

Ohio Pawpaw Growers Association

PAWPAW PICKIN'S

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2006 Pawpaw Festival

Lake Snowden, Albany, Ohio September 16 & 17

The 2006 Festival is being sponsored and managed by Snowville Creamery. Gina Geremia, an employee of Snowville Creamery, is coordinating the Festival activities. We look forward to another successful Festival & turnout for this year's festival.

The 8th annual Ohio Pawpaw Festival is just a few weeks away. A schedule of the activities can be found at the Festival web site at http://www:pawpawfest.com/ for more information about this year's festival.

Your Help is Needed

September 16, 17: We need help on Saturday and Sunday at the Pawpaw Festival in Lake Snowden, Albany, Ohio. This is a great opportunity to consider volunteering some time to help out at the upcoming Pawpaw Festival. The Festival is continuing to grow and volunteers are needed to make a successful festival. Volunteers are needed to staff the education and membership table, the T-shirt sales table, and to work the pawpaw beer garden. If you are able to volunteer, please send a note with your membership renewal to Ron Powell at 6549 Amelia Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45241, e-mail to botrytis@fuse.net and include the hours you are available and the location you would like to help out, or call Ron Powell at 513 777 8367. Let us know as soon as possible which days you would be willing to work so we can schedule.

Membership benefits

- * Annual meetings
- * Annual grafting workshop & tours
- * Scion wood exchange
- * Member voting privileges

- * Educational displays for members
- * Informational flyers on pawpaws
- * Network with other pawpaw enthusiasts
- * Opportunities to volunteer
- * OPGA Newsletter "Pawpaw Pickin's"

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2006

8th Annual

Ohio Pawpaw Festival

Lake Snowden near Albany, OH

September 16 [Saturday]

10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

September 17 (Sunday)

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



2005 Festival Pictures



Children's Play Area



Cooking Demonstration



Horse Drawn Rides



Pawpaw Eating Contest

Mission Statement

OPGA is an organization of pawpaw enthusiasts and pawpaw growers, small and large, dedicated to promoting the superior traits of the pawpaw, developing a pawpaw industry and marketing plan, and preserving and studying the wild pawpaw genetics in Ohio.



2005 Spring Workshop Highlights

The 2006 Spring Workshop was help at Secrest Arboretum and our host was the arboretum curator, Ken Cochran. This year's weather was "shirt-sleeve" weather and was a far cry from the blowing snow and cold temperatures of the 2005 workshop. Dr. Jim Chatfield talked about the ten things that we should know about pawpaws and Ken Cochran gave an overview of the Arboretum and where he would like to establish future pawpaw plantings. We also grafted about 50 pawpaws for the arboretum to establish their pawpaw plant-



Tour of Secrest Arboretum



Grafting Demonstration

OPGA Activities for 2006 & 2007

- 8th Annual Ohio Pawpaw Festival, Lake Snowden, Albany, OH (September 16 & 17, 2006) OPGA members
- Great Outdoors Weekend at Krohn Conservatory, Cincinnati, OH, Richard Glaser (September 23 & 24, 2006)
- Farm Science Review, September 20, 2006
- OFGS Congress, Columbus, Ohio, January 16, 2007.
- 9th Annual Ohio Pawpaw Festival, Lake Snowden, Albany, Ohio (September 15 & 16, 2007)
- OPGA Spring Workshop, Jackson, Ohio (April?, 2007).

If you have an orange sticker on the mailing label, your dues are now due. Please renew your membership in OPGA and show your support. Your continued support is needed to educate and promote the use of pawpaws as a landscape tree and fruit.

2007 Dues are due now

Annual:

Student – 5.00 Individual – \$15.00

Family - \$20.00

Lifetime - \$300.00

Sponsorships:

Individual – \$35.00 Family – \$50.00

Corporate – \$100.00

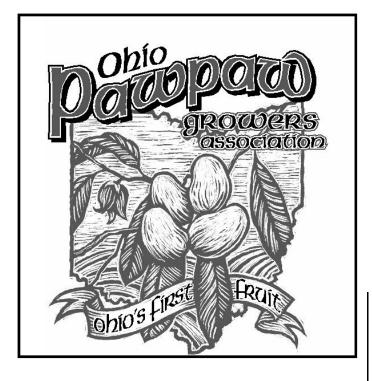
Send your dues, payable to OPGA, Ron Powell 6549 Amelia Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45241.

Get involved in the 2006 Pawpaw Festival

OPGA members and pawpaw enthusiasts are welcome to get involved with the Festival. Help is needed in many areas of the Festival: OPGA membership and education booth, T-shirt sales, pawpaw beer booth, or helping with the many events taking place. You'll receive free admittance.

Contact Ron or Terry at 513.777.8367 to sign up.





Dale and Reda Brooks of Priceville, Alabama have an impressive 500 tree pawpaw orchard. Dale grows many different varieties which are ripe in mid August. His favorite variety is Sweet Alice. Their place is worth a visit since he has other unusual fruit that will not grow in our zone. He also has a large collection of bamboo.



Dale Brooks

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Waynesville, Missouri held their third annual Pawpaw Daze in September 2005, one week after Ohio's. This one day event was sponsored by a local garden club Historical Society and featured rides for children, pawpaw baked goods, historic building tour, best pawpaw contest, traveling zoo, and entertainment from the local community.



Petting Zoo



Local Dancers

