

Woodcrest Villa Nature Trail & Arboretum

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September 2022 Newsletter

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Woodcrest Villa Arboretum is Dedicated To Those Recognized with Trees

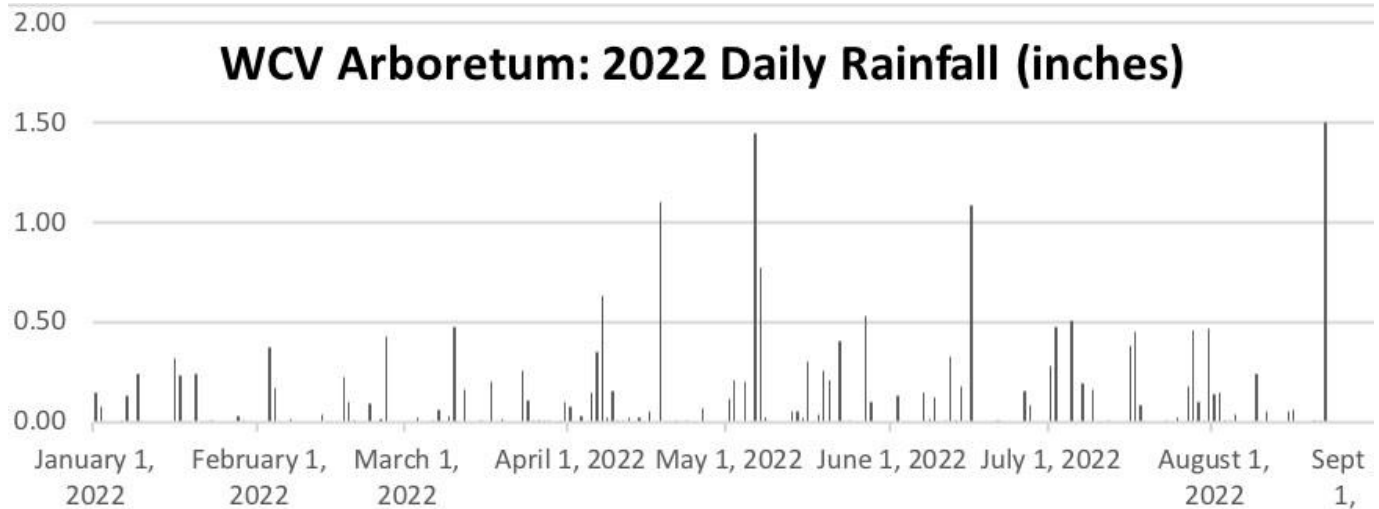
Drought or No Drought

There is a lot of talk about the weather, especially the dry conditions some areas in Pennsylvania are experiencing. Fortunately, the hardest hit areas are North of us. We are not experiencing a drought here at this time. Earlier this year, we were experiencing a drought in January, February, and March. However, most plants were dormant then, and not in active growth, so it didn't affect those plants. Trees probably suffer more than other plants when this happens, since their roots will grow during the winter when conditions are right.

However, when trees are dormant in winter, they do

not suffer when conditions get too dry. A tree's roots have the ability to rest during the dry periods when the upper part of the tree is dormant.

As a result of the dry weather in the first 3 months of 2022, we started out with a 4-inch deficit in the rain fall. However, with April showers and rain since then the rainfall has been reasonably normal. We still have a 4-inch deficit for the year, but since the start of the growing season in April, our rainfall has been adequate. We got enough storms with lots of rain to keep the trees happy.



Request Honor/Memory Trees Now

New Honor/Memory Trees are reserved in September and planted in November after they go dormant. We already have requests for three new Honor/Memory Trees for the Arboretum:

A Brandywine Red Maple, a Sweetbay Magnolia, and a Swamp White Oak. These will make a total of 22 Honor/Memory trees.

To honor or remember a loved one with an Honor/Memory Tree, contact Steve Henning at X7116 or acer103@earthlink.net. See which trees are available on the next page.

Honor/Memory Trees

[Visit the Arboretum Tree Book](#)

The Arboretum Board is accepting applications for Memory and Honor Trees to be planted in the Arboretum this fall. Those interested in dedicating an **Honor or Memory Tree** to a loved one should contact Steve Henning at 717-735-7116 or acer103@earthlink.net.

More details are available in the [Arboretum Tree Book](#). Besides [online](#), a copy of the **Tree Book** is kept in Viva in the Bistro library.

Honor/Memory Tree Candidates



River Birch-*Betula nivea*

55' tall, attractive curling bark. Flowers attract humming birds



Hackberry-*Celtis occidentalis*

50' tall. Berries attract winter birds.



Yellowwood-*Cladrastis kentukea*.

40' tall, fragrant flowers attract pollinators.



Cherokee Princess Dogwood-*Cornus florida*

'30' tall, white flowers. Fruit attracts wildlife.



Hawthorn-*Crataegus viridis* 'Winter King'

30' tall, white flowers, red fruit. Attracts butterflies.



Honeylocust-*Gleditsia triacanthos* 'Skyline'

40' tall, white flowers, fall color. Attracts wildlife.



Tulip Poplar-*Liriodendron tulipifera*.

80' tall. Flowers & seeds attract wildlife.



Black Gum-*Nyssa sylvatica*

40' tall, fall color. Fruit attracts birds.



Okame Cherry-*Prunus X 'Okame'*

20' tall, pink flowers. Attract birds & insects

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