



Winter 2024 Newsletter

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Annual Seed Giveaway 2/10



Our annual seed giveaway will be at the Garden classroom on **Saturday, February 10th from 10am-1pm.**

Gardeners who requested a paper application for the 2024 gardening season may pick up their application at the giveaway, if they have not received it yet.

Gardeners must be in good standing to receive their 2024 application.

NOTE: seed giveaway is for BFCG gardeners in good standing ONLY.

Pot 'o Gold Garden Gala

Annual Fundraiser 2024

Bring your "Luck of the Irish" and join us!

SATURDAY
March 16th
6-10 P.M.
Doors open at 5:45
Sachsenheim Hall
7001 Denison Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio 44102

50/50
Basket Raffle
Side Boards
Dinner &
Drinks

Tickets
\$40
Includes:
Grumpy's
Famous Buffet,
Beer & Wine
*Vegan option
available by request.*



Purchase Tickets:

at the OBCDC office, 4274 Pearl Rd., Cleveland
Office phone: 216-459-1000
or by contacting Mike Rompala at 440-829-3509
Come support your community garden!

Tables are reserved for parties of eight (8) or more

Vegan options available upon **advanced** request

Fundraiser Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for the fundraiser on 3/16. If you are interested contact Elicia Polacek at [440-666-6101](tel:440-666-6101).

Fundraiser Donations Needed



Baskets & door prizes

We welcome your basket of goods for our basket raffle! Or, if you would like to donate a gift card, bottle of wine, or an item \$10-20 value, we would love to give it away as a door prize! NEW items, only, please.

Contact Jennifer at [216-860-7674](tel:216-860-7674) or Mark at [216-276-1183](tel:216-276-1183).

For your convenience, door prizes may be dropped off at the Historical Society of Old Brooklyn Museum, 3430 Memphis Avenue on Tuesdays, Thursdays, or Saturdays from 1-5:00 p.m. Please leave your name with the item you are donating so your contribution can be recognized.



Bakery

We are in need of baked goods for our fabulous dessert buffet. Show off your stuff! We hope attendance will reach 200 and we should provide 2-3 pieces per person.

Use this form to sign up to provide bakery –

<https://forms.gle/g9X9EhZUzsLN...>

THANK YOU for your support of our main fundraising activity of the year.

2024 Applications

If you requested an **electronic application** for the 2024 gardening season, keep a look-out the **first week of the February** for your application. Applications will be sent to the email we have on file. Make sure to check your spam folder.

If you requested a **paper application** they will be mailed the first week of February to the postal address we have on file.

If you do NOT receive your application by 2/9 please email benfranklincommunitygarden@gmail.com

Gardeners must be in good standing at the close of the 2023 season in order to receive an application.

Winter Sowing

Do you know you can start your seeds in milk jugs? And start them outside now? Gardener Jim Kasper shows us how in this video.

<https://youtu.be/HZmQJfuMuYg>

Starting Sweet Potato Slips

Want to try your hand at growing sweet potato slips? We have a two-part series where Gardener and Committee member Elicia Polacek shows you how.

Part I: <https://youtu.be/BxJfVlrJ8QE>

Part II: <https://youtu.be/FBVR7GQ3F0Q>

Don't want to try your hand at growing slips? Don't worry. The Garden will have slips available for purchase once the garden opens.



Garden Operating Committee Monthly Meetings

Your Garden Operating Committee meets year round! Unless otherwise indicated, committee meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

All gardeners and members of the public are welcome to attend!

**February and March meetings will be held at
Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation
4274 Pearl Road, rear entrance.**



Ben Franklin Community Garden

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A program of
Old Brooklyn Community Development Corp.

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