



Park Notes

A Year in Bloom

After an unpredictable winter, our Park is once again bursting with color. Our volunteer gardeners are often asked, “What flower is this? What tree is that?” We know many of you are curious particularly in the spring when everything is so green and beautiful. Because of the devotion and talent of our volunteer gardeners and the devotion and generosity of our donors, we have an abundance of beautiful, useful plants in the Park. We cannot describe them all at one sitting so we have chosen to list some of the more interesting and eye catching species. While many of the trees, shrubs and flowers listed below are scattered throughout the park, we have focused on the areas that will afford prime viewing:



✿ **SPRING—March, April, May**

As we venture back outdoors in spring we are greeted by a wondrous display of flowering bulbs, shrubs and trees. It is arguably the most beautiful and dramatic time of year in Carl Schurz Park. As eighteen Kanzan Cherry Trees burst into bloom at 86th Street one cannot help but be joyful. At the Conservancy we begin to clean and mulch our gardens in preparation for the summer months ahead. ■

Kanzan Cherry Tree. These showstoppers adorn the main entrance at 86th Street.



Magnolia Tree

Both sides of lawn above Peter Pan Statue



Quince Shrub

Northern Woodland Hill on path to Peter Pan Statue



Iris germanica

Esplanade Gardens



Rhododendron 'PJM'

Long Berm and on path leading to the Peter Pan Statue

Chairperson's Letter

Spring: any period of beginning or newness.

Nowhere is this more evident than in our own Carl Schurz Park. There is almost a sense of rebirth as stark trees and bare ground give way to the first hints of green.

Slender shoots and tender buds awaken and burst forth.

At the Conservancy, spring means gearing up for the frenetic pace that follows as we prepare the Park for summer. It is exhausting and exhilarating all at the same time.

While spring may be our showiest season, there is much to feast the eyes on year-round. In this edition of Park Notes, we will highlight many of our beautiful trees, shrubs and perennials, where to find them and when to look for them at their peak performance.

So please, stop by and relax, restore and renew!

Hope we see you in the park.



Judy Howard
Chair, Board of Directors



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A Fond Farewell to Laura Mayer

We are saddened to write of the passing of Laura Mayer in November 2017. Laura, an assistant producer at CBS News, a member of Community Board 8 and recipient of many local awards and citations, was President of the Carl Schurz Park Association from 1981 to 1997. Assemblyman Pete Grannis called her a civic gem and one who represented absolutely the best of volunteerism. No one did more to establish the vital partnership between the NYC Department of Parks and the Association. This would come to be a highly respected and functional relationship that others would attempt to replicate. In addition to her work for Carl Schurz Park, Laura was on the Community Advisory Board of Beth Israel North Hospital, the Board of Directors of The Yorkville Civic Council and The Murphy Center, now known as Asphalt Green, to name just a few. Laura remained active in championing this neighborhood until her death. She leaves behind a lasting legacy and a void that will never be filled. ■



A Beautiful Partnership

Carl Schurz Park Conservancy has partnered with neighborhood schools, Chapin and Brearley, for over a decade. Our symbiotic relationship has been to the benefit of us all as, together, we are committed to preserving our beautiful Park.

In a large city, having green space in such close proximity is unusual and highly advantageous for students and teachers. It readily becomes an outdoor classroom, lab or gym.

Both schools have generously opened their doors to provide space for our indoor events. For the past 10 years, we have been able to hold receptions for our fall Benefit in each of the schools which can provide a space large enough to hold the many friends and neighbors who attend.

Also, since 2004, we have hosted our Volunteer Appreciation Day Luncheon at Chapin for the hundreds of volunteers who have helped us make the Park what it is today. In each instance, we have found the staff to be extraordinary in their professionalism, organization and dedication to our events. It is truly a pleasure working with them.

We are so very grateful for this harmonious partnership, which we hope will continue for decades to come. ■

Volunteer Highlight:

Kenny Creed: Neighbor, Friend, Craftsman

Interview by Patrick McCluskey, Director of Operations

Kenny Creed has been a valued and generous neighbor and friend, and reliable part of Carl Schurz Park Conservancy for many years. His work on the Infrastructure Committee and as the Bench Plaque Program installer has been vital to the Conservancy's success. Patrick sat down with Kenny to discuss why he feels the Conservancy plays such a vital role in our neighborhood.

PM: *What brought you to this neighborhood?*

KC: My wife and I moved here when our daughter and son were born. We were living on 62nd Street, but we came up here to avoid the noise that drove me nuts. We thought we should move to the suburbs, but we didn't want to do that.

PM: *Was there anything about East End Avenue in particular?*

KC: We found East End Avenue and the park were actually a big draw. We



had a three- and a one-year-old child, and the Park was right there, I worked at The Town School and Brearley. This neighborhood was convenient; that's what brought us here.

PM: *How did you hear about the Conservancy?*

KC: Probably by going to the Park and seeing the Halloween Howl, the Gracie Square Art Show, and all the other events that were sponsored by the Conservancy. As a parent at Chapin, I remember when my daughter told me about using the Park for science classes and the Conservancy as a force to get things done in the Park.

PN: *What was the first thing you got involved in?*

KC: It happened at **Pat Nadosy's** house where there was a meeting that I got invited to. I wanted to see what was up. I loved the park and wanted to support it. They were talking about an Infrastructure Committee and their efforts at assessing the park, cataloging issues that needed to be repaired and working to remedy them. I think was **Lee Potter**, a Chapin mom and Guild Committee member who invited me.

PM: *Was there a particular area you thought you could help with?*

KC: During the meeting they said if you have any skills for any of this, reach out, we would love to have you as a volunteer. I figured I'm a carpenter, and I can help with that sort of



Kenny Creed

thing. So I emailed someone from the Conservancy.

PM: *What sort of task did we ask you to help with because of your carpentering skills?*

KC: I wrote to Lee and she asked me if I could build a shed. I was thinking a birdhouse or a garden fence. But the scope of the project was a 16 foot by 4 foot shed with three doors which needed to be weather and rodent proof! I spoke to people on the Gardening Committee about their needs, drew it up, and figured out how to build it. I had a shop (I was a furniture builder at the time) in Sunset Park, Brooklyn. I built it and flat packed it and assembled the shed on site. We spent a couple of weekends on it. We had high school volunteers and my children who helped to paint it. The next weekend (Parks Gardener) **John Tweddle** got a flatbed truck, loaded it up, brought it to the Park and we assembled it.

PM: *You mentioned the Infrastructure Committee. Can you talk about your involvement with that?*

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A Year in Bloom

☀ SUMMER—June, July, August

The riotous colors of spring give way to the heat of summer. Our garden beds, augmented with annual flowering plants, become a visual and audible delight of brilliant blooms, warbling birds and pollinating insects. Waves of plants blossom and bring an ever-changing kaleidoscope of colors and patterns to the Park. At the Conservancy, we stay busy pruning, weeding and watering and watering and watering. ■



Crape Myrtle Tree 86th Street Hoop Garden



Roses Throughout the Park



Catmint Flower Behind Large Dog Run near the 86th St. Hoop Garden



Japanese Snowbell Tree
North side of
Peter Pan Statue



Joe Pyeweed Flower
Esplanade Garden at 86th Street



Deutzia Shrub
Flagpole Lawn



Clematis Flowering Vine
Northeast corner of lawn
above the Large Dog Run

A Year in Bloom

☀ **FALL—September, October, November**

Fall presents a showy mix of changing leaf color and late flowering perennials and shrubs. The crisp air combined with cooler temperatures gives a welcome relief as we prepare for the winter months ahead. At the Conservancy, we plant thousands of bulbs for next spring's display and bring thousands of feet of hose indoors to protect these valuable assets from the winter cold. ■



Vitex Tree Esplanade and Upper Peter Pan Garden



Stewartia Tree In the Peter Pan Garden



*American Hornbeam Tree
Flagpole Lawn*



*Aster Flower
Esplanade Gardens
at 86th Street*



*Harlequin Glory Bower Tree
Along the north stairs of the Peter Pan Garden*

A Year in Bloom

❁ WINTER—December, January, February

Carl Schurz Park, like the city, never sleeps. While it's true that most of our residents "hibernate" during the winter months, there are quite a few plants that surprise us with flowers. Even in the dreariest of weather, these are sure to bring a smile. At the Conservancy we are busy mulching, mulching, mulching. In our high trafficked areas, we use the mulch we make from neighborhood trees during MulchFest. The aroma is heavenly. ■



Mahonia Shrub *At the top of the south Peter Pan stairs*



Japanese Apricot Tree *Behind playground near Large Dog Run.*



Hellebore Flower *Woodland Hills along path to Peter Pan Statue*



Witch Hazel Tree *Woodland Hills along path to Peter Pan Statue*

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Square Art Show.



36,000 eggs are given away at the Egg Hunt

Volunteer Highlight:

JP Connelly of Biscuits and Bath—Dogs! Dogs! Dogs!

Interview by Patrick McCluskey, Director of Operations

JP Connelly manages the Upper East Side Biscuits and Bath, a pet sitting, groomers, and full service location. Biscuits and Bath donates all the Mutt Mitts to the two Dog Runs in the Park, a savings of thousands of dollars a year.

Patrick and JP sat down to talk about the vital role businesses can play in helping the Conservancy, and what makes our neighborhood the wonderful place we all enjoy.

PM: *Biscuits and Bath is in the neighborhood, but you're also a resident. How long have you lived here, and why the Upper East Side?*

JPC: I actually didn't move here intentionally. I lived in the seaport. Then Hurricane Sandy hit. I was in my building and watched the water rise into the lobby. The whole first floor and basement were destroyed. I was able to stay with friends for a few weeks, but my building still wasn't fixed. So a friend of mine told me about an apartment up here, and I moved to the Upper East Side.

Before all that I went to Fordham and lived on 82nd Street. Since I have moved back, I found out this is exactly what I always wanted. I like the quiet aspect of the Park; it's really beautiful. I love being so close to the water, not in the middle of the touristy insanity. I like that I get to know my grocery store guy, my dry cleaner, and my neighbors.

PM: *Being in this neighborhood and seeing all the good friends and neighbors of the Park and Conservancy is one of the best parts!*

JPC: Well you make it what you make of it! The nice thing about living somewhere like here, a neighborhood, is that you can have that.

PM: *How did you first get to know the Conservancy and our friends, specifically?*

JPC: When I started working with Biscuits and Bath, we had a dog that they determined was too hard to handle that they were going to euthanize. He was only 11 months old, so it was insanity to hear. I immediately felt the need to get involved with this dog's life. The company adopted the dog, and I would spend 10–15 minutes 6–7 times a day trying to get him to relax. You could tell that he was improperly treated. I started to bond with him and then I started to walk him and foster him. When I ended up adopting him, we spent all this time in the Park. I would walk in Carl Schurz Park because that's where I liked to relax—especially by Gracie Mansion on the Esplanade. I would sit on the bench, read a book, and watch the boats go by and this dog, Ozzie, would lie by my feet. The two of us had the best time.

I would see things in the Park and thought they were so silly. If only there was some way I could change them. Then I saw a Conservancy sign and said, "I need to get involved with this. I wasn't sure if I could help on an individual level, but I knew I could be impactful on a corporate level. So I came and I met **David Williams**, and said that as a company we wanted to help out. I explained we would be happy to pay for the Mutt Mitt bags and



JP Connelly.

help maintain the dispenser and our volunteer group would also help out. Then I went to the owner of the company and said here's what we're volunteering for and she agreed.

PM: *You've made a substantial contribution through the business sponsoring the Mutt Mitts in the runs, and via volunteering. What has the impact been on Biscuits and Bath? Why do you think other businesses should get involved in the way you and they have?*

JPC: One of the reasons I volunteer, even outside the Park, is because I think it's an obligation; as part of the community; part of my responsibility is to contribute and businesses need to do that as well.

Carl Schurz Park is such a beautiful park and being involved in its upkeep and preservation seems like such a no brainer. There are all these volunteer gardeners who keep the park so well maintained. You can meet and talk to them—I have. But then you meet the exercisers, or the dog run folks, or the walkers; there's a community there and it just takes some proactive attempts to become more involved. One business at a time!

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Large Dog Run Aeration Brings New Life to Dog Runs

In the fall of 2017 the Conservancy took measures to combat the compacted surface of the Large Dog Run. Seeing the rapid migration of the loose surface and lack of water absorption, the Conservancy called in a private contractor to remedy the situation.

A natural odor fighting material was spread throughout and fully rototilled into the substrate. It took the greater part of a day for the workmen to aerate the entire run, but the effect was immediate. The depth of the loose surface was increased and drainage much improved.

Going forward, and in an effort to keep the run in top shape, the Conservancy intends to aerate at least once a year. This is in addition to the weekly sanitation we currently provide. ■



Kenny Creed continued from page 3

KC: The Infrastructure Committee came after the shed was built. **Judy Howard, Clare Thomas, Jill Byatt** and I would walk through the park and take notes. We would meet to strategize, and then email to plan the execution.

PM: *Why do you enjoy what you do for the Conservancy?*

KC: They are wonderful people to get involved with. Knowing the garden shed was such a hit with the volunteers was gratifying. **John Tweddle** was so over the moon happy and a lot of people in the Gardening Committee were thankful too. Now when I walk in the Park with my kids, people I did not know a year ago know me and say hello. In NYC, having those connections is super powerful. It's important for kids to see we're connected. Then I got involved with the Bench Plaque Program.

PM: *These are the plaques people can have put on benches for a \$3,500.00 donation to the Conservancy. Tell me about your role in this.*

KC: I install the plaques on the benches. The system works out great. I get an email letting me know plaques are in and will be dropped off to me. Even with a deadline for installation it's still exciting. I feel like, hey, I could make someone's birthday better.

PN: *Do you think this work helps you feel more connected to the neighborhood?*

KC: When I go out to the Park with the tool bag and badge, every time someone sees me they stop and ask questions. Then I get to have a talk about the Park and the Conservancy. I have had so many people tell stories about their childhood in the Park back long ago. It's really nice that people are connecting to the Park and that when they

see a representative from the Conservancy they want to share with me how much they love the Park. To have that as an opportunity in life, in this neighborhood, is wonderful. The reason to get involved is talking to people in the neighborhood.

PM: *What's your favorite event or memory?*

KC: I think my favorite would be the Halloween Howl—it's great. The Gracie Square Art Show show is fabulous, but my favorite association is always going to be the shed. It was a team effort with everyone showing up on this rainy Saturday. We had the materials and people with skills who knew how to measure out a wall and it happened really quickly. Everyone was having a blast; it was so much fun. ■

1500 pumpkins are distributed at the Harvest Festival

The Next Time You Sit Down...

This past summer, the Conservancy tackled the longstanding issue of unsightly and deteriorating benches in the Cherry Tree Allée. This was the start of, what we hope to be, the systematic removal and replacement of all painted benches throughout the park.

The project consisted of a full restoration of all intact cement stanchions and the replacement of damaged ones.

Old, painted bench slats were replaced with natural, sustainable hardwood slats. Finally, bench plaques which had been removed were replaced by brand new plaques.

The result is beautiful and quietly elegant and so befitting the main entrance to our gem of a park. This spring we anticipate continuing our efforts by upgrading the benches west of the playground between 84th and 86th Streets. ■



Before . . .



During restoration . . .



After restoration!

A Focus on Mulch

Mulch is any type of material that is spread or laid over the surface of the soil as a covering. It is used to retain soil moisture, regulate soil temperature, suppress weed growth, prevent soil erosion and compaction, provide nutrients and for aesthetic purposes.

Many materials can be used as mulch, the most common being wood chips, shredded rubber and gravel. At Carl Schurz Park we use two types of organic wood mulch depending on the location being covered.

For paths, which get the most foot traffic, we use very coarse chips which offset the weight of hundreds of park-goers. This serves to help prevent soil compaction—a

condition occurring over time where the soil becomes like cement. In this state, water and air fail to penetrate, drainage is impaired and nutrient content depleted. The stress this places on surrounding plants is substantial and sometimes deadly.

In our garden beds we use a product called soil conditioner or barrel ground wood chips. This mulch is very fine and decomposes faster. Unlike coarse chips, these break down quickly and release nutrients. This process also doesn't require as much nitrogen depletion from the soil to do so. Soil fertility and organic content are improved and plants benefit immeasurably. ■



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I remember the first year I helped with maintenance on the dog runs. It was great! I met dog owners who use my business who I never knew were involved. That's exactly what I want in a community! Imagine if shop owners were involved enough to know people by name. It would really reshape things.

PM: *Anything else about why you want to get involved? Anything else about the Conservancy, park or community?*

JPC: As a New Yorker, I like to preserve the culture and history of New York. It really saddens me when someone knocks down buildings or destroys historical neighborhoods, and as the oldest park conservancy in New York City, I feel that it's something we should be involved in preserving, instead of allowing history to be washed away. ■

**The Large Dog Run is closed for two hours each week
for dedicated use by the local ASPCA**

Carl Schurz Park Conservancy Event Calendar 2018

Volunteer Gardening Day

February 10th

March 10th

April 14th

May 19th

June 9th

September 15th

October 13th

November 17th

Summer Sandbox Series

Tuesday, August 7, 14, 21 & 28

4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Playground at 84th St.

Harvest Festival

Saturday, October 13th

(Raindate October 14th)

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Playground at 84th Street .

Summer Sounds 2018

Open Air Concert Series:

Steve Shaiman and

Swingtime Big Band

Their TENTH appearance!

Wednesday, July 18th

7:00pm to 8:30pm

John Finley Walk at the top of

The East 86th Street staircase.

Art!

The 46th Gracie Square Art Show

Saturday & Sunday

September 8th and 9th

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

East End Avenue from East 84th

Street to East 88th Street.

www.graciesquareartshow.info

(rain or shine)

Flowers!

Plant "Sale"

Saturday May 12th

Rain date Sunday May 13th

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

East 86th Street and

East End Avenue.

Tunes!

Make Music New York

Tuesday, June 21

4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

City-wide concert series

Celebrate the first day

of summer!

A collaboration with Manhattan

Borough President Gale Brewer.

John Finley Walk at the top of

the East 86th Street staircase.

Movies!

Sunset Film Festival 2018

"Why ask for the moon when we

have movies under the stars in

Carl Schurz Park?!"

Paddington 2

Tuesday, July 31st

8:30 p.m.

Night at the Museum

Tuesday, August 8th

8:30 p.m.

Basketball/Hockey Court

at 84th Street.

Woof!

Halloween Howl &

Healthy Hound Fair

Sunday, October 21st

Rain date Sunday October 28th

12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.

The Hockey and Basketball

Court and John Finley Walk

A Partridge in a Pear Tree!

Holiday Tree Lighting

Sunday, December 2nd

5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

East 86th Street and East End

Avenue



Over 45 years of the Gracie Square Art Show



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