



75th Anniversary 1942-2017

This year marked the 75th anniversary of the Ohio Chapter. In honor of founding member, Dr. Lewis C. “Chad” Chadwick, on October 13, a tree planting and celebration reception were held at Chadwick Arboretum. Chad’s daughter, Barbara, addressed members, former students and special friends with a look back at the Chapter’s history including fond stories about her father. Nearly 400 commemorative t-shirts were sold to members throughout the year.

Ohio Tree Care Conference – Last winter, *Building Bridges in Arboriculture* was held at the Duke Energy Convention Center in Cincinnati. 458 professionals attended including keynote speaker Dr. Dan Herms who taught sessions on Tree Health Care & Pest Management and Sustainable Use of Chemicals in Management of Tree Health Care. There were 33 exhibiting companies.

Scholarships – In September, the Chapter awarded 8 scholarships. The goal in offering the scholarships is to assist individuals with the financial responsibility of professional arboricultural development through higher education in the field or via the International Society of Arboriculture Certified Arborist program. The following scholarships were awarded:

Certified Arborist – \$750 Scholarships

▶ Diana Sette ▶ Josias Baltodano ▶ Krista Harris ▶ David Villarreal

Professional Development – \$500 Scholarships

▶ Mark Hoover ▶ Matthew Ulrey

Traditional Student – \$1,000 Scholarships

▶ Elizabeth Bossler ▶ Ryan Vogel



Visit the Chapter’s website at [ohiochapterisa.org/Chapter Information/Chapter Scholarships](http://ohiochapterisa.org/Chapter%20Information/Chapter%20Scholarships) for complete details. Deadline for applications July 1.

Ohio Tree Climbing Championship – Due to the timing change again with the International Tree Climbing Championship, the Chapter opted to not hold a competition in 2017. Instead, monies were used to fund new equipment to insure future events are held with the utmost safety in mind.

2016 master’s challenge winners Justin McVey and Ellie Vosler represented Ohio at the International Tree Climbing Championship in August 2017 in Washington, DC.

Ohio Chapter ISA Endowment Fund – The Ohio Chapter ISA Education Grant was awarded to Columbus State Arboriculture Education Expansion & Tree Care Academy Project. Columbus State Community College has been a regional education leader in horticulture-related education for more than 20 years and strives for currency in skills training. The existing landscape program at Columbus State was established in 1988 and has a long-standing track record of success. Arboriculture as a specialty places the College at the center of a growing interest in green spaces as a tenet of urban planning and conservation. This project will establish awareness of this important field and create an entry point for the Arboriculture Technician Pathway in the central Ohio region to increase the supply of qualified technicians.

Established in 2011 within the Tree Research and Education Endowment (TREE) Fund, the \$5,000 annual grant is fully funded by the Ohio Chapter ISA to increase public awareness and support the advancement of knowledge in the field of arboriculture and urban forestry. The grant application process is open to 501(c)(3) organizations including, but not limited to, arboretums, public gardens, high schools, vocational schools, 2-year colleges and 4-year colleges, which serve a target population of 16 years of age or older. The annual application deadline is March 15.

(<http://www.TREEFund.org/grants/education-program-grants/ohio>)

TREE Fund’s Team Ohio – 10 cyclists represented Ohio in the 25th anniversary Stihl Tour des Trees ride in August cycling through Maryland, Virginia and Washington, DC. Team Ohio raised the most money – \$42,165! The Chapter is grateful to Beth Buchanan for leading the team again to victory!



Annual Golf Outing – The 19th annual outing was held at The Virtues Golf Club on June 14. The former Longaberger Golf Course proved to be a challenge for 28 golfers, the event attracted 40 players and raised nearly \$6,000 for Team Ohio. With an impressive score of 55, Team JTS (Andrew Belliveau, Keegan Billingham, Jobie McCoy & Doug Owens) took 1st place. In 2nd place scoring 61 with a scorecard playoff, was Team Davey (Mike Mittiga, Mark Vaughn, Shirley Vaughn & Karen Wise). Other contests included: Longest Drive – Shirley Vaughn, Closest to the Pin – Kris Keefer and Longest Putt – Gerald Conn.

Educational Opportunities – In 2017, the Chapter provided several educational opportunities including four ISA Certified Arborist Preparation or Review courses and two TRAQ courses. At the end of 2017, the Chapter recorded 1,062 individuals holding ISA certifications and 150 TRAQ professionals.

Public Outreach – Thanks to various volunteers across the state, in 2017 the Chapter’s message and ISA brochures were on display at various Tree City USA Award ceremonies, regional and local ODNR urban forestry events, Lakeland Community College, the Holden Arboretum, Kent State University Stark, the Midwest Green Industry Xperience (MGIX formerly known as CENTS) and many other locations across the state. We encourage members to borrow the table top display for use at their local functions. Contact the Chapter for details.

For the second year, the Chapter has been a sponsor of the **Ohio High School Landscape Olympics**. The Olympics tests students’ skills through hands-on, competitions designed by green industry professionals. The even broadens the high school education experience and introduces students to the many opportunities offered by a career in the green industry. In November 2017, the Chapter joined Ohio Nursery & Landscape Association (ONLA) in welcoming 250 high school students from across Ohio for the event at ATI in Wooster. Students from 20 schools competed in ten events. The Chapter is working with ONLA to add an arboriculture-related event or competition to the Olympics.

Executive Director’s Report – In 2017, Jennifer Clegg joined Dixie Russell to help locally with the day-to-day operations of the Chapter. EpiCenter Management continues to perform accounting functions and provides proprietary software for the website and database management.

As of September 30, 2017, the Chapter reported 927 members compared to 898 at the end of the 2016 membership year and 894 in 2015. After following the ISA’s lead on offering qualified students with free membership, the Ohio Chapter now has over 20 student members that we communicate with regularly on the benefits of becoming an ISA Certified Arborist and careers in arboriculture.

Financial Report – A certified public accountant examined the financial records of the Chapter and reviewed all related statements. Examination was made in accordance with the generally accredited accounting standards. A summary of the financial report appears below. As required by law, the IRS Form 990 and 990T have been submitted to the Internal Revenue Service for the Chapter year ending September 30.

Overview Fiscal Year 10/01/2016 – 09/30/2017

Current Assets \$264,130

Revenue

Administrative/Membership	\$ 41,439
Buckeye Arborist	23,030
Educational Events	115,237
Certification	39,251
Fundraising Events	<u>8,208</u>
Total Revenue	\$227,165
Investment Income/(Loss)	<u>31,749</u>
Total Revenue	\$258,914

Expenses

Administrative/Membership	\$114,539
Buckeye Arborist	19,496
Educational Events	98,616
Certification	8,184
Scholarships	5,941
Fundraising Events	<u>2,920</u>
Total Expenses	\$249,696

Net Income/(Loss) \$ 9,218

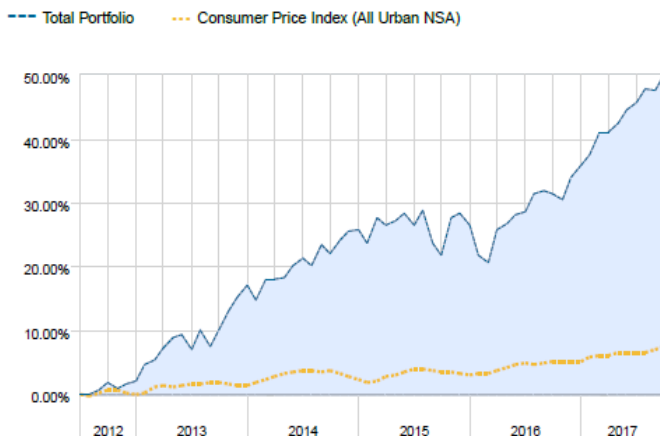
Investment Policy

Performance Analysis



Performance period: 07/26/2012 to 09/30/2017

Cumulative Performance



Quarterly Returns

