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Maryland Arborist Association Donates Tree Care Service to Local Arboretum

National Arbor Day is celebrated on the last Friday in April. In recognition of this holiday, tree care service providers from across the state gathered at Adkins Arboretum in Ridgely on April 13, 2019 to complete the Maryland Arborist Association (MAA)'s 41st Arborist Day Project. For over 20 years, members of the MAA have logged thousands of hours and donated hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of man hours to arboriculture service projects across the state.

This year, the MAA was pleased to donate over \$30,000 worth of work to the arboretum. Work completed including trimming of potentially hazardous trees, removing dead trees, and cutting back vines intruding on the natural landscape. "The Arboretum was transformed by the arborists' work. They all took such skillful care to remove deadwood and low limbs. Our service drive is now accessible to delivery trucks, and the trees by our Visitor's Center look beautiful," said Adkins Arboretum Executive Ginna Tiernan.

"It is important to give something back to the community that supports us. *If we don't do it, it's not going to get done* is our philosophy when selecting sites," stated Project Coordinator and MAA Board Member Matt Anacker of A&A Tree Service, Inc in Pikesville. Anacker shared that one his favorite parts of participating in the project is the opportunity to learn and share with others in the industry. Whether it be a piece of equipment or technique, there is always something new that can be taken home and used in day-to-day operations.

The Maryland Arborist Association would like to thank A&A Tree Experts Inc., Bartlett Tree Experts – St. Michael's, Beaver Tree Service Inc., Carroll Tree Service, J.D. Outdoors, LLC, and Lewis Tree Service for their assistance in making the event a success.

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