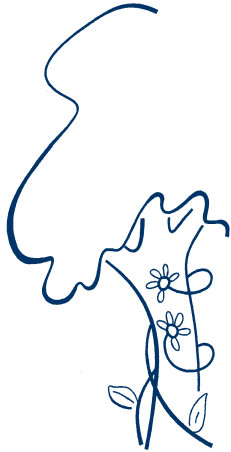


ARBORETUM UPDATE



“There is no season when such pleasant and sunny spots may be lighted on, and produce so pleasant an effect on the feelings, as now in October.”

—Nathaniel Hawthorne

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BIRDSEED AND BULBS HELP FRIENDS RAISE FUNDS AND COMMUNITY INTEREST

In October, Friends of Boone County Arboretum teamed with Tractor Supply Co. and Dutch Gardens to offer two timely fundraisers—birdseed and bulb sales. In addition to raising funds for the organization, The Birdseed and Bulb Sale is creating a greater awareness within the community of Friends of Boone County Arboretum and the work this group is doing.

The Birdseed Sale Fundraiser is currently underway and orders can be placed until Tuesday, October 26th. Order forms are available in the Friends Office, located in The Boone County Cooperative Extension Service Building. The one-day-only pick-up date for birdseed orders is Sat., November 13th, from 8AM to noon at Tractor Supply Co. in Florence.



Tom Henson of Hebron was the winner of a boxwood shrub donated to Friends by Baeten's Nursery. The prize was offered to community members participating in the Bulb Fundraiser at Dinsmore Harvest Day.

Bob Maurer, President of Friends of Boone County Arboretum, organized the birdseed fundraiser with Tractor Supply Co. of Florence.

Rick Bingham, Committee Chairperson for Friends of Boone County Arboretum, organized the Bulb Sale Fundraiser with Dutch Gardens.



Rick Bingham and Jordan O'Rylee put the "fun" in fundraising as they greet visitors at Dinsmore Homestead's Harvest Day, September 26, 2004 with information about Friends of The Arboretum.

In 4 weeks, Friends raised \$1,200 while spreading the word about The Boone County Arboretum.

Volunteers are hoping to see some of the funds used toward building a small storage shed for Friends and volunteers working at the Arboretum. Volunteers currently bring their own tools from home when working at the Arboretum.



Order forms and membership information is available at the Friends of Boone Co. Arboretum Office in The Boone County Extension Service Building.

HOT ON THE TRAIL

Trees At Arboretum Now Showing True Fall Colors

For a limited time only, the trees and shrubs at the Boone County Arboretum put on their spectacular Fall Show of Color for all who wish to see. The cost is free and there are no bad seats. And thanks to the wonders of a highly advanced irrigation system, the show at the Arboretum may even offer an encore showing well after the leaves on the neighborhood trees have taken a bow for their adoring public until their next show in the spring. Better hurry, though. The show won't last long. Here's a sneak preview...

“October’s poplars
are flaming torches
lighting the way to
winter.”

—Nova Blair



American Sweetgum, *Liquidambar styraciflua*. *180, 190, 200, 210, 1950, 6480, 6490.



Amur Maple, *Acer ginnala*. *2920, 2960, 2970.



Saratoga Ginkgo, *Ginkgo biloba* 'Saratoga.' *1320, 2650, 2660.



Harry Lauder’s Walking Stick (Contorted European Filbert), *Corylus avellana* 'Contorta.' (Good spooky tree to see on a Halloween Weekend Walk) *2990, 4355.

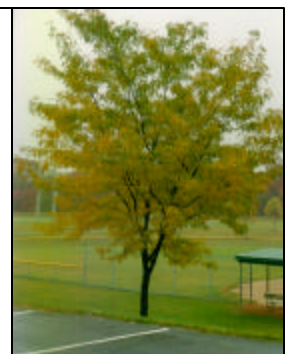


Golden Vicary Privet, *Ligustrum x vicaryi*. *Bed 112.

Winterthur Smooth Witherod Viburnum, *Viburnum nudum* 'Winterthur.' *Bed 130



Thornless Honeylocust, *Gleditsia triacanthos* var. *inermis*. *60, 70, 80, 90.



* Numbers correspond to a tree’s location on the arboretum maps available at any of the three kiosks along the arboretum walking trail.

Food, Fun, And Sun Make Appreciation Picnic A Success

Thanksgiving came early for Friends of Boone County Arboretum as members and volunteers gathered at the arboretum on Wednesday, September 15th for the first annual Volunteer Appreciation Picnic.



Volunteers and their families stand in line to fill their plates with a wonderful variety of food prepared by Friends.

Sixty people attended the picnic. Volunteers and their families were invited. All brought covered dishes and desserts. Drinks and meat were provided by Friends of The Arboretum.

Volunteers were given an engraved pen commemorating the event, celebrating the contributions and commitment of Friends of Boone County Arboretum.

Susan Schultz was named Volunteer of the Year 2004, for the many hours she contributed to starting up Friends of Boone County Arboretum Inc.



Susan Schultz received The Volunteer of The Year 2004 Award. Her name is now engraved on The Friends of Boone Co. Giving Tree at Ellis House.



Volunteer, Ron Gruelle, donated his time and grill to the event, as he prepared the burgers and hotdogs for everyone present. Thanks, Ron!



Volunteers were given a small token of gratitude for the many ways they support Boone Co. Arboretum.

*“November’s sky is chill
and drear,
November’s leaf is red
and sear.”*

*—Sir Walter Scott
1808*

Arboretum Hosts New Haven Elementary School’s ‘Bee Healthy Day’

On October 6, 2004, eight hundred and fifty students from New Haven Elementary School visited Boone County Arboretum at Central Park for the “Bee” Healthy Kids Walkathon.

Friends of Boone County Arboretum were there to welcome students and provide information on the many different ways that trees help keep people healthy.

Most students and parents were impressed by how many

everyday-use items are made from wood and wood by-products. Everything from homes and buildings, to hospital equipment and musical instruments; from computer paper to carpeting, are made, in part, from tree products.

For the remainder of October, Friends of Boone County Arboretum will have information about tree and wood products on display in the outside lobby of the Boone County Extension Office.

Come see for yourself.



Volunteer, Ginger Schlereth, pours apple cider for students. Tasting the cider reminded students that apples and other fruits that grow on trees taste good and provide people with nutrients for staying healthy.

Nominating Committee Seeks Candidates For Board Election

Board Elections are scheduled to be held during the November 22nd Friends of Boone County Arboretum General Meeting.

All paid members are encouraged to attend the November meeting and vote for the two

vacant positions on the Friends Board.

If you are interested in running for one of the openings on the Friends of Boone County Arboretum Board, or would like more information about the position,

please contact Cheryl Coles at 859-586-6101 by Nov.3rd.

In order to be eligible to run for the Friends Board, you must currently be a paid member of Friends of Boone County Arboretum.

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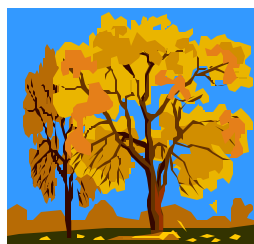
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Volunteer Spotlight

John Duke is a dedicated member of Friends of Boone County Arboretum, Master Gardener Instructor, and full-time home gardener. The following is an essay from his collection of writings and thoughts on nature.

The Value of the Frost Season

On a long clear night, when the winter winds calm and leave behind just the cold, the frost comes to our garden. This signals the plants that it's time to take a break from the continuous strenuous growth of the summer season. It's a time to rest—a time for dormancy. It's a time for the roots to gather strength for the coming spring.

Frost, of course, is just frozen water. Water is wonderfully unique in that it expands when it freezes. Most compounds don't. When water expands it gets lighter. That is why lakes freeze from the top down instead of the other way around. When water in the garden soil freezes it causes frost "heave" which is nice and crunchy if you walk on it. The frost heave is truly a great blessing—it opens and loosens the soil so that necessary oxygen can get to the plant roots.

Frost in nature is a powerful benefit to growth. So it is with life—the setbacks, or frosts, that occur in our progress or growth are to be valued, not feared. It is a signal to slow down, gather strength, and prepare to have another go at it.