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NEWS JULY 2018

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING FREE WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

- August 10-12** ***Lake Lure Olympiad
- August 21** Repurposing Found Objects as Garden Accents, led by Master Gardeners/LLFB Volunteers Lynn Lang, Eleanor Bails and Mitsi Chorak
- August 24-25** ***Dirty Dancing Festival
- September 25** How to Build a Fire Pit, led by local craftsman Mark Hoek
- October 20-21** ***Lake Lure Arts & Crafts Festival
 LLFB Handmade Garden Gifts

All classes are free and open to the public at 10am at the west end of the bridge unless otherwise indicated. For more information, call 828-625-2540.

***Special Events



"We live mindfully by harvesting evocative scenes to pay attention to -- including the mountains and oceans, flowers and trees, love and friendship, music and literature, art and poetry."

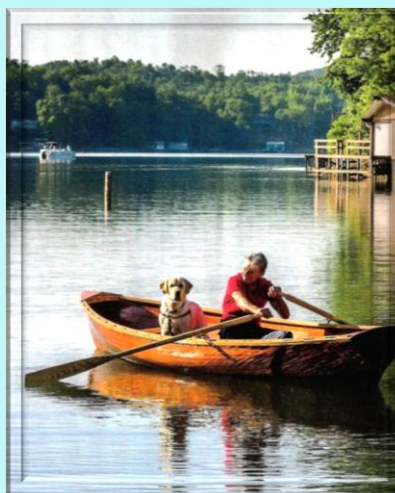
~ Kilroy J. Oldster

[Photo from Debbie Clark]

LAKE LURE FEATURED IN TWO CAROLINA MAGAZINES

The Lake Lure Flowering Bridge is featured in the July issue of *Charleston* and Lake Lure appears in the August issue of *Our State*.

The *Charleston* magazine feature about the LLFB called "Bee Span" (part of Summer Fun in WNC) includes the iconic photo of the bridge arches reflected in the Broad River and refers to the LLFB's "kaleidoscopic landscape" and its "knowledgeable brigade of volunteers." The audio tour is noted as a "valuable resource" that "provides a multisensory experience for visually impaired visitors." [Bee Span](#) [Photo by Mike Lumpkin]



Our State magazine's August issue is called "The Lake Issue." Among the many lakes mentioned, Lake Lure appears in a beautiful photo and in a short feature called "The Legend of Snake Island" that recounts the oft-told story of our Yacht Island's name evolution. Our State photographer

Emily Chaplin illustrated the story with photos like this one of Lance Johnson enjoying the lake with his companion Biscuit in a boat Lance built himself.



Come sit awhile amidst the blooms and still your soul, while all about you nature sings ... and once again you are made whole.

Photos not otherwise credited in this newsletter
 by Alice Garrard.

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🌻 WATER GARDENING CLASS WITH A MASTER GARDENER



The Lake Lure Flowering Bridge had a class on "Water in the Garden" at the Town Hall on Thursday, July 19th . The class covered information on different types of water features from tabletop fountains to ponds. During the class, participants learned about water plants, caring for fish,

the steps to build a pond in your landscape and maintenance of fountains and pumps. They also learned about predators that can visit your pond and other animals that visit ponds like toads and frogs. Participants also learned about the many different types of water features that are available for purchase and they had lots of photos to view with ideas for making ponds and other types of water features for their gardens. The class was taught by bridge volunteer and Master Gardener Debbie Clark. [Thanks to Debbie for this article and photos.]



🌻 THANKS TO OUR DONORS WHO KEEP US GROWING

Thanks to those whose support comes to us through the donation boxes along the garden path and to those who donate for a brick to honor a loved one or just



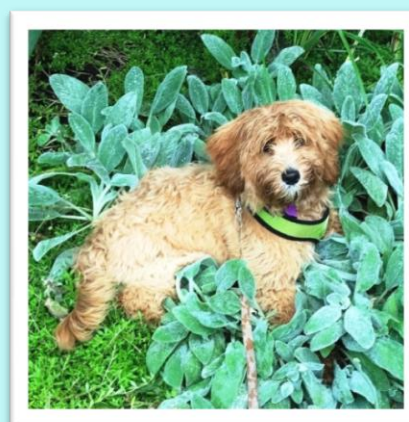
leave a thought for others. We rely on your generosity to continue the development and maintenance of the

gardens. If you want to be a donor, go to our website where you can find the information you'll need to join in. [Donate](#) If you would like to know how to donate a larger presence (a bench, fountain or other feature), contact Bill Massey coachbillmassey@icloud.com [Photo by Lee Armstrong]

🌻 WE LOVE OUR VISITORS



Kathy Tanner took this photo of grandparents and their grandchildren from Savannah, Georgia, who share an annual trip together. They braved a cloudy day to tour the gardens and said they loved it.



Kathy Tanner's Lucy found a comfy place in the Lamb's Ear to rest while Kathy took her photo.



Alice Garrard caught these two in her camera as they enjoyed the refreshing mister on our arbor.



JULY SCRAPBOOK



Pollinator's Delight [Alice Garrard]



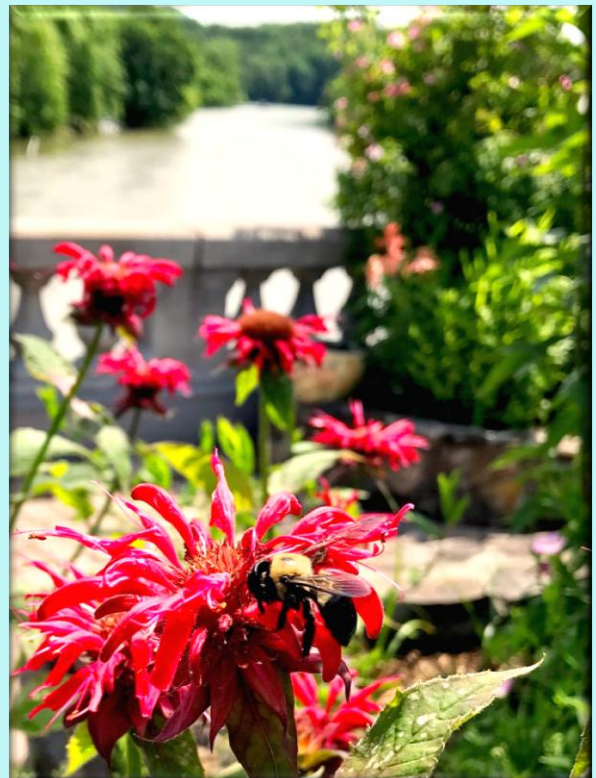
Coneflowers and Gazing Ball [Mike Lumpkin]



Bunny in Blooms [Mike Lumpkin]



Mountain Glory [Debbie Clark]



Nature's Beauty on the River [Lynn Lang]



Coneflowers and Butterfly Bushes [Debbie Clark]



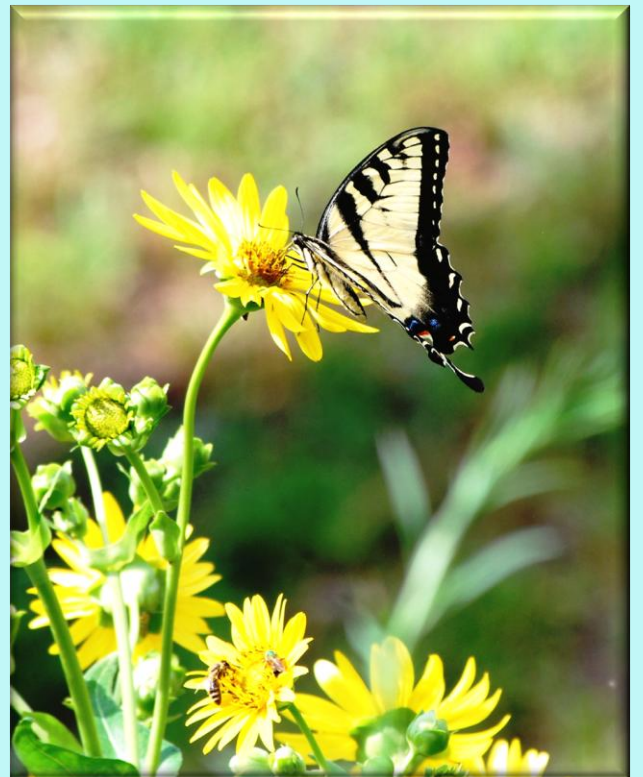
Flight 93 Rose [Alice Garrard]



Daylily Gem [Alice Garrard]



Peanut Butter Tree [Alice Garrard]



Butterfly Happiness [Mike Lumpkin]