OUR MISSION

The mission of the Haverford College Arboretum is to steward the College’s historic tree collection while fostering a connection between our 216-acre campus and those who work, visit, study, and reside here. Maintaining the health, diversity, and history of the tree collection honors William Carvill’s original 1834 landscape design, while our educational programming ensures continued engagement with this unique and treasured asset.

Haverford College Arboretum values the importance of its rich history, its natural landscape, and the opportunities they present. Working with different communities, we serve to educate and preserve this ecologically diverse habitat and provide stewardship for our collections for generations to come.

Land Acknowledgment

We at the College recognize that we live and work on Lenape land, and pay respect and honor to the caretakers of this land, from the time of its first human inhabitants until now, and into the future. We seek to maintain and build upon our current and ever-evolving connections with members of Lenape tribes and communities, in recognition of our intertwined histories and with a goal of moving toward right relationship between the Haverford of today and Lenape peoples.

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Cover image: Fall reflections from the bridge in the Gertrude C. Teaf Asian Garden. Opposite page, clockwise from left: Tuesday volunteers clear invasive plants from the Duck Pond fence; allée of Ohame cherry trees (Prunus ‘Ohame’) in spring; a corporate volunteer group plants fall bulbs in the newly created Class of ’66 Grove; winter sunset over Walton Field; pumpkin carvers from campus and community celebrate the Fall Festival.
2021–22 HIGHLIGHTS

• Planted 105 new trees on campus
• Expanded the Woolman Walk landscape, adding 32 *Hamamelis* (witch hazel) to our impressive collection
• Created the Class of 1966 Grove
• Revitalized the Woodside Cottage outdoor classroom
• Launched a summer internship program
• Welcomed 48 new Arboretum members
From the Director

We’ve had to adapt and change, more than we could possibly have envisioned over the past two years, but we’re coming through the pandemic stronger and more resilient than ever before.

Our programming is strong. Zoom has allowed us to welcome new folks from across the country and audiences we normally wouldn’t engage. And we are delighted to return to in-person programming and welcome visitors to the Arboretum.

It was also a year of planting more than 100 trees, adding new species and cultivars. Two pocket gardens were created. The new Class of 1966 Grove, located near Woolman Walk and the Strawbridge Observatory, begs passers-by to stop and rest and take in Haverford’s natural beauty. The outdoor classroom behind Woodside Cottage also got a new planting. Dogwoods, viburnums, and hollies give the space a more intimate feel and create an excellent space for students to learn outside.

Woolman Walk received another planting. Twenty-two witch hazels were added, giving the area some colorful winter interest. Its peak season runs from late October to May.

Our accomplishments this year are many. Thanks to our donors, volunteers, students, and friends who allow us to do what we do.

— Claudia Kent
Clockwise from left: aerial view of the Duck Pond; students earning PE credit plant a tree along Coursey Road; Haverford Division III athletes plant trees along the College Lane allée; the Nature Trail reopened to the community after a year and a half of COVID lockdowns.

ARBORETUM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members at Large
Luke Hamilton
Kristen Henwood
Austin Huber ’19
Marc Inver ’71
Emily Pickering
Doug Ross ’69
Mathew Voci ’83
Holly Wilson
Alan Wood

Staff Representatives
Sally Anderson, plant curator
Don Campbell, director of facilities management
Jennie Kelly, program coordinator
Claudia Kent, Arboretum director
Jesse Lytle, vice president and chief of staff
Madison Tillman ’18, Haverfarm manager

Student Representatives
Nicholas Lasinsky ’23
Julie Rebh ’22
Abigail Russano ’24
Michelle Tran ’23
COMMUNITY Programs

The Arboretum’s community outreach has expanded and adapted. Our program may look a little different now, but with virtual, hybrid, and in-person offerings, we can interact and engage with a broader audience.

• We offered on-campus programming at no cost to students, including campus tours, tree planting events, pumpkin carving, a lamp-making workshop, and a wide array of horticultural lectures.
• We launched a new electronic newsletter, “The Scoop,” to deliver timely updates to our advisory committee.
• We hosted more than 50 virtual, hybrid, and in-person nature-based programs, exploring a variety of topics from arboriculture to vermicomposting.
• We grew our social media database, expanding our Instagram followers by 12 percent and adding more than 200 new subscribers to our email platform.
• We provided more than 30 tours to local schools, community groups, campus organizations, and classes. This is a new record and we couldn't have been more thrilled to welcome our visitors back to campus!
THANK YOU

The Arboretum relies on philanthropy to preserve and grow our historic collections, steward the land, and engage communities on and off campus. Thank you to the members and benefactors whose generosity supported our mission during the 2021–22 fiscal year.
The Haverfarm experienced exciting changes this year. Student farmers and volunteers worked together to build new raised beds for the redesigned Haverford College Apartments (HCA) garden, including an accessible, U-shaped bed that will be used in future educational programs. Our summer farmers experimented with hosting weekly HCA Garden stands—and they were a hit! Additionally, the farm established two new honeybee hives and partnered with Haverford’s Bee Club to plant a pollinator garden. Student farmers also transformed the former pumpkin patch in the orchard into a flourishing perennial herb garden.

The Haverfarm hosted 37 workshops and educational programs, 33 volunteer workdays, and 268 open hours, as well as harvesting about 1,300 pounds of produce. Shipley School seniors donated 325 hours to Haverfarm maintenance, and nearly 400 area students toured the Haverfarm. In addition to holding weekly farm stands, the farm donated produce to the Ardmore Food Pantry and the Nest, our campus food pantry for First-Generation/Low-Income (FLI) students.

Future projects include continued work in the HCA garden to promote a welcoming community space; creating art and educational signage for the farm and garden; and year-long partnerships with Friends School Haverford and Asian Arts Initiative of Philadelphia.

“I’ve enjoyed everything so far, but the best part is when I get my hands dirty! Growing and sharing food are my passions, and so whenever I’m on the farm, my mood is instantly lifted.”

—MARIKA HAYASHIGATANI ’25
Opposite page: student farmers work in the newly constructed high tunnel. Clockwise from right: planting crops on the Haverfarm; the Farm Stand makes a regular Friday appearance in summer; sowing seeds for the year’s vegetable crops; a truck load of compost arrives for the farm.
SPECIAL Projects

We continued to expand the Woolman Walk landscape along the Nature Trail, adding 32 Hamamelis (witch hazel) to our impressive collection and planting more than 1,200 bulbs.

We upgraded the Woodside Cottage outdoor classroom, which became an increasingly popular learning and gathering space during the pandemic, with new trees, shrubs, and perennials.

The Class of 1966 Grove was dedicated in May. Anchored by four benches crafted by Bok Read ’66 from trees felled on campus, the grove provides a new space for reflection, gatherings, and small performances near the Strawbridge Observatory.

Arboretum Explorer

Let our searchable online tool be your guide to new additions and old favorites. Arboretum Explorer allows you to follow themed tours, find dedicated trees and benches, and locate highlights of our collection.

haverford.arboretumexplorer.org
Haverford students form deep ties to the Arboretum, beginning with the plant giveaway for first-year students. Our campus serves as a living laboratory for academic programs and an inspiring environment for learning and recreation. Students can even earn physical education credits by working on the land.

Student Workers

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“Getting to work with the four horticulturalists is the best. They are some of my favorite people on campus, and I’ve learned so much from each of them. They make it a joy to come to work in the morning!”

—NICK LASINKY ‘23

“I so appreciate being able to work with my hands, and having worked with the Arboretum, I have been able to develop a meaningful connection to the campus. I always enjoy chatting with and learning from our wonderful and knowledgeable horticulturalists.”

—CLARA BOSSI ‘25

“I love how there is always a new project for me to work on! I really enjoy taking pictures of plants and wildlife on campus for the Arboretum.”

—SARINA SMITH ‘23

“Aside from just working outside and having the chance to connect with the Arboretum, my favorite part of the job is the variety. I arrive without knowing what the day will bring, whether we will be raking, weeding, planting, pruning, or any other number of activities. I love that no two shifts are the same.”

—CEANNE LYON ‘23
GROUNDS

Our tireless grounds crew mows countless miles of grass and removes tons of snow each year. They repair the Nature Trail, maintain lawns and athletic fields, fight invasive weeds, and keep the campus accessible, safe, and beautiful for the community and visitors to enjoy.

Arboretum and Grounds Personnel

Sally Anderson, plant curator
Charles Bone, horticulturist
Sean Camilleri, groundskeeper
Charlie Jenkins, horticulturist
Jennie Kelly, program manager
Claudia Kent, Arboretum director
Mike Pavlikowski, groundskeeper
Tim Rodgers, groundskeeper
Len Sides, equipment mechanic
Reilly Sipia, intern
Michael Startup, horticulturist
David Tierney, groundskeeper
Madison Tillman ’18, farm manager
Wayne Troop, grounds manager
Carol Wagner, horticulturist
Oral Williams, groundskeeper

SUMMER INTERNSHIP

Our newly launched summer program allows college students to gain hands-on experience with grounds maintenance and horticulture, as well as to learn about a wide variety of plant specimens.

I am a senior at the University of Delaware, pursuing a B.S. in environmental science with a concentration in geoscience and a minor in environmental soil science. Being an intern at the Arboretum and grounds department allowed me to explore real-world applications of environmental science and horticulture. Applying my knowledge in a hands-on setting has given me a solid foundation of skills that I can take with me into the workforce.

One of my favorite projects was mapping mulch beds using GPS and Geographic Information System (GIS) software for the online Arboretum Explorer, which expanded my working knowledge of a program in which I hope to receive a post-graduate certificate. Thank you to everyone who helped me feel welcome and shared their expertise during this once-in-a-lifetime experience.

—REILLY SIPIA UD ’23

Clockwise from top right: Grounds Manager Wayne Troop; the hard-working Grounds crew; Summer Intern Reilly Sipia.
VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are essential to the success of Haverford College Arboretum. From maintaining garden beds, to conducting Arboretum outreach and providing a helping hand at our festivals and events, we rely on our volunteers to keep the Arboretum running smoothly. Haverford students, community members, local schools, and corporate groups are all welcome to help at both the Arboretum and Haverfarm during the active growing season, April through October.

This year, our volunteers have been involved in pulling invasives from the Nature Trail head, planting our VCAM rain garden, maintaining Hilles Courtyard and the Asian Gardens, and planting bulbs along the Woolman Walk.

To join us, please visit: haverford.edu/arboretum/support/volunteer

Left: A Magellan Health corporate group helps build a holding nursery; Sacred Heart Academy student volunteers tackle invasives at the Trailhead.

Volunteer Hours by Arboretum Constituents

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Total Hours 878

Plant

Many of our trees were established by donors to honor special events and people. A minimum gift of $2,000 helps purchase and care for a 5’–10’ tree.

Adopt

A tree that has already been planted may be adopted and dedicated with a minimum gift of $1,000. Both new and adopted trees may be labeled with a brief inscription of your choosing.

Grow Your Legacy

Learn how to leave a lasting legacy through your estate or retirement plans.

Contact us at arbor@haverford.edu for help selecting an appropriate living gift.

(610) 896-1329 or plannedgiving@haverford.edu

Back cover image: Bob Read ’66 crafted custom benches from downed oak trees on campus.
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JOIN US
As a member of the Haverford College Arboretum Association, you'll connect with a community of members and volunteers who treasure our 216-acre landscape. Your support fuels the resilience and growth of the Arboretum.

Check out the benefits, choose your package, and join or renew your membership at:

haverford.edu/arboretum/membership

The Arboretum relies on volunteers for many projects. Contact us at arbor@haverford.edu or (610) 896-1102.

See what’s happening at the Arboretum and sign up for our emails at:

hav.to/trees