

IPPS 2012 Annual Meeting: Brandywine Valley, Pennsylvania®

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CONFERENCE VENUE

Location and Hotel. The 2012 IPPS meeting will take place in the Philadelphia area Oct. 10–13, 2012. The Host Hotel is the Holiday Inn Express in Glen Mills, Pennsylvania (Fig. 1). Room rate would be \$109 single/double and includes comp WIFI and hot breakfast buffet. There is a restaurant and bar on site and many restaurants within walking distance or a short drive. Hotel has a free shuttle service. Parking is free. Travel time is 16 min to Winterthur; 11 min to Longwood Gardens.

Travel. Travel time is 25 minutes to Philadelphia airport, half hour to Wilmington, Delaware train station (\$46 shuttle; \$65 taxi). Hotel has an airport shuttle service that they recommend at a reasonable price also Delaware Express Shuttle Co. We will encourage people flying in to rent a car.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Wednesday, 10 October Pretour. Full day with two options; those staying at hotel will eat breakfast there, tour does not include breakfast.

- 1) **Lancaster Area Tour.** Ron Strasko will be the contact person for this tour and will help organize it.
 - Creek Hill Nursery (Fig. 2)



Figure 1. Host hotel.



Figure 2. Creek Hill Nursery.

- Leola Produce Auction
 - Aris / Greenleaf Perennials (Fig. 3)
 - Esbenshades Greenhouses
- 2) Botanic Garden and Arboretum Tour.
- Scott Arboretum (Fig. 4)
 - Chanticleer Gardens (Fig. 5)
 - Jenkins Arboretum

Welcome Reception. Wednesday afternoon / evening. Pre-tour buses will arrive at Tyler Arboretum for a tour of the arboretum, gardens, and grounds followed by a welcome reception in the barn and tent. The IPPS will supply beverages (BYOB).

Tyler is just 15 minutes from the Holiday Inn Express. People who arrived at the hotel Wednesday would be bused to the reception or they can arrive by car.

Thursday, 11 October Will Feature the Lecture Symposium and Tour at Longwood Gardens. Busses leave hotel at 7:00–7:30 with registration at Longwood Gardens for those not arriving at hotel.

General Session. These will occur in Ballroom. There is the possibility of breakout workshop —“Back to Basics Workshop”— to be determined after speaking with Paul Cappiello (Program Chair). Breakout would require a check off on registration and there will be no moving between the workshop and the general session. Great for students interested in propagation and employees of local nurseries.

Afternoon Tour of Longwood. On your own tour or organized guided tour of Longwood grounds (Fig. 6). Optional behind the scenes tour which would include composting, production houses, and nursery.

Longwood Evening Reception. There will be a cocktail reception in the East Conservatory at the end of the day.



Figure 3. Aris / Greenleaf Perennials.

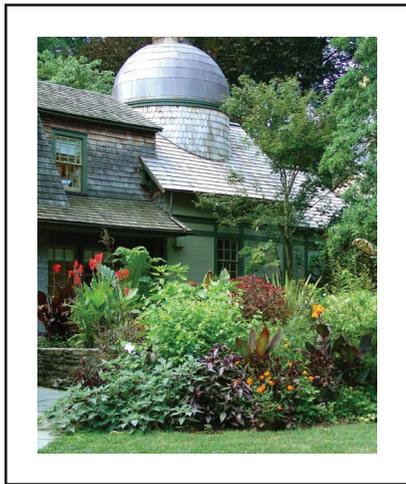


Figure 4. Scott Arboretum.

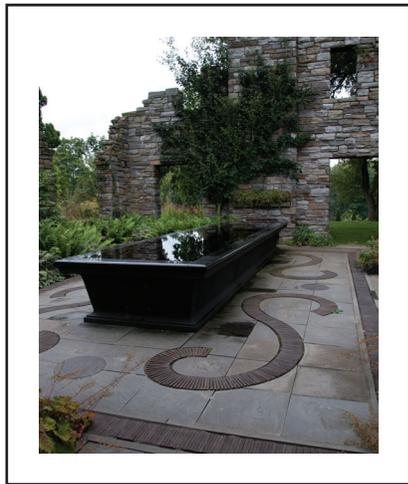


Figure 5. Chanticleer Gardens.

Posters Session. Viewing will be available throughout the day and evening.

Friday, 12 October. Full day tours with two options.

- 1) **Dupont Legacy Tour.** The bus for this tour might leave a half hour to hour after the Nursery Tour. Will need to limit size of this tour due to capacity issues at the gardens.
 - Nemours Gardens
 - Hagley Museum and Gardens



Figure 6. Longwood Gardens.

- Mt. Cuba Center
 - North Creek Nurseries
- 2) **Nursery Tour.**
- Mt. Cuba Center — First stop
 - W. D. Wells and Sons Nursery
 - Conard Pyle Company
 - North Creek Nurseries (Fig. 7)

Dinner on Your Own — Evening Social Event at Host Hotel. Return to hotel for reception, mixer, garden trivia event, silent and live auction, new plant presentation, and cash bar.

- **Plant trivia, question box, or the return of garden jeopardy.** Cash bar hosted in auditorium of host hotel. This will be a fun and interactive event.
- **Live Auction Will Be a Part of the Evening's Activities.**

Saturday, 13 October Will Feature the Lecture Symposium and Tour at Winterthur Gardens. Lectures at Winterthur Gardens (Fig. 8) through early afternoon followed by afternoon tour of the gardens.



Figure 7. North Creek Nurseries.



Figure 8. Winterthur Garden.