The Governor has lifted the COVID restrictions if you are fully vaccinated. If you are not vaccinated, please continue to wear a mask and practice social distancing. Most State buildings have occupancy restrictions and cleaning protocols. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Summer Evenings at Harkness

off to a great start! The weather was a little cool, but all enjoyed the Phred Mileski Trio.

See harkness.org for our next scheduled performers
New garden volunteers from our membership are always welcome, we meet on Wednesdays from 9 AM to 12 noon. You must be a member of FOH to participate, go to harkness.org to join.

Grapevine cuttings have arrived from Amberg Grapevines in Clifton Springs New York

Last year our Garden volunteers and Harkness staff took cuttings from the grapevines original to the Harkness estate in hopes of preserving the historic resource—as you can see the rooted cuttings look very healthy! The cuttings were sent to Amberg Grapevines for rooting under controlled conditions— they arrived in June and have been potted up. They will be planted in our new grapevine enclosure and some will be planted outside as an experiment to see if they can over winter in our climate.

Inside the new enclosure the grapevines thrive!
News from the Board

- We WILL NOT be providing Mansion tours this season. We must abide by the occupancy and cleaning requirements per room in the mansion, making group tours almost impossible for the time being. Garden tours are also suspended at this time.

- The Gift Shop and Information center is now open on weekends. Anyone wishing to volunteer in the shop, please send an email to information@Harkness.org

- The Board has started a petition to have trash cans in the picnic area—if you wish to sign, please stop at the Gift Shop.

- Informational signboards for the mansion, carriage house and gardens have arrived and will be installed by our Building and Grounds committee this month.

- Plans are being developed for a more elegant front entrance to the park.
This year the Board voted to give the Park some needed equipment—a power washer—used for keeping buildings and pergola clean; and a portable battery charger for all their “Green” battery operated equipment. We also added a few spare batteries which help when using the power drills for planting in the gardens—our Garden Volunteers attest to that! These funds are expended as part of our IRS required non-profit status for giving back a percentage of our funds to the park.