

Woodcrest Villa Flower Factory, Nature Trail & Arboretum

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Woodcrest Villa Residents Plant 100 Plants In Arboretum



Woodcrest Villa Residents Volunteer To Plant 100 Plants In Arboretum (cont'd)

The Arboretum & Nature Trail committee decided to enhance the arboretum with flowering plants including shrubs and small trees planted around the edges of the Arboretum. Trail crew members Bruce Metzler, Jim McCoy, Dave Warfel and John Carpenter did an admirable job of clearing out brush and invasive plants from the area. Jerry Lawrence networked with the Lancaster Conservancy. Dennis Good found plants from native plant nurseries. They lined up about 100 flowering plants for the Arboretum at special low prices and some for free. Their success led to a little anxiety about how to plant all of them. Shirley Harms came up with the idea of having a planting party.

An email went out to those that have showed interest in the Arboretum and Nature Trail in the past and 25 people turned out on Saturday morning, October 24, for a planting party to plant about 100 young plants. Jerry Lawrence, Levi Fisher, and Dennis Good had arranged the plants in their intended locations. Bruce Metzler from the trail crew was there with the John Deere tractor and a 35-gallon water tank to see that the new plants were watered. Shirley arranged for a sack lunch for all volunteers, so there was no need to worry about missing their lunches. Of course, COVID-19 precautions were in place so that everyone could have a safe but enjoyable time.

Arboretum To Be Dedicated



Preliminary Arboretum Plan

Our first two Honor/Memory Trees were planted in November of 2019. The second two Honor/Memory Trees were planted in October of 2020. Tree of Life Services, will be planting three more trees after they go dormant in early November when they can be dug and transplanted. We are planning a Dedication Service for the Arboretum and all 7 trees in the Spring. We will announce a date so that loved ones can be invited to attend.

Those wishing to make a donation for the Arboretum and Nature Trail may mail a check to:

Dennis Good
Woodcrest Villa Trail Board
216 Vinca Place
Lancaster, PA 17601

Thanks for the donations

Thanks to the residents of Romarin Place that made generous donations in memory of Jim Dohren. Thanks to Marc Spiridigliozzi and Thrivent, and Dennis and Nancy Good for donating PawPaw Trees for the Nature Trail. Thanks to these and many other generous donations, we have a wide assortment of new small trees and flowering shrubs planted along Swarr Run, on the edge of the woods in the arboretum, and along the Nature Trail. Rhoda Martin of Herbal Springs Farmstead near Ephrata offered us native plants at clearance prices. In addition, Linda Ferich of the Lancaster Conservancy was able to donate additional native plants. In November, we will be obtaining some more native plants from Go Native Nursery to plant along the Nature Trail.



Jerry Lawrence & Linda Ferich with donated plants.

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