Greetings from your still but sometimes President of the Southcoast Chapter SC Native Plant Society,

We have had a very interesting and productive year in the natural world of South Carolina Lowcountry. I have recently joined the Water Resources Team at Clemson and will be continuing to do Master Gardener, water quality and Stormwater outreach in my responsibilities at the Clemson Extension Service. We have had several outings, and the most notable was a joint field trip to Nemours Plantation with the Lowcountry chapter. We were able to see some of their longleaf pine and savannah restoration. They are also doing extensive tallow tree removal. Our spring native plant sale at Daniel Payne’s nursery Naturescapes was well attended. Part of the proceeds from this sale went into our Chapter’s treasury.

In November we also partnered with the Friends of Fort Freemont for our second annual Oyster Roast and Fund Raiser. This was not only a great culinary and social event, we also shared in the proceeds which added a little money to our treasury. I want to thank everyone who participated in the event and I am already looking forward to next years’ roast.

We will be having an annual meeting in March TBA for elections of officers, programs, and calendar of events. Please let me know if you are able to help with projects, plantings, field trips or communications. I will be asking some of you personally for your expertise, but please don’t hesitate to let me know if you have ideas about how we should fund projects and resources locally. I hope everyone is looking for ways to spread our mission of the enjoyment and education of South Carolina Native Plants.
Marshlands Oyster Roast

Plant selection at Naturescapes

Laura Lee Rose
President Southcoast Chapter of SC Native Plant Society

By using native plants we help to preserve habitats and history.