

## NEW HANOVER COUNTY CENTER

### COOPERATIVE EXTENSION & ARBORETUM NEWS

*First Quarter 2020*

## 4-H Happenings



### Help Grow **TRUE** Leaders in Our Community

with New Hanover County 4-H

True leaders aren't born: they're grown.

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## Meet Our Folks!

### Take a moment to meet the people that make us great!

Each quarter we will feature someone from  
the Cooperative Extension Advisory Council, a staff member and a wonderful volunteer!



**Charles Mincey**  
Cooperative Extension  
Advisory Council

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**Marianne Schroeder**  
Plant Clinic Program Assistant

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**Elaine Cooper**  
Wilmington Art Association &  
Art in the Arboretum Art Chair

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR

### Closing one decade and a vision for the next...

With a decade closing and a new one ahead, I want to share some of my vision for our New Hanover County center of the NC Cooperative Extension.

[FOR DIRECTOR'S ARTICLE](#)



## Spring Blooming Bulbs

Ever walk by an abandoned home where someone once lived and gardened and notice a blanket of spring-flowering daffodils? While the rest of the woods are bare, hundreds of daffodil blossoms form a cheerful carpet of bulbs perhaps where a garden once stood.

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## Therapeutic Horticulture - Ability Garden



### An Ability Garden Update!

As of December 2, the Ability Garden has a Horticultural Therapy Extension Agent. This is the only position of this type in the state and will provide us with a sustainable foundation for the future.

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## "Snap-Ed" & Steps to Health

Winter Time Recipe!!



Please see the featured recipe, Sweet Potato Black Bean

Chili that is sure to be a hit for you and your family!



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## "Friends" of the Arboretum



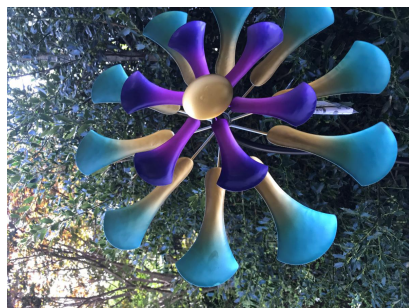
### A farewell from the Friends' president

As I sit at my desk writing this note to our constituents I am struck not only by the fact that in two weeks we will mark the end of 2019 and welcome in 2020, but that we will also mark the end of another decade!

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### Gift Shop Offerings

Remember - Current Friends always get an additional 10% off regularly priced items.



## TreeFest 2020



### Native Trees and Grass Available

This year's TreeFest event will be held Friday, January 17th and Saturday, January 18th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., or until trees run out, in front of JC Penney *inside* Independence Mall. Available tree species include bald cypress, black walnut, red maple, silky dogwood, sweetgum, crape myrtle, cherrybark oak, chestnut oak, live oak, white oak, and longleaf pine. In addition, Indiangrass will be available.

*Please note: species availability is subject to change without notice and are available first come, first serve. There is a limit of five trees and/or grasses per household. Trees are free, but a donation of \$5 per household is suggested to help ensure that TreeFest will continue next year.*

# Tidewater Camellia Club Show and Sale



## 70th Annual Show and Sale

The Tidewater Camellia Club is excited to announce its 70th annual camellia show and sale will be a **TWO-DAY** event at the New Hanover County Arboretum, 6206 Oleander Drive, Wilmington, NC.

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