

# The New York Times

## FASHION & STYLE

### Evening Hours | Last Dance

By BILL CUNNINGHAM DEC. 5, 2014

#### Evening Hours

Bill Cunningham



Dec. 3: The Garden Conservancy, which preserves and champions gardens, celebrated its 25th anniversary with dinner and dancing at the Metropolitan Club.

33. MARCO POLO STUFANO, an honoree, left; and BUNTY ARMSTRONG. 34. From left,



DEBORAH GOODRICH ROYCE;  
JANE FORBES CLARK, an hon-  
oree; SUSAN PAYSON BURKE;  
and SUZANNE STAMPS RHEIN-  
STEIN. 35. LYNDEN MILLER.

36. From left, ROY YEAGER,  
DOROTHY GARDNER and SUM-  
NER FREEMAN. 37. MAUREEN  
DONNELL.



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# **Garden Conservancy honors John Kaul Greene of Lake Forest**

By Staff Report Special to the Tribune

John Kaul Greene of Lake Forest was one of five honorees at the dinner recognized for his strong philanthropic leadership, including serving for six years as a member of the Garden Conservancy's board of directors.

The Garden Conservancy commemorated its 25th Anniversary with a celebratory party at the Metropolitan Club in New York City on Dec. 3, during which the leadership awards were presented.

More than 260 guests from 19 states were greeted by co-chairs Susan Burke, Suzanne Rheinstein, and Deborah Royce at the Garden Conservancy's first black-tie event, which raised more than \$670,000 for the organization's nation-wide garden preservation, Open Days, and educational programs.

The Garden Conservancy's president, Jenny Young du Pont, announced that the organization had received a separate \$500,000 matching grant challenge from the California-based, Kayne Foundation.

The organization works to preserve gardens across the country by partnering with gardeners, communities, horticulturists, garden designers, and historians. Since its founding in December, 1989, the Conservancy has helped save more than 100 outstanding gardens, many of which are National Historic Landmarks or are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Since 1995, the Conservancy's Open Days program has opened nearly 3,000 private gardens across the country, welcoming more than one million visitors to beautiful spaces not normally open to the public.

More information at [gardenconservancy.org](http://gardenconservancy.org).

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## DECEMBER

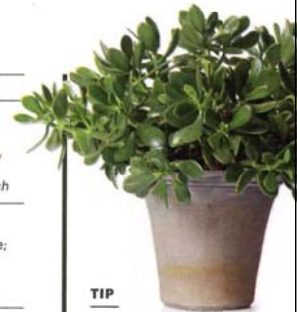
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> Sailors for the Sea event at Christie's in New York City	<b>2</b> <i>Pilates</i>	<b>3</b> The Garden Conservancy 25th-anniversary event	<b>4</b> Shop for gifts for Jude and Truman <i>Cardio and core</i>	<b>5</b> <i>Pilates</i>	<b>6</b> <b>Sister-in-law Rita's birthday</b> <i>Hike and stretch</i>
<b>7</b> Horseback ride; bring flowering anemones inside from greenhouse	<b>8</b> Pick Meyer lemons from greenhouse for lemon meringue pie	<b>9</b> <i>Pilates</i>	<b>10</b> Stake tomatoes in greenhouse	<b>11</b> Collect newspapers and pinecones for kindling	<b>12</b> <b>Friend Susan Magrino's birthday</b> Service vehicles and inspect tires	<b>13</b> Horseback ride; buy Christmas trees from a nearby farm
<b>14</b> <b>Friend Susan Warburg's and nephew Chris's birthdays</b>	<b>15</b> Trim Christmas trees; send out holiday cards	<b>16</b> <b>HANUKKAH BEGINS</b> <b>Friend Jane Heller's birthday</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Colleague Darcy Miller's birthday</b>	<b>18</b> <b>Colleague Kevin Sharkey's birthday</b> <i>Cardio and core</i>	<b>19</b> Place order for seeds and exotic plants for greenhouse	<b>20</b> Hang stockings and fresh mistletoe <i>Hike and stretch</i>
<b>21</b> Bake and decorate sugar cookies with Jude and Truman	<b>22</b> Have piano tuned	<b>23</b> <b>LAST NIGHT OF HANUKKAH</b> <i>Pilates</i>	<b>24</b> <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	<b>25</b> <b>CHRISTMAS</b> Host brunch for family and friends <i>Pilates</i>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Horseback ride
<b>28</b> Begin winter pruning	<b>29</b> Write and mail thank-you notes	<b>30</b> <b>Friend Frédéric Fekkal's birthday</b> <i>Pilates</i>	<b>31</b> <b>NEW YEAR'S EVE</b> Ring in 2015!			

## Martha's Winter

Gentle reminders, helpful tips, and important dates.

## JANUARY

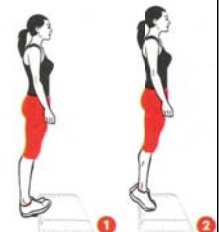
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1</b> <b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b> Make a list of resolutions	<b>2</b> Take down Christmas trees	<b>3</b> Mulch perennials with leftover Christmas-tree branches
<b>4</b> <b>Friend Jean Pigozzi's birthday</b>	<b>5</b> Put away holiday decorations; store fine china	<b>6</b> Draft planting plan for spring vegetable garden	<b>7</b> Fertilize greenhouse plants	<b>8</b> <i>Cardio and core</i>	<b>9</b> Schedule eye exam <i>Pilates</i>	<b>10</b> Donate clothing to charity <i>Hike and stretch</i>
<b>11</b> National Retail Federation Foundation gala in New York City	<b>12</b> Refill bird feeders	<b>13</b> <i>Pilates</i>	<b>14</b> Restock pet treats	<b>15</b> Visit art galleries in New York City <i>Cardio and core</i>	<b>16</b> <b>Sister Kathy's and colleague Kate Berry's birthdays</b>	<b>17</b> Clean equipment shed; organize tools
<b>18</b> Ice-skate with Jude and Truman	<b>19</b> Bring fresh eggs to office	<b>20</b> <i>Pilates</i>	<b>21</b> Start herb seedlings and plant perennial seeds in greenhouse	<b>22</b> <i>Cardio and core</i>	<b>23</b> Treat plants in greenhouse with insecticidal soap as needed	<b>24</b> Continue sowing spinach and lettuce in greenhouse <i>Hike and stretch</i>
<b>25</b> Horseback ride; clean and oil saddles Rotate mattresses	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Clean and organize kitchen pantry <i>Pilates</i>	<b>28</b> Remove damp or damaged logs from firewood stack	<b>29</b> Make a big batch of chicken soup <i>Cardio and core</i>	<b>30</b> Meet with arborist to review tree care <i>Pilates</i>	<b>31</b> <i>Hike and stretch</i>



## TIP

Martha has several jade plants (*Crassula ovata*) at her Bedford farm. Because these low-maintenance succulents are said to bring prosperity, they make lovely New Year's gifts.

## MARTHA'S WORKOUT



## Calf Raises

**1.** Stand with the balls of both feet on the edge of an exercise step. Lower both heels toward the floor.

**2.** Raise your body by pushing up through the balls of your feet. Hold for one second; repeat. Work on your balance (no holding onto a wall or chair) as you do this exercise.

► For more of Martha's workouts, pick up a copy of *Living the Good Long Life* (Clarkson Potter, 2013).



## PEOPLE and PLACES in the NEWS

### NOTABLE ANNIVERSARIES IN 2015

The **Garden Conservancy**, which defines its mission as saving and sharing American gardens, turns 25 this year. Over the years since its founding in 1989, the organization has helped over 100 gardens all over the country survive, and educated the public through its events and educational programs. Information about its latest projects is at [www.gardenconservancy.org](http://www.gardenconservancy.org).

Celebrating 100 years is the **Marjorie McNeeley Conservatory** in St. Paul, Minnesota. Originally opened in 1915 as the centerpiece of the city's Como Park, the conservatory covers two acres under glass and is one of the few Victorian style



The Marjorie McNeeley Conservatory

glasshouses in the United States still functioning. In 1974 it was listed on the National Register of Historic Sites and in 1999 it was named a Horticultural Landmark by the American Society for Horticultural Science, becoming the third public garden in the U.S. to achieve this status. It houses a permanent botanical collection as well as hosting flower shows and other events. Event schedules and more information are at [www.comozooconservatory.org](http://www.comozooconservatory.org).

A half-century is now under the belt of the **California Native Plant Society**, which was created in 1965 to protect the native plant heritage of California. Since its inception, it has expanded to include conservation, education, gardening, rare plant science, and vegetation science. Visit [www.cnps.org](http://www.cnps.org) for more information.



CALIFORNIA  
NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

### MONARCH BUTTERFLY CONSIDERED FOR ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST

America's beloved and iconic monarch butterfly may be getting some assistance from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which in December announced it was going to perform a status review to determine if the butterfly should be classified as "threatened" under the Federal Endangered Species Act.

Monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*) populations have plummeted by 90 percent in less than 20 years, a phenomenon scientists believe is primarily related to some 165 million acres of habitat being lost to large-scale mechanized farming practices, which include planting of genetically engineered crops that withstand the use of glyphosate-based herbicides. Widespread spraying with the herbicide

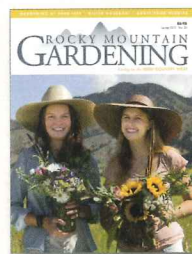
eliminates native plants like milkweed.

The widespread disappearance of milkweed (*Asclepias* spp.) is important because the 3,000-mile monarch migration from their over-wintering sites in Mexico is accomplished by multiple generations reproducing and feeding on milkweed along the way. The life cycle of monarchs is deeply intertwined with milkweeds; monarchs only lay eggs on

The **American Public Garden Association (APGA)** turns 75 this year. Formerly the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta, in 2006 the organization changed its name to the APGA but has always served as a professional organization for public garden staff. There are more than 500 institutional members located throughout the United States and in eight other countries. Visit [www.publicgardens.org](http://www.publicgardens.org) for more information.

### GARDEN PERIODICALS: TWO RENAMINGS AND A NEW VENTURE

*Organic Gardening* magazine, a 72-year-old *grande dame* in the garden publication world, will be rebranded as *Rodale's Organic Life* starting with the May/June 2015 issue. *Organic Gardening* began in 1942 as *Organic Farming and Gardening* and was the first of many well known titles published by Rodale, including *Prevention*, *Men's Health*, and *Women's Health*. The rebrand will include a digital presence and live events.



Another name change will be coming up for *Zone 4*—its new moniker *Rocky Mountain Gardening* will take effect with the spring 2015 issue. The new name, selected by readers in a vote, is intended to more accurately reflect the true geographic extent of the magazine's reach.

A brand new gardening publication, *Pith + Vigor*, launched its inaugural issue in October 2014. Billed as "For people with dirt under their fingernails," this quarterly newspaper provides regional and community focused information. Currently, only the New England region is covered, but Rochelle Greayer, founder and editor, envisions local editorial teams covering all regions in the United States.

### SCOTTMIRACLE-GRO EXPANDS EMPIRE

Scotts Canada Ltd., indirect subsidiary of ScottsMiracle-Gro Company, has acquired Fafard and Brothers Ltd. Known for its high-quality peat moss, Fafard has been in business since 1940 and was the first peat moss miner to achieve Veriflora certification for responsibly managed peat land. The company also distributes fertilizer, grass seed, and mulch across eastern Canada and the United States. ScottsMiracle-Gro anticipates that the acquisition of Fafard will add roughly \$40 million in annual earnings to the \$2.8 billion in worldwide sales it already books.

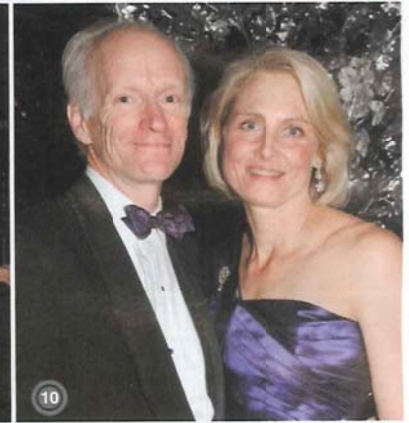
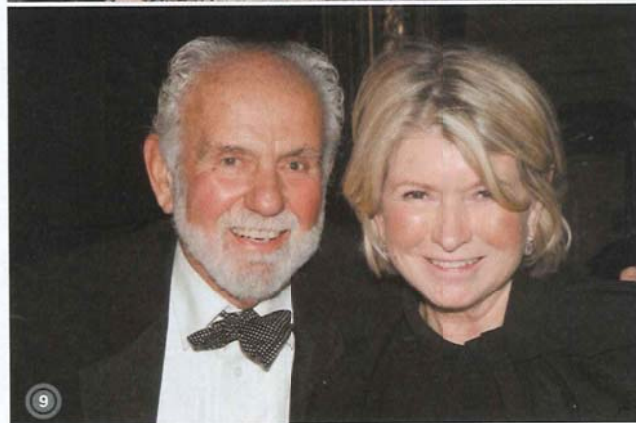


## GARDEN PARTY

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- 7. Deborah Royce, Susan Burke and Suzanne Rheinstein
- 8. Anne Cabot and Gerry and Sue Seitz
- 9. Marco Polo Stufano and Martha Stewart
- 10. Pierre and Jenny du Pont

## 'COMMUNITY MATTERS' AT THE BURNS



# THE GARDEN VARIETY

25 years of saving and sharing gardens

A glittering forest of silver ginkgo trees was re-created at the Metropolitan Club for the Garden Conservancy's first black-tie event. The Conservancy's president Jenny Young du Pont addressed the guests for their continued contributions for protecting national historic landmarks.

**1.** Anne Geddes and Ben Griswold **2.** Pierre and Jenny du Pont  
**3.** Deborah Ryce, Susan Burke and Suzanne Rheinstein **4.** Mish  
Twokowski and Joseph Singer **5.** Bettie Pardee and Ben Lenhardt







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Shortly before Christmas, we hosted two separate events: a visit for Committee Members of the **Garden Conservancy** and the Annual General Meeting of **The American Friends of the Georgian Group**, with a fascinating lecture on Georgian follies by Charlottesville architect, Madison Spencer.



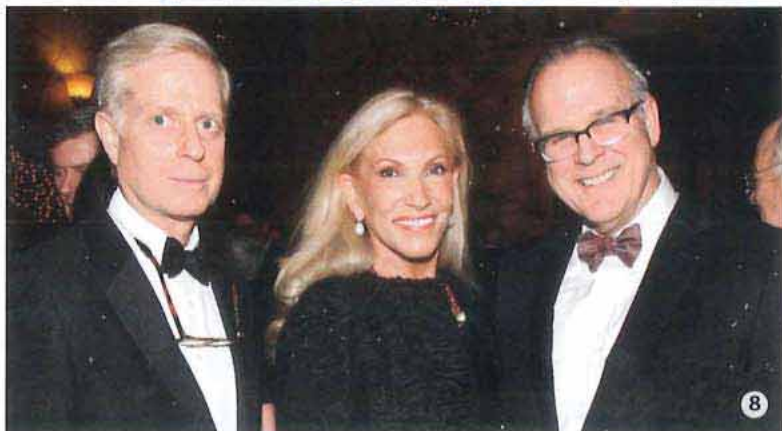
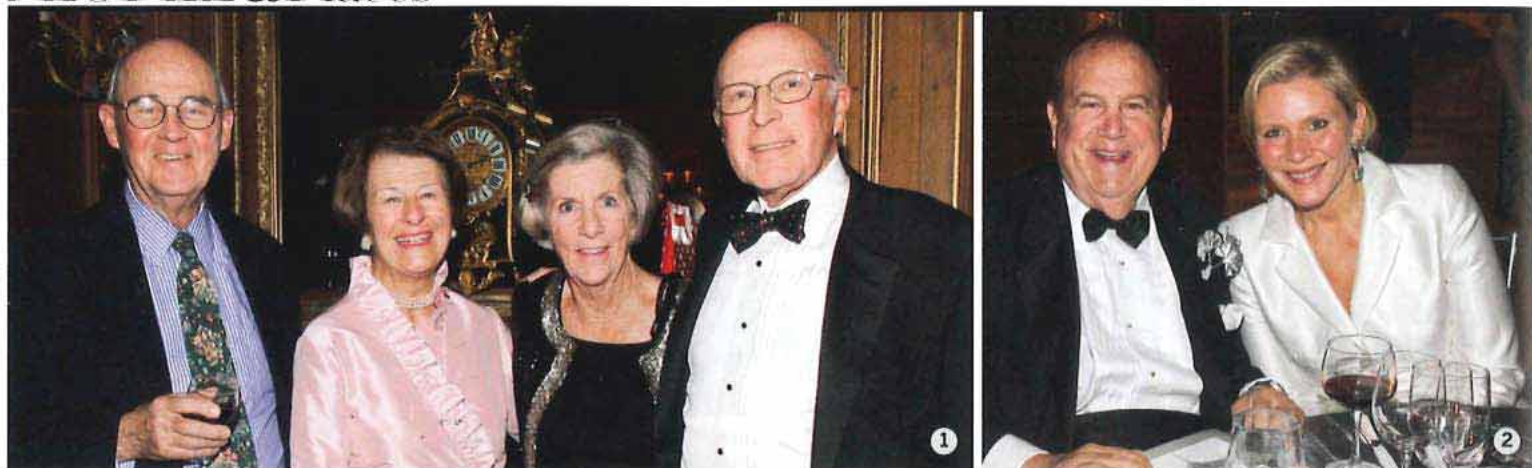
From the Garden Conservancy: Kevin Sharkey, Susan Burke, and Martha Stewart.



Pete McGee; Jenny DuPont, President and CEO of the Garden Conservancy; Maureen Donnell; Ben Lenhardt.



# PEOPLE & Places



1 Dick Niner, Jennifer Brown, Pam Niner, Michael Brown 2 Michael Kovner, Heidi McWilliams 3 Myrna Haft, Jieun Wax 4 Cochairs Deborah Royce, Susan Burke, Suzanne Rheinstein 5 Lucy and Nat Day 6 Avery and Allison Bourke 7 Jeannie and Rick Witmer 8 Chip Allemann, Alease Fisher, John Danzer

## || THE GARDEN CONSERVANCY ||

# Nature's Finest

The Garden Conservancy commemorated its twenty-fifth anniversary with a festive celebration at the Metropolitan Club in Manhattan. More than 260 guests were greeted by cochairs Susan Burke, Suzanne Rheinstein and Deborah Royce at the black-tie event, which raised \$670,000 for the organization's nationwide garden preservation, Open Days, and educational programs. For twenty-five years, the Garden Conservancy has been the nation's leading nonprofit organization dedicated to saving and sharing outstanding American gardens for the education and inspiration of the public. [gardenconservancy.org](http://gardenconservancy.org) »