

Celebration Meadow

Boyce Park



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Boyce Park regulars Kevin and Pat Lhota always enjoyed their walks in Boyce Park. So when Kevin was looking for a way to honor the memory of his dear wife, he was reminded of how much she enjoyed those walks. The Celebration Meadow off Pierson Run Road was planted in 2019 in Pat's honor.

This four-acre site was identified by the Boyce Park Ecological Assessment and Action Plan as favorable for a meadow. It was prepared by Allegheny County Parks, who planted Coreopsis, Butterfly Milkweed, Coneflower, Aster, Black-eyed Susans and many more native species. It also features perennial grasses.

Meadows are beneficial because they reduce the need to mow, attract pollinators and absorb storm water, helping to eliminate runoff issues. The popularity of meadows in the Allegheny County Parks led to requests for information on how to use sustainable practices and native species in home gardens. The Wild Gardens Project of the Allegheny County Penn State Master Gardeners created a pamphlet with helpful suggestions. [Find it on our website.](#)

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