

Spring and Summer Horticultural Therapy Special Events:

- Each spring, Woolman residents take a field trip to a local nursery to purchase plants for their individual garden plots.
- From April through October residents participate in the monthly garden tours where one of the many gardens at Barclay Friends is featured and residents tour the garden with a garden volunteer who provide a detailed description of the garden.
- All residents enjoy the interaction with the children of the Goshen Friends Meeting, the Birmingham meeting and the West Chester Friends School who come to Barclay Friends to garden with the residents in Worth Garden and Sidney's Garden.
- Residents enter their floral arrangements in the Kennett Square Senior Flower Show and the Floral Design Competition at the Goshen Fair. A number of the Barclay Friends residents have competed and won prizes in these events each year as well as enjoy the opportunity to attend these events.
- Tomato tasting parties are looked forward to each year by all the residents in Woolman and Cotter. The tomato tasting parties provide the opportunity for the viewing and tasting of fifteen varieties of tomatoes, many of which have been grown at Barclay Friends.
- A another major highlight each year for all the residents, their families and guests and the staff is the annual Garden Party held in Anne's Garden. In addition to delicious food, musical entertainment, and opportunity to enjoy the garden, residents compete in a Challenge Flower Show to demonstrate their floral arranging skills to all in attendance.

Autumn and Winter Horticultural Therapy Special Events:

- The annual visit to Longwood Gardens for the Chrysanthemum Festival in the autumn is enjoyed by all the residents.
- During the winter months, residents have the opportunity to view slide shows of spring flowering bulbs, the Philadelphia Flower Show, and the Longwood Gardens Christmas display.
- The Woolman residents decorate the wreaths and the urns for use in holiday decorating throughout the exterior of Barclay Friends.
- Children from the Goshen Friends Meeting, the Birmingham Meeting and the West Chester Friends School come to Barclay Friends to assist the residents create ornaments to feed the birds. The ornaments are placed on trees that can be viewed from the windows.
- The African Violet Show is popular among the residents, their families and staff who all are eager to enter their violets in numerous categories. The entries are groomed with the assistance of Master Gardener volunteers who also provide indoor gardening demonstrations.
- The residents also assist in the annual construction and planting of heart topiaries from ivy they have propagated.