

## If You So Choose, You, too, Can Own a PNGA Master Nutcracker!

Later this fall, when the weather is crisp and the hickory nuts, walnuts, pecans, and butternuts have been harvested, cleaned, and husked. And need to be cracked open. To do this, Gerald Gardner's legacy will be at work in hundreds of households across the country, helping to crack open our native nut crops.



Master Nutcrackers, built and individually numbered by Mr. Gardner, have been recognized for decades as among the best for revealing the tasty treasures inside those hard shells.

Learning that Mr. Gardner had ceased production, PNGA, as part of its mission to popularize our native nuts, decided to move forward with producing the nutcrackers. How many more people could enjoy hickories and black walnuts with an easier and more efficient way to crack them than hitting them with a hammer or putting them in a bench vise?

We are in the final design and manufacturing stages, working with a local Pennsylvania aluminum foundry. It will be built with the right aluminum alloy to last a lifetime and increase capacity to hold our largest walnut varieties on center for a cleaner split.

We hope to have the PNGA edition of the Master Nutcracker ready for the 2025 nut season. We are now taking advance orders for \$100 if payment is received by August 1. If you are interested, please complete the order form below.

If you or an organization you are part of would like to place a bulk order or discuss wholesale distribution, please contact me at 267-902-2640.

The regular retail price after August 1, 2025, will be \$120. We expect the nutcrackers to be ready for this fall. Upon production, we will have an in-person distribution for advance orders, or they could be picked up at the Farm Show. If the item needs to be shipped, we will require payment of the shipping fee.

Jerry Silberman, Board of Director, Douglassville, Berks County

### \*\*\*\*\* PNGA Master Nutcracker Advance Order \*\*\*\*\*

Mail with your payment to Jerry Silberman, 417 Douglass Drive, Douglassville, PA 19518.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (no Post Office Boxes) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code +4 \_\_\_\_\_

Best Phone Number with Area Code \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed, please find a check or Money Order payable to the PNGA for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ PNGA Master Nutcracker(s) at \$100 each by August 1, 2025. (Credit cards cannot be accepted at this time.)

Ship (shipping fee to be determined) to me at the above address, or I will pick it up at a PNGA Meeting: (circle one) 2026 Farm Show, 2026 Annual Meeting at the Farm Show, or 2026 Picnic Meeting.