

DSBG August classes Good turnout for 'Liberty Mountain' auditions

Upcoming classes at Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden in August include:

Horticultural Highlight Walk, led by Garden staff – Aug. 16, 1 p.m. Join professional horticulture staff as they take you on a custom tour of the Garden. Guides will highlight what's in bloom, seasonally relevant gardening tips and behind-the-scenes details. Each walk is a unique experience. These walks are free with Garden admission.

Photographing Hummingbirds, instructed by Dave Kelly, owner DEK Photography – Aug. 9, 9:30 a.m. – noon. Photographing hummingbirds in flight or hovering near flowers and feeders as you learn techniques that will improve your ability to capture these

small, fast-moving jewels through your camera lens. This class is \$40 for Garden members and \$46 for non-members.

Birding Walk, instructed by Garden volunteers – Aug. 12, 9 – 10 a.m. Stroll through the gardens, Meadow Walk and Persimmon Trail to scout for seasonal birds, observe nesting patterns and establish a basis for bird counts. Some previous walks have documented as many as 24 different species of bird! These walks are free with Garden admission.

Nutrition: Gluten Free 101, instructed by Tracey W. Fox – Aug. 14, 10:30 a.m. – noon. Find out if the gluten in your diet is sabotaging your health. Learn a "do it yourself" strategy to figure

out your gluten tolerance, how to heal your gut and improve your health. Holistic nutrition principles will be discussed. This class is \$15 for Garden members and \$20 for non-members.

Growing Fruit at Home, instructed by Daniel Shires, agricultural agent at NC Cooperative Extension Service – Aug. 21, noon – 1 p.m. Learn the ins and outs of growing grapes and berries successfully in the Carolina Piedmont, from planning our planting sites to variety selection, soil management, fertilization, pruning and pest control, and seasonal care. This class is free with Garden admission.

For more information or to register for a class, please visit www.DSBG.org or call 704-829-1252.



Photo by SHIRLEY BRUTKO
AUDITIONS – Over 60 men, women and children turned out for auditions at Joy Theatre for the new Revolutionary drama opening in October. Director Caleb Sigmon and Author Bob Inman said they were very pleased with the interest in the upcoming production and said rehearsals will start soon.

DSBG open Thursday evenings

Back by popular demand, the Garden will remain open every Thursday evening through August, 5 – 9 p.m. during its Summer Nights event.

During this time, guests will be able to enjoy the Garden and its new ZimSculpt exhibit during the cool of night. Curated within a horticultural display that will take guests vicariously from the savannahs of south-central Africa to its lush tropical high country, more than 100 sculptures

will be on display and offered for sale.

ZimSculpt Curator Joseph Croisette will lead Garden art walks each Thursday at 7 p.m. to tell the story of the sculptures currently being shown. Guests will also be able to meet with ZimSculpt artists Passmore Mupindiko and Patrick Sephani, who will demonstrate Shona stone carving in a marketplace featuring sculptures and crafts from Zimbabwe.

Guests will be able to

visit The Garden Store's new Wine Nook, where they can purchase a glass or bottle of wine to enjoy while at the Garden. Occasionally the Wine Nook will offer wine tastings featuring vintages ranging from the Yadkin Valley all the way to South Africa. Upcoming tastings will be mentioned on the Garden's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/DanielStoweBotanicalGarden.



Author Bob Inman watches the auditions for "Liberty Mountain" set to open at The Joy Oct. 4.

Cleveland County raccoon tests positive for rabies

A raccoon that fought with a dog at 408 Pineview Drive on Aug. 5 has tested positive for rabies. Dorothea Wyant, Cleveland County Health Director, said this is the third rabid animal identified in the county this year.

The dog was a Australian shepherd mix and was four months old.

Any person bitten or exposed to potentially infectious saliva from this dog or raccoon should contact their healthcare provider or the local health department at 704-669-3134 or 704-484-5154 for a rabies risk assessment.

Rabies is a fatal yet preventable disease if post exposure prophylaxis is administered. Rabies is transmitted by the bite of an infected animal or via contamination of open wounds or mucus membranes with

potentially infectious material such as saliva.

Wyant listed these precautions:

-Vaccinate pets. In accordance with state law all dogs, cats and ferrets must be kept currently vaccinated against rabies and must wear a rabies tag. Cats are the most commonly identified domestic animal with rabies.

-Control measures for pets exposed to rabies. If pets are exposed to rabies they should receive a booster dose of rabies vaccine if they are currently vaccinated at the time of exposure. If pets are not currently vaccinated at the time of exposure, the animals will be euthanized or quarantined for six months in accordance with state law.

-Control measures for persons exposed to rabies. Seek medical guidance from

your health care provider of the local health department if you believe you have been exposed to rabies.

-Limit stray and feral animals. In the cities of Shelby, Kings Mountain, Boiling Springs and Grover all dogs must be kept on a leash. Persons should not approach stray or feral dogs or cats. Feral cat colonies should be intensively monitored and their location reported to Cleveland County Animal Control.

-Leave wildlife alone. Raccoons and other wildlife serve as the reservoir for rabies in North Carolina.

Anyone who sees an animal demonstrating unusual behavior needs to call the Cleveland County Animal Control Department at 704-481-9884.

'Something for everyone' at Historical Museum auction

"Something for everyone" is how Kings Mountain Historical Director Adria Focht describes the annual reverse raffle and auction at the Sept. 13 "Tracks through Time" at which one in five ticket holders will win a fabulous door prize and one ticket holder will win \$10,000 cash.

In addition, those attending will have dinner and can start their Christmas shopping early at the live and silent auctions, the proceeds for benefit of the museum which collects, preserves

and interprets history through exhibits and educational programs for the community.

The event will be held at the H. Lawrence Patrick Senior Life & Conference Center on Sept. 13. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Donations to the museum are tax-deductible.

Tickets are \$100 and those attending may want to split a ticket cost. Tickets are available at the Museum. Each \$100 raffle ticket provides dinner for two guests.

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sports memorabilia signed by your favorite player, Panther tickets, and much more plus home-baked cakes will be up for auction.

Local business owners are invited to showcase their businesses while supporting the museum.

To find out more, visit the museum at www.kingsmountainmuseum.org or call 704-739-1019. You can also follow the museum activities on Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest.

Bonnie Price works on display at Tucker Art Gallery



BONNIE PRICE

BOILING SPRINGS — Gardner-Webb University will display the works of longtime local artist, the late Bonnie Hartford Price, through Aug. 29 in the Tucker Student Center.

The exhibit, "Creative Journey: Bonnie Hartford Price," is on display now in the Tucker Art Gallery. Price, who passed away in 2013, was a prominent artist in Cleveland and surrounding counties for many years. She was a founding member of the Southern Arts Society, based in Kings Mountain,

N.C., she won numerous awards for her work, and her creations have been displayed in a variety of venues throughout the region.

The GWU exhibit displays a collection of works that span her entire career, including paintings, drawings, sculptures, prints and handmade books, and select

pieces that have never been displayed.

A reception to the exhibit is set for Aug. 21 from 4-7 p.m. The public is invited.

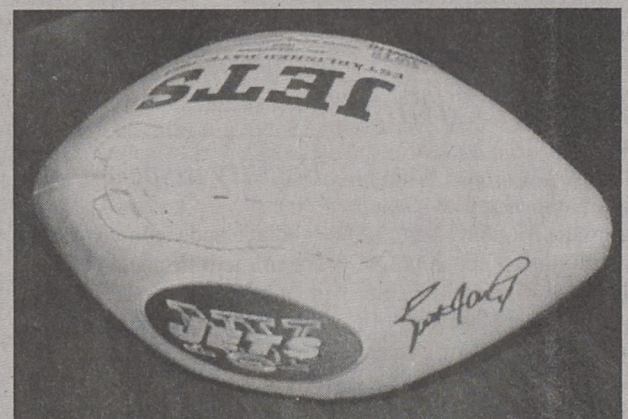
For more information about the exhibit, call the GWU School of Performing and Visual Arts at 704-406-4656.



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