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Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens Volunteer Info Session

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AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES



**A 30+ acre living
laboratory,
museum of trees,
and place of
respite**

**At The Ohio State
University**

Map of Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens



Who we are

Chadwick Arboretum Staff



Dr. Laura Deeter
Director of Chadwick Arboretum
and Faculty in Horticulture and
Crop Science



Dr. Dewey Mann
Director of Operations at
Chadwick Arboretum &
Waterman Farm



Operations and Programming Team

The Volunteers

About 150 people each year giving over 5,000 hours of their time and talent.



Why do you volunteer at Chadwick Arboretum?

Nevermind the person who wrote this.



What do volunteers do?

It's not all weeding.



Weekly Volunteer Sessions in the Gardens from 9-11 a.m.

- **Tuesdays:** Lane Ave Gardens and Cultivar Trials
- **1st and 3rd Wednesdays:** Arboretum North
- **Thursdays:** Learning Gardens
- **Fridays:** Arboretum North



Lane Ave. Gardens

Volunteers provide garden maintenance, seasonal color changeouts, and curation of our Lane Avenue Gardens.

Tuesdays, 9-11 a.m.

Led by MGV Joe Stewart,
gardenjoestew@gmail.com



Cultivar Trials

Volunteers install, maintain, and evaluate annuals and perennials from plant breeders around the world.

Volunteers also assist in hosting the annual Cultivate Reception event by AmericanHort.

Not available during regular work times? You can sign up to “Adopt a bed.”

Tuesdays, 9-11 a.m. or anytime

Led by Cultivar Trials Manager Anna Williamson, williamson.596@osu.edu and MGVP Kathy Krantz, candkkrantz@sbcglobal.net



Learning Gardens

Volunteers maintain the herbaceous and woody collections in our highly visited Learning Gardens site that is often used for teaching and tours.

Thursdays, 9-11 a.m.

Led by MGV Chris Tilton,
ctilton@columbus.rr.com

Then



Now



Arboretum North

Volunteers help with removal of invasive species, planting pollinator-friendly native plants, maintaining the 4-H Center Woodland Garden, harvesting seeds, and much more.

1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 9-11 a.m.

Led by Hope Weber, jhopeweber@gmail.com

Fridays, 9 -11 a.m.

Led by MGVS Lori Kingston, lk518@att.net



Adopt a Garden

After selecting a garden space that you enjoy, receive training from our Horticulturist on how to maintain it. As your schedule allows, you can take care of the garden and call it your own!

Led by Pam Poeth, Horticulturist:
Poeth.3@osu.edu

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Our Year at a Glance

January: Cultivar Trials planning

February: Day of Education Conference

March: New Volunteer Orientations begin,
All-Volunteer Plant Sale Meeting

April: Earth Day Tree Giveaway, Plant Sale
Meetings and training, Arbor Day
Celebration

May: Spring Plant Sale Fundraiser, Cultivar
Trials Planting Day

June: Tour Guide Trainings and tours

July: Cultivar Trials Showcase, Staff
Appreciation Week Tour

August: Back 2 School Bash

September: Hosting tours for Classes,
Volunteer Appreciation Night

October: ArboBlitz, Fall Foliage Open
House, Plant Sale Kickoff Meeting,

November: PAX Poinsettia Sale Workshop
& Fundraiser

December: Winter Solstice Labyrinth Walk



Event Planning and Outreach

Volunteers can get involved as leaders to plan events, like our Spring Plant Sale Fundraiser, PAX Poinsettia Fundraiser, Arbor Day Celebration, and outreach events.

Email the Program Coordinator about your interests or respond to opportunities as you see them arise in the Volunteer Newsletters.



Lead Tours

Tours at Chadwick Arboretum come in all shapes and sizes! We get requests from garden groups, elementary schools, OSU staff and student groups, and classes.

Tours are scheduled and posted onto a sign-up form that you can check periodically. Sign up for the ones that interest you to lead or co-lead.

Training occurs in July, but volunteers can begin shadowing tours at any time.



How do I get started?

The Volunteer Onboarding Process

Checklist

After watching this webinar, you can head to our website to fill out the application.

In about a week, you will receive an email on how to complete these next steps.

- 1 Set up a 1-hour “Meet and Greet” with the Program Coordinator**
Typically, during a normal volunteer session from 9-11 a.m.
- 2 Sign and submit paperwork given to you**
Release of claims and photo release
- 3 Set up a “Hands on Connect” Account**
Volunteer platform for tracking your hours.
- 4 Submit your Background Check online (\$25)**
If you are not *current* faculty, staff, student or MGVS.



When the 4 steps are complete

Please take a moment to reach out to the garden leader or Program Coordinator before you come out to volunteer, letting them know you are coming. All the information covered today will be on our [Current Volunteers webpage](#) and on [Hands on Connect](#).

Parking

It's not as hard as it looks!

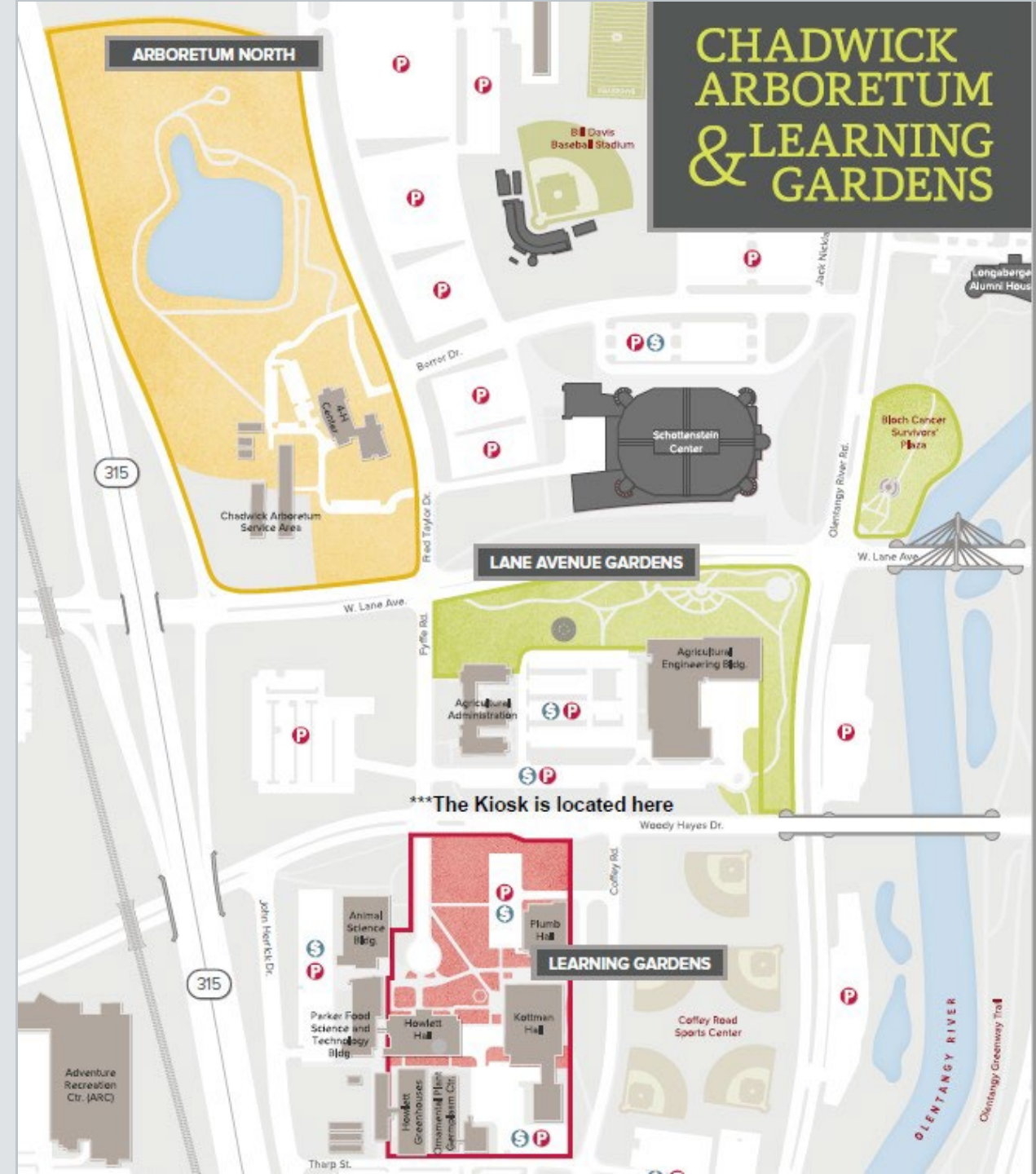


Park for Free

1. Stop at the kiosk in the Agricultural Administration parking lot, 2021 Fyffe Road.
2. Enter your license plate number
3. Enter the Chadwick Voucher

Keep your receipt for the day, but you do *not* need to display it. You may now park closer to the volunteer session.

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Questions?

- Type in the chat box
- Email me at Wilson.4615@osu.edu
- Call me at 614-247-6972



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