Volunteer
Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania

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The Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania is an historic public garden and educational institution. It promotes an understanding of the relationship between plants, people, and place through programs that integrate science, art, and the humanities. The Arboretum conducts four major activities: education, research, outreach, and horticultural display. As the official Arboretum of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania provides research and outreach services to state agencies, community institutions and to citizens of Pennsylvania and beyond.

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Letter from the Editor

Hello all,

My name is Emily Clark and I'm excited to get to join you all as this year’s McLean Contributionship Endowed Education Intern. I want to say a warm thank you to Jennie Ciborowski for all the work she's done for the Arboretum as the 2017-2018 Education Intern. Many of you have already expressed your gratitude for Jennie's constant smile and patience– I know I have big shoes to fill!

The summer months always feel like new beginnings to me and I'm excited to spend this time in the garden with all of you. For those I’ve already met, and those I have yet to meet, please don’t hesitate to come say “hello.”

Here's to long days and warm weather.

Emily Clark  
The McLean Contributionship  
Endowed Education Intern
Notes from the Guides Chair

Summer is here at last – hope you are enjoying it. For me summer is a time to take a break from the hectic pace of the rest of the year and even squeeze in some time in for personal reflection. Lately, I have been thinking a lot about how I became interested in plants and gardening as my parents were neither gardeners nor nature lovers – they were too busy working in our family furniture business. My maternal grandparents, Julia and David Presslaff, however, were avid gardeners. Of course, it didn't hurt that they lived in Toms River, New Jersey where the sandy soil was ideal for growing flowers, fruits, and vegetables. I remember spending a lot of time in the flower garden helping my grandmother. My grandfather was the vegetable gardener and I regret not paying more attention to that endeavor – probably too much like work for a young child. Ironically, my 95 year old mother now gets very excited about both indoor and outdoor plants that my siblings and I bring her – she is almost like a little kid when something in her garden starts blooming. So, I guess my interest is not that hard to understand after all.

On another note: I wrote a poem for all of the guides that I read at Twilight and Peonies on May 31st. Several people asked me to submit it to Volunteer so here it is – hope you enjoy it!

The train has left the station on another fast paced year
I'm thrilled to see so many of your smiling faces here
So let's celebrate together for everything you do
A guide chair couldn't ask for a harder working crew

You all make giving tours seem like such a snap
No wonder that the kids never give us a bad rap
Instead I see kids of all ages smiling from ear to ear
From us you all deserve a super rousing cheer

But tours are not the only thing our guides choose to undertake
They create tours, recruit and train “newbies” and sometimes even bake
And without them our specialty classes would never even run
Plus guide trips and gala parties would be so much less fun

When all is said and done, I think you get the drift
Working with all of you has truly been a gift
A talented group of guides – each with the magic touch
The bottom line from me to you is thank you all so much!!

Joan Kober
Chair of the Guides
Meet the New Interns

Jenny recently graduated from Temple University with a degree in horticulture. A Levittown, Pennsylvania native, Jenny decided to leave her job in digital marketing at the end of 2015 to pursue a career in horticulture. During her time as a Temple student, Jenny was very involved in the campus community, including the Pi Alpha Xi Horticulture Honor Society and the Landscape Architecture and Horticulture Association (LAHA). In her free time, Jenny enjoys gardening, floral design, traveling, hiking and exploring the many public gardens in and around Philadelphia.

Daniel Sax
The Walter W. Root Endowed Arborist Intern

Daniel is a recent graduate of Haverford College who gets far too excited about crafty word play and would rather be bare-foot. Growing up in Upstate New York, Dan could often be found trekking through the woods in awe of the endless adventure and enigma the outdoors offered. He is ecstatic to join the Morris Arboretum – a place where everyone is just as enamored and engaged with the mysteries of the natural world.
Meet the New Interns

Kristiana Bowman
The Alice & J. Liddon Pennock, Jr. Endowed Horticulture Intern

Kristiana is a recent graduate of Vassar College with a degree in religious studies and a correlate in Asian studies, where she completed a senior thesis on Indian secularism. Originally from Mountain Top, Pennsylvania, Kristiana is excited for the opportunity to explore Philadelphia and develop her skills in horticulture. Aside from gardening, Kristiana’s interests include food and environmental justice, live music, meditation, creating zines, and playing ultimate frisbee.

Micah Christensen
The Charles S. Holman Endowed Rose & Flower Garden Intern

Micah is from just outside Philly in Lansdale. He graduated with a biology degree from Messiah College. At the Arboretum, Micah looks forward to gaining hands-on public garden experience while maintaining beautiful areas for visitors to de-stress. Besides growing plants, Micah enjoys running, hiking, and snowboarding.

Michael Cranney
The Hay Honey Farm Endowed Natural Lands Intern

Mike is native to the area, having grown up just outside the city in Hatboro, Pennsylvania. Recently, he graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a Master of Environmental Studies degree. As a lifelong lover of science and nature, Mike is excited for the opportunity to begin a career of environmental stewardship. Mike also has a passion for sports and movies.
Emily is a recent graduate of Reed College with a degree in environmental studies – history. A native of Goleta, California Emily is a long-term believer that there are certain lessons that can only be learned outside (as opposed to in the classroom) and she hopes to share her love of the outdoors with folks young and not-so-young. In her free time, you can find Emily strolling through museums, cooking, and dancing.

Amanda Wood
The Martha S. Miller Endowed Urban Forestry Intern

Amanda, originally from southern Illinois, is a recent graduate from the University of Pennsylvania with a Masters of Environmental Resource Management. She also holds an undergraduate degree in biology and French. Amanda believes that everyone can work together towards a common goal, especially in improving our environment. While at the Arboretum, she aims to improve her skills at assessing tree health along with helping people maintain their trees. During her free time, Amanda can be found reading, crocheting, or walking in the Wissahickon.

Emily Clark
The McLean Contributionship Endowed Education Intern

Emily is a recent graduate of Clemson University. He grew up in Lexington, South Carolina but spent most of his summers in New York City. He has had a life-long passion for plants and gardening, which led him to pursue a degree in horticultural sciences. While at the Arboretum, he hopes he will be able to advance his understanding of woody plant propagation. In his free time he enjoys participating in community service, cultivating mushrooms, and east coast swing dancing.

Vincent Galatolo
The Martha J. Wallace Endowed Plant Propagation Intern

Vincent is a recent graduate from Clemson University. He grew up in Lexington, South Carolina but spent most of his summers in New York City. He has had a life-long passion for plants and gardening, which led him to pursue a degree in horticultural sciences. While at the Arboretum, he hopes he will be able to advance his understanding of woody plant propagation. In his free time he enjoys participating in community service, cultivating mushrooms, and east coast swing dancing.
Volunteer Workshops and Opportunities

Great Trees Tour

Saturday, July 7\textsuperscript{th} | 11:00 a.m. | Widener Terrace

Learn more about some of the finest specimens in the Arboretum’s collection of magnificent trees. See old trees, trees from far away continents, and trees native to Pennsylvania.

First Wednesday Workshops

12:30 p.m. | Widener Terrace

Join us the first Wednesday of every month for exciting workshops, talks, and tours.

July 11\textsuperscript{th} | Shelley Dillard - Behind the Scenes in the Greenhouse
August 1\textsuperscript{st} | Vince Marrocco - Current Happenings in the Garden

Meet Our New Education Intern

Tuesday, July 10\textsuperscript{th} | 10:00 a.m. | Upper Gallery

Have you ever dreamed of flying through the skies at speeds greater than the speed of sound? Remember the French Concorde, and wondered why the United States never developed such an aircraft?

Join our new Education Intern, Emily Clark, for a talk about airplanes, sonic booms, and supersonic transportation.
Continuing Education

Yoga in the Garden: Enchanted Evenings
Jennifer Schelter, Artist, Founder, The Radiant Retreat
Tuesday, July 10, 17, 24, 31 | 7:00 - 8:15 p.m.

Join Jennifer Schelter, one of Philadelphia’s premier yoga teachers, for a series of Vinyasa (flow-style) yoga in the incredible beauty of summer nights at the Morris Arboretum. Please bring a yoga mat and wear comfortable clothes. Meet at the Visitor Center.

Lecture: What a Warming World Means for Pest Outbreaks
Dr. Mark Raupp, Prof. of Entomology, University of Maryland
Wednesday, October 10 | 2:00 pm

How does global warming affect us and other creatures on earth? Join internationally recognized expert Mike Raupp as he reviews evidence for and possible causes of climate change. See how warmer temperatures alter the geographic ranges of insect pests, their seasonal life cycles, and interactions among plants, animals that eat plants, and their natural enemies.

Volunteer price: $7.00

Volunteers who have worked over 30 hours during the past year may take Morris Arboretum classes at a discounted price. Please refer to the Volunteer Price Spreadsheet in the Education Office for a complete list of volunteer class pricing. To sign up for a class please call (215) 247-5777 ext. 125.
From the Archives
by Joyce H. Munro

LURE OF LOG CABIN
John T. Morris of Quaker City Seeks Quietness and Seclusion in One
on His Estate in Chestnut Hill

Philadelphia.—The boyish fancy for building a log cabin and playing Indian is being exemplified
in children of a larger growth. On many of the estates of rich men log cabins are being built.
Thus in a secluded corner of the estate of John T. Morris at Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, a tiny log
cabin has been erected.

The interior consists of only one small room, neatly furnished in conventional log cabin style,
with a Navajo blanket on the floor and a few simple articles of furniture. Here the owner of the
mansion and its big grounds retires to read when he has a fancy for complete isolation.

A little rustic bridge leads across a brook in front of the little cabin, and in fine weather the
owner of the cabin can sit on a tiny porch and listen to the rippling water and be happy in
complete seclusion and quietude, far from the big house and free from the annoyance of such
modern demons of unrest as the telephone.

The Antioch News, Antioch, Illinois, 8 January 1914, page 7
(and in newspapers across the nation that month!)

See more photos of the log cabin here
Garden Highlights

Amorphophallus bulbifer
voodoo lily
Outside of Fernery

Rosa ‘Green Ice’
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Rose Garden

Spigelia marilandica
Indian pink
Oak Allée

Iris ensata ‘Crystal Halo’
crystal halo Japanese iris
Outside Rose Garden
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Upcoming Events

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