



IMPACT REPORT *2024*



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MISSION

The mission of the Scott Arboretum is to **delight, educate, and inspire** visitors to enjoy the many **benefits of horticulture**, whatever their resources or expertise. Our “garden of ideas” features plant varieties that thrive in this region, encouraging wise stewardship as well as the cultivation of **plants to sustain the body, enchant the eye, and soothe the spirit.**

As articulated in 2015

The endowment fund for the Arthur Hoyt Scott Horticultural Foundation has been given to Swarthmore College to hold in trust and to use for the encouragement of horticulture in its broadest sense. The founders wished to make possible a dream of Mr. Scott’s to **help horticulture by visual demonstration.** They have believed that this dream can best be realized by “the planting in a public place of such trees, shrubs, and flowers **as can be used by people of average means** living in the Philadelphia suburbs area. ... They wish this to be a **practical horticultural garden.**”

As articulated in 1932

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DIRECTOR'S LETTER

Dear Friends of the Scott Arboretum,

2024 was a special year for the Scott Arboretum; it turned 95. In this milestone year, while we took stock of our work by looking back through the years, we made the decision for the second time in our history to change our name to better communicate with the public about who we are and what we have to offer. Starting in 2025, we are Scott Arboretum & Gardens. While this may seem like a minor word addition, I think it speaks volumes.

Increasingly, we find people do not know what an arboretum is, as indicated by letters addressed to “Dear Mr. Scott Arboretum.” That name doesn’t immediately convey what they might enjoy or find here. Now after turning 95, not only do we display a rich collection of trees, we also offer 11 spaces on campus with the word garden in their official name and another handful that are gardenesque — that is a combination of trees, shrubs, and perennials — though their official name may not reflect that. For example, think of the Cosby Courtyard or Metasequoia Allée. So, it is not an exaggeration to say we offer an abundance of distinct gardens to visit and learn from, in addition to a fine collection of trees. The word “garden,” unlike “arboretum,” is immediately understood, and has strong positive



Celebrating the Arboretum's 95th anniversary at our annual volunteer thank-you luncheon.

professional colleagues, who have all helped this organization steadily grow, fulfill its mission, and dynamically respond to the opportunities and challenges along the way. Please, carry on, keep cultivating this dream of Edith Wilder and Arthur Hoyt Scott so these gardens continue to thrive and evolve!

Claire Sawyers
Director

emotions associated with it. A collection of trees sounds serious and scientific, and while we continue to offer that big time, we also want the campus of Swarthmore College to feel welcoming and provide areas of beauty and inspiration on a scale everyone can relate to.

Originally, this organization was named the Scott Horticultural Foundation when it was founded in 1929. That name was also not self-explanatory. My predecessor, Judy Zuk, used to get letters asking for financial support from individuals who mistook it to be a philanthropic foundation. She wrote in 1986, "We changed our name from the Scott Horticultural Foundation to the Scott Arboretum, for the term arboretum best describes our true function as a

living museum of hardy ornamental plants." Now the name can rightfully evolve to yet better convey what we have accomplished and what we now offer since the last name change.

On a more global level, 2024 was a year full of headlines and forecasts about how artificial intelligence (AI) would dramatically alter our lives, in some applications for the better and in others, a foretelling of scary outcomes if not regulated. So far the Arboretum's casual use of AI is to ask questions to stimulate ideas — e.g. what are the best ways to engage college students in the mission of the Arboretum? What are ideas to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Scott Arboretum & Gardens? But the question one of our members asked AI

resulted in the poem to the right, which seems to capture this moment in time, combining the use of AI and our 95 years.

On a personal level, 2024 is significant and bittersweet to me as my last full year of serving as director of this organization, after a wonderful 35 years. While I have so much to be thankful for and proud of as I reflect on our accomplishments together, not just over this past year, but my entire tenure here, I close simply with this thought: I have had a wonderfully gratifying career tending to this unique "garden of ideas" and serving our community. I am grateful for having had the opportunity to work with so many dedicated staff members, volunteers, members, donors, interns, college students, and

In Celebration of the 95th Anniversary of the Scott Arboretum

*Ninety-five years of verdant grace,
Four thousand trees in this ballowed space.
Fifteen gardens, a botanical dream,
Three hundred fifty acres gleam.*

*Swarthmore's crown, a living treasure,
Beauty beyond what one can measure.
Heritage Trees stand tall and proud,
Their branches, a natural, leafy shroud.*

*From season to season, colors unfold,
A campus story in green and gold.
Scott Arboretum & Gardens, nature's art,
Of this famed college, the beating heart.*

*Outstanding plants from far and near,
Tended with knowledge, passion, and care.
Gardening techniques on full display,
Inspiring visitors day by day.*

*A campus so fair, it takes one's breath,
From spring's first bloom to autumn's death.
Ninety-five years of growth and learning,
A legacy forever burning.*

*Here's to Scott Arboretum & Gardens' lasting glory,
May it flourish and tell its story.
A testament to nature's might,
Swarthmore's gem, a wondrous sight.*



IMPACTFUL MOMENTS OF 2024

Facts, figures, and accomplishments of the year



Planted in 1881 with the idea “to form a very fine avenue in course of time.” Magill Walk, our fine avenue of swamp white oaks still serves as the heart of campus today.

- The Scott Arboretum celebrated its 95th anniversary with a variety of special educational activities, including tours throughout the year focused on our notable plant collections and a series of *Hybrid* articles highlighting the best cultivars in notable collections. We also featured an animated 95th anniversary logo for the year, held a birthday-themed volunteer thank-you luncheon and printed a special publication outlining 95 years of history, which was mailed to all Scott Associates.

- The Arboretum received a substantial bequest of \$267,965 from C. Russell de Burlo '47 and Edith Thatcher de Burlo '50 to establish a permanent endowment fund to be used for new trees and shrubs as determined by the plans of the Scott Arboretum.

- Significant strategies and programs to better appeal to families and children were implemented: a youth membership

- initiative for “Scott Saplings”; the enhancement of the Meeting House Woods to become the Discovery Woods; and four seasonal Discovery Guides specific to the Arboretum were developed and printed.

- Our name was changed to Scott Arboretum & Gardens, and the resulting rebranding efforts began to reflect this change, an effort that will continue into 2025.

- Over the course of the year, 280 educational programs were offered, drawing 13,197 counted in-person participants. The total number of virtual participants adds another 12,116 to the count of educational encounters with our audiences.

- At the close of 2024, the Scott Associates had 1,108 active memberships (compared to 991 at the close of last year). Membership dues contributed \$81,185 in dues during FY '23-'24 (compared to \$89,415 last year).

There were several College capital and campus renovation projects with significant impact and improvements on campus.

- 1 Throughout much of 2024, the **Cunningham House**, home to the Scott Offices, received much attention. Staff relocated to Kohlberg Hall over the summer so that painting, carpeting, new lighting, and kitchen fixtures could be installed. The basement received a new floor to address water issues. The office building now has an ADA-compliant bathroom. New windows, stabilizing the Blum Classroom, and other exterior work will follow in 2025. (Not pictured below)
- 2 The renovation of **Martin Hall** began in 2023 and work continued through 2024. Some of the renewed landscaping is anticipated to start appearing in the spring of 2025, which includes the reimagined Winter and Pollinator Gardens.
- 3 The **Biostream**, after several decades of sediment accumulation, was relaid. This involved lifting all the river rocks, removing the soil created, and relaying the stones so it could function as a storm water recharge system. The planting plan was also largely renovated in 2024 by our own gardeners.
- 4 The geothermal wells dug on lower **Parrish Lawn** were completed, followed by the restoration of the lawn — a challenging feat in the fall of 2024 due to the lack of rainfall. (Not pictured below)
- 5 With the completion of the renovation and conversion of Sharples Dining Hall to the **Community Commons**, new green roofs were planted and landscaping on the west side of the Community Commons was completed.

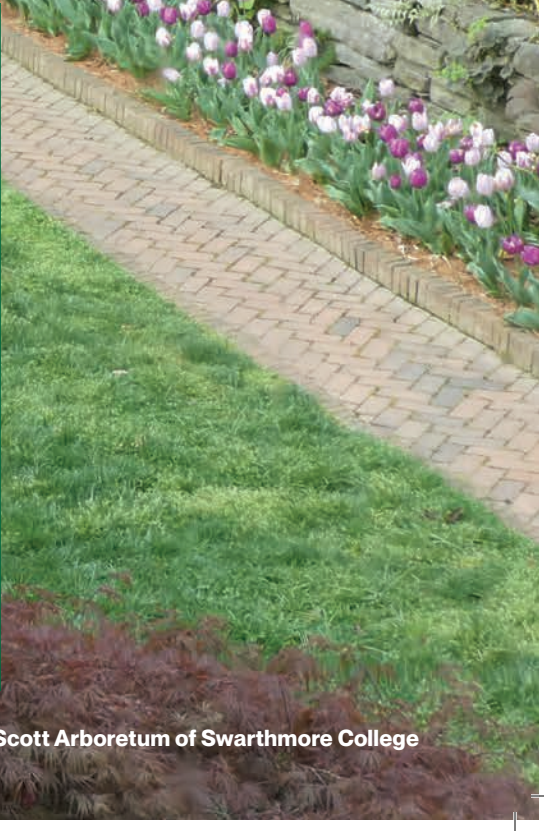




IMPACTFUL MOMENTS OF 2024

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- The 2024 Annual Appeal raised \$74,937 from 196 donors to add to the Heritage Tree Endowment fund.
- At the close of the year, the monthly eNews had 7,171 subscribers, compared to 6,470 the previous December, representing an 11% increase.
- Scottarboretum.org, the Arboretum's website, had a total of 180,896 page views, compared to 188,092 in 2023.
- In 2024, volunteers recorded a total of 6,300 hours given to our operations, 1,913 of which were devoted to hands-on gardening. The value of this contribution, using the Independent Sector's value of volunteer time of \$33.49/hr., is \$210,987.
- In November, Claire Sawyers announced her retirement for Feb. 2025 after serving for 35 years as director. In honor of her leadership, about 30 individuals very generously donated over \$16,000 in her honor.
- The Scott Arboretum was recognized as a Level III-accredited ArbNet Arboretum through 2024, recognizing its achievement of standards to advance the planting and conservation of trees.
- The American Conifer Society recognized the Scott Arboretum as a Reference Garden in 2024. The James R. Frorer Holly collection has been recognized as a National Holly Arboreum by the Holly Society of America for many years.



SCOTT GARDEN & HORTICULTURE AWARD

Margaret Roach, the 70th Scott Medal and Award recipient in 2024



The Scott Garden & Horticulture Award program is one of the best-known and longest running efforts of the Scott Arboretum, with a rich history and nationwide goals. Designed and made possible with funding from Margaret and Owen Moon, Arthur Hoyt Scott's sister and

brother-in-law, the program aims to recognize an individual (or organization) who has made a national contribution to the science and art of gardening. The intent of the award is to "promote a greater love of nature, make the nation more conscious of the beauty of the outdoors,

develop a greater knowledge and love of plants and flowers, and spread the gospel of better planting and more beautiful gardens among all citizens."

In 2024, the call for nominations was mailed to members of the American Public Gardens Association (APGA) and full-page advertisements were placed in *Landscape Architecture* and *Public Garden* magazine. Social media advertising was disseminated through APGA. The deadline for nominations was Sept. 30; the Selection Committee met in person on Nov. 22, 2024 to review all nominations for the 2025 award.

To see the full history of the award, former honorees, and the nomination process, please visit scottarboretum.org/scott-medal-award.

Thanks to these Selection Committee members for the 2024 determination:

Nancy Bechtol, director emerita of the Office of Facilities, Smithsonian Gardens, Washington, D.C.

Jules Bruck, director, School of Landscape Architecture and Planning, University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla.

Robert Lyons, professor emeritus and 2022 Scott Medal and Award recipient, Landenberg, Pa.

Matthew Ross, executive director, The Botanic Garden at Historic Barns Park, Travis City, Mich.

Casey Sclar, H.O. Smith Endowed Director, The Arboretum at Penn State, University Park, Pa.

William (Bill) Thomas, executive director of Chanticleer and 2017 Scott Medal and Award recipient, Wayne, Pa.

Jonathan Wright, Ruth Lilly Director of The Garden and Fairbanks Park at Newfields, Indianapolis, Ind.

The committee was chaired by Andy Feick, associate vice president for Sustainable Facilities Operation and Capital Planning at Swarthmore College, with Director Claire Sawyers serving as secretary and Caitlin Anello serving as assistant secretary.





Core to our mission: visual demonstrations of the best plants for landscape use
in the region in curated collections and designed and themed gardens

OUR LIVING COLLECTIONS

**By Mary Tipping, Curator
and Plant Recorder**

Landscape Projects

Cherry Border

Out of a need to protect older and low-hanging branches of flowering cherries in the Cherry Border, branch supports were fashioned from salvaged cedar logs into crutches by the William D. Conwell Associates team. Each artistically and skillfully created crutch, inspired by the Japanese gardening tradition, was custom fit to vulnerable branches needing support, thus preserving the integrity and stability of sizable branches for years to come.

Dean Bond Rose Garden

The beds of the rose garden were modified to better define the interior green space, and better screen the parked cars from the interior of the garden. Rose rosette disease took a serious toll on roses during the year, necessitating the removal of dozens of roses.

Dining and Community Commons

The first full growing season of the new Dining Center and Sharples Commons landscape was well received by all after a lengthy wait for construction and renovations of the buildings to be completed. Drifts of sunny wildflowers created a riot of color on the Dining Center south slope just in time for Commencement, and masses of bright yellow stonecrop (*Sedum*) and magenta ice plant (*Delosperma*) blanketed the Sharples green roof sections through late autumn.

Construction and Tree Protection Fencing

Removal of construction and tree protection fencing that had dotted the landscape over the past several years signified the completion of multiple utility projects, including the geothermal well field on Mertz Lawn. While visually distracting, the fencing offered invaluable protection to trees located in close proximity to construction activities. Prior

to the fence removal, turf areas required renovation and extensive irrigation in late summer and through the fall due to a prolonged dry period and high temperatures.

Discovery Woods

The Meeting House Woods, with much closer proximity to the Wister Center than the Crum Woods, began to be transformed into a nature experience area for youngsters. A path was created through the space in the fall. Over the winter a variety of whimsical log creations were added, made from mature trees that needed to be removed. This dry woodland hillside is now a place to encourage play and discovery in nature.

Collections Committee

This committee is responsible for managing the Arboretum's accessioned plant collections; reviewing College landscape plans and projects; perennial and bulb acquisition; accessioning and deaccessioning of trees, shrubs, and vines (we do not



William D. Conwell Associates' team installs the tree tunnel in the Discovery Woods.

accession herbaceous plants); and reviewing project proposals, invasive plant lists, and landscape management plans. The group typically meets monthly. Curator and Plant Recorder Mary Tipping served as chair of the committee with Horticulturist Josh Coceano as secretary. Other committee members included Garden Supervisors Adam Glas and Chuck Hinkle, Coordinator of Horticulture/Director of Grounds Jeff Jabco, Public Horticulture Intern Seamus Lewin, and Director Claire Sawyers.

Project Proposals

A total of 24 project proposals were submitted for spring consideration and 26 were submitted for fall consideration to the Collections Committee. Proposals may be submitted by anyone and can range from a request to add a specific cultivar to the collection to proposing renovations to existing landscape areas. Of the total 50 considered, 24 were completed, 23 are in progress, and 3 were put on hold due to current or anticipated campus construction.



Construction equipment and lay down area surrounded the Dean Bond Rose Garden for most of 2024.



Turf renovation after completing construction behind the Dean Bond Rose Garden.



Laying infrastructure piping in Parrish Lawn as part of the College's Zero by 35 initiative.



One hundred twenty-two mulched root protection zones were added to Heritage Trees and other significant tree specimens.

Heritage Tree Program



This program, initiated in 2016, aims to identify, care for, and protect our most precious trees among about 4,000 accessioned trees in our collections. Accessioned trees over 10 years old were eligible for the evaluation process designed for this program based on their size, condition, rarity, prevalence in our collection, and cultural values. Currently, we have 239 Heritage Trees. They are now shown on Arboretum Explorer, our interactive collections maps,

with a distinct symbol. In 2023, an endowment fund dedicated to Heritage Trees was established thanks to those who donated to the 2022 Annual Appeal (see the finance section of this report). In 2024, the Annual Appeal was also devoted to the Heritage Tree Endowment fund. In 2024, between June and November, 122 mulched root protection zones were added to Heritage Trees and other significant tree specimens.

Plant Collections

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Number of taxa in the collection	3,170	3,179	3,188	3,211	3,190
Number of accessions added	171	250	174	233	93
Number of deaccessions	473	556	558	498	516

Plant Records Summary

Number of accession labels made	578	940	772	655	696
Number of display labels made	343	482	572	309	347
Number of plant locations mapped	675	3,813	631	513	716

Project Proposals

Number of project proposals submitted	31	29	45	49	51
Number of project proposals completed	17	20	25	27	50



EDUCATING AND INSPIRING

Core to our mission: educating and inspiring visitors to enjoy the many benefits of horticulture, whatever their resources or expertise



A highlight of 2024 was celebrating our plant collections throughout the year in honor of our 95th anniversary. We accomplished this through offering in-person and virtual tours focused on a seasonally appropriate plant collection and by highlighting “95 Years of the Best Cultivars” in some of our collections through *Hybrid* articles.

The in-person attendance for the 280 programs and events offered in 2024 stands at 13,197. Additional counts of live viewers of virtual programs and those who viewed recorded events at a later date stands at 12,116 for the year. These figures don't include casual visitors to the Arboretum as we have no way to accurately count them.

The 280 programs and events listed for the year included guided tours, classes, conferences, exhibitions, lectures, field trips, woods walks, and celebrations, the combined offerings to adults, families, and the College community. In addition to the campus-arboretum being free of charge, many of our educational programs and special events are free and open to the public in keeping with our mission to educate and inspire all regardless of their resources. Other programs and events are free to members or offered at a discount to members.

For Adults

By Mackenzie Knight-Fochs, Education Programs Manager

Some of our signature programs are outlined here, alphabetically by program name:



Enjoying the dappled autumn shade in the Scott Outdoor Amphitheater during the Autumn Equinox Celebration.

Autumn Equinox

On Sept. 22, this event, celebrating the first day of fall, enjoyed beautiful weather for a change, as well as a new location in order to better accommodate growing numbers of activities and participants. Free activities centered around Parrish West Circle in the Scott Outdoor Amphitheater and the Scott Map House. The public was invited to enjoy a picnic, make nature-related crafts (some impressive headgear made out of leaves was created by children and adults), play lawn games, enjoy locally crafted beverages and a food truck, as well as autumn-themed “photo ops” surrounded by pumpkins,

live music in the Amphitheater, and various guided tours. We had 358 participants, 107 of which were children. Members were given a \$5 food voucher as a Scott Associates benefit.

Holiday Sale

A week of wreath-making workshops and gusty winds led up to the Holiday Sale, held on a cold Dec. 7. The day drew 186 shoppers despite the 30-degree temperatures. Thanks to the work of our “celebrity wreath-makers” and artistic staff and volunteers who contributed their time and talent, we had unique and gorgeous offerings again this year. Members had early shopping privileges; 123 came during the first hour set aside for them. With an online catalog, we also filled 75 advance orders. In all, just shy of \$11,000 was netted from the efforts. The event drew in 13 new memberships with the “free

bag of greens” incentive and 14 renewals to enjoy the early shopping benefit.

Hybrid

This newsletter, a Scott Associates member benefit, was mailed to all members and distributed free of charge from the Scott offices and at events. Initiated in 1972, with funding provided by the Scott Associates, this newsletter aims to provide eight pages of timely educational content focused on plants, gardening practices, and the Scott Arboretum in each season. In 2024, we featured a series called “95 Years of the Best Cultivars,” which included the best cultivars of flowering cherries, roses, camellias, and witch hazels in our collections.

Nature’s Narratives

In 2024, this nature and plant-oriented book discussion group led by Liz Haegle, former Scott intern, read and discussed seven titles: *Prairie: A Natural History of the Heart of North America*

Local horticultural professionals help make green wreaths for our Holiday Sale.



Members of the Delaware Valley Chapter of the Ohara School of Ikebana held demonstrations throughout the exhibition for students and visitors alike.

by Candace Savage; *Crossings: How Road Ecology is Shaping the Future of Our Planet* by Ben Goldfarb; *Temple Stream: A Royal Odyssey* by Bill Roorbach; *The Electricity of Every Living Thing: A Woman’s Walk in the Wild to Find Her Way Home* by Katherine May; *Smoke and Ashes: Opium’s Hidden Histories* by Amitov Ghosh; *The Flow: Rivers, Water, and Wildness* by Amy-Jane Beer; and *How to Catch a Mole: Wisdom From a Life Lived in Nature* by Marc Hamer. This program started in 2009, is free, and meets September through March. It continued to be held

virtually, which allows individuals from a broader geographic area to participate.

Ohara Ikebana Exhibition

We partnered with the Delaware Valley Chapter of the Ohara School of Ikebana again in 2024 to present a weekend-long exhibition with activities. From April 5 to 7, we offered opportunities to enjoy the combination of the beauty of traditional Japanese floral arrangements and the spring blossoms of the Cherry Border. Swarthmore College students also hosted a cherry blossom festival during the exhibition, further adding to the celebratory experience.

Specific activities the Arboretum hosted included a meet-and-greet reception with the exhibitors; a yoga and sound bath experience in the Cherry Border held in partnership with the PAC Center; a make-and-take floral-arranging activity for youth; and a floral-arranging

demonstration. We concluded the exhibition with a “95 Years Highlights Tour” of the Flowering Cherry Collection.

Over the course of the weekend, we engaged 631 attendees. With the exception of the meet-and-greet reception, all the activities were free of charge.

Peony Palooza

For our second Palooza, we hosted a show of glorious peonies, partnering with the Mid-Atlantic Peony Society to offer various activities on May 15 and 16 in the Wister Center. The show was open and free to the public. On Thursday, a peony tour was also offered, drawing 25. Total attendance over the course of the event was 412.

Perennial Plant Conference

In its 39th year, the daylong conference devoted to learning about perennial plants was held on Oct. 18 and hosted approximately 400 people. Speakers included Eric Groft, Nate Bremer, Carrie Wiles, Ken Darsney, Janet Draper, and

Harland Patch. Topics included landscape design, peonies, ecological considerations, a look at Nemours and the National Mall, and biodiverse landscapes. The conference was co-sponsored with Chanticleer, Longwood Gardens, Hardy Plant Society/Mid-Atlantic Group, and the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. The planning committee for this conference, as well as the Woody Plant Conference, was chaired by Mackenzie Knight-Fochs.

Rose Celebration

The third annual Rose Celebration on June 6 drew 563 attendees. The Rose Passport returned and attendees could enter a raffle for rose-related prizes and receive a commemorative Rose Celebration t-shirt. To encourage the appreciation of the Dean Bond Rose Garden, we offered rose garden tours; to encourage the cultivation of roses, we gave away 300 ‘Beverly’ roses; and to have fun, we offered live music, food trucks, and rose-related product samples. We appreciated

the partnerships with the Philadelphia Rose Society, Chadds Ford Winery, Baba’s Brew Kombucha, and Nether Providence Soap Company.

Travels @ 12

Six free virtual lectures were offered from January to the end of February through this popular, annual, wintertime program to provide vicarious travel opportunities to gardens around the world. In 2024, we reached 382 viewers, an average of 63 per lecture. A special thanks to Richard Doran, Becky Robert, Andrew Bunting, Claire Sawyers, Rachel Warren, and Megan Rossman, who took us to gardens and natural spaces in the Azores, Texas, Greece, Morocco, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, and along the East Coast of the U.S.

Woody Plant Conference

On July 19, 400 plant enthusiasts attended the annual Woody Plant Conference held in the Lang Performing Arts Center. Another 48 attended virtually. Attendees learned from Anthony Aiello, Andrea Brennan, Ethan Dropkin, Mike Karkowski, Bryce Lane, Rebecca McMackin, Christopher Roddick, and Mark Weatherington on a variety of aspects of growing and caring for woody plants. This conference, initiated in 1997, was co-sponsored with Chanticleer, Longwood Gardens, Morris Arboretum & Gardens, Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, and Tyler Arboretum.

Programming for Youth, Families, and Diverse Audiences

By Rachel Warren, Assistant Education Programs Manager

This year we planned a total of 164 youth and family programs, which brought in 2,069 children and 994 adults. Youth and family programs range from toddler nature classes, to school field trips, to summer classes, and more. Many children returned for programs week after week, while others were first-time visitors at programs like School’s Out.

Here is a highlight of a few of our youth-oriented offerings this year, alphabetically by program name:



Girl Scouts show off their Tree Promise badges at the Arbor Day Celebration.

Arbor Day

The Arbor Day Assembly on April 25 took place at Swarthmore-Rutledge School’s field, due to safety concerns with ongoing student protests on campus. Various speakers presented and students from all grade levels participated. The Arbor Day Celebration at the Wister Center on April 27 drew 158 children and 206 adults. The day’s activities included a sapling giveaway, book walk, tree scavenger hunt, tree activity booklet, and education stations. Twenty Girl Scouts earned their Tree Promise badge and six Boy Scouts earned their Into the Woods Pin.

Autumn Equinox

This year, as a part of the Autumn Equinox Celebration, family activities included creating leaf crowns, making leaf prints, and designing leaf suncatchers at the craft stations. Children were invited to chalk the walkway, dance in the amphitheater, and enjoy the fall evening. We had 107 children attend the event.



Garden Supervisor Chuck Hinkle leading tours during the Woody Plant Conference.

Home gardeners, Peony Society members, and the Scott Arboretum showcase their magnificent peony blooms at the annual Peony Palooza!



Chester Children's Chorus Summer Learning Program

Rachel Warren and Danielle Berger co-taught a group of 30 fourth-grade students through a 20-day Arboretum curriculum as part of the Chester Children's Chorus Summer Learning Program. This year's goal was to have students form a stronger connection with nature and to experience a sense of awe and wonder. This was achieved by having students focus on their senses when outdoors, taking multiple hikes through the Crum Woods, exploring the gardens using scavenger hunts, and connecting their personal interests, such as art and singing, to nature. With dedicated volunteers and Scott staff support, the students learned the parts of a plant, grew their own plants in the greenhouse, created terrariums, and much more!

Holiday Sale

The Holiday Sale brought an opportunity to engage families in making mini-wreaths with our fresh greens. We had 22 children and 35 adults participate in the nature craft tent while shopping.



Showing off their small wreath craft from the Nature Craft Tent at the Holiday Sale.

Make-and-Take Events

We held two youth make-and-take events during flower exhibitions this year. In April, during our Ohara Ikebana Exhibition, children of all ages were guided by experienced flower arrangers to make their own ikebana flower arrangement using dried curly willow, Japanese blue iris, and cherry laurel. We had 97 children and 52 adults participate. In May, during Peony Palooza, we invited children to participate in another make-and-take experience with peonies. After viewing the beautiful peony arrangements in the exhibit, children were able to create their own arrangement and even enter them into a contest. This program engaged 63 children and 48 adults.

Nature Nook

This year we held five series of Nature Nook classes (one in the winter and two each in both the fall and spring) for children ages 2-3 years old with their caregivers. This class was a great introduction to the Arboretum for our youngest explorers. Rachel Warren and Celeste Sullivan co-taught the program with the assistance of our dedicated volunteers. We were delighted to see siblings of our "kiddos" from previous years who have aged out of the program.

Rose Celebration

The 2024 Rose Celebration activities specifically designed for young attendees included stations to create paper roses and rose pencil toppers, enjoy rose-themed face painting, and apply a temporary rose-themed tattoo. With lawn games, food trucks, and live music, it was a great family affair. Of the 563 attendees, 117 were minors.



"Kiddos" enjoy interacting with plants during our Nature Nook program.

Seasonal Scavenger Hunts

We offered free seasonal scavenger hunts and colored pencils in our brochure box for children to explore the Arboretum with their families. These scavenger hunts encouraged children to use their senses and look closely at the plants around them. In 2024, we gave out over 450 scavenger hunts.



School Field Trips

We hosted eight school field trips this year with local children, ranging from preschool students all the way through high school. We partnered with Trinity Cooperative Day Nursery School twice this year, hosting their preschool children for a field trip in April (54 students) and their summer camp children in July (44 students). Partnering with the Biology Department at Swarthmore, we co-hosted students from Strath Haven Middle School in April, bringing students into the Crum Woods to learn about invasive species, erosion, and trail navigation (90 students). Also in April, we hosted Ridley Park High School students to participate in a planting day down by the Crum Creek (15 students). Lastly, we collaborated with Children and Adult Disability & Educational Services (CADES) in Swarthmore to



Students use these “windows” to learn plant identifying characteristics like bark.

offer three different sensory-focused field trips throughout the year (15 students total).

School's Out

This program encourages families to visit the Arboretum on days they are off from school. This year, we held three School's Out programs and added a book walk feature to encourage families to read an educational story while exploring the gardens. Winter Wonderland on February 19 drew 173 children and 100 adults. Children learned about winter-blooming plants such as snowdrops and witch hazels and went on a scavenger hunt. Spring Break on March 27 brought 116 children and 64 adults. Children created designs

using natural pigments of fresh flowers during a flower-pounding activity. It was a loud day! Indigenous People's Day on October 14 welcomed 24 children and 21 adults. Children learned about the Three Sisters Garden — a traditional Native American planting method featuring corn, beans, and squash — through a hands-on activity. The School's Out program has gained a lot of popularity and introduces the Arboretum to new families from across Delaware County.



Youth celebrate cherry blossoms at our School's Out program.

MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

**By Becky Robert,
Assistant Director**

eNews

Monthly free electronic newsletters were sent to all people who provided email addresses informing them of upcoming events, news about the Arboretum, and horticultural happenings. At the close of the year, the December eNews was emailed to 7,171 subscribers, compared to 6,470 the previous December, representing a 11% increase. The open rate for all 28,710 sends for the year was 53%, 12% higher than the industry average.

Marketing Consortiums

Greater Philadelphia Gardens (GPG), America's Garden Capital

This consortium consists of over 35 public gardens within a 30-mile radius of Philadelphia who have been working together to promote all these gardens since 1990. In 2024, the Scott Arboretum was part of the Garden Passport project, one of the promotion initiatives undertaken throughout the year. The paid digital marketing resulted in 4.3M impressions and 59K link clicks. The blog and eNewsletter saw an amazing increase of 154% with 3.3K subscribers. GPG also

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promoted the Scott Arboretum as a part of the Philadelphia Flower Show in March with a display running for the entire 10 days of the show. The show had about 250,000 attendees in 2024.

Delaware County Arts Consortium

We continued to work together with about 25 other nonprofit organizations promoting arts and culture within Delaware County. One of the major efforts of this group, DelCo Arts Week, was held Sept. 21-29. The Scott Arboretum offered two events during the week, including the Autumn Equinox Celebration to kick off the week and a cool season container workshop, tying horticulture and the arts together.

PA Gardens

This coalition started in 2021 under the name Pennsylvania Public Horticulture Coalition. With a name change in 2024, the aim remains the same, which is to amplify the collective voices and impact of Pennsylvania's public horticulture organizations. This group strives to "create opportunities for every Pennsylvanian to experience and benefit from organizations providing public horticulture experiences throughout their communities." Given the similar aims to our mission, the Scott Arboretum joined as a member in 2022 to work with 19 other

public gardens across the state.

In 2024, joint efforts included advocacy for the establishment of the Center for Plant Excellence, printing and distribution of the *Bulb & Bloom* booklet, securing liquor license eligibility for gardens with catering facilities and event rentals, promotion of Go Public Garden Days, and a presence at the Philadelphia Flower Show and the Pennsylvania Farm Show.




American Public Gardens Association (APGA)

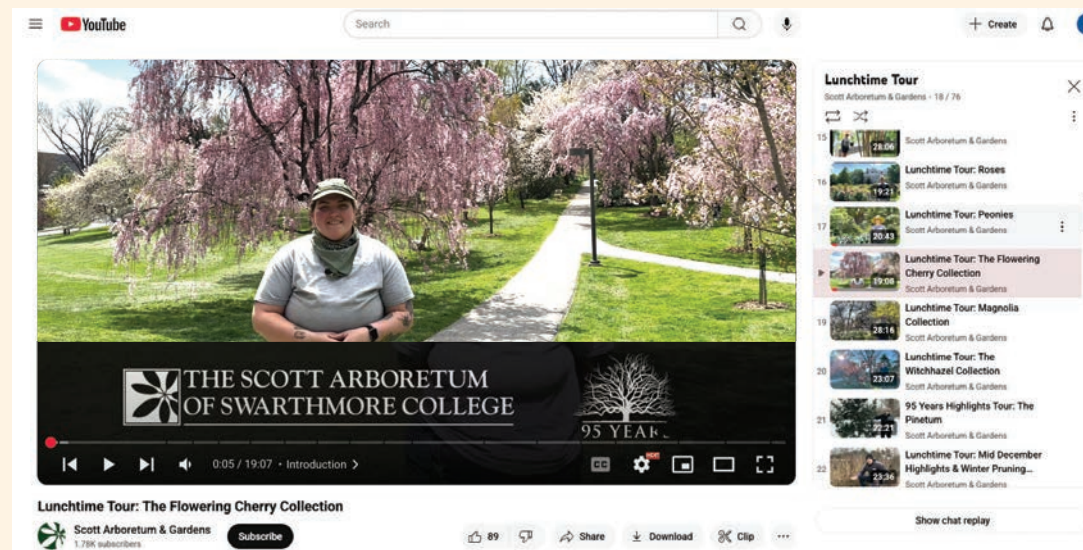
As a participant in APGA's sponsored Go Public Gardens Days held May 10-19 in 2024, the Scott Arboretum joined over 500 public gardens across the nation to raise visibility of the importance of public gardens.

Publications

We produced and mailed three special publications about the Arboretum to all members: the 2025 calendar, 2023 Impact Report, and a timeline titled "Celebrating 95 Years." We also updated our visitor guide, including an easy-to-read redesigned map of the entire campus.

Social Media:

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	% Increase from '23 to '24
 Facebook followers	4,873	5,436	5,540	5,654	5,849	3%
 Instagram followers	2,294	2,589	3,037	3,371	3,607	7%
 YouTube subscribers	278	490	772	1,156	1,510	31%



Gardener Kaitlyn Lawrence provided a great virtual tour of our Cherry Border during peak bloom.

Videos

A variety of teaching videos created by staff members were offered throughout the year.

The top five viewed videos released in 2024 were:

- Lunchtime Tour: The Flowering Cherry Collection published April 16, 2024, with 2,945 views
- 2024 Scott Medal and Award Presentation published March 21, 2024, with 1,832 views

- Gardener's Almanac: Pruning Disease, Damaged, and Dead Branches published Feb. 14, 2024, with 1,652 views
- Lunchtime Tour: The Witchhazel Collection published Feb. 20, 2024, with 1,542 views
- Lunchtime Tour: Magnolia Collection published March 26, 2024, with 1,512 views

Many of our videos have retained popularity and impact beyond their initial release. Here are some examples, measured by viewership to date since their release:

- Oct. 12, 2020 - Gardener's Almanac: Installing Deer Protection with 14,047 viewers
- Nov. 20, 2020 - Gardener's Almanac: Root Pruning with 6,230 viewers
- April 12, 2021 - Planting B&B Trees with 4,603 viewers
- Oct. 2, 2020 - Gardener's Almanac: Digging, Dividing, and Planting Clematis with 2,659 viewers

In all, Scott Arboretum videos had 75,044 views in 2024, compared with 54,105 in 2023, a 39% increase.



The Class of 2028 celebrates the planting of their class tree during orientation week in August. Photo by L. Kester

Engaging the

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE COMMUNITY

in the mission of the Scott Arboretum

By Sue MacQueen, Campus Engagement Manager

The Scott Arboretum was established to serve the gardening interests of the region's homeowners by displaying a collection of ornamental plants on the campus of Swarthmore College in instructional and educational gardens. Our work has also resulted in the creation of a beautiful campus for students, staff, and faculty who live, study, teach, and work on campus. Recognizing the College community as the resident audience living and working in the Arboretum, the work of engaging the College community with our mission (even though they are largely not local homeowners) has been led by Campus Engagement Manager Sue MacQueen since 2017.

In 2024, the Swarthmore College community consisted of 1,730 students, 293 full- and part-time faculty, and 828 staff members. Below is a summary of the signature programs designed and offered specifically for the Swarthmore College community. Many of these programs were developed in strategic partnerships with other College departments and committees, including the Office of Student Employment, Office of Sustainability, Office of Student Engagement, Alumni Office, Dean of Students Office, Crum Woods Stewardship Committee,



Swarthmore alumni enjoy festivities at the Scott Arboretum Open House during Garnet Weekend.

the Swarthmore Coalition for Well-being, and Environmental Studies.

Here are some of the signature programs aimed at the College community, outlined alphabetically:

Academic Courses

In 2020, Janet Jones '61 established a \$1 million endowment fund to support our efforts of engaging students in the Arboretum. Since then, funds have been used to sponsor for-credit courses, thereby directly enhancing the academic offerings of Swarthmore College. In 2024, three courses were offered: Plants and Human Culture taught by Sue Barton in the fall semester; Seeds to Systems taught by Rebecca Popowsky and Claire Casstevens in the spring term, and Nature Rx taught by Joshua Ellow in the spring and fall semesters.

Sue MacQueen worked with nine professors during class time to enhance their offerings with horticultural content.

Classes included Pedagogy and Play, Conservation Biology, and Indigenous Art, Land, and Environment.

Alumni Weekend

Held May 31-June 2, this event provided the opportunity for alumni to learn more about the Arboretum on five distinct tours, which ranged from garden spaces to green roof exploration and container gardening. There were 118 participants. Additionally, the Wister Center & Greenhouse building was open over the weekend, offering various gardening-related giveaways and refreshments; 223 dropped in.

Art in Nature

The sixth annual art contest took place in the fall, and was open for all students on September 3. Students had four weeks to submit entries along the theme of nature and plant-inspired art which represented the Swarthmore campus. This year, we created a separate photography category. Three art judges selected five works from

each category. A popular vote was then opened to the community to determine prize winners. First place was awarded to Winnie Lin '25 for her rendering of *Cats at the Koi Pond*. Her design was printed on a long-sleeved T-shirt. Prerna Karmacharya '26 received first prize for her photograph called *Dragonfly and Daylily*. Her work was produced on a poster. A celebration of all the artwork took place on Nov. 15, when T-shirts, posters, and stickers were shared; 152 attended the party.

Beekeeping with Alveole

Our professional beekeeper from Alveole visited our rooftop hive on David Kemp Hall every three weeks through the beekeeping season. We also hosted a workshop about honey extraction where attendees received their very own jar. All these bee-related events drew 123 participants in 2024.

Career Night

To engage Swarthmore College students in learning about career options working with plants, we offered, for the third year, the chance to meet and hear from three Swarthmore alumni who have had rewarding plant-related careers. Dan Lurie '97, Inge Daniels '93, and Henry Ortmeyer '18 shared insights into their work with 33 attendees. The panel was followed by a discussion over dinner in the Wister Center.

Class Tree Planting

On Aug. 31, during orientation week, over 400 incoming students of the Class of 2028 gathered by Magill Walk to help plant and dedicate their class tree, a Durand oak (*Quercus sinuata* var. *sinuata*). Thanks to the Office of Student Engagement and Dean's Office in helping make this a great success.



Dylan Scollon '25 leading a Crum Woods hike tour during his time as a Scott Arboretum student tour guide.



Roses prepared to pin on graduates during Commencement.

Commencement

During Senior Week, we staged a gratitude event for the Class of 2024 to tie back to their class tree planted four years earlier. Sixty-four students wrote messages of gratitude and hung them on their class tree, a *Nyssa sylvatica* 'NSUHH' outside of Mertz Hall.

Due to unrest on campus with student protests, Commencement was held off campus at the Mann Center for the Performing Arts in Philadelphia on May 26. Despite not being able to have seniors come into the Dean Bond Rose Garden to select a rose to have pinned on their gowns, Arboretum staff organized roses and kept the tradition alive at the Mann. Special thanks to Dining Center staff members, who took the place of Arboretum Assistants this year in pinning the graduates with roses.

Countdown to Commencement

In April 2024, the College invited the Arboretum to participate in a new event for graduating seniors called Countdown to

Commencement. At the Scott table, we told seniors about the Arboretum's two commencement traditions — rose-pinning and the gift of *Itea virginica*. We also offered them a complimentary one-year gift membership to the Arboretum, which was very popular. See page 28 for details.

Crum Woods Walks

We raised awareness of our woods with 25 events throughout the year with a count of 417 participants. These events included regular monthly walks, Alumni and Garnet Weekend hikes, and naturalist walks led by student Dylan Scollon '25. Our largest group continues to be the orientation walk for first-years, which had 61 students.

Curricular Grant Program

To encourage the incorporation of horticulture into Swarthmore College courses, a mini-grant program was launched in March of 2022, also funded by the Janet Jones '61 endowment. In 2024, a grant was awarded to Visiting Assistant Professor

Shailen Mishra's English course to develop and present projects about on-campus ecological issues and consider what sort of environmental rhetoric can be used to better spotlight the issue for the community.



Swarthmore students make winter snow globes with natural materials during the December DISCOVER with the Scott Arboretum.

DISCOVER with the Scott Arboretum

This program continues to provide pop-up opportunities for Swarthmore College students, staff, and faculty to engage in activities related to plants and/

Painting pumpkins during the October DISCOVER with the Scott Arboretum.



Students become "plant parents" during our annual First-Year Student Plant Giveaway.

or crafts using plant material. The ten DISCOVER sessions offered during the year by Sue MacQueen, assisted by Arboretum Assistants (trained volunteers), reached a total of 851 participants and included working with clover/oxalis corms for St. Patrick's Day, pine cone flowers, and wildflower seed paper; learning about our nascent Whittier Meadow; discovering different types of shrub dogwood in making wreaths; and painting fall leaves and pumpkins.

DISCOVER in a Bag

This initiative allows student resident assistants and green advisors to request and then conduct plant-related activities with fellow students in their dormitories. These are offered free of charge, with our payment being 10 photographs of people enjoying the event. In 2024, 32 leaders utilized the program, reaching 586 students with plant-crafting activities, modeled on the staged DISCOVER events.

First-Year Student Plant Giveaway and Welcome Back Plant Bash

These events were both successful in 2024 upholding a long-established tradition. We learned in 2021 that the use of the Wister Center parking lot with tents was a much better space than inside the Wister Center for the number of participants for both events. On Aug. 28, we had 310 first-year students visit us to pot up a selected choice from an assortment of *Dieffenbachia*, *Ficus*, and *Cordyline* houseplants. On Sept. 5, we had 555 students, staff, and faculty come out for the same opportunity.

Garnet Weekend

The first weekend in November saw the return of many passionate alumni and parents. The Arboretum staff offered multiple tours on campus and through the Crum Woods, with 158 attendees. We also offered an open house and plant giveaway that attracted more than 120 visitors.

Green Advisors Support

Scott Arboretum has always supported the student green advisors in their work to make our campus a more ecologically sound environment. To that end, we offered three events to teach them how to run their own sessions more successfully using our engagement model. In all, 57 attended.

Lavender Celebration

We purchased seeds and plants, then wrapped them for the Intercultural Center to make gifts for 60 graduating LGBTQ+ seniors for their Lavender Celebration.

Swarthmore College Student Work Program

Providing paid, part-time positions to work alongside Arboretum staff members has been an opportunity for students to engage with the Arboretum for decades. The program

continues to develop as programs and plantings evolve, with positions ranging from hands-on gardening to program assistance and office management. See page 25 for a list of student workers in 2024.

The Plant Doctor Is In

This service continued in 2024 and was offered on four Sunday

evenings throughout the two semesters to assist students with houseplant questions. These drop-in plant healthcare clinics are offered via Zoom. Fifty-eight students participated and had their questions addressed. The Plant Doctor is Sue MacQueen.

Workshops

Botany in the Kitchen workshops were held in April, June, and August focusing first on local foraging, then on specific plant families. Seventy-three community members learned edible botany from these events. Other hands-on workshops included teatime with the

Teaching & Learning Commons and the Aydelotte Foundation, a Mad Hatter's Tea Party, mandalas from nature, harvesting seeds, and Tu B'Shevat, the New Year of Trees.

Members of the Garden Collective celebrate the bounty of fall!



Swarthmore students foraging in the Crum Woods to make garlic mustard pesto with Sue MacQueen.



FINANCES

- The Arboretum endowed funds support for College maintenance, Grounds budget, and general operations was \$577,661 for FY 23-24 (as outlined in Table 1).
- The Scott Associates added \$225,000 to their endowment fund in FY 23-24.
- A bequest of \$267,965 from C. Russell de Burlo received in 2024 created a new Arboretum endowment fund. The fund will benefit Arboretum operations starting in FY 24-25 and was given to “support the general mission and plant collections of the Scott Arboretum.”

Table 1. Scott Arboretum Endowment Funds as of June 30, 2024

Date Established	Fund Name	Endowment Units	Market Value*	FY24 Distribution*
Endowment distribution supporting the Scott Arboretum Budget				
1929	Arthur H. Scott Horticultural Fdn.	19,044.89	19,245,466	\$869,209
1929	Scott Medal and Prize	1,459.40	1,474,770	66,607
1953	Robert Pyle Rose Garden	1,437.20	1,452,336	65,594
1964	Scott Foundation Centennial	5,160.30	5,214,647	235,516
1973	James Frorer Holly Collection	138.20	139,655	6,307
1986	Theresa Lang Garden of Fragrance	37.40	37,794	1,707
1989	Terry Shane Teaching Garden	241.87	244,413	11,039
1992	Scott Associates	2,585.55**	2,612,779	118,004
1998	William and Frances Plate Memorial	564.95	570,897	25,784
2001	Gertrude Wister Memorial	1,072.64	1,083,932	48,955
2006	Kemp West House Garden	245.45	248,035	11,202
2007	Wister Education Center and Greenhouse	685.76	692,983	31,298
2009	Maynard Cherry Border	24.07	24,328	1,099
2014	William H. Frederick Jr '48 Scott Directorship	1,351.55	1,002,050	1,352
2016	Scott Arboretum FFE	603.47	609,825	27,542
2017	Scott Arboretum Crum Woods	135.62	137,051	6,190
2020	Janet Jones '61 Arboretum Campus Engagement	1,234.24	1,247,236	56,331
2023	Heritage Tree Fund	101.83	102,905	4,648
Total Restricted		36,124.38	36,504,835	1,648,717
Endowment distribution allocation for the College Budget				
1929	Arthur H. Scott Horticultural Fdn.	5,009.51	5,062,269	228,634
1929	Scott Medal and Prize	280.50	283,454	12,802
1938	James McIlvain Arboreal	1,890.40	1,910,309	86,278
1953	Robert Pyle Rose Garden	1,700.00	1,717,904	77,588
1964	Scott Foundation Centennial	2,451.50	2,477,319	111,886
1973	James Frorer Holly Collection	600.00	606,319	27,384
1986	Theresa Lang Garden of Fragrance	500.00	505,266	22,820
2006	Kemp West House Garden	200.00	202,106	9,128
2009	Maynard Cherry Border	25.00	25,263	1,141
Total Budget Supporting		12,656.91	12,790,209	577,661
Total Scott Arboretum Endowments		48,781.29	49,295,045	2,226,378

* Rounded to the nearest dollar

** Additional funds (\$225,000) were added to this endowment in 2024.



Table 3. Swarthmore College Consolidated Statement of Scott Arboretum and Scott Associates Accounts for Fiscal Year July 2023 – June 30, 2024

Beginning Balance	\$1,050,780.84
Revenue	
Endowment distribution	1,638,648.72
Income/membership, registrations	168,408.40
Gift income	107,112.96
Total Revenue	1,914,170.08
Expenses	
Staff salaries and wages	842,702.88
Staff benefits	301,156.69
Plants	57,719.65
Professional services	286,944.87
Postage/telephone	10,803.57
Supplies	184,976.32
Equipment	4,179.78
Food/catering	82,919.55
Transportation	28,119.75
All other expenses	59,970.49
Net transfers	224,000.00
Total Expenses	2,083,493.55
Net Change in Fund Balance	(169,323.47)
Balance June 30, 2024	\$881,457.37

Table 2. Scott Arboretum Endowment Funds Performance 10-Year Comparison (June 30)

	Market Value	Spending Rate	Distribution
2024	\$49,295,045	4.5%	\$2,226,378
2023	48,991,014	4.3%	2,216,310
2022	49,928,917	3.7%	1,983,215
2021	54,094,319	4.7%	1,887,128
2020	42,847,664	4.6%	1,818,106
2019	39,753,942	4.6%	1,802,992
2018	39,156,721	4.3%	1,532,171
2017	35,970,600	4.6%	1,504,984
2016	32,561,932	4.0%	1,364,638
2015	34,173,430	3.3%	1,146,963



PERSONNEL



Arboretum Staff

Cunningham House

Caitlin Anello - Member and Donor Programs Manager
Josh Coceano - Horticulturist
Mackenzie Knight-Fochs - Education Programs Manager
Wylie Lapp - Public Horticulture Intern*
Seamus Lewin - Public Horticulture Intern +
Sue MacQueen - Campus Engagement Manager
Jacqui Ricchezza - Administrative Coordinator
Becky Robert - Assistant Director
Megan Rossman - Assistant Horticulturist
Claire Sawyers - Director
Mary Tipping - Curator and Plant Recorder
Rachel Warren - Assistant Education Programs Manager for
Youth, Family, and Diverse Audiences

Summer Interns

Annarose Klinger
Patty Lally

Facilities Service Building

Ian Altamuro - Athletic Field Crew Supervisor
Beck Armstrong - Gardener
Andrew DeGothseir - Gardener
Will Evans - Gardener
Adam Glas - Garden Supervisor
Chuck Hinkle - Garden Supervisor
Jeff Jabco - Coordinator of Horticulture/Director of Grounds
Nick Lang - Athletic Fields Crew Member
Kaitlyn Lawrence - Gardener
Sandra Lopez Cortez - Gardener
Susan McGinley - Gardener
Stephanie Myers - Gardener
Dale Nemec - Gardener
Lars Rasmussen - Assistant Garden Supervisor
Shem Ruszczyk - Assistant Garden Supervisor
Caroline Scalzo - Gardener +
Jerry Schrack - Assistant Director of Grounds and Horticulture
Abigail Urena - Gardener +

+Started employment in 2024

*Ended employment in 2024

Student Employees 2024

Noam AuYeung '27
Adrian Cardenas '25
Serafia Cecil '27
Alex Coley '28
Mac Croom '26
Vaidehee Durgude '25
Mirabel Fernald '27
Ava Golde '26
Eris Gonzalez '27
Y'onna Hale '26
Julian Kemp '26
Eva Kermorgant '26
Monica Kramer '24
Eva Krueger '24
Josephine Low '27
Dart MacVeagh '25
Margalit Mauricio '28
Owen Moss '25
Daniela Pena '24
Ryan Rowe '26
Ayla Schultz '25
Dylan Scollon '25
Alexandra Simon '24



Summer interns have the opportunity to visit and learn from other gardens and professionals in the region with weekly organized outings. In 2024, visits included tours of the Biology Department's greenhouse, Shofuso & Fairmount Park, Chanticleer, Bowman's Hill, Mostardi's Nursery, Meadowbrook Farms, and the New Jersey Pine Barrens. They also have educational sessions with Scott staff members to learn about their jobs and careers, and attend the Woody Plant Conference, as a part of their internship.

As a part of our Public Horticulture Internship, interns are supported to travel internationally on a plant or garden-related trip. In 2024, Intern Wylie Lapp traveled to Italy in April with the Alpine Garden Society focused on seeing terrestrial orchids in the Gargano region. In November, Intern Seamus Lewin traveled to Japan with members of the North American Japanese Garden Association on an eight-day tour to Tokyo and Kyoto.



ASSOCIATES OF THE SCOTT ARBORETUM

Formed in 1971, the Scott Associates is a group of dues-paying members devoted to the furtherance of the aims of the Scott Arboretum, particularly to increase appreciation for and knowledge of hardy ornamental plants.



Indoor volunteers help prepare the *Hybrid* for mailing.

*For Council term
Sept. '24- Sept. '25*

Elected Officers

President - Vivian Williams
Vice President - Janean Clare
Treasurer - Julie Vrooman
Secretary - Sheryl Contente

Committee and Council Appointments

Arboretum Assistants Chair -
Anne Papa
Autumn Equinox Chair -
Eric Rappaport
Autumn Equinox Vice Chair -
Chris Gradel
Education Representative -
Jan Goren
Garden Day 2024 and 2025 Chair -
Barb Helpin
Garden Day 2024 and 2025
Vice Chair - Deb Bergstrand
Library Chair - Marie-Louise
(M-L) Kime
Members at Large -
Cindy MacLeod, Alison Randall
Membership Representative -
Janean Clare
Members' Plant Exchange Chair -
Deirdre Gibson
Members' Plant Exchange Co-Vice
Chair - Martin Murray
Members' Plant Exchange Co-Vice
Chair - Lise Reno
Nominating Chair - Deb Soutar
Winter Celebration Chair - Mary Hinds
Winter Celebration Vice Chair -
Rebecca Carovillano
Ex-officio (past presidents) - Margo
Coffin Groff, Helen Pitts, Deb Soutar

2024 Arboretum Assistants and Volunteers

Arboretum Assistants and volunteers who recorded contributed time in 2024 are listed here. The year of Arboretum Assistant class training is noted for those who are regular volunteers, making a commitment of giving at least two half days per month or the equivalent.

Allegra Abramson '24	Mary Haskins '18	Chuck Mills '12	Harvey Spector '19
Helena Adams '22	Young Heinbockel '24	Linda Mills '24	Karen Strachan '24
Sallie Anderson '00	Barb Helpin '18	Martha Mock '24	Anoushka Subbaiah '24
Susan Bar '13	Joe Henderson	Alex Moeller	Steve Taylor '23
Suzanne Barton '23	Mary Hinds '18	Mary Fran Moeller '24	Alicia Thomas
Sheila Bell '12	Kya Holsopple '23	Harriet Monshaw '99	Bob Thomas '02
Deb Bergstrand '23	Robert Hughes '07	Barbara Montabana '23	Verdie Thomas '02
Nancy Bleakley '17	Rosemary Hughes	Janet Mooney '24	Mary Thompson '19
Dan Boylan	Dave Johnson '16	Robert Munson '11	Eve Thyrum '96
Rebecca Boylan	Gail Kaempf '23	Martin Murray '22	Peter Trentacoste '22
Klara Britt '95	Gwen Kannapl '24	Barbara O'Connell '16	Tom Vienneau
Terry Britt '07	Sandy Kapczynski '17	Connor Ogden '24	Julie Vrooman '96
Rebecca Carovillano '18	Laura Kaufman	Anne Papa '02	Sheila Weston '19
Debbie Chaga '22	Sabrina Keeler '19	Sharon Patterson '99	Steven Wieland '21
Janean Clare	M-L Kime '20	Ted Patterson '09	Raymond Williams '17
Sheryl Contente '22	Catherine King '24	Joanne Patti '20	Vivian Williams '17
Andrew Davidson '24	Cornelia (Connie)	Patty Peck '13	Ben Yagoda '18
Fanny Donofrio '23	King '23	Joe Perna '24	Maria Yamburenko '23
Richard Doran '23	Bev Kostek '07	Helen Pitts '15	Michael Zupanick '18
Donna Edwards '87	Alan Kruza '07	Patti Post '05	
Gerri Eunson '04	Sue Lathrop '20	Alison Randall '22	
Rita Fields '11	Anita Lawson '04	Eric Rappaport '23	
Margaret Firn '09	Tom Lawson	Rick Ray	
Bob Frick '19	Shelley Leiner '13	Lise Reno '22	
Toby Gang '15	Elaine Lennox '24	Ron Ricchezza '19	
Carlos Garcia '24	Sandra Liacouras	Louisa Ridgway '07	
Elizabeth Garnett '09	Bill Lotz '17	Kay Rinko	
Lynn Gee '09	Terry Lytle '12	Keith Robertshaw '17	
Karen Giacomucci '18	Cindy MacLeod '23	Karen Sacks '23	
Deirdre Gibson '20	Bruce Marshall	Clayton Salter '24	
Peter Godfrey '23	Marcia Martin '92	Carol Savery '20	
Bob Goren	Phyllis Martino '23	Reiner Schulz '20	
Jan Goren '07	Rocco Mastricolo '16	Kate Sevensky '05	
Christine Gradel '17	David Mattern	Keith Sharp '23	
Margo Groff '05	Diane Mattis '99	Naasiha Siddiqui '23	
Gail Hale '11	Ursula Maul '09	Eunice Silver '00	
Elizabeth Harris '15	Erma McEwen '11	Leslie Simon	
Pamela Harris '23	Bob McGovern '23	Deb Soutar '09	

These trained volunteers help with everything from garden and collections maintenance, plant labeling, event planning, managing the library and mailings, and arranging flowers. The volunteer program began in 1987 with a handful of individuals; we had 115 active Arboretum Assistants in 2024 who, along with other volunteers, recorded a total of 6,300 hours for the year. The majority was spent gardening, with 1,913 hours recorded. Using the Independent Sector's alculuation for the value of a volunteer hour of \$33.49, this represents a total value of \$210,987 in contributed support.

Continuing to train and educate volunteers is done through "Updates." In 2024, educational Updates were held on invasive plants, the new Dining Center landscape, and the Whittier Meadow.

As a gesture of gratitude for all Arboretum Assistants and other

volunteers, we held the annual thank-you luncheon at the Inn at Swarthmore on Oct. 9 and offered a gift: rain jackets with our new name! Staff members were able to thank about 100 volunteers attending the event.

During the first week in November, we remembered and recognized deceased former volunteers with our *Día de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead) *ofrenda* featuring their photographs. This year's beautiful altar was created by Sandra Lopez Cortez, gardener, and Megan Rossman, assistant horticulturist. The *ofrenda* was displayed during our open house on Nov. 2 as part of Garnet Weekend.

By Caitlin Anello, Member & Donor Programs Manager

Membership Program

At the close of 2024, there were 1,108 memberships in the Scott Associates (compared to 991 at the close of 2023). Members contributed \$81,185 in dues during FY '23-'24 which provides funding for member programs, including the *Hybrid* newsletter. Caitlin Anello, member and donor programs manager, completed her first full year at the Arboretum and began a number of new membership initiatives and benefits, detailed below.

Volunteers Anne Papa and Ray Williams help us pick up trash in the Crum Creek during Crum Creek Clean-up.





Scott Associates take home an array of new plants during the Members' Plant Exchange and Sale.

Membership Initiatives

Event Attendees

This year, we incorporated interactive games and giveaways to increase engagement at our membership table during events. One game introduced potential members to iconic areas in the Arboretum. The second introduced the breadth of the Reciprocal Garden Network. The giveaways included stickers and Scott Saplings swag. These provided the opportunity for us to initiate conversations with event attendees.

Garnet Sages

In July, we continued to offer a complimentary one-year membership to Garnet Sages (Swarthmore College alumni who celebrated their 50th reunion), as well as those who celebrated their 25th reunion. Out of 276 alumni in the Class of '74, 31 accepted our offer (11%).

Out of 345 alumni in the Class of '99, 28 accepted our offer (8%). Our overall response rate increased by 5.1% this year with the addition of a follow-up email.

Graduating Seniors

At the Countdown to Commencement event in April, we offered graduating seniors a complimentary one-year gift membership (for themselves or someone who supported them on the road to graduation). Eighty-one students filled out a

Campus Engagement Manager Sue MacQueen interacts with students during Countdown to Commencement.



membership form for themselves and 36 students chose a gift certificate to give away, for a total of 117 memberships. This initiative allows graduating seniors to stay connected to the Arboretum and visit reciprocal gardens across the country.

New Neighbors

In November, we mailed a welcome postcard to 2,285 new residents in Delaware County, letting them know the Arboretum is free and open to the public. It also invited them to bring their postcard to the Holiday Sale for a free gift. We met nine new families at the Holiday Sale through this initiative. Two families joined the Arboretum as Scott Associates, and one signed up for our e-newsletters.

Tour Attendees

In October, we introduced a new initiative to share membership information with Arboretum tour attendees. At the end of each public tour, the Tour Assistant



Volunteer Chris Gradel and Member & Donor Programs Manager Caitlin Anello distribute the spring plant dividend.

hands out a gift from the Associates to thank them for visiting. The gift is a Scott Arboretum greeting card, and includes information about membership.

Membership Benefits

Community Garden Program

Scott Associates have the opportunity to garden in plots on the corner of Harvard and Yale Avenues for a nominal fee. These members may grow vegetables during the growing season, as space allows. In 2024, we had seven new gardeners join the program for a total of 23 participating members/families.

Complimentary Gift Memberships

In 2022, a new membership benefit was introduced for Contributor-level members and above. These members are

entitled to one gift membership for a new member at the Individual or Family level. In December, we mailed a membership gift certificate to Contributor-level members and above to better promote this benefit. Members were thrilled with the opportunity to hand these out as holiday presents. We have already welcomed 40 new members as a result.

Member Discount Program

A number of local businesses support the Scott Associates program by providing discounts or special offerings to members. Thanks go to these participants: Bartlett Tree Expert Co, Chanticleer, Main Line Gardens, Mostardi's Nursery, Swarthmore Flower & Gift Shop, Inn at Swarthmore, Triple Oaks Nursery and Herb Garden, Swarthmore True Value Hardware, and Wedgewood Gardens.

Plant Dividends

Members are offered two free plant dividends each year, spring and fall. In 2024, a choice of *Phlox divaricata* 'May Breeze' or *Echinacea purpurea* 'Pas702917' was offered in the spring. In the fall, members had a choice of *Scilla siberica* 'Spring Beauty' or *Allium hollandicum* 'Purple Sensation.'

Reciprocal Garden Network

In April, the Arboretum joined the American Horticultural Society's Reciprocal Garden Network. This network allows Scott Arboretum members to receive free admission (or other benefits) at 360+ reciprocal gardens across North America. The addition of this valuable membership benefit adds appeal to supporters and alumni who do not live locally.

Scott Saplings

In August, we launched an initiative called Scott Saplings to engage more families with membership. Members at the Family level and above are invited to register up to four children (ages 0–18) as Scott Saplings. Scott Saplings receive their own membership card and adventure pack to prepare them for fun at the Arboretum, as well as other gifts and activities throughout the year. In the first six months, 123 children were registered as Scott Saplings.

Members-Only Programs

Members' Plant Exchange (MPE) & Sale

A program organized by members for members, this annual spring plant exchange was held on May 11 and remained a popular way to share and acquire new plants on a small budget. In 2024, a total of 1,273 plants were offered at the exchange — thanks to the assistance of 43 volunteers who gave 284 hours to the effort. New members were given chits to select plants at the event without contributing plants; 24 participated. Following the exchange portion of the event, remaining plants were sold for nominal prices. This event raised \$469. A record number (141 people) participated.

Members-Only Family Picnic and Play

In August, we hosted a Members-Only Family Picnic and Play event to help build relationships among our member families and to launch our Scott Saplings

Members & Donor Programs Manager Caitlin Anello greets Scott Saplings during the Members-Only Family Picnic and Play.



The Scott Entrance Garden is abuzz with activity during the Members' Plant Exchange and Sale.

initiative. This new event was well received and welcomed 48 children and adults to the Whittier Meadow for an evening of fun, games, and activities.

Members-Only Tour

In October, we hosted a Members-Only Tour which highlighted the connections between the Arboretum's plant collection and Quakers. With the success of this tour, we will continue to plan Members-Only Tours in the future.

Scott Associates' Garden Day

In October, members were invited to visit two gardens in the Wayne and Bryn Mawr area;

Special Members Event

In August, members at the Sponsor level and above were invited to a party in the new Sharples Commons space on campus. The evening included stations inspired by the Arboretum's mission to delight, educate, and inspire. Swarthmore student Chung Sze Kwok '27 added to the ambience by playing the piano. Swarthmore faculty member Betsy Bolton signed copies of the poetry book she wrote about the Crum Woods. Seventy-two special members attended.

Swarthmore student Chung Sze Kwok '27 played the piano in Sharples Commons during the Special Members Event.





The campus community gathers to dedicate a tree in memory of Yoshiko Jo.

GIFTS AND DEDICATIONS

Dedicated Trees

In honor of **John Alston, H'15**
to be selected in 2025

in the Martin and Lang Music Building
new Arts Plaza

Given by Paula '67 and
John Wehmiller '66

In memory of **Jane (Janie) Bassett**
Differding '59

Prunus sargentii JFS-KW58' Pink Flair®
near the Meeting House
Given by Jean Coleman '59, Sarah
Hoopes '59, and Sarah Wright '59

In honor of **Thomas W. T. Hartnett '94**

Abies nordmanniana
in the Nason Garden
Given by the President's Office for his
service on the Swarthmore Board
of Managers

In memory of **Yoshiko Jo**

Prunus sargentii JFS-KW58' Pink Flair®
near Kohlberg Hall
Given by many friends and Swarthmore
College colleagues

In memory of **Don Nase**

Quercus buckleyi
in front of the Heat Plant
Given by Mara Lee Baird '79 and Marino
Corporation, among others

In memory of **Christopher Ray**

Acer saccharum 'Legacy'
Along Whittier Place
Given by his family

In honor of **Jan Semler**

Cornus florida
near Singer Hall
Given by the College in appreciation of
her 25 years of dedicated service

In memory of **Linwood and Nancy Urban**

Quercus pagoda
in Trotter Grove
Given by Joan Urban

In memory of **Rob Warren**

Magnolia 'Daybreak'
near the Ben West House
Given by Public Safety

Gertrude Wister Society

This society honors those who have designated a planned gift to the Arboretum, and is named for former Assistant Director Gertrude Wister (1905–1999), who made a significant bequest in 2001, inspiring this program.

Ann Ainsworth	Charles S. Harris '59	Deborah Soutar
Sallie Anderson	Thomas D. Henderer '60	Robert O. Stewart '53 and Carol Stewart
Andrew Bunting	Roger Latham	Nancy Weiss, M.D. '65
Sandra Grogan Dresser	Dennis C. McGlade, FASLA	
Elizabeth Garnett	Harriet Gothel Monshaw	
Maralyn Orbison	Jack Potter '73 and David Lebe	
Gillespie '49		

These individuals are past Gertrude Wister Society members whose planned gifts provide ongoing support for the Arboretum:

June Beal (d. 2011)	Ann Hargreaves '40 (d. 2000)	Patricia Barns Rose '46 (d. 2013)
Vera Bruestle (d. 2006)	Margo Bowie Hunt (d. 2014)	Donald Sanders (d. 2019)
John Carlson '38 (d. 2008)	Kendall Landis '48 (d. 2019)	M. J. Smedley '43 (d. 2016)
Susan Coslett (d. 1998)	Joan Landis (d. 2017)	Catherine Jane Smith '47 (d. 2013)
Mary Jane Cratsley (d. 2014)	Elsa Lichtenberg (d. 2018)	John W. Stokes (d. 2012)
Edith Thatcher de Burlo '50 (d. 2008)	Carolien Powers Maynard '48 (d. 2009)	Robert Thompson NV (d. 2011)
Russell de Burlo '47 (d. 2024)	Marjorie Morgan (d. 2018)	Gertrude Wister (d. 1999)
	Georgette M. Most '38 (d. 2015)	

Dedicated Benches

In memory of **David and Miriam**
Solomons

on the Rose Garden Circle
Given by Jonathan Solomons

In memory of **Leah Zallman '01**

Entrance to the Dining and
Community Commons
Given by Sujatha Srinivasan '01

In memory of **Edwin A. and DeLois**
M. Collins

Entrance to the Dining and
Community Commons
Given by Swarthmore College Upward
Bound Alumni

In celebration of the **Swarthmore College**
Upward Bound Alumni

Entrance to the Dining and
Community Commons
Given by Swarthmore College Upward
Bound Alumni



Other Gifts and Donations

Anonymous (1)
Sallie Anderson
Rebecca Boylan
Nate Bremer
Alice Christensen
Eleanor P. Clark
Vasanthi Culleton
Michael Donahue '73
EY Foundation
Ann Gilligan
Adam Glas
David Johnson
Rich and Jessica Kedanis
Susan Kershaw
Anne Lund '99 and
Jayne Frankenfield
Deborah Meslar
Jack and Charline Neigh
Carol and Joseph O'Dea
Joanne and Joseph Patti
Helen Pitts
Amy and David Pollack
Juliana Potter '77
Providence Garden Club
Micheline Rice-Maximin
Anne Richards '97 and
Chris Rodger
Wayne Shroyer
Bill Squadron
Alberta Tustin
John Wenderoth and
Annette Hearing
Grace Wright
Mary Ann Ziemba

Gifts in Appreciation of Free Programming
Caitlin and Joe Anello
Eleanor M. Barr

Brenda Buras-Elsen
Diana Chamberlain
Kathleen Dott
Barbara Erskine
Ann Gilligan
Charles S. Harris '59
Joanne Hartney
Sharon Holmes
Ann B. Hubben
Anna Hummer
Kristen Johnson
Lauren Kaminsky
Susan Kidney
Karin Kravitz
Patricia Lewis
Gabrielle Morrow
Pamela Nelson
Sue O'Brien
Keegan Orr
Helen and Peter Pitts
Nancy Sharp
Judy Strauser
Catherine Talbot
Laura Teele
Gregg Tepper and Joe O'Brien
Jill Warrington
Shari Wilson
Jane Worley '56

Honorary and Memorial Contributions

in memory of **Maria Hingley**
Colin Hingley
in memory of **Jane Johnson**
Tim Aley
Corteva Field Science team
Danzig Court Residents at
White Horse Village
Dorothy Engelbrecht
Pat and Bob Hemphill
Mary Last

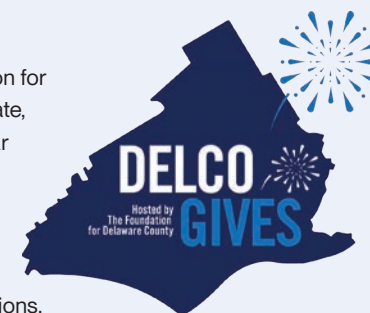
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Selma Rende
Jacqui and Ron Ricchezza
Claire Sawyers
Inge Schroeder
Bob and Verdie Thomas
Anne Tullar
Hank and Lois Van Zanten
Jesse Yalof and Amy Penwell
Sylvia Yost

in memory of **Helen Robinson**
Adrienne Burg-Charwat
Rebecca Carovillano and
Tracy Bouvette
Nell Clark
Cathy and Jack Martin
Dorothy Philipson
Claire Sawyers

In memory of **Bill Schmidt '76**
Bruce Everett Hunt and
Kathryn Mehan

Delco Gives Day 2024

Delco Gives Day is a 24-hour countywide day of giving, hosted by The Foundation for Delaware County. It was held for the first time on May 8 and 9, 2024. To participate, we invited people to join us on our YouTube page for a replay of our most popular videos interspersed with livestreams of our gardens in bloom. We also invited people to share their "Scott Story" and visit our table at the Closing Celebration held at Rose Tree Park. To encourage participation, a generous donor stepped forward to match Delco Gives Day donations made to the Arboretum, up to \$2,000. We surpassed this goal with 39 donors giving a total of \$2,535 in donations. Our final amount raised, including the match and bonus pool money, totaled \$5,992.



Visitors interact with our Arboretum game during the Delco Gives Day Closing Celebration at Rose Tree Park.

Anonymous (3)
Caitlin Anello
Mandie Banks
Suzanne Barton
Janean Clare
David Clark '66 and
Susan Clark '67
Louise Clarke
Herschel Coley
David J. Creagan and
Patricia Reilly
Madelyn Daly
Lee DeMarco
Richard Fairman
Deirdre Gibson
Brooke Greenberg
Young Heinbockel
Deborah Hemphill
Mary Hinds
Jeff Jabco

Mary Kadlec
Robert Laird
Sally Laird
Merri Lee Newby
Kathryn Ombam
Jacqui and Ron
Ricchezza
Becky Robert
Theresa Rodriguez
Robert Roggeveen
Beth Ruby
May Sam
Claire Sawyers
Ed Shull
Bonnie Smith
Deb Soutar
Thomas Tauber
Eve Thyrum
Julie Vrooman
Vivian Williams

ANNUAL APPEAL 2024

\$1,000 - \$5,000

Anonymous (1)
Catherine and Ron Anderson
James and Janet Averill
Chanticleer
Susan Clark '67 and
David Clark '66
Margo Coffin Groff and
Thomas M. Callaghy
Bill and Sandra Conwell
Ralph Day
Ralph C. Eagle, Jr.
Donna Edwards
Lynn Etheredge '68
EY Foundation
Maralyn Orbison Gillespie '49
and George Gillespie
David and Alice Hunt
Julia B. Leisenring
Dennis C. McGlade FASLA
Susanna and Dennis Morikawa
Kathleen Mulroy
David Nelson and
Elena Marty-Nelson
Ralph and Anne Papa
Alice Reilly
Betty and Keith Robertshaw
Deb Soutar and Bonnie Breit
John St. John - In recognition
of Barbara St. John's lasting
esteem for Claire Sawyers'
work and dedication

Rob Stewart '53 and
Carol Stewart
Elizabeth Sun Tupchong '72
Eve and Per Thyrum
Julie Vrooman and
Tom Vienneau - in honor of
Claire Sawyers
Nancy Weiss, M.D. '65
Michael and Sally Yow

\$500 - \$999

Anonymous (1)
Vince and Julie Auletta
Sheila M. Bell '61
Joann Bodurtha '74 and
Thomas Smith
Janean Clare
Jacqueline Delaney
Jim and Debbie Fooskas
Gail and Bill Hale
William Herdle '69
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen A. Hinds
Jonathan and Andrea Hodgson -
in honor of Gloria and
Steve Ellers
JacobsWyper Architects, LLP
Sallie and David Jones - In honor
of Claire Sawyers
Jack and Charline Neigh
Anne S. Patterson
Pew Charitable Trusts
Marianne Price
Providence Garden Club
Naomi and Harvey Spector

\$200 - \$499

Anonymous (3)
Jim Adams
Tony Addison
Sallie Anderson and Evan Ernest
Thomas Andrews
Caitlin and Joe Anello
Mary Ayres
Elisabeth Brown
Andrew Bunting
Anne P. Canby
Rebecca Carovillano and
Tracy Bouvette
Tristram Coffin and Rhoda
Nafziger
Ellen Daniell '69
Daniel Doak '83
Mark and Carol Dresden
Gerri Eunson
Garden Club of Philadelphia
Elizabeth Garnett
Deirdre Gibson and
Eric Tamulonis
S. Ridgway Goodwin
Jan and Bob Goren
Gerrie and Tom Hamilton
Bruce Hunt and Kathryn Mehan
Jeff Jabco and Joe Henderson
James B. Kimmel '70 and
Suzanne Guest
Susan Lathrop
Marilyn Leonard
Marcia Martin

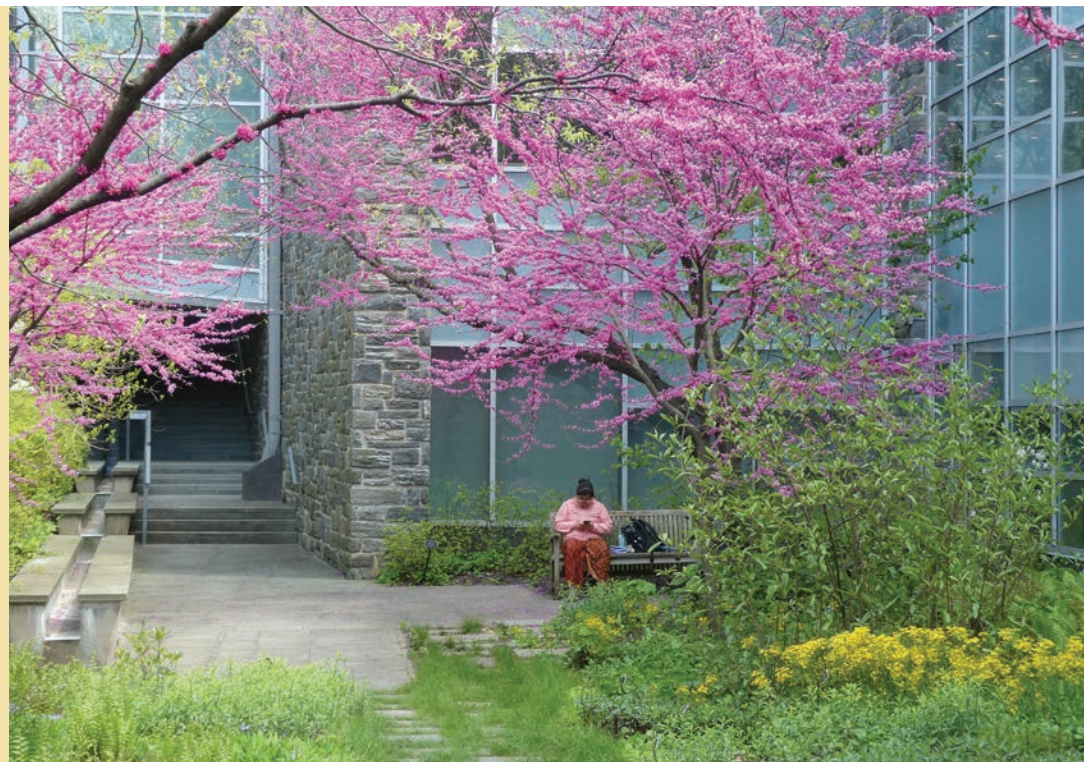


Carol McConomy
 Steven Melly and Karen Puopolo
 Candace Myers
 Mr. and Mrs. Lathrop B.
 Nelson, Jr.
 Sharon Patterson
 Jack Potter '73 and David Lebe -
 In honor of Claire Sawyers
 Lise Reno and Will Starr
 Becky and Chris Robert
 Robert Roggeveen
 Samuel and Beth Ruby
 Claire Sawyers and
 Bruce Marshall
 Kate and Ed Sevensky
 Louisa Hill Spottswood
 Stoney Bank Nurseries Inc.
 Bob and Verdie Thomas
 Mary and Ted Thompson
 Virginia Thompson and
 Tom Shaffer
 Claire Thurman
 Sheila D. Weston
 Vivian and Ray Williams
 George and Brenda Wolfer

\$100 - \$199

Anonymous (5)
 Elaine L. Adler '58
 Robin Barber '74
 Eleanor M. Barr
 Pamela Bartholomew
 Deb Bergstrand
 Virginia Brabender and
 Arthur Weisfeld
 Laura Coit and Timothy Boland
 Steve Crist
 Katharine Darlington '68
 Marion DeGroff

James and Rebecca Erdmann
 Carolyn Foster '69 and
 David Foster '70
 Toby Gang
 Barbara Gard '68
 Sandy Grogan Dresser
 Carolyn and David Haury
 Jim and BJ Hausman
 Ida Hay '70 and
 Robert Nicholson
 Barb Helpin
 Robert and Rosemary Hughes
 Alfred Johnson and Nancy Halli
 Dave Johnson
 Johnson & Johnson
 Laura Kaufman '65
 David and Carolyn Langdon
 Robert Lembo '73
 William Lotz
 Robert Lyons
 Linda Marcucci and Karl Stark
 Cindy and Doug Mead
 Barbara Montabana '70
 Leslie Morris Smith
 Leonard Nakamura '69 and
 Myra Leysorek
 Bill and Judy Nauseef
 Helen Green Neuburg '48
 Norristown Garden Club
 David and Barbara O'Connell
 Anne O'Donnell
 Mary Lou Parker
 Helen and Peter Pitts
 Amy and David Pollack
 Alison Randall
 Anne Redfern
 Pat and Jack Reohr
 Hideko Sakamoto



Lisa Schildhorn
 Naomi and Allen Schneider
 Grace Scott
 Don and Jan Semler
 Eunice Silver
 Susan Stratton
 Mary Trzeciak
 Elizabeth Varcoc and
 Roderick Wolfson
 Doug and Betty Wallace
 Paula and Larry Wallach
 Lynn and John Walton
 Grace Wright
 Michael Zupanick

Up to \$99

Anonymous (2)
 Juan Albarran - in memory of
 Eleanor Tickner

Geoffrey and Alexis Anderson
 Nancy Bleakley
 Stuart Bowie and Bonnie Smith
 Karen Breitmayer
 Cricket and Rex Brien
 Jodi I. Dawes
 Marianne DiPaulo
 Jody Downer
 Shannon Elliott
 Gwen Erwin Marrion '82
 Richard Fairman
 Rita Fields
 Young Heinbockel
 Lucille Joye
 Susan Kelly
 Stacey Kutish
 Sara Mauritz - In honor of
 Jean Grogan

Erma McEwen
 Brenda Perkins '79 and
 Mark Taylor '80
 Steven Prusky and
 Naama Yarden
 Jacqui and Ron Ricchezza
 Anne Richards '97 and
 Chris Rodger
 Kay Rinko
 Patricia Schrieber and Patrick
 Valentine
 Sarah Singer and Stasia Zabski
 Walter Smedley III
 Julia Smith and Arthur Solmssen
 Marya Ursin '71
 Alan Wood and Hilarie Johnston

A large, mature cherry blossom tree in full bloom, with a person lying on the grass at its base. The tree's branches are heavily laden with light pink blossoms, creating a dense canopy. The person is lying on their back on the green grass, leaning against the tree trunk. The scene is set in a park-like area with other trees and greenery in the background.

Come hang out under a tree!



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