Hahn-Warner Arboretum

(located behind Smith Middle School) 100 Mosier Street, South Hadley, MA

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Conservation Commission

The Hahn-Warner Arboretum is under care of the South Hadley Conservation Commission and is open to the public from dawn to dusk.

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South Hadley's Hahn-Warner Arboretum—a place where a variety of trees are grown for the enjoyment of all, was the idea of the two people for whom it is named, George Hahn and Edwin T. Warner. It was formed in the spring of 1970, when Mr. Hahn, a middle-school science teacher, first teamed up with Mr. Warner, the town Tree Warden. Together they created and took care of the Arboretum and organized an annual Arbor Day planting with students at the middle school. This tradition continued with Mr. Hahn working with later Tree Wardens, and Linda Warner Young, Mr. Warner's daughter. Middle school science teacher Maria Drobiak is now the science teacher involved in the Arbor Day event, with her students reading Arbor Day essays and helping to plant the tree. Each year the tree is dedicated in honor of someone or some group in South Hadley.

In 2012 Town Meeting voted to approve the Conservation Commission taking over management of the Arboretum, at the request of the Friends of the Arboretum (George Hahn and Linda Warner). The Friends are still active in the Arbor Day festivities, and providing advice to the Commission.

The Arboretum is located mostly in back of Michael E. Smith Middle School, up the hill and beyond the soccer fields. Parking is in the school parking lot. A path runs along the edge of the grass, parallel to the Stony Brook wetland to the east. A few trees are also planted in front, near the sign along Mosier Street. All planted trees are tagged with a number, and the tree list is available online.