

NEWS FROM THE GARDENS

Bamboo Farm and Coastal Gardens

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Spring Garden Festival is Our Best Ever



Photos: Misty Schmidt

Early on a clear, bright, blue-sky Saturday morning the cars started rolling in for the 2008 Spring Garden and Art Festival. Plant and arts and crafters vendors were set up along the roadway beside the strawberry field. Educational and non-profit tents continued east to the snack bar, hayride, face painting, and other events. This Spring Festival provided a number of events for children including a story time by the Live Oak Public Libraries in the Cottage Garden. Chatham County 4-H'ers put on a Easter Egg hunt complete with the Easter Bunny, while Extension Agent David Linvill brought the chick hatchery. In the strawberry field, pickers took away 1000 pounds of berries by noon. Dr. Richard Wallace gave a lecture on using bananas in the home landscape; Gene Phillips spoke on using camellias. By the end of the day, approximately 2200 people had visited the Bamboo Farm to shop, pick strawberries and to enjoy the day. Friends president Alan Beals says it was “our best ever.”

Strawberry Picking Season Is In Full Swing

Everyday the Bamboo Farm's strawberry field fills with people picking strawberries—even in the rain! A common sight is mothers with small children in tow, out for an easy morning of fun and food. Students from Chatham County elementary

schools, out for a Roots & Shoots program, often end the morning by picking berries. The berry plants are healthy and the crop of berries is very good. Come on out and get your fresh, sweet strawberries while they last. Mon thru Sat 9 — 4 pm.



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2008 Calendar of Events

GCLP Field Day April 18/ 9—3 pm

Professional horticulturists gather for a day of education

14th Annual Sunday Supper April 27/ 5:00 pm

Southern dinner and silent auction

Coastal Green 2008 May 15/ 8—4 pm

Georgia Green Industry Association WinterSchool on the Road

U-Pick Strawberries March —May

U-Pick Blackberries June—July

A long-standing tradition and great fun for the kids

14th Annual Fall Festival October 25/ 9 am—4 pm

Fun, food and entertainment for the entire family

Friends of Coastal Gardens
invites you to come enjoy the
14th Annual Sunday Supper in
the Strawberry patch—a
county supper served with
fresh strawberry shortcake for
desert. Join us Sunday,
April 27, 2008 5—7 pm at
the Bamboo Farm.

Farm tours from 4 pm

Silent Auction

Door Prizes

Entertainment

Sonny Dixon, MC

\$20 donation per person

Call for reservation

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