

Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum

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February 2026 Newsletter

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Woodcrest Villa Arboretum is Dedicated To Those Recognized with Trees & Benches

Thanks to Arboretum & Nature Trail Patrons in 2025 Thanks to Our 2025 Donors, Thanks to Our 2025 Volunteers

Thanks to the following donors who donated in 2025 for the Trail Crew Caretakers to buy supplies for the Nature Trail & Arboretum, such as trees, benches, wood chips, and service for the tractor.

Audrey Ackerman Frey Donna McGinnis
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Gloria Kauffman Ingeborg Zimmerman
Jack Lewicki



Special thanks to the volunteers in 2025 who maintained the trail, cleared brush, monitored water quality in Swarr Run, and made sure the honor and memorial trees were watered.

Emy Belser John Lebo
Rick Benson Jack Lewicki
John Carpenter Jim McCoy
Mike Fritz Bruce Metzler
Charlie Graybill* Jack Neal
Laura Griffith Linda Rice
Tony Harnish David Suh
Steve Henning

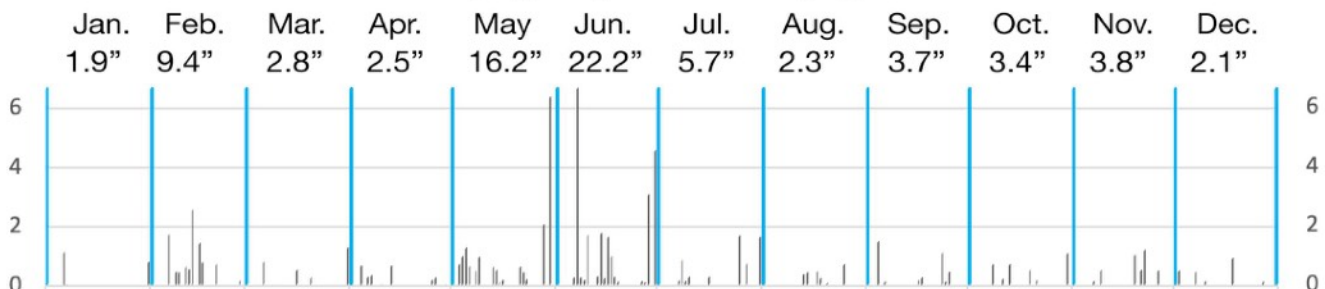


* Charlie Graybill – 1936-2025

Charlie Graybill passed away on Sunday, September 7, 2025, at the age of 89. Up until his death, Charlie could always be counted on any time work needed to be done on the trail whether it be pulling wineberry or garlic mustard plants, building a bridge, watering trees, or spreading chips.

2025 Daily Rainfall at Woodcrest Villa (inches) with monthly totals

Total for 2025: 76 inches; Typical year: 44 inches; Typical month: 3.7 inches



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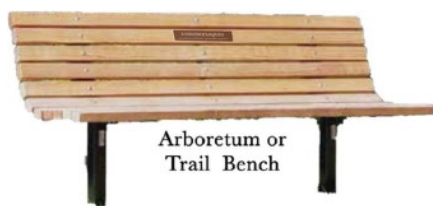
Left to right, Steve Henning, John Lebo, Jim McCoy, Emy Belser, Rick Benson, Laura Griffith, John Carpenter, Linda Rice, Mike Fritz, David Suh, and Jack Lewicki. Not shown are Tony Harnish, Jack Neal, and Bruce Metzler.

Members of the Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum Caretakers are reminded each season that we are stewards of this land. The trees we prune, the paths we clear, and the plantings we tend will remain long after us. Each fallen leaf, emerging bud, and returning bird is part of a

larger story that unfolds slowly, patiently, and largely beyond our control. We are preserving the beauty and quiet places for reflection—not only for ourselves, but for those who will walk these paths in years to come. That is the quiet reward of being caretakers of the Earth.



Campus Bench



Arboretum or
Trail Bench

Honor & Memory Benches Available

Both the original arboretum and the expansion area are now fully planted with honor and memory trees. A new opportunity to honor or remember a loved one is through the placement of a bench—either on campus or along the arboretum and nature trail. Each bench includes a personalized plaque, allowing you to share a meaningful message that will be enjoyed by all who pause there. For more information contact Steve Henning at acer103@earthlink.net or call 7116.

IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF A LOVED ONE
Your Message Here (up to 55 characters & spaces per line)
...remembrance, dedication, sponsorship, inspiration...

Thanks for Donations

Thanks to those who donated for the Trail Crew to buy supplies for the Nature Trail & Arboretum, such as saw blades for trimming, mulch for the trail, and service for the tractor.

Make donations out to:

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with the note:

WCV Nature Trail & Arboretum

Send all donations to:

Bruce Metzler, Treasurer
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