

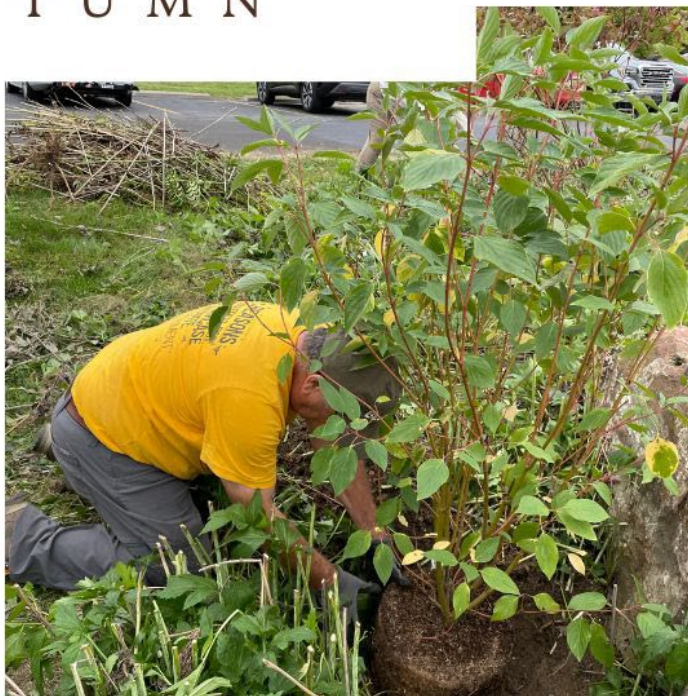
# The Buckeye Treehouse

The Ohio State University Chadwick Arboretum Volunteer Newsletter

October 2023 Edition



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L-R Top: Marianne Robinson and Christine Osterman teaching how to propagate at WestFest and Horticulturist Zoe (not pictured) rebuilding the Chadwick Scarecrow.

L-R Bottom: Allen Fabian and Brenda Allinger giving thanks at Volunteer Recognition Night and Joe Carter planting new shrubs in the rain garden at Arboretum North.



# Thank you, Volunteers!

Although we had a rainy day that forced us to move our annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner inside, we had a fantastic time celebrating each other and this year's growing season inside the Agriculture Administration Auditorium!

We started the evening with music from Local Stereo, an excellent one-man band who played covers of songs like, "Into the Great Wide Open" by Tom Petty and "Stir it Up" by Bob Marley while we feasted on a delicious pasta dinner provided by Steven's Catering. With our bellies full, Director Dr. Laura Deeter opened the

recap and recognitions portion of the evening. The program handout for the evening has been included on the following pages – make sure you pay special attention to page 3, which highlights all the programs, events, and major statistics that **your time** made possible this year.

During our recap of the season, MGCV Joe Stewart said, *"There really isn't one or two people I can single out – we have a fantastic team, and it takes all of us."* While Joe was specifically talking about the amazing Lane Ave. Gardens Volunteer Team, this is true of the entire group

of volunteers here at the Arboretum. Whether you volunteered 2 hours or 200, your skills, knowledge, passion, and time is the reason that our Arboretum flourishes.

As we continue to work towards building our community here at Chadwick Arboretum, we truly hope each of you feel a sense of pride and ownership of this special place.

We are so grateful for you!







*Photo by Kathy Watson*

# Volunteer Appreciation 2023

Your service made these projects and events possible in 2023:

- 7 outreach tabling events
- Day of Education Conference
- Horticulture Therapy Programming
- Hypertufa Workshops
- Tree and Perennial Plant Give-away
- Arbor Day Celebration
- The Spring Plant Sale and Auction Fundraiser
- Cultivar Trials evaluations and Showcase
- Maintaining each of our gardens with care and thoughtfulness

Events upcoming:

- Fall Foliage Open House
- ArboBlitz
- PAX Poinsettia Fundraiser
- Winter Solstice Labyrinth Walk

What we accomplished:

- Number of active volunteers: 160
- Number of hours served: 2,430
- Event attendance: 5,920
- Fundraising amount earned through the Spring Plant Sale Fundraiser: \$48,475
- Number of tours given: 32

# Volunteer Appreciation Night

5:30 -6:00 p.m.: Mingling and Opening remarks by Dr. Laura Deeter, Sandy and Andy Ross Endowed Director of Chadwick Arboretum and Julia Wilson, Program Coordinator

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.: Dinner by Steven’s Catering and music by Local Stereo’s Eric Zielinski

7:00 – 7:30: Recap of 2023 and Recognitions, presented by:

- Arboretum North: Lori Kingston
- Horticulture Therapy: Joe Lansing
- Lane Ave Gardens: Joe Stewart
- Plant Sale: Allen Fabian and Brenda Allinger
- Cultivar Trials: Kathy Krantz
- Recognitions: Pam Poeth and Julia Wilson



*The talents you bring to Chadwick are numerous and multi-faceted.  
Photo by Kathy Watson*

## Mary Maloney Award

In recognition of a volunteer who, like Mary Maloney, demonstrates a commitment to inspiring others to care about the natural environment, horticulture, or trees. Their service not only supports but uplifts our ongoing efforts.

***Presented to: Barb and Carl Powell***

## L.C. Chadwick Award:

In recognition of a volunteer who, like L.C. Chadwick., used their passion for gardens, horticulture, and/or the natural world, to teach others.

***Presented to: Gail Santner***

## The Golden Trowel Award:

In recognition of a volunteer who is always willing to jump in where help is needed, no matter the task.

***Presented to: Shaunessy Everett***

## The True Buckeye:

In recognition of a volunteer who is often working on tasks or projects for Chadwick Arboretum that are “behind the scenes.” While they might be quietly taking care of things, their service plays a critical role for the arboretum.

***Presented to: Bruce Wall***



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## Fall Foliage Open House

Sunday, October 15, 2023  
12:00 – 3:00 p.m.



*Wry Grass Band Playing at the '22 Fall Foliage Open House*

Fall Foliage Open House at Arboretum North is a family-friendly event geared towards the Columbus community on Sunday, October 15, 2023 from 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

This "hidden gem" of Chadwick Arboretum will be highlighted through tours, a food truck, free apple cider, and fun activities. We are looking for about 15 volunteers to help at this event greeting visitors, passing out parking passes, and helping at one of our education-focused tables.

Volunteers can RSVP their interest to Julia Wilson at [wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:wilson.4615@osu.edu) or Lori Kingston at [lk518@att.net](mailto:lk518@att.net). Read more info on our website here: [go.osu.edu/ArboretumNorth](http://go.osu.edu/ArboretumNorth)



## ArboBlitz 2023

Friday, October 27, 2023 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Every fall, Chadwick Arboretum teams up with the rest of campus to plant 20 trees in 3 hours. This year, ArboBlitz is working with the City of Columbus to give back trees to the community around the **Wexner Medical Center East Hospital**.

You do not need to know how to plant trees to participate - we will teach you! Bring your family and friends, and let's make this the best Arboblitz of them all.

Read more and RSVP: [go.osu.edu/arboblitzvolunteer](http://go.osu.edu/arboblitzvolunteer)



**CFAES**

Thursday  
**OCTOBER**  
**19**

**5:30 – 7:00 p.m.**

Agriculture Administration  
Auditorium  
2120 Fyffe Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43210

**Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens**  
**2024 Spring Plant Sale & Auction Fundraiser**

## Kickoff Meeting

Join the Plant Sale Leadership Teams as we kickoff planning for the 2024 Spring Plant Sale and Auction Fundraiser!

During this meeting, volunteers interested in taking on a leadership role for the Fundraiser will learn about this special event, the different roles that are open, and meet the committees. Please RSVP with the link below - pizza provided!



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# Volunteer Opportunities

## In the Garden



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### Volunteer Sessions

- **Tuesdays, 9 – 11 AM:** Lane Ave. Gardens  
CONTACT Joe Stewart: [gardenjoestew@gmail.com](mailto:gardenjoestew@gmail.com)
- **Tuesdays, 9 – 11 AM:** Cultivar Trials  
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  
CONTACT Lori Kingston: [lk518@att.net](mailto:lk518@att.net)

### Adopt – a – Bed Across the Arboretum

- With a little training, you can adopt an area of the arboretum to maintain on your schedule. Please reach out to Pam Poeth: [poeth.3@osu.edu](mailto:poeth.3@osu.edu)

**\*\*All Volunteer sessions are weather dependent: rain/snow cancels, as well as temperatures under 40 degrees. \*\***

## Volunteer to Taste-Test New and Unique Apples

Interested in branching out from the Arboretum and trying something a little new on campus?

The Cooperstone Lab at the Parker Food Science Building (next to Howlett Hall) is seeking volunteers to taste test unique apple varieties.

This lab is working to “better understand apples and make them better,” by taste testing different varieties and rating the taste, appearance, and other sensory qualities.

Interested volunteers for this unique opportunity can sign up directly on their link here:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848AFA72CA3F9CF8-44821860-apple#/>





# *Did you Know?*

## The Melrose Apple: Bred at OSU

### The Story of Melrose

Melrose is Ohio's official state apple. A cross between *Jonathan* and *Red Delicious*, it's the product of Ohio's apple breeding program during the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. We can thank Dr. Freeman S. Howlett of the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station for this fine creation, which was released during World War II.

The *Melrose* is medium-large, roundish apple with a yellow background skin color that's almost entirely brushed with bright red. With rich flavor and coarse, juicy flesh, Melrose is a top-quality fresh-eating apple that's best when it's been stored for a while. It also cooks well, holding its shape. They will keep perfectly under refrigeration for about four months.

### Quick Facts

- Bred in Wooster, Ohio
- Introduced in 1944 by Dr. Freeman S. Howlett. (Yes, that's who Howlett Hall is named after!)
- Available at local orchards at the beginning of October and in many grocery stores.
- Very good for baking, making sauce and fresh.
- Melrose has a long storage period of 4 months.
- A beautiful specimen tree can be found in Chadwick Arboretum's Lane Ave Gardens, next to the "Shelter" sculpture.
- Available now (early October) at local orchards.