

## Benjamin Franklin Garden Committee Accomplishments 2017

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1. The Committee held a successful fundraiser at the Sachsenheim Hall
2. The Garden hosted several educational classes
3. The Garden was a stop on Pedal for Prizes
4. The Garden hosted the Ice Cream Social in July
5. The Garden hosted a Harvest Picnic in September
6. The Garden hosted a successful clam bake in September
7. A number of tours of the Garden were requested and all were accommodated
8. A number of volunteer groups were hosted to maintain the grounds. Service hours were provided by Make a Difference (MAD) Club, Gateway Church, and Key Bank. MAD Club sponsored 20 hunger center plots.
9. The Garden received a red ribbon at the Cuyahoga County Fair
10. Two replacement tires were purchased for the tractor and the seat was repaired
11. A new tool wall was built in the shed
12. Green and brown holding bins were built for the holding of compostable materials
13. Food donations reached 5,850 pounds for local hunger centers
14. Several rhododendron and a dog wood were planted behind the hugelkultur
15. Three blueberry bushes were planted in the berry patch
16. Several trees/branches were removed due to storm damage
17. The Garden's bees produced many pounds of honey
18. A honey extractor was purchased
19. A winter cover crop was planted to help with winter erosion
20. The Garden became a National Wildlife Federation *Certified Wildlife Habitat*®