



## Meet Angie – Sunflower Hill’s April 2007 Woman of the Month

Angie grew up spending summers on her Grandfather’s farm in rural South Carolina. During this time she developed a life-long love of nature that led to a life-long passion for growing beautiful and useful herbs and flowers. This passion for nature is the basis for her current business – The Herbarie at Stoney Hill Farm, Inc.

Back in the 1970’s, Angie was one of the “original tree-huggers” and spent much of her free time, backpacking through the Southern Appalachians. She developed a keen understanding of useful plants, including herbs and roses and native flora found growing wild in the meadows and woods. Angie often used these plants to make herbal goodies for medicine, skin care and simple enjoyment. As her interest in health and wellness grew, she decided to turn the interest into a career path.

Angie attended the University of South Carolina and obtained a Bachelor of Science in Health Education. She was offered an opportunity to attend graduate school to obtain a Master in Public Health. She was also offered a position as a graduate assistant for the SC State Employee Wellness Program called Carolina Healthstyle. This turned into her full time job as an employee of the program. Over the next 20 years she worked within the health care field as an educator and trainer for various health care and wellness programs.

During all this time, Angie stayed true to her love of nature and gardening and never forgot her summers spent on her Grandfather’s farm. About 12 years ago, she and her husband bought a small farm near Prosperity, SC and decided it was time to turn their love of nature into a business venture. So with this love of nature and Angie’s science background The Herbarie at Stoney Hill Farm, Inc. was born! Today, Angie, has a web-based business

that makes and sells botanical extracts and other ingredients to make many wonderful personal care products. The Herbarie supplies ingredients to the cosmetics and toiletries, personal care, spa and wellness industries. Their mission is to bring nature and science together to offer the best in innovative, natural source products. Angie has built The Herbarie around a commitment to quality and ethics, a responsibility to the environment, and to offer best in customer service. Angie is passionate about what she does and strives to this passion with her customers.

Angie loves plants - particularly old fashioned roses. These wonderful plants are so generous and forgiving. “They give, give and don’t ask for much in return”. Angie believes that many life lessons can be learned from nature and plants if we will only pay attention.

So today, Angie, has a plant business and a website that sells the ingredients to make many wonderful personal care products. True to her nature, she continues to teach by sharing her formulas on her website - [www.theherbarie.com](http://www.theherbarie.com) - and constantly developing new ones to share. She is one of the founders of Cosmetic Labs Yahoo group to help share more information about formulas and product development. Her advice to women who are in business or want to start one – “Trust your instincts they will never let you down.”

Sunflower Hill salutes Angie for her love of nature, her giving spirit and gift of teaching.