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September Member Meeting

What do those perennials and planting beds look like at the end of the growing season? Here is your opportunity to see first hand at the beautiful Chadwick Arboretum on the Ohio State University Ag. Campus.

When: Tuesday, September 14th, 2021

Where: Chadwick Arboretum the Ohio State University

Registration: 9:30 @ the 4H center

Parking: Free Parking at the Bill Davis parking lot parking across the street from the 4H Center. (Parking Passes and Maps of Chadwick will be emailed to those who register)

Tours begin at 9:45—10:00 as groups fill, tours will begin.
Tour is will be approx. one and a half hour long.

Member Meeting and Speaker 11:30 –12:00. Outside of Kottman Hall

Registration is OPEN NOW !!!!

<https://cla7.wildapricot.org/event-4463822>

(Masks will be required)

Look for more information and details in the

Wednesdays CLA Emails

See Page 3 for information about Chadwick Arboretum...



Notes from CLA President – Mike Moulton

July 2021

Dear Members,

As we approach our fall planting season, I know all of you are as busy as ever with work.

We all struggle with the same issue that we have had for more than 10 years.

Labor!! How do you find, train and keep good help?

How can we hire good help when they can't even show up for an interview?

Does it help anyone when the Government pays people to stay at home.

This subject has been on our PAC agenda for a while and it will take all of us to effectively make any significant changes to this dilemma that affect all of our businesses.

For those of us that are fortunate enough to have H-2A or H-2B help we could not operate at our current capacity without that help.

The real question is how do we get back to a grass roots effort to interest young people to choose our industry.

Our organization has tried to connect with high schools and trade schools but I believe we need to go far beyond that and try to interest young people in grade school to want to be involved in the landscape industry.

To be quite honest I don't know how to reach these future workers at a younger age, but I would welcome any and all input that you may have.

Also Please join us this Fall when we get our PAC back in action to meet with our government leaders.

Until Next month,

Michael Moulton

President C.L.A.



Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens is an extensive, urban, green reserve of over 60 acres located within the 1,600 acres of The Ohio State University main campus in Columbus, Ohio.

The Cultivar Trial Gardens, located at The Ohio State University Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens, are conducted each year in order to evaluate ornamental bedding plants. The objective of these trials is to observe the performance of the plants under environmental conditions typical of central Ohio, as well as to determine local consumer preference for each plant.



In August and early September of 2013, the **Green Roof on Howlett Hall** was installed in the Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens – the first retrofit green roof at The Ohio State University. This 12,000 square foot green roof is located on Howlett Hall, home to the OSU [Department of Horticulture & Crop Science](#), [Department of Food Science and Technology](#), and the Chadwick Arboretum & Learning Gardens Headquarters. This site is an ideal location with high visibility, handicap access, and easy walk-out access from the main entrance of the building, allowing it to be a demonstration for future green roofs not only in Columbus, Ohio but in the world. Stop by and enjoy a beautiful garden where an industrial, barren, asphalt roof once stood.

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If you would rather print the profile page, fill it in, you can scan it and send it to the email address about. Or you can print it fill it out and mail it to:

The Columbus Landscape Association PO Box 963 Columbus, Ohio 43216.

Annual Membership Statements

We have been having a little problem with our Post Office Box.

If your membership payment was returned, please send it again.

Your membership to the Columbus Landscape Association is important.

We are striving to bring you important information that will help you with your business.

We have some new programs in the planning for 2021 and beyond. Keep a look out for your CLA Membership Statement. Don't forget you can add employees as Associate Members for just \$25.00 each. Please pay your annual dues and continue to be a member of the CLA. Suppliers are also encouraged to join the CLA.

It is not too late to renew your membership and add associates.

SPONSORS NEEDED !!!!!!!!!

Member Meetings and Classes are in the Planning Stages

In response to the very busy season, **CLA Member Meetings & Educational Programming (CEU based)** are being planned for late summer and Fall. All members are encouraged to submit location and topic ideas and attend the meetings.

Sponsors are needed to help provide Refreshments / Meals / Speakers

It makes our meetings so much better to offer attendees these perks and it will give you the opportunity to Meet and Greet CLA Members, Speakers and Guests. Contact Mary Ann — msmshrum@gmail.com

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Got Ideas? Member Meetings Ideas for 2021& 2022

Do you have an idea or suggestion for future CLA Member Meetings?

Please share them. Send your ideas / suggestions to: info@columbuslandscape.org

Poison Ivy Problems?

This stuff really works!!!!

Poison ivy is a woody shrub or vine (ground vine or climbing vine), that sometimes seems to appear, almost magically, in our yards and gardens. Poison ivy is a dioecious species (meaning individual plants are either male or female). One study done by a horticulturist in the Philadelphia area found that a mature female poison ivy vine can produce as many as 30,000 seeds each year!



These seeds are contained within berries which start out as green in summer, and then turn an ivory color by the end of the growing season. These berries are high in fat content and the birds know it. They are eaten by both migratory birds and over wintering birds, who spread the seeds all over in their droppings.

Poison ivy seeds are spread almost exclusively by birds. This is why poison ivy plants are less likely to be found growing out in open areas. They are more likely to be found growing under places where birds eat, and where they perch: your fence, under your trees, under bird feeders, and in your garden. Anywhere that birds hang out is where plants have a chance to get started.

All of this means that gardening and yard work are the most frequent activities that result in poison ivy exposures and subsequent allergic skin reactions. Activities like weeding, brush clearing, and pruning can break open poison ivy stems, releasing more of the poison ivy plants' oily allergen, urushiol. When larger amounts of urushiol are absorbed into a person's skin, the result is a more severe allergic skin reaction.



It is Back to School Time!

As districts around the state start back to school, please use caution.

Remember the safety rules.

- ✦ Red Flashing Lights on School Busses means **you are required to stop and give at least 10 feet of clearance.**
- ✦ You must wait until the bus starts moving BEFORE you can move.
- ✦ School Zone speed limits are 20 MPH. And Don't Pass a Bus!!!

Let's make sure that everyone's child gets to school or back home safely.



Coming Soon

- ✦ CLA Elections
 - Think of members to Nominate for the Board of Trustees
- ✦ Member Directory
 - Published in the Spring of 2022
 - Is your membership information current?

Why I volunteer my time for industry organizations (and you should consider it, too)

Guest Post, August 19, 2021

We all know there's only so much time in a day. As the owner of [Kingstowne Lawn & Landscape](#) as well as a husband and a father, like many others, my spare time is limited. But I believe strongly in volunteering time within the Green Industry to improve the future of our profession. Volunteering time with the [National Association of Landscape Professionals](#) (NALP) as well as the [Landscape Contractors Association](#) (LCA) has given me the opportunity to give back to this industry that has provided so much for myself and my community. But it has also given me the chance to have a voice and to stay on top of pressing issues within our industry.

Currently, I am new to the LCA Board of Directors and have appreciated the opportunity to connect with other Green Industry leaders. There are many benefits to be had by remaining connected within the industry and building relationships with other landscape professionals.

At the NALP, I am part of the Workforce Advisory Council, which has focused on creative ways to try and attract more people to the Green Industry.

A passion for recruiting

Recruiting more people to the Green Industry is something that will benefit all of us. As you likely know firsthand, we are experiencing a workforce crisis right now. It's becoming increasingly difficult to find people who want to come work for our industry. Over time, we're all going to begin to feel the effects of that more and more.

That's why we all need to find ways that we can be part of the solution. The NALP's Workforce Advisory Council is constantly talking about what it will take to attract new folks to our industry—and we appreciate having lots of voices involved in this discussion.

We're currently looking at ways that we can leverage technology and new innovations to show young people that the Green Industry will present exciting opportunities for their future. We're also looking at ways that we can educate younger students so that they can choose this career path earlier on.

This has even included providing resources so that industry professionals like you and me can start speaking at career days for children as young as elementary school. We understand that playing the long game can pay off in terms of tomorrow's workforce.

Getting involved

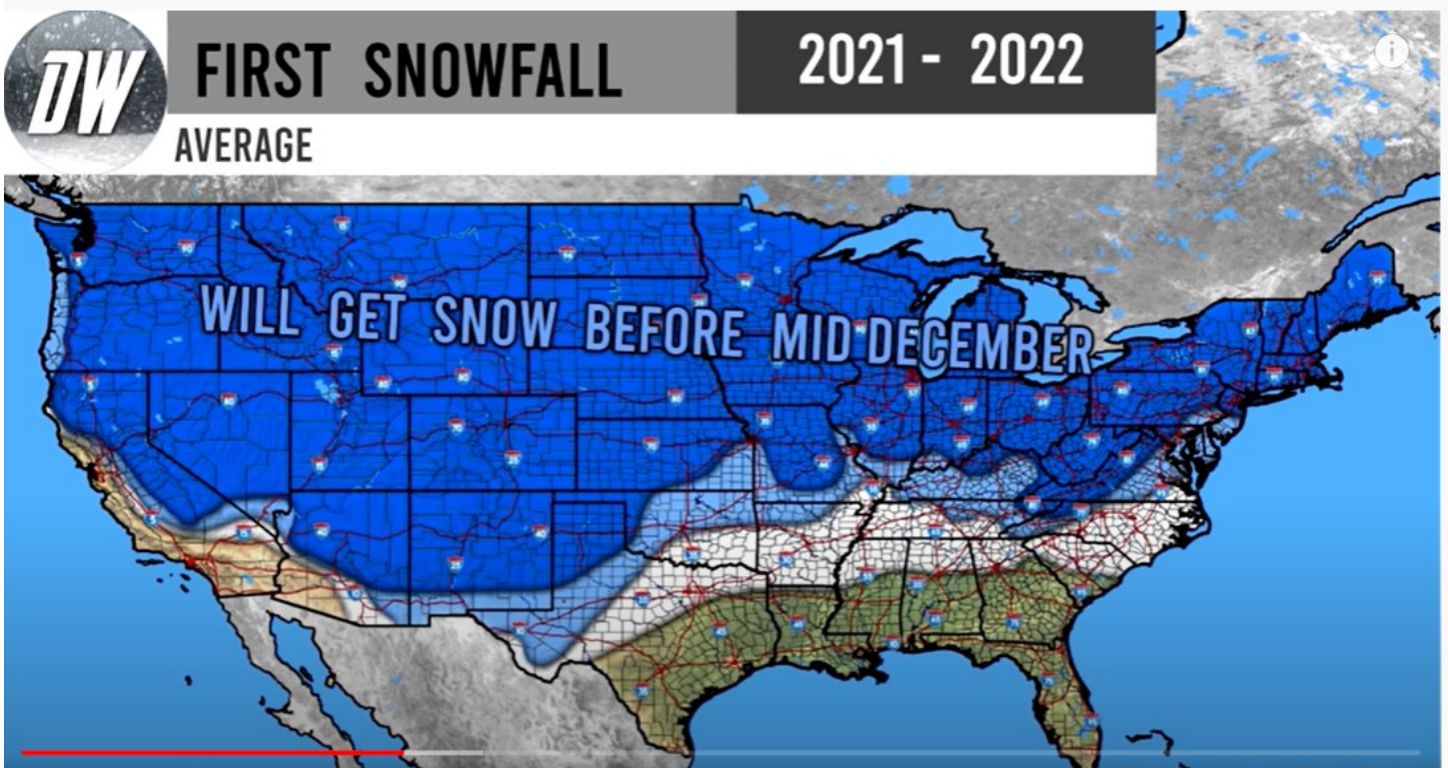
Recruiting and helping to grow our industry is something that I'm passionate about, which is why I've appreciated the opportunity to be involved with the NALP's Workforce Advisory Council. I also believe that building our industry happens from within, too, which is why networking and involvement on the LAC has been valuable.

Though it takes time to be involved in these organizations, I can easily say that everything I've gotten out of them is worth that investment. I would also encourage other landscape professionals to carve out some time and get involved. Together, we can make real changes that can help continue to improve our industry.

There are many opportunities to get involved at the local, regional, or national level—and you just have to seek them out. You might also consider connecting with local schools or community groups to participate in career days or simply give back locally. Volunteering your time and resources is rewarding—and it ultimately enhances our industry by continuing to improve people's impression of what we have to offer.



Krisjan Berzins is the president and CEO of Kingstowne Lawn & Landscape based in Alexandria, Virginia.



It is still with us.....

Hot Weather

Outdoor workers include any workers who spend a substantial portion of the shift outdoors. Examples include construction workers, agricultural workers, baggage handlers, electrical power transmission and control workers, and landscaping and yard maintenance workers. These workers are at risk of heat-related illness when the heat index is high. Additional risk factors are listed below. *These must be taken into consideration even when the heat index is lower.*

- ✦ Work in direct sunlight - adds up to 15 degrees to the heat index.
- ✦ Perform prolonged or strenuous work
- ✦ Wear heavy protective clothing or impermeable suits

Heat Index	Risk Level	Protective Measures
Less than 91°F	<u>Lower (Caution)</u>	Basic heat safety and planning
91°F to 103°F	<u>Moderate</u>	Implement precautions and heighten awareness
103°F to 115°F	<u>High</u>	Additional precautions to protect workers
Greater than 115°F	<u>Very High to Extreme</u>	Triggers even more aggressive protective measures

12 MOSQUITO REPELLENT PLANTS *By Christine Yoo submitted to Garden Design*

Most insect-repelling plants do so with their natural fragrances, which keep annoying mosquitoes away and introduce wonderful scents throughout your garden. If you don't want to douse yourself or your garden in chemical bug sprays you can grow some of these plants to help keep mosquitoes away naturally. Plant these plants in areas where guests will be often such as by a seating area or a doorway.

12 Plants to Use as a Natural Mosquito Repellent

- 1. Lavender** Have you ever noticed that insects or even rabbits and other animals have never decimated your lavender plant? It is because of their lovely fragrance, which comes from its essential oils that are found on the leaves of the plant. It is even argued that lavender oil hinders a mosquito's ability to smell! This plant is very tough and drought-resistant once established, and only needs full sun and good drainage. And while it can endure many climates, it thrives in warmer areas.
- 2. Marigolds** Marigolds, an easy-to-grow annual flower, emit a smell that deters mosquitoes. Grow them in pots and place them near your patio or entrance to your home to keep bugs out. Marigolds are also a popular addition to borders and vegetable gardens. According to NYBG, not only can they keep away mosquitoes, but they also dissuade [aphids](#), thrips, whiteflies, Mexican bean beetles, squash bugs, and tomato hornworms.
- 3. Citronella Grass** Known for its distinct smell, citronella grass (or lemon grass) is the most commonly used natural ingredient in mosquito repellants. In fact, the Brooklyn Botanic Garden recommends lemon-scented plants such as citronella grass to keep mosquitoes at bay. And the good news is that the living plant is the most effective at repelling pests. This low-maintenance plant does best in large planters because it cannot withstand frost, but in warmer climates, can be planted directly in a sunny area in the ground.
- 4. Catnip** (catmint) can be found thriving almost anywhere. It is from the mint family and grows abundantly both as a commercial plant and as a weed. It is very easy to take care of and may even start to invade other areas of your garden. However, if you are willing to forgo this plant's insidious nature, they are amazing mosquito repellants and another recommendation from the BBG. In a study at Iowa State University, catmint was found to be ten times more effective than DEET, the chemical used in most insect repellants.
- 5. Rosemary** Another great mosquito repellant is rosemary. Both the New York Botanical Garden and PlantShed recommended this plant. Rosemary is an herb that many of us are very familiar with and their woody scent is exactly what keeps mosquitoes as well as cabbage moths and carrot flies away. They do best in hot and dry climates and thrive in containers, which may be ideal for areas with winters. They can also be pruned into all sorts of shapes and sizes and make great borders or decorations. While the pests stay away you can enjoy the herb's scent and also use it to season your cooking.
- 6. Basil** Basil is another herb that can also double as a pest repellent. The pungent smell the [basil](#) leaves give off are what keep pests at bay. And since all kinds of basil work to keep flies and mosquitoes at bay, feel free to explore and find the right types of basil to mix into your garden. This herb likes to be kept damp, needs good drainage, and enjoys lots of sun. You can plant basil in containers or in the garden, alone or with other flowers, as long as both plants meet the same requirements.
- 7. Scented Geraniums** Scented geraniums seem to be a popular mosquito repelling plant. Recommended by PlantShed, BBG, and NYBG, the favored scent seems to be lemon scented, which is reminiscent of citronella grass. The strong fragrance keeps several types of pests away. These fast-growing plants like warm, sunny, and dry climates, but if you are in a cold-climate area, they can be grown in planters with constant pruning.
- 8. Bee Balm** Want to attract good bugs like bees and butterflies, while deterring the bad ones? Then bee balm, also known as Monarda or horsemint, is the plant for you. Simply crush its leaves to release the fragrant oils. Plus, you'll get to enjoy colorful flowers, in shades of red, pink, lavender, white, or purple, all summer long.
- 9. Mint** is an excellent nontoxic option for keeping mosquitoes, flies and even ants away. The more pungent the aroma, the less bugs you'll have. Grow it in pots on your patio where it can be easily reached if you want to drop a leaf or two in your afternoon tea. You can even dry the leaves and use them inside your home as a natural pest control method.
- 10. Floss Flower** This attractive annual flower makes great bedding or container plants. Floss flower contains coumarin, a chemical that helps repel mosquitoes—but, also makes it toxic if ingested by pets or humans.
- 11. Sage** If you love gathering around a fire pit in your backyard, then plant some sage nearby. Toss some of the plant into the flames and its earthy smell will ward off bugs. Sage can also be dried and used to make homemade bug spray.
- 12. Allium** These bulbs, which include garlic and onions, release a strong fragrance that mosquitoes don't like. You'll enjoy the whimsical globe-shaped flowers of allium that seem to float atop long slender, stems.

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Planning Checklists

Use the following checklists to prepare for hot weather and to make sure that all appropriate precautions are in place.

Planning Ahead for Hot Weather: Employer Checklist¹

Develop a list of hot weather supplies (e.g., water, shade devices, etc.). Estimate quantities that will be needed, and decide who will be responsible for obtaining and transporting supplies and checking that supplies are not running low.
Create emergency action plan for heat-related illnesses (who will provide first aid and emergency services, if necessary).
Develop acclimatization schedule for new workers or workers returning from absences longer than one week.
Identify methods to gain real-time access to important weather forecast and advisory information from the National Weather Service and ensure the information is available at outdoor work sites (e.g., laptop computer, cell phone, other internet-ready device, weather radio).
Determine how weather information will be used to modify work schedules, increase the number of water and rest breaks, or cease work early if necessary.
Train workers on the risks presented by hot weather, how to identify heat-related illnesses, and the steps that will be taken to reduce the risk.
Plan to have a knowledgeable person on the worksite who can develop and enforce work/rest schedules and conduct physiological monitoring, when necessary, at high and very high/extreme risk levels for heat-related illness.

¹This table is adapted from concepts appearing in [OSHA's Heat-related Illness Prevention Training Guide](#).

Daily Planning for Hot Weather: Employer Daily Checklist²

Water	Is there plenty of fresh, cool drinking water located as close as possible to the workers?	
	Are water coolers refilled throughout the day? (Has someone been designated to check and make sure water is not running low?)	
Shade	Is shade or air conditioning available for breaks and if workers need to recover?	
Training	Do workers know the:	
	Common signs and symptoms of heat-related illness?	
	• > Proper precautions to prevent heat-related illness?	
	• > Importance of acclimatization?	
	• > Importance of drinking water frequently (even when they are not thirsty)?	
	• > Steps to take if someone is having symptoms?	
Emergencies	Does everyone know who to notify if there is an emergency?	
	Can workers explain their location if they need to call an ambulance?	
	Does everyone know who will provide first aid?	
Knowledgeable Person	For high and very high/extreme heat index risk levels, is there a knowledgeable person at the worksite who is well-informed about heat-related illness and able to determine appropriate work/rest schedules and can conduct physiological monitoring as necessary?	
Physiological Monitoring	Are workers in the high or very high/extreme heat index risk levels being physiologically monitored as necessary?	
Worker Reminders	Drink water often	
	Rest in shade	
	Report heat-related symptoms early	

²This table is adapted from checklist (page 18) in [OSHA's Heat-related illness Prevention Training Guide](#).

OCNT Exams

Exams are offered monthly at ONLA's office, located at 72 Dorchester Sq., Westerville, Ohio, 43081. Do you have multiple employees who would like to take an exam? Contact roni@onla.org or 614.899.1195 to schedule an exam.

Advanced Registration is required.

All exams begin at 9:00 am.

September 16

October 21

November 18

December 16

Important to remember:

As the Delta Variant of COVID-19 infections is spreading quickly, it is important to listen to the CDC about vaccination recommendations. Keep up with PPE, Personal Distancing, Wearing Masks, Hand Washing and Cleaning Trucks Equipment and Work Areas.

Stay Safe and Informed.

The First Days of the Seasons

Seasons of 2021	Astronomical Start	Meteorological Start
FALL	Wednesday, Sept. 22, 3:20 P.M. EDT	Wednesday, September 1
WINTER	Tuesday, Dec.21, 10:58 A.M. EST	Wednesday, December 1



Columbus Landscape Association

The Columbus Landscape Association was organized in 1926 by a small group of landscapers and nurserymen in the Columbus. Now our association includes nearly one hundred members from the Central Ohio area.

Green Industry Professionals. Become a part of the decision-making process that will affect your business and the industry as a whole. Become better informed through our educational programs and become part of the CLA family. Above all, present your organization as one committed to the highest standards landscaping.

Membership Benefits include:

- ♦ The opportunity to participate in the Central Ohio Home & Garden Show (Spring and/or Fall) and annual Outdoor Living and Landscape Tour
- ♦ Member meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month throughout the year. Members are notified of meeting time and location through email.
- ♦ Educational and networking opportunities, such as CLA-sponsored seminars and educational speakers at CLA meetings.
- ♦ Inclusion in the Member Directory and the Find A Pro page on the CLA website.
- ♦ Access to the CLA's bimonthly newsletter, *CLA NewScapes Express*, which contains association and industry information.
- ♦ Committee and Board participation opportunities.
- ♦ Become involved in community activities, including support of the Chadwick Arboretum, education of the public on planting and watering techniques, promotion of local landscaping laws and participation in Arbor Day activities. These are just a few of the activities of the CLA.

The Columbus Landscape Association gives strength, effectiveness and identity to Central Ohio's Green Industry.

"The mission of the Columbus Landscape Association (CLA) is to serve its members by providing them with technical and professional education, by providing them with quality services, by representing their professional interests in central Ohio and by promoting the 'Green Industry'".

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