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The official newsletter of Goodell Gardens & Homestead

***The world is awakening...***

With every moment we move forward into the next change of season. We are aware of the bounty of buds appearing on our trees and floral bushes and the daffodils bravely sharing their joy-filled yellow blooms. As the winter snows subside and warmer temperatures bid us to emerge from our homes, we breathe in the delights of Spring and are invigorated by nature's loving embrace.

At Goodell Gardens & Homestead we are carefully unwrapping the bushes and trees and gently caring for winter damage in preparation for opening day. Our first event, The Tree Hugger Trail Run, will be held May 6, 2023. Please go to our website and sign up for this family friendly event. Each year we open a new section of trail and this year is no different. Come and see the progress we are making as we give more access to this beautiful land.

We look forward to seeing you at our many education offerings and community events. The world is awakening... and nature's beauty is awaiting your visit at Goodell Gardens & Homestead.

Dr. Marian S. Beckman  
President  
Board of Directors

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## 2023 Program of Events

### Gardens open May 3!

Beginning Wednesday, May 3, YOUR Gardens will be open Wednesday - Sunday from 11 am to 5 pm.

The Welcome Center, Garden Gift Shop, restrooms, and Trails will be open during these hours. We will once again open the Gardens on a donation basis for admission. Donation boxes will be placed throughout the Gardens and at trail heads to allow visitors to make a donation in lieu of admission.

**Please note:** Goodell Gardens & Homestead welcomes well-behaved, leashed, vaccinated, and licensed dogs on the trails, so long as they are under control and their handler cleans up after them. Tick preventative is highly recommended.

Because the Gardens are a living collection of plants, only ADA-protected service animals are allowed in the formal Gardens and at Goodell Events.

*No pets are to be tethered or left in vehicles on Goodell property at any time.*

### Guided Tours & Trail Hikes

Visit Goodell Gardens to see what is blooming!

We offer informal **guided garden tours** starting at **1 pm on Sundays** (except May 21 and Sept. 17) for members and other visitors of varying ages. Bring your curiosity and questions with you to learn more about many facets of horticulture. We will walk along the garden path at a relaxing pace. Tours last approx. 45 minutes

Hit the Trails with Education Coordinator Andrew for a in-depth tour of the expansive property behind the gardens. Observe nature, learn about the landscape, and get to know local plants, birds, and other wildlife.

**Guided trail hikes will take place 10 am - noon Saturdays May 27, July 22, and Sept. 23.**

*Admission is free, but donations are appreciated.*

These tours & hikes are sponsored in part by a Special Events Grant from ECGRA. ECGRA works at Goodell Gardens!



Through partnership with Meadville Community Theatre, Goodell Gardens & Homestead will present Shakespeare in the Gardens: A Midsummer Night's Dream on June 2, 3, and 4, 2023.

Weather permitting, the show will take place in the Sunken Garden near Carrie's Cabin. The show will take place under the tent in the event of unfavorable weather.

Three nights only, and **only 100 tickets will be sold** for each night. Proceeds benefit Goodell and MCT.

We hope you can join us for a magical evening!

**Tickets are on sale now: [goodellgardens.org/theatre](http://goodellgardens.org/theatre)**

## REGISTRATION OPEN!

**MAY 6, 2023 10AM**  
**CHECK-IN AT 9AM**  
**11AM KIDS RUN**

**221 WATERFORD ST.**  
**EDINBORO, PA**

**GG&H MEMBERS USE**  
**COUPON CODE**  
**MEMBER2023**  
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## Environmental Book Club

Join us for thoughtful discussions as we reflect on several informative books that can help us better understand our place in the natural world. We will explore the non-fiction works of four acclaimed authors. Participants will need to borrow or purchase their own copies of the books. It is possible to sign up for any two-session book unit, or participants may attend the entire series.

- **The Sixth Extinction** by Elizabeth Kolbert  
May 10 & 24, 7-8:30 pm
- **Last Child in the Woods** by Richard Louv  
June 14 & 28, 7-8:30 pm
- **Braiding Sweetgrass\*** by Robin Wall Kimmerer  
July 12 & 26, 7-8:30 pm
- **Nature's Best Hope** by Douglas Tallamy  
August 9 & 23, 7-8:30 pm

\$20 general admission, \$18 students, \$15 members, free for Patron or Benefactor members

[goodellgardens.org/bookclub](http://goodellgardens.org/bookclub)

\* indicates books available for purchase in the Gift Shop



## Wedding Pro Expo June 11th

Meet wedding and event pros to help finalize plans for your big day! Join Goodell gardens to meet professionals who can help make your big day picture perfect!

Still looking for the perfect location? Book your event at Goodell Gardens during the Wedding Pro Expo on June 11, 2023 and receive 25% off your deposit!

Please register so we can prepare a goodie bag for you!



[goodellgardens.org/wedding-pro-expo](http://goodellgardens.org/wedding-pro-expo)



Spend a day out with Mom or find the perfect Mother's Day gift at Mom's Market.

Saturday, May 13, 2023, 1-5 pm

- \* Craft Vendors
- \* Make & Take Bouquet Station
- \* Self-guided tours of Gardens & Trails
- \* Seed Swap
- \* Houseplant Swap

Free admission but donations are accepted with gratitude.



NEW THIS YEAR: Goodell BINGO!

We're excited to announce that we'll be hosting BINGO events on three Saturdays this summer!

Experience BINGO under the BIG TENT at GOODELL!

Tickets & prizes will be announced soon, so keep an eye on the Goodell Facebook page, our website at [goodellgardens.org/bingo](http://goodellgardens.org/bingo), or our e-newsletter for more details.

Get your daubers ready! We can't wait to see you WIN!



For more information, visit [goodellgardens.org/learn](http://goodellgardens.org/learn) or contact our Education Coordinator Andrew Sipple: [learn@goodellgardens.org](mailto:learn@goodellgardens.org) or (814) 734-6699.

## Garden Sprouts

Ages 3-5

**Free for everyone!**

Mother Nature is returning to Goodell Gardens to share her mighty wisdom! This year, we will explore the topics of weather and the four seasons. We will provide sensory activities, crafts, and games that help children develop empathy for other living things. Registration includes the entire series with six sessions.

**Parents and guardians must be present.**

June 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20

## Garden Saplings

Grades 3-5

**Individual Session: \$10 for non-members, \$5 for members**

In this engaging series, children explore the wonders of the gardens using their senses to get in touch with nature! Parents and guardians are welcome to attend this class with their children, but are not required.

October 1: Look  
October 8: Listen  
October 15: Touch  
October 22: Smell  
October 29: Taste

Children's programs are funded, in part, by a grant from the Hovis Fund of the Erie Community Foundation.



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## Garden Seedlings

Grades K-2

**Free for everyone!**

The Wizard of the Woods has awakened from his long winter slumber, and he is excited to share some magic with youngsters. His stories and legends are sure to leave everyone spellbound! He will introduce students to various plants and animals while focusing on the theme of energy - the spark of life! Register for each session separately.

**Parents and guardians must be present.**

July 9: Essential Energy  
July 16: Precious Plants  
July 23: Interesting Insects  
July 30: Beautiful Birds  
August 6: Funky Fungi  
August 20: Sacred Sunshine

**Thanks to the HOVIS grant through the Erie Community Foundation, we are excited to offer Sprouts and Seedlings free of charge this year!**



## Young Trees

Grades 6-8

**Individual Session: \$10 (\$5 for members)**

The next generation of gardeners and nature enthusiasts is just on the horizon! This program is designed for middle-schoolers to receive training in plant science. It includes numerous hands-on experiences in field botany and garden maintenance. Parents and guardians are welcome to attend this program with their children, but are not required.

June 15: Garden Design

June 22: Soil Testing & pH

June 29: Starting Seeds

July 6: Perennials & Planting

July 13: Weeds, Watering, and Edging

July 20: Plant Journals

July 27: Flower Dissection

August 3: Fruit Dissection

August 17: Wildflower/Tree ID

August 24: Non-Flowering Plants

## Flowering Trees

Grades 9-12

**Entire Series: \$75 (\$35 for members)**

Our programs for high school students offer opportunities for local youth to explore environmental issues and engage in projects that make the world a better place. Students can take their smaller creations home or give them to others in their neighborhood. Larger projects add permanent enhancements to the grounds at Goodell Gardens. Parents and guardians drop off their teenagers for this program.

September 21: Dream It!

September 28: Plan It!

October 5: Do It!

October 12: Assess It!

October 19: Share It!

**GOODELLGARDENS.ORG/LEARN  
FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO  
REGISTER**



### ***Guest Speaker Series - Learn from Local Experts!***

ADMISSION (unless otherwise noted) : \$10 general , \$7 students,

\$5 Individual/Household/Contributor Members, Free for Patron & Benefactor Members

Registration required, as seating is limited: [goodellgardens.org/guest-speakers](http://goodellgardens.org/guest-speakers)



**5/28, 4 pm: From Horticultural Hero to Cancer Cure: *What Research has your Rhododendron Done Today?***

*With Connor Ryan and Dr. Juliana Medeiros of Holden Arboretum*

Free Admission in partnership with the Great Lakes Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society

**6/25, 2:30 pm: Gifts from the Creator's Garden: *the Value of Native Plants***

*With Leon Sam Briggs of the Tonawanda Seneca*

**7/20, 2:30 pm: Go Beyond Organic Gardening with Permaculture Design**

*With Dr. Karen Eisenhart of Penn West Edinboro*

**8/27, 2:30 pm: Create Your Own Herbal Remedy Garden!**

*With herbal expert Tracy Scott*

**9/24, 2:30 pm: Closing the Loop: *How Food Waste Composting can Save the World***

*With David Washousky & Ryan Nageotte of Conservation Compost*

Free Admission in partnership with the Borough of Edinboro

## Special Public Programs

Sundays at 2:30 pm | Led by Education Coordinator Andrew Sipple

\$10 general admission | \$7 students

\$5 Individual, Household & Contributor Member | free for Benefactor & Patron

Class size is limited, please register: [goodellgardens.org/learn](https://goodellgardens.org/learn) or (814) 734-6699



[goodellgardens.org/publicprograms](https://goodellgardens.org/publicprograms)

### Bittersweet Beauties

These sessions will explore some of the interesting nuances within the plant kingdom. Participants will learn about **attractive but invasive species** that should not be planted, and **alluring poisonous plants** that must be treated with caution.

**Troublesome Temptations (invasive species):** May 7, 2023

**Dangerous Delights (poisonous plants):** May 14, 2023

### Examining our Roots *\*\*free admission this series only\*\**

We will delve into the past to explore **early rural life in Edinboro** and the **legacy of the Goodell Family**. Learn more about the unique story of our town, where you will encounter the fascinating personalities of two women whose gardens live on. This special double-feature is part of Erie County Public Library's HistErie Week.

**Early Rural Life: June 11, 2023 - 2:30 pm**

**The Goodell Sisters: June 11, 2023 - \*3:30 pm**

### Green Practices in Gardening

We often think of gardening as a way to connect to nature, but many traditional horticultural practices can exacerbate environmental problems. In these sessions, we will examine how to minimize our impact on the earth through **natural composting & organic pest control**.

**The Art & Science of Composting:** June 18, 2023

**Organic Pest Control:** July 2, 2023

### Nature's Wonders Take Flight

We will explore many of the winged creatures that enhance our outdoor spaces. In our first session, visitors will practice **backyard birdwatching** skills, and learn how to provide food sources and nesting habitat for our feathered friends. Our second session will focus on the immense diversity of **insect pollinators** and how to attract them with native plants.

**Backyard Birdwatching:** July 9, 2023

**Planting for Pollinators:** July 19, 2023

### Pleasing Perennials

In the summer, daylilies are the mainstay of a colorful perennial border. Likewise, hostas are the backbone of many backyard shade gardens. In these two sessions, we will explore a dazzling array of cultivars and discuss ways to incorporate these hardy plants into the landscape.

Participants will also learn about the methods that plant breeders use to develop new varieties.

**Delightful Daylilies:** July 23, 2023

**Handsome Hostas:** August 6, 2023

### It's Time to Turn a New Leaf!

Join us as we celebrate the colorful, delicious, and healing world of plants! We will investigate **edible and medicinal plants** and learn some **identification tricks** for both garden plants and the native flora. Let's turn a new leaf together as we reconnect to the floral kingdom that sustains us

**Edible Wild Plants:** August 20, 2023

**Medicinal Wild Plants:** September 3, 2023

**Wildflower Identification:** September 10, 2023

### Take your Plant Palette to the Next Level

Explore two special categories of flowering plants, each with a rich array of species that can enrich your gardening palette. After delving into **the importance of trees as the backbone of many ornamental gardens**, we will explore the **many possibilities for adding depth, texture, and color with shrubs**.

**Towering Trees:** October 1, 2023

**Striking Shrubs:** October 8, 2023

### Beauty Beyond Blooms

In our quest for dazzling blooms, we often overlook the enchanting beauty of non-flowering plants. In these exciting sessions, we will explore the remarkable diversity of **ferns, mosses, and conifers**. Participants will learn how to recognize several distinctive species, and ways to incorporate their charm into the landscape.

**Fantastic Ferns:** October 15, 2023

**Miniature Mosses:** October 22, 2023

**Cool Conifers:** October 29, 2023

A Special Events Grant from Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority helps make these programs possible.

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### Summer Music Series

Fridays, 7-9 pm | Free admission, but donations encouraged | Bring a Chair | Food Trucks each week  
Tickets are limited, so registration required: [goodellgardens.org/music](http://goodellgardens.org/music) or (814) 734-6699

**June 9 - Jess Royer & Nick Warren**

*Happy Camper Snack Shack*

**June 23 - The Mighty Sea**

*Camaraderie BBQ*

**July 7 - Tiger Maple String Band**

*Long Island Lunch Wagon*

**July 21 - Matt Texter**

*Triple D's Tasty Grill*

**August 4 - Patchouli & Terra Guitarra**

*Tater Tater*

**August 18 - West Indian Revelation**

*Cluck Truk & Sundae*



*Goodell Gardens receives state arts funding support through a grant from the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.*



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### Refresh your Mind, Body & Spirit with Wellness Classes

*Sundays June 4 - Sept. 17, 11 am - Yogilates w/ Michelee*

*Wednesdays June 7 - Sept. 27, 10 am - Walking w/ Mary*

*Wednesdays, June 7 - Sept. 27, 11 am—Balance & Proprioception w/ Mary*

*\*free admission in partnership with the County YMCA*

*More classes may be added later. Visit [goodellgardens.org/refresh](http://goodellgardens.org/refresh) for details*

**JULY 22, 2023**  
**BOTANICAL BEVERAGES**  
**AT GOODELL GARDENS**  
[GOODELLGARDENS.ORG/BOTBEVS](http://GOODELLGARDENS.ORG/BOTBEVS)

**Save the date to support Goodell Gardens during Erie Gives 2023!**

August 8, 2023  
\$25 minimum gift

*All proceeds help create gardens & natural spaces to enjoy, gather, learn & refresh!*

**Erie Gives**  
[eriegives.org](http://eriegives.org)

**SAVE THE DATE**  
SUNDAY, SEPT. 17, 2023 12-5

**HOMEGROWN HARVEST FESTIVAL**

LOCAL ARTISTS | FOOD TRUCKS | LOCAL FARMERS  
KIDS ACTIVITIES | LIVE MUSIC | RAFFLE AUCTION | MORE!

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# GOODELL GARDENS & HOMESTEAD



*The Mission of Goodell Gardens & Homestead is to create beautiful gardens and natural spaces where people visit to enjoy, gather, learn, and refresh.*

- **Enjoy** the beauty of both manicured gardens and natural spaces.
- **Gather** for events and celebrations both large and small.
- **Learn** about plants, land stewardship, and their importance to humanity and the ecosystem.
- **Refresh** your mind, body, and spirit.

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