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PENN-CUMBERLAND GARDEN CLUB

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"58 Years and Still Blooming"

Member of National Garden Clubs, Inc.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT



I attended the District IV board meeting in Gettysburg last month. Of course, the big news is the 89th annual **National Garden Club convention** being held this year in Philadelphia Sunday, May 20 through Thursday, May 24, 2018. Experience "*Love Blooms in Philadelphia*" – It has been 26 years since Pennsylvania hosted an NGC convention. Registration is available online at www.gardenclub.org or in your National Gardener Magazine. Hotel reservations can be made at Lowes Philadelphia Hotel, 12th & Market Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19107. Call 215-627-1200 and ask for Group Reservations.

This convention is not to be confused with our own **88th GCFP Convention** April 15-17, 2018, held at the Doubletree by Hilton Pittsburgh-Meadowlands, Washington, PA. Check out your "Keystone Gardener" for the workshops and speakers. The theme is "*A Floral Tri-Fecta*".

The Chambersburg Garden Club invites you to attend the **District IV Annual Spring Board Meeting** on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at the Orchards Restaurant, Chambersburg, PA. The program is Entertaining "*Your Feathered Guests: How to be a good neighbor to birds who visit your back yard*". Cost of program and luncheon is \$33.50. Deadline to register is March 22. Forms available at our regular meeting.

The **Chambersburg Garden Club and Tuscarora Daffodil Group** proudly presents *The Road We Travel* April 21 & 22, 2018 at the First Lutheran Church, 43 W. Washington Street, Chambersburg. This daffodil show is free and open to the public.

The Pennsylvania Horticulture Society's **Philadelphia Flower Show** *Wonders of Water* will be March 3-11, 2018. George Weigel is offering bus trips. Check out his website <https://georgeweigel.net> for dates and costs.

Keep on Planting Beautiful,

KAREN



MEMBERSHIP

We closed out 2017 with a fun meeting that included Member Decorating Hints and Tricks and a great Cookie Exchange. We installed Eileen Hoover and Nancy Cartwright as new members. Please add their contact information to your yearbooks.

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January 15, 2018, sixty-two members braved the cold to attend the first meeting of the new year. We were happy to install three new members:

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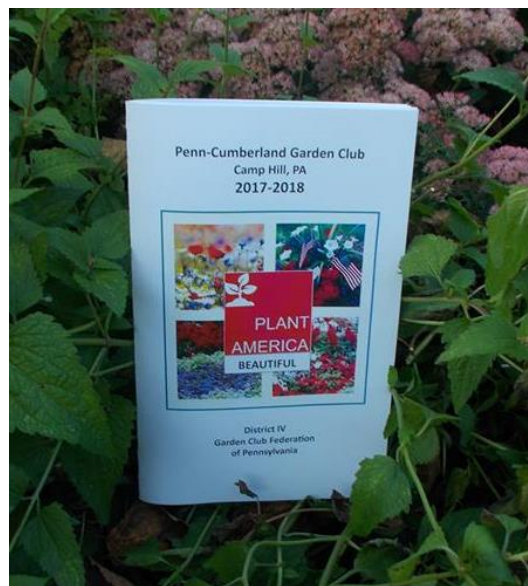


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We start off the new year with a grand total of 116 members.

Anne Keck, Membership Chairman



GROWING THE LOVE OF GARDENING

"No occupation is so delightful to me as the culture of the earth, no culture comparable to that of a garden." Thomas Jefferson wrote these words in 1811. Pioneers like Jefferson were responsible for nurturing the country's seed heritage. Columbus brought seeds from the Old World to the New on his second voyage, in 1493, carrying wheat, barley, sugarcane, and grapes. As the population grew, more seeds were needed. And seeds were reasonably cheap to transport, compared with pots of soil or bulbs or plants that require water. Almost 150 species and varieties were introduced, including lemons, cabbage, turnips, anise, alfalfa, flax, bamboo, daffodils, irises, poppies and carnations. Native Americans helped in the distribution of plants by carrying seeds on their travels. Wild peaches were found by the first settlers of Pennsylvania, probably from the original trees planted a century earlier in St. Augustine, Florida.

In 1611, Jamestown planters brought tobacco from Trinidad and by the end of the seventeenth century, most of the food crops growing in present-day America were already established. In the late 1600s William Penn had great plans for mapping gardens of beauty in his state, including Philadelphia.

Many of the seeds imported during the eighteenth century were grown in the gardens of renowned plantsmen like John Bartram of Philadelphia. Bartram's garden was the most widely known of these seed plantations and it specialized in plants of this continent. While traveling abroad, men like Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson sent seeds back to Bartram. Franklin introduced rhubarb and Kale. And Jefferson smuggled seeds of upland cotton for South Carolina from Italy.

In 1847, the Landreth Company of Philadelphia bought 375 acres outside of Bristol, Pennsylvania and hired over 125 employees to run its seed operations. David Landreth was one of the founders of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society – an organization that still has a worldwide reputation. The new interest in seeds and plants prompted the Ferry Seed Company and England's Thompson and Morgan to begin producing seed catalogs in 1855.

The Shakers at Mount Lebanon, Pennsylvania are generally given credit for the introduction of small packets or "papers" of seed, during the first quarter of the nineteenth century. Interest in seeds continues to this day. If our country's seed heritage had not been nurtured by men like Jefferson and other plantsmen and explorers of the nation's early years, it's quite possible that many of the plants that we now consider commonplace might never have been grown here.

In January of 2011, Penn-Cumberland learned from Bob Carey, host of radio's *Garden Talk* and horticulturalist writer for *Harrisburg Magazine* of an opportunity to be in on the planning of a community garden provided by the Ames True Temper headquarters in Shiremanstown. Since that time, our garden club has helped with the day-to-day operations of this remarkable spot designed by Duane Greenly that features 139 garden plots. Each garden season, these gardens come to life with food crops and colorful flowers that beautify a former industrial lot and help to provide food for the families of the gardeners that work to nurture and grow these unique garden plots.

A garden committee of 10 Penn-Cumberland members and 6 community gardeners work together to help maintain the gardens, assign plots and keep records of assignments. The Ames Company provides tools in a permanent storage shed and water stations to make it easy for anyone to garden. The perimeter is fenced to offer security and peace of mind. Gardeners include retirees, apartment dwellers, and those who don't have enough space to garden at home. Food is also donated to New Hope Ministries.

The Ames Company was established in 1774 and has been a part of gardening in America since before the founding of our country and is the leading North American manufacturer and marketer of non-powered lawn and garden tools, wheelbarrows and other outdoor work products to the retail and professional markets. Ames employs over 1,600 people in Pennsylvania.

This has been a great project for Penn-Cumberland Garden Club to help serve our communities and to spread the seeds of goodwill. The following Penn-Cumberland members will soon be meeting with community garden members to plan another year of gardening at the Ames Community Gardens: Gloria Basehore, Ann Burnett, Nancy Carberry, Sue Greenly, Ann Glasscock, Sheri Goff, Francesca McNichol, Donna Royal, Doris Smith and Susan Wilder.

Meanwhile, we will all be looking through our seed catalogues, planning for the next garden season which will begin in April as we continue to grow the love of gardening in Central Pennsylvania. If you would like to be a part of this exciting endeavor, contact Susan Wilder.

Susan Wilder, Community Garden Chairman



DECLINE OF HONEY BEES - THE REST OF THE STORY

Many articles report widespread die-off of European honey bees caused by Colony Collapse Disorder (CCD). These reports imply there aren't enough bees to pollinate crops, due to use of pesticides. Wondering how severe the loss of honey bees is led to a review of the most recent report on honey bee colonies released August 1, 2017, by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Agricultural Statistics Board, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) (<https://www.usda.gov/nass/PUBS/TODAYRPT/hcny0817.pdf>). Contrary to an expectation of continual decreases of honey bee colonies, the **number of colonies remains relatively stable** because honey bee colonies are added and renovated, as shown in the table below copied from this website. Other reassuring news from the report is that honey bee colonies lost with Colony Collapse Disorder symptoms on operations with five or more colonies was 84.4 thousand colonies from January through March 2017. This is a **27 percent decrease** from the same quarter of 2016. Similar results are found for honey bee colonies with less than five colonies.

Number of Colonies, Maximum, Lost, Percent Lost, Added, Renovated, and Percent Renovated with Five or More Colonies – States and United States: April 1, 2017 and April-June 2017

State	April 1 number of colonies	April-June					
		Maximum colonies ¹	Lost colonies	Percent lost ²	Added colonies	Renovated colonies ³	Percent renovated ⁴
	(number)	(number)	(number)	(percent)	(number)	(number)	(percent)
United States	2,886,030	(X)	225,680	8	653,470	806,170	28

(X) Not applicable.

¹ April 1 number of colonies plus all colonies moved into that state during the quarter.

² Percent lost is the number of lost colonies divided by maximum colonies except for the United States, where percent lost is the number of lost colonies divided by the April 1 number of colonies.

³ Defined as any surviving colony that was requeened or received new honey bees through nuc or package.

⁴ Percent renovated is the number of renovated colonies divided by maximum colonies except for the United States, where percent renovated is the number of renovated colonies divided by the April 1 number of colonies.

The August 2017 report also includes information about honey bee colony health stressors, with a portion of the report shown below. **Varroa mites are the top colony stressor** for operations with five or more colonies during all quarters of 2016, with 41.6% for the quarter April-June 2017.

Colony Health Stressors with Five or More Colonies – States and United States: April-June 2017

[Percent of colonies affected by stressors anytime during the quarter. A colony may be affected by multiple stressors during the quarter]

State	Varroa mites	Other pests and parasites ¹	Diseases ²	Pesticides	Other ³	Unknown
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
United States	41.6	11.7	4.3	12.9	6.6	4.4

- Represents zero.

(Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

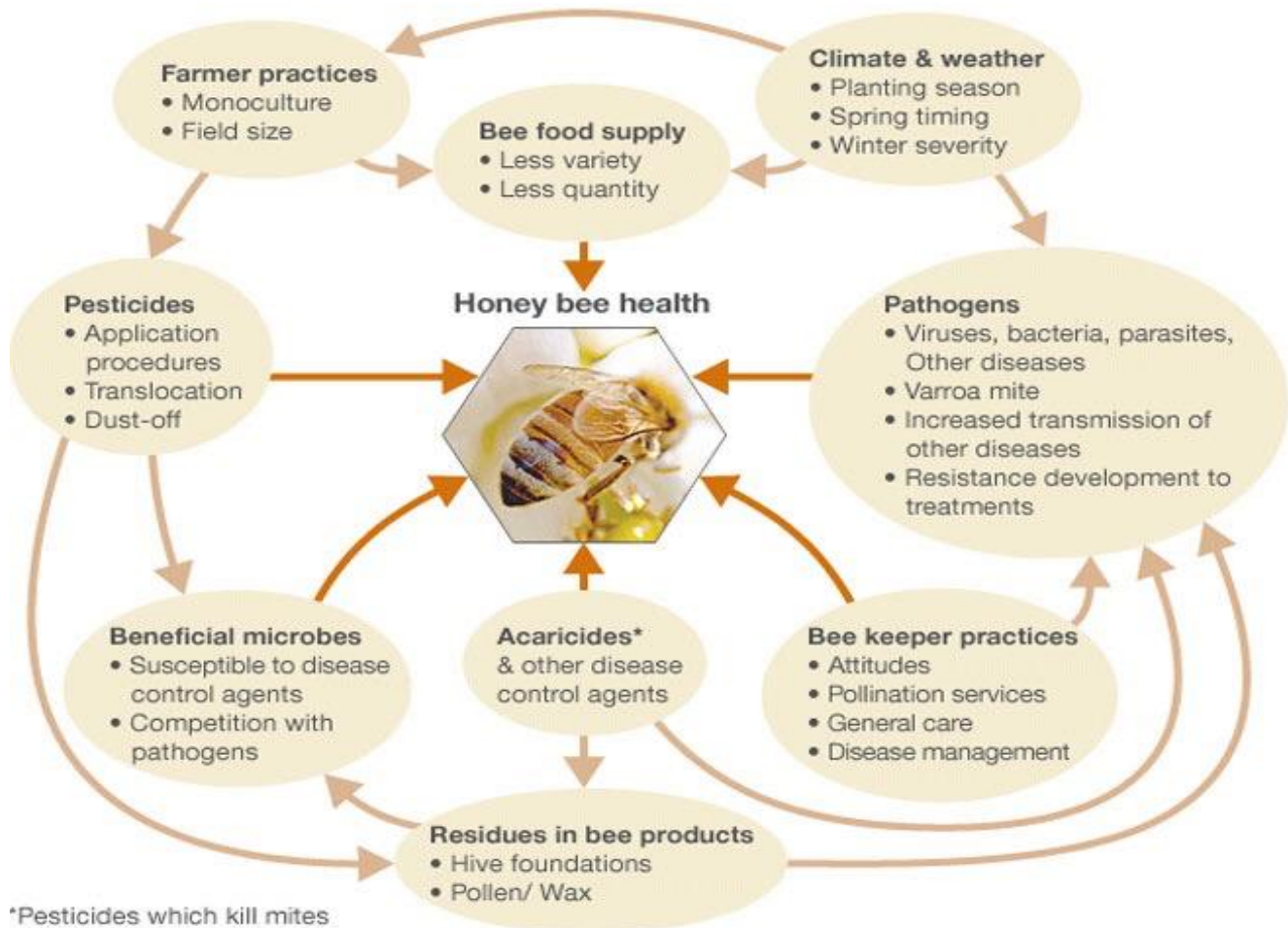
¹ Tracheal mites, nosema, hive beetle, wax moths, etc.

² Includes American and European foulbrood, chalkbrood, stonebrood, paralysis (acute and chronic), kashmir, deformed wing, sacbrood, IAPV, Lake Sinai II, etc.

³ Includes weather, starvation, insufficient forage, queen failure, hive damage/destroyed, etc.

In *Deciphering the Mysterious Decline of Honey Bees*, Elina L. Niño, Assistant Extension Apiculturist, University of California, Davis states "Scientists now agree that CCD was likely caused by a combination of environmental and biological factors, but nothing specific has been confirmed or proven. CCD is no longer causing large-scale colony death in North America, but beekeepers all over the United States are still reporting troubling colony losses." There are so many stress factors on honey bee health, as shown in the following chart

STRESS FACTORS ON HONEY BEE HEALTH



Source: OPERA Bee health in Europe, 2013

European honey bees are not the only bees that pollinate plants. “There are an estimated 4,000 species of native bees in the United States and more than 400 in Pennsylvania. Honey bees themselves are not indigenous to North America but were imported from central Europe in the seventeenth century. All bees provide essential pollination services which keep ecological systems in balance and offer diversity to our diet.” Source: LancasterBeekeepers.org. Most recommendations regarding what to plant to support bees are for native bees. Pollinators are also not limited to bees. The many other pollinators include butterflies, birds, moths, beetles, flies, birds, and bats. The American pawpaw (*Asimina triloba*) tree in my garden is pollinated by flies!

Joyce Wallen

SAVE THE DATE



Penn Cumberland Garden Club Scholarship and Community Projects BENEFIT will be Monday, November 26th. This year's speaker is a floral designer from Connecticut. Trish O'Sullivan does fresh and innovative designs which you may have seen on the set of Dr. Oz. A former floral designer for the New York Botanic Garden, Trish comes highly recommended to us!

Tickets go on sale at the June meeting. Prepare to reserve early for the best table!

Susanna Reppert-Brill, Benefit Program Chair

FLORAL DESIGNERS GUILD

The Floral Designers Guild now meets in an upstairs meeting room at the Camp Hill Giant. An elevator is near the seating area. Most workshops are at 10:30am. Because the room is not available some mornings, workshops on February 12 and May 14 will meet at 2:30.

The color of plant material and components can add depth to a design or create a line. Learn how to use color to enhance designs at the March 12 workshop, with a presentation about color. April 9 will be a demonstration of a Featured Plant Material Design, a design with an emphasis on one plant species. Bring supplies to make an arrangement.

Joyce Wallen, Floral Designers Guild Chairman

Photo by Joyce Wallen, design by Eileen Hoover



DISTRICT IV FLOWER SHOW - MARCH

The 2018 District IV Flower Show, "Imagination", will be open to the public Friday, March 2nd from 11am to 8pm; Saturday, March 3rd from 10am to 8pm; and Sunday, March 4 from 10am-5pm. It's part of the Pennsylvania Garden Show of York, held in Memorial Hall at the York Expo Center, 334 Carlisle Ave, York, PA.



Many of our members will be entering the show in both the floral design division as well as the horticulture division. Come see our club entries and enjoy the many ribbons we are sure to win!

The Pennsylvania Garden Show of York includes outstanding seminars (see <http://pagsy.com/seminars-events/> for schedule). Two of this year's talented speakers are: Sue Whitney, the creative genius behind JUNKMARKET; and Jan Coppola Bills, founder of the landscape design company Two Women and a Hoe®

Joyce Wallen, Floral Designers Guild Chairman

PCGC Time at Capital Area Children's Center--- Memories and Appreciation

The Garden Therapy Committee of PCGC had many good years in association with United Cerebral Palsy at the original center with five to ten children and carried through with up to forty-five children at the Capital Area Children's Center, which closed in the fall of 2017 due to no longer having children with special needs. We explored other options to continue working with UCP but none of them worked out. Therefore, Garden Therapy committee has been suspended. The "Garden Ladies," as we were known at the Center, strived to achieve the goal of sharing their knowledge of gardening and their love of nature by leading the children in doing various projects.

Remember the Paper White bulb-planting project with supplies provided by Betty Sullivan and later by Marti Detweiler and Sheri Goff? Remember the pine cone bird feeders and how we eventually could not use peanut butter in the suet mix? (nut allergy concerns) Perhaps committee members recall the children's fascination with the "bird clock" and their attempting to mimic the sounds of the birds. Remember planting shamrock plant seeds in a cup, pressed leaf collages, tissue box nature boxes, and sea shells and sand in empty peanut butter jars for "Flying South" in a winter month? Perhaps you contributed boxes, sea shells or peanut butter jars. Without the generous and thoughtful PCGC members we would not have had enough of those or perhaps jeans pockets, dried flowers from Nancy Hackett and Dee Titus, greens from Anne Miller (Jackie, remember cutting greens in the rain?), Nancy and committee members. Thanks to Carol Gedid, Doris Crider and Kathryn Hooper, the children could decorate their greens arrangements. The children seemed to really enjoy this project!

Remember the sock project that looked like a snowman and the Native American rain tubes, both projects that were led by Susan Hoover? Remember using raw vegetables to make prints on paper, one of Francesca McNichol's many good ideas. Many of the beautiful greeting cards donated by Dorothy Gish and other club members, special materials given by former member Elaine Martz, and donated calendars and flower catalogs were used in various ways, with some still available for use in the future.

The project that had been last for the school year had the children planting in the raised beds and barrel planters which were provided by PCGC and placed behind the Center. Eventually these were used by the teachers and children without our assistance. The culminating project became the May Baskets. Did you give us a basket or some ribbon for this project? Thank you to all of you who helped to make our program a success. (Of course, many supplies were purchased as well.)

Recent leadership was provided by these chairmen: Carol Gedid for thirteen years, followed by Kathy Brenneman, Frannie McNichol, Susan Hoover and ending with Kathy. Doris Crider and Kathy acquired their clearances to continue our mission at Capital Area Intermediate Unit, but it was decided that we would not have a successful venture at that venue so we are no longer doing Garden Therapy. Thank you to past committee members Camila Freeman, Margaret Scott, Betty Sullivan, Clare Walker and others who have passed away. Thank you to more recent committee members for all their time and dedication--Doris Crider, Marti Detweiler, Jackie Fosselman, Carol Gedid, Sheri Goff, Betty Golob, Beth Harfmann, Kathryn Hooper, Josie McAnulty, Judy Miller, Lynne Rietheimer, Doris Smith and Pegge Striewig.

Garden Therapy was an important part of PCGC. Do you agree? Perhaps another person will want to explore new possibilities for this community service.

Kathy Brenneman, former Garden Therapy Chairman

ANNUAL PLANT SALE - MAY 12TH



Our **Plant Sale** is scheduled for May 12, 2018. I know we have an enthusiastic membership and, happily, everyone has the opportunity to help make our sale a huge success. You can **plant seeds**, separate **house plants**, divide **perennials**, and contribute **gently used garden items**. Of course, we will want your **baked goods** as well! Also, you can help by **working** at the plant sale. There will be **signup sheets** at the next 3 regular meetings. I am looking forward to talking to you at the next meeting.

Marti Detweiler – Plant Sale Chairman



TRAVEL COMMITTEE

The Travel Committee announces their spring adventure. Mark your calendars now for **June 7, 2018!** We will travel to Philadelphia to visit the University of Pennsylvania's **Morris Arboretum**. There



will be a guided tour of their state-of-art LEED horticulture center. Then we are free to tour their six gardens, each with a different theme. After lunch at their café we will bus to the **John James Audubon**



Center near Norristown, which offers a combination of art and nature. We will depart from the Radisson Hotel lot at 8 a.m. Contact Gloria Basehore @ gbbasehore@gmail.com, or 717-972-0440.

HORTICULTURE

In February, Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow signaling six more weeks of winter. It has been a cold and blustery Pennsylvania winter and Phil's prediction seems to have proven correct. Spring is just around the corner and with it comes some tips for your gardens:

- ✓ Start seeds of warm season vegetables and flowers indoors
- ✓ Force some spring blooming trees, shrubs and flowers like forsythia, pussy willow, hyacinth and daffodil.
- ✓ Keep tabs on plant crowns that may have heaved out of the ground during a thaw
- ✓ Begin removing mulch as temperatures increase
- ✓ Sharpen garden tools
- ✓ Divide perennials



The Horticulture Committee also met in early February. Plans are extensively underway for our **Saturday, July 14th Garden Tour** entitled **"Plant America Beautiful."** The tour will be focused on gardens in the **Mechanicsburg** area. Please save the date in your calendars. Committees have been identified and will be revealed at our February monthly meeting. Help from members will be greatly appreciated. We are in need of **hostesses at the gardens** and if anyone who lives in Mechanicsburg is interested in **showcasing your garden**, please contact Karen McAuliffe. More information will be forthcoming at the meeting. We are looking forward to a successful tour and enjoying the beauty of hidden treasure private gardens within the Mechanicsburg area.

Happy Gardening as you prepare for the warmer weather and the excitement of brilliant color and new growth returning to your gardens.

Carol Hollis - Horticulture Chairman

OUR FEBRUARY 19TH MONTHLY MEETING



Ann Adams and Liz Brensinger, owners of Green Heron Tools, will discuss the ergonomics of gardening tools for women. Are you handling your tools properly? Save your back, save your muscles, learn how to prevent injuries while gardening. These ladies are a lot of fun to be with and learn from. Ann and Liz will have some tools designed by women for women available for sale as well.

Please remember to bring your own place setting for lunch including a BOWL or MUG for soup as we will again be having soups instead of salads with our sandwiches. Desserts, too, of course!

Susanna Reppert-Brill – Program Chairman

PRESSERS



PCGC Presser, Lois Kriens, organized a display of Pressed Flower creations at the Cleve J. Fredricksen Library, 100 N 19th St, Camp Hill. The display will be there for the month of February. Be sure to stop and look at all of the lovely items designed and created by the PCGC Pressed Flower Designers. Perhaps the display will inspire you to join Lois and all of the other Pressers at their next workshop on Monday, March 5, from 9am - noon, Camp Hill Giant Food Store/second floor, Room A - Beverly Room.

Lois Kriens checking the Pressers display at Fredricksen Library

CONSERVATION: DO YOU KNOW A HOMETOWN HERO? REDUCE, REUSE, RETHINK

Einstein on God, "This wonderful symphony of nature must have required a supreme conductor."

The gentle wave of a butterfly's wings can affect nature on the other side of the world. Every positive effort we make, no matter how large or small, helps the world. Reuse of material goods, reserving of these items, reduces the need for landfills and gives physical comfort and happiness to our fellow human beings. We continue our "Useful Gifts" program as members are encouraged to collect children's books, commemorative stamps, eye glasses, calendars, hard plastic caps, empty tooth paste tubes, spray bottle tops. For servicemen, recreational or comfort items such as heavy socks, lip balm, chewing gum, moisture cream, sun screen, soap, and unused cell phones.

We salute great people who care and share with others. Some recent community heroes are: one man places his sewing machine in the alley one day a week and sews for neighbors and the homeless at no charge; a woman lawyer created an organization to review cases of people who were incarcerated before DNA analysis was available and over 100 persons have been freed due to her actions; service dogs in Boseman, Montana are being trained to detect invasive species; a barber allowed an out of work veteran to have a chair in his barbershop and to pay it forward the man cuts hair for the needy one day a week. Do you know a worthy person who deserves recognition?

Noteworthy recycling news: **Recycling Chaos as China Bans Imports** - "Every day, nearly 4,000 shipping containers full of recycles leave US ports bound for China," says Jason Margolis at PPI.org. "For decades China has taken America's old plastic and textiles and used the recycled goods to propel its manufacturing boom. But as of January 1, the country, which is adopting tough new environmental standards, is turning those containers away, under a new ban on 24 types of solid waste, including various plastics and unsorted papers." It has also imposed strict rules on the amount of trash and contaminants, like the remnants of a greasy pizza box or nonrecyclables like plastic bags, that can be included in recycling bales. US recycling firms are scrambling to respond. In Westborough, Mass. one firm already has 200 tractor-trailer loads of recycled paper bales stacked in a parking lot." We don't know what to do with it," says owner, Ben Harvey. "We can't keep it forever." For more conservation news come to the following meetings. Everyone is welcome. February 22, March 22, April 26. May 24, and June 28 at Camp Hill Methodist Church, 9:15 am.

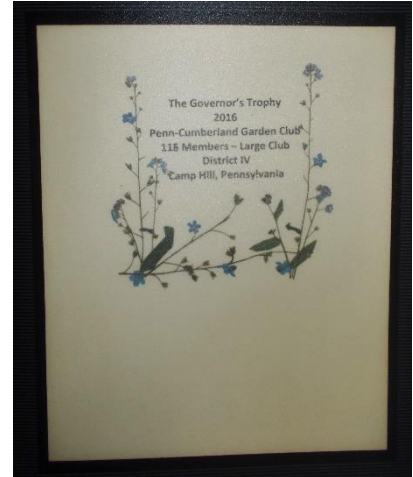
Also APRIL 21st is EARTH DAY IN MECHANICSBURG!

Sue Daugherty – Environmental Conservation Chairman



FAREWELL ... TO THE GOVERNOR'S TROPHY

Pictured below are the club members who were in attendance at last year's exciting state convention when our club was honored with the Governor's Trophy. It is awarded each year and rotates between small, medium and large clubs so we apply once every three years. To apply a "Book of Evidence" must be prepared and submitted documenting with photos, newspaper articles, flyers and programs, etc. an entire year of our club's activities. The book is limited to 50 pages and covers a calendar year, January through December. It is now time to return the trophy, which consists of a large silver bowl and platter, to the State President. Some of our members will be taking a road trip after the February meeting to return it. It was decided to have the bowl on display at our meetings and at other club events and "fill" it with various special things apropos of the season or the meeting. It held a beautiful arrangement in May created by Judy McGinnis and Joyce Wallen which was featured on the cover of the Fall issue of Keystone Gardener.



Arrangement at May meeting



Rose petals filled the bowl during our June Rose Show



Boxwood tree with Presser ornaments was a door prize at the Benefit



December Cookie Exchange

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Newsletter Deadline:

May/June – April 1, 2018

Calendar of Events

February 12 – PCGC board meeting – Giant Food Store, Camp Hill Shopping Center, 2nd floor – 1 to 2:30 pm

February 12 – Floral Design Guild – Giant Food Store, Camp Hill Shopping Center, 2nd floor – 2:30 to 4 pm

February 19 – PCGC Regular Monthly meeting – Camp Hill Borough Building – 9 am – Social Hour, 10 am – Speaker

February 22 – Conservation meeting – Camp Hill Presbyterian Church – 9:15 am

March 1, 2, 3, 4 – District IV Flower Show – York Expo Center

March 3 – 11 – Philadelphia Flower Show

March 5 – Pressers – Giant Food Store, Camp Hill Shopping Center, 2nd floor – 9 am

March 12 – PCGC board meeting – Giant Food Store, Camp Hill Shopping Center, 2nd floor – 9 to 10:30 am

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March 19 – PCGC Regular Monthly meeting – Camp Hill Borough Building – 9 am – Social Hour, 10 am – Speaker

March 22 – Conservation meeting – Camp Hill Presbyterian Church – 9:15 am

April 4 – Pressers – Giant Food Store, Camp Hill Shopping Center, 2nd floor – 1 pm

April 5 – District IV meeting open to all club members

April 9 – PCGC board meeting – Giant Food Store, Camp Hill Shopping Center, 2nd floor – 9 to 10:30 pm

April 15-17 – GCFP convention open to all club members

April 16 – PCGC Regular monthly meeting – Camp Hill Borough Building – 9 am – Social Hour, 10 am – Speaker

April 26 – Conservation meeting – Camp Hill Presbyterian Church – 9:15 am

May 20-24 – National Garden Club convention in Philadelphia open to all club members