



May 2016

Dear

This spring, we have so much to celebrate at Tower Hill Botanic Garden!

Thirty years ago, the Worcester Horticultural Society purchased a sleepy dairy farm atop a gorgeous drumlin with the dream of creating New England's first and only year-round botanic garden. Since then, Tower Hill has blossomed into a dynamic horticultural showcase with 36 acres of cultivated gardens, two conservatories housing more than 1,000 plants throughout the winter, and miles of trails through forest and field.

So many of you have stood by our side during every step of this three-decade-long journey. Thank you! We owe these first 30 years of success to you. You have helped us grow into:

- a vibrant community gathering place that welcomes 125,000 of you – and 17,000 members – to our gardens each year,
- a center of horticultural learning for an amazing 12,800 of you in more than 500 annual lectures, classes, and workshops,
- a playground of delight and discovery for nearly 7,000 of your children and grandchildren to watch native caterpillars put on a show, coax worms to eat their garbage, and more,
- and a place where all, no matter their age or physical ability, can connect with plants and nature, through our newest garden, The Court: A Garden within Reach.

Now, as we look ahead, we're so grateful to have you standing with us to ensure that Tower Hill will be here to inspire and enchant visitors for 30, 50, and 100 more years to come. Simply put, we can't keep doing our work here without you. Your annual appeal support funds the day-to-day cost of keeping Tower Hill strong, beautiful, and flourishing.

You have played an essential part in all that Tower Hill has accomplished in these past 30 years. But, if we are to continue to grow in our 31st year and beyond, then we need your renewed support, today. We must raise \$350,000 to reach our fiscal year-end goals and begin our 31st year on a strong financial footing.

In this important year, I also invite you to become a member of our John Green Society. The Society donors are the true ambassadors of our mission and have the largest individual impact on our success. I also especially enjoy gathering with this community several times a year for exclusive events and behind the scenes access. Please consider joining me as a member of this important group.

Celebrating our 30th year isn't just about honoring how far we've come. It's also about envisioning how far we still can go, together. Your gift supports our shared love of plants, nature, and Tower Hill Botanic Garden. I sincerely thank you for your support and hope to see you at the garden soon.

Jim Karadimos
PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

TOWER HILL BOTANIC GARDEN

11 French Drive PO BOX 598
Boylston, Massachusetts 01505

508.869.6111 x114
mkilcoyne@towerhillbg.org
www.towerhillbg.org

YES! I/WE WANT TO SUPPORT TOWER HILL BOTANIC GARDEN'S SPRING 2016 APPEAL.

- \$2,500 \$1,250* (*Dr. John Green Society*) \$500 \$250
 \$100 \$50 Other gift amount \$ _____

To pay a pledge in monthly installments please call 508.869.6111 x114

*Your gift of \$1,250 or more entitles you to recognition in the *Dr. John Green Society*, Tower Hill's leadership giving circle, which now includes a Friend Level membership to Tower Hill. Gifts to support Tower Hill are tax deductible as allowed by law. You may opt to become a member of the *Dr. John Green Society* online at www.towerhillbg.org

DONATE SECURELY ONLINE: WWW.TOWERHILLBG.ORG

- CHECK ENCLOSED Payable to WCHS

Please charge my gift in the amount of \$ _____ to:

- AMEX VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER

NAME ON CREDIT CARD

CARD NUMBER

EXP DATE

CVV #

SIGNATURE

This gift is eligible for a corporate matching gift from:

My/Our gift is in memory honor of:

EMAIL ADDRESS

PHONE