



The Eden Keepers

"Who loves a garden still his Eden keeps."

-- Amos Bronson Alcott

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The regularly scheduled work party for November was cancelled due to the memorial service for Sue Nelson, which many of our Eden Keepers attended. Work parties were therefore scheduled for the following two Saturdays in order to prepare the garden for our Bicentennial Celebration on December 3rd.

On November 11th, the day started cold and drizzly, but cleared and warmed up as the morning wore on. We were delighted to have eight intrepid Eden Keepers that day, who worked in the front of the churchyard near Archdale Street. They were Suzi DeMerrell, Bob and Pat Jontos, Tom Wiedemann, Laura Moses, Sarah Cothran, Karen Del Porto, and Stan Boyer.

On the following Saturday, the weather was wonderful, warm and sunny. That day's six Eden Keepers focused their efforts on the *jungle* in the back of the churchyard near the Open Space. Working were Tom Wiedemann, John Klintworth, Sarah Cothran, Mary Edwards, Tom Hartry, and Stan Boyer.

Although few in number, the Eden Keepers provided varied and delicious lunches both days.

The next work party will be on Saturday, December 2nd, from 9 to 12, followed by our covered dish lunch. This will be the day before the Bicentennial Celebration, so we really need as many hands as possible to finish sprucing up our awesome garden. Please come! Let's make members and guests proud of our fantastic and unique churchyard.

Newcomers are always welcome to join us—no experience needed. Bring garden tools if you have them, gloves, water to drink while working, and a dish to share at lunch. And hope for great weather.

Once again, many thanks to Stan Boyer for taking names for me both times this month. --*Submitted by Fran Ennis*