

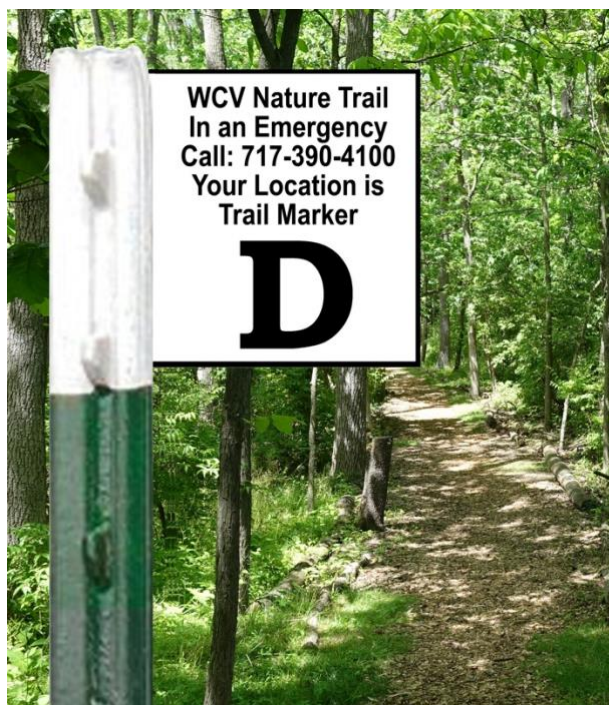
## Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum

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August 2022 Newsletter

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*Woodcrest Villa Arboretum is Dedicated To Those Recognized with Trees*



### Emergency Locator Markers

Thanks to those that donated \$300 toward the expense of putting in **10 Emergency Locator Markers** along the Nature Trail. We still need \$200 to purchase the posts and signs. The trail crew will install the signs.

If anyone needs assistance on the trail, each sign has the outside emergency phone number for WCV and the location that WCV Security can find quickly. They do require that someone with a cell phone, or someone going to a phone, calls for help.

To make donations for this **potentially life-saving** project and trail maintenance, make checks out to:

**'WCV Nature Trail & Arboretum'** and send to:

WCV Nature Trail and Arboretum  
David Suh, Treasurer  
2001 Harrisburg Pike, PH 202  
Lancaster, PA 17601

### The 'Survivor Tree'

This Sweetbay Magnolia near the picnic table in the Arboretum is sometimes called the 'Ugly Tree,' but it is a survivor. When other trees crowded it from both sides and shaded it from above, it grew the only way it could, toward the light. This is called phototropism and it saved the tree's life. The trees causing the problem have died



and been removed. Now the Magnolia tree, the 'Survivor Tree', is out of balance and will be gently pruned back to keep from over stressing the trunk. The good news is that a new Sweetbay Magnolia, shall we call it the 'Beauty Tree,' will be planted in the Arboretum this fall. The Sweetbay Magnolia has beautiful lemon-scented flowers in May and June. Then bright red fruits ripen in August.

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## Here's what's happening in the Arboretum and on the Nature Trail



*Poke Weed is beginning to bloom*



*Black Raspberries are getting ripe*



*Bee Balm is attracting pollinators*



*Black-Eyed Susan*



*Plains Coreopsis*



*Yellow Coneflowers are opening*



*The Mayapples are Fading*

### Honor/Memory Trees in Fall

#### [Visit the Arboretum Tree Book](#)

The Arboretum Board is accepting applications for Memory and Honor Trees to be planted in the Arboretum this fall. Those interested in dedicating an **Honor or Memory Tree** to a loved one should contact Steve Henning at 717-735-7116 or [acer103@earthlink.net](mailto:acer103@earthlink.net).

More details are available in the [Arboretum Tree Book](#). Besides [online](#), a copy of the **Tree Book** is kept in Viva in the Bistro library.