



## Action in the Arboretum

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**“The creation of a thousand forests is in one acorn.” – Ralph Waldo Emerson**

This quote should be the Chadwick Arboretum motto, shouldn't it? It's been a fantastic month here at the arboretum thanks to all of you, with many seeds planted (both literally and figuratively).

10,000 succulents were distributed across campus through a “Grow Kindness” Initiative hosted by the Office of Student Life. Chadwick Arboretum and Master Gardener Volunteers were a key component to helping teach and provide encouragement to all 5,000ish visitors.

Our Day of Education with the Franklin County Master Gardeners was also a great way to spend a chilly rainy day together, complete with endless coffee and bagel sandwiches. This year featured four great speakers:

- Nick McCullough of [McCullough Landscaping](#)
- Jennifer Windus from the [Ohio Invasive Plant Council](#)
- John Palmer, [ISA Certified Arborist](#)
- Chuck Gleaves, retired Director of [Kingwood Gardens](#)

This event couldn't have happened without volunteers Wendy Mangino, Nancy Loy, Shaunessy Everett, Chris Atzberger, and Marcia Armstrong. If you see them around sometime soon, please thank them for their months of diligent planning! (And, of course, please let us know your thoughts and ideas for next year, too.)



Wendy Mangino, Nick McCullough, and Nancy Loy.

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*It was such fun to be together again.*



*Master Gardener and Chadwick Volunteers worked together to Grow Kindness across campus.*

## Let's Get Hands on Connect-ed

We need to you to do three things for us...

- 1) Set up your account on <https://osu.handsonconnect.org/>
- 2) Start to “express interest” in the projects you will likely volunteer in.  
*Note: If you are an MGV, you do not need to do this - but remember that our portal has tons of great information you might like to know about.*
- 3) Complete “**recertification.**”  
*While the wording is tailored to Master Gardener Volunteers, we are now required to have our volunteers complete these papers annually, too.*

There is a guide to completing these three steps [here](#).



*Thank you so much, DOE Registration team!*



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## Volunteering at Chadwick Arboretum Checklist

Haven't volunteered with us for a while? Hey – there's been a pandemic going on, we understand! Here is a checklist for you to get started back into it again. Please contact Julia Wilson at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu) about any of the items below.

- ☐ Background check complete (If you are not a current OSU employee/student/MGV)
- ☐ Have a T-Shirt and name badge
- ☐ Hands on Connect items
  - Logged into Hands on Connect (HOC) and “expressed interest” in the projects you are interested in.
  - Recertification documents are electronically signed and submitted on HOC.
- ☐ [Complete a Release of Claims](#) (click to open)
- ☐ Optional: [complete a Photo Release](#) (click to open)



### **\*\*Volunteer Parking Updates\*\***

**Kiosk Update:** There is now only **one** parking kiosk that accepts the Chadwick Voucher for free parking located next to the Agriculture Administration Building.

For the next few months, construction will be blocking one entrance to this parking lot. You will need to enter on Woody Hayes Ave.

**Barn Update:** Parking and driving into the Chadwick barn compound is now restricted due to Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Franklin County. Foot traffic to the barn is not restricted at this time.



*Welcome to Chadwick Arboretum, MGV Intern Class 2022!*

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## Upcoming Chadwick Arboretum Events

### 1) Arbor Day Celebration and Awards

Friday, April 29, 2022: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Join us for our Arbor Day Celebration featuring a presentation of OSU's Tree-Campus USA Certification, announcement of the 2022 Lorax Award, a tree-themed presentation and more. This celebration is held outside at Kottman Hall. Be ready for an extra dose of inspiration when you hear about our awards this year!

MORE INFO: [go.osu.edu/ArborDayCelebration](https://go.osu.edu/ArborDayCelebration)

### 2) Spring Plant Sale and Auction Fundraiser

Members-Only Night: Thursday, May 12, 2022: 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Friday, May 13: 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 14: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Over 10,000 curated selections of new and unusual perennials, annuals, Ohio native plants, heirloom and organic vegetables, specialty herbs, and more can be found at our most important fundraiser of the year. This event takes place outside of the Nationwide and Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center, at the corner of Lane and Fyffe. (Scroll down for information on volunteering at this event.)

More Info: [go.osu.edu/SpringPlantSale](https://go.osu.edu/SpringPlantSale)

## Volunteer Help Needed

Our weekly garden work sessions kick off this year April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

### 1) Cultivar Trials Volunteering in the Greenhouse

Mondays and Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

If you are interested in helping in the greenhouse this year, please sign up for a date/time to join us! You can find this opportunity on Hands on Connect under, "Cultivar Trials Greenhouse Workers."

Note to MGVS: While Cultivar Trials is an approved MGVS project, you can only find the sign-up link on the "Chadwick Arboretum" portal.

### 2) Backyard Wildlife Certification Reviews with Tea

Tuesday, April 5 and 19, 2022: 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

The Backyard Wildlife Certification Plan is a new project created this year for the 150 Tending Nature course participants. Volunteers have been integral to creating the plan and the corresponding manual.

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Based on Doug Tallamy's 12 "tenets" for creating your own Homegrown National Park, participants have been creating their plan to improve their yards for wildlife. [You can see what we created here.](#)

From now until May 12<sup>th</sup>, we are having a lot of fun reviewing these awesome plans. Will you help? Reviewers can **come into the office on April 5 and 19 for tea and cookies while we review together!** Reviewers leave a paragraph or so of feedback for the participant.

Please contact Julia Wilson ([Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu)) if you are interested in this project, an off shoot of our Arboretum North Pollinator Habitat project.



Bill Johnson's Tree University workshop on Grafting Trees and Shrubs

## 3) Earth Day Tree Giveaway packaging

Monday, April 18, 2022: 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Includes a pizza lunch

Volunteers will help pack up 810 tree seedlings into bags the Monday before Earth Day in the barn. This will be a fun afternoon for us! We believe it will take about 9 volunteers working in teams of 3 to get through all the bagging, tagging, and tying and stapling.

Then, on Thursday, April 21, from 12 p.m. – 2 p.m., OSU staff will drive up to the Howlett Hall Turn-around and grab their free tree. We need 2 volunteers to assist with the passing out of about 150 of these seedlings.

Finally, we also need 2-3 volunteers to help set up/tear down at the Earth Day event in which a tree will be planted by OSU's Medical Center. This will take place on Friday, April 22 at 10:00 a.m.

If you are willing to help with these things, **please sign up on Hands on Connect under "Earth Day Tree Giveaway: Packaging"** on the Chadwick Arboretum portal or email Julia Wilson at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu).

## 4) Outreach and Community Event: Grange Insurance Audubon Center Native Plant Sale

Saturday, May 7, 2022: Time TBD

Attend the NPBVC Native Plant Sale and Kickoff Celebration! Volunteers will host a table at the Grange Insurance Audubon Center and talk about to participants about why they should come visit us! 1-2 volunteers needed, expected attendance: 100 people

Sign up on Hands on Connect under "Chadwick: Outreach and Community Events" or email Julia Wilson at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu).

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## 5) Volunteer at the Spring Plant Sale

Interested in volunteering at Chadwick Arboretum's largest fundraiser of the year? We need all the hands we can get to make our sale a success!

89 Volunteers logged into our All-Volunteer Plant Sale Zoom on Monday, March 28 to learn about all the ways you can get involved. We forgot to record until about 10 minutes into the meeting, but you can watch it [here](#).

Ready to sign up? Go here:  
[go.osu.edu/PSVolunteer](https://go.osu.edu/PSVolunteer)



## There are other ways you can help, too!

1) **Collect berry boxes from your local grocery store** and place them within the barn. Please do not drive into the compound, due to the Avian Bird Flu. (But you can walk in.) Drop off times are Mondays, 1 -3 p.m. Brenda Allinger will have the side-door open to the barn at this time, easily accessed from the 4-H driveway.

2.) **Do you have a wagon that we can borrow?** Customers use these to tote around their plants when shopping. Please contact Julia Wilson if you are willing to share yours for a few days, and we will meet you at the barn to drop it off. (Make sure it's got your name on it somewhere!) Email: [wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:wilson.4615@osu.edu) or 513-593-0746

3.) **Spread the news!** Share the dates, times, flyers, and social media posts widely with your friends, neighbors, church groups, garden clubs, etc.

## Weekly Garden Volunteer Sessions Starting April 1, 2022

We always cancel weekly garden work sessions due to rain. If you need parking instructions, a name badge, or t-shirt, please reach out to Julia Wilson at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu).

- **The Lane Ave. and Hosta Specialty Garden**  
Tuesdays, 9-11 a.m.: Garden Maintenance  
Questions? Email Joe Stewart at [Gardenjoestew@gmail.com](mailto:Gardenjoestew@gmail.com)
- **Cancer Survivors Plaza**  
First and Third Wednesdays of the month, 9-11 a.m.: Garden maintenance  
Questions? Email Hope Weber at [jhopeweber@gmail.com](mailto:jhopeweber@gmail.com)



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- **The Learning Gardens**

Thursdays 9-11 a.m.: Garden maintenance

Questions? Email Chris Tilton at [ctilton@columbus.rr.com](mailto:ctilton@columbus.rr.com)

- **Tree Mapping and Inventory**

**Thursdays 12:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.** (new time!) : Identifying, measuring, and mapping trees

Questions? Email Mike Heys at [keelhaul1949@gmail.com](mailto:keelhaul1949@gmail.com)

- **Pollinator Habitat at Arboretum North**

Fridays 9 -11 a.m. Invasive removal, path laying, and more.

Questions? Email Lori Kingston at [lk518@att.net](mailto:lk518@att.net)



If you can tell what Bill Johnson was using as his “pointer” during his Tree University workshop of Grafting, you will receive a set of 6 botanical print notecards.

Email Julia Wilson at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu) with your guess! (First 3 to answer correctly)