

# Friends of Donegal Newsletter April 2026



**Happy Spring to all our friends and followers. Friends of Donegal uses this newsletter to keep our friends and supporters updated on what we are doing. Please check our website and Facebook page for regular updates.**

Website: [donegalfriends.org](http://donegalfriends.org)

Facebook: FOD-Friendsof Donegal

Where is FOD in the community over the next 60 days:

**Donegal Presbyterian Church May 16 -Garden planting**

**Florin Church May 31 speaking about FOD**

**Florin Church June 3-speaking about FOD**

**Summer Solstice-downtown Mount Joy-display of FOD  
information**

**Mount Joy 175th Anniversary June 27-display of FOD  
information**

Contact [info@friendsofdonegal.org](mailto:info@friendsofdonegal.org) for additional  
information.



St Marks Food Drive during Lent was a huge success. The congregation collected 1,300 pounds of shelf stable food for our Donegal Power Packs families. Weis Markets employees and shoppers were able to collect 850 pounds of shelf stable food for our Power Packs families during their Spring food drive. Friends of Donegal is hosting a self defense session Wednesday May 6, 2026 starting at 6PM at Florin Church 815 Bruce Avenue, Mount Joy. If you are interested in joining us contact [info@friendsofdonegal.org](mailto:info@friendsofdonegal.org). We will have a free meal catered by DiMaria's in Mount Joy.

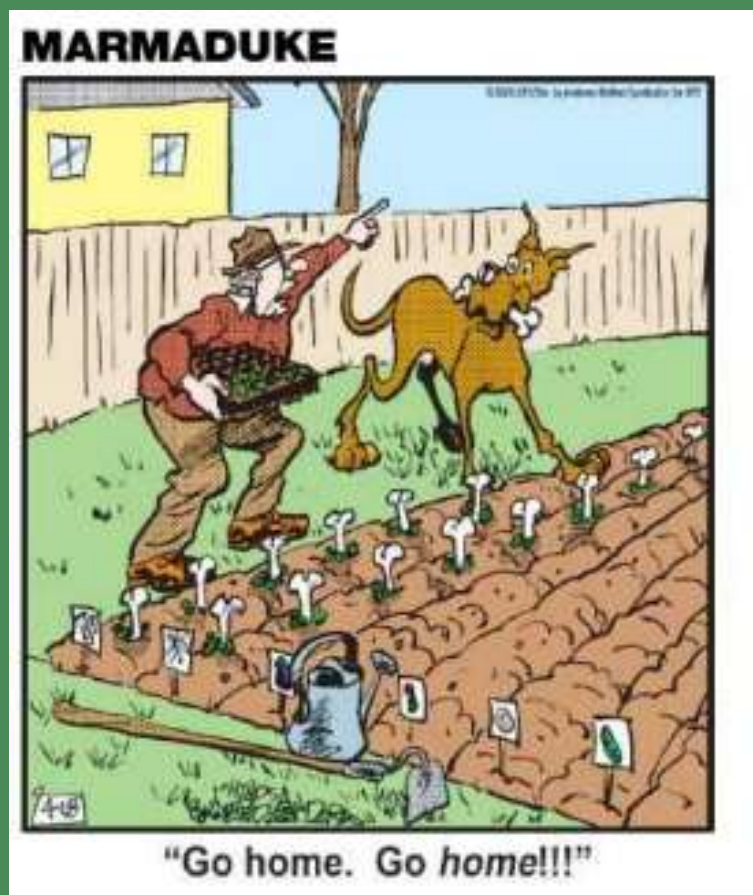




## DONEGAL COMMUNITY GARDENS

The Donegal gardens planning is in full swing. The committee members are: Doug, Mike, Ruthann, Jarod Stine, Doug, Betsey, Ruthann, & Mike. Our plan is to add both annual and perennial flowers to the garden. The first 100 foot row will house these flowers. The flowers will be turned into small bouquets to bless our families when they pick up their power packs bags. Our goal for this year is to give away free 3,500 pounds of fresh produce to our neighbors with food insecurity including the local food banks, Power Packs, and Senior Apartments, and the Adopt a Pantry program by Central PA Food Bank.

Even Marmaduke loves to garden!!!





Florin Garden asparagus plot. Looking forward to cutting fresh asparagus this spring.



Look who came out to help us get the Donegal Presbyterian Garden ready for Spring planting. The Mount Joy Boro employees delivered compost for us to get the garden in shape.



There is still time to sign up to help plant the garden at Donegal Presbyterian Church.

# COMMUNITY GARDEN SPRING PLANTING

Join us for a fun morning of hands-on work in our community gardens!

**Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**Donegal Presbyterian Church**

1891 Donegal Springs Road

**Florin Church of the Brethren**

815 Bruce Avenue

***Rain Date – Saturday, June 6th, 2026***

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Donegal**

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*April 29, 2026*

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Mount Joy, 919 E. Main St  
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Mount Joy Borough Employees  
Marcia Landis  
Andy Hess  
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