

Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum

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October 2023 Newsletter

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Woodcrest Villa Arboretum is Dedicated To Those Recognized with Trees

New Arboretum Bridge Built By Trail Crew Members

Members of the Nature Trail & Arboretum (l to r: Charlie Graybill, John Lebo, Jim McCoy, and Steve Henning) completed building and installing a foot bridge to provide access across a dry wash from the existing Honor/Memory Arboretum to the Arboretum expansion area.

The bridge was constructed with special wooden trusses and wood decking. It has cedar-log rails.

An anonymous donor has paid for the bridge materials, installation materials and ramps on both ends.

Now Honor & Memory trees can be placed in the new Arboretum expansion area or in additional areas on the WCV campus chosen by WCV.

The trees must be ordered before November 1 for planting in the Fall.

For more information contact Steve Henning at acer103@earthlink.net or X 7116.



Tree Scavenger Hunt Winners

Thanks to all who entered the WCV Tree Scavenger Hunt. Prizes went to:

Charlie Schwenk	46 trees	Barbara Simpson	41 trees
Suzann Schwenk	46 trees	Jim Stauffer	40 trees
Carol Jenkins	45 trees	Shirley Stauffer	40 trees
Dee Droms	44 trees	Mike Fritz	39 trees
Paul Droms	44 trees	Diana Thompson	39 trees
Karen Hammel	44 trees	Jerry Bruce	38 trees
Phyllis Newcomer	41 trees		

Prizes included the book, *Common Trees of Pennsylvania*, a WCV tote bag, the Lancaster Conservancy Nature Preserve & Trail Guide, and the Tanger Arboretum Guide. Thanks to PA Senator Aument's Lititz office, MHC, Lancaster Conservancy and Tanger Arboretum for donating the prizes.

Maps showing where trees with labels are located are at: <http://rhodyman.net/WCV/index.html#anchorDocuments>

Thanks for Donations

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

Make donations out to:

Mennonite Home Communities

with the note:

WCV Nature Trail & Arboretum

Send all donations to:

David Suh, Treasurer

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Trail Crew Members Rejuvenate No-Mow Areas

Members of the Trail Crew undertook the daunting task of cleaning up 2 No-Mow areas on the south side of the arboretum. The location of the areas is shown in the diagram in the Bridge article in this newsletter as the West Island and the East Island.

The East Island was mulched and planted with perennial plants. The West Island was planted with perennial seed. Being No-Mow areas, they tend to go wild during the summer. It is amazing how much better they look after the crew members took on the task of rejuvenating them.



Working on the East Island are Laura Griffith, John Lebo, & John Carpenter. Photo by Jim McCoy.



Working on the West Island are John Carpenter, Charlie Graybill, & John Lebo. Photo by Jim McCoy.

Wild Flowers in Bloom Around the Arboretum



White Snakeroot
(*Ageratina*)
a native plant



Tall Goldenrod
(*Solidago*)
a native plant



Evening Primrose
(*Oenothera*)
a native plant



Late Boneset
(*Eupatorium*)
a native plant