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Fall planting

By Shirley Waggoner-Eisenman
 Master Gardener

Fall is for planting. Bulbs may be planted in late November or early December; however, some perennials, woody ornamentals, biennials and hardy annuals may be planted also. Fall plantings will have the winter months to develop a strong root system which will make the summer months less stressful on them. Some biennials and hardy annuals will thank you for planting this fall. They will reward you with a beautiful display of flowers in the spring.

BACHELOR BUTTONS: They are also called cornflowers. Plant seeds this fall and you will be amazed at what they will do next spring. Their flowers may look fragile but they are very hardy.

CANDYTUFT: They are considered to be perennials, but there are a couple of hardy annuals that are worth planting. Try the globe and rocket candytufts. Globe is a low to medium growing plant. In the spring the flowers will be various shades of pink. Rocket candytuft is not as colorful but does have white flowers with a sweet fragrance.

FOXGLOVES: A biennial which likes to be planted where it gets the sun during the winter months, but likes partial shade for the hot summer. Foxgloves can grow to a height of five feet including the flowering spike.

LARKSPUR: Also known as delphiniums, these grow well in this area. If they are started from seed this fall they will reward you next year with colorful spring and sum-

mer flowers. Just remember: They do not like to be crowded, so when they sprout be sure to thin to ten to 12 inches apart.

Many herbs like to be planted in the fall. Check with your local garden center or nursery for those herbs which will thrive with a fall planting.

Now is a good time to look for bargain plants. Garden centers and nurseries sometimes have fall plant sales. Be sure to check the plants for diseases and pests prior to purchasing. Check the root system by gently slipping the plant out of the pot; if the roots are white or beige and have a good hold on the root ball, the plant is healthy. Even if the roots are root-bound they have possibilities for your garden.

Do you have a shrub or tree that you wish you had planted somewhere else in your landscape? If so, and the tree or shrub is not too large, now is a good time to transplant. If you plant or transplant this fall make sure to give your plant or transplant the proper amount of water. It may be winter, but the plant still needs sufficient water.

A good time to put down winter mulch is after all the leaves are off your deciduous shrubs. By replacing the existing mulch you will have fewer pests and diseases next year.

Now is a good time to take a soil sample. Remember, soil sample analyses are provided free in North Carolina. Call your county extension office for information.

Send your gardening questions to **Brunswick County Master Gardener, News Column, P. O. Box 109, Bolivia NC 28422.**



Outdoor concert

Promise Land will perform Friday, October 23, 7 to 9 p.m., at the Southport Village Bar-B-Q grandstand. There will be no charge for admission.

'Little Feats' holds fund-raising events

Little Feats School of Dance will hold a series of fund-raisers this fall in preparation for traveling to the Prague Festival in the Czech Republic.

A car wash will be held from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, October 24, at Advance Auto Parts on Long Beach Road. Cost is \$3.

A haunted house will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. October 30-31 at Little Feats School of Dance, 6402-B East Oak Island Drive, Long Beach. The haunted house is for children ages

three to ten. Admission is \$3 per child.

A spaghetti dinner will be served from 4 to 8 p.m. November 14 at First Baptist Church of Oak Island, 4608 Oak Island Drive, Long Beach. Cost is \$4 a plate.

Local performances this fall will be October 24, October 31, November 14 and December 5.

For more information about fund-raisers or performances, persons may call Amy Maurer Jones, director, at 278-4900.

Beach Halloween events scheduled

The following "Halloween Happenings" have been organized by Long Beach Parks and Recreation Department:

Ghostly crafts for children ages seven to 12 will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. Monday, October 26, at the recreation center. Cost is \$2, and participants should register by Saturday.

Pumpkin carving and decorating will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, October 27, at the recreation center. Pumpkins and tools will be provided.

A haunted trail will be held Friday, October 30, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for ages 12 and under and from 8 to 10 p.m. for those over 12. The trail becomes scarier as the night progresses. The last tours are at 7:30 and 10 p.m. The activity may not be appropriate for small children.

A Halloween Carnival will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, October 31, at the recreation center. There will be a best-costume contest, games and prizes.

AARP meets on Thursday

The local chapter of AARP will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, October 22, at the Sandfiddler Restaurant.

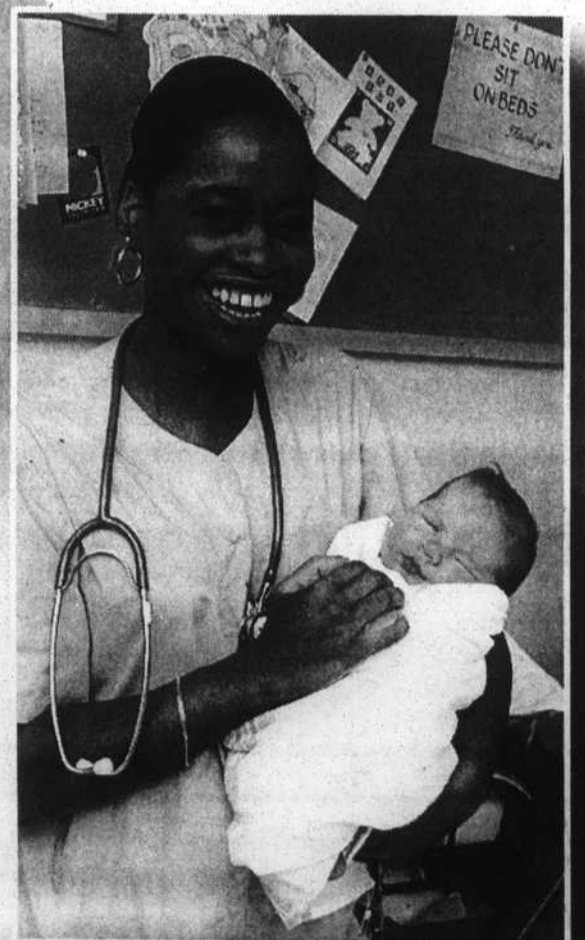
The nominating committee will present the 1999 slate of officers. Vice-president Margaret Connaughton will review the AARP Handbook. Instructor Isobel Beebe will discuss the "55 Alive" driving course that will be taught during November in Southport.

All functions of AARP are open to persons age 50 and over.

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