

WE HELP GARDENERS GROW

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The Men's Garden Club of Burlington NC

Next Meeting: February 27, 2018 — Bring a guest!
Occasions, 286 East Front Street, Burlington NC

Todd Mundy & Kim Dawkins
"Emergency Medicine at Home"

A Message from President Dirk Sprenger



Gertrude Jekyll said "a garden is a great teacher, it teaches patience and careful watchfulness, it teaches industry and thrift; above all it teaches entire trust."

Dear fellow gardeners,

We are off to a good start but need higher attendance for our engine to run better. Please put a big note on your calendar to remember to come out to the February meeting

to hear our first program on First Aid - **"Emergency Medicine at Home"**. Todd Mundy and Kim Dawkins will bring you and your spouse or guest the very latest tips and techniques for Home first aid. [Note: *Doc Mundy was going to be a presenter, but he has had a recent bout of pneumonia and just released from the hospital. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers*].

Bring your questions and pencils,

and plan to spend the evening enjoying Great fellowship and great food. I thank Wayne and others for the work they are doing to prepare for the February program and the Dogwood Festival.

Watch your email for an update on the Onion Order. I'll gladly share some of my shoots with new members and guests.

Thanks to Dudley for the PR work - the Times ran our photo on Jan 30th.

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As I celebrate Ground Hog Day I thank God for this sunny day and look forward to seeing your sunny faces soon. Blessing to you and yours,

Dirk Sprenger

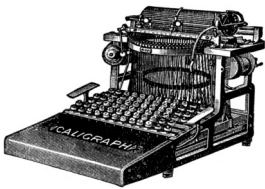


Send me your news for 2018!

For those of you who ordered onions, the Tony says that they will arrive the week of February 19.

Editor's corner

This is your newsletter! Please feel free to send me content that you would like to share with your fellow members—upcoming events, gardening tips, resources, websites and online tools, things learned, recipes using things from your garden, deals and other great bargains, etc. **I will be starting a running list of Spring Plant Sales (see page 6), so if you know of any I have missed, please send me the info.**



Please send to me via email to bikehasher@gmail.com and let me know that it is for the newsletter. Thanks. Kurt.

Member's Birthdays

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Note: Newer members, please send in your birthdays. I currently do not have birthdays for Anthony Burch, Joe Castagna, and Steve Wright. Your perk is to head the chow line with our guests!



Important Agenda Items for February Meeting

Remember that the February meeting is open to spouses. Member Todd Mundy and Kim Dawkins will present **“Emergency Medicine at Home”**. As you may know, Todd is a Physician's Assistant in Orthopedics at the Kernodle Clinic and Kim is a Registered Nurse at the Cone Health Cancer Center at Alamance Regional. Kim will be bringing a mannequin for demos (so no one should feel like the only dummy in the room). More info on Page 7.

January Meeting Highlights

We had our first (and very short) business meeting with a new slate of officers and a presentation on the safe use of pesticides by Mark Danieleley from the Alamance County Agricultural Extension Service. Also Don Sandoval from the ACC Horticultural Technology Department made a pitch for volunteers to assist the department in hosting the 2018 National Collegiate Landscape Competition, March 14-17, 2018.



2018 Officers from Left to Right: Kurt Moore (Seedling Editor), Wayne Smith (Vice President), Ray Schwartz (Treasurer), Dirk Sprenger (President), Melvin Martin (Chaplain), and Harry Porthouse (Secretary).

THE SEED STORE WAS
ROBBED AGAIN LAST NIGHT.



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RIGHT?



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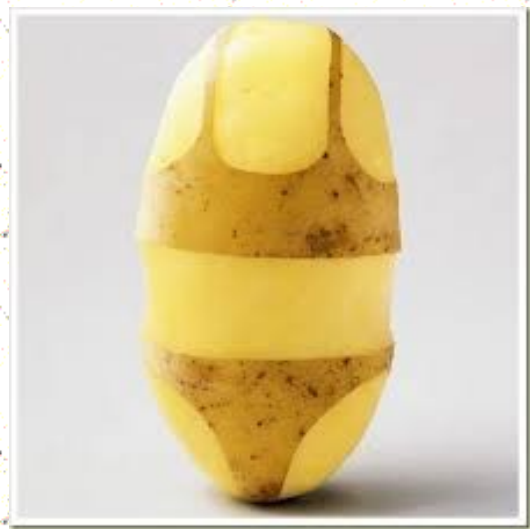
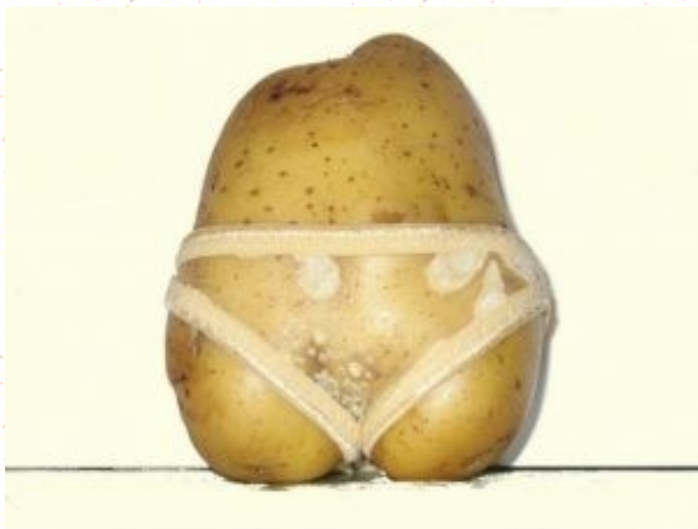
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2018 SWIMSUIT EDITION



42nd Annual National Collegiate Landscape Competition

March 14 - 17, 2018

Alamance Community College

www.landscapeprofessionals.org/collegiate-landscape-competition/collegiate-landscape-competition/schedule.aspx

This is the big national event coming to ACC and hosted by their Department of Horticulture. It is also a feather in ACC's cap as it is the first time a community college has hosted the event. Don Sandoval, volunteer coordinator for the event attended our January meeting to call for volunteers. If you were not there to sign-up and want to volunteer, contact Don at: 336-343-3923 or sandydm1951@gmail.com

From the Members



2018 Plant and Garden Sales

Spring is around the corner and that means that everyone is getting ready for spring gardening, landscaping and plant sales. Here is a list of upcoming "local" (within an hour drive) plant sales. I will keep this list updated, so please me any info on additional event I may have missed.

Feb 15-17—Guilford Soil & Water Conservation Annual Tree Seedling Sale, Guilford Ag Center, Greensboro www.myguilford.com/annual-tree-seedling-sale-2018 (pre-orders thru Feb 9)

End of Feb— Alamance Soil & Water Conservation Annual Tree Seedling Sale, Alamance Ag Center, Burlington www.alamance-nc.com/blog/2018/01/16/tree-seedlings-sale-2

April 7- JC Raulston Arboretum Plant Sale, NCSU, 0900-1600, Raleigh <https://jcra.ncsu.edu/events/details.php?ID=1703>

April 7—Duke Gardens, 0800-1200 hrs, Durham <http://gardens.duke.edu/events/plant-sales>

April 14—Paul J. Ciener' Botanical Garden, 0800-1300 hrs, Kernersville www.cienerbotanicalgarden.org/upcoming-calendar-events-detail.php?CalendarId=800728250

April 14—Chatham Mills Spring Plant Sale, 0800-1200, Pittsboro www.growingwildnursery.com/pages/upcoming-events

April 27-28—Women's Resource Center 21st Annual Herb Festival, 0830-1900 (Friday) & 0830-1500 (Sat), Burlington, <http://wrcac.org/herb-festival>

May 11-12—Guilford Master Gardeners Pass-along Plant Sale, Ag Extension Service, Greensboro, NC. (more info to come).



Getting a jump on Spring Gardening

Dirk reported starting some kale indoors , which sprouted on Feb 3.

Kurt started some small yellow salad tomatoes in his greenhouse in mid-January. Some critter ate half of the tender shoots, so the remainder were moved into the house for the time being.



February Meeting Program
"Emergency Medicine at Home"



Remember to bring your spouse or significant other to the February meeting

They will most likely be the ones calling 911 and/or driving you to the hospital.

(This is also probably why women live longer than men).

