

Woodcrest Villa Flower Factory, Nature Trail & Arboretum

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April 2021 Newsletter

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You are cordially invited to the Dedication of the

Woodcrest Villa Arboretum

Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 1:00 PM

*In the Outdoor Plaza in
the Viva Welcome Center*

**Woodcrest Villa
2001 Harrisburg Pike
Lancaster, PA 17601**

Residents Making WCV Even Better

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Dedication of the Woodcrest Villa Arboretum 1:00 PM, Saturday, May 1, 2021

Outdoor Plaza in Viva Center †
† Rain location: Gamber Auditorium

- 1:00 PM Music by *The West End Ramblers**
- 1:15 PM Start of Program
- Welcome & Introductions by Jerry Lawrence
- Dedication Program by Dan Mortensen
- Closing Remarks by Jerry Lawrence
- Music by *The West End Ramblers**
- Invite to visit Arboretum by Jerry Lawrence
- Music by *The West End Ramblers**
- * Includes WCV resident Steve Patterson

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March 27 Planting Party



27 residents came out on a beautiful Saturday morning to plant 170 flowering shrubs and trees around the Arboretum and along the Nature Trail. They were done in 90 minutes and were rewarded with a well deserved lunch courtesy of Ned Harms via Wegmans.

Those present included:

Emy Belser, Carol Carey, John and Pat Carpenter, Jay Douglass, P J Esbenshade, Levi Fisher, Dennis Good, Shirley Harms, Steve Henning, Lewis Kauffman, Jim and Liz Kreider, Jerry and Lorna Lawrence, Bruce Metzler, Jack Neal, Charlie Schwenk, Grace Sensenig, Ron Sheehan, David and Esther Suh, Beth Terry, Beverly Trauger, Bob Wagner, and Dave and Ruthie Warfel.

They planted: Arrowwood and Blackhaw Viburnums; Eastern Red Cedar; Flowering, Grey, and Silky Dogwoods; Paw Paw; Persimmon; River Birch; Serviceberry; Spicebush; and Silky Willow.

Continuing with our good fortune, we had a good rain on Sunday.

All together we have planted over 300 new native flowering shrubs and trees around the Arboretum and along the Nature Trail.

Some Future Honor/Memory Tree Candidates



Brandywine Red Maple-*Acer rubrum 'Brandywine'*
40' tall, brilliant red-purple in autumn. It produces only male flowers so there are not fruits or nuisance seedlings.



Sun Valley Red Maple-*Acer rubrum 'Sun Valley'*
30 ft tall. orange-red fall color. Sun will bring out the full intensity of the fall colors.



Sugar Maple-*Acer saccharin*
70' tall. Beautiful orange-red in fall. Tolerates shade. Native Americans taught the early colonists how to tap the trees to make maple syrup



Yellowwood-*Cladrastis kentukea*.
40' tall. Fragrant pink.



Cherokee Princess Dogwood-*Cornus florida*
'30' tall, white flowers, attracts birds, good fall foliage color.



Winter King Hawthorn-*Crataegus viridis 'Winter King'*
30' tall. White flowers, red fruit. The stems are mostly spineless. The fruit is edible but usually left for the birds.



Skyline Honeylocust-*Gleditsia triacanthos 'Skyline'*
40' tall, white flower, the leaves turn bright yellow in the fall. The stems are thornless.



Sweet Bay Magnolia-*Magnolia virginiana*. 30' tall, fragrant, attracts butterflies and birds, cream white flowers have light lemon scent.



Black Gum-*Nyssa sylvatica*
40' tall. Stately tree with good fall color. Has small greenish-white flowers.



Bloodgood London Planetree-*Platanus x acerifolia 'Bloodgood'*
90' tall, shade tree. Attracts birds. Attractive bark



Canada Red Cherry- *Prunus virginians 'Shubert'*
25' tall, maroon leaves, white flowers, attracts birds & butterflies. Leaves slowly turn purple as they mature.



Okame Cherry-*Prunus X 'Okame'*
20' tall. Reddish pink flowers bloom earlier than most cherries.



Greenspire Lindnen-*Tilia cordata 'Greenspire'*
60' tall. Yellow fragrant flowers bloom very early followed by good, golden-yellow fall color.

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Make Arboretum and Nature Trail donations out to 'Woodcrest Villa Trail Board' Mail to:

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