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Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens Volunteer Newsletter

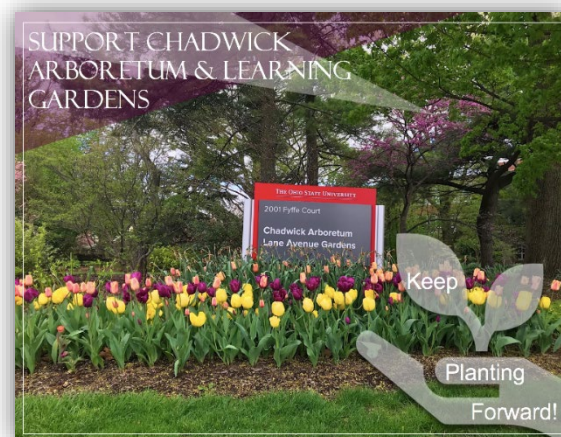
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News

Today we are launching our [BuckeyeFunder fundraiser](#)! This critical fundraiser is in response to the loss of our beloved Spring Plant Sale and Auction, membership drive, and Campus Campaign event due to COVID-19. This fundraiser will run the entire month of June.

To kick us off today, we have some very exciting, humbling, and amazing news. **A few generous donors have already provided half of our \$75,000 goal!** The joy this brings to us, especially during these challenging times, cannot be understated. I hope this news brings you the same joy and provides you with hope for better times ahead.

Take a minute to check out the BuckeyeFunder website and watch the wonderful video created by Elisa Leahy at Noonday Films: <https://buckeyefunder.osu.edu/ChadwickArboretum>



Opportunities

Volunteers remain on stand-by until **July 6th** to enter our gardens. However, there are still some important ways you can help Chadwick to “Keep Planting Forward” throughout the month of June.

1.) Take an Ambassador role in spreading the word about our fundraiser.

Please email me directly at wilson.4615@osu.edu to be added to the Ambassador list.

2.) Share our fundraiser social media posts with friends and family.

Follow Chadwick Arboretum on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

3.) Give what you can through our [BuckeyeFunder portal](#) in June.

Any amount counts! A donation of \$40.00 or more offers fantastic benefits to you. In fact, we have a new benefit for those who become a member before June 14th: 1 month of curbside compost pickup from The Compost Exchange.

See all membership benefits here: go.osu.edu/chadwickarboretummemberbenefits

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4.) Keep Planting a Row for the Hungry

Turn your green thumb into food production for the food pantries during this time of unprecedented need for access to free food in our community.

The full project description can be found here:

<https://chadwickarboretum.osu.edu/news/plant-row-hungry>

Please email Julia Wilson at

Wilson.4615@osu.edu to share what you've donated so far!



Want a sign for your garden? Email Julia and she will have one made for you!



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Education and Events

- **Building a 21st Century Victory Garden:**

The Chicago Botanic Garden “believes it is time to revisit the tradition of the Victory Garden!” Read their blog and learn some gardening tips here:

https://www.chicagobotanic.org/blog/news/building_21st_century_victory_garden

- **Ecopsychology: How Immersion in Nature Benefits Your Health:**

“How long does it take to get a dose of nature high enough to make people say they feel healthy and have a strong sense of well-being? Precisely 120 minutes.” Read Yale’s article here:

<https://e360.yale.edu/features/ecopsychology-how-immersion-in-nature-benefits-your-health>

- **National Pollinator Week: June 22 – June 28, 2020**

Sadly, we will not be inviting you all to Chadwick for a pollinator walk and talk with Denise Ellsworth, Program Director of [The Bee Lab](#).

Instead, **take a free Ohio Pollinators course** through Extension! It is self-paced, and includes videos, podcasts, readings and activities around a central topic. Course instructors include Dan Herms, Jamie Strange, Heather Holm, **Doug Tallamy**, Olivia Carril, Sam Droege, Rich Hatfield and others. Visit the website here:

<https://u.osu.edu/certify/ohio-pollinators-on-line-free-course-on-extension/>



- **APGA Annual Conference (now virtual): June 25 & 30, July 2, 7, & 9th**

**NEW: VIRTUAL Annual Conference:
ReCrafting Gardens for a Changed World
| June 25, June 30, July 2, July 7, July 9,
2020**

Registration is now live! [Register Here](#)

Members: \$100*

Non-Members: \$150*

*Early bird rates end **June 19th**



Click anywhere on the photo above for more information

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Russell Tree Experts created a “Virtual Tour” of Chadwick Arboretum and put it on their website! Check it out here: <https://www.russelltreeexperts.com/arbor-ed/2020/5/21/chadwick-arboretum>



Megan Meier, graduate of OSU who designed and installed the Green Roof on Howlett Hall, is accessing our Green Roof by ladder these days!



Chadwick Arboretum's Labyrinth is a rare place of meditation and contemplation within our city limits. Photo Credit: Jacqueline Carlson



To Anna Geiger, Sue Downey, and all of the volunteers who grabbed their masks, shovels, and containers for a social-distancing plant dig, THANK YOU!

Over two weekends, you provided a garden-downsizing service to a wonderful person, supported Chadwick Arboretum, and filled your gardens at the same time.