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Missouri Botanical Garden Annual Report 2009

"To discover and share knowledge about plants and their environment in order to preserve and enrich life." -mission of the Missouri Botanical Garden

SUSTAINABILITY: Green for the Next 150 Years

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n 1859, the year Henry Shaw opened the Missouri Botanical Garden to the public, the world's population was approximately 1.2 billion. One hundred fifty years later, that number has skyrocketed to nearly 7 billion. Based on current projections, by 2050 the population will have ballooned to 9 billion.

Though our population has increased,

the planet isn't getting any bigger. We are competing for increasingly scarce natural resources and using them in ways that cannot be maintained over time without causing irreparable harm to our world. Using and safeguarding those resources responsibly is more and more vital.

Sustainability—meeting the needs of the current generation without compromising the resources available to future generations—is the foundation of the strategic plan the Garden adopted in late 2007. Whether it's safeguarding Madagascar's endangered hardwood tree species during political instability or striving to eliminate disposable plastic water bottle use on Garden grounds, sustainability is the principle that underscores every aspect of the Garden's operations. Because of its commitment to sustainability, the Garden is considered a leading resource on the topic by corporations and governments at the local, national, and global levels. In 2009, the Garden's EarthWays Center was part of the winning team that earned the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' contract for management of *Energize Missouri Communities*, the state's

energy efficiency for municipalities program. Visitors to the Garden learned how to make more sustainable choices through the *EarthWays: Living the Green Life* exhibit, while the Garden advanced its own sustainable operations by pursuing LEED

certification for the Monsanto Center. And continuing to prove that you don't have to consume trees to save trees, the Garden's *Get Growing* education catalog is now available exclusively online, and members can opt to receive their *Bulletin* member magazine electronically.

All life on Earth depends on plants for survival, but our actions are causing them to vanish at ever-increasing rates. Wise and careful stewardship of our natural resources, both locally and around the world, will be key to ensuring the health and diversity of plants in the decades to come.



150TH ANNIVERSARY MEDAL

In 2009, a new medal in honor of the 150th anniversary of the Garden was commissioned. The design by Charles P. Reay, creator of the Garden's logo, celebrates the history of the Garden through two of its truly iconic buildings: the Linnean House and the Climatron[®]. The nine plants pictured—sassafras, Engelmann spruce, saguaro, water lilies, evening primrose, fringe moss, milkweed, ragwort, and corn—represent scientific discovery and have featured prominently in Garden history or research.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we celebrate the Missouri Botanical Garden's 150th anniversary, we can look to the future with cautious optimism. Certainly, we face challenges that our founder, Henry Shaw, could not have foreseen.

By the end of this century, half of the estimated 400,000 species of plants could be extinct in nature. The challenge to botanical gardens around the world has never been greater: to discover, document, and preserve the world's vanishing flora—before global climate change and human environmental damage have crossed an irreversible line.

The reason for doing this is clear: plants are the basis of human life. Through the extraordinary process of photosynthesis, the abundant flow of energy from the sun is converted into the foundational requirements for human existence food, clothing, shelter, fuel, medicine and, over the course of billions of years, oxygen.

In the Garden's ongoing efforts to ensure plants' and our own continued survival, we owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to Nicholas Reding, the outgoing

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

In 2009, the Missouri Botanical Garden celebrated being "Green for 150 Years." Since its opening in 1859, the Garden has been a hub of research, education, and great beauty for the region and the world. Our yearlong sesquicentennial celebration under the leadership of trustee Scott Schnuck renewed the public's interest in and commitment to this institution.

This year has also been important in the evolution and fulfillment of the Garden's strategic plan, adopted in December 2007. The goals set forth in this document will serve to guide the Garden for the next several years as we continue to be a leader as well as an example of sustainability.

The year was not without its challenges, however. The impact of continuing downward financial pressures due to the economy were felt at the Garden, requiring staff and the board to make some difficult decisions to assure a stable future.

In 2010, Dr. Peter H. Raven will have presided over the Missouri Botanical Garden for nearly 40 years. During his tenure, the Garden has been transformed into one of the top three botanical institutions in chairman of the Board of Trustees. In this past year he has not only provided skilled leadership during a time of uncertain economic pressures, but he has also helped spearhead the search for the next president of the Garden, who will lead the institution into its next 150 years.

For nearly 40 years, it has been my privilege to build on Shaw's dream. Today, the work of Missouri Botanical Garden botanists throughout the world provides a basis for effective conservation and sustainable use. Garden horticulturists design plant displays that inspire us all with their beauty and diversity. Garden educators work to instill a love of nature in children so they will become concerned adults—our future botanists and environmentalists.

All life on Earth depends on plants, and we must protect them to save ourselves.

Poter H. Raven

Peter H. Raven, President of the Missouri Botanical Garden

the world. The search for his successor has been an intensive two-year process; there has been much excitement that Dr. Peter Wyse Jackson, head of the National Botanic Gardens, Dublin, will succeed Dr. Raven as president of the Garden on September 1, 2010.

In January 2010, the chairmanship of the Board of Trustees transferred to Arnold Donald. With Vice Chairs Steve Maritz and Cheryl Morley, he will provide the leadership to continue Henry Shaw's example of stewardship, and he will have the assistance of the many members and friends whose generosity provides such critical support.

"For all time for the public good"—founder Henry Shaw's words guide us as we continue the important work of the Garden: protecting biodiversity, promoting sustainability, and educating future generations about the singular importance of plants.

Nicholas J. Reing

Nicholas L. Reding, *Chairman of the Board of Trustees*





Science and Conservation Striving to Protect the Next 150 Years

he Missouri Botanical Garden opened at a pivotal moment in history: 1859, the same year that Darwin's *On the Origin of Species...* debuted. From its inception, the Missouri Botanical Garden was conceived as a place of research, learning, and beauty. Since 1971, under the leadership of Dr. Peter H. Raven, the Garden's scientific explorations have grown dramatically. Today, the Garden has 46 Ph.D. scientists collaborating in 38 countries around the globe, working to fulfill the Garden's mission: "to discover and share knowledge about plants and their



On the Machinaza Plateau in Ecuador, Garden scientists are studying several species of plants found nowhere else in the world. As global climate change leads lower-elevation species to migrate to higher ground, the plants already on this plateau will face greater competition and potential extinction in the coming decades. environment in order to preserve and enrich life." Their work is often daunting...and even dangerous.

The year 2009 was an exceptionally challenging year for Madagascar, where the Garden maintains its largest in-country program with over 50 Malagasy staff. A coup and

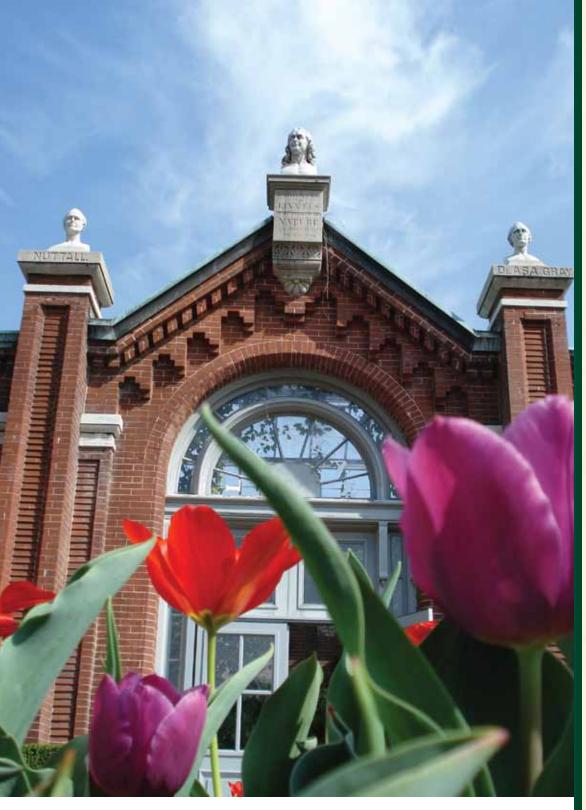
the resulting political instability led to a dramatic increase in illegal exploitation of Madagascar's forests. Many species of rare rosewood and ebony unique to Madagascar are now at the brink of extinction. Roving and violent lumbermen hunted endangered lemurs for food while they illegally harvested these woods. The Garden joined forces with conservation organizations around the world in an effort to combat this destruction through raising public awareness and international pressure, but restoring stability and preserving biodiversity will take a sustained commitment for years to come.

A new program in the tiny island nation of São Tomé showed promise. The

government had no previous experience in "bioprospecting" their unique flora, but with the Garden's help, they negotiated an agreement with the National Cancer Institute that protects their intellectual property rights and provides equitable benefit sharing, conditions that all Garden scientists must fulfill before beginning field work with local partners. After the Garden's Madagascar-based researcher Richard Randrianaivo trained native São Toméans in required field work techniques, they collected over 65 different species unknown to science for screening as potential drugs to fight cancer and HIV.

Around the world, Garden curator David Neill and his colleagues and students in Ecuador are studying the impact of climate change on plants and seeking ways to help vulnerable species survive in the coming decades. Historical records and old photographs show that the glaciers on the Andean volcanoes have retreated during the past 200 years as the climate has warmed. Preliminary evidence suggests that high-elevation plants have migrated upward, and face stiff competition and an eventual dead-end. Garden researchers in Costa Rica, Bolivia, Peru, Tibet, and Vietnam are discovering the same impacts while cataloging new species by the dozens. Their research helps provide documentation for future conservation. But will it help in time?

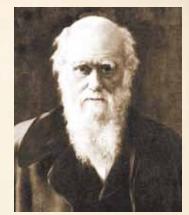
Today's botanists confront conditions that Shaw and his colleagues might never have imagined. Through agricultural methods, industrialization, and urbanization, we have profoundly altered the ecosystems we live in and depend upon. **Within the next 100 years, one in two plant species may become extinct.** Twentyfive percent of medicines are based on plant compounds. What potential new medicines might we lose?



"...for the use of the public...a Botanical garden easily accessible...forever kept up...and a museum and library devoted to the same and to the science of Botany, Horticulture, and allied objects."

-Henry Shaw, Last Will and Testament (1889)





Charles Darwin

Documenting Darwin

Among the Garden's treasures is a small collection of Darwin-related material. They include Asplenium dareoides, a small fern specimen Darwin collected on December 30, 1834, in Cerro Tres Montes, Chile, during the voyage of the HMS Beagle. He wrote a three-page letter to the eminent English naturalist and paleobotanist, Professor William Crawford Williamson, in 1846 to discuss South American fossils. Most celebrated is the Garden Library's first edition of Darwin's On the Origin of Species..., one of only 1,170 copies of this edition in existence.

In building his garden, Henry Shaw consulted the best botanical minds of the day, including Dr. Asa Gray, professor of Harvard University, who is memorialized in stone atop the Linnean House. English naturalist Thomas Nuttall is at left. At center is Carl Linnaeus, the Swedish inventor of the binomial naming convention, considered the "Father of Taxonomy." The Linnean House is named in his honor.

Science and Conservation Building the Foundation for Preservation

ystematics is the study of the diversity of life, both past and present, and the relationships among living things through time. Taxonomy is the closely related field of naming and classifying organisms. Considered together, systematics and taxonomy provide the groundwork



The Caucasus Mountains are situated between two continents and span six countries. The Garden hosted an international symposium in October to discuss the evolution of the region's endangered plants to form the basis for conservation plans. for understanding all of biodiversity, and they have been at the center of research at the Missouri Botanical Garden since the beginning.

Shaw's local scientific advisor, Dr. George Engelmann, published several important botanical monographs, and the first scientific paper in the Garden's *Annual Report* was a revision of the North American genus of

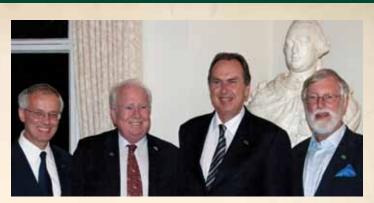
willow-herbs (*Epilobium*) by Director William Trelease, who helped establish the Garden as a center of systematic botany. Today, the *Annals of the Missouri Botanical Garden*, as it is known, is a journal of systematic botany and taxonomy recognized as one of the world's premier scientific publications, and the Garden hosts an annual systematics symposium. Without scientific documentation, plants are unlikely to be subjected to routine analysis for medicinal or other useful properties and they are unlikely to be included in conservation plans for the future.

In October, the Missouri Botanical Garden hosted an international symposium on plant conservation in the Caucasus, a hostilitytorn region with a very diverse, important flora. The Garden invited scientists from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Iran, Russia, and Turkey to come to the U.S. to discuss the cooperative creation of a list of endangered plants. Political tensions are still high, but work is in progress on the list right now. As the Garden's associate curator Dr. Tatyana Shulkina put it, "Plants know no borders." When completed, the list will become the basis for conservation plans.

Even in our own backyard, plants are endangered. The Garden's Dr. Matthew Albrecht has made several field trips to collect seeds of endangered plants unique to the American Midwest, including two federally endangered species as well as *Claytonia ozarkensis*, a newly described species that is known only from Arkansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma. This last species is part of the National Collection of Endangered Species of the Center for Plant Conservation, headquartered at the Garden.

Celebrating Milestones

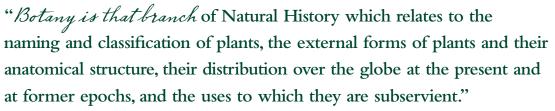
The Missouri Botanical Garden celebrated its sesquicentennial in 2009, but the Garden wasn't alone. Singapore Botanic Gardens celebrated 150 years as well, and the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, celebrated 250 years. During their anniversary symposium, Kew awarded their first-ever International Medal to Garden President Dr. Peter H. Raven for "distinguished, internationally recognised work."



At Kew's 250th anniversary celebration (from left): Sir Peter Crane (former Kew Director), Garden President Dr. Peter Raven, Dr. Stephen Hopper (current Kew Director), and Sir Ghillean Prance (Kew Director before Crane).



The Garden's sesquicentennial, *Green for* 150 Years, has proved the occasion for looking back in time. Botany is a historybased science. Old, rare books and specimens offer important information about which plants grew where and when, and what has been known about them over time. The Missouri Botanical Garden Library and Herbarium are among the finest botanical resources in the world. In July, the Institute of Museum and Library Services awarded a grant for a project to photograph rare and important herbarium specimens and share them on the Internet. Garden staff will scan and create an online public display of the Engelmann Herbarium, a collection of over 8,000 specimens gathered during George Engelmann's pioneering expeditions into the American West following those of Lewis and Clark. "They are the first scientific records of plants growing in the vast wilderness west of the Mississippi River," said Chris Freeland, the Garden's director of biodiversity informatics. "By scanning them, researchers all over the world may study them." Garden director Dr. William Trelease (right) collecting specimens by burro in Cerro Colorado, Tehuacán, Mexico, 1904. Since its founding, the Missouri Botanical Garden has been dedicated to botanical science. According to the will of founder Henry Shaw, the George Engelmann Professor of Botany at Washington University "shall be either the Director...or the person next to him in rank." Trelease went on a number of botanical trips, including the Harriman Expedition to Alaska in 1899. He authored several monographs, including one on giant cacti of Mexico.



-Henry Shaw, A Guide to the Missouri Botanical Garden (1885)



Community

150 Years of Fun

arden founder Henry Shaw loved a party. A frequent host of dinners and concerts, he created in the Missouri Botanical Garden a spectacular setting for public enjoyment. Visitors to the Garden were delighted by the improved welcome they received in 2009 following the main entrance construction project. Better traffic flow and



Sesquicentennial in honor of Henry Shaw's birthday in the Italian Garden west of the Palm House, 1950. Today the Climatron is located on this site.

trance now and safer pedestrian spaces were enjoyed along with a new display in the central median of over 1,500 giant, purple *Allium*.

In Shaw's day, visitors to the Garden were refreshed by drinking fountains. Today, staff, volunteers,

and visitors are encouraged to do so as well—and to use sustainable refillable water bottles rather than disposable plastic. Plastic bottled beverages are not sustainable: about 86 percent of empty bottles land in the garbage instead of being recycled. Refillable water bottles are now sold at the Garden Gate Shop, Sassafras, Terrace Café, and at the Whitaker Music Festival. All water at in-house meetings is served in reusable pitchers, and bottled water is no longer sold in vending machines.

Thanks to our presenting sponsor, Emerson, the Garden was able to offer the public an exciting yearlong celebration featuring the spectacular floral clock, special exhibits, lectures, and free events. In addition, the new "Healthy You, Healthy Planet" festival promoted the power of plants to heal. Attendance revenue increased for the Garden's three signature cultural events-Chinese Culture Days, Japanese Festival, and Best of Missouri Market®—as well as the annual orchid and holiday shows. The Whitaker Music Festival continues to prove one of the most popular outdoor music series in St. Louis. Even with two rain-outs, attendance was 55,924.

The Garden continues to enjoy one of the highest membership renewal rates of any cultural attraction in the country: 76 percent. Garden members in 2009 enjoyed expanded family programming with Eggstravaganza, Family Picnic, and Ghouls in the Garden. The Young Friends organization reached out to those in their 20s and 30s with a new Trivia Night and a return of the popular Fest-of-Ale. However, the biggest event of 2009 was undeniably the 150th anniversary gala, "The Garden Comes Alive."



"*Of all public resorts*, a garden is not only one of the most delightful mediums for intellectual gratification but also for amusement."

-Henry Shaw, A Guide to the Missouri Botanical Garden (1885)



The Garden Comes Alive

The Missouri Botanical Garden celebrated 150 years at a gala where performers appeared as statues, wrapped in ivy, and adorned as butterflies. The Garden thanks committee members, sponsors, donors, and guests for making the evening a success and for their contributions to support the Garden's next 150 years.

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HORTICULTURE Growing Shaw's Legacy

hen the young Henry Shaw first visited the prairie that would become the Missouri Botanical Garden, he spied a land "uncultivated, without trees or fences, but covered with tall luxuriant grass, undulated by the gentle breezes of spring." By the time Shaw began his project some 30 years later, he found a grove of sassafras there, which gave Tower Grove House its name. The grove of sassafras still stands near Shaw's mausoleum, but almost every other tree and shrub that visitors see was planted by Shaw and his gardeners.



In 2009, the Garden's Horticulture Division used coring to identify several trees that date back to Shaw's lifetime. In addition to the sassafras grove, there is a black gum (Nyssa sylvatica) from circa 1885 in what is today the Japanese Garden, an allée of Osage oranges (Maclura pomifera) circa 1850s in the Doris I. Schnuck Children's Garden, a bald cypress (Taxodium distichum) circa 1874

Above: Camellia japonica 'April Dawn' is one of several hardy new camellias being tested by Garden horticulture staff to see how they fare in winter conditions in St. Louis.

Opposite: Charles Fritz, left, and Claude Johnston, right, unload flowers for the 1953 Easter Show. near the Lehmann Building, and a ginkgo (*Ginkgo biloba*) circa 1884 near the Cleveland Avenue Gate House. In honor of the Garden's sesquicentennial, visitors could take a historythemed audio tour of the grounds, which included these trees, as well as "Shaw's Vegetable Garden," planted with heirloom varieties Shaw was known to have ordered based on a receipt in the Garden's Archives.

While preserving history, the Garden also continues to respond to the newest thinking in horticultural best practices. In 2009, a rain garden was installed at the William T. Kemper Center for Home Gardening. When a storm dumps buckets of rain, the landscape can become flooded, with most of the water running into the storm sewer from rooftops, driveways, and steep hillsides. Rain gardens capture this runoff, retaining it for absorption back into the soil and slowing its migration to rivers and streams. More than just functional, the new garden is beautiful in three seasons with over thirty varieties of plants.

Visitors to the Garden in February and March delight their senses with a stroll through the Linnean House, where over 50 different tender camellias are in peak flower. In addition, the Garden has been testing new hardy camellias outdoors to see if they will survive St. Louis winters. Camellia 'Winter's Joy,' 'Winter's Star,' and 'Snow Flurry' all managed to flower in the English Woodland Garden, even after being left uncovered in their second season. In addition, several cultivars of C. japonica—'Spring's Promise,' 'April Tryst,' 'April Snow,' and 'April Dawn'-have survived and flowered several winters. The 2009-2010 winter has featured record cold temperatures, so the Garden's horticulture team will be watching to see how these beautiful shrubs perform this spring.

The year 2009 was also a banner year for horticultural recognition. In June, the Missouri Botanical Garden hosted the American Public Gardens Association annual conference, which was attended by staff of other public gardens from around the country. In July, the Missouri Botanical Garden was awarded the prestigious Horticultural Landmark designation from the American Society for Horticultural Science. The honor is bestowed upon the highest tier of horticultural sites around the world—historical, scientific, aesthetic, or environmental sites selected for their horticultural excellence.

Today, "Shaw's Garden," as it is locally known, continues to be an oasis of beauty in the heart of the city—a place of relaxation and contemplation, but also learning and growth.



"The wisdom and goodness of God is shown in the growth of flowers, fruits, and other products of the vegetable kingdom."

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-Henry Shaw, Last Will and Testament (1889)

EDUCATION



Nearly 100,000 students from throughout the St. Louis region participate in the Garden's education programs each year.

A Greener Future

re our children spending enough time outside exploring and discovering nature? Will the next generation be inspired and equipped to tackle our planet's most pressing environmental challenges? Does our love of nature translate to our everyday behaviors and choices? The Missouri Botanical Garden is pursuing these questions and more as it strives to cultivate an appreciation and stewardship of plants and the natural world. Renowned as one of the world's leading botanical research institutions, the Garden also remains committed to founder Henry Shaw's simple wish: The "instruction of pupils shall be attended to."

Today, the Garden's Education Division offers instruction and enrichment to students and teachers, kids and families; horticultural therapy for senior citizens and special needs populations; and life-long learning programs for all. Garden educators teach on Garden grounds, offering drop-in programming for families at the Doris I. Schnuck Children's Garden and teacher professional development at the Commerce Bank Center for Science Education. They also go out into the community with field trips and camp experiences at the Shaw Nature Reserve, Sophia M. Sachs Butterfly House, EarthWays Center, and Litzsinger Road Ecology Center.



"To all classes of society, the old and the young...a garden may be considered an object of interest and of instruction."

-Henry Shaw, A Guide to the Missouri Botanical Garden (1885)

In 2009 Garden educators invited the public to experience *EarthWays: Living the Green Life* in the Brookings Interpretive Center. Created and sponsored by Maritz, this hugely popular interactive exhibit explored technology and ideas for sustainable living. Visitors took a virtual ride through winding trails and became a "power plant," generating their own electricity.

The first-ever *Power of Plants* contest drew hundreds of entries. The contest challenged individuals and groups in kindergarten through grade 12 to creatively tell the story of an amazing plant "superhero" through a two- or three-dimensional work of art. The grand prize winner, Lauren Epley from St. Francis of Assisi Middle School in St. Louis, won a \$1,000 savings bond for her innovative presentation on the vanilla bean plant. Her winning entry inspired the plant superhero mascot for the 2009–2010 contest.

In 2009, Science Alliance—a Boeingsupported collaboration between the Garden, St. Louis Zoo, and St. Louis Science Center—helped Mullanphy Elementary School increase its rate of teachers applying inquiry-based strategies, increase its student scores in (and enthusiasm for) science, and involve a greater number of families.

At the Litzsinger Road Ecology Center, a private educational and research facility in Ladue managed by the Garden, students learn to be ecological guardians of their own schoolyard or local park. Projects such as replacing invasive plants with native species, or stabilizing a stream bank with vegetation, set the next generation on a course toward sustainability. In 2009, with support from the National Science Foundation, Litzsinger staff worked with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to pilot a program with area schools in which students use handheld computers equipped with Global Positioning System receivers to solve environmental mysteries set in their local parks.

Students from area high schools also participated in field experiences in Missouri ecology, biodiversity, restoration, and protection of natural habitat as part of the Shaw Institute for Field Training (SIFT) at the Shaw Nature Reserve. SIFT is a partnership

between Washington University's Tyson Research Center and the Reserve funded by a five-year grant from the National Science Foundation. Students also participated in a monarch migration study by tagging six butterflies. This spring, they were delighted when one of the tagged monarchs was recovered in El Rosario, Mexico!

The Nature Explore ClassroomTM at the Shaw Nature Reserve celebrated its first anniversary in 2009, while the Nature Explore Classroom at the Garden turned two in June. Developed by the Arbor Day Foundation as a response to the growing disconnect between children and nature, these spaces feature hands-on activities using natural materials in creative ways. The Garden was the first botanical garden in the nation to incorporate a certified Nature Explore Classroom on its grounds.

Shaw imagined a place of learning at his Garden. Little did he imagine how far beyond his original efforts the Garden's education initiatives would reach 150 years later.



Students and instructors from the School of Gardening pose on the steps of Tower Grove House at graduation, 1917.

GREATER GARDEN The Garden's Family Tree

The Missouri Botanical Garden has grown beyond founder Henry Shaw's old stone walls at 4344 Shaw Boulevard in St. Louis. Three off-site attractions each complement the Garden's mission in their own unique way.

Earth Ways Center

Grandel Square St. Louis, MO (314) 577-0220 www.earthwayscenter.org

Shaw Nature Reserve

Highway 100 Gray Summit, MO (636) 451-3512 www.shawnature.org

Butterfly House

Faust Park Chesterfield, MO (636) 530-0076 www.butterflyhouse.org The Missouri Botanical Garden promotes sustainability through protection of biodiversity and sustainable use of the world's resources. At the Garden's EarthWays Center, visitors learn how to make more sustainable choices in their own lives. EarthWays offers environmental education for school children, including the popular Young Green Builders summer camp, and in 2009 expanded adult classes covering backyard chickens and beekeeping to rainwater harvesting. A fifth consecutive year of homeowner education and referrals advanced green residential choices. EarthWays serves as the headquarters of the U.S. Green Building Council's regional chapter, and in 2009 launched the new Sustainable Business Network. Missouri Coalition for the Environment again joined EarthWays to produce the 2009 Green Homes Festival. Presented by AmerenUE and ecolifeSTL.com, the festival attracted thousands of visitors.

The EarthWays Center has 10 full-time staff, assisted by 40 volunteers, under the leadership of Director Glenda Abney. Attendance in 2009 was 6,021.

At the Shaw Nature Reserve, visitors can get acquainted with the plants and ecosystems of Missouri. In 2009, partnership and programs continued to expand with the help of the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC). Shaw Nature Reserve and MDC cosponsor the Native Plant School and other Grow Native! activities along with Prairie Day and numerous programs for adults, families, and students.

Ground was broken in 2009 on the Environmental Support Complex at the

Reserve, an initiative of the *Stewards of the Earth* capital campaign. When complete, MDC education staff will join Reserve employees in this new energy-efficient space. In 2009, the Nature Explore ClassroomTM at the Reserve was expanded and enriched. Nestled under a grove of white pines, children can engage in all kinds of nature-centered creative play.

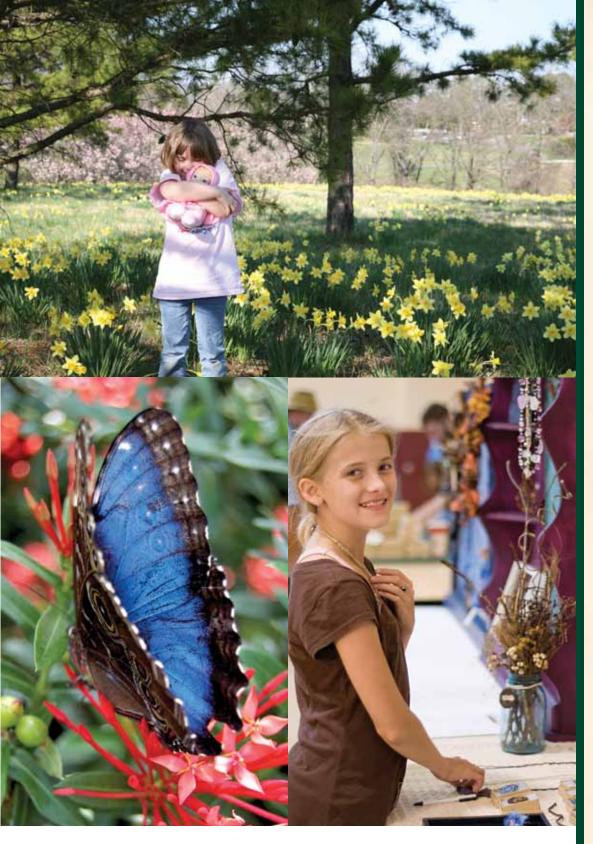
The Shaw Nature Reserve has 16 full-time staff, 4 parttime, assisted by 120 volunteers, under the leadership of Director John Behrer. Attendance in 2009 was 61,135.

At the Sophia M. Sachs Butterfly House in Chesterfield, the charismatic butterfly and other invertebrates are used to teach visitors about the connections between people, plants, and animals, and to illustrate the fragile balance that exists among them. New and returning events were key to increasing crowds in 2009. March Morpho ManiaTM was a huge success. Throughout the month, visitors to the tropical conservatory were immersed in more than 2,000 of the beautiful, iridescent blue morphos. They were also invited to learn about the Butterfly

House's conservation efforts in Costa Rica, the homeland of the morphos.

In October, the Butterfly House offered the first-ever Owl Outings, which included a tour of the tropical conservatory at twilight. The largest butterflies living in the tropical conservatory, the owls are active fliers at dawn and dusk.

The Sophia M. Sachs Butterfly House has 13 full-time staff, 11 part-time, assisted by 326 volunteers, under the leadership of Director Joe Norton. Attendance in 2009 was 149,496.





"A Tree is an object which has, at all periods, been held in a certain degree of admiration by mankind, from its grandeur, its beauty, and its usefulness..."

-Henry Shaw, A Guide to Trees and Shrubs (1830)



Art Takes Flight

Over 120 guests enjoyed great food, drinks, music, and the opportunity to bid on work from regional artists at the Butterfly House in September. The Garden thanks committee members, sponsors, donors, and guests for making the evening a success and for their contributions to support education at the Butterfly House.

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Clockwise from top: Shaw Nature Reserve features 14 miles of walking and hiking trails for visitors of all ages; the Green Craft Fair at EarthWays Center's Green Homes Festival showcases designs made with reused and recycled materials; visitors to the Butterfly House for March Morpho ManiaTM can experience a complete immersion in more than 3,000 of the butterflies.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Year ended December 31, 2009

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Education

Butterfly House

Visitor Services

Public Events

Bioinformatics

Contract services

TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES

Shaw Nature Reserve

2009 Public Support and Revenue

Public Support	
Services provided for	
Botanical Garden Subdistrict*	\$10,100,000
Contributions and memberships	7,881,999
Bequests	1,303,656
TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT	19,285,655
Revenue	
Admissions	2,022,207
Grants and contracts	8,525,068
Retail shops	2,491,909
Education	393,838
Property rentals	393,392
Investment Income, Net	4,130,669
Other	902,044
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>18,859,127</u>
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	38,144,782
2009 EXPENDITURES	
Program Services	
Horticulture	3,250,422
Science and conservation	9,189,129
Retail shops	2,303,543

2009 EXPENDITURES continued

Supporting services	
Management and general	\$7, <mark>426,168</mark>
Maintenance and improvements	3, <mark>032,</mark> 001
Utilities	<mark>993,184</mark>
Security	686,825
Membership department	932,298
Institutional Advancement	1,422,869
TOTAL SUPPORTING SERVICES	1 <mark>4,493,345</mark>
Equipment & Transfers	
Property and equipment transfers	317,112
Transfer of funds	(853,619)
TOTAL EQUIPMENT & TRANSFERS	(536,507)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	37,521,304
Change in Net Assets before minimum	
pension liability recovery	623,478
Minimum pension liability recovery	259,295
Net Operating Assets—1/1/09	2,712,503
Net Operating Assets—12/31/09	\$3,595,276
Net Assets (Deficit)	
Operating Fund Unrestricted	\$3,854,253
Operating Fund Restricted	(258,977)
Endowment and Similar Funds	69,889,383
Land, Building, and Equipment Fund	83,472,341
Capital Fund	7,006,032
Gift Annuity Fund	6,394
TOTAL	<u>\$163,969,426</u>

*Botanical Garden Subdistrict

3,202,352

1,114,171

997,058

386,825

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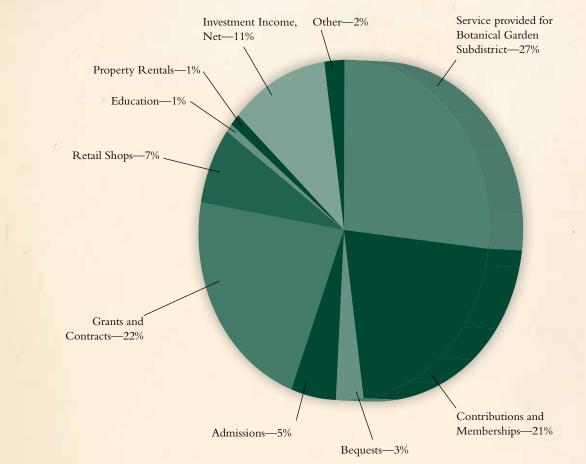
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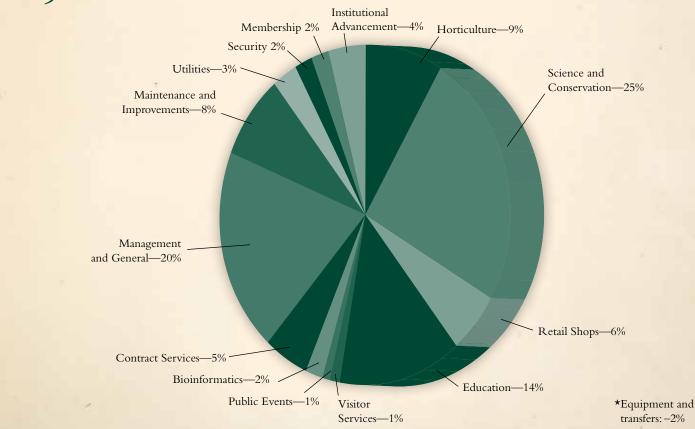
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The Garden by the Numbers

Year ended December 31, 2009

VISITORS

Attendance at all locations: 970,218

Highest daily attendance: 13,417 on Sunday, September 6, Japanese Festival Highest non-event attendance: 7,046 on Sunday, May 10, Mother's Day Lowest attendance: 39 on Tuesday, January 20



MEMBERS

Members: 37,089 Upper-level members: 539 Total number of member visits: 253,090 Members who renew each year: 76%.



Personnel

Number of staff: 486 Number of volunteers: 1,880 Number of hours worked: 151,600 Number of equivalent full-time staff: 78

COMMUNICATIONS

News items about the Garden in the media: 4,593 in 45 states and 9 countries Unique online visitors: 4.3 million E-newsletter distribution: 46,714 (increase in 2009: 16%)

Social media fans (Facebook, Twitter, Flickr): 9,673 (increase in 2009: 586%)

Education

Students participating in Garden programs: 97,780

Drop-in education users: 67,177

Teachers supported through workshops, field experiences, and education resources: 3,531

Student visits to the Commerce Bank Center for Science Education: 3,489

Seniors, special-needs children, and others helped through Horticulture Therapy: 3,953

Student visitors to the Dana Brown Overnight Education Center: 2,807

Doris I. Schnuck Children's Garden attendance: 91,480 Tower Grove House attendance: 64,542

Home Gardening

Visitors to the Kemper Center for Home Gardening: 123,284 Adult Education: 1,823 people enrolled in 207 classes Plastic pot recycling: 5,000 participants recycled 130,000 pounds Master Gardeners: 275 volunteered 31,166 hours Plant Doctor Service: 9,477 clients presented 16,307 questions Calls to Horticulture Answer Service: 15,596 GardeningHelp web visitors: 2.7 million Online e-mail gardening questions answered: 2,819

HORTICULTURE DISPLAYS

Total accessions: 27.791 New accessions in 2009: 1,382 Total taxa/unique types of plants: 15,878 Total trees on grounds: 5,161 (1,118 taxa) New trees in 2009: 168 Unique types of oaks: 50 Unique types of witch hazels: 90 Unique types of rhododendron/azaleas: 257 Unique types of camellias: 78 Number of plants in the Linnean House: 186 Unique types of Missouri native trees on grounds: 102 Unique types of roses: 288 (2,817 bushes) Unique types of daffodils: 707 Unique types of daylilies: 1,919 Unique types of iris: 1,403 Unique types of lilies: 160 Seasonal bedding plants: 198,798 Hanging baskets produced: 306 Plants raised for the Holiday Show: 2,317 (including 938 poinsettias) Pounds of grass seed: 4,000 Acres of turf at the Garden: 20

Science & Conservation

Ph.D. researchers at the Garden: 46 Researchers did fieldwork in 38 countries on 6 continents Graduate students at the Garden: 22 students from 10 different countries Degrees awarded: 2 Ph.D. and 1 Master's Specimens in Herbarium: 6,148,573 (new in 2009: 84,747) Tropicos[™] online herbarium records: 3,818,672 (new in 2009: 122,939) Books in the Library: over 200,000 (new in 2009: 1,225) Journal subscriptions in the Library: over 800 Reference queries answered: 1,287 Interlibrary loans: 912 supplied to over 20 countries Rare books: approximately 6,550 printed before 1830 Rare books digitized and placed online: 750 for a total of 3,300 volumes Books published by MBG Press: 8 (and 2 quarterly journals)



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