

Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens Volunteer Newsletter

August 2022

Chadwick Arboretum & Beyond

All of you have been tremendously busy this past month! As a quick recap, we:

- Hosted 6 tour groups
- Held 4 "lessons learned" sessions about our Plant Sale
- Hosted about 200 Cultivate conference attendees at our Cultivar Trials Showcase
- Conducted Cultivar Trials Evaluations
- As usual, tended our specialty gardens nearly every day



As many of you know, we are hosting 5 interns this summer: Jamie, Audrey, Alexis, Lex, and Alayna. Meeting and working with each of you greatly enhances their experience working for a public garden.

We wanted to take some time to acknowledge that *all of you* are contributing not only to our gardens, but to the people who pass through here. Their last days are coming up August 12, and we sure will miss their enthusiasm and fresh perspectives! Make sure to say goodbye to them when you see them out in the garden.

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Intern trip to Dawes Arboretum, led by Director Luke Messinger as our quide. Have you been out lately?

Volunteer help needed

Fall and Foliage Tour of Arboretum North Planning

Friday, August 12, 2022: 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Immediately following the Arboretum North volunteer session

Help us plan our new "Open House" of Arboretum North, set to take place on Sunday, October 16, 2022 from 1 – 4 p.m. Arboretum North is the perfect venue for a tour of fall foliage, but we also believe we will serve apple cider and have fishing lessons as well. We need your input and help to make it special!

If you are interested in helping us plan this event, please email Julia Wilson at Wilson.4615@osu.edu.

Volunteer Appreciation Night Planning

Thursday, August 18, 2022: 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Would you like to help plan our Volunteer Appreciation Night this year? Set for Thursday, September 29, we are planning a very special evening for all of you!

To kick off the planning, we will be meeting in the Gazebo between Howlett and Kottman Hall. If you are able to help, please email Julia at <u>Wilson.4615@osu.edu</u>.



We are also looking for music suggestions to play for about an hour during our evening.

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Back 2 School Bash

Thursday, September 1, 2022: 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

The Back 2 School Bash is a wonderful event for all College of Food, Agriculture, and Environmental Science students to get them excited about the new school year ahead. Several food trucks and student organizations take over the Learning Gardens and Cultivar Trials area for this fun evening.

We are looking for two volunteers to host the Chadwick Arboretum table. Volunteers will pass out information about our gardens and how to get involved.

If you are interested in helping, please email Julia at Wilson.4615@osu.edu.

Gather in the Garden Thursday, September 8, 200

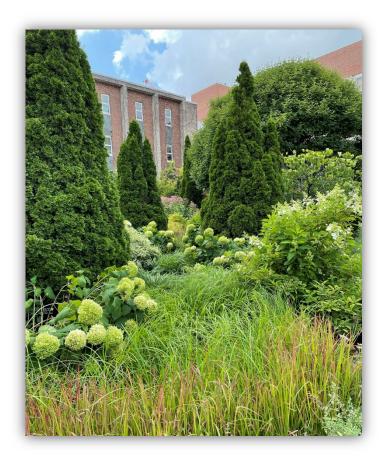
Thursday, September 8, 2022: 11:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Gather in the Garden is our Welcome Back to students, staff, and faculty for the fall semester. We are asking people to bring their own lunch and blanket, and Chadwick Arboretum will supply the drinks and desserts. We will also offer a few short tours of the learning gardens to those interested.

We are looking for:

- 2 4 volunteers to help us pass out desserts and drinks
- 2 tour guides

If you are interested in helping, please email Julia at Wilson.4615@osu.edu.



The "Still" Garden outside of Howlett Hall.

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Weekly Garden Volunteer Sessions

Please note, we always cancel weekly garden work sessions due to rain. You can find more information about each of these weekly volunteer opportunities on Hands on Connect, or email Julia at Wilson.4615@osu.edu.

• The Lane Ave. and Hosta Specialty Garden

Tuesdays, 9 – 11 a.m.: Garden Maintenance Questions? Email Joe Stewart at <u>Gardenjoestew@gmail.com</u>

• Cancer Survivors Plaza

First and Third Wednesdays of the month, 9 – 11 a.m.: Garden maintenance Questions? Email Hope Weber at jhopeweber@gmail.com

• The Learning Gardens

Thursdays 9 – 11 a.m.: Garden maintenance Questions? Email Chris Tilton at ctilton@columbus.rr.com

• Tree Mapping and Inventory

Thursdays 12 – 2:00 p.m.: Identifying, measuring, and mapping trees Questions? Email Mike Heys at keelhaul1949@gmail.com

• Pollinator Habitat at Arboretum North

Fridays 9 – 11 a.m.: New Pollinator Gardens and maintaining pollinator habitat Questions? Email Lori Kingston at lk518@att.net



Horticulture Therapy



Cultivar Trials Beauties. Photo credit: Kathy Watson

• iNaturalist Biodiversity Monitoring at Arboretum North

Anytime you are at Arboretum North, use the iNaturalist app to help us document all living species! Questions? Email Temple George, curiousmonkey55@gmail.com

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MGVs: Do you have your hours logged in the correct place?

Please take a minute this month to look at the hours you have logged in Hands on Connect.

If you have any hours under a Chadwick Arboretum project, such as "Chadwick – Cultivar Trials Greenhouse Workers" then you need to switch these over to the corresponding Franklin County project instead. (Otherwise, they are not counted towards your recertification.)

To correct this, you can "zero out" any hours (not delete) that were added to a Chadwick Arboretum project. Then, add them into the correct project on the Franklin County MGV side.

We know this is a pain. That's why we created a short (9 minute) video explanation and are offering in-person or virtual help sessions to correct your hours with you!



1.) Video Explanation: Click Here (Opens in a new browser window)

2.) Office Hours Zoom Link:

Time: Wednesdays, August 17 - September 14 or as scheduled Join Zoom Meeting:

https://osu.zoom.us/j/91660089392?pwd=OGIwQlhSZlJrYWh4dlNJL3VINWxUUT09

Meeting ID: 916 6008 9392

Password: 704557

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Volunteer Appreciation Night

Thursday, September 30, 2022 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Please join us for an evening celebrating **you** and all the work you have done for Chadwick Arboretum this year!

We will have food, music, and a delightful evening together – no weeding included!

Let us know you are coming: **RSVP Here**







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Let's Get Social: Opportunities outside of Chadwick Gardens





Join us in Ecuador this Fall!

October 17-24, 2022

Join the Tandana Foundation in the beautiful Andean highlands outside the city of Otavalo, Ecuador.

Learn about the local flora and support local projects. Get your hands dirty working in the garden then learn about local customs and traditions.

Visit: Gardening Volunteer Venture

See more beautiful photos and keep up to date on events: <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>



Volunteer Jill Alexander's gardenthemed cookies from her bakery, 2 Sweet Bakers. Photo credit: Alison Circle

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Parks, Plants and Pots

with FOUR PRESENTERS, \$30

Learn the most interesting features of the newest Metroparks including great hiking spots for the over 50 crowd. Discover what plants and animals are doing now in our parks to prepare for winter.

Discover a Landscape Architect's process for designing parks and public spaces, including the regulations, considerations and other factors involved. Gain practical tips and considerations to create a garden using containers throughout the year. Explore the history and horticulture of Bonsaia fascinating fusion or art and botany, Discover what materials are essential for Bonsai and the techniques used to transform a humble plant into a work of art, both ephemeral and enduring.

Carrie Keller is Outreach Naturalist for Senior Programs at Metro Parks and has been with the park district for 24 years. She has been in her current position at Headquarters (located at Sharon Woods) for almost 14 years.

Andre Banerjee is a landscape/urban designer with OHM Advisors in Columbus, Ohio. He graduated from The Ohio State University in 2018 with a Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture. With 3 years of professional experience, his work has included private development of multifamily housing, public parks, and comprehensive planning.

Pamela J Bennett is an Associate Professor at OSU. She is a State Master Gardener Program Director, Chadwick Arboretum Program Interim Program Director, Extension Educator in Horticulture, and self-proclaimed Plant Geek.

A lifelong interest in plants and curiosity about Japanese culture combined to provide a compelling hobby, a small business, and what sometimes seems like an obsession. **Mark Passerrello** has been cultivating little trees for more than thirty years and has recently begun making the pots that go with them. Register and More Info: <u>Click Here</u>