

Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail and Arboretum Policies

Mission. To promote the propagation of trees and gardens on the Woodcrest Villa campus in order to provide shelter and food for wildlife while serving as a living tribute that benefits present and future generations. In addition, to educate residents about the different varieties and shapes of the species selected for the Arboretum.

The following species of trees are recommended for planting because of their shape, seasonal display of color, pest resistance and fruit:

<u>Species</u>	<u>Benefit</u>
River Birch	Curling bark, attracts hummingbirds
Kentucky Coffee Tree	Used by nesting birds
Yellowwood	Fragrant flowers attract pollinators
Cherokee Princess Dogwood	Spring flowers, fruit attracts wildlife
Winter King Hawthorn	White flowers, red fruit, butterflies
Skyline Honeylocust	White flowers, fall color, wildlife
Tulip Poplar	Flowers & seeds attract wildlife
American Linden	Fragrant flowers, attracts butterflies
Princeton Elm	Attracts birds and insects
Okame Cherry	Pink flowers, attracts birds & insects

Only one tree of each variety will be planted. The WCV Nature Trail & Arboretum Committee reserves the right to decline requests for trees other than those listed above. All plantings become the property of Woodcrest Villa and the Mennonite Home Communities

Included in the cost of planting:

- 8'-10' tree of recommended or approved species
- Professional planting of tree with staking, if needed
- Cast bronze plaque (8" X 4") per attached specifications
- Mulching of tree(s) at planting

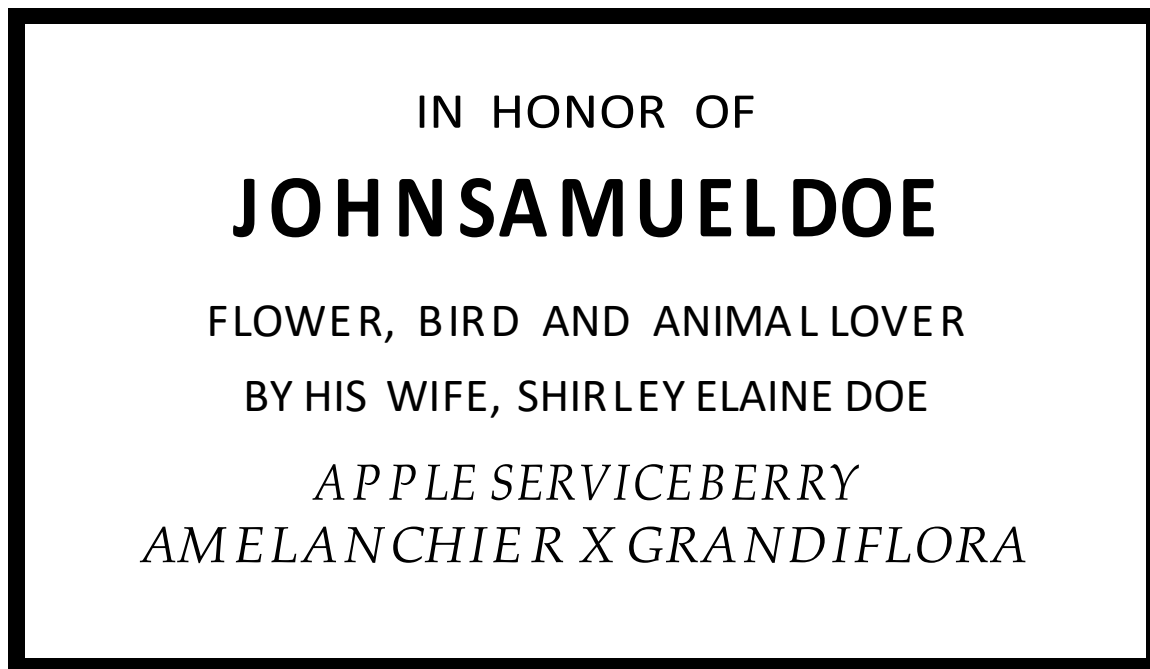
All plantings and placements must be approved by the Director of Facilities of Mennonite Home Communities (MHC). Plantings will be limited, for the current time, to the designated area north of Woodcrest Drive and across from Pheasant Pointe.

Rules:

- Any Woodcrest Villa resident, friend, family, staff or MHC Board member who wishes to have a tree planted in memory or honor of a loved one may participate in the program by contacting the Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum Committee. Donor(s) who wish to gift a non-memorial tree may do so by contacting the Committee.
- The Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum Committee does not guarantee the perpetuation of the tree(s). (Note: In the event that a planting dies the donor may contact the Committee and request a replacement. The Committee will prepare a cost estimate to replace the planting and present it to the donor(s) for consideration.)
- Trees will be purchased by the Woodcrest Villa Trail & Arboretum Committee from a reputable local nursery and must be guaranteed by the nursery for twelve months.
- The tree donor(s) will supply appropriate text for the plaque and then will be given the opportunity to "proof" the text before the plaque is cast.
- From start to finish, this plaque process could take an estimated 6-8 weeks.
- The Trail Committee reserves the right to plant in the fall and spring to promote the health and longevity of the planting.
- To ensure the natural beauty of the Arboretum, no permanent or artificial displays, solar lights, etc., may be placed on or near the planted tree.
- The minimum donation required for a memorial tree is \$1,000, made payable to the Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum (Memo line: Arboretum).
- The Trail Committee will not begin any efforts toward purchasing or installing a memorial tree, or other Arboretum or Trail enhancement, until the entire gift is funded.
- The Committee will also consider donor(s) requests to fund benches, flower beds, and other landscape accoutrements benefitting the enjoyment of the Nature Trail and Arboretum by residents and friends.
- In the event the costs are less than \$1,000, the remaining amount will remain with the WCV Nature Trail & Arboretum Committee for the maintenance of the Nature Trail and Arboretum. -

Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum Bronze Plaque Specifications:

1. 8" X 4" bronze plaque
2. Single Line Border
3. Background color to be Dark Bronze
4. Dark Bronze Aluminum Angled Garden Stake
5. Copy to be maximum of 6 lines of text including 140 characters and punctuation
6. Minimum size letters to be 1/4 in. high
7. Line 2 Name of person in memory or honor of such as: JOHN SAMUEL DOE - Zapfhumnst BT Bold Caps 44 pt
8. Lines 1,3 and 4 to be Zapfhumnst BT regular caps 26 pt.; 30 characters & spaces max each.
9. 5 and 6 Name of tree to be Book Antiqua Italics 26 pt.; 30 characters max each.
10. Plaques will consist of 4 to 6 lines of text.



Note: Your gift is tax deductible since the WCV Nature Trail and Arboretum is part of the Mennonite Home Communities, a 501(C)(3) organization.

Honor/Memory Tree Candidates



River Birch-*Betula nivea*
55' tall, attractive curling bark. Flowers attract humming birds



Kentucky Coffee Tree -
Gymnocladus dioicus
70' tall. Used by nesting birds.



Yellowwood-*Cladrastis kentukea*.
40' tall, fragrant flowers attract pollinators.



Cherokee Princess Dogwood-*Cornus florida*
'30' tall, white flowers. Fruit attracts wildlife.



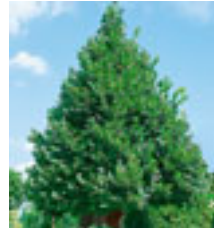
Hawthorn-*Crataegus viridis* 'Winter King', 30' tall, white flowers, red fruit. Attracts butterflies.



Honeylocust- *Gleditsia triacanthos* 'Skyline'
40' tall, white flowers, fall color. Attracts wildlife.



Tulip Poplar-*Liriodendron tulipifera*.
80' tall. Flowers & seeds attract wildlife.



American Linden -
Tilia americana
60' tall, fragrant. Attracts butterflies.



Princeton Elm - *Ulmus americana* 'Princeton'.
60' tall, Attract birds & insects



Okame Cherry-*Prunus X 'Okame'*
20' tall, pink flowers. Attract birds & insects

Honor/Memory Trees

For more information contact
Steve Henning at 717-735-7116
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Send donations to:
WCV Nature Trail & Arboretum
David Suh, Treasurer
2001 Harrisburg Pike, PH 202
Lancaster, PA 17601

Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum Memory or Honor Tree & Plaque Application

Name(s) of Donor(s) _____

Please indicate donor(s) relationship to Woodcrest Villa (WCV)

- _____ Resident
- _____ Friend of WCV resident
- _____ Family member of WCV resident
- _____ WCV staff member
- _____ WCV Board member

Phone _____

Address _____

City, State & Zip Code _____

Requested Tree: _____
(Select tree species subject to availability and approval)

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____
(If an honoree passes away, the plaque is still an honor plaque since it was presented to honor the person during their lifetime.)

Text on plaque: (Text is limited to 30 characters & spaces per line; maximum 2 lines)

Check payable to: WCV Nature Trail & Arboretum
Memo line: Arboretum

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