



November 2015

Next meeting --Wednesday, November 11 1:00 pm at the POA Clubhouse

Speaker at our November meeting

Anne Pendred is a founding member of Coastal Carolina Camera Club (CCCC) which is entering its 10th year. She has been an avid digital photographer since 1999 beginning her interest while living in Georgia. After moving to North Carolina Anne continued her interest and completed several courses on Photography and Photoshop Elements at Brunswick Community College. Anne shares her knowledge teaching Point and Shoot Photography in the local area to both adults and children. Her students have ranged from Artists, Gardeners and to young adults wanting to learn how to photograph memories

Ellen Pecina, Program Chair

Upcoming events:

- * Soup and Bake sale Saturday, November 21st
- * Christmas luncheon December 9th at Crow Creek

Christmas Luncheon

The Christmas holiday luncheon will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 9</u> at Crow Creek. The festivities will start with cocktails at 11:30, followed by a sumptuous buffet at 12:15, and entertainment provided barbershop style by the Coastal Harmonizers at 1:00. Tickets will be available at the November meeting: Cost is \$20. The buffet includes baked chicken, beef tips in gravy, fried flounder, roasted red potatoes, rice pilaf, vegetable medley, mixed greens salad, rolls and butter, assorted desserts, and coffee and tea.

If unable to attend the November meeting, call Jeanne Paff at 575-8151 for tickets.

The To Do List from the "Transplanted Garden in Wilmington"

Keep watering! It may sound silly after 14" of rain not long ago, but if your plants are on top of sandy soil like my garden at home, they are starting to dry out. Evergreens don't visibly wilt like deciduous shrubs, perennials and annuals do. Camellias, Gardenias and other broad leaved evergreens can be damaged with this beautiful weather we are having. Air low in humidity, brilliant sunshine and nice light breezes are very drying. Flower buds can drop and if shrubs are left go too long without water, leaves can scorch, wither and drop. Water twice a week, for longer periods of time, to keep plants happy. 10 or 15 minutes every day, just keeps the leaves from getting dusty.

When you get your plants home, individually check them for water. If you don't plant them for a day or two, check them daily. Make sure that the root balls are good and moist before you plant them. It doesn't matter if they are going in pots, or into the ground. Dry root balls repel water, while the loose potting soil absorbs it easily, leaving them still dry even though you have watered them after planting. Fertilize, Fertilize! As you are planting your Pansies, Snaps and all other forms of Winter Season Color, sprinkle down the Fertilome Bedding Plant Food, before you water in. If you are going to go to the effort of planting them, make sure that you get the most out of them that you can. Just sprinkle between the plants and later on, under or over the top of them, just once a month. Just make sure that the foliage is dry when you apply. Then water it through the plants, so it doesn't sit on the foliage and burn them. I recommend the Bedding Plant Food because Osmocote becomes useless in the cooler weather. It will not release out of the little pellets when the temperatures drop.

Keep planting Trees and Shrubs. This is the best season for adding them to your landscape. They will have the Fall, Winter and early Spring to get settled in, before the blazing heat of Summer arrives.

By Ellen Pecina

