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## January 2014

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January 27...Regular Meeting...7:00pm SCC campus  
Speaker...Vahl Wilson...All About Roses



Refreshments for the January Meeting will be furnished  
by: Jack and Jane Turner

If you have not renewed your membership, be sure to bring your  
check and completed membership form to the January meeting.  
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forms will also be available at the meeting.

# Gardening and Beautification

## A Publication of the Spartanburg Men's Garden Club

### The Presidents Corner

Hi all. Before we know it, we'll be back in the garden. Gray days and the "polar vortex" shivering will be behind us. The SMGC will be busy with education, plant sales, community gardens, and a host of other activities that promise to make 2014 one of our best. Plan to be a part of it. And, we will need your help to make it happen.

An all-volunteer organization like ours depends on its members like you and me to move it forward. Everything from providing refreshments at meetings to preparing for the plant sale is done by volunteers. Need another New year's resolution? Resolve to some of your precious free time to the club. Ask a non-member to a meeting. Join us for litter pick-up. Working our plant nursery to prepare for the plant sale. All of these tasks are enjoyable and of great service to our club and to the community.

The SMGC has a long and proud past. Let' ensure a proud future for all of us. See you on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

### Community Gardener 101 class

The class starting on January 21<sup>st</sup> is full. Applications are now being taken for the next class which will be in the fall if 10 or more are enrolled. Classes will be held at the revamped Evans building on Kennedy street. Room161.



### Dates to Remember

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**The political machine triumphs because it is a united minority acting against a divided majority.**

**Will Durant**



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February 17, 2014...Regular Meeting...7:00pm SCC campus  
Speaker...Jay Moore... How to Manage "Your Hydrangeas"  
And What's New for 2014



March 17, 2014...Chuck Plemens ..."Shade Gardening"

April 21, 2014... Kevin Parris "Every Campus Should Be An  
Arboretum"

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Warmer days are coming! We had a good turn-out at the January meeting and look forward to a good new year for SMGC. Please plan to volunteer to make this happen. There are many ways to help the club this year. We need volunteers to provide refreshments, maintain the container garden, work at plant sales, and many other things. Join us to make the club stronger and more responsive to the community.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Charles Crescenzi

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First work day

Saturday Feb. 8, 2014. 9:00am to ??

And each Saturday until the plant sale.

CG101 class...24 students are now in class. Dr. Bob Powell taught class number 2...Basic Botany For Gardeners.



### TIME

Each of us has a bank. Its name is **TIME**. Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it writes off as lost whatever you have failed to use.

It carries over no balance, it allows no overdraft.

Each day it opens a new account for you. Each night it burns the remains of the day. If you fail to use the days allowance, the loss is yours.

There is no going back. There is no drawing against "tomorrow."

You must live on today's deposits

The clock is running.

**MAKE THE MOST OF TODAY.**

And remember that **TIME** waits for no one.

Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery.

Today is a gift. That's why it is called the **PRESENT!!!**





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Speaker...Chuck Plemmons ...Shade Gardening



April 21, 2014... Speaker  
Kevin Parris...Every Campus Should Be An Arboretum

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furnished by Don and Denie Crowder

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We need volunteers to provide refreshments for the April and May meetings. You may contact me at 864-529-0925 or see me at the meeting.

We also need volunteers to maintain the container garden, work at plant sales, and many other things. Join us to make the club stronger and more responsive to the community.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Charles Crescenzi

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection** is March 29, 2014, and will be held at the Spartanburg County office building parking lot. Note...this is for Spartanburg County residents only. Volunteers may contact Dr. Jim Weeks at [jpweeksmd@aol.com](mailto:jpweeksmd@aol.com)

### Spring Plant Sale

The SMGC spring plant sale dates are set for April 4 and 5, 2014. We will need increasing numbers of volunteer help as these dates draw near. Help will be needed 9:00am to ?? on each Saturday until the plant sale.

Respond to: Tim Hemphill at: [tphemp@att.net](mailto:tphemp@att.net)  
Or: Charles Crescenzi at: [charliecrez@yahoo.com](mailto:charliecrez@yahoo.com)

Plant lists are available on our web site  
[www.dirtdaubers.org](http://www.dirtdaubers.org)

### Award given for the Household Hazardous Waste program on March 11, 2014 by Upstate Forever



Left to right: Dr. Jim Weeks representing the Spartanburg Master Gardeners, Joe Maple representing the Spartanburg Men's Garden Club, Shelley Robbins representing Upstate Forever, and Ron Kirby representing Spartanburg County.

The award was presented by Upstate Forever to the three groups as their Three R's Champions Award.

The three R's stand for Reuse, Reduction, and Recycling.

Upstate Forever is dedicated to "Protecting the ecosystems and plant life in this special place we call home."

Committee work is like an easy chair-easy to get into and hard to get out of.

Kenneth Shively



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April 21, 2014... Speaker  
Kevin Parris...Every Campus Should Be An Arboretum



Join Kevin Parris, SCC Arboretum Director, as he walks us through the development of the SCC Downtown Campus landscape, and shares highlights from journeys to Chicago Botanic Garden, the Morton Arboretum, Missouri Botanical Garden, Moore Farms Botanical Garden, Smithgall Botanical Garden, and Atlanta Botanical Garden.

Time: 7:00 pm at the Health Sciences Bldg, SCC campus

May 19, 2014... Speaker  
Newt Hardie and the latest from the Trees Coalition

Refreshments for the April Meeting will be furnished  
by Darvin Helvy.

### March 15 Litter Pickup

Volunteering were Don Crowder, Tim Hemphill, Charlie Crescenzi, Bob Reynolds, and Charlie Covert.

8 bags of litter were picked up

Next collection dates:

June 7 rain date June 14  
Sept. 20 rain date Sept. 27  
Dec. 6 rain date Dec. 13

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection** was held March 29, 2014, at the Spartanburg County office building parking lot.



On Saturday 426 cars came through the collection line. Collected was as follows: 5,319 pounds of solids, 18,150 pounds of liquid, 440 pounds of anti freeze, 770 pounds of motor oil, 210 pounds of fire extinguishers, and 522 pounds of propane tanks. A lot of paint was also collected.

### Special Note!!

Linda Cobb's open house will be held on May 10, 2014. From 9:00am to 2:00pm.

Take hwy 29 out of town, pass the Target shopping center, turn left into Hawk Creek subdivision, left onto Creek Ridge, left to 421 Overlook Court.

Ph. 864-574-8493

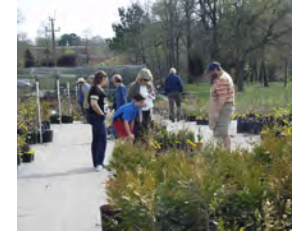
e mail [lindacobb@charter.net](mailto:lindacobb@charter.net)

*To be good is noble, but to teach others to be good is nobler- and a lot less trouble.*

Mark Twain

### SMGC Spring Plant Sale

Held April 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at SCC campus.



A very successful Spring plant sale was held on April 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Several plant species were sold out.

The SCC plant sale was successful as well.

### President's Corner

Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make the Spring plant Sale a great success. The club is fortunate to have so many willing volunteers. Special thanks to Tim Hemphill who put so much time and effort in keeping things going at the container garden. Tim has done an outstanding job. I noticed many return buyers from the past, so we must be doing something right. Lets keep this SMGC tradition alive and a vital part of our club program. Thanks again to all.

*Charlie*

**Note:** Spartanburg County Annual 4-H Spring fundraiser



### Vadalia Onion Sale

To order: come to Clemson Extension office. 612 Chesnee highway, Spartanburg, 29303 starting April 30, 2014. Onions will be ready for pick-up by early May.

5 pound bag is only \$5.00. Cash or check will be accepted.





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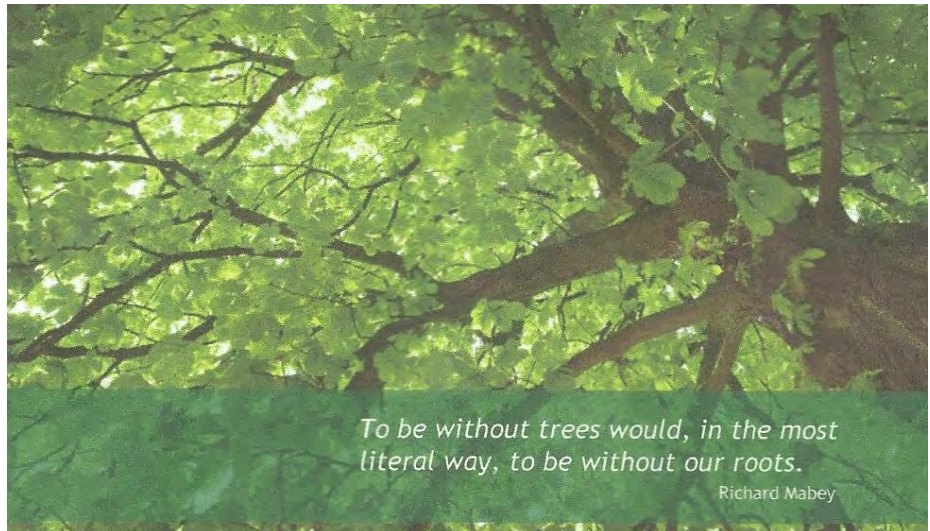
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May 19, 2014... Speaker:  
Newt Hardie and the latest from The Trees Coalition



Time: 7:00 pm at the Health  
Sciences Bldg, SCC Main Campus

June 16, 2014 Speaker:  
Jan Williams MG  
Flower Arranging For Beginners



Refreshments for the May Meeting will be furnished  
by: Charles Covert

### Litter Pickup Dates

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## Blueberry Potting Session on May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Jay Moore stopped by to talk to Charlie Crescenzi and Tim Hemphill. Don Crowder and Linda McHam were also present.

Check your email for future potting sessions.



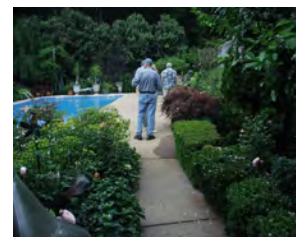
## Community Gardener 101 Course

There will be a fall course for CG101 if a minimum of 10 sign up for the class. The course will be listed in the SCC fall catalog. The class will start on Sept. 9, 2014 and end Dec. 02, 2014.

## Nominations for 2015

Officers and SMGC Board slate will be published in the June newsletter.

Linda Cobb's Open Garden Event, was well attended as usual.



Linda Cobb and Mary Ann Hipp

## President's Corner

Looking for an interesting way to spend Saturday morning? Come on up to the Container Garden and help us prepare for the next plant sale. There are lots of ways to spend a couple of hours helping the club, and this is one. We appreciate even one hour of work and look forward to seeing you at SCC.

Charlie



Words to the Wise

*It's been my policy to view the internet, not as an Information highway, but as an electronic asylum filled with babbling loonies.*

Mike Boyko



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June 16, 2014...Speaker:  
Jan Williams MG  
Flower Arranging for Beginners



Time: 7:00 pm at the Health Sciences Bldg, SCC Main Campus  
For more information about Jan Williams, see: "Garden Cameos: First Presbyterian Church guild ministers with flowers" in the Spartanburg Herald Journal by Linda Cobb.

### Mark your Calendar

July 21, 2014 Mary Snoddy MG 'Bulbs, Beyond the Basics'

August 16, 2014 Jeff Hall "Gardening with Conifers"

September 15, 2014 Annual Picnic

Refreshments for the May Meeting will be furnished  
by: The Savkos

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## Nominations for 2015

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Secretary	Gail Rodgers
Treasurer	Peggy Wilson
Directors:	Darvin Helvy 1 year rem.
	Stanley Klotz 1 year rem.
	Prafull Gajendragadkar 1 year rem.
	Lyn Pesterfield 1 year
	Doug Kurz 2 years
	Mary Ann Hipp 2 years
	Kathy McKay 2 years
	Jim Weeks 2 years
	Ed Wilde 2 years

## Nominating Committee:

Chair	Joe Maple
Past President	Bob Reynolds
Member	Linda McHam

Note: the election will be held at the October meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor if the nominee has agreed to serve. Installation will be at the November meeting.

## Seen on the web

Type 'myvirtualgardens' then access 'mosaiculture exhibition' Note; All plant material Just a sample...



Owl



Cobras



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Charlie



## Words to the Wise

The kiss of the sun for pardon  
The song of the birds for mirth  
One is nearer gods heart in a  
garden  
Than anywhere else on earth...  
Omar Khayyan...Rubaiyat



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July 21, 2014 meeting

Mary Snoddy MG  
'Bulbs, Beyond the Basics'

SCC campus

Health Sciences Building

7:00pm



Left to right (1) *Lilium oriental*  
(2) *Lilium asiaticum*  
(3) *Lilium tigrinum*

### Mark your calendar

August 16, 2014 Jeff Hall "Gardening with Conifers"  
September 15, 2014 Annual Picnic

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by: Jim and Regina Weeks

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The catalog is being published this month.

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## Garden Myths

### Things That We 'Know' That Are Not True

MYTH...Compost tea is more effective than traditional compost.

FACT...There is no evidence to suggest that compost tea works any better than just adding your compost in its normal state to your soil. In fact, leaving barrels of "tea" around to ferment could actually create a breeding ground for E coli and other bacteria.

MYTH...Plants under stress should be fertilized.

FACT...Horticulturists advise that fertilizing plants that are not deficient in nutrients, can actually add to existing stress levels. plants are stressed by heat, disease, faulty planting, or lack of space

MYTH...Young trees need stakes.

FACT...Saplings should be staked for only one year, and then have the stakes removed to encourage the tree to be strong and stable on its on.

MYTH...Water droplets and sunshine lead to burnt leaves.

FACT...Water droplets will not damage leaves because the droplets are too close to the leaves to magnify and cause burning.

MYTH...Sand added to clay will make it looser and better for plants.

FACT...However. water runoff will pool in the sand and not be absorbed by the clay causing the plant to drown. Also. Clay and sand make good bricks.

MYTH...Adding compost or potting soil to the planting hole is beneficial to the plant.

FACT...This encourages the plants only to grow roots in the rich soil in the planting hole rather than spreading outside the hole.

MYTH... Use gravel or shards in the bottom of a planting container.

FACT...This takes away space for the roots to grow and the water will sit above the gravel and saturate the roots.



All who joy would win must share it.  
Happiness is a twin.  
Lord Byron

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Note: Your board of directors has proposed the following change in our by-laws.

### Proposed change in SMGC by-laws

#### Article V

##### Board of Directors

##### Section 1: Board of Directors

The Board shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and six to 12 Directors. All shall be active members in good standing, who, by their consent, are expected to assume positions of leadership and attend meetings consistently.

The immediate past president is a voting member of the current Board who serves for a term of one year and then must rotate off the Board for at least **one** year.

##### Section 2: Directors

The Directors shall be elected for a term of two years! half of which will ordinarily be elected each year. Directors must rotate off the Board for a minimum of **one** year after they have served two consecutive terms, unless elected as an officer.

##### Section 3: Officers

The officers shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer (hereafter, the Officers), and shall be elected for a one-year term. The maximum number of consecutive years an officer may serve is six. An officer must rotate off the Board for a minimum of **one** year after serving six consecutive years.

#### Article X

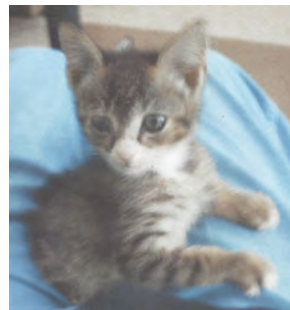
##### Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended or replaced by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the qualified voters present at a membership meeting of the Club, provided the proposed amendment(s) or replacement and notice of the vote have been sent to each active member no later than one month prior to the meeting.

The change is from 2 years to one year as noted in red above.

The voting will take place at the October meeting by secret ballot.

Special Note: We have rescued an abandoned 7 month old American short hair kitten. He is a male. We have started his care by a local vet. He is very friendly and cute. We would be very happy to place him in the care of a good family.  
Joe Maple 576-3319





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August 18, 2014 meeting  
Jeff Hall...Horticulturist, Hatcher Gardens  
"Gardening With Conifers"

SCC campus

Health Sciences Building

7:00pm



### Mark your calendar

September 15, 2014...Annual Picnic

October 20, 2014...Dr. Gil Newberry.. 'Himalayan High'  
Views of Nepal, Bhutan, and Tibet

November 17, 2014...Annual Meeting  
Dr. Kurt Neely, MG and ret. pastor of Morningside Baptist Church  
'The Garden Is A Sacred Place'

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by: Beth and Ben Waddell



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## Special Event

September 20, 2014

A garden information program

At Cowpens new community center

9:00am to 12:pm

1. Jason Bagwell

Soils, the Life of the Garden

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September 15, 2014...Annual Picnic

6:00pm

SCC pavilion at The SCC Horticulture Gardens

Look for the greenhouses

This is a covered dish supper. Drinks, plates, utensils, chairs, etc. are provided. Bring a dish that will serve 10 people. Use the list below to know what type of dish to bring.

Last Name:

A-H bring an Entree

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Registration required...sccsc.edu

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The Lighthouse Fish Camp 5680 S. Pine St.  
Spartanburg

Items accepted are:

Yard debris, Furniture, Metal & appliances,  
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For more information...864-949-1658

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- Great Dixter Garden    Borde Hill Garden
- Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew    Kensington Gardens
- Royal Horticulture Society Gardens at Wisley    Sissinghurst Castle Gardens

**Spartanburg Community College**  
107 Community College Drive | Spartanburg, SC

**Thursday, October 2, 2014**  
Tracy J. Gaines Building  
Program 6:00 pm | 7:15 pm Dinner  
*RSVP by September 26*

Planning for this garden adventure began in 2013 after a successful gardening symposium at SCC by world renowned Fergus Garrett, head gardener of Great Dixter in Northiam, United Kingdom. The symposium, which attracted gardening experts and enthusiasts from across the nation and the Atlantic, resulted in a unique educational partnership between Great Dixter and SCC allowing for Kevin and Tanner's July 2014 trip. Each gained insight into the shared history of the people and plants residing on both sides of the Atlantic. What can we learn from this horticultural heritage? Come see how this Arboretum Adventure made a lasting impression on our two SCC travelers.



*For more information:*  
www.sccsc.edu/arboretum  
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- I would like to attend the event: \$35 per person • \$60 per couple
- I regret that I cannot attend, but I would like to make a donation to the *SCC Arboretum Fund* in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_

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Plant sale pictures by: Lou Adams



Don Crowder directing traffic



Mary Ann Hipp



Tim Hemphill, Mark Carlson, and Mort Sams in back



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It got wet on Friday



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## It's bulb planting time

### DIET FOR A SMALL PLANT

One of the best surprises every spring is to discover those bulbs you planted—and forgot about — peeking their heads through the soil. One of the greatest disappointments is to watch your beautiful bed of bulbs produce fewer and smaller flowers each year.

How do you get daffodils, tulips and hyacinths to bloom luxuriantly every year? We asked Paul Nelson, professor of floriculture at North Carolina State University in Raleigh and author of the publication "Spring-Flowering Bulbs: Trials in North Carolina," for his advice. Nelson says that with fertilization, proper soil preparation and the right varieties, you can have beautiful, long-lasting bulbs in any part of the country — even the South. Growing bulbs is particularly tricky in the South, but Nelson's observations will help bulb lovers across the country. His research growing daffodils, tulips and hyacinths in different fertilizers and soils of four years has dispelled many of the bulb myths that have popped up. We asked him to explain.

***In your report you say failure to repeat bloom is not caused by high temperatures. What is the cause?***

Diseases such as fusarium bulb rot and botrytis blight are responsible. A common myth believed by southern gardeners is that high spring temperatures cause spring-flowering bulbs to die out after one or two years. However, we found that diseases related to poor soil drainage cause the problem, especially on clay soils.

***What's the solution to disease problems?***

Proper soil preparation encourages aeration of the soil, which inhibits disease development. We recommend bulb beds be made 10 to 12 inches deep with at least 1/3 to 1/2 their volume sand or compost. If the soil is hard clay, raised beds may be the best solution.

***Should gardeners, even in the South, mulch their bulbs***

Yes. We recommend mulching the bulbs with two inches of organic matter yearly in fall. Mulch keeps soil temperatures low in spring so bulbs don't emerge prematurely from the soil and get nipped by a late spring frost. Pine bark, peat moss and wood chips work best. Avoid applying a mulch, such as leaves, that seals out air and water. At planting time water only if the soil is dried out and natural rainfall isn't imminent.

***You also say that most gardeners fertilize their bulbs at the wrong time. Why is that?***

Many gardeners believe that a bulb lies dormant after the foliage dies from fall until spring. However, in September and October, the roots stop their growth and the shoot begins to grow, continuing until the ground freezes. During the dead of winter the bulb is forming daughter bulbs that will eventually grow into flowering bulbs. In early spring the bulb starts growing again at a tremendous pace until flowering. After flowering the bulb lies dormant until fall.

Traditionally, gardeners apply fertilizer in the spring during and after flowering. All this does is waste fertilizer and pollute the environment. Bulb roots are dying at that time, so they can't take up the fertilizer and it just runs off.

Also, in the South, warm soils and nitrogen fertilizer provide the perfect environment for fusarium. This disease causes the bulbs to rot.

***When should you fertilize?***

The two critical times to apply fertilizer around the time you'd be planting bulbs: September to November. In early spring, fertilize about six weeks before bloom time (mid-February in North Carolina) or as soon as you begin to see shoot growth for early flowering bulbs.



By; Dr. Paul V. Nelson NC State University



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Arbor Day: Friday, December 5, 2014

Speakers: Ted and Gerald Stephens

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Tickets are \$25.00...includes lunch

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## The First Presbyterian Church Chamber Singers present Tidings of Comfort and Joy December 7, 2014 at 7pm @ Chapman Culture Center

The Chamber Singers are composed of 26 voices, who sing a wide range of repertoire.  
They are especially known for their Christmas music.  
All proceeds from the concert will benefit Mobile Meals.

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## Gardening and Beautification by The SMGC

Time for seed starting starts in January

### Piedmont Vegetable Planting Dates

**Spring...(last frost 4-15)**

**Fall...(first frost 10-15)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>weeks to transplant</b>	<b>Seed</b>	<b>Plant</b>	<b>Seed</b>	<b>Plant</b>
Broccoli	(5-6)	Jan 17	Mar 1 Mar 15	Jun 5	Jul 15 Jul 30
Brussels Sprouts	(5-6)			Jun 5	Jul 15 Aug 30
Cabbage	(5-6)	Jan 17	Feb 15 Apr 1	Jun 5	Jul 15 Jul 30
Cauliflower	(5-6)	Jan 17	Mar 1 Mar 15	Jun 5	Jul 15 Jul 30
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Onion	(12-14)	Jan 11	Mar 1 Mar 30	Jul 20	Sep 1 Oct 30
Parsley		Feb 1	Mar 1 Mar 30		
Pepper	(8-12)	Mar 27	May 1 May 30	May 4	Jul 20 Jul 25
Tomato	(6-8)	Mar 12	Apr 15 May 15	May 15	Jul 10 Jul 20

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