pansies planted. Also, the Sherrill Garden and our Spot of Pride on Ezell have been winterized.

Miscellany – Some of our newer members have indicated they haven't really become acquainted with the new leaders of our Club.... Our President , a relative newcomer, is Don Crowder. Don is an engineer employed by Lockwood Green. He has recently been assigned to a project in Savannah, Georgia. In addition to time here on weekends he seems to do a good job of staying in touch via many emails and telephone. It helps that his wife, Denie, is quite active in the Club and served as a Director.....Our Vice President, Everette Lineberger, who has been active in the Club for some time was the Pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Spartanburg, and, on his retirement, became the proprietor of Quail Hill nursery in Inman where he has propagated and marketed a wide variety of iris and daylilies.....Jim Bagwell, our Treasurer, tells us that dues are coming in pretty well. If you are one of the minority who hasn't paid – see him at the meeting. (\$25 for member, \$30 for family).....Secretary Henry Pittman was asked by our Directors to send a letter of condolence to Mrs. Sid Nichols, widow of recently deceased Milliken official, Sid Nichols, who was a good friend of our Club, and a believer in the Noble Tree program.... We are giving sycamores and crape myrtle to Sertoma for use at their latest Habitat house.....Lynn and Mary Joyce Enderby will serve refreshments at our meeting....**Bring an item for the doorprize pool!!!**

BIRDS OF A FEATHER FLOCK TOGETHER

See You at the meeting Monday!

Spartanburg Men's Garden Club

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February 12, 2003

Meeting: February 17, 2003 7:30 PM
Place: The Arts Center, 385 Spring Street, Spartanburg, SC
Program: Using fertilizers: “Getting the Most Bang for Your Buck”
Our speaker is Mills Grant of Carolina Fresh Farms, Duncan, South Carolina.

Container Program – A productive potting session was held Saturday February 14th – fourteen participated, and, among other tasks, 200 plants of ten varieties of wetland species were potted. Eric Shutler’s mixer for the compost planting material proved to be quite a hit. He was assisted by Howard Wolfe who manned a very long extension cord to supply the power. Bob Almond outdid himself as supplier of refreshments for the crew: this time he added sausage and biscuits to his always appreciated but sometimes more Spartan fare.

The next work session at the Garden is scheduled Saturday morning February 22d. Signup at the meeting.

Treescaping Projects – The Rte 221 major project is reported on schedule, with the County seeking bids.

The red maples in front of USCS on rte 176 West which are being preempted by the widening of 176 are in the process of being moved by USCS to various locations on campus. The school is glad to receive them.

The 38 new Yoshina cherries have been installed on South Pine. Jess Taylor has prepared protective collars. The City has now reimbursed us for this project. Newt Hardie is now looking into a plan to create a new Spot of Pride out South Pine at Country Club Road.

The Spot of Pride program so ably directed by Hans Balmer is continuing to grow with many new “Spots” being considered and developed. Your Board approved a motion to have Secretary Pittman direct a letter to “Spot” sponsors expressing our Club’s appreciation of their efforts.

Henry plans to call on his pruning volunteers soon for his campaign to lightly prune a variety of our past plantings.

Anyone with an idea as to what tree planting projects should be part of our future plans is asked to contact a Club officer.

Youth Gardening – Dates will be announced soon for the Spring and Fall sessions of the Junior Master Gardening program to be held at Hatcher. A grant has been received to pay the fees of those who are unable to afford the program. Also,

leaders are needed to assist in the program. Those interested in working with children in this fine program should contact Bob Almond.

Committee Planning – President Don Crowder has updated listing of committees based on his recent survey of the membership, and now asks that committee chairs provide him with a report of responsibilities and plans.

Odds and ends –

.....**Walter Soderberg** just celebrated his 89th birthday – and is still going strong, growing plants for the container garden, assisting at potting sessions, and still a full participant at our Board meetings. We're happy to report that Betty Ball has taken over the duties he performed for so long in maintaining our membership mailing roster and serving as liaison with the printer and postoffice in mailing this bulletin.

.....**Dues** – we're short by some 30 individuals. Hope to have this cleared by 'phone reminders soon. Of interest is the fact that we've received a number of donations in additions to dues - which surely helps the treasury.

..... **Refreshments** at the meeting this month are by Jack and Jane Turner.

..... **Garden spots** – John Williams is planning to get the Duncan Park organized as soon as weather permits.

History of our plant sales programs – Jess Taylor recently prepared a history of our programs which your Editor has slightly abbreviated – below:

NOTES ON PLANT SALES PROGRAMS AND THE SYMBIOSIS BETWEEN HATCHER GARDENS AND THE SPARTANBURG MENS' GARDEN CLUB

I have scribbled these notes to familiarize new members about the evolution of the Club's efforts to raise funds and to explain our relationship with Hatcher Garden.

In the early '80s the SMGC became real serious about promoting a fall plant sale to fund various projects. Through Harold Hatcher's influence the City permitted the Club to use part of the Fairforest Park flood plain to grow crape myrtle and growing liners of small trees. Sections of the nursery were irrigated with Club funds and help from the City (Mike Garrett). During th '80s, plants were dug in the Fall and sold bare root. Harold was the prime mover, using primitive methods of sticking hardwood cuttings and liners; weeding, irrigating, digging and bagging which were very labor intensive. Customers called in orders to Harold and picked up the plants on Saturday during November and December. The Club netted about \$15,000 per year which funded improvements to the Garden.

In the early 1990s it became obvious that all the bird-dogging Harold was doing to keep this activity afloat was getting too much for him. A committee was appointed to come up with an alternative to this labor-intensive bare-root program. The committee decided to develop a container growing program and abandon the Fair Forest nursery. A number of members volunteered to propagate and raise plants at home with materials supplied by the Club. The inventory would also be supplemented with liners potted and grown at Hatcher Gardens. The growing-at-home volunteers dwindled down to a precious few. Potting liners developed the bulk of the inventory in the fall and growing them out in the winter and the spring. Purchased saleable plants are purchased at wholesale and also added to the inventory.

The Club has a gentleman's agreement with Hatcher Garden Trustees to use a designated garden area with overhead irrigation for potting, growing, and selling the plants. Jeff Hall, Hatcher Garden's horticulturalist has been very helpful with the irrigation. The plant committee chairman needs the full support and participation of the Club members to keep the container program up and running.

These notes by Jess Taylor ---12/02/02

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March 12, 2003

Meeting: Monday, March 17, 2003 7:30 PM
Place: The Arts Center, 385 Spring Street, Spartanburg, SC
Program: Our speaker is **Sandy Walden**, proprietress of Twin Oaks Day Lillies, Moore, SC. Sandy has been collecting and propagating day lillies for a number of years, and markets some interesting varieties. She plans to show slides of her blooms.

Street Tree Programs – Our plans to provide a little maintenance to existing plantings we have undertaken about town became a reality the past few weeks. Sixteen members volunteered to aid, and pruning and fertilization projects were undertaken by Newt Hardie and helpers on South Pine, Harold Wilson and Eric Tapio on North Pine, Lynn Enderby and Val Wilson on Drayton Road, Jess Taylor on East Main.

The **Route 221 – Dorman High School** project is on schedule. Henry Pittman, Lynn Enderby and Hollis Taylor recently toured the project area with Peter Fleming, the State Dept. of Transportation representative responsible for maintenance, and report that the DOT is proving to be quite cooperative, and has agreed to clear some road shoulder areas. A meeting was held with School District 6 and their landscape planner, Kevin Parris, to review our plans and integrate them with their ideas.

Of special interest is the huge commercial development initiated on the East side of Rte 221 opposite from Dorman called **Timm's Creek** – a major complex of homes and shops with a large frontage on the highway. We've contacted their management and reviewed our plans with the expectation that they will further enhance the area.

A public review to which all property owners along the route are invited will be held April 7th. Finally, we expect that Spartanburg County will file the last papers to gain the Federal funding for completion of the project.

At our Board of Director's meeting we considered the possibility that our next tree planting undertaking should be "**second generation planting**" of trees to provide continuity of treescaping in areas of our city where long-established large trees line streets. Comments from members will be appreciated.

Litter Pickup – Our Spring pickup on the East Pine Street area assigned to our Club is scheduled Saturday April 19. Meet at 8:00AM near Wade's restaurant. After a long winter some effort will be needed to clear the area – and we need a good showing of volunteers. If at least a dozen report, we can finish before noon. Outstanding exercise, and a great public service - you'll feel good!

Hatcher Garden activities – Most of our members receive The Garden's newsletter, a new edition of which will be forthcoming. It provides the details on several new programs, some of which involve our Club.

- **The Spring Plant Sale** wherein each our Club and the Garden have parallel sales is outlined on the back of this bulletin;
- **The Junior Master Gardener's** program, providing hands-on vegetable gardening for children in grades 3-5 starts April 2d;
- **The Gardenfest** symposium is Saturday April 5th from 9:30 to 3:30. Speakers include Barrie Bain, Paul Zimmerman, Kevin Parris, and Chuck Burgess, plus tours, lunch, etc.;
- **Garden Fair** will be held May 3d – this includes a mélange of activities and events from gardening expert panels to vendors to John Green's Science Center, Rude Mancke, and a petting zoo!
- **BMW Charity Golf** – Hatcher is one of the sponsors of this tournament to be held May 1-4 at the Cliffs featuring Jack Nicklaus and will receive financial help from the sale of tickets. Call Jeff Horton at the Garden office to place your order .

Landscape evaluations – Our annual exercise in conjunction with the Area Chamber of Commerce of reviewing and evaluating horticulture at business locations is scheduled for Saturday, April 26th. We're considering inviting Tech college students to ride with some of us as guests during the "judging". More on this - next bulletin.

MiscellanyA potting session was held Saturday March 8th – mostly repotting and sorting out to determine what is suitable for sale at our Spring Sale...Jane Bagwell was honored as a healthcare person of the year....paving of pathways at Hatcher, a project we have supported, will take place when things dry out and warm up.....Harold had his 96th last week....Erin and Eric Tapio will present refreshments at this month's meeting.....

Every gardener knows under the cloak
Of winter lies a miracle - a seed waiting to
Sprout, a bulb opening to light, a bud straining
To unfurl – and the anticipation nurtures our
Dream.

Barbara Winkler

Spartanburg Men's Garden Club

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Coleus	Juniper (various)	...and many
Crape Myrtle	Lantana 'Mozelle', etc.	<i>others</i>
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Saturday, April 12, 2003

9 AM - 3 PM

Hatcher Garden and Woodland Preserve
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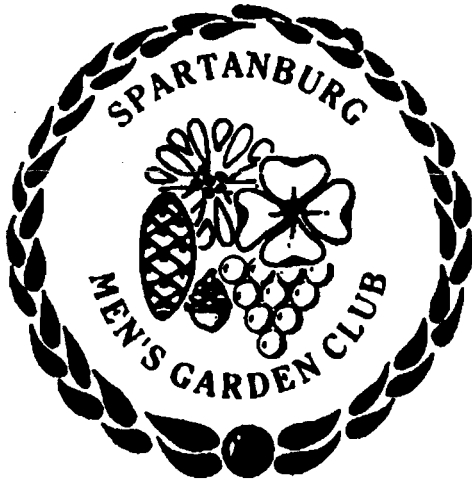
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April 2003

Meeting: Monday, April 21, 2003, 7:30 PM
Place: The Arts Center, 385 Spring Street, Spartanburg, SC
Program: "How to Become a Master Gardener" Sandy Sanders, Past President of the local "Master Gardener Association of the Piedmont" will explain this great organization and its training course. It is program of Clemson Extension Service. While the 17-week course is tough, it is well worth the effort. Come and bring friend.

Landscape Evaluation. Scheduled for *Saturday, April 26*, this cooperative project is in its 34th year with the Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce and is one of the most enjoyable of our club projects. Chairman Bob Almond points out that, "We use a standard evaluation procedure which allows our members to be consistent in appraising property in a positive and productive manner." For years, this was called "Landscape Judging", but we now realize that our unbiased "evaluation" is equally as important as the multiple category awards that are given.

Sign up at the meeting, or give Bob a call. He will arrange for new members to be teamed with experienced evaluators. We assemble *at the Chamber at 8:00 AM*

Litter Pick-Up. While it might not be as enjoyable as the above project, it is equally satisfying—and great exercise. The editor is not sure how many years we have worked to keep N. Pine Street clean, but it has been many. Jim Bagwell, Chairman, assures us that participation for a couple of hours or so will provide great camaraderie with fellow members—and a great benefit to our community. We assemble in *Wade's parking lot at 8:00 AM on Saturday, April 19*. Come and help.

Garden Spots. With help from his committee, John Williams continues to upgrade the club's garden spots. These include Sherrill Garden on E. Main, the Montgomery Flag Garden at the Library, and around the Ezell marker in the MGC/City Spot of Pride on West Main. Thanks, John.

Spring Plant Sale. Our 25th year of plant sales was continued Saturday, April 12. For the second year, this was conducted cooperatively with Hatcher

Garden—we offered our long-time specialties of trees and shrubs; Hatcher offered many unique annuals and perennials. Dave Kyle is again leader of this huge project which involves not just the sale, but procurement of plants, potting, maintaining and general nurturing year-around. Other than dues and occasional contributions, this is our only source of funds for Hatcher Garden support, treescaping and other community projects. Thanks Dave—and all who participated.

Greenhouse Inspection. In November, we contributed \$600 to help the SC School for the Deaf and Blind repair their greenhouse which students use for both training and plant sales. Bill Wilson, Tom Bartram and Jess Taylor were invited to visit and inspect the finished product recently; they report a first class job with which we can be proud to have helped.

Hatcher Garden. Its 2003 Operating Fund Campaign is underway, but is short of its needed goal. Remember, the Trustees lease the garden from its owner, Spartanburg County Foundation, and are completely responsible for its operation and upkeep. It is a treasure of unbelievable value for Spartanburg. If you haven't walked the paths since the new water system was installed, do so soon—not only is it beautiful, but it sounds so good!

And if you haven't sent your contribution, please consider. Send tax-deductible checks to either the Garden, or in care of the Foundation. In addition to Club support, personal support is essential

Incidentally, the paths will be repaved soon, partially financed by an earlier MGC contribution of \$1,500.

Street Tree Maintenance. Thanks to member Newt Hardie, all the Yoshino Cherry trees on S. Pine have been fertilized and given needed light pruning. Cooperatively with the City, he and his team arranged replanting of 40 of these trees during the winter. When in bloom last month, they provided superb beauty to this important Spartanburg entryway.

And similar member teams are working on other of our plantings, i.e. the Willow Oaks and Crape Myrtles on E. Main, the Red Sunset Maples on N. Pine and the Kousa Dogwoods and Maples on Drayton Rd. Thanks for all this enhancement.

US-221 Treescape. The public review of this 300-tree planting plan was conducted on April 7 with help from our “partners”, the Roebuck Improvement Assn., Spartanburg County, and the SC DOT. The proposed project received almost 100% praise and approval by its future neighbors.

<p>We are saddened to learn of the death of Dorothy Nevison, the widow of Past President John Nevison. She encouraged him in being a great and valuable leader of the MGC. R.I.P</p>
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Assistant Editor H. P.

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Program: Our speaker will be **Joe Mullinax**, Executive Director of The Hatcher Gardens and Woodland Preserve. Joe will give us an overview of the situation at the Garden, upcoming events, and current fund-raising efforts.

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Landscape Evaluation Program - Our annual program in conjunction with the Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce was successfully conducted Saturday, May 3d. Bob Almond, Chairman, reports that of the twenty members participating seven were new to the program – and did a great job. Thirty-five properties were evaluated, and scores were unusually high. We think that the appearance of the properties entered in the program has been enhanced by our efforts over the years.

Bob Hamilton and Winston Hardegee will photograph the winners in each class. Winners will be announced and honored at a ceremony to be held at the Chamber Board Room (St. John and Pine Streets) Wednesday May 21st, 4:30 PM. Bob Almond notes that we need good membership attendance at this event to properly recognize the participants. Those who come to the party will enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres served by the Chamber of Commerce!

Container Gardening Program – Our Spring sale last month was quite successful – a little below last year's take, but a good margin over the previous sales we've conducted in prior years. David Kyle gave us a status report at our Board meeting, noting that the overall supply of plants that will be ready for the Fall sale is quite low. Crape myrtle is about our only plant in good stock. We expect to have aid from George Gunter in supplying for this fall, as well as acquisition of magnolias by Everette Lineberger. In this wet spring, members are asked to pot-up the many volunteer plants available.

Additionally, Harold Wolfe is going to organize a training session for propagating soft wood cuttings to be presented in June. We need to get back to basics and create a propagation program that becomes a major input to our container garden.

Street tree plantings – Henry Pittman has prepared a draft listing of trees to be planted in the huge Route 221 project for review and discussion with the sponsors. We're still hoping to get all the details handled in time for a late fall planting of trees.

Newt Hardie has done a considerable amount of tree care on South Pine Street; Harold Wolfe is into the tree pruning project on I-585.

Hatcher garden Activities – While we'll likely hear much about Hatcher programs from Joe Mullinax, our meeting speaker, here's a short rundown: **Gardenfest**, Saturday May 31st. We will have a booth at this affair arranged by Betty Ball – pictures, literature, and coverage by members from 9 AM to 3 PM. Betty plans a plant drawing. **Twilight in the Garden** – a coat and tie fund raiser for which you can make reservations – wine, food, music, garden tours, valet parking –Friday May 31st, 7:00 PM. **Youth Gardening** – a repeat of last year's successful program for youngsters to be held September 26th and 27th. **Hatcher Happenings** – A series of sessions on basics is set up for Tuesdays at 4 PM on August 19th (soils and soil preparation), September 16th, (fertilizers), October 21st (plant selection). Chuck Burgess will conduct these programs.

Nominating Committee – A few of our past presidents, Bob Almond, Jim Bagwell, Bill Wilson, and Henry Pittman will present a slate for next year. If you have suggestions as to officers or directors, please talk to a member of the committee.

Miscellany – John Williams notes that gardens at Hillcrest and the Library are in good shape – he plans to add some summer annuals.... Your Board approved buying four more tables for use at the Fall picnic.... We understand there is a plan afoot to create a special South Carolina state license tag for Spartanburg, and a logo needs to be selected (such as "City of Trees", "Noble Trees"). If you have any particularly bright ideas, tell Joe Mullinax at the Garden – or call the Chamber of Commerce.... We supplied the final dogwood tree to complete the plan for landscaping the last habitat house.... Did you see the beautiful picture of **Cecelia Spring's** garden in the Herald Journal?.... **Betty and Harold Wolfe** did a fine job of presenting refreshments at the April meeting. **Rosalind and Mike Georgian** are on for the forthcoming meeting.... **Membership** – With the addition of **Frank Heitler**, our newest member, we are at an all-time high of 165 !!

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Hare's Hints -

(Valerie Hare has supplied the following adaptation from an item set forth in the Avant Gardener):

Did you know that Vinegar is a powerful weed killer? In tests run by the Agricultural and Cornell University, vinegar, which is acetic acid, killed 80% to 100% of weeds treated. These tests 5% to 25% concentration .

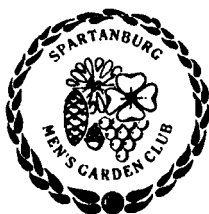
Vinegar biodegrades rapidly and is approved for use by organic gardeners.

Simply fill an ordinary spray bottle with supermarket white vinegar and spray the weeds. Deeper rooted ones may need a second application to wipe out the reserves in the roots.

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Meeting Date: Monday, June 16, 2003 at 7:30 PM

Program: "Orchids—Their Culture and Enjoyment" by Dr. John Simmons.

Place: The Arts Center, 385 Spring Street, Spartanburg, SC

Do: Come, maybe bring a friend and a door prize plant

Propagation Session. Learn techniques of asexual propagation of stem cuttings—a great way to get new plants that are sure to be true to the parent for personal use and to enhance future MGC Plant Sales. Jess Taylor and Walter Soderberg—both "masters of propagation" -- will lead the group in hands-on rooting of woody oriental cuttings. Abundant softwood material will be on hand, or bring yours from home in water or plastic bag (named varieties and cultivars are always preferred). Come at **9:00 AM, Saturday, June 14 at our plant area in Hatcher Garden.**

See Jess Taylor's special article on propagation on Page 4.

Container Sales Program. Chairs David Kyle and Harold Wolfe have the residual plants from the Spring Sale under good control at our area of Hatcher Garden. But never hesitate to come by and perform hand weeding as might be necessary—an ongoing need. And if they are dry, water. But leave the fertilization to the leaders.

Street Tree Planting. While the treescaping of US-221 continues to be on schedule for late 2003, please begin thinking of a great tree program for 2004. Adding "second generation" trees among old existing street trees which have limited life remaining has been suggested. Other suggestions? Advise Hollis Taylor, Lynn Enderby or Henry Pittman. By the way, our Club has already been directly responsible for planting over 1,600 street trees, and indirectly for another over 2,000 trees on the new I-85 bypass.

Hatcher Garden. Both the recent Friday "Twilight in the Garden" gala and the Saturday "Garden Fest" appeared to be great successes. The garden is absolutely gorgeous—the best condition ever. The MGC-financed path repaving and the Joseph Hatcher Wildflower Garden have both been completed, all areas have been spruced up and many have fresh mulch, many new annuals and perennials are in that

garden, the Junior Master Gardener area is highlighted—and the water features are superb! If you haven't walked Hatcher Garden recently, do so; *you will love it!*

MGC Public Relations. Thanks to Betty Ball, our exhibit at the Hatcher “Garden Fest” was one of the highlights. It was eye catching with its new latticework background for logo and pictures. And the new trifold “*You should be a member and supporter of the Spartanburg Men's Garden Club*” was distributed; it probably resulted in recruiting new members.

Landscape Evaluation Program. For some 33 years, this cooperative project with the Chamber of Commerce has been one of our finest and most valuable community contributions. Bob Almond ran it for the club again. While we recently realized that “evaluation” is a more important aspect than “judging”, we are so very proud of this years winners who were honored by the Chamber and us May 21:

- Large Industry 1st: Kohler Co.; Honorable Mention: BMW Manufacturing
- Small Industry 1st: Kusters Corp.; Honorable Mention: Southern Wood Piedmont
- Commercial 1st (Ties): QS/1 of JM Smith, Denny's, and Wealth Management
- Professional 1st: Carolina Surgical Specialists; Honorable Mention: Drs. William Stewart & Keith Cox, Weichert Realtors, Peggy Wilson & Assoc.
- Large Public 1st: Spartanburg Technical College; Honorable: Mention: GSP A'port
- Small Public 1st: City of S'burg; Honorable Mention: S'burg Co. Library-Inman
- Apartments/Hotels/Motels 1st (Ties): Courtyard by Marriott and Park Place Apartments

Newsletter. As substitute Editor, I applaud our longtime Editor, Tom Bartram, for his many years of faithful monthly presentations of activities to the membership, and to Walter Soderberg who for many years has interfaced with Bomar Printing and the Post Office for us. And thanks to Betty Ball who has now taken the latter responsibility.

Litter Pick Up. Under Jim Bagwell's leadership, we will continue our long term commitment to community beautification by picking up litter on N. Pine. Sign up at the June meeting—or just show up for work and camaraderie at **at the Chamber of Commerce Pine St. parking lot, 9:00 AM on Saturday, June 21.** An hour or so of work by members will make a world of difference.

Miscellany. Suggestions for 2004 leaders? Advise Bob Almond, Nominations Chairman....Thanks to Mike and Rosalind Georgian for May refreshments, and to Jess and Allene Taylor for goodies at the June meeting....Walt and Ginny Scott have moved to the RoseCrest near Inman....Root softwood cuttings in June. [H. P., Assistant Editor]

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ASEXUAL PROPAGATION OF CUTTINGS

By Jess Taylor

During the time I have been on Planet Earth, I have done many fun things. One of the most rewarding of these has been propagating plants for use in landscaping. It takes one or two years (depending on the species) to grow a little 3-inch cutting into a fine plant ready for planting or as a gift. Of course donations to Habitat, or Men's Garden Club Plant Sale are welcomed.

June and July are the best months to begin propagating most woody landscape plants. Essentially the process consists of selecting soft wood cuttings from your favorite plants, scarf or wound the lower ends, dip in rooting hormone, stick into prepared soil, and keep moist in a clear plastic covered container in a partially shaded place. After 4 to 6 weeks, the cuttings should be rooted and ready to pot into one gallon containers. After about a year, repot into 3 gallon containers for the full development of prize specimens. During all this time fertilize, water and lightly prune. Sounds like gardening fun.

Over the years, I have gained some knowledge of this hobby from Gill Hooper, John Nevison, Walt Soderberg, Winston Hardegree and others, as well as courses at Spartanburg Tech and the good Dr. Dirr's *Manual on Woody Plant Propagation*. I will be pleased to share this information with members of the club on a one-to-one-basis or a one-to-several-basis at my modest home place on Saranac Lake. The address is 224 Mansfield Dr.; the phone is 579-3880. If you have plant propagating inclinations, give me a call for a mutually agreeable time. I'll ask Allene to make coffee for the occasion.

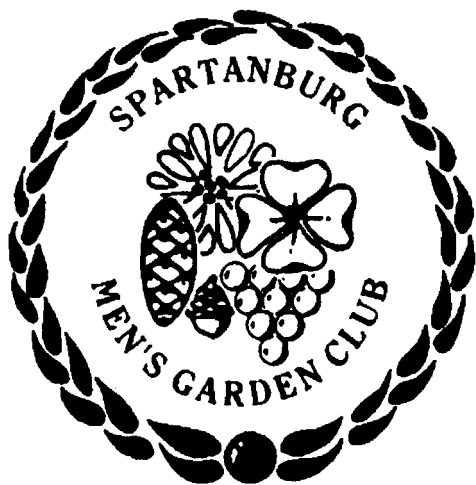
Or join other MGC members at the special Propagation Training Session at Hatcher Garden at 9:00 AM on June 14.

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July 16, 2003

Meeting: Monday, July 21, 2003, 7:30 PM

Place: The Arts Center, 385 Spring Street, Spartanburg, SC

Program: Dr. Stephen Harley, who is an orthopaedic surgeon, will talk to us about his interest and knowledge of **butterflies**.

Container Gardening – Much of our discussion at the Club's recent Board meeting was centered on plans for the container garden. Actually, the Garden itself is in fine shape, with fast growing well-watered plants – quite a change from the previous July conditions. That's the good news. However, our total supply of saleable – or any kind of plants - is very low. We need to produce many more plants from cuttings as well as purchase small "liners" to pot and grow – and time is running out before our Fall sale. President Don Crowder, Henry Pittman, David Kyle, Jess Taylor, Walter Soderberg, and Harold Wolfe are well involved in ordering new stock and planning some rapid action to get us on the road to recovery.

Among planned actions is to get Jess Taylor's sessions about soft-wood cuttings going. Jess is holding two sessions prior to our next Monday meeting for those who previously expressed interest, and will be available for more instruction later in the hope that some of us will be able to produce saleable plants in a hurry as Jess does.

Also, plans are to buy prepared potting soil to amend our standard mix in hope of speeding plant development.

If liners can be obtained quickly, a potting session will be needed – more at our meeting!

Another source is to have a crew of volunteers visit Everett Lineberger's gardens in Inman to pot up a variety of plants he has available.

Tree planting programs – Although all appears to be in order to obtain the funding for the Route US 221 tree planting program, we still await one more level of approval from the State Department of Transportation. The next move after final approval in the seemingly endless bureaucratic cobweb is to have a pre-bid conference. Henry Pittman and Don Crowder are following the details, trying to get all in order for planting this Fall. They're still quite hopeful all can be settled, including some questions that have arisen concerning trees adjacent to the Dorman campus. We expect to stay with our original plan to continue the 100 ft. centers

planting along Dorman's extensive property, although Dorman officials have put forth some alternative proposals that seem somewhat inconsistent with the general plan. Additionally, the matter of the care period for the new plantings and for replacement trees during the first years of the planting, when we hope to get some aid from the DOT, is still being discussed.

Keep Spartanburg Clean litter pickup – You may recall that in a recent Bulletin it was reported that we had a wonderful turnout for the Spring cleanup of street litter, and that it appeared that our efforts to aid this worthy program were revitalized. Forget it - we spoke too soon. At the most recent pickup in June we fielded three people: two members, one of whom brought her daughter. (Susan McDowell, a new member, her daughter, and Jim Bagwell). Next time ??? Jim reports that the three did pick up nine bags of trash.

Odds and ends....Mark your calendar for our annual picnic: Monday, September 15th...**John Williams** reports that the gardens at the Library, East Main, and Ezell are in good shape . The Lantana is doing well this year....**John and Jean Williams** will present the refreshments at our July meeting...**Bob Almond** apparently has the nomination process under control, and will present a slate at our next meeting.....**John Poole**, President of the Chamber of Commerce, recently praised our landscape evaluation program.....Our **Jack Turner**, former officer and long time director of our Club, was recently honored by Governor Mark Sanford with the 2002 South Carolina Environmental Awareness Award. Dr. Jack was selected over seven other nominees for his work at USCS's Watershed Ecology Center and his efforts for the City in watershed evaluation and watershed education.

IN MEMORIAM

John A. Welsh

Almond's Kernels – Bob has collected the following information on three plants that are particularly fitted to our climate:

VERONICA- This is a low-growing perennial that spreads, but is not considered invasive. It is free flowering. *Veronica penduncularis* "Georgia Blue" may be just the plant you are looking for if you would like one that is fewer than 12 inches tall, grows in sun to light shade, and requires little maintenance. Often called "speedwell", Georgia Blue is considered a ground cover that bears bright blue flowers with white eyes. Remove faded flowers to prolong bloom. It can provide color in a border, and works well in rock gardens as an effective ground cover. It doesn't seem to have any serious insect or disease problems. Georgia Blue doesn't get its name from our next-door state, but rather from the former Soviet republic of Georgia where it was discovered. (continued over)

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SOLOMON' SEAL – The variegated Solomon's Seal had become a very popular perennial. It grows to a height of up to three feet, and it prefers part to full shade. It prefers moist soil that contains much humus. *P. odoratum variegatum* has light-green leaves that are edged in ivory stripes, and it produces white flowers along the stems. It is very effective when grown with dark green plants, which allows the variegated foliage to stand out. The blooms are fragrant. It has no serious problems, but is susceptible to slugs.

CLETHRA – Fragrant flowers during late summer are abundant on *Clethra alnifolia*. Summersweet and sweet pepperbush are common names of *C. alnifolia*. It is a deciduous shrub of up to eight feet high, four to six feet wide. It prefers moist soil, and adapts well to heavy soil. It will grow in full sun but is best in light shade. It does well in varying pH conditions. The fragrant flowers attract butterflies, and birds enjoy the seeds. It's free from pests – but sometimes must be treated for fungus.

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August 2003

Meeting Date: Monday, August 18, 2003

Program: "Creative Landscape Design" by Linda McHam
A member of the club, Linda is a fine gardener, tour guide and landscape designer.

Place: The Arts Center, 385 Spring Street, Spartanburg, SC
Do: Come, maybe bring a friend and a door prize plant

Propagation Sessions. Several members attended sessions with Jess Taylor on asexual propagation of cuttings. Hopefully this will be valuable to the individuals, *and result in more plants being grown for MGC sales.*

Container Sales Program. On August 2, twenty-two members successfully potted 400 newly purchased liners and re-potted a hundred existing plants in preparation for future MGC plants sales. **Similar work is scheduled August 16—tell Harold Wolfe you will be at Hatcher Garden about 8 AM to help—or come when you can before noon.**

Other plants have been procured and a number of members are growing quality plants at home for our 26th annual Oct.-Nov. "Fall Plant Sale".

Street Tree Planting. Hopefully the contract for treescaping of US-221 South will be let in September. Details next month.

Planting "second generation" trees is being explored by Valerie Hare and Bob McCullough. A 2004 pilot project is being considered for Converse Heights where many of the fine old street trees have limited life remaining.

Annual Picnic. The "September Meeting" will actually be our annual picnic at Hatcher Garden. Full details will be available next month. Bob Almond and colleagues have a great evening planned.

Litter Pick Up. The last pick-up of the year on North Pine Street is scheduled under Jim Bagwell's leadership on **Saturday, September 13.** Plan to sign up at the meeting. Unfortunately, June participation was poor.

Election. The Nominations Committee will present its slate of 2004 leaders at the meeting. The election will be held in October.

Tax Deductions. At the request of the Board, Mike Georgian has gotten the following advice from his CPA, Rita Vinson. In that we are a 501(c)3 organization (under the umbrella of the Men's Garden Clubs of America), you can deduct contributions of cash and property to the Club, and out-of-pocket expenses you paid to do volunteer work for the Club--to the extent that these are in excess of personal benefit.. Property contributions are deductible at "fair market value". Automobile travel for Club volunteer

work is deductible at 14 cents per mile. But the value of your time and labor is not deductible. It is important that you keep personal records and, for large contributions, you might want an acknowledgement. If questions, consult with your "official" tax advisor

IN MEMORIUM

Harold Hatcher

The Board is asking that members make *generous and significant* contributions to the Club for a "Living Memorial" to be given to the Garden in Harold's memory. Make checks to Spartanburg Men's Garden Club and mail to Jim Bagwell, Treasurer, 123 Sugarmill Lane, Moore, SC 29369.

Harold has had many awards including the prestigious "Order of the Palmetto" in 2001. In 1987 he was honored with the Sertoma "Service to Mankind" Award; a few excerpts from it follow:

Shortly after moving to Spartanburg in 1969 from Indiana, Harold O. Hatcher joined the Spartanburg Men's Garden Club and began an avocation of community beautification and concern that has had everlasting benefit.

Sixteen years ago he purchased a home on Briarwood Rd. which adjoined a desolate 6 1/2 acre track of badly eroded scrub tree gullies--an absolute wasteland. After retiring in 1972, he, along with his wife, Josephine ... envisioned transformation of this worn out property into a lush horticultural park. He graded, built dams, installed pumping systems, terraced and eventually formed five ponds which not only use water from a stream which passes through the property, but collects and controls street water from the surrounding residential area. An extensive irrigation system... He built two miles of natural winding paths, many built along steep banks and the rolling hillsides adjoining the ponds; they join areas containing 200 hybrid rhododendrons, countless azaleas, hundreds of dogwood, and dozens of other types of trees and shrubs. A large area is devoted to native wild flowers, He has converted a large area on the back side of the property adjoining Reidsville Road into a combination vegetable garden and an auxiliary tree farm for the Men's Garden Club...

While still in good health (he had multiple heart bypasses two years ago) and while continuing to work personally many hours each week improving the park, Mr. Hatcher has in December set up a trust into which the ownership of the park was donated. The Spartanburg County Foundation is the holder of the Trust...

Mr. Hatcher has been the undisputed most active member of the Men's Garden Club over the past years. While never agreeing to serve as official president, he has been an ongoing director (now emeritus) and has edited or co-edited the club's monthly newsletter for years and has directed many committees and work groups. He initiated the MGC's massive community tree sale program in 1979 through which 20-thousand dogwood, crepe myrtles and other trees were

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purchased wholesale and passed on to citizens, schools and civic groups at almost cost. He then envisioned and has been the prime mover in developing the MCC Tree Bank, where tree seedlings are purchased, or grown from seed cooperatively with the State Forestry Commission, and planted on City property in cooperation with the Parks and Recreation Department. He organizes and leads other club members (most of them older, retired men) in tending these plants until they are sufficiently mature for moving to public areas for community beautification projects. Over 600 of these trees have been planted on City or County public property at no cost to the recipient during the past five years. An additional 12,500 have been provided at low cost to citizens, neighborhood associations, community groups, schools, etc. for landscaping. In total, Mr. Hatcher is directly and personally responsible for the successful planting of at least 40-thousand trees in the Spartanburg community in the past 8 years...

...Now, as a volunteer, he has set the highest example of dogged giving of one's self to the community since the late beloved W. O. Ezell. Mr. Hatcher's stamina, ambition foresight and vision will be seen, felt and realized in the quality of life in Spartanburg for years to come.

Indeed, Harold will be missed, but we are blessed to have had him!

[HP, Assistant Editor]

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September 10, 2003

PICNIC !! Monday, September 15th 5:30 PM
HATCHER GARDEN AND WOODLAND PRESERVE. We plan to begin to serve about 6:00 PM – and suggest you come earlier to visit, and perhaps take a look around the Garden. We seriously expect to have a fine fall evening. (Although a rain date has been set for the following Monday, September 22d.)

Hamburgers, hotdogs, drinks, and utensils are supplied by the Club. Some have been assigned food items to bring, and others are asked to bring a dish or dessert of their choice. Chairs are somewhat in short supply, so bring one or two.

We've invited the Hatcher Board, Corporate members, and some community representatives. All in all, it will be another great affair!

Street Tree Planting – At our Board of Director's meeting last week Henry Pittman gave us the good news that the Route 221 – Dorman High School plans for the major treescaping is on schedule for planting beginning in late November and completed in January!!! Four bids came in well below the \$100,000. target for the projected budget. This project has been through all kinds of travail and political problems, but now looks like sweet success. Henry and his helpers have reason to be proud.

Now we seek another project. Valerie Hare and Bob McCullough report that they met with the Converse Heights community group and with a State Forestry representative for a discussion of a program to replace aging trees in Converse Heights. There appears to be a possibility getting something going, but it apparently will take time to develop a plan.

Another possibility is a planting in the median of Rte. 176 from the Springfield area to I-26. Any suggestions should be directed to our Board.

Container Garden – Things look good. While at the Picnic, walk down and take a look. The whole area is well covered with plants, and more are to be delivered by members – especially Walter Soderberg and Jess Taylor. The efforts of the last two months to increase our inventory are succeeding. We have a wide variety of stock, and are also getting some plants on consignment for resale. The efforts of a sizeable number of members has contributed - and particular credit goes to Harold Wolfe for his management of the project.

It looks as if we'll have to utilize more space for the containers, and plans are being made to cover more area with ground cloth. Also of note is that our

inventory and tagging efforts are up to date.

Nominating Committee – Bob Almond’s committee presents the following slate for 2004. Election at our October Meeting.: President, Don Crowder, Vice Pres. Everette Lineberger, Secretary, Linda McHam, Treasurer, Jim Bagwell, Asst. Treas., Bob Hamilton, Bulletin Editor, Tom Bartram, Past Pres. Bill Wilson, Blue Ridge Pres., Bob Almond. Directors (one year term) Betty Ball, Valerie Hare, Mike Georgion, Bob McCullough, Eric Shutler, Hollis Taylor. Directors (two year term): Julian Cornwell, Tasso Ghionis, Newt Hardie, David Kyle, John Williams, Harold Wolfe. Directors emeritus: Gil Hooper, Walter Soderberg.

We were saddened last week by the death of **Corrie Whitlock**, a fine friend and wonderful leader of many excellent community enhancement programs in our City and County.

Adopt a Highway – The Fall pickup is scheduled for this Saturday September 13th. Meet at parking area behind the Chamber building at 8:00 AM. Eleven are signed up – and a few more would help make it a clean sweep.

Harold Hatcher Memorial Fund – A number of members have already contributed to this fund which will be used for a memorial at the Garden. Direct contributions to Jim Bagwell by mail or at the meeting.

Hatcher Garden Programs – Currently the Junior Master Gardener Program is being presented by Clemson Extension and the 4-H. We understand this will be the last effort of Chuck Burgess of Clemson, who is being transferred from Spartanburg. The **Kidfest** programs are scheduled to be presented September 26th and 27th. This program, developed by Corrie Whitlock, includes under-privileged children. Bob Almond aids in the planning, and Allene and Jess Taylor have again constructed beautiful bluebird houses for each participant.

Jess Taylor was honored by The Hatcher Garden Board of Directors who have named the building where we meet guests in the Garden The Jess Taylor Building.

Garden Tours - Jane Bagwell has again arranged interesting tours of home gardens of members. Four sites for visiting noted below are scheduled Sunday, September 21st. Jane says we can visit the four locations in any order during the afternoon. The gardens are somewhat spread out, but it makes for an interesting Sunday drive.

Jeff Hayes – Jeff’s front garden is a shady garden. In back there are two border beds with a variety of annuals and perennials. He has recently planted several ornamental trees. There is also a waterfall, three ponds, and a stream, planted with water plants and annuals that are unexpected in a stream. Directions: W.O. Ezell Blvd. to entrance of Vanderbilt Hills; rt. On Vanderbilt Rd to Stribling Circle; 2d house on right: 106 Stribling Cl. 494-9667continued

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Rudy and Cecelia Spring – The Spring's garden has colorful annuals, perennials and shrubs in the front yard, and a very shady backyard with a pool. 449 Litchfield Dr., Moore. 574-3267. From intersection I-26 and Reidville Rd. turn onto E. Blackstock Rd. (beside Blockbuster Video) and go 3.1 miles, then turn right onto Stratford Rd., go 0.3 miles and turn right on Litchfield Dr.

Betty Ball – Betty's garden is a cottage garden with a patio and a stone wall with pond. She has perennials, woody ornamentals, and specimen trees. Also, she has a raised-bed vegetable garden. 102 Miller Springs, Moore. 595-1345. Starting at Publix at the intersection of Reidville Rd. and 290 in Duncan, stay on 290 towards Woodruff to Hwy 417 stoplight. Turn right, and Miller Springs is first right. First house on right, 102 Miller Springs Rd.

Caroline Broyles – Caroline's Garden has camellias, mountain laurel, azaleas and gardenias. It has been recently landscaped with Otto Luken laurels, pieris japonica, Japanese maple, and tea olives. 3 Canady Street, Inman. 472-2492. Take 176 toward Inman, take a right at Hardee's, go through town and go left on Littlefield Rd. (across from First Baptist Church and the railroad tracks). Take second road to right (Canady St.) – second house on left - blue-gray with black shutters.

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October 2003

Meeting: October 20, 2003 7:30 PM
Place: The Arts Center, 385 Spring St.
Spartanburg, SC

Program: **George Gunter**, member and a past president of our Club, titles his presentation "My ten favorite plants". George is the proprietor of Gunter's Garden, a handsome nursery site with interesting plants and shrubs on Reidville Road.

Fall Plant Sale - Our major effort of the year is scheduled to begin Saturday, October 18th at 9AM. This first Saturday also embraces the Hatcher Garden perennial plant sale held adjacent to our area at the Garden, and the combined sale will last to 3 PM. Our sale will continue on the following three Saturdays, but only from 9 AM to 12 noon. Many volunteers are needed to park cars, field questions, make sales, etc. Many of you will be contacted before the sale - but if you haven't heard anything, show up early at the Garden to lend a hand!

With a great deal of effort by Don Crowder, Henry Pittman, David Kyle, Walter Soderberg, Harold Wolfe, Jess Taylor and others, we've assembled a large number of plants - and more variety than in any previous year. Also, the container garden is well laid out and the plants are all labeled.

Harold Hatcher Memorial Fund - This fund, which will provide a permanent testament to Harold, is growing nicely. The committee, consisting of Bob Almond, Tom Bartram, Henry Pittman, and Walt Soderberg, plans to keep it open for contributions until after the annual meeting in November. Ideas as to the fund's use will be appreciated. If you haven't made a contribution - give generously.

Street Tree Planting - The Route US 221 project is on go. The winning bidder for the project is Charles Reid's Sodfather organization - with a bid well within budget. We'll see some action during this winter's planting season. On another front, the Converse Height's group is seriously considering the proposal to begin interspersing new trees amongst their large mature street trees.

Litter Pickup - For the last pickup of the year on our assigned segment of Pine Street, six stalwarts appeared to collect twelve bags of trash: Valerie Hare, Giesele Otto, Charles Billeter, Jim Bagwell, Henry Pittman, and Susan MacDowell.

Nominations - Following are subject to membership approval as officers for 2004 at our November meeting: Pres. Don Crowder, Vice pres. Everette Lineberger, Secretary Linda McHam, Treas. Jim Bagwell, Asst Treas. Bob Hamilton, Editor, Tom Bartram, Past Pres., Bill Wilson, Blue Ridge Pres.

Bob Almond, Directors (one year term) Betty Ball, Valerie Hare, Mike Georgion, Bob McCullough, Eric Shutler, Hollis Taylor. Directors (two year term) Julian Cornwell, Tasso Ghionis, Newt Hardie, David Kyle, John Williams, Harold Wolfe. Directors emeritus: Gil Hooper, Walter Soderberg.

Hatcher Garden Programs - The programs we support at Hatcher - Kidfest and Hatcher Happenings both had successful sessions this year. The Kidfest sessions included one for lesser-means children that was particularly well received. It included sessions on earthworms, noble trees, and bluebirds - with bluebird houses created by Jess and Allene Taylor for each participant. The "Happenings" program on plants for home garden use by Jeff Hall was well attended and excellent. Bob Almond has been our agent for these programs and suggests we provide more support next year.

National President - The new president of the National organization is now a lady - Honey Barnicoff. Arrangements have been made for her to visit in Spartanburg Sunday, November 2d and Monday, November 3d. Your Directors are planning a Dutch-treat dinner for Monday, November 3d, with the hope that many of our Club can meet Honey and hear of her interesting new plans. More about this at the meeting.

November Meeting - Our annual meeting and installation of officers will be held Monday, November 17th, at the Barrett Room of the County Library on Henry Street. Make note of the early starting time : 7:00 PM. Our speaker will be member Rudy Mancke, Public Television's host of super garden and wildlife programs.

Miscellany - The annual picnic last month went well. Over 100 were in attendance, the food was plentiful, The Turners did a great job grilling, and the band supplying the music was a treat.....September's garden tours, arranged by Jane Bagwell, proved successful, and reasonably well attended. The gardens presented brought some rave reviews! Thanks to participants Jeff Hayes, Rudy and Cecelia Spring, Betty Ball, and Caroline Broyles.....Jess Taylor ends his term as a Director of Hatcher Garden. He was an active director who has made definite contributions to the Garden. Of particular note was his excellent planning work on the pond water recirculation system. Tom Bartram has been nominated as his successor.....Good to see Harold Wolfe recovering so well from his major bypass surgery....We're hoping Frank Mitchell recovers from his fall and broken ankle.

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574-0896	Bagwell, Jim & Jane	123 Sugarmill Ln.	Moore	SC	29369	4
583-0819	Bain, Barrie & Don	62 Lake Forrest Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	5
595-1345	Ball, Betty	102 Miller Springs Dr.	Moore	SC	29369	6
542-8738	Barbee, Jim & Darolyn	186 Wedgewood Pl.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	7
582-3391	Barnet, William & Val	PO Box 131	Arcadia	SC	29320	8
579-0729	Bartram, Tom & Marianne	521 Mockingbird Lane	Spartanburg	SC	29307	9
573-5004	Bearden, Jay (Dr.) & Ann	1127 Woodburn Rd	Spartanburg	SC	29302-3435	10
585-1326	Beasley, Joe & Doris	109 Byers Ct.	Spartanburg	SC	29307	11
592-2319	Billeter, Charles G.	785 Halls Bridge Rd.	Campobello	SC	29322	12
585-5454	Bomar, William	2219 Country Club Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	13
472-9881	Braighrol, Jack & Betty	28 S. Main St.	Inman	SC	29349	14
594-5808	Breeden, Dan C	171 Twin Pond Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29307	15
472-2492/4047	Broyles, Caroline & Dottie	3 Canaday St.	Inman	SC	29349	16
583-7741	Burdell, Mrs. Wayne	862 Glendalyn Ave.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	17
576-2512	Cantrell, Bill & Mary Frances	302 Holly Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29301	18
599-7011	Clark, J.T. & Pat	102 Woodcreed Drive	Spartanburg	SC	29303	19
574-8493	Cobb, Linda	421 Overlook Ct	Spartanburg	SC	29301	20
576-4806	Corn, Winnie	220 Highway 417	Moore	SC	29369	21
587-8226	Cornwell, Julian (Dr.)	166 Westmeath Dr.	Moore	SC	29369	22
576-3397	Crowder, Donald & Denie	106 Stockton Ln.	Moore	SC	29369	23
585-4955	Davidson, Edward	3050 Southport Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	24
583-2721	DeLuca, Ben, Jr. & Joellen	132 Fernbrook Circle	Spartanburg	SC	29307	25
597-1065	Dempsey, Kerry	723 Dupre DR.	Spartanburg	SC	29307	26
582-4484	Drummond, George	168 Aberdeen Ln.	Spartanburg	SC	29307	27
579-3302	Elam, Ed & Kathy	514 Gaston Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29307	28
583-5558	Enderby, Lynn & Mary Joyce	209 Horseshoe Lake Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29306	29
582-3274	Erickson, Flo	343 Mills Ave.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	30
576-7987	Ezell, Frank	894 W. O. Ezell Blvd.	Spartanburg	SC	29301	31
585-0420	Ferguson, Dianne (Dr.)	340 E. Park Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	32
582-1340	Fleming, Lib	314 Glendalyn Place	Spartanburg	SC	29302	33
596-2528	Floyd, Gordan & Karen	105 Montgomery Circle	Spartanburg	SC	29302	34
579-0485	Frost, Ed & Pam	1004 Seven Springs Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29307	35
582-4169	Galt, Tom	PO Box 638	Drayton	SC	29333	36
598-9445	Gaston, Bill	121 Montgomery Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	37
574-1380	Gencarelli, Ray	421 Cloverleaf Ln.	Spartanburg	SC	29301	38
574-1514	Georgion, Mike & Rosalind	212 Navaho Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29301	39
463-2585	Ghionis, Anastase "Tasso"	108 Svdnor Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29307	40
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582-8412	Griffin, Edwin	154 Bellwood Lane	Spartanburg	SC	29302	43
574-0803	Gunter, George & Susanne	287 Caldwell Cir.	Spartanburg	SC	29301	44
5747724	Hall, Jeff	PO Box 2337	Spartanburg	SC	29304	45
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582-0990	Hardie, Newt	128 Bagwell Farm Road	Spartanburg	SC	29302	48
542-9635	Hare, Valerie	758 Rutledge St.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	49
576-9482	Hatcher, Harold [Died August 2003]	124 Briarwood Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29301	50
576-6913	Hayes, Jeff	106 Stribling Circle	Spartanburg	SC	29301	51
585-4725	Heitler, Francis D.	200 W. Hampton Ave	Spartanburg	SC	29306	52
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587-9365	Huckeba, Bill	1484 Harrelson Rd.	Pauline	SC	29374	54
582-8668	Irwin, Co	107 Fernbrook Circle	Spartanburg	SC	29307	55
594-5802	Johnson, George & Susu	P.O. Box 3524	Spartanburg	SC	29304	56
569-2026	Kraft, Bonnie Ridlev [moved 2003]	402 Mills Ave.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	57
576-7083	Kyle, David	375 Wilson Ferry Rd.	Moore	SC	29369	58
433-9323	Lamacraft, John	215 Georgia Queen Road	Woodruff	SC	29388-8602	59
948-1388	Lane, Nancy	228 Beechwood Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29307	60
587-5546	Lindsey, Denise	420 Independence Dr	Roebuck	SC	29376	61
585-1303	Lindsey, James	311 Marconi Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29303-3307	62
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583-5238	Lowry, Brownlee & Julie	3021 S. Pine St.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	64
529-0122	MacDowell, Susan	475 Ransdell Dr	Spartanburg	SC	29307	65
803/787-1091	Mancke, Rudy	119 Powell Mill Pond Rd.	Cayce	SC	29033	66
574-6443	Manly, C. Paul	140 Sawyer Rd.	Roebuck	SC	29376	67
576-3319	Maple, Joe	407 Thornhill Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29301	68
658-3323	Marley, Charles	14 Claircastle Dr.	Weaverville	NC	28787	69
583-1297	McArthur, E. L.	674 Rutledge St.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	70
585-1451	McCullough, Robert & Gail	638 Crystal Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	71

582-1498	McHam, Linda	1010 Andrews Farm Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	72
583-8022	McLean, Edward T., Jr.	112 Camden Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29302-3403	73
468-4790	Miller, Jim & Janet	425 Wicklow Rd.	Campebello	SC	29322	74
579-4236	Mitchell, Frank	119 Shelton Drive	Spartanburg	SC	29307	75
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503-2374	Murajda, Lvn	931 Gramling School Rd.	Inman	SC	29349	77
585-6913	New, Virginia	1050 Andrews Farm Rd	Spartanburg	SC	29302	78
585-5013	Odom, Robert	231 Hillbrook Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29307	79
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579-2406	Otto, Gisela	306 Heathwood Dr	Spartanburg	SC	29302	81
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582-4409	Perrin, Edward P.	111 Woodburn Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	84
576-9665	Phillips, Neil	1116 Blackstock Rd.	Moore	SC	29369	85
579-0532	Pittman, Henry	656 Perrin Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29307-2456	86
582-8810	Powell, Robert (Dr.) & Sandra	180 Hilltop Acres	Spartanburg	SC	29302	87
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582-0788	Ramantanin, Alex	1005 River Road	Spartanburg	SC	29302-2180	89
582-3986	Reid, Charles & Kelly	2085 Washington Rd. (Jan.04)	Spartanburg	SC	29302	90
583-3943	Reynolds, Bob (Dr.)	400 Wannamaker Ct.	Spartanburg	SC	29302	91
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576-0352	Sloan, Richard	4118 Shephard Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29301	101
587-1070	Smith, Martha	117 Charlestown Ct	Moore	SC	29369	102
439-0669	Soderberg, Walter	1304 Nazareth Church Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29301	103
574-3267	Spring, Rudy & Cecelia	449 Litchfield Dr.	Moore	SC	29369	104
576-8475	Stockdale, Alfred & Gerv	823 Reidville Rd.	Spartanburg	SC	29306	105
582-0398	Stoltz, David (Dr.)	10 Catawba St.	Spartanburg	SC	29303	106
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574-9062	Tessmer, Ray	110 Summit Hills Dr., Apt. 114	Spartanburg	SC	29307	111
585-5947	Theiler, Suzanne	101 Carolina Club Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29306	112
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585-0246	Wegrzyn, George (Dr.)	217 Muirfield Dr.	Spartanburg	SC	29306	119
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November 12, 2003

Meeting: Annual Meeting - Monday, November 17, 2003 **7:00 PM**
Place: The Spartanburg County Library, Henry & Church Streets
Program: Rudy Mancke, Public Television's outstanding naturalist, member of Our Club, native of Spartanburg, and an always entertaining speaker, will join us for the evening.

.... Also, at this annual meeting, our friend Liz Patterson, former Congressman from our District, will install our Officers and Directors for their new terms. A listing of the new line-up elected at our October meeting, appears on the back page of this bulletin. Additionally, please note the earlier than usual starting time for the meeting. Betty Ball is organizing refreshments that will follow the meeting.

Honey's Visit – Last weekend we had a three- day visit with Honey Barnecoff, the National President of The Gardeners of America/Mens' Garden Clubs. Bob Almond, Henry Pittman, and Don Crowder headed our welcome. Arrangements were made allowing Honey to stay at the Milliken guest house; a tour of town included looking at our various tree-scape sites, the Spots of Pride, and Hatcher Gardens, where a small group had lunch with our guest. Your Directors were grandly entertained by Jim and Jane Bagwell for dinner with Honey Sunday evening, and 35 of us attended a dinner at Wofford, with John Poole of the Chamber of Commerce, and a brief visit by Mayor Bill Barnet. Honey's remarks at both occasions were well received. She proved to have a bright positive manner and outlook and, as the first female President, a winner, and a good salesperson for the National organization.

She is seeking some changes that should be definite improvements.

On Honey's departure from Spartanburg, we loaded a "Little Gem" magnolia in the trunk of her car.

Fall Sale, container garden – The sale began with a rush Saturday, October 18th. Hatcher Garden was a beehive of activity with both our sale and the Garden's own perennial sale. We had a fine turnout of members to assist, (33 members the first day) and the sale proceeded in an orderly fashion. The Garden looked great – with well-organized plants, a good parking system – and great weather. While subsequent Saturdays were not at the barn-burner level of the first day, we still had good numbers, clearing out almost half of our stock and making enough profit to continue funding of our beautification projects.

This year's heroes of the sale certainly include Harold Wolfe, Don Crowder, Henry Pittman, Jess Taylor, David Kyle and Walt Soderberg - and assisted by a super turnout of members. Jim Bagwell and Bob Hamilton handled the cash, and Bob Almond's coffee and doughnuts helped.

This year we managed to keep good records of inventory and sales, so have a better handle on planning for the Spring sale and next Fall's sale. This has resulted in plans for a work session at the Garden on Saturday, December 6th, when we will report root-bound plants, and hopefully will have some small "liners" to pot. **Sign up for this constructive exercise at the meeting!**

Hatcher Memorial – The fund for this memorial is still open for contributions and needs further infusion of donations – tax deductible, of course. The committee is considering a bronze plaque providing a little history. Action will be taken after the November meeting when we know the total amount available.

Dorman High – 221 project – Henry Pittman and helpers have toured all planting sites with Sodfather representatives (Sodfather is Charles Reid's group which has the contract). Planting stakes are being set out for the great lines of trees. It looks as if any planning disagreements concerning trees at the high school site are being resolved. Planting will begin soon. Henry, Hollis Taylor, and Bob Almond were invited to a meeting with the Roebuck planning group, with whom we partnered in the project, and report that the meeting was centered on praise for our efforts – an "attaboy" meeting.

Hatcher Happenings – The last of three programs conducted by Hatcher Gardens this Fall was conducted by Jeff Hall . The programs were titled "At Home in Your Garden" and included sessions on soils, fertilizers, and the last : Flowers, flowers, and more flowers. Some eighty people attended and were enthusiastic about the programs. While our Club is not an official sponsor, all three of Hatcher Garden's committee planning the programs are MGC members: Denie Crowder, Diane Fergusson, and Bob Almond. It should be noted that very few of our membership attended, and it is hoped that next year's program will attract more from our Club.

.....John Williams is planting pansies in our flower beds for the winter season.....Rev. Frank Mitchell, one of our more senior members, has been hospitalized with a spinal fracture, and is now unable to walk.

Shade Gardening Selections – The following is adapted from the Atlanta Club's newsletter: Normally when we think about hellebores we think of *H. x hybridus* (Lenten Rose), or *H. Niger* (Christmas Rose). Actually, *Helleborus* is a genus of about 15 species of perennials. Of interest is *H. foetidus*, a native of Southwestern Europe, and it is quite hardy in the Atlanta area. It bears many flowers, green in color, with maroon at the petal tips. Usually, in our area, the flowers begin in February and last for several months. The flowers might have a pleasant odor, but the leaves, when crushed, have an unpleasant odor. This is good plant to grow among hostas. Note- a recent gardening article says that this plant will repel voles.

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