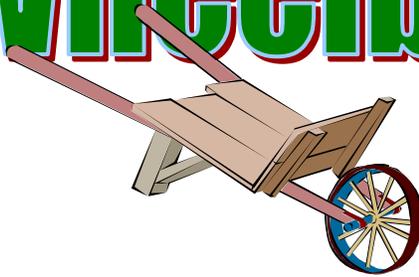


# The Wheelbarrow



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Southern Appalachian Plant Society

January 2012

## “PRIVACY PLEASE”

Speaker: Hubert (Hugh) P. Conlon  
Extension Area Specialist—Ornamental Horticulture (Retired)  
University of Tennessee

Thursday, January 19, 7:00 p.m.  
Johnson City Power Board Building Auditorium  
Boones Creek Road (Hwy. 354) — Jonesborough

A primer featuring 25 species (out of a possible 70) of evergreen and deciduous trees and shrubs will be shown. A handout listing all plants will be distributed, including full plant heights and widths at maturity. Hugh will discuss ground preparation, plant spacing, and annual maintenance (as needed).



### TWO TOURS IN THE WORKS FOR GARDENERS

**Spring in Atlanta and Callaway Gardens:** March 30<sup>th</sup> to April 2<sup>nd</sup>: Visits to arboretums, botanical gardens, private garden tours, and the famous Callaway Gardens. Travel via motor coach from the Tri-Cities.

Price <b>per person</b> based on <u>double</u> occupancy:	\$458.00
Price <b>per person</b> based on <u>single</u> occupancy:	\$616.00
Price <b>per person</b> based on <u>triple</u> occupancy:	\$434.00
Price <b>per person</b> based on <u>quad</u> occupancy:	\$408.00

Please see SAPS website ([www.saps.us](http://www.saps.us)) for reservation flyer and box lunch selections. A deposit of \$100.00 per person is required to hold your space. Final payment due March 1, 2012.

**Gardens of the Midwest:** A Chicago, Milwaukee and Galena Tour: June 14<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>: Many private and public garden tours, special meals, a trolley tour, and two river cruises. Air travel to Chicago, then deluxe private motor coach, returning by air. More info coming soon.

## January Events:

### PLEASE NOTE:

**Herb Saplings will not meet this month.  
Please join us in February.**

### Monday, January 16 — 9:00 a.m.

#### **SAPS Board Meeting**

**Washington County Extension Office —  
Jonesborough --  
Annual Planning Session.**

### Thursday, January 19 — 7:00 p.m.

#### **SAPS Meeting**

#### **Johnson City Power Board Building**

Hugh Conlon to present "Privacy Please, " a discussion of evergreen and deciduous trees and shrubs.

### Friday and Saturday, January 20 and 21:

#### **23rd Annual Winter Gardening Seminar at Warriors' Path State Park — Native Ferns**

**in the Landscape:** Friday: 7:00 p.m. or Saturday: 10:00 a.m. Free, but pre-registration is required. Learn methods and techniques for environmentally friendly gardening using native ferns. For further information, check the Tennessee state park website (<http://www.state.tn.us/environment/parks/WarriorsPath/pdf/WinterBrochure.pdf>) or contact Marty Silver, Park Naturalist, at (423) 239-6786 or e-mail: [Marty.Silver@tn.gov](mailto:Marty.Silver@tn.gov).

### Seed Swap

Master Gardeners have an opportunity to earn ACT hours starting with the first Wednesday in January. We will help host and direct a Seed Swap. We will meet at the Blountville Library for two hours, 4:00-6:00, the first Wednesday of each month. Master Gardeners will be asked to simply answer questions. Great place to earn hours, sitting in a chair inside! This winter-long program will be open to everyone. For more info, contact B. Anderson at [netmga2009@yahoo.com](mailto:netmga2009@yahoo.com).

## February Events:

### Thursday, February 2 — 7:00 p.m.

#### **Herb Saplings Meeting**

Exchange Place, 4812 Orebank Road, Kingsport. Jamie Hermann will lead the International Herb of the Year Discussion: "Rose, An Herb to Remember." Please bring an herbal snack to share if you can.

### Thursday, February 16 — 7:00 p.m.

#### **SAPS Meeting — Growing Vegetables the Way Nature Intended**

Recreation Building at Warriors Path State Park. Tom Peterson, Agriculture Education Coordinator for Appalachian Sustainable Development (ASD), will talk about ways to raise healthy, productive, beautiful vegetable gardens without resorting to expensive fertilizers or potentially dangerous chemicals.

**If you have not yet made your New Year's resolution, how about this one?**

**Please renew your membership in SAPS for 2012.**

**It's easy ... just complete the form below and mail it to Jim Hill with your check!**

Benefits of membership: *The Wheelbarrow* newsletter, Facebook reminders, the SAPS website with gardening links and informative articles, meetings with expert speakers, a Discount Vendor Card, trips for garden lovers, Herb Sapling gatherings, and our annual Plant and Seed Swap. And, membership for your spouse is included at no extra cost!

**DUES ARE NOW DUE !!!**

**Southern Appalachian Plant Society—2012 Membership**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this form and dues of \$15 (checks payable to SAPS) to:  
Jim Hill, Membership Chairman, 4407 Greenspring Circle, Kingsport, TN 37664

# Thank You

On behalf of all SAPS members, your new editor extends sincere gratitude and appreciation to Laurie Feit for the many years she spent as editor of *The Wheelbarrow*. We all appreciate the work she put into this effort and now wish her the best as she finally gets to relax and read *The Wheelbarrow*, rather than write it! Enjoy your free time, Laurie!

## Recommended Reading by SAPS President, Hugh Conlon



If you have not seen the new (their first) book by the Blount County, Tennessee Master Gardeners, get yourself a copy of ***Right Here! Plants That Thrive in East Tennessee***. It is now available for a \$10 donation. You can pick up a copy at Lamar Amburn Produce, Honey Rock Herb Farm in Louisville, Trillium Cove Home and Garden in Townsend, Out of Eden, Horn of Plenty, Westside Nurseries, Meadow View Garden Center in Lenior City and Blount County Extension Office on Court Street in Maryville. Call the Extension Office at 865-982-6430 for more information.

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**HAPPY NEW GARDENING YEAR!**

## Mize 2012 Garden Seminars

**Mize 2012 Garden Seminars** are scheduled at Mize Garden Centers in Johnson City and Gray. All talks are 10am-12 noon. Free, but seating is limited, so you must register.  
Johnson City: 434-1800 or Gray: 467-2300

### Mize – Gray

Jan 14	Herbs with Joy Moore and Container Gardening with Jeanne Cope
Jan 28	Raised Beds with Ben Hunter
Feb 11	Make Gardening Easy with Perennials with Nina Hedrick
Feb 25	Organic Gardening and Medicinal Herbs with Barbara Desso

### Mize – Johnson City

Jan 7	Raised Beds with Ben Hunter
Jan. 21	Organic Gardening and Medicinal Herbs with Barbara Desso
Feb 4	Herbs with Joy Moore and Container Gardening with Jeanne Cope
Feb 18	Planting by the Moon with Valerie Hyrne and Turf Grass Management with John Hamrick

## COMING SOON

**Jump Start Garden Event** will be held on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 to 3:00 at the Johnson City Seniors' Center with vendors selling garden-related items, speakers on garden-oriented topics, and lots of door prizes! There still a few vendor spots available. For more information, contact Connie Deegan at [cdeegan@jcseniorcentertn.com](mailto:cdeegan@jcseniorcentertn.com) or (423)-434-6224.