



the allegheny
ARBORETUM

at INDIANA UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA

ANNUAL REPORT - 2007-2008



THIS REPORT

summarizes the activities of the ALLEGHENY ARBORETUM BOARD from JULY 1, 2007, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008, AND PRESENTS SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO PURSUE IN THE COMING FISCAL YEAR.

*“a SOCIETY GROWS GREAT
WHEN OLD MEN PLANT TREES
WHOSE SHADE THEY KNOW
THEY SHALL NEVER SIT IN.”*

-GREEK PROVERB





GREETINGS:

It is a pleasure to write to you, share with you a bit of news about the Allegheny Arboretum at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and provide some snapshots (actual and metaphorical!) of our ongoing and future activities.

This is an exciting time for the university and the Indiana community. Several projects (IUP's Residential Revival, new IUP Performing Arts Center, Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Complex, Elm Street Project, revitalization of Jimmy Stewart Boulevard and Mack Park, Downtown Indiana revitalization, and the addition to the Indiana Regional Medical Center) when complete will result in positive, long-lasting changes that will create a "new look" to Indiana.

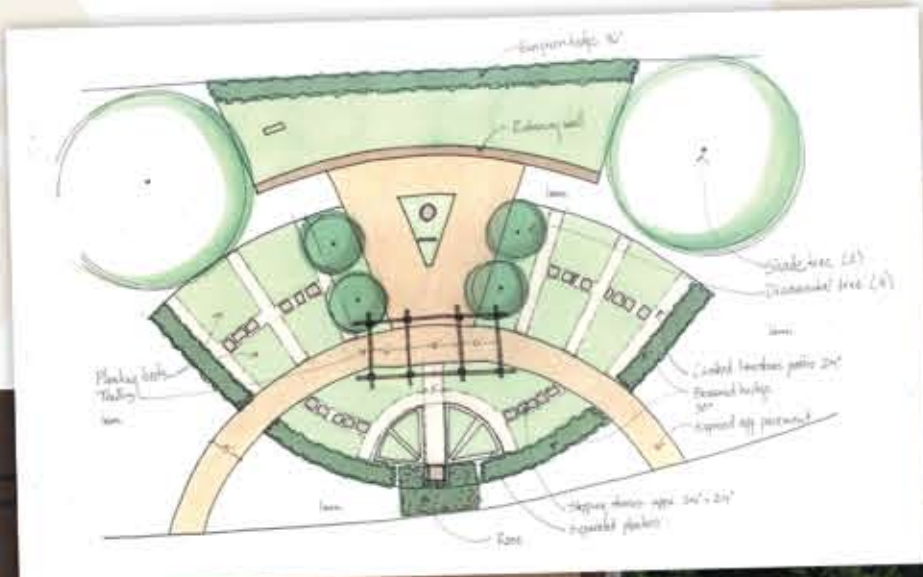
The arboretum board recognizes that this is also a critical time concerning the future of the Allegheny Arboretum. It is important that as the infrastructure undergoes change, the green spaces also need to be addressed and included in the rejuvenation of IUP and the Indiana community. In the coming year, two projects will have an impact on the future status of the university's green spaces. First, in the spring the Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation will publish the Campus Heritage Report on IUP's historic buildings and landscapes. The report will give a historic review of landscapes and buildings created before 1950 and will provide suggestions for their preservation and renovation. Second, an updated IUP Facilities Master Plan will be developed that will for the first time include a comprehensive university landscaping plan. Together, these two documents will provide guidance in the preservation and management of the university's green spaces. The documents, although not an Arboretum Master Plan, will help the arboretum board and the university in the development of the Allegheny Arboretum at IUP.

I hope you enjoy reading this issue of the arboretum annual report. I wish to express my gratitude to the many of you who have reached into your pocketbooks and generously provided support to the arboretum. As you may realize, the Allegheny Arboretum is an ongoing project that will continue to evolve as part of the university and the Indiana community. It is a privilege to be part of this endeavor.

There are many ways in which you can help us succeed; toward this end, we have included for your use a form on the last page of the report. I thank you in advance for your support! On this or any other matter, please feel free to contact me by telephone, letter, or e-mail. Until the next report, please stay in touch.

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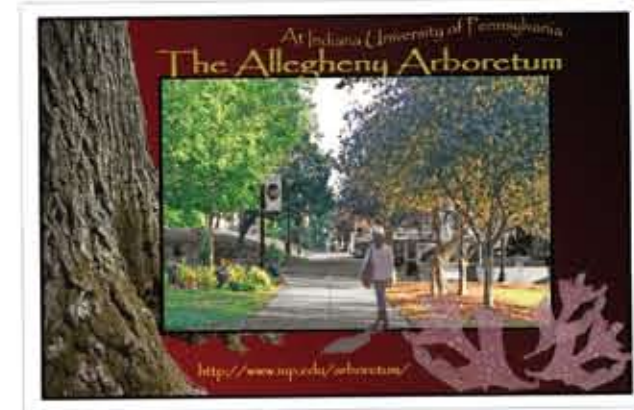


HERITAGE

1 Plans have been completed and construction has begun on the Heritage Garden, which will replace the former Touch and Smell Garden that was demolished for construction of the new housing complex on the former location of Gordon Hall. Members of the arboretum board and the Evergreen Garden Club worked with La Quatra Bonci Associates to complete the garden design. The garden is located on the south side of the new housing suites. Planting of the garden began during the summer of 2008 and will continue until the spring of 2009. Highlights of the garden include replacement of the original fountain, repair and replacement of the sundial, inclusion of plants salvaged from the Touch and Smell Garden, construction of a trellis, replacement of the sculpture "God of the Garden," and the addition of benches. A ribbon-cutting celebration will mark the official opening of the garden. Funding for the garden was included as part of Phase II of the Residential Revival project.

2 The *Map and Guide to the Living Collection* of labeled trees on campus was updated, because additional trees were removed during Phase II of the Residential Revival project. A total of seven labeled trees have been eliminated from campus. There are plans to replace the lost tree species with future plantings. Changes in the tree guide can be obtained at the arboretum's website. Information about the guide was included in the *Keystone Gardener*, the official publication of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania.

3 Student Projects: Dr. Dennis Ausel from the Communications Media Department had his Electronic Imaging class create posters that could be used for marketing the arboretum.





PLANTINGS

4 Due to widespread construction on the main campus, only one tree (Scarlet Oak-*Quercus coccinea*) was planted there to celebrate Earth Day and Arbor Day. Following arboretum policy, the tree was a replacement for a donor tree that had died. An additional twenty-three plants (four Serviceberry: *Amelanchier* sp.; six redbud: *Cercis Canadensis*; six crab apple: *Pyrus* sp.; seven winterberry: *Ilex verticullata*) were planted on the south campus. A total of thirty-four plants have been planted on the south campus over the past two years. Additional plantings on the south campus 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.



Mrs. Ruth Berry (Arboretum Board Member) Gregg Van Horn, Jerry Fulmer (both part of the Grounds Facilities at IUP)

5 The arboretum board was informed that the previously approved placement of the Arboretum Recognition Hall Display and the white oak cross-cut in Sutton Hall had been rejected. Dr. Robert Davies, vice president for University Relations and executive director of the Foundation for IUP, indicated that after discussing the board's proposal with individuals involved in the architectural design of Sutton Hall, along with the donor recognition procedures and practices, it was determined that our original plan, as presented, was not the ideal fit. However, he did approve a plan for the construction of an arboretum kiosk located on the west side of Sutton Hall that would include donor information, the white oak cross-cut, and information about the Allegheny Arboretum. A potential plan for the kiosk is being developed by board member Mr. Chris Weiland.

6 The Plant Design Review Committee met with representatives from La Quatra Bonci Associates to discuss landscaping plans for Phase III of the Residential Revival project. Phase III includes the new Sutton Suites (building G) located on the grounds cleared by the demolition of Esch and Wallace halls, and the Suites on Maple (building F), constructed on the site of the Campus Towers. The committee made a proposal to select vegetation that would create niche gardens associated with the new buildings to simulate different Pennsylvania plant communities. A mesic upland and moist lowland are the two plant communities selected by the committee. Phase IV of the housing project, which begins next year, will involve the destruction of Pechan Health Center and the Governor's Quad (Scranton, Lawrence, and Shafer). The PDR Committee will have some input into the initial plant selection associated with the new housing suites.





specific projects

7 Dr. Jerry Pickering, chairperson of the board, met with the Operations Committee of the IUP Student Cooperative Association to discuss the possibility of creating a dialogue between the two organizations to identify projects for the Co-op Recreation Area that would promote environmental education. A verbal communication from the Operations Committee indicated that the committee would consider "specific projects" submitted by the arboretum board. In the coming year, the board will consider possible educational projects to submit to the Operations Committee.

8 Ms. Bobbie Douglass in the office of the vice president for Administration and Finance became the arboretum's new webmaster. Revision of the arboretum's web site is in transition and ongoing. Check it out at www.iup.edu/arboretum.

9 Discussion continued on the creation of the Stouffer Hall Outdoor Learning and Teaching facility and the Culinary Herb Garden. Initial financial support for the Stouffer Hall project has been given by Dr. Mary Ann Rafoth, dean, College of Education and Educational Technology; the Allegheny Arboretum Board; and Dr. Cornelius Wooten, vice president for Administration and Finance.





WOOD - DRYING

10 Approval was given to construct the post-beam wood-drying building east of the IUP south entrance arch behind Robertshaw. The structure will be about twenty feet by forty feet and will include areas for drying cut timber and for storing the portable band-saw. The university will prepare a concrete floor, and students will construct the building under the supervision of Mr. Chris Weiland. It is anticipated that the structure will be completed by the end of the year and landscaping added in the spring. This will be a "green building," since it will be constructed of recycled wood from the university. It is hoped that an arboretum-related area will be added to the building in the future. This structure will be built through the cooperative efforts of the IUP Facilities Management Department, the Center for Turning and Furniture Design, and the Allegheny Arboretum Board.

11 Chairperson Pickering met with Mr. Ron Block representing the Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation. Mr. Block is responsible for the landscaping component of the IUP Campus Heritage Preservation Plan. By way of funding from the Getty Foundation, IUP's historic buildings and landscapes are being studied to ensure the preservation of the campus's rich history. The results of the study will be published in spring 2009.

12 The following changes occurred in the Allegheny Arboretum Board membership.

- Ms. Jennifer McIntire, director of Annual Giving, replaced Ms. Pam Fetterman, director of Donor Relations.
- Dr. Bharathan Narayanaswamy, a member of the Biology Department at IUP, left the board. He had been on the board since its creation in 2000.



13. Plaques were placed on the following donated benches. This brings the total to fifteen benches.

- Betty & Gealy Wallwork
- In Honor of Dr. Ronald A. Juliette, IUP Communications Media, Professor 1972-2004
- In Honor of Reschini Family for more than 70 years of service to the community

14. Budget Summary

- Balance – July 1, 2007: \$34,695.57
- Income - \$5,353.99
- Expenditures - \$4,747.81
 - Benches - \$3,272.15
 - Trees - \$642.00
 - Tree straps, plaques, and accession tags - \$641.35
 - Management fees - \$159.97
 - Welcome to Indiana membership - \$100.00
- Balance – June 30, 2008 - \$35,234.09



2008 - 2009

PROPOSED activities

- 1 Continue to cooperate with the IUP University Relations staff to solicit funds to support the development of the Allegheny Arboretum.
- 2 Work with IUP's Center for Turning and Furniture Design to coordinate the completion of the pole-beam wood-drying complex, the production and distribution of Recognition Wood Tiles engraved with the Allegheny Arboretum logo, and the development of a plan for construction of an Allegheny Arboretum kiosk near Sutton Hall.
- 3 Cooperate with the university on issues related to recommendations in the Campus Heritage Preservation Plan regarding landscaping on campus.
- 4 Complete the work with the Evergreen Garden Club of Indiana, the Foundation for IUP, La Quatra Bonci Associates, and the university in constructing the new Heritage Garden to replace the Touch and Smell Garden.
- 5 Continue to promote proposed plans for the Stapleton Plaisance, Stouffer Hall Outdoor Learning and Teaching Laboratory, and the Culinary Garden.
- 6 Work with the Foundation for IUP and La Quatra Bonci Associates in developing proposed landscaping plans for green spaces associated with the Residential Revival suites.

- 7 Continue to evaluate and revise the Allegheny Arboretum website.
- 8 Develop educational projects for the Co-op Recreational Area that will be submitted for approval to the Operations Committee of the IUP Student Cooperative Association.
- 9 Continue to promote the East Lawn Renovation and Restoration Project.
- 10 Continue to work with administrators, faculty, and students at IUP to promote arboretum-related projects.
- 11 Continue to update the *Map and Guide to the Living Collection* of labeled trees on the IUP campus.
- 12 Continue to cultivate contacts with local organizations.
- 13 Continue to develop ways to market the Allegheny Arboretum.
- 14 Continue to implement the goals and objectives of the Allegheny Arboretum.



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The Allegheny Arboretum at IUP continues to grow, but additional funding is needed in order to continue the efforts of the arboretum. Operating solely through private funding, the Allegheny Arboretum is grateful for the continued support of individuals, businesses, organizations, and foundations.

Since January 2000, the arboretum has planted, nurtured, and developed green spaces on the 341 acres of the IUP campus. The restoration and revitalization of the Oak Grove, planting trees and placing benches in recognition of friends, family, and loved ones, new niche gardens, and so much more has been accomplished through the efforts of everyone involved with the Allegheny Arboretum at IUP.

Your continued support helps to make the project list for 2008-2009 a reality. Your gift makes a difference. Each tree, each garden, each bench leaves a legacy of memories for students, families, friends, and the Indiana community!

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