



# Action in the Arboretum

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## Chadwick Arboretum Spring Plant Sale and Auction: The Recap Is Here!

How often do you get a chance to see the outcome of your volunteer efforts? One of the amazing things about the Spring Plant Sale is that we can really dig into the numbers to see our impact. Are you ready to take a moment to bask in that good feeling of accomplishment?

We had 133 volunteers sign up this year to help out at the Plant Sale, and that does not include our 30 Volunteer Leaders, the 20 Missionaries from the Church of Jesus Christ, or the 5 student interns who started their first week during Plant Deliveries. (What a time to start!)

All of you made this possible – and we couldn't be more grateful. Imagine all of the plants around Central Ohio that were just planted – about 15,000! Check it out...

Chadwick Arboretum Spring Plant Sale Fundraiser	
\$ 144,073.93	Total Earned at Chadwick Arboretum Spring Plant Sale (all vendors included, <b>gross</b> )
\$ 92,941.37	Total Chadwick Arboretum Earned from sales, vendor fees, auction and membership ( <b>net</b> )
\$ 5,011.05	Auction Earnings, all three days (Net)
\$ 5,233.40	Membership Earnings
\$ 1,098.90	Hort Therapy Earnings (net)
\$ 31,443.32	Vendor Sales (net)
\$ 8,011.73	Largest Outside Vendor Sales (net): Dannaher Nursery
\$ 5,672.10	Largest Student Vendor Sales (net) : PPGSA Native Plants
\$ 1,517.81	Fire Sale (net)
\$ 55,542.20	Expenses and 5.7% OSU Overhead Fee
\$ 37,399.17	<b>Net to Chadwick Arboretum</b>

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Auction Stats	
\$707.00	Thursday Night Silent Auction (gross)
\$1,635.00	Friday Live Auction (gross)
\$3,075.35	Saturday Live Auction (gross)
\$5,011.05	Total Auction (net)



*The auction site under a beautiful blue sky.*



*Ready to go home!*



*Many, many plants – and happy customers*

Additional Noteworthy Statistics	
214	Total memberships (new and renewals) (April 2022 – End of sale)
473	# Of transactions Thursday Night
763	# Transactions Friday
486	# Transactions Saturday
\$ 69.42	Average Sale, all 3 days
<p><i>Thursday Night was our largest Thursday on record, with overall gross sales of \$51,599.99, 473 transactions, and average sale of \$109.09!</i></p>	



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Jeff Harriman skillfully played the bagpipes on Opening Night of the Plant Sale

## MGVs: A Note on Logging Your Hours on HOC

As we learn more about how Hands on Connect works for those of you with both Chadwick Arboretum and Franklin County portals, we have realized that it is easy to accidentally log your hours on Chadwick's portal. (Note: the FCMGV leadership team is working to reconcile the issues – it's a work in progress.)

Here's a tip to be sure you are logging your hours in the correct area: if the name of the opportunity on your home page **begins** with "Chadwick," **then do not log your hours here.**

Franklin County MGCV projects names all begin with their impact areas, such as "Community" or "Ed & Outreach."

In this example below, you can see that this person has both a Chadwick Project (top) and a Franklin County project (bottom) on their homepage.

If this MGCV volunteered doing tree mapping, they would want to find the project on the FCMGV portal instead titled "Research – Tree Inventory" for logging their hours.

Log Time	Remove Me	Chadwick Plant Collection Mapping and Inventory	Mike Heys	keelhaul1949@gmail.com
Log Time	Remove Me	Community – One Time Event (specify project in Description)	Yen Hanes	yhanes@mac.com

Questions? Please feel free to reach out to Julia for help at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu).

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

Parking and driving into the Chadwick barn compound is now **restricted** due to Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Franklin County. Please park behind the 4-H Center after getting your parking voucher.

## **Volunteer With Us:**

### **1) Cultivar Trials**

#### **Cultivar Trials Evaluator Training Day and First Evaluation**

Thursday, June 16

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Do you have an eye for what makes a great plant?  
This is a fantastic research opportunity for you!

Cultivar Trials Evaluators attend training in June, and then evaluate each cultivar in the trials monthly from June – September. Each evaluation typically takes approximately 1-2 hours per month. We set the evaluation date for the same time frame for the Springfield evaluations, so it is very important to do your evaluation either on the "evaluation date", two days before, or two days after. However, it is entirely up to you when you come within that time frame.

You must evaluate each month for your data to be included in final report, and your final evaluation will be posted on our website at the end of the year! If you are interested in being an evaluator, please email Julia Wilson at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu).

#### **Cultivar Trials Adopt-a-Bed**

The Chadwick Arboretum Cultivar Trials get the "High Maintenance" treatment of care. If you choose to adopt one or two beds, you will tend to a specified bed weekly to take care of to your plant babies. A list of general care guidelines will be given to you, depending on species. You also will ensure that the bed just "looks good" for all visitors.

If you need help with your bed (for vacation, feeling ill, or whatever the case) volunteers are asked to email Anna Williamson so she can have other volunteers attend to it.

Bring your own tools; there will be a container available for plant debris. You can sign up by emailing Julia Wilson at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu).



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## 2) Tour Guide Training

The Arboretum receives several requests for tours each year from local garden groups, schools, and OSU departments. We love these opportunities to share the gardens in a more personal way, and our volunteer tour guides often find them a fun and rewarding way to spend an hour!

Tours typically last 1 hour and take place in the garden that the tour group requests: The Learning Gardens, The Lane Ave Gardens, or Arboretum North. Some groups will come with lots of garden knowledge, but most groups are looking for more of a “Gardening 101” type of tour.

We provide a training session for each garden and a manual. Interested tour guides can also “shadow” other tour guides as many times as they like.

This year, we are offering tour guide training on three different dates, depending on the garden.

**Each training starts around 9:00 a.m.**

**Tuesday, June 21, 2022: Lane Ave. Gardens tours**

**Friday, June 24, 2022: Arboretum North tours**

**Thursday, June 30, 2022: Learning Garden tours**

If you think you might be interested in tour guide training - even if you can't make these dates - please email Julia Wilson at [wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:wilson.4615@osu.edu). We have a few upcoming tours that you can jump into shadowing.



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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](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)
- **Horticulture Therapy**  
Tuesdays, 9-11 a.m.: Programming for adults with developmental disabilities  
Questions? Email Joe Lansing at [toborjl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:toborjl@sbcglobal.net)
- **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)
- **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.: 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.: New Pollinator Gardens and maintaining pollinator habitat  
Questions? Email Lori Kingston at [lk518@att.net](mailto:lk518@att.net)
- **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](mailto:curiousmonkey55@gmail.com)



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### 1) Garden Parties

**National Garden Week Garden Party at Waterman Farm**  
**Saturday, June 11, 2022: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Come take a wagon tour of Waterman Farms and enjoy a stroll through several special garden plots that are used for teaching, growing food, and conducting research. This event will also feature a seed and plant giveaway, children's activities, and food trucks! [Find the full flyer of information here.](#)

**Joe and Marianne Stewart's Summer Garden Open House**  
**Sunday, June 12, 2022: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Joe and Marianne Stewart, two wonderful Chadwick Volunteers in the Lane Ave. Gardens (and the leaders of this area!) have a lovely garden of their own. Come through and check out their garden anytime between 10-3.

Their address is: 451 Shadow Run Dr., Groveport, Ohio 43125  
Email: [gardenjoestew@gmail.com](mailto:gardenjoestew@gmail.com)

### 2) Major Garden Restoration at Arboretum North

MGV Lead Lori Kingston, along with Petra Schmalbrock, Joe Carter, Bruce Wall, Miriam Forquer, and many other wonderful volunteers have been renovating a weedy patch of native plants at the entrance to Arboretum North over the past several weeks. Due to an outstanding donation of native plants by the Plant Pathology Graduate Student Association, they were able to make incredible progress already.

Check out the progress!



*Before – is there even a bed there?*



*Come drive by and see it!*

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**The Cultivar Trials are planted!**

**Thank you to the 40 volunteers  
who made preparation day and planting day a success!**

