

WHAT'S NEW IN THE GARDEN?

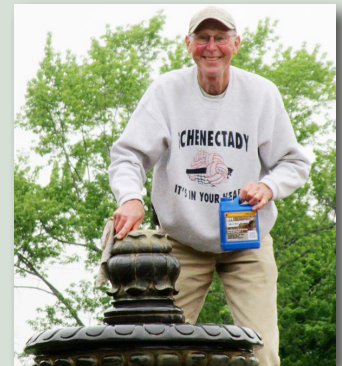


The Rose Garden's pergola, the last project in the RGRC's master plan, was completed in summer, 2017. Funding for the pergola was provided through the generous financial support from Mr. Charles Carl, Jr. and the Carlilian Foundation, as well as from individual donors.

The pergola provides a stunning backdrop to our garden and will surely be the scene of many weddings, community gatherings and photo shoots.

FAREWELL TO A WONDERFUL VOLUNTEER

The Rose Garden Restoration Committee lost a dedicated board member and volunteer with the passing of Larry Matura in April, 2017. Larry and his wife, Yolanda, were RGRC board members since its inception in 1995. Larry's meticulous attention to detail and cheerful willingness to tackle just about any project in the Rose Garden will be sorely missed. Last fall, a garden bench, made possible by donations from Larry's volleyball buddies, was dedicated in his honor.



A LASTING GIFT



Dede Cummings Andersen, left, and her mother, Libby Cummings

The RGRC was very surprised to receive a bequest from the estate of Dede Cummings Andersen to honor her dear mother Elizabeth "Libby" Murphy Cummings. The gift is a tribute to her mother's love of roses and the Rose Garden. A bench will be installed in the garden in memory of Libby and to recognize the generous donation of the Cummings Andersen estate.

A LOVELY DAY IN THE GARDEN

We held a Garden Party in June for our 22nd Annual Fundraiser. Beautiful summer weather, great music, and a terrific buffet provided all the ingredients for a perfect day.

