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About PHS

The Pennsvlvania Horticultural Society (PHS) is a nonprofit membership organization founded in 1827. PHS offers activities. workshops, and publications about gardening, horticulture, and community areening for gardeners at all levels throughout the vear. PHS works with citizens. government agencies, businesses, and other organizations to plan. create, and maintain community green spaces and the urban forest. PHS programs include Plant One Million, a multi-state tree planting campaign, and City Harvest, which provides fresh produce to 1,000 families each week. Proceeds from the Philadelphia International Flower Show, as well as support from foundations, corporations, government agencies, and individuals, support PHS.

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100 N. 20th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103 *PHSonline.org*

Meadowbrook Farm (MBF)

1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046 meadowbrookfarm.org

Chanticleer (CH)

786 Church Road Wayne, PA 19087 *chanticleergarden.org*

Hortulus Farm Nursery & Gardens (HORT)

60 Thompson Mill Rd Wrightstown, PA 18940 *hortulusfarm.com*

The Salvation Army Kroc Center of Philadelphia (KROC)

4200 Wissahickon Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19129 *philadelphia.salarmykroc.org*

For updates and additional events please visit *PHSonline.org.* Program, dates, and prices are subject to change.

PHS motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PHS Programs & Events, March 12-August 31, 2012

HORTICULTURE & DESIGN

Evening Lecture: Gertrude Jekyll and the Country House Garden

Monday, March 12, 6:30 pm Union League of Philadelphia 140 South Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19102

One of the most important garden designers of the twentieth century, Gertrude Jekyll (1843-1932) was a prolific writer and influential horticulturist. Distinguished landscape historian and author Judith Tankard will explore Jekyll's legendary theories on color, planting, and design, as well as a wonderful selection of some of her famous garden commissions.

This program is co-sponsored by the Royal Oak Foundation and the Union League of Philadelphia. There will be a reception sponsored by Freeman's Auctioneers at 6 pm, followed by an optional dinner. Formal business attire required.

Fee: lecture only: \$25 members and non-members. Lecture and dinner: \$75 members and guests. Registration: Royal Oak Foundation, *royal-oak.org* or 212-480-2889, ext. 201 Dinner reservations are non-refundable and must be made by March 7.

Fun with Everyday Flowers

Thursday, March 15, 6–7:30 pm The Salvation Army Kroc Center of Philadelphia **(KROC)** 4200 Wissahickon Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19129

There is no easier way to brighten up a room than by adding a vase of fresh flowers. Arranging flowers into a pleasing display just takes a bit of practice. Receive step-bystep instructions, including tips on design and maintenance.

Fee: \$15 Registration: pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8872

Starting Seeds Indoors

Saturday, March 17, 9–10:30 am Co-hosted by Main Line School Night Creutzburg Center 260 Gulph Creek Rd. Radnor, PA 19087

Get a jump on spring and increase the diversity of your garden. Taught by Lori Hayes, this session covers the basics, including getting started and avoiding problems, plus harvesting and storing seeds for the next season.

Fee: \$20 Registration: mainlineschoolnight.org or 610-687-0460. Class# HG61179



How to Design a Water Feature

Saturday, March 24, 9–10:30 am Co-hosted by Main Line School Night Creutzburg Center 260 Gulph Creek Rd. (in Harford Park) Radnor, PA 19087

Find out how to add life to your garden by incorporating a water feature appropriate for your space. A large pond can be impressive, but a simple bowl with gently moving water might be just right. Landscape architect Michael LoFurno will discuss materials, best options for your garden, and more.

Fee: \$20 Registration: mainlineschoolnight.org or 610-687-0460. Course #HG61180

Garden Structures

Saturday, March 24, 10:30 am–12 noon Co-hosted by Main Line School Night Creutzburg Center 260 Gulph Creek Rd. (in Harford Park) Radnor, PA 19087

Garden structures provide shade, create focal points, and support plants. Landscape architect Michael LoFurno will show you various options for adding a new dimension to your outdoor space.

Fee: \$20

Registration: mainlineschoolnight.org or 610-687-0460. Course #HG61181

Terrariums!

Choose one of three sessions: April 5, May 3, or June 7 (Thursdays), 6–8 pm Meadowbrook Farm **(MBF)** 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

What could be better than to brighten your home with a lush, green, miniature world under glass? Only certain plants can grow in a glass terrarium, and the planting procedure requires special attention. But once assembled, your mini plant world is easy to care for. You may either bring your own terrarium container or purchase one at the program. Soil, moss, and an assortment of small plants will be provided, along with a complimentary glass of wine.

Fee: \$35 members, \$45 non-members Registration: pennhort.net/eventregistration or

215-988-8872. Limit: 20 participants at each session

Green Walls

Saturday, April 7, 10 am–12 noon Meadowbrook Farm (MBF) 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

"Green walls" are one of the hottest trends in gardening right now. Beautiful in color and texture, green walls expand the planting possibilities for small-space gardeners and add an exciting dimension to any garden. This demonstration will show you how to create your own wall garden using "Woolly Pockets" and other new products.

Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

Succulent Wreaths

Choose one of three sessions: April 12, May 10, or June 14 (Thursdays), 6–8 pm Meadowbrook Farm **(MBF)** 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

Impress your friends and family with a living wreath you design and create yourself. Meadowbrook Farm staff will demonstrate how to use succulent plants such as sedum to fill a 10-inch frame filled with soil and moss. The finished creation can hang outdoors, including in the winter, or serve as a table centerpiece. Enjoy a complimentary glass of wine while you work.

Fee: \$45 members, \$55 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8872. Limit: 20 participants at each session.

Tropicals in the Landscape

Saturday, April 14, 2–3 pm Triple Oaks Nursery & Herb Garden 2359 Delsea Drive Franklinville, NJ 08322

You needn't live in a warm climate to turn your garden into a tropical paradise. Some plants from the tropics are surprisingly hardy, and others from sub-tropical zones look tropical. This talk will demonstrate how to turn any garden space into a lush, green oasis.

FREE

Registration: pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8872

Walk: Early Spring Bulbs

Wednesday, April 18, 5:30–7:30 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

This garden walk will explore the cheerful, seasonal flowers of spring: Dutch bulbs. Chanticleer horticulturist Eric Hsu will focus on those rewarding spring-blooming bulbs that naturalize and are truly perennial. From snowdrops to daffodils, we will review their identification, garden culture, landscape uses, and sources.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit: 25.

Composting & Compost Tea

Saturday April 21, 10 am–12 noon Meadowbrook Farm (MBF) 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

This program will provide practical tips for turning everyday household waste into nutrient-rich compost, including how to use your compost pile to make "compost tea," a magical potion that both fertilizes and prevents disease.

Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8872

Evening Lecture: New Perennial Introductions—From the Breeder to Your Garden

Wednesday, April 25, 7 pm Wesley United Methodist Church 2540 Center Street Bethlehem, PA 18017

As you plan your 2012 garden, mail-order catalogs featuring new plants will excite your horticultural fantasies. You'll be tempted with glamorous photographs and sumptuous descriptions, but how do you know if these plants will truly perform in *your* garden? This lecture by Kevin Staso, sales director for North Creek Nurseries, will take a look at a variety of newly introduced perennials as well as proven favorites. The lecture is co-sponsored by PHS and the Hardy Plant Society and will be followed by light refreshments. Directions will be mailed with confirmation letters.

Fee: \$10 members of PHS and the Hardy Plant Society, \$20 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869

Demonstration: Pruning Shrubs

Thursday, April 26, 5:30–7:30 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

Chanticleer horticulturist Przemek Walczak will discuss all aspects of pruning garden shrubs and demonstrate basic techniques. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning, when to prune, and the proper use and care of tools.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 25

Walk: Moss Gardening

Wednesday, May 16, 6–8 pm Chanticleer (CH) 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

Here's a practical approach to growing one of the most beautiful groups of plants. Joe Henderson will talk about starting and maintaining a patch of moss, a moss lawn, or a whole moss garden. We will look at examples of moss uses, tools, and maintenance techniques.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 25

Keep it Growing

Thursday, May 17, 6–7:30 pm The Salvation Army Kroc Center of Philadelphia **(KROC)** 4200 Wissahickon Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19129

Planting a garden is only the beginning. Keeping your garden growing and thriving is what makes a gardener. This class offers advice and information on composting, watering, and maintaining your garden throughout the growing season.

Fee: \$15 Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

Demonstration/Tour: A Day in the Garden Devoted to Design

Monday, May 21, 10 am–3 pm Hortulus Farm Nursery & Gardens (HORT) 60 Thompson Mill Rd. Wrightstown, PA 18940

Treat yourself to a full day at picturesque Hortulus Farm learning about garden design. Co-owner Renny Reynolds, whose garden designs have been featured in magazines such as Architectural Digest and Town & Country, will give a morning talk about design basics. In the afternoon we will enjoy a boxed lunch in the garden followed by a tour of 30 acres of the property that have been developed into 20 individual gardens, including a peony walk, woodland walk, French garden, and more. We'll also visit the Farm Museum, which houses a fine collection of Bucks County Impressionist paintings and other artifacts and collections. Also notable is Renny and partner Jack Staub's horticultural library of almost 1,000 garden books, as well as collections of antique garden tools,

statuary, and garden letters. At the end of the day you will take home a gift plant as a souvenir.

Fee: \$90 members, \$100 non-members Registration: pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit: 20

Lighting up Your Landscape

Tuesday, May 22, 7–9 pm Aston, PA

Nighttime lighting in the garden is often an afterthought, even though we spend hours in the garden in the evening. This dusk-to-dark garden "walkabout" in Steven and Jacqui Katz's lovely Delaware County garden will showcase the diverse lighting techniques they have used to make their garden inviting all night long. Steven will answer questions as you collect ideas for turning your garden into a 24-hour-a-day paradise.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit 25



Walk: Small Space Big Impact— From How? To Wow!

Thursday, June 7, 6–8 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

Do you have a small backyard or garden and struggle to come up with the right design? How do you achieve a lush effect with limited planting space? Join Jonathan Wright for a walk through many of the smaller and more intimate spaces at Chanticleer. You'll see great plants and get design ideas to help you make the most impact in small areas.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 25

Walk: Unusual Perennials for Sun and Shade

Wednesday, June 13, 6–8 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

Spice up your perennial borders and containers with the fresh colors, textures, and shapes of new or underused plants. Lisa Roper will highlight less-familiar varieties that will have your visitors asking, "What *are* those awesome plants?"

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 25

Caring for Your Houseplants

Thursday, June 14, 6–7:30 pm The Salvation Army Kroc Center of Philadelphia (**KROC**) 4200 Wissahickon Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19129

Houseplants can seem like a mystery if you don't know how to care for them. Get useful tips that will help your plants thrive like never before.

Fee: \$15 Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

Walk: Hot Flashy Containers

Wednesday, July 11, 6–8 pm Chanticleer (CH) 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

These hot plant combinations will give you chills! Terry Struve will present a tour of Chanticleer's celebrated containers, for sun and shade, suggesting new, eye-catching plant palettes to try at home.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit 25

Walk: Unusual Annuals

Thursday, July 26, 6–8 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

It's time for a change! Make your garden the envy of your neighbors. Chanticleer is famous for unusual plants and combinations, and Jonathan Wright will suggest some of the newest and most reliable annuals for you to try in your containers, beds, and borders.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 25

Walk: Sustainable Chanticleer

Wednesday, August 15, 6–8 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

The "Green Movement" is catching on everywhere, and Chanticleer has undertaken a strategic goal to safeguard our environment. Joe Henderson will interpret how Chanticleer's green practices can help us change our impact on the planet's limited resources every time we garden.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 25

EDIBLE GARDENING

Growing an Edible Garden

Saturday, March 17 10:30 am–12 noon Co-hosted by Main Line School Night Creutzburg Center 260 Gulph Creek Rd. (in Harford Park) Radnor, PA 19087

This illustrated lecture by horticultural therapist Mona Gold will help both novices and experienced gardeners think outside the box by mixing ornamental and edible plants in new and unusual ways.

Fee: \$20 Registration: mainlineschoolnight.org or 610-687-0460. Course #HG61182

Vegetable Gardening 101

Saturday, April 14, 10 am–12 noon Meadowbrook Farm (MBF) 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

Have you always wanted to have fresh vegetables from your garden and haven't quite known how to get started? The Meadowbrook Farm staff will get you moving in the right direction. You will learn to select a good site, choose the best varieties of plants, and sow seeds. You'll also learn how to maintain your plants and cultivate the soil so that you can harvest fresh vegetables throughout the growing season.

Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

Growing a Green Thumb— Vegetable Gardening 101

Thursday, April 19, 6–7:30 pm The Salvation Army Kroc Center of Philadelphia **(KROC)** 4200 Wissahickon Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19129

Interested in growing vegetables, but don't have a lot of space? This session will cover planning the garden, soil preparation, selecting the right varieties, planting, and making the most of your available space.

Fee: \$15 Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

SAVE THE DATES

PHS Fall Garden Festival

September 22, 2012 Philadelphia Navy Yard *PHSonline.org*

Meadowbrook Farm Fall Open House

Saturday, October 6, 2012 Meadowbrook Farm 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046 *meadowbrookfarm.org*



The 2012 PHS Fall Garden Festival will be held September 22.

Permaculture Herb Spiral

Saturday, May 19, 10 am–12 noon Meadowbrook Farm (MBF) 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

Learn how to build a permaculture herb spiral and keep your kitchen stocked with fresh herbs yearround. This type of garden bed requires little upkeep and provides the best growing conditions for herbs specific to microclimates you create to match the climates they thrive in. We'll build one at Meadowbrook using simple steps you can use in your garden, while learning the basics of permaculture.

Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8872

Walk: Ornamental Vegetables in the Garden and in Containers

Thursday, May 24, 6–8 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

Get ideas on this tour of Chanticleer's popular vegetable garden, led by Doug Croft, highlighting the latest edible beauties, arranged in designs to please the eye as well as the palate.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit: 25.

Planning the Fall Vegetable Garden

Saturday, June 16, 10 am–12 noon Meadowbrook Farm (MBF) 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

Does your vegetable garden begin to wane as the heat of summer sets in? Are you not sure what to do next? There isn't time for more tomatoes and beans, but fall is a great time to grow greens such as lettuce, kale and Swiss chard, as well as fun and funky vegetables you may not have tried before. We will learn how to plan for direct sowing and transplants as well as how to protect tender plants when frost threatens.

Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

Cooking with Herbs

Thursday, July 12, 6–8 pm Meadowbrook Farm (MBF) 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

Savor the flavors and scents of herbs in your summer cooking. Meadowbrook Farm staff will show you how and will introduce new varieties of herbs that you might not know. You'll also learn how to use herbs in new and interesting ways. Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

Kitchen Garden in a Pot

Thursday, July 19, 6–7:30 pm The Salvation Army Kroc Center of Philadelphia **(KROC)** 4200 Wissahickon Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19129

Learn great tips for growing herbs and vegetables in pots and hanging baskets using a variety of plants.

Fee: \$15 Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

Edibles in Containers

Saturday, July 21, 10 am–12 noon Meadowbrook Farm (MBF) 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

Fresh home-grown vegetables are one of the greatest joys of gardening, but what about those of us who don't have the space for a vegetable patch? Contrary to conventional thinking, vegetables don't necessarily require a lot of space—and they can be beautiful, too. Meadowbrook Farm staff will discuss varieties that enliven your containers and fit well in tight spaces.

Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

Walk/Demonstration: Ornamental Vegetable Gardening

Tuesday, July 31, 6–8 pm Hortulus Farm Nursery & Gardens **(HORT)** 60 Thompson Mill Rd. Wrightstown, PA 18940

Jack Staub, co-owner of Hortulus Farm, will walk us through the elegant vegetable garden highlighting techniques from designing to staking, focusing on vegetables he favors for their physical beauty and excellent taste. Jack is the author of several gardening books, including 75 Exciting Vegetables for Your Garden.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 20

Canning and Preserving

Thursday, August 9, 6–8 pm Meadowbrook Farm 1633 Washington Lane **(MBF)** Abington Township, PA 19046

There is nothing better than opening a jar of homemade salsa or canned peaches in the dead of winter. Canning and preserving are great ways to savor your harvest all year long. With a little bit of time and elbow-grease, and with wine and good company, you can learn how to preserve your garden's bounty. Bring your creative kitchen ideas and your favorite paring knife. Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

Walk: Bounty Hunters

Wednesday, August 22, 6–8 pm Chanticleer (CH) 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

Join Doug Croft for a stroll through Chanticleer's vegetable garden and cold frames to explore what is ripe for harvest. He will highlight some of the oddities in the vegetable world and discuss ways to prepare them that will tantalize your palate.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 25

Harvesting and Preserving Food

Thursday, August 23, 6–7:30 pm The Salvation Army Kroc Center of Philadelphia **(KROC)** 4200 Wissahickon Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19129

There is nothing better than opening a jar of homemade salsa, canned peaches, or pickles in the dead of winter. Learn time-saving tips and advice for freezing, canning, and drying the garden's bounty.

Fee: \$15 Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8872

URBAN & COMMUNITY GARDENING & FARMING

PHS Tree Tenders® Training

This program offers hands-on tree care education for residents of the Philadelphia region. The nine-hour course covers tree biology, identification, planting, proper care, and working within your community. ISA, PA LA, Act 48 and PLNA credits are available. This course is not appropriate for children under 16.

Fee: \$25 Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8845

Delaware County Thursdays, March 15, 22, & 29, 6–9 pm Marple Public Library 227 S. Sproul Rd. Broomall, PA 19008

Montgomery County Tuesdays, April 10, 17, & 24, 6–9 pm Meadowbrook Farm (MBF) 1633 Washington Lane Meadowbrook, PA 19046

Philadelphia Thursdays, May 3, 10 & 17, 5:45–8:45 pm PHS (PHS) 100 N. 20th Street Philadelphia, PA 19103

Agricultural Science and Policy

Six Mondays: March 26–April 30 6:30–7:30 pm PHS **(PHS)** 100 N. 20th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

Cosponsored by PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science, this multi-session course is free and open to the public. Taught by Dr. David Hewitt, a botany research associate at the Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, the course provides scientific background to understand current issues in agricultural and food policy. Subjects will include ecology, physiology (plant and animal), genetics, and molecular/cell biology. It will also include discussion of fertilizer production, nutrient management, seed production, and biotechnology, as well as other topics. Participants will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement.

FREE

Registration: wagnerfreeinstitute.org/ adulteducation or 215-763-6529 ext. 23

PHS Garden Tenders Training

Wednesdays: March 28; April 4, 18, & 25; May 2 & 9, 5:30–8:30 pm Optional tour Saturday, May 5 10 am–1 pm PHS (PHS) 100 N. 20th Street Philadelphia, PA 19103

The six-session course and optional tour combines in-depth and hands-on gardening experience with topics such as finding a site, recruiting and keeping volunteers, identifying resources in your community, and forming partnerships, as well as basic horticulture, planting, and garden maintenance.

Fee: \$25 Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8845

Philadelphia Community Farming Collaborative On-Farm Field Days 2012

Co-sponsored by PHS and partner organizations and held at various locations in Philadelphia, these "Beginning Farmer Workshops" are designed to build on one another.

FREE No registration required Information 215-988-8885

Cool Season Organic Pest Prevention and Control Wednesday, March 28, 6 pm East Park Revitalization Alliance Natrona St. and West Montgomery Ave.

Cool-Season Harvesting and Post-Harvest Handling Wednesday, April 25, 6 pm East Park Revitalization Alliance Natrona St. and West Montgomery Ave.

Warm-Season Hoop-House Production Wednesday, May 16, 6 pm SHARE Food Program 2901 West Hunting Park Ave.

Beekeeping Wednesday, May 30, 6 pm Mill Creek Farm 49th and Brown Sts.

Warm-Season Organic Pest Prevention and Control Wednesday, June 27, 6 pm Saul Farm across from Saul High School, 7100 Henry Ave. (presented by Weavers Way Farms staff)

Warm-Season Harvesting and Post-Harvest Handling July 25, 6 pm Farm and Community Food Resource Center of Bartram's Garden 5400 Lindbergh Blvd.

Green City Teachers: Creating a School Garden

Wednesday, June 27 & Thursday, June 28, 8:30 am–1 pm both days Location to be announced

Designed for educators interested in school gardening, this two-session course covers how to design, build, and maintain a school garden year-round. Included are relevant classroom activities, how to engage community support, gardening and standardized testing, and working with administrators. Participants will help build an outdoor school garden. Act 48 credit is available.

Fee: \$25 Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8845

April is Earth Month

This year the annual Earth Day celebration is more than just one day! The Greater Philadelphia Region celebrates the Earth in April with hundreds of special events, educational activities, and volunteer opportunities. Visit *PHSonline.org*, where we've created a special page with information about what PHS and other organizations are planning. Also check the PHS Facebook and Twitter pages to stay tuned, get involved, and make a difference.



PHS Recognizes Great Gardeners!

PHS City Gardens Contest Entry deadline June 10

The annual PHS City Gardens Contest offers Philadelphia gardeners the opportunity to compete for honors in several categories. Deadline to enter is June 10. Volunteer judges are also needed and are chosen for their accomplishments and horticultural expertise.

> Information: fnarducci@pennhort.org or 215-988-8897

PHS Community Greening Award Deadline July 15

The PHS Community Greening Award celebrates those who have improved their communities throughout Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware by beautifying main streets, public parks, train stations, churches, schoolyards, libraries, traffic islands, and other spaces. Deadline for nominations is July 15. Information: fnarducci@pennhort.org or 215-988-8897

FAMILIES & KIDS

Children's Classes at Meadowbrook Farm, Co-Hosted by Pennypack Farm & Education Center

Meadowbrook Farm **(MBF)** 1633 Washington Lane Meadowbrook, PA19046

Bring the young ones to Meadowbrook Farm for hands-on gardening, stories, crafts, and outdoor fun. Pre-registration and payment required in advance. Refunds and make-ups are not available for missed classes. Siblings aged 2 and under are welcome free of charge.

Registration: PennypackFarm.org

Wednesday, April 18

Little Seeds (3–4 years) 10:15–11:15 am Learn about worms, our "underground farmers." Fee: \$8 per adult/child pair, \$6 per additional child.

Little Sprouts (5–6 years), 1–2 pm Enjoy time in the garden while learning about worms and compost. Fee: \$10 per adult/ child pair, \$8 per additional child.

Wednesday, May 9

Little Seeds (3–4 years) 10:15–11:15 am Learn about the life cycle of a plan. Fee: \$8 per adult/child pair, \$6 per additional child.

Little Sprouts (5–6 years), 1–2 pm Discover how plants grow from seed to fruit and the importance of flowers for attracting pollinators. Fee: \$10 per adult/child pair, \$8 per additional child.

Wednesday, May 23

Little Seeds (3–4 years) 10:15–11:15 am Learn all about our buggy buddies and how insects are useful in the garden. Fee: \$8 per adult/child pair, \$6 per additional child.

Little Sprouts (5–6 years), 1–2 pm Children will design their own beneficial bug for the garden. Fee: \$10 per adult/child pair, \$8 per additional child.

Wednesday, June 6

Little Seeds (3–4 years) 10:15–11:15 am Learn all about the dance of the bees with a themed story and hands-on garden activity. Fee: \$8 per adult child pair, \$6 per additional child.

Little Sprouts (5–6 years), 1–2 pm Discover how bees communicate through dance. Fee: \$10 per adult/child pair, \$8 per additional child.

Wednesday, June 13

Little Seeds (3–4 years) 10:15–11:15 am Share story time and then go on a garden safari. Fee: \$8 per adult/child pair, \$6 per additional child.

Little Sprouts (5–6 years), 1–2 pm Explore how the garden grows up, down, and sideways. Fee: \$10 per adult/child pair, \$8 per additional child.



2012 PHS Junior Flower Show

Friday, April 27, 9:30 am–3 pm Temple University, Ambler Campus

Join us for the 2012 EarthFest, featuring the PHS Junior Flower Show. This annual event attracts thousands of schoolchildren from all over the region for fun, educational activities and horticultural competitions.

Registration and information: PHSonline.org fnarducci@pennhort.org, or 215-988-8897

Pick Your Own Peaches

Friday, August 9 10:30 am–12 noon Linvilla Orchards 137 W. Knowlton Rd. Media, PA 19063

Join PHS for a morning of peach picking at Linvilla Orchards. Enjoy a hayride out to the orchard and a memorable morning spent picking peaches with your kids or grandkids. No trip to Linvilla is complete without stopping to see the animals and a visit to the Playland Playground. Linvilla will offer a 20% discount for PHS members on the peaches you pick as well as 20% off plant purchases in the garden center.

FREE

Registration: pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8876

TOURS, TRIPS, WORKSHOPS & OTHER EVENTS

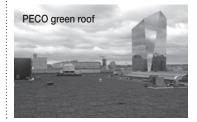
Workshop: Painting Flowers and Plants with Watercolor

Eight Tuesdays: March 13–May 1 10 am–1 pm PHS **(PHS)** 100 N. 20th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

If you feel challenged by the medium of watercolor or have wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of reality, this is the class for you. Presented by Eileen Rosen, this basic introduction includes mixing the colors of nature, making a color journal, exercises to create form and dimensionality, and discussion of brushes and paper. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration. Instruction will be based on individual needs, and beginners are welcome.

Fee: \$215 members, \$230 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit 25



Workshop: Creating Miniature Garden Portraits in Colored Pencil

Two Thursdays: March 15 and 22 10 am–3 pm PHS **(PHS)** 100 N. 20th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

Create an intimate "portrait" of a garden you love. In this workshop, taught by Eileen Rosen, you will learn and practice specific coloredpencil techniques, then learn to eliminate extraneous details of the larger landscape. All levels of experience are welcome. A materials list will be mailed upon registration.

Fee: \$90 members, \$100 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit 15

Post-Flower Show Plant Sale * PHS Members Only *

Saturday, March 17, 2012 10 am–5 pm Meadowbrook Farm (MBF) 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

Plants from the Flower Show central feature exhibit will be available for purchase. Most are houseplants, but many are suitable for moving outdoors once warmer temperatures return. All sales final; quantities limited. No advance orders.

No registration required. Present current PHS membership card to participate.

Linvilla Orchards 20% Shopping Discount * PHS Members Only *

Saturday, April 14, 2012 8 am–8 pm Linvilla Orchards 137 W. Knowlton Rd. Media, PA 19063

Linvilla Orchards, a 300-acre farm famous for Pumpkinland and delicious pies, will offer PHS members a 20% discount on plants (non-sale only). Linvilla's 15,000 square-foot garden center has a variety of seasonal flowers and plants, including annuals and perennials, hanging baskets, fruit trees and shrubs.

No registration required. Present PHS membership card for discount.

PECO Green Roof Tours

Monthly on the 3rd Tuesday, April through October, 5 pm PECO Building 2301 Market St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

Want to learn about exciting green roof technology and how it can help the environment? PHS's popular monthly tours of the green roof at the downtown headquarters of PECO begin Tuesday, April 17. Spanning more than 45,000 square feet, the PECO green roof features an observation deck and stunning views of downtown Philadelphia. Tour participants must be at least 18 years of age. Fee: \$5 members, \$10 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869, at least two business days before each tour. Limit 25 people per tour

Meadowbrook Farm Spring Open House

Saturday, April 28, 8 am–6 pm special activities from 10 am–4 pm Meadowbrook Farm **(MBF)** 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

Get your garden started! Enjoy great spring shopping for annuals, perennials, shrubs and trees, plus beautiful gifts, hanging baskets, and a variety of heirloom veggie starts and herbs! The open house offers a festive, carnival atmosphere with tasty refreshments and fun activities for the whole family!

Information: meadowbrookfarm.org

PHS McLean Library Exhibit: Books & Begonias

May 14–June 1 Monday–Friday, 9 am–5 pm PHS **(PHS)** 100 N. 20th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

Starting Monday, May 14, PHS will present *Books & Begonias*! The exhibition, at the McLean Library on the first floor, will feature selected volumes of *Curtis's Botanical Magazine*, each depicting colored engravings of the fancy-leaf begonias beloved by Victorians. Also on display will be a selection of spectacular begonias from Meadowbrook Farm. The exhibition will culminate with a giant begonia sale, and exhibit-related talks will also be offered. Check *pennhort. net/calendar* for dates.

FREE

Walk/Workshop: Basic Garden Photography

Thursday, May 17, 6–8 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

A garden is a living, multidimensional work of art, but how do you frame or capture the special character of your garden in a two dimensional picture? Lisa Roper will lead us through the gardens at Chanticleer addressing principles of garden photography, including light, composition, movement, color, and equipment. You will have plenty of time to frame your own images with your camera.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: pennhort.net/eventregistration or

215-988-8869. Limit 25

PHS Garden Visits * PHS Members and Guests *

Sunday, May 20, 12 noon–5 pm, The Main Line Sunday, June 10, 12 noon–5 pm, Gwynedd, PA area

PHS members will visit private gardens on the "Main Line," in the Philadelphia suburbs, and in Gwynedd, PA. Access to these selfguided tours is a popular benefit for PHS members and their guests. We will provide garden descriptions, driving directions, and maps. You are free to visit any of the gardens during the five-hour period when they are open.

Fee: \$15 members, \$30 member guests Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869

Tulipomania * PHS Members Only *

Wednesday, May 23, 8 pm Arden Theatre 40 N. 2nd St. Philadelphia, PA 19106

Before we had the subprime mortgage crisis, Holland had the tulip bulb bubble. Support PHS by purchasing a ticket to attend the final dress rehearsal for *Tulipomania: The Musical*, "the story of a man who sacrifices everything he owns for a tulip."

Registration and information: pennhort. net/eventregistration or 215-988-8876

Trip: The Brooklyn Botanic Garden and Brooklyn Museum

Wednesday, May 23, 8 am–6 pm, approximately Brooklyn, NY

The Brooklyn Botanic Garden encompasses 52 acres of specialty garden areas, plant collections, and conservatories with more than 10,000 taxa of plants. The worldclass gardens include a Japanese hill and pond garden, a Shakespeare garden, fragrance garden, herb garden, and more. The Steinhardt Conservatory houses one of the oldest Bonsai collections in the country, an aquatic house, tropicals, orchids, and a desert collection.

Adjacent to the Botanic Garden, the Brooklyn Museum is the home of the collection left by Laura Barnes, the wife of Dr. Albert Barnes and founder of the horticulture program at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation. The Museum has since amassed one of the largest and most diverse collections in the United States. We will first have a guided tour of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, then lunch on our own and a self-guided tour of the Brooklyn Museum.

Bus departs from the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park at 8 am and from PHS at 8:15. Please indicate pickup location. Fee: \$110 members, \$120 non-members, includes bus travel, entrance and tour fees, and snacks and wine on the bus. Registration: pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit 36

Tour: A Plant Connoisseur's Paradise

Wednesday, June 6, 10 am–12 noon Flemington, NJ

For more than half a century, Dr. Gerald and Beatrice Barad have been cultivating a spectacular collection of cacti and succulents in Hunterdon County, New Jersey. Dr. Barad has published his findings in national and international journals. His area of specialization is stapeliads (succulents in the *Apocynaceae*, or milkweed family), but he grows much more, including impressive collections of *Haworthia* and *Echeveria*, housing rare plants in two greenhouses.

The surrounding gardens feature picturesque vistas, hardy cactus and succulent rockeries, a koi pond, bamboo grove, orchards, sheep pasture, a giant vegetable garden, and carefully tended borders with annuals and dozens of large *Brugmansia*. Enjoy your brown-bag lunch after the tour.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit 20

Trip: Storm King Art Center

Thursday, June 14, 7 am–7 pm, approximately Mountainville, NY

Widely celebrated as one of the world's leading sculpture parks, Storm King Art Center is located one hour north of New York City in the lower Hudson Valley. The 500-acre landscape of fields, hills, and woodlands provides the setting for a collection of more than 100 carefully sited sculptures created by some of the most acclaimed artists of our time. The collection focuses on large-scale abstract sculpture, much of it in steel, and also includes figurative work and sculpture in stone, earth, and other materials. Our trip will include a boxed lunch at the café, and guided tram and walking tours of the collections.

Bus departs the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park at 7 am and from PHS at 7:15. Please indicate pickup location.

Fee: \$110 members,

\$120 non-members, includes bus travel, entrance and tour fees, lunch, and snacks and wine on the bus. Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 40

The Pleasures of Tea— An Evening Tasting Workshop

Wednesday, June 20, 6 pm PHS (PHS) 100 N. 20th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

Join world-class tea expert Anupa Mueller for an evening of discovery about the cultivation and enjoyment of tea. We will taste and compare eight to ten different teas from renowned tea regions of the world, with an emphasis on India and China. With a nod to the upcoming PHS trip to South India, high-quality Darjeeling, Assam, and Nilgiri teas also will be included.

After the tea tasting, Allison Rulon-Miller, founder of From Lost to Found Travel, will introduce the upcoming trip to South India in January 2013 (see page 19). The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 this evening.

Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non members Registration: pennhort.net/eventregistration or

215-988-8869. Limit: 50



Workshop: Miniature Garden Portraits in Colored Pencil

Thursday, June 21, 10 am–3 pm Hortulus Farm Nursery & Gardens (HORT)

60 Thompson Mill Rd. Wrightstown, PA 18940

In this workshop, led by Eileen Rosen, you create a charming, miniature "portrait" from your favorite garden niche at Hortulus Farm Garden. Using smooth, vibrant, wax-based Prismacolor pencils, you will learn how to simplify, reduce, and reinterpret the details of the larger landscape, and mix, layer, and blend the colors of nature. Step-by-step demonstrations and individual instruction will be provided. Beginners are welcome! Bring a brown-bag lunch.

Fee: \$50 members, \$60 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit 10

Botanical Illustration Workshop: Cityscapes–Portraits of Logan Square with Colored Pencil

Thursday, June 28, 9:30 am-3 pm Meet at PHS **(PHS)** 100 N. 20th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

Join us for a springtime *plein air* botanical illustration workshop with Eileen Rosen at Logan Square, the crown jewel of the Paris-influenced Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Philadelphia, which has been beautifully renovated by PHS and partners. Instruction will include how to sketch a simple working drawing and slowly build up and blend layers of vibrant colors to create a miniature portrait of the site. A supplies list will be sent with your confirmation. We will meet promptly at 9:30 at the PHS McLean Library and walk to Logan Square at 10 am.

Fee: \$50 members, \$60 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit 12

Workshop: Make Your Own Garden Chair

Thursday, June 28, 6–8 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

Join Dan Benarcik for a hands-on workshop during which you will build a garden chair. This timeless and comfortable design, adapted by Dan from a version popularized in the garden at Wave Hill in the Bronx. is suitable for any garden setting. Using red cedar and stainless steel hardware, vou'll create a durable. useful, and handsome outdoor chair at a significant discount from the retail price. Precut materials and instruction will be provided. Please bring a cordless drill. Chairs retail for \$245: additional chairs are available for purchase.

Fee: \$180 members, \$200 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 12

Tour: Asian Fusion

Thursday, July 12, 6 pm Willow Grove, PA

The garden of passionate plantsman Michael Colibraro has become a fusion of Asian and European-influenced styles on a small property (50 by 125 feet). It is a collector's garden, with plants from different parts of the world, all getting along just fine. Architectural elements, pots, artful pieces, and an ever-increasing bonsai collection make the garden a unique and inviting place to be. Michael Colibraro is nursery manager at Colibraro Landscaping and Nursery, Inc. in Horsham, PA.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 20

Walk: House and Garden Tour

Wednesday, July 18, 6–8 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

Built in 1913, Chanticleer was part of the Country Place Era of the late 1800s and early 1900s, when many businessmen and industrialists built country estates away from the noise and congestion of cities. Designed initially as a summer home close to railroad transportation from Philadelphia, the house was enlarged in 1924 to become a year-round residence. This tour will include the ground floor of the main house with an emphasis on the relationship of the house to the greater landscape. We will learn about house contents and family history from archivist Anne Sims, and Joe Henderson will discuss the gardens.

Fee: \$18 members, \$23 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8869. Limit 25

Woody Plant Conference

Wednesday, July 25 Villanova University Villanova, PA

Designed for professionals and avid gardeners, the Woody Plant Conference is co sponsored by PHS, Chanticleer, Longwood Gardens, the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College, and Tyler Arboretum.

Information and registration: woodyplantconference.org

The Beauty of Birds' Nests

Saturday, July 28, 1–3 pm Meadowbrook Farm **(MBF)** 1633 Washington Lane Abington Township, PA 19046

Hail the many wonders of birds' nests! Nests provide eggs and chicks with structural support, a suitable microclimate, and protection from predators and the elements. Take a peek into the world of bird nesting in this engaging session. The first half chronicles a pair of wood thrushes as they raise their two chicks, and the second half is a fun guessing game about types of nests and the materials birds use to build them. Dress for the weather.

Fee: \$25 members, \$30 non-members Registration:

pennhort.net/eventregistration or 215-988-8872

Workshop: Leaf Casting 101

Wednesday, August 1, 6–8 pm Chanticleer **(CH)** 786 Church Rd. Wayne, PA 19087

Join Chanticleer's Terry Struve and Jonathan Wright to make a cast-leaf sculpture for your garden. Using a tried-and-true concrete mix, you'll capture the beauty of summer's best to treasure forever. You will receive a leaf to use as a mold for your creation and choose from a number of dyes to customize your sculpture. The recipe you learn will enable you to create more sculptures on your own.

Fee: \$30 members, \$35 non-members Registration: *pennhort.net/eventregistration* or 215-988-8869. Limit 20

McLean Library Reading Groups

Ongoing PHS McLean Library **(PHS)** 100 N. 20th St. Philadelphia, PA 19103

Join us in reading and discussing works of fiction or non-fiction having to do with gardening, plants, nature, or the land. Participants in two monthly reading groups obtain books and read each month's selection prior to the meetings. The lunch-time short story group meets on the second Wednesday of each month from noon to 1:30. The evening group meets on the first Thursday from 5:45 to 7:45 pm.

FREE

Registration: *pbecroft@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8772



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Information: Plantonemillion.org

Eastern State Penitentiary Terrace Garden

Monthly on the 2nd Saturday, April through November 9 am–12 noon 22nd St. & Fairmount Ave. Philadelphia, PA

On the long terraces that flank the front of the Eastern State Penitentiary Historic Site, a wonderful border of woody shrubs, ornamental grasses, and perennials provides seasonal interest year-round. This 8,000-square-foot garden is primarily maintained by volunteer gardeners. Please join us to help with planting, pruning, weeding, and watering.

Information: *jsnell@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8868

Azalea Garden

Monthly on 3rd Saturday, April through November, 9 am–12 noon (no workday in September) Kelly Drive behind Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA

The four-acre Azalea Garden showcases azaleas, rhododendrons, and pieris, as well as woody and herbaceous plants that delight visitors throughout the year. We invite you to join a dedicated group of volunteers in caring for this lovely garden. Activities include planting, pruning, weeding, and watering. Meet at the pergola.

Information: mromenesko@pennhort.org or 215-988-8867

Triangle Garden

Monthly on the 4th Wednesday, April through October (and Tuesday, Sept. 25), 6–7 pm 23rd and Summer Sts. (exit ramp from 676 eastbound at 23rd St.) Philadelphia, PA

The Triangle Garden welcomes you to the Logan Square neighborhood with tufted grasses that sway with the breeze. The garden is maintained by a dedicated group of volunteers. Please join us to help with planting, pruning, weeding, and watering.

Information: mparonish@pennhort.org or 215-988-1607

Gas Station Garden

Monthly on the 2nd Wednesday April through October, 6–7 pm 20th & Arch Sts. Philadelphia, PA

Located on a sunny corner across from PHS headquarters, this garden features ornamental grasses, Russian sage, and a changing display of spring bulbs, summer annuals, and perennials. The garden is maintained by neighborhood volunteer gardeners. Please join us to help with planting, pruning, weeding, and watering.

Information: mparonish@pennhort.org or 215-988-1607

Love Your Park Week

May 12–19 Neighborhood Parks in Philadelphia

Join PHS staff and thousands of volunteers for Love Your Park Day on Saturday, May 12, in Philadelphia's neighborhood parks. Volunteer activities will include removing invasive weeds and vines, painting benches, preparing garden beds, and general cleanup. No gardening experience necessary. PHS is partnering with Fairmount Park Conservancy and Philadelphia Parks & Recreation on this citywide event. May 12 kicks off an entire week of fun activities and workshops. From gardening workshops to Tai Chi to speed dating, there are dozens of ways to have fun and "love your park."

Information: PHSonline.org, jmahar@pennhort.org, or 215-988-1611

Philadelphia Museum of Art Landscape

July 21 & August 18 only, 8–11 am 26th St. & Benjamin Franklin Parkway Philadelphia, PA

The Philadelphia Museum of Art is complemented by a vibrant garden of colorful plantings to attract visitors throughout the year. From 'Velvet Cloak' *Cotinus* on the east forecourt to the holly hedges on the ramparts and the robust border along Anne d' Harnoncourt Drive, there is something in bloom from February through frost. Each year this landscape is sculpted and beautified by a group of dedicated volunteers. Please join us to help maintain this outdoor work of art.

Information:

mromenesko@pennhort.org or 215-988-8867





REGISTER NOW!

Travel with PHS: Gardens of South India January 11–25, 2013

Join PHS in January 2013 for a fascinating exploration of South India. Our 15-day, 14-night trip will showcase the early role of gardens and plants in medicinal, religious, culinary, commercial, and leisure activities in India. It will also illustrate how these roles and activities evolved in the colonial era and after independence from Britain. We will visit Mughalstyle terrace gardens; British-style botanical gardens; and lively flower, vegetable, and spice markets. We will also visit colonial-era hill stations where tea, coffee, and spice plantations still abound, and learn about current programs to help thousands of small tea growers throughout India. Current plant conservation and research activities will be explored through visits to two botanical sanctuaries. At one we will find rare impatiens and orchids native to the Western Ghat Mountains of Kerala, and at the other we will discover a myriad of tropical trees and plants, including the largest collection of gingers in India. Finally, we will learn about the Indian discipline of Ayurveda, an ancient art of healing and wellness incorporating medicinal plants, controlled diet, and mind-body exercise.

Our itinerary also includes some of South India's most memorable sites, such as the Amba Vilas Palace in Mysore, the serene backwaters of Kerala, and the Portuguese- and Dutch-influenced town of Kochi. Optional trip extensions to the Golden Triangle (Delhi/Agra/Jaipur) and to Kolkata will also be offered.

Information: Chela Kleiber at *ckleiber@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8775

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Become a Member and Save!

PHS members receive discounts on fee-based programs and access to exclusive member-only events, as well Flower Show tickets, discounts at area nurseries, and many other benefits. Join or renew your membership today!

Year-Round Membership Benefits

- Special pricing for events, educational programs, and garden visits
- *PHS News*, members' newsletter, 6 issues annually
- Discounts at local garden centers including Meadowbrook Farm, operated by PHS
- Green Scene magazine, 6 issues annually, Household level and above
- Free plants at the Fall Garden Festival Plant Dividend (Subscriber level excluded)
- Gardening advice through Garden Q&A
- Member circulating privileges at PHS McLean Library
- Discounted admission to Chanticleer and Please Touch Museum
- Participation in Subaru VIP
 Program

Flower Show Membership Benefits

- Free tickets to the 2013 Philadelphia International Flower Show (Subscriber level excluded)
- Discounted shopping in the Show Marketplace section & PHS Shop and Meadowbrook Farm Store
- Exclusive access to the Members' Lounge at the Show (closed during Members' Preview)

Information:

PHS Member Services PHSonline.org, click on "Membership" memserv@pennhort.org 215-988-8776

