

2014-2015 ANNUAL REPORT

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The past year brought both challenges and triumphs to The Friends of The Frelinghuysen Arboretum. Thankfully, the triumphs outweighed the challenges and The Friends were once again able to offer an outstanding series of programs, lectures, and events. As always this could only be accomplished by our close working relationship with the Horticultural Education staff of the Morris County Park Commission.

For the 3rd September, the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival was celebrated in September, bringing new participants to the Arboretum and increasing our multicultural outreach. In November, we initiated an exciting new series, Great Speakers, with Doug Tallamy and Rick Darke presenting important ideas on horticulture and sustainability as detailed in their new book. December brought the always much anticipated Gingerbread Wonderland, with 217 beautiful entries and attended by over 14,000 enthusiastic viewers.

The new year saw the continuation of the Great Speakers series with noted garden history author Andrea Wulf, followed by a standing room only audience for Fergus Garrett, head gardener at Great Dixter in England. The unusually harsh winter weather proved a challenge for many of the events held at the Arboretum, but loyal participants came out and were rewarded with outstanding presentations. However in March, we had the misfortune that the mailing of our newsletter, *Arboretum Leaves*, was lost by the post office. A herculean effort by staff members made sure that every member received an issue by email or a second mailing, but this resulted in diminished and delayed registration for spring events.

For the fifth year, our Community Gardens Conference was a sellout and delivered vital information to all those involved in this burgeoning field. The annual trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show fell victim to the aforementioned winter weather woes, resulting in a loss of funds due to nonreturnable tickets. But the return of spring found the Friends back on their feet at the one and only Plant Sale, the biggest and best sale of its kind in the area.

Our website and email blasts continue to garner new adherents. We are on Facebook, can be followed on Twitter and of course, have our own extensive website. Membership and registration for programs can be completed online. We now reach 2000 web addresses each month with the weekly email blasts. The Friends will continue to explore new ways to use technology to keep our members and contacts informed of all the activities we offer.

As always, we made grants to the Morris County Park Commission. Grow racks and plants for the refurbished greenhouse accounted for \$1200 in grants. In addition, we funded a summer intern, a cutting garden intern, plants and seeds for the gardens, and staff attendance at a plant conference. Over \$5000 in plants was donated to the Park Commission after the Plant Sale. And we continued to fund conservation of rare books in the collection of the Julia Appleton Cross Library.

All of this is possible only because of the many dedicated people working behind the scenes to make it happen. The Horticultural Education staff: Lesley, Gwen, Marge, Cynthia. The Friends loyal employees: Karen, Margery, Ellen. The Executive Board of The Friends, from whom you will hear in the rest of this report. Those of you who have given of your time and energy through volunteering during the past year. And all of our members, without whose continuing interest and funding, this organization would cease to exist.

We thank you all. There will doubtless be new hurdles to face in the coming years, but with all the support we have behind us, we know we can continue to offer the best in horticultural education and support for this beautiful treasure, The Frelinghuysen Arboretum.

AWARDS

Acting Chair: Sally Hemsen

The Friends of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum were pleased to once again honor three loyal members with the annual Arbor Day Awards. These awards are given to those who have given long and distinguished service to the Friends and the Arboretum.

A tree was planted in honor of Dorothy and Paul Hennessey, who have been members and volunteers since 1993. They were surrounded by an enthusiastic group of family and friends during the tree planting ceremony. Also honored with a tree planting was Patricia Griffin, another member of the Friends who has given many hours of her time to a wide variety of tasks and program events. A luncheon for the honorees, friends, family, Board members and staff, followed the tree planting ceremony in April.

This year the Annual Award will be given to Beverly Highfield. Bev has been Treasurer of the Friends for the past eight years. She has led the organization' finances through a period of change. She oversaw considerable expansion of the responsibilities and duties of the position of Treasurer, including the introduction of Paypal, the taking on of payroll for the Friends' staff, and increased time spent on the many aspects of the Friends' finances. The world of horticulture is only able to function and improve due to the efforts of people like Bev. The Annual Award will be presented at the Annual Meeting in June 2015.





Sally Hemsen presents award to Paul and Dot Hennessey and Pat Griffin

BLACKBURN SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Chair: Betsy Martone

Each year the Benjamin C. Blackburn Scholarship is awarded to students enrolled in the Landscape and Horticultural Technology Department of the County College of Morris. The Landscape Department worked closely with the Friends to publicize the scholarship and help potential applicants complete the necessary requirements for consideration. This year we had seven applicants from which we chose three to receive scholarships amounting to \$1000.00 each.

Thomas Quintana of Basking Ridge noted that horticulture has been a large part of his life. Working with his father's landscaping business has given him experience and has motivated him into getting an education in the field of horticulture.

Nisha Khanna of Edison has recently given up a long and successful computer software career in order to pursue her interest in landscape design. She has completed the Rutgers Master Gardener Program and is currently working as an estate gardener.

Rachel Feldman of Morristown has a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting but has decided to give up corporate accounting to pursue a degree in horticulture, specifically in the field of Integrated Pest Management. Rachel is currently at the forefront of a New Jersey Green Acres program with her town to develop a community park.



Bev Highfield

BLACKBURN SCHOLARSHIP TEA COMMITTEE

Chair: Nicky L'Hommedieu Co-Chair: Joan Buck

The Scholarship Tea was held on Wednesday March 25th at 1:00PM. The weather was fine at last no snow.

This project has been planned for a year. First we obtained an outstanding speaker Randolph Scott Little, a noted ornithologist. He offered to give a presentation titled "Song Birds in Your Garden" He would not accept an honorarium for this lecture. The day of the tea had a recording of birds singing as our guests arrived. Then he gave an informative slide presentation followed by question-answer time. Because of Randy's gracious offer to give his talk gratis, it was voted to install a wren "nestcam" at the Arboretum.

Invitations: Lesley took charge of this, this year. Karen Muccillo designed them. We had a mailing committee and the invitations were sent at the beginning of February. Joan Cousineau designed a stunning poster featuring Randy Little which was displayed in the front hall. Pat Griffin went with me to look at new caterers and bakeries. We finally decided to remain with the Creamery and The Swiss Chalet in Morristown. We have worked with the Creamery for 16 years, their food is excellent and they are dependable. This year we could not have donated "sweets" (state law if you are charging admission). We chose Swiss Chalet, an excellent bakery in Morristown. Marge Hulstrunk designed two flower arrangements that had a birdhouse in each arrangement and they were stunning. Marge also made small arrangements that the high bidder of each auction item could take home.

Auction—We had four donated auction items—Dinner for Two at the Morel Restaurant in Morristown, Plant Detectives a nursery in Chester, John Sulpy, of Eldridge Design, a landscape designer offered free consultation. Randy offered a bird walk. Eight people signed up for this offer for the walk to be on April 29th.

Sue and Steve George arrived early on the day of the Tea (very early) plated sandwiches and organized the display of sweets: They had the tables ready which looked so inviting and ready for the "onslaught" They were also the clean-up crew...they did have willing help. An amazing job by a special team. Also thank you to Karen Muccillo for the beautifully designed programs that each guest received. Cynthia Triolo did a special job with site planning. She worked with Randy on the sound system and it worked perfectly.

Also thank you to Miriam Donahue, Patti Millar, Christa Lang, Carol Mann and Ann Nash. They were at the ready before and on the day of the Tea. Thank you Lesley for all that you did to make this a successful event!

There were 78 guests, 54 Members 24 non members and 6 donations.

BUS TRIP COMMITTEE

Chair: Diana Propper

The winter that would not quit caused us to have to cancel our annual bus trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show on March 5, 2015. It was one of the largest snow storms of the year and resulted in Governor Christie declaring a State of Emergency. All participants were issued refunds in accordance with our current refund policy.

That disappointment behind us, we are currently looking forward to a fantastic overnight trip on June 2-3 planned in conjunction with Dig-it Magazine to four wonderful gardens on Long Island; the Nassau County Museum of Art, Planting Fields Arboretum, LongHouse Reserve and Madoo Conservancy.



Peter's Pond / LongHouse Reserve

GARDEN CLUB LIAISON

Chair: Janet Allocca

The garden clubs in the Garden Club of New Jersey and the New Jersey Committee of Garden Club of America are enthusiastic supporters of the Friends of Frelinghuysen Arboretum. They are kept informed about the programs and classes at the Arboretum through phone calls and email messages.

The Friends' Website is also a wonderful communication tool and continues to be a link on the GCNJ Website. All member clubs are encouraged to include it on their individual sites.

This year, the garden clubs were informed of the September Third trip to Caramoor and Untemyer Gardens through our arrangement with the GCNJ District Director Liaison. She was also contacted to publicize the Rick Darke lecture in the fall and the Fergus Garett lecture in February. Beth Riley contacted the GCA clubs and we worked with Ollie Acheson to set up the email notice to include any flyer that might be involved, so that recipients would not have to download the message to get the impact that the flyer conveys. This was particularly helpful with the December message about using Friends membership as a gift certificate. In the last few months reminders have been sent out regarding the overnight trip to Long Island in conjunction with Dig It Magazine.

Face to face meetings such as GCNJ District meetings and phone conversations continue to be a good way to encourage membership in the Friends and participation in our programs and a good supplement to online communication.

DONATIONS TO

THE FRIENDS OF THE FRELINGHUYSEN ARBORETUM 2014-2015

Marilyn Cardone
Sherrie & Robert Carr
The Chester Garden Club
Dino De Angelis
Anna Di Bonaventura & Family
Jo Ann Gardner
William Hasker
Dorothy Hennessey
Susan Hulme
John Sinclair

Frederick Kahan Peter R. Kellogg William Metcalfe Carol Ann Metcalfe

Edward Metcalfe Ms. Moroz

Newcomers Neighbors of the Newtown Square Area Brian Oleksak

Brian Price Reeder

Marjorie Reinhold Sally Richter

Edward Scott Barbara Sell

Eleanor Stueven Gloria Trigani



Marge Hulstrunk preparing a Valentine's workshop

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Co-Chair: Sonnie Reutelhuber

The Hospitality Committee and Board presented the refreshments at the Members New Year's Party in January. It was attended by over 125 people plus the staff. Refreshments consisted of tea sandwiches, savories, sweets, spiced cider, coffee and wine. The Board provided refreshments with supplements by the staff. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Co-Chair: Patti Millar

At our June 2014 Annual Meeting John Danzer of Munder-Skiles, founder of the internationally known designer of garden furnishings spoke about the History of Garden Design. The Annual Award was presented to Heidi and Richard Hesselein, owners of Pleasant Run Nursery. After a delightful and informative presentation we celebrated by offering attending members assorted hors d'oeuvres, cookies, wine and iced tea. Our Hospitality volunteers help set up buffet tables, arrange platters and serve. The tables were decorated with two lovely floral arrangements created by a volunteer flower arranger.

In December at our Gingerbread Wonderland Members' Preview Party a dedicated group of Hospitality volunteers set up, decorated the room in holiday style using fresh pine boughs and pinecones, plated Christmas cookies and served hot chocolate. We had a successful showing of many members and children in attendance.

At our Members Only New Year's Party in January, Regina Carlson spoke about visiting English Gardens and their design elements. Another superb group of Hospitality volunteers helped set serving tables with tablecloths, an assortment of food, appetizers, cookies, coffee and tea. We decorated the tables with large floral centerpieces.

Arbor Day in April honored two extraordinary volunteers, Marge Hulstrunk and Toni Rinehart. After a tree dedication ceremony, the honorees and guests were offered a catered luncheon of sandwiches, salad, cookies and cold beverages.

The buffet table was decorated with a spring floral arrangement. Potted flowering plants served as centerpieces for guest tables.

At our yearly plant sale fundraiser in May 2015 themed, "20 Years of Great Plant Picks", we provided a lunch of sandwiches, salads, chips and cold drinks for volunteers and plant experts that worked a full day.



Floral arrangement by Patti Millar



Floral arrangement by Marge Hulstrunk for Matilda's Tea

LIBRARY AND RARE BOOK COMMITTEE

Chair: Judy Snow

In late August of 2014, President Sally Hemsen called me with an invitation to join the Board of the Friends of Frelinghuysen Arboretum with responsibility for the Horticultural Reference Library and Rare Book Collection. I was pleased and flattered to accept, and met with Sally and Lesley Parness in early September for an overview of the history and goals of the library. Lesley identified conservation of the rare books as the most important short-term goal. Local pharmaceutical companies, that might have an interest in early botanical/medicinal books, could be approached to help with conservation and with exhibits highlighting specific themes within the collection. In the longer term, development of a plan to build a climate-controlled library on the third floor of the Frelinghuysen mansion is envisioned.

Lesley mentioned that a cart in the lobby of the Haggerty Education Center is filled with donated gardening books that are offered for sale to visitors and members. The proceeds go toward conservation of the rare book collection. Through my involvement in another charity, the rummage sale of the Visiting Nurse Association of Somerset Hills, I was able to arrange that unsold gardening books would be donated to the Frelinghuysen Arboretum for sale in the lobby. In early October, I delivered 5 boxes of books to Lesley for re-sale.

In late October, I worked with Marnie Robinson (a member of the Friends) to inventory the semi-rare books in the collection. We marked books with stickers that were 100 years old that should be considered for conservation and for the rare book collection. A large number of books met the criteria for inclusion in the rare book collection.

In November, Lesley and I worked on a preliminary fund-raising proposal that could be sent to potential sponsors. This was sent in mid-November to a close friend of mine who works at Novartis. In April, my friend, Lesley, and I met to discuss the rare books connections to the modern pharmaceutical industry. The meeting went well, and discussions with Novartis are ongoing.

Coincidentally, Novartis contacted the Arboretum with an invitation to participate in an Earth Day event. Ilona Ontscherenki and I set up a table and took brochures about the Arboretum to distribute. Dozens of people stopped by the table and expressed interest in visiting the Arboretum, which is just 4 miles from their East Hanover campus. We collected 15 new email addresses to add to the weekly newsletter list. In early May, I delivered another 10 boxes of books from the Visiting Nurse Association sale for resale on the cart.

MEMBERSHIP

Chair: Karen Curry

The membership committee continued to review and develop the letters and inserts sent to all members on reaching their renewal dates. The transfer of all pertinent data to an online database has allowed for more extensive evaluation of membership statistics. The committee is analyzing how best to use this new information to reach a wider group and reduce attrition in membership numbers.

Members of the committee and other Executive Board members represented the Friends at various corporate and onsite events. While it is difficult to track how many new members were enrolled as a result, we did have a significant increase in those signing up for the weekly email blasts. This is advantageous as it broadens the audience of those who become aware of our programs and other events held at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum.

In the coming year, the committee plans to find new ways to reach out and expand member numbers, while continuing to delineate and improve the many benefits of Friends' membership.



2014 Dahlia Show

PLANT SALE

Co-Chairs: Ilona Ontscherenki, Patti Millar

Our "20 Years of Great Plant Picks" Plant Sale fundraiser was held at the arboretum on May 1-3. Although the weather was stormy for the Members' shopping on Friday evening (pre-registration for this free event was over 200), the weekend weather was warm and sunny, drawing a large number of shoppers on both days.

Plant stock was larger than in recent prior years, resulting in higher sales, especially on Sunday. Nineteen pre-sale orders totally \$3,251.00 for selected plants were taken at Sue Acheson's talk two weeks before the sale. The number of orders and value was once again higher than the prior year. The trend of increasing credit card sales also continued this year.

A good team of volunteers was the key to the success of this year's sale. All volunteers were well motivated and there was little absenteeism throughout the set up week or during the sale. The Horticultural staff at the arboretum were exceptional in providing support throughout the sale and afterwards. During the entire sale, Plant Experts helped drive higher sales and helped emphasize the educational aspect the Friends bring to this fundraiser. Three vendors, who each paid \$500.00 were also present throughout the sale: NJ Deer Control and TNT Fence, both returned and Greenwood Tree and Lawn. A fourth vendor dropped out due to new MCPC insurance requirements that would have forced higher costs to participate.

An after sale for volunteers was held on the Tuesday following the sale and was well attended. Final sales, to board members the following Monday brought total profits for the Plant Sale to \$19,801.66. The remaining plant material, valued at just over \$5,000.00 was then donated to the MCPC for use throughout Commission properties.



RETAIL PARTNERS

Chair: Beth Riley

Existing Retailers

(21) Current Retail Partners. Followed up with (3) potential Retail Partners, individual companies evaluating their participation at this time

General Program Reinforcement

Retail Partner hard copy flyer for inclusion in all Arboretum Leaves newsletters

Membership Renewal Document identifies LOCAL benefits through Membership discounts of Retail Partners

Modified website to include Retail partners article archives for member reference

Program Development

Growth Options – completed updated (second run) member profile geography by zip code research. Membership growing in traditional counties as well as new footprints within NJ, indicating that: Search & Create new Retail Partner presence in Essex

Watch membership growth rate in Bergen County Maintain and enhance presence in Morris County – investigate enhancing traditional categories of benefits to expand to outdoor accessories and food/hospitality categories

Communications

County

Continue to utilize website, newsletter & Email Blasts to better communicate offers and presence of retail partners to members

E Blasts have included invitations to Blue Morel (i.e. Valentine's Day, Easter, Wine Tasting with reminder of standing Friends Member Offer: 10% discount on food)

<u>Blackburn Scholarship Tea – Silent Auction Donations via</u> Retail Partners

Plant Detectives - Gift Certificate, Blue Morel Restaurant – Gift Certificate, Atlock Farm - Topiary Gift

YOUTH EDUCATION

Chair: Larisa Bohensky

Youth Education programs remain very popular at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum, attracting many young people, visitors and new members.

Many of the young visitors come on school field trips during spring and fall. Our volunteers and staff conducted 70 workshops for 1650 children and introduced them to seed and seedling planting and exposing them to the wonder of plants and the beauty of the Arboretum. In addition, there were 3 camp groups of 60 children that came during the summer.

"Branching Out!" is a very popular gardening program where children ages 5 to 13 learn to cultivate soil, plant flowers and vegetables, tend their plots and harvest their crops. The children also do some cooking and nature related crafts. Last summer, 56 children participated. This spring there are 53. Also, there were 8 Middle School students gardening. Seventeen young volunteers, mostly "Branching Out!" alumni, help with the program.

Eight groups of boy and girl scouts came for after school workshops to earn their various badges. Four hundred Girl Scouts of Northern New Jersey came for 8 workshops. A further 1100 Girl Scouts came to 4 scouts-only evenings to see the Gingerbread Exhibit and take part in a craft project. Nine adult and 11 youth volunteers helped with the Gingerbread Program.

Starting this spring, there are 4 Girl Scout groups scheduled to come on scavenger hunts.

The Friends continue to support the Junior Master Gardener Program. Now in its tenth year, the program has eight young people. They again participated in this year's Friends Plant Sale, where they sold many varieties of heirloom tomato and pepper seedlings which they grew from seed. The proceeds were donated to the Interfaith Food Pantry.

YOUTH SPECIAL EVENTS

Chair: Jennifer Basile

Another year of well-attended events has passed, and one thing is for certain, these family programs offer everything from outdoor fun and natural history to nurturing the value of nature and horticulture.

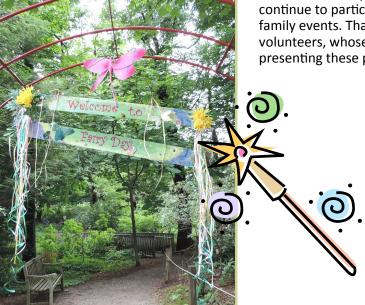
The 8th Fairy Day was held on June 29, 2014, with eager builders constructing some pretty imaginative homes for the visiting wee folk. Everything from fairy treehouses, villas, mansions, inns and palaces were carefully arranged within Sylvan Terrace. Light refreshments were served as guests created bubble wands, wood necklaces and flower fairies. The homes remained on view until July 31st and were enjoyed by the many visitors.

Scarecrows in the Garden returned for another year, as participants put together some creative figures for our autumn display. Guests also enjoyed making a few crafts and partaking in seasonal refreshments of apple cider, cider donuts and apple tastings.

Now in the 12th year, Matilda's Tea celebrated the delicious history of chocolate on February 21st. This program featured a presentation by Superintendent of Horticultural Education, Lesley Parness, who explained the origins, rituals and uses of this notable tropical shrub. Christina Renfer, of Matilda's Café, carried the theme of chocolate through to the menu, as the buffet had an assortment of chocolate desserts to choose from. She also put together a chocolate pizza making activity for the children, who decorated their own chocolate pizza to take home and enjoy. Sounds decadent? Yes, it was a feast of chocolate.

These fun family events continue once again, as this year we will celebrate our 9th Fairy Day building at fairy headquarters in Sylvan Terrace on the afternoon of June 28, 2015. Event planning is also underway for the upcoming seasons, so stay tuned as updates will be posted and we don't want you to miss any of the fun.

It is with deep gratitude that I thank all of those who continue to participate and support our children's and family events. Thank you to all of the dedicated, excellent volunteers, whose hours of assistance are vital to presenting these programs.



WEBMASTER'S REPORT

Ollie Acheson - Webmaster

The Friends have continued to expand the use of the web and computer activities to support their programs.

E-mail Newsletter

Circulation of the weekly email newsletter climbed another 15% during the year, reaching 2,168 subscribers in the latest issue. The focus on both upcoming events and brief topical articles is obviously a "hit" with our subscribers, and can be seen in the burst of pm-line signups in the day follow each issue.

Social Media

The Friends maintain an active presence on Facebook, featuring a page found at https://www.facebook.com/FrelinghuysenArboretm. This source of information has grown rapidly in the past year, with facebook "Likes" totaling 1,272 at the end of May, a 165% increase over the prior year.

Website

The Friends' website, http://arboretumfriends.org, provides the broadest coverage of information about the Friends and activities at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum. New

calendar views of events

(http://www.arboretumfriends.org/MonthlyEventCal) make finding activities even easier than in the past. Visitors climbed approximately 13% over the course of the year, reaching almost 100 thousand overall.

WiFi in the Haggerty Center

WiFi in the Haggerty Center (funded by The Friends) continues to be very popular among our visitors. This is particularly useful since the advent of smartphones and tablets among our members and other visitors.

Credit Card

Credit card usage increased through the year both on the website for membership, event registration as well as at the plant sale. The public can enjoy the convenience of online registration and payment by visiting our website.



2014 Gingerbread Wonderland

2014 VOLUNTEERS

Staff: Marge Hulstrunk

Acheson, Sue Acheson, Ollie Acheson, Leslie Afonso, Beverly Albright, Mary Allocca, Janet Andersen, Merrilyn Arturi, Elizabeth Bao, Rose Baron, Julie Basile, Jennifer Bendich, Adrienne Benedict, Barbara Blume, Rosemarie Bo, Marisa Bohensky, Larisa Bolte, Candice Bonelli, Dee Bovee, Marie-Ange Branigan, Beth Brennan, Mary Brennan, Madeline Brennan, Peter Brunelli, Maia Cahill, Carol Campo, Carlo Carr, Sherrie Chan, Diane Chiu, Wendy Chopko, Roberta Chu, Tia-Caiung Chun-Chu, Nick-Ning Clarkin, Tess Conklin, Barbara Coralde, Maria T. Cotton, Abby Cousineau, Don Cousineau, Joan Coviello, Gillian Curry, James Curry, Karen Cutler, Tim Daley, Irene Daniels, Linda Das, Namrata de Jager, Linnea Dealist-Terry, Elena Delitzscher, Lee Dellureficio, Jim Deodene, Kay

DePiro, Alissa De Rosa, Mary Ann Doman, Jeannette Donohue, Miriam Edmonds, Janie Faiella, Sherry Fargnoli, John Faria, Rebecca Feno, Barbara Feno, Michael Flynn, Nicole Franges, Ann Galbraith, Barbara Gatzke, Russell George, Stephen George, Susan Gockley, Nancy Gonski, Sandi Goodson, Sandra Grant, Neil Greenberg, Adrienne Greenberg, Ben Greenberg, Nance Griffin, Patricia Harasymiw, Mary Ann Harrell, Geraldine Hammer, Ronnie Hartigan, Denise Hartmann, Barbara Havers, Helene Hays, Pat Heilmann, Christine Hemsen, Robert Hemsen, Sally Highfield, Beverly Hirsch, Maureen Horuzy, Christine Horuzy, JohnIgnozza, Luciano Hulstrunk, Marge Ireton, Renee Jackson, Maria Jacobson, Andree Jones, Robin Kabirdass, Sentil Kabirdass, Vijaya Kaller, Inna Kane, Bernadette

Karecki, Susan

Kaur, Sharon Kemp, Kathleen Kemp, Paul Kipp, Anne Knapik, Lucille Koppel, Kathryn Kosakowski, Jeannie Kozma, Justin Kungl, Anton Kurz, Kimberly Laffey, Maryann Lai, Lily Lai, Susan Lamanec, Cheryl LaMarca, Anton Lane, Lorrie Lange, Christa Larsson, Mary Leach, Sydney Lee, Preston Lehrhoff, David Leiger, Susan Lewis, Judy L'Hommedieu, Nicky Li, Jiano Lombardi, Chris Lowe, Bryan Mann, Carol Marcus, Karen Marlow, Barbara Maroldi, Victoria Martone, Betsy Marut, Norma Mauro, Ann McAuliffe, Stephen McDowell, Marta McMillan, Janet Mead, Richard Means, Andrea Mehl, Lily Melcher, Barbara Meola, Debbie Merritt, Hugh Millar, Patti Miller, Shayna Mills, Betty Moran, William Morley, Robin Muir, Aretta

Murphy, Sarah Murphy, Shayna Nadolny, Barbara Nash, Ann Natalini, John Naugle, Joan Nielson, Ruth Nisbet, Fely Nisbet, Kathryn Nixon, Julia Norris, Mary Lynn Oburg, Katharine Ockel, Doris Oliynyk, Marina Ontscherenki, Ilona Palawat, Kunel Passa-Cantando, Maria Patel, Brinda Patron, Loretta Pavlosky, Wing-Yee Pianotti, Roland Pilipie, Barbara Ploehn, Susan Poltorak-Keyes, Meg Propper, Diana Rao, Vinay Rega, Catherine Reutelhuber, Sonnie Riker, Bunny Riley, Beth Rinehart, Antoinette Rishe, Margo Rogut, Lynn Rolston, Patricia Rossettie, Patrice Roth, Jennifer Rufener, Carol Ryan, Gloria Saks, Marie Salisbury-Ragucci, Ellan Sallas, Maria Sambrowski, Joan Sample, Margo Sanchez, Mary Sawczuk, Anita

Scheader, Barbara

Schioppa, Susan

Schramm, Hollye Schutt, Marie Schwager-Miles, Lynn Segu, Murali Shapiro, Betsy Slater, Claudia Slegona, Brian Smith, Barbara Sniffen, Eileen Snow, Judith Spillane, Barbara Sulpy, Jr., John Swenson, Julie Tadikonda, Vasu Tancredi, Denise Tango, Meri Tecza, Lynnie ten Hove, B. Tilak, Sue Tintle, Debbie Tobia, Deborah Trasente, Ellen Tsui, Stephen Vaidya, Devang Velasquez, Jens Venanzi, Pamela Wadhams, Tracy Walz, Cathy Wang, Anita Watson, Jena Watson, Patricia Wickens, Patricia Witte, Douglas Wolfe, Jacqueline

Mulligan, Tom

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bev Highfield

Treasurers's Report Friends of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum

Balance Sheet -May 31, 2015

Cash Basis

Cash in Banks and On Hand

General Fund, Checking, The Provident Bank	99,228.71
Money Market, The Provident Bank	50,548.96
PayPal Account, The Provident Bank	100.00
Raffle Account, The Provident Bank	1,373.50
On Line Savings, Capital One 360	150,957.40
Petty Cash Fund	100.00
Reserves and Balances	\$ 302,308.57
Special Reserves	19,660.41
Operating Funds	282,648.16
	\$ 302,308.57

Statement of Special Reserves

	Balance			Balance
	6/1/2014	Deposits	Disbursements	5/31/2015
Kitchen Project	3,680.52		(40.69)	3,639.83
Carriage House	806.49			806.49
Cell Phone Tours	2,168.48	700.00	(2,379.32)	489.16
Plants (J. Morse)	277.89	1,875.00	(1,148.62)	1,004.27
Wi Fi	(183.81)	686.91	(1,347.40)	(844.30)
Seasonal Gardeners	4,677.48	11,425.00	(9,691.28)	6,411.20
Terra Cotta Pots	81.42		(81.42)	0.00
Urn - Knot Garden	200.00		(200.00)	0.00
Bartlette Tree Family Game	692.05		(652.40)	39.65
Asst Gardener - Cut Garden	2,880.00	5,200.00	(3,481.52)	4,598.48
Cutting Garden	0.00			0.00
Members Family Day	0.00	2,000.00	(245.60)	1,754.40
Perennial Conference		200.00		200.00
Plant Pods	0.00	1,500.00	(198.92)	1,301.08
Teak Furniture W W Deck	0.00	1,400.00	(1,400.00)	0.00
Plant Stand for Greenhouse	0.00	700.00	(700.00)	0.00
Plants & Seeds for Greenhouse	0.00	500.00	(239.85)	260.15

\$ 15,280.52 \$ 26,186.91

Respectfully submitted Beverly W. Highfield, Treasurer

\$ (21,807.02) \$ 19,660.41

THE FRIENDS OF THE FRELINGHUYSEN ARBORETUM Profit & Loss Budget Performance
June 2014 through May 2015

5:52 PM 06/02/15 Cash Basis

,	Jun '14 - May 15	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense	- July 19	
Income Branching Out Bus Trip Income Donations-General Fund Donations-Gingerbread Show Donations Branching Out Interest-savings/short-term inv Jr. Master Gardener Income Library - book sale Matilda's Tea Membership Dues - individuals	16,900.00 18,604.95 2,573.30 25,583.76 300.00 720.14 1,660.00 965.15 2,911.27 46,254.41	16,000.00 9,000.00 1,500.00 15,000.00 500.00 600.00 1,500.00 500.00 3,000.00 50,000.00
Merchandising - cart, soap,bags Plant Sale Income Programs Income Scholarship Tea Income Tour to England Income	1,299.75 59,132.62 41,044.88 6,546.39 32,710.00	1,000.00 39,000.00 37,000.00 5,000.00
Total Income	257,206.62	179,600.00
Gross Profit . Expense	257,206.62	179,600.00
Administative I Administative II Administrative II Administrative III Administrative III Administrative III Administrative III Vacation Annual Meeting expense Arboretum Leaves Expense Arboretum Leaves Postage	3,026.01 11,037.86 378.00 12,590.94 325.50 27.00	7,500.00 23,000.00 777.00 18,275.00 325.00
Arboretum Leaves Fostage Arboretum Leaves Expense - Other	1,359.70 5,758.79	5,000.00
Total Arboretum Leaves Expense	7,118.49	7,000.00
Audio-Visual Supplies Awards Bank fees Branching Out Expense	19.99 657.43 30.00	200.00 1,000.00 50.00
Branching Out Wages Branching Out Expense - Other	13,578.96 3,515.35	15,000.00 3,000.00
Total Branching Out Expense	17,094.31	18,000.00
Bus Trip Expense Cell Phone Tours Display & Exhibit	24,851,04 0.00 63,71	3,500.00 1,000.00
Drycleaning Exhibits - general not reserves Flower Arrangers Gifts Gingerbread	412.00 454.45 295.49 895.78	500.00 1,500.00 500.00 1,000.00
Gingerbread Wond-Shared Revenue Gingerbread WondPreview Party Gingerbread WondPrint, set up Gingerbread - Other	8,000.00 130.39 0.00 3,234.43	6,000.00 350.00 1,500.00
Total Gingerbread	11,364.82	7,850.00
Hospitality Expense Insurance Expense IRS payroll tax payments Jr. Master Gardener Expense Library Expense Library expense book conservati Matilda's Tea expense Members-Annual Meeting Members - New Year's Party exp Members - Plant Dividend Membership/Dues Membership/Dues Merchandise Exp - note cards	1,137.49 6,825.00 4,110.81 281.89 123.34 0.00 3,264.51 1,321.75 730.93 728.76 649.13 500.00	500.00 6,000.00 4,500.00 1,000.00 150.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,000.00 200.00
Merchandising Exp-cart soap,bag Office Expense	1,211.63 975,92	600.00 1,500.00
Plant Sale Expense-prior year Plant Sale Expenses Postage, shipping, delivery Printing & copying Professional Fees Program Shared Programs expenses Publicity/Advertising expenses Scholarship Expense Scholarship Tea Expense Tour to England Volunteer Expense	262.50 38,200.96 1,890.97 465.52 2,650.00 4,006.50 21,172.42 5,902.25 3,000.00 2,193.16 13,464.97 2,344.46	26,000.00 1,500.00 1,000.00 3,300.00 7,000.00 15,073.00 5,000.00 2,500.00 2,500.00
' Volunteers Youth expense Total Expense	209,038.60	350,00 179,600.00
Net Ordinary Income	48,168.02	0.00
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