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Advanced Gardener Series in May: Weed Management

Newton, NC - Your County Library is a great place to learn, act, and grow as we continue to host the Advanced Gardener Series at two of our branches in May. The fifth presentation of the eleven month series will be, *"Weed Management – You Can Win the Weed War"*.

Dr. George Place, Catawba County Cooperative Extension Director, will be teaching about various methods to avoid, suppress, and win the war on weeds! The Advanced Gardener Series plays an integral role in the Farm and Food Sustainability Plan passed by Catawba County in 2013, which lays out clear action plans in working for a healthier county, while creating a local food system and preserving farmland.

Participants that attend all eleven presentations and conduct twenty hours of community garden service in 2016 will receive certification as Advanced Gardeners. In addition, they will receive gardening incentives, such as coupons and gift certificates from local garden supply businesses, and an Advanced Gardening T-shirt! More information on this program is available at each session.

The Catawba County Library System presentations for this month will be at the Main Library, Newton on May 17th at 6:30 pm, and at the Maiden Library on May 24th at 6:30 pm.

The 2016 series continues as follows:

June – Garden Diseases – Identify and Manage Diseases and Disorders

July – Fall Veggies – Harvest From Your Garden Before and After the Frost

August – Food Preservation for the Garden – Eat Your Harvest All Year

September – Cover Crops – Grow Your Own Fertilizer

October – Seed Saving – Techniques to Maximize Seed Quality and Germination

November – Garden Berries – Grow and Pick Your Own

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About: *The Catawba County Library is our community's place to connect, explore, and grow. We empower lives and build our community by bringing people, information, and ideas together. The library, headquartered in Newton, serves the community with seven locations throughout the county and is a year-round, integral provider of early literacy and lifelong learning resources and programming. The library also provides a full complement of computer and digital services, classes, and support to bridge the digital divide, empower job seekers, and enhance community quality of life and economic health.*