Allegheny Arboretum at Indiana University of Pennsylvania

This report summarizes the activities of the Allegheny Arboretum Board from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, and presents some of the activities the board would like to pursue in the coming fiscal year.

- Due to the implementation of Phase II of the Residential Revival on the IUP campus, the Touch and Smell Garden was demolished in May of 2007. The garden was maintained since its creation in 1981 by the Evergreen Garden Club of Indiana. The garden was located on the original site of the Shakespeare Garden, which existed from 1952 to 1969. This garden was maintained by the Indiana Garden Club of Indiana, but faded away due to the inability of the university to help maintain the garden. Many of the plants in the Touch and Smell Garden were saved, and some will be used in the proposed new garden, to be located near the site of the Touch and Smell Garden. Input from the Evergreen Garden Club and the Arboretum Board will be provided in the design of the new garden, expected to be constructed in the summer of 2008.
- 2. The *Tree Tour Map and Guide* to the labeled campus trees was printed and distributed to several locations on campus and the community. The guide has been updated because some of the labeled trees have been cut down due to construction and additional trees have been added to the list. The guide was listed in the winter issue of the *Keystone Gardener*, the official publication of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania.
- 3. A Design Review Committee consisting of board members has been created to work with the university on landscaping design issues that will be associated with the green spaces around the new residential housing. Final plans will not be made until Phase II of the Residential Revival project is completed in the summer of 2008.
- 4. Student Projects
 - Dennis Ausel from the Communications Media department had his Electronic Imaging class

- 7. Due to widespread construction on the main campus, the Arboretum Collection Committee recommended a tree planting plan be developed for the south campus area. Initially, eleven trees are to be planted during the summer on the slope north of the baseball field. Additional plantings are planned for the fall. The arboretum board is cooperating with the university to develop a long range tree planting plan for the south campus.
- 8. Due to construction activities on the main campus, only one tree (Sugar Maple–*Acer saccharum*) was planted on campus. It was placed on the north side of the Oak Grove.
- 9. Plaques were placed on the following six donated benches.
 - In Memory of Judith Jones Williams '68 Ben R. Williams
 - Aurelia Ibarra-Ramos De Lattanzi Exchange Student 1958 November 29, 1937–September 3, 2000
 - In Honor of Our Parents Robert B. '42 and Mary C. Ault Joseph & Verna G. Korywchak Deus, Familia, Patria Children and Grandchildren
 - Dr. Bernard A. '60 and Bonnie Moreau Retired IUP Faculty
 - The Robert Duggan Memorial Bench Susan Delaney, Mark Holman, Robert Hovanec, David Johnson, Kim Lyttle, David Osikowicz, Timothy Pulte, Samuel Smith, Gealy Wallwork
 - Friends and Family of Dana Kriebel

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- 10. The following changes occurred in the Allegheny Arboretum Board membership.
 - George Lenz, White Township Supervisor, and Tony Neese, Grounds Supervisor at IUP, left the board.
 - New members include Tom Lord, a member of the Biology department at IUP, and Chris Weiland, a member of the IUP Art department.
- 11. Members of the board had meetings with the following to discuss the development of the arboretum and/or possible funding sources:

• The proposed Donor Recognition Display in Sutton Hall will need to be

- 7. Evaluate and upgrade the Allegheny Arboretum website.
- 8. Continue discussions with the IUP Cooperative Association to develop a cooperative plan for the Co-op Recreation Area.
- 9. Continue to promote the East Lawn Renovation and Restoration Project.
- 10. Continue to work with administrators, faculty members, and students at IUP to promote arboretum-related projects.
- 11. Continue to cultivate contacts with local organizations.
- 12. Continue to develop ways to market the Allegheny Arboretum.
- 13. Continue to implement the goals and objectives of the Allegheny Arboretum.

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