

4-26-16 - 6:30 pm - April Meeting of the Grand Strand Master Gardeners Association - Church of Christ Grand Strand, Glens Bay Road, Surfside. Program: Christine Ellis, Deputy Director of Winyah Rivers Foundation (Waccamaw Riverkeeper) will speak to us about hog and poultry farms along the Waccamaw and how they affect water quality. Christine has been working in North Carolina on Concentrated Animal Feed Operations as well as the coal ash problem. Refreshments: !! (:-) !! If you signed up for providing the refreshments for April, then you are up! If you have not planned your menu, keep reading for suggestions!

a drum roll, please....for kudzu??



This is a direct quote from <u>Sierra</u> (the magazine for the Sierra Club), March/April 2016, p.11:

(Article entitled: "Eat the Invaders")

"KUDZU, the 'vine that ate the South,' covers forests from Texas to Maryland. Introduced from Japan and China to control erosion, decorate gardens, and provide cattle forage, this weed is tough and fast—so let's eat it back. Kudzu sprigs can be fried, or blanched and cooked like spinach. Pickle the older leaves and make them into dolma wraps, use the flowers to flavor jams, or grind the roots for a cornstarch-like thickener. (Warning: Don't forage kudzu that may have been sprayed with pesticides.)"

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