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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.

[Photo by Mike Lumpkin]

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

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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]
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]