

# The Buckeye Treehouse

The Ohio State University Chadwick Arboretum Volunteer Newsletter

November 2023 Edition

ARBOBLITZ 2023



Photos by Candice Fearon and Lauren Koch

Knowing that the weather may have different plans for us, we enter November with only three short weeks left of volunteer sessions in the gardens until next April.

As we clean up leaves, cut back dried stems, pull out the cultivar trial plants, and do all those other little fall cleanup tasks, consider taking a few minutes to reflect on how the growing season went this year. Did you learn something new? Did you make some new friends? Did you discover a new interest that you'll want

to expand into next season? Whatever it was, we hope that you've thoroughly enjoyed your time with us this year.

Looking back at photos from our last year, I feel an enormous amount of gratitude for you and the things we've been able to make happen together. Even the cold, rainy ArboBlitz tree planting event on October 27 was met with 30+ enthusiastic new volunteers! Because of them, 20 new trees line the street outside of the Wexner Medical Center East Hospital.

Although our garden sessions are winding down, you'll notice in this newsletter that we have a lot to look forward to this month. We will take a break from sending you newsletters now until March, but we will be in touch about many things in between now and then.

I hope to see you all soon!

~ Julia Wilson, Program Coordinator

# 2023 NOVEMBER

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MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

29	30	31	1 Buy-one, Get-one membership drive begins	2	3	4
5	6	7 Cultivar Trials Removal Day 9-11 a.m.	8	9	10 Veteran's Day- OSU Closure	11
12	13 Last week of garden volunteer sessions	14	15 Hypertufa Workshop Session 1	16 Hypertufa Workshop Session 2	17 Native seeds sowing workshop 9-11 a.m.	18
19	20	21	22	23 Thanksgiving break - OSU Closure	24 Thanksgiving break - OSU Closure	25
26	27 PAX Sale Workshops 10-1 & 2-5	28 PAX Sale Workshops 10-1 & 2-5	29 PAX Sale 8 am-6pm	30 PAX Sale 8 am-6pm		



## Help us plan for 2024 Educational Programming

A huge part of Chadwick Arboretum's mission is to provide education, and often we do that through events like ArboBlitz or our Fall Foliage Open House.

Thanks to our new Director, Dr. Laura Deeter, we can now also provide educational seminars or workshops as stand-alone events. Help us understand the kind of educational programming that you are interested in by completing our survey!



*Educational Tree ID Table at the Fall Foliage Open House. Photo by Kathy Watson.*

## Click to open the 2024 Educational Programming Survey



## Log Your Hours, Volunteers!

We know you don't volunteer for the hours, but understanding the time that you are putting into your projects and events at Chadwick Arboretum is **extremely valuable information for us to have.**

Remember, if you are an MGV, you will log your time under *Franklin County MGV Projects* in Hands on Connect only. These hours are then passed along to us for our own reporting.

Forget how to log into Hands on Connect? No problem! You can find instructions on our [Current Volunteer webpage](#) or by emailing Julia at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu).

**Please have your hours logged by December 31, 2023**

# Volunteer Opportunities

## In the Garden



*Photo by Zoe Eads Scofield*

### Garden Sessions: Ending November 17, 2023

- **Tuesdays, 9 – 11 AM:** Lane Ave. Gardens  
CONTACT Joe Stewart: [gardenjoestew@gmail.com](mailto:gardenjoestew@gmail.com)
- **Tuesdays, 9 – 11 AM: Cultivar Trials**  
  
Cultivar Trials removal day: November 7  
CONTACT Kathy Krantz: [candkkrantz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:candkkrantz@sbcglobal.net)
- **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays, 9 – 11 AM:** Arboretum North  
CONTACT Hope Weber: [jhopeweber@gmail.com](mailto:jhopeweber@gmail.com)
- **Thursdays, 9-11 AM:** Learning Gardens  
CONTACT Chris Tilton: [ctilton@columbus.rr.com](mailto:ctilton@columbus.rr.com)
- **Fridays, 9 – 11 AM:** Arboretum North  
  
NO Volunteer session 11/10 for Veteran's Day, but please join us for a special native plant seed sowing workshop on Friday, November 17 from 9 -11 a.m. with Joe Carter.  
CONTACT Lori Kingston: [lk518@att.net](mailto:lk518@att.net)

## Chadwick Arboretum Garden Book Library Volunteer Needed

Do you love garden books or enjoy organization?

Help Chadwick Arboretum organize our collection of garden books into a useable resource for staff, volunteers, and students.

This project can be done at your pace and schedule, and volunteers can keep duplicate books if they would like.

Please let us know your interest in this task by emailing Laura at [Deeter.7@osu.edu](mailto:Deeter.7@osu.edu).



# PAX Poinsettia Sale Creation Workshop

Monday, November 27 and 28, 2023  
10:00 am – 1:00 pm  
&  
2:00 – 5:00 pm



*Gail Santner, Shaunessy Everett and Alison Circle creating beautiful holiday centerpieces for sale at the PAX Poinsettia Sale Fundraiser*

Led by student organization Pi Alpha Xi (PAX), this annual holiday fundraiser supports their field trips and learning opportunities. For years, Chadwick Arboretum Volunteers have collaborated with this honors horticulture student group to ensure their sale is fully staffed and supported.

Chadwick Arboretum Volunteers and staff spend the two days prior to this fundraiser learning to create beautiful holiday decorations. The items volunteers create are then entered into the sale and sold as a fundraiser for the arboretum. We welcome volunteers with all skill levels to come try their hands at things like:

- Learning to tie beautiful bows
- Creating small table centerpieces and door swags
- Arranging medium-sized holiday containers filled with greens, bows, sticks, and other natural elements

Lunch is provided each day.

[Sign up for the Workshop Here](#)

## Pi Alpha Xi (PAX) Poinsettia Fundraiser

November 29 & 30, 2023  
8:00 am – 6:00 pm

Agriculture Administration Building  
Auditorium

Support OSU's honorary floriculture and ornamental horticulture student organization, PAX, and Chadwick Arboretum while purchasing beautiful poinsettias, festive flowers, wreaths, and other holiday-themed items.

MORE INFO:

[Go.osu.edu/ChadwickEvents](https://go.osu.edu/ChadwickEvents)

# Join us in creating the best Spring Plant Sale and Auction Fundraiser ever.



*Photos by Kathy Watson*

The Chadwick Arboretum Spring Plant Sale, which sees over 3,000 customers, is made possible by about 150 individuals like you who donate over 4,000 hours each year. Volunteer Leaders are those individuals who commit to leading one aspect of the sale with the help of Chadwick Arboretum Staff.



## **Volunteer Leaders Qualifications:**

- Loves Chadwick Arboretum and is excited to help us grow.
- Enjoys plants, horticulture, and/or the natural world.
- Enjoys working with a committee and will meet and communicate regularly with them as you plan and divide tasks.
- Is available once a month to meet with the entire Plant Sale leadership team, October - April. (Only one person from each committee needs to do this)
- Is available (with your co-chairs) to lead your team during the set up of the sale and during the sale itself.

[Learn more and sign up here](#)



## Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens

# Creating Hypertufa Containers Workshop



A planted trough can be a garden unto itself, highlighting a variety of textures, colors and heights.

In this 2-day workshop, Chadwick Arboretum Volunteer Allen Fabian will teach you how to create beautiful hypertufa containers. Each class participant should be able to make two containers from materials supplied.

\$40 for Chadwick Arboretum members or \$45 for non-members

**DATE:** November 15 & 16 and December 13 & 14, 2023

**TIME:** Day 1: 6:30 -8:30 pm

Day 2: 6:30 -7:30 pm

**LOCATION:** Chadwick Arboretum Barn, 2201 Fred Taylor Dr.

For more information, visit [ChadwickArboretum@osu.edu](mailto:ChadwickArboretum@osu.edu)

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### Class Description

#### DAY 1: 6:30 -8:30 pm

Participants will learn about the history of hypertufa, mix the ingredients, build a container, and learn how to release a finished container from its mold, with one-on-one instruction.

#### DAY 2: 6:30 -7:30 pm

Participants will remove pots from mold and add texture.

All materials, gloves and handouts provided. This workshop will take place in the Chadwick Arboretum barn, which is located right behind the Nationwide and Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center.



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## CHADWICK ARBORETUM

Kathy Watson

**DATE AVAILABLE:**

November 1 – December 8, 2023



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## Our Buy-One, Get-One Membership Drive Begins November 1, 2023

For one month only, purchase a membership to Chadwick Arboretum and receive a second to give to a loved one!

This Holiday 2-for-1 offer throughout November helps us grow Chadwick Arboretum's community while allowing you to introduce others to our gardens, programs, and membership benefits.

You may now purchase your Holiday 2-for-1 memberships online at: [go.osu.edu/ChadwickBOGO](https://go.osu.edu/ChadwickBOGO)



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