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The One Stop Holiday Shop

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Are you looking for that one-of-a-kind, unique holiday gift? Come to Aullwood's One Stop Holiday Shop on **Saturday, November 16**. This popular shopping event brings area museum stores, local artisans, and community non-profit organizations together in one location. Many of your old favorites will be presenting beautiful paintings, jewelry, photographs, woodcraft, soaps, baskets and much more! And, as you browse, you will discover new artisans offering unique, hand-crafted treasures.

Take a moment from the hustle and bustle of holiday shopping to stop by the Aullwood Café and relax with a cup of coffee, a bowl of warm soup, a tasty sandwich or a sweet treat prepared just for you!

Join us for this exciting holiday shopping experience at the Aullwood Nature Center on
Saturday, November 16
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.



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Pileated Woodpecker. P1 4755 7.
Pamela Underhill Karaz KK /
Common Milkweed. Tom Hissong /
Painted Turtle

Museum Store Sunday at Aullwood



Museum Store Sunday is a global celebration that puts the spotlight on the unique items found at museum stores worldwide. The Aullwood Nature Store and Gift Shop will feature beautiful holiday decorations for your home, lovely jewelry made by fair-trade artisans, unique toys, puzzles and games, gifts for the green thumb or bird watcher on your list, and much more! We also have some surprises planned, so visit our website (www.aullwood.org) in early November for more details.

Museum Store Sunday is **December 1** and we will be open extended hours from 11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. in celebration of this special event.

Dec. 1, 2019
Museum Store
Sunday

Remember, by shopping at the Aullwood Nature Store and Gift Shop, you help to sustain the conservation and educational mission of Aullwood Audubon. Thank you for your patronage!



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AskUs@aullwood.org



Alexis R. Faust
Executive Director

*"Hide not your talents,
they for use were made,
What's a sundial in the shade?"*

— Benjamin Franklin

Sometimes You Just Have to Brag

I remember, on my very first day of work at Aullwood Audubon, meeting Chris Rowlands. It was hard, in a good way, in those first few moments of meeting him to get my head around just who and what he was. I'm sure you can imagine.

As I've gotten to know Chris over the past four years that I have been at Aullwood, I continue to be amazed by his talent, and also his capacity to learn and grow. You don't always find those capabilities in the same person, but in Chris you certainly do.

Almost everyone I meet in the community knows Chris through his music and painting residencies. He has inspired thousands of children in the greater Miami Valley region with his comedic puppeteering about the environment, by singing about the unspeakable realities of stinky skunks, beaver tails, and being "*Born in a Barn*" and, of course, his gigantic collaborative pointillism murals completed with classes of students across the region.



Chris Rowlands working with children during an art residency

There is another side of Chris — that of a serious artist, whose passion for his work has catapulted it to another realm over the past few years. In 2016, Chris was honored with an invitation to become a member of Masterworks for Nature — a group of Cincinnati artists dedicated to raising awareness and funds for conservation — with the likes of artists such as John Ruthven, DeVere Burt, Mary Louise Holt, John Agnew, Christopher Walden, among others.

Chris's desire to experiment with new art media, to learn from others, and to stretch himself beyond his own comfort zone have all contributed, in my view, to his artwork reaching extraordinary new heights. The brilliant Wood stork (*Mycteria americana*) on the adjacent page is a prime example of this growth.

The Wood stork is a large prehistoric looking wading bird that is typically found in the marshes and swamps of the Southeastern United States, although on rare occasions it has been seen in Ohio. Wood storks once numbered over 150,000 but by the 1990s the population had declined to around 10,000 due to habitat loss and disruption of water flow through southern Florida.

The Wood stork and two of Chris's other paintings will be exhibited along with the work of over 80 wildlife artists from across North America at the Cincinnati Museum Center. Titled *In the Audubon Tradition*, this exhibit honors naturalist/artist John James Audubon.

*Exhibit dates are **September 13, 2019 — January 5, 2020**. Please make the trip to Cincinnati Museum Center to see this fabulous exhibit and to honor our very own Chris Rowlands!*

*Wood stork
(Mycteria americana)*



For a copy of Chris Rowlands' "Nature Notes – Fall 2019" stop by the Aullwood Nature Store.



Praying Mantis egg case

Naturally Curious

Insects in Winter

By Nicole Conrad
Education Manager

During the fall, flowers are buzzing with insect activity. Bees, butterflies, moths, grasshoppers, crickets, beetles, flies, praying mantis, ants, dragonflies and damselflies are all active in the meadows and prairie at Aullwood. As fall approaches with cooler temperatures, plants go dormant, and the landscape starts to change. Bright blooming flowers, green grasses and leaves start to turn brown and insects get quiet. As day length shortens, temperatures decrease and food sources for insects get scarce. Some insect bodies are triggered for a kind of dormancy called *diapause*. During this time period, insects enter a temporary pause in growth and development.

Insects use a variety of methods to survive cold winter temperatures. Some adult insects have lived their season of life and die. Other insects overwinter as adults, larva, pupa, nymphs or eggs. With winter temperatures sometimes reaching negative digits, different insect species use different methods to escape freezing. Some species bury into prairie soil, some build homes, some lay eggs on plants or tree branches, some find shelter under leaves or logs, some shelter in the bark or crevices of trees.

The insects shown here use a variety of methods to survive winter conditions: The larva of Tiger beetles survive winter by boring underground where it is warmer.

Goldenrod gall fly larva survive winter in the stem of a goldenrod plant.

Praying mantis overwinter as eggs.

Luna moths overwinter on the ground as pupa in cocoons made of dead leaves.

Mourning cloak butterflies overwinter as adults tucked into tree cavities or bark crevices.

Honeybees overwinter as adults and stay in their hives clustering together.

Insects, especially pollinators, need our help as their populations are declining. Insects struggle against habitat loss and pesticides as well as extremes in temperatures. Not only are insects important food sources for birds and other animals, but without insects, we would not have many of our favorite foods and flowers. You can help protect pollinators in the winter by leaving your garden a little messy until spring. Dried flowers, plants, stems and piles of leaves are places insects may use for their winter homes. Dormant plant matter also provides a buffer in the soil and reduces the amount of moisture lost in the soil. Not only will vegetation provide shelter for insects to overwinter, but vegetation could also add interest to the winter landscape.



For more information, contact Nicole Conrad, Education Manager, at 937-890-7360, extension 217 or nconrad@audubon.org



Luna Moth cocoon



Mourning Cloak Butterfly



Goldenrod gall fly larva

Tiger beetle



Prairie plants with snow



Honeybees in their hive



Andrew Hazen

Breakfast with Woodland Santa

*It's a magical time of year in the forest!
When the evergreen trees are frosted
with sparkling snow, Woodland Santa
comes to visit Aullwood!*

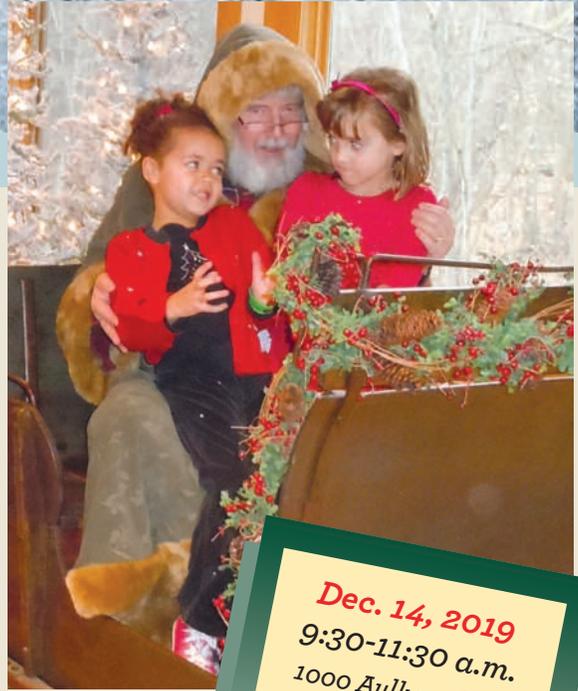
Woodland Santa is returning to Aullwood! He will be arriving at Aullwood Nature Center on **Saturday, December 14**. Join us at 9:30 a.m. for a delicious buffet breakfast, cookie decorating, and holiday crafts. Chris Rowlands, Santa's chief assistant, will get everyone in the holiday mood with songs and stories. Woodland Santa tells us he is excited to be bringing a bit of winter magic to Aullwood and he is looking forward to hearing the holiday wishes of each child.

Each guest will receive a holiday gift bag and a \$5 off coupon for the Aullwood Nature Store and Gift Shop. We invite you to stop by the Store after breakfast to shop for unique gift items for those on your holiday shopping list.

As always, Santa and Aullwood will team up with local organizations to give back to our community. This year, it is more important than ever to give to those in our community who have lost so much. We are asking everyone to bring a new toy and/or non-perishable food item to be donated to those in need of some extra special kindness this holiday season.

*Contact Aullwood to make reservations
at 937-890-7360 or send us
the reservation form on the
back cover of this publication.*

*Remember, make your reservation
early — this wonderful
event sells out every year!*



Dec. 14, 2019
9:30-11:30 a.m.
1000 Aullwood Rd,
Dayton, OH





Buckeye Butterfly



Zebra Swallowtail

Wiki Comm. Megan McCarty



For more information, contact Sean Mormino at 937-890-7360, extension 218 or sean.mormino@audubon.org

31st Annual NABA 4th of July Butterfly Count

Sean Mormino
Environmental Educator

This year we celebrated Aullwood's 31st year of participation in the 4th of July NABA butterfly count! Overall, we observed 293 butterflies from 28 different species. Thank you so much to the ten volunteers who came out to help us count, including the family of four who moved all the way from California and made the NABA butterfly count their first Aullwood event. Volunteers searched for our beautiful flying friends for nearly seven hours in 90-degree heat! It was inspiring to see lepidopterists both young and old get so excited to be on the lookout for these wonderful creatures.

Unfortunately, our count this year has yielded some troublesome results. Despite being out for nearly two more hours than in 2018, we observed four fewer species and nearly one hundred fewer butterflies. Our data this year is on trend with recent studies stating that Ohio's butterfly species are down by a third over the last twenty years.

In the face of these results, it is increasingly important that Aullwood's wonderful volunteers take time out of their busy schedules to make these vital insects a priority. If you would like to help us monitor our local butterflies, our next 4th of July NABA count will be **Saturday, July 11, 2020**, and if you can't wait that long, we have a weekly butterfly monitoring group that meets every Thursday at 2:30 p.m. until the end of October.

Interested in other ways to help out Ohio's butterflies and pollinators? Purchase native plants at Aullwood's annual **Native Plant Sale on April 18, 2020**.



Orange Sulphur

Wiki Comm. Andrew C



Monarch Butterfly

Wiki Comm. Clinton & Charles Robertson





Canvasback

Birdathon 2019 – Thank You!

Aullwood's Birdathon 2019 was a tremendous success thanks to many pledges and donations. Tuesday, May 7 and Wednesday, May 8 were the official dates. This year Birdathon coincided with The Biggest Week in Birding and both Team Tanager and Team Warbler worked together to identify a total of 136 species of birds!

Team Tanager, led by Sam Romeo, Aullwood's Environmental Educator, began their count on May 7 at Prairie Oaks MetroPark in Columbus followed by Killdeer Plains Wildlife Area. After an overnight stay, their birding adventure continued at Magee Marsh and Howards Marsh MetroPark near Lake Erie. One of the most amazing birds sighted was the Yellow-headed Blackbird! Team Tanager's foray identified 115 species.

Team Warbler – Birds Gone Wild departed from Aullwood at 6:00 a.m. on May 8 for birding hot spots in the Greater Miami Valley Region. Co-leaders Nicole Conrad, Education Manager, and Nenita Lapitan, Volunteer & Rental Services Manager led the team to Siebenthaler Fen, Huffman Prairie, and Eastwood MetroPark returning to Aullwood to continue the bird-quest at Englewood MetroPark and Aullwood Audubon. These birders identified 87 species!

Support for Aullwood's Birdathon 2019 has been terrific and we have raised over \$8,000. This impacts many young lives through our environmental education programs. Our deepest appreciation is extended to everyone who supported Birdathon!

We welcome Aullwood's new Environmental Educator, Sean Mormino

Read a little bit about Sean below!

Hi Everyone! I am an Ohio boy through and through. I was born and raised in the eastern suburbs of Cleveland and was very fortunate to have had a family who constantly kept me outdoors and traveling to some of the country's most amazing ecosystems. Those experiences led me to get my Bachelor's degree in Botany with a focus in education from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. After my graduation, I was lucky enough to land an internship here at Aullwood, and that opportunity led me on an incredible path across the country. My internship instilled in me a passion for teaching students about the world around them, and made me so excited to start my career in Environmental Education.

Since then, I have worked in Longbranch, Washington, Saint Simons Island, Georgia, and Yorktown Heights, New York teaching students of all ages and backgrounds. My career has given me experiences on both coasts in a wide variety of ecosystems and working with some incredible wildlife. I feel so blessed and so grateful to Aullwood for giving me my first stepping stone in my career. It is for this reason that I am incredibly excited for the opportunity to be back at Aullwood continuing the amazing work that the staff and volunteers do every day and to attempt to repay them for giving me my start.



Sean & Screech

Nicole Conrad



Project Feeder Watch

Join us for the **2019 Project Feeder Watch** season starting **November 21st**. This winter-long survey is a great opportunity to start bird watching or fine-tune your bird ID skills.

Feeder watchers periodically count the birds they see from November through March and submit the data to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. This data helps scientists better understand our winter bird populations as well as long-term trends in bird distribution and abundance.

Anyone interested in birds can participate and is invited to join us in Aullwood's bird watching room from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for a relaxing morning of counting birds and drinking coffee on the days indicated at right.

For more information on Aullwood's Project Feeder Watch, email Sam Romeo at sromeo@audubon.org or visit www.feederwatch.org and learn how you can get involved helping our featherly feeder friends.



Blue Jay



Fox Sparrow



Pileated Woodpecker



Junco

You're invited to join us on these dates in Aullwood's bird-watching room from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.:

2019:

- November 21 & 22
- December 5 & 6,
- December 19 & 20

2020:

- January 2 & 3
- January 16 & 17
- January 30 & 31
- February 13 & 14
- February 27 & 28
- March 12 & 13
- March 26 & 27

Chipmunk Adventures

Aullwood's Chipmunk Adventures – Class for Preschool Children

October 9, November 6, December 4, 2019

Welcome back Chipmunks! Are you ready for a new adventure in the Chipmunk Class at Aullwood? We are ready for you! Growing up in nature develops a physically and emotionally healthy childhood while encouraging a life-long appreciation for the earth. Cognitive, as well as hands-on learning, takes place in each session. Nature concepts are taught through stories, songs, artwork, and out in the field.

Please dress for the weather conditions. We will be outside for part of every session unless severe weather threatens. All classes will be held in the Charity A. Krueger Farm Discovery Center at Aullwood in the Farm classroom.

Bev Holland, Environmental Educator, is the teacher for these exciting classes, so look forward to fun and engaging adventures this fall! For more information call 937-890-7360. We are looking forward to seeing you!



Preschool child examining a worm



Preschool children finding a toad

Chipmunk Adventures . . .

is for 2-5 year olds (with an adult). The themes and dates are:

Growing Up in a in a Barn	Oct. 9	Wed. 10 a.m.-11:30a.m. Farm Classroom
"Fall" into Farm Fun	Nov. 6	Wed. 10 a.m.-11:30a.m. Farm Auditorium
Animals on the Move	Dec. 4	Wed. 10 a.m.-11:30a.m. Farm Auditorium

Individual classes: \$15 for members, \$17 for non-members / Class limit: 10 (5 minimum)

Aullwood Program and Class Calendar

October 2019 Programs

October is a beautiful month with clear blue skies and brilliant autumn colors. Visit Aullwood and take a hike on the trails to observe the changing fall colors. General admission is \$10.00/adult and \$7.00/child unless otherwise noted. Members of Aullwood and National Audubon Society are admitted free. Call 937-890-7360 for more information. Aullwood Center programs begin at 1000 Aullwood Road. Aullwood Farm Programs begin at 9101 Frederick Pike.

July – October 31

Long-term Butterfly Monitoring
(Center)

October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Adult Discovery Walk
8:00-9:30 a.m. (Center)

October 5

Plants for Birds Day
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Farm)

October 5

Autumn Farm Walk
2:30 p.m. (Farm)

October 7

Volunteer Field Trip: TBD
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
(Depart from Center)

October 9

Chipmunk Adventures:
Growing Up in a Barn
10:00-11:30 a.m. (Farm)

October 12

RAIN DATE: Plants for Birds Day
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Farm)



Adult Praying Mantis

October 14

Celebration Lunch and NCCC
AmeriCorps Team Show and Tell
Program 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
(Center)

October 20

Fall Colors Walk
2:30 p.m. (Center)

October 21

Wiles Creek Cleanup with
Aullwood Garden
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Center)

October 27

Animal Meet and Greet
2:30 p.m. (Center)

October 28

RAIN DATE: Wiles Creek Cleanup
with Aullwood Garden
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Center)

October 28

Volunteer Training: Terrific Trilobites
and Other Fossils / Michael Sandy,
University of Dayton
2:30-4:30 p.m. (Center)



Aullwood Garter snake

Adult Discovery Walks

Thursdays, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m.

Meet us in the lobby of the Nature
Center for the start of morning
discovery walks then walk along
Aullwood's beautiful trails to
explore the changes taking place at
Aullwood. Bring binoculars!
(Center)

Autumn Farm Walk

Saturday, October 5 starting at
2:30 p.m. Experience the stunning
beauty of fall on the farm! Explore
the barns to learn all about your
favorite farm animals. Have fun with
science as you learn how to create a
spewing pumpkin volcano! Enjoy a
cup of delicious apple cider. Take in
the crisp country air and relax in a
rocking chair on the porch. Come
see how beautiful fall is on the farm!
(Farm)



October pumpkins

Fall Colors Walk

Sunday, October 20 starting at
2:30 p.m. Take a relaxing hike
around Aullwood looking for bright
orange, yellow, red and gold leaves.
Enjoy the colors of fall as we identify
some leaves and learn some fun facts
about trees. (Center)



Box Turtle

Animal Meet and Greet

Sunday, October 27 starting at
2:30 p.m. Wander inside the Nature
Center meeting some of the animals
found in the Discovery Center and
classrooms at Aullwood. Feel the
hard shell of one of the box turtles,
look for the crayfish hiding in the
rocks, touch one of the scaly snakes
and ask questions about the animals.
(Center)

Aullwood Program and Class Calendar

November 2019 Programs

November is a wonderful time to visit Aullwood! Make your own beeswax candle, volunteer to help count birds for Project Feeder Watch or start your holiday shopping early at the One Stop Holiday Shop. General admission is \$10.00/adult and \$7.00/child unless otherwise noted. Members of Aullwood and National Audubon Society are admitted free. Call 937-890-7360 for more information. Aullwood Center programs begin at 1000 Aullwood Road. Aullwood Farm Programs begin at 9101 Frederick Pike.

November 2

Bird Seed Sale – Free Admission
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (Farm)

November 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30

Candle Dipping
2:30 p.m. (Farm)

November 4

Volunteer Training: TBD
9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
(Center)

November 6

Chipmunk Adventures: “Fall” into Farm Fun 10:00-11:30 a.m. (Farm)

November 7, 14, 21

Adult Discovery Walk
8:00 -9:30 a.m. (Center)

November 11

Veteran’s Day – Aullwood Closed

November 16

One Stop Holiday Shop
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (Center)
Free Admission

November 18

Volunteer Field Trip:
Cincinnati Museum Center
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
(Depart from Center)

November 21 & 22

Project Feeder Watch
9:30-11:30 a.m. (Center)

November 28 & 29

Thanksgiving – Aullwood Closed



Candle Dipping

Saturdays and Sundays, November 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 Starts promptly at 2:30 p.m.

Learn about candles, bees, lighting and conservation in this fun hands-on program, then enjoy making a red and/or blue-colored candle with your family and friends. The cost is a general admission fee of \$10.00 / adults and \$7.00 /child (members of Friends of Aullwood and National Audubon Society are admitted free) plus \$2.00 for each candle made.

*Please note that this class is limited to 55 people. Please arrive promptly as latecomers will not be admitted. The total length of this program depends on the number of participants. (Farm)



Child in Candle Dipping Program

Adult Discovery Walks

Thursdays, November 7, 14, 21 from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m.

Meet us in the lobby of the Nature Center for the start of morning discovery walks then journey on a walk revealing many new and exciting discoveries. Bring binoculars! (Center)



Carolina Chickadee

Andy Reago & Chrissy McClarren



Bird at feeder

Project Feeder Watch

Thursday and Friday, November 21 & 22 from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Come count birds, drink coffee, eat donuts, share stories and count more birds. Our bird counts contribute to scientific studies at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. Check out the Cornell website at feederwatch.org for more information. (Center)

December 2019 Programs

Join us to celebrate the holiday season at Aullwood! December activities provide lots of fun for the entire family. General admission is \$10.00/adult and \$7.00/child unless otherwise noted. Members of Aullwood and National Audubon Society are admitted free. Call 937-890-7360 for more information. Aullwood Center programs begin at 1000 Aullwood Road. Aullwood Farm Programs begin at 9101 Frederick Pike.

December 1

Museum Store Sunday
11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (Center)
Free Admission

December 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22

Candle Dipping
2:30 p.m. (Farm)

December 4

Chipmunk Adventures:
Animals on the Move
10:00-11:30 a.m. (Farm)

December 5, 12, 19

Adult Discovery Walk
8:00-9:30 a.m. (Center)

December 5, 6, 19, 20

Project Feeder Watch
9:30-11:30 a.m. (Center)

December 9

Volunteer Training: TBD
9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Farm)

December 14

Breakfast with Santa
9:30-11:30 a.m. (Center)

December 16

Volunteer Field Trip: Indianapolis
Zoo Holiday Lights 2:00-9:00 p.m.



Downy Woodpecker eating suet

December 24

Aullwood Closes at 3:00 p.m.
(Center and Farm)

December 25 – January 1

Holiday Observance – Aullwood
Closed (Center and Farm)



Nicole Conrad

Child dipping a candle

Candle Dipping

Saturdays and Sundays,
December 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22
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and conservation in this fun hands-
on program, then enjoy making a red
and/or blue colored candle with
your family and friends. The cost is a
general admission fee of \$10.00 /
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depends on the number of
participants. (Farm)



Adult Walk at Bluegill Pond



Sarah Alverson

Aullwood woods in winter

Adult Discovery Walks

Thursdays, December 5, 12, 19
from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. Join us on
this fun walk as we experience the
frosty landscape, birds and other
exciting discoveries. Meet us in the
lobby of the Nature Center for the
start of morning discovery walks.
Bring binoculars! (Center)

Project Feeder Watch

Thursday and Friday, December 5, 6,
19, 20 from 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Come count birds, drink coffee, eat
donuts, share stories and count
more birds. Our bird counts help
contribute to scientific studies at the
Cornell Lab of Ornithology.
Check out the Cornell website at
feederwatch.org for more
information. (Center)

Volunteer Corner

We Appreciate You!

On August 27, 2019, more than 130 Aullwood volunteers, family members and staff joined together at the Farm to celebrate our appreciation for your service, skills and time that help make Aullwood the best nature center in the Audubon Network.

Volunteers enjoyed a delicious meal by Jerri's Catering, time to socialize and a special opportunity to get up close and personal with our farmyard friends. The interactive Meet and Greet with our Livestock Ambassadors allowed guests to touch animals and be approached by curious goats, sheep and pigs.



Greenview Garden Club winners

2019 recipients of the Marie S. Aull Achievement Award are:

- Henry & Hazel Wilson, READS Mentors
- Siena Williams, Special Events Volunteer Extraordinaire
- Carole Hansberry & Cole Calvert, Special Events Volunteer Superb Duo
- Barbara Zeier, Greenview Garden Club
- Alma Kemper, Greenview Garden Club
- Sue Proehl, Greenview Garden Club

2019 recipients of the Marie S. Aull Youth Achievement Award are:

- Ashley & Mackenzie Britton



Henry & Hazel Wilson



Carole Hansberry & Cole Calvert, Superb Duo, with their awards



Siena Williams (center) with Marsha Williams (left) and Barb Trick (right)

Congratulations to all, and our deepest appreciation for the vital and precious support you provide to Aullwood.

Fall into Winter Volunteer Activities and Opportunities

For more information about these opportunities, please call **Nenita Lapitan, Manager of Volunteer and Rental Services at 937-890-7360, ext. 214 or email her at nlapitan@audubon.org.**

PLANTS FOR BIRDS DAY (Northern Bobwhite Habitat - Farm)

**OCTOBER 5 (Rain date: October 12)
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

Join AmeriCorps NCCC Team Elm1 to complete the first phase of Northern Bobwhite Habitat at the Farm. Volunteers will be planting native trees and shrubs in an area where we have released Northern Bobwhite Quail. Gloves and shovels are provided; though you are welcome to bring your own tools, too. Pack a lunch and explore Aullwood on your own after the planting activities. This is a great activity for groups, families and individuals.



Judi and Sean

FRIENDS OF AULLWOOD BIRDSEED SALE (Farm)

NOVEMBER 2

Help our feathered friends by supporting Aullwood's annual Birdseed Sale. Volunteers unload birdseed from a semi-truck and load into personal vehicles. Or greet customers and help with drop-in birdseed sales. Complimentary hot drinks provided.



Volunteers meet our American Guinea Hog Puddle

Order Takers – 8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m./ 12:30-4 p.m.
(2 needed per shift)

Loaders – 8:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m. / 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. / 2:15-4:45 p.m. (6 needed per shift)

To sign up online:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044badae2ca1f85-friends>

ONE STOP HOLIDAY SHOP (Center)

NOVEMBER 16

Visitors searching for unique holiday gifts can choose from local museum stores and unique artists offering a wide array of attractive gift choices.

Visitor Counter/Greeter –
8:30-12:30 p.m./12:15-4:30 p.m. (1 needed)
Aullwood Café – 8:30-12:30 p.m. /
12:15-4:30 p.m. (4 needed)
Event Take Down – 5:00-6:30 p.m. (6 needed)

To sign up online:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044badae2ca1f85-on-estop2>.



MUSEUM STORE SUNDAY (Center)

DECEMBER 1

The Nature Store & Gift Shop is asking for donations of home-baked cookies for complimentary goodies to visitors attending this annual event that supports museum stores and cultural institutions around the world. All types and flavors of cookies welcome! Email Dalynn Sours at dalynn.sours@audubon.org if you can donate a dozen or two.

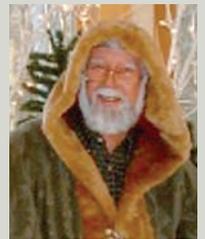


BREAKFAST WITH WOODLAND SANTA (Center)

DECEMBER 14 — 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Elves needed to assist with this popular family event. 6-8 elves to assist with serving food; two elves to supervise children in a simple make-and-take project and two elves to help children decorate holiday cookies. Holiday attire is encouraged; tights and funny hats optional. To sign up online:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044badae2ca1f85-breakfast>



Aullwood's also looking for volunteers to help with our day-to-day operations including Guest Services, Maintenance and Education. If you are interested in learning more about these opportunities, please email or give us a call.

Save the Date!

- **PLANTS FOR BIRDS DAY: October 5**
- **FRIENDS OF AULLWOOD BIRDSEED SALE: November 2**
- **ONE STOP HOLIDAY SHOP: November 16**
- **MUSEUM STORE SUNDAY: December 1**
- **BREAKFAST WITH WOODLAND SANTA: December 14**

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Fall is one of the best times to enjoy Aullwood. The weather is brisk, the colors are bright, and the birds are plentiful!



The Aull Society

Heartfelt Thanks

Aullwood remembers Marie Aull as we celebrate 62 years of service to the Greater Dayton Community and we thank our friends in The Aull Society for their past, present and future support of Aullwood. Aullwood Audubon gratefully acknowledges each Aull Society member and the impact of every planned gift on the future of Aullwood! These thoughtful members of The Aull Society are part of Aullwood's vibrant, healthy future and each bequest reflects what we all cherish — the birds, wildlife, breathtaking nature sanctuary and farm that is Aullwood Audubon and the personal experiences that bring so much joy to our lives.

You, too, can make a difference and help to secure Aullwood's future and ensure that your values endure. Here are several suggestions that will enable you to provide a planned gift for Aullwood through financial planning. Giving opportunities come in many sizes, shapes and forms and every gift matters!

Bequest: This unrestricted gift has no conditions attached and is used at the discretion of the Friends of Aullwood Board of Trustees. It is a general purpose gift that is directed to the most pressing needs at the time of receipt.

Life Insurance: Name the Friends of Aullwood as the policy beneficiary. In some instances, the premiums for the policy may be taken as a tax deduction.

IRA/Retirement Account: These are pre-tax dollars and are taxable when withdrawals are made. By naming the Friends of Aullwood as a beneficiary the remaining funds, if any, would pass to Aullwood as a charitable contribution.

CD: You can name the Friends of Aullwood as a beneficiary of these funds as a fully deductible charitable contribution.

Honorary or memorial bequest: You may give a gift in honor of or in memory of someone, a special life celebration or "just because." Your request will be honored as you deem appropriate.

Endowed bequest: Creating an endowment means that your gift will continue giving indefinitely. The Friends of Aullwood will hold the funds permanently and will use only a percentage of the interest earned on the funds each year. You determine how your gift is designated.

Please contact Laurie Cothran at lcothran@audubon.org or 937-890-7360 x216 if you would like to make a planned gift to Aullwood Audubon.

Give a Friends of Aullwood Gift Membership this Holiday Season!

Remember to include gift memberships to Aullwood on your holiday shopping list. A Friends of Aullwood membership is the perfect gift that keeps on giving all year long! You may choose the size (family, individual, senior, student or grandparent) and be assured of a great fit!

With your purchase, you will receive a gift card to announce this membership. Call 937-890-7360 for more information.

Buy and Donate Business Partnerships

All of these partnerships support Aullwood's high quality educational programs for children. Help Aullwood by registering today!

Kroger Community Rewards Program



Register your Kroger Plus Card online at www.krogercommunityrewards.com and link to Aullwood's new NPO number **YN601** and remember to swipe your *enrolled* Kroger Plus Card first before paying! You will know your card has been successfully registered when you see at the bottom of your receipt: "At your request, Kroger is donating to Aullwood Audubon Center and Farm." Aullwood will receive a quarterly check based on the amount all of our members spend at Kroger!

Dorothy Lane Market's Good Neighbor Program



It's easy to join the DLM Good Neighbor Program. Go to the service desk at your local Dorothy Lane Market, complete an application and designate Aullwood Audubon Center and Farm as your charity! You must use your Club DLM card for your purchases to be included and spend at least \$1,000 during the year. Please keep in mind, you must re-enroll each year for the Good Neighbor Program.

AmazonSmile

Aullwood will receive 0.5% of the purchase price of all eligible items and participating is simple. Go to smile.amazon.com for all your usual Amazon shopping. Select your charity (Friends of Aullwood, Inc.) and your shopping experience stays the same — just another way to support Aullwood in the process!



Call Laurie Cothran at 937-890-7360 ext. 216 for more details.



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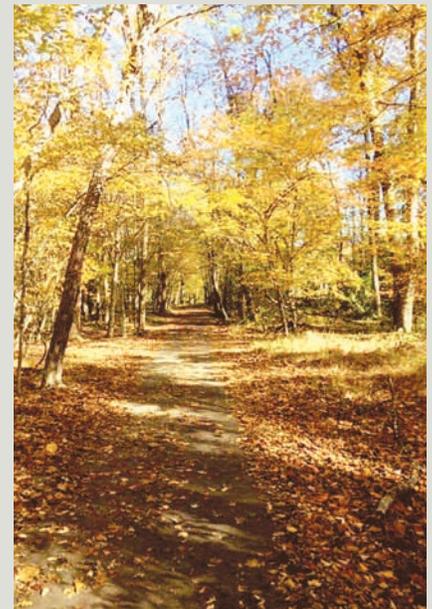
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