

On 11/11/2015 06:45 AM, NewtHardie@aol.com wrote:

A Tokyo TV station is producing a documentary about kudzu and selected Spartanburg for the filming--partly due to how much kudzu we have in the area and partly to record our removal efforts and successes.

Many thanks to Leroy Jeter, Roy Mortimer, Melvin Norwood, Paul Savko, Jay Wakefield, for their participation.

The TV crew was interested in what Mary Helen Wade and the Four Mile Branch has done this fall to combat kudzu. This is our report back to the neighborhood and specifically to Mary Helen and Dick Carr.

Thank you both for your willingness to be interviewed yesterday by the Japanese TV crew which is in Spartanburg to film a documentary about kudzu and your neighborhood's reaction to the "green monster".



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Dick drove by, rolled down his window, and upon learning what was going on, asked them to take kudzu back to Japan when they return. They loved his humor and persuaded Dick to stop, get out of his car, and say it again on camera.



I don't know when these interviews will be shown in the documentary on Tokyo educational TV but Spartanburg, Four Mile Branch and Helen and Dick and the Trees Coalition are now international TV stars.

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