We write this as leaves fall and winter looms on the horizon. Over the last several months our staff has been hard at work—on the road meeting people, helping plan projects, planting trees and gardens, leading workshops, hosting events, collecting seed and marketing plants. Nebraska Statewide Arboretum’s unique role in our state would not be possible without you bearing the banner and breaking a sweat in your own communities. Thank you for your inspiration, commitment and support.

Over the last 38 years we have grown into quite a large family. And we have a lot in common. We are all involved because we care about improving our quality of life, our gardens, trees and green spaces. We care about our lives and the lives of those around us now as well as all those who will follow.

The year has been rich with growth and full of successes and we are excited to share them with you. The stories and highlights on the following pages will give you a better sense of our accomplishments. A few highlights to keep in mind:

1. Our membership grew by 200 members, bringing our total number of members to 1,080.
2. Our 850 volunteers (are you one of them?) contributed more than 4,141 hours of their time.
3. We planted 58 projects this year alone and have 60 projects in the planning phase.
4. Your increased support has resulted in program growth. We carefully steward your financial contributions, investing donations back into programs where the need is greatest.

As we begin 2017 there are several exciting endeavors on the horizon. We’re working on our next strategic plan to help guide our work and ensure that the goals of our stakeholders are met and that we’re prepared for future challenges. We’re also working on a new website and embarking on an annual fund campaign to ensure viability of our programs into the future.

As you enter into the next year, keep in mind that one of the many ways you can support us is to introduce us to a friend.

Thank you for all you do to pay it forward, to ensure good years ahead for us and for future generations.

*Letter from NSA Executive Director Christina Hoyt and Board President Wanda Kelly*
Each and every one of the community landscape projects we oversee is driven on the local level by green-minded citizens, businesses and organizations committed to improving their communities. That is where the initial project visioning and dreaming takes place, where local fundraising happens, where numerous volunteers get sweaty and give up their free time to help, where local green industry professionals show off their plants and abilities, and where the most important education and outreach happens.

Every project is an important physical accomplishment but it is also the embodiment of community spirit and collaboration.

These projects are where all that is good in America happens. It’s where we practice our citizenship and it’s where people of various ages, varying socio-economic statuses and differing political opinions roll up their sleeves and work together.

That’s a special thing and we at NSA are fortunate to have had a front-row seat for such endeavors for nearly 30 years now.

Justin Evertson, Green Infrastructure Coordinator

What are we working on now?

Nebraska Statewide Arboretum is accepting applications to improve community landscapes with funding from the Nebraska Environmental Trust, a beneficiary of the Nebraska Lottery.

The “Greener Nebraska Towns” cost-share program aims at collaborative efforts by communities, individuals and organizations for healthier, more beautiful and more sustainable public landscapes that use native and waterwise plants to better manage water, soil, habitat, energy and waste. Besides showcasing sustainable plants and practices, partners will implement educational and awareness activities within their communities.

Focus areas include: Sustainable Schoolyards, Trees for Nebraska Towns, Waterwise Landscapes and Habitat for Pollinators. In-kind donations of cash, materials or labor cover half the cost.

Questions? Email jevertson1@unl.edu or randerson28@unl.edu
# Community Project Impacts
Reimbursed from October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016

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We also have 60 projects in the planning phase. We’re anxious for them to become a reality, too!

Why do we report impacts on a timeline different from our fiscal year? It is more efficient to align our impact reporting timetable with our close program partners, University of Nebraska and Nebraska Forest Service. For a full statement of Financial Position and Activities, go to plantnebraska.org.

# Partnerships
Make All the Difference

At the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum we value our deep and lasting partnerships that have multiplied impacts, stretched funding and deepened engagement. When organizations work together in areas of common mission, great accomplishments take place.

A special thank you to:

- **Nebraska Environmental Trust**—for ongoing funding that makes our community impacts possible and for insight and understanding about environmental challenges in our communities.
- **University of Nebraska Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources**—for continued support of the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum through office space, expertise and partial funding of the Executive Director position.
- **University of Nebraska-Lincoln**—we are also thankful for many partnerships within UNL:
  - **Nebraska Forest Service**—for partnership through the Community Forestry and Sustainable Landscape Program which has allowed growth, stability, increased impact and better funding opportunities for tree-planting.
  - **University of Nebraska School of Natural Resources**—for partnership on “Urban Trees and Forests in a Changing Environment,” funded through the USDA McIntire-Stennis program. This research at Prairie Pines provides the tools and information necessary for acreage owners and others planting windbreaks to keep their land healthy.
  - **University of Nebraska Department of Entomology**—for “Community as Habitat” funding, collaboration on research and community engagement on pollinator issues.
  - **University of Nebraska Department of Agronomy and Horticulture**—for partnership on public outreach and for Master Gardener efforts all across the state.
  - **University of Nebraska Extension**—for local level partnership on project implementation and education.
- **University of Omaha Center for Urban Sustainability**—for partnership on green infrastructure policies and guidelines.
- **Nebraska Nursery & Landscape Association** and the **Nebraska Arborists Association**—for ongoing partnership in training professionals to ensure that community landscapes are properly planted and sustainably managed.
- The many municipalities, schools, businesses, arboretums, local non-profits, ReTree ambassadors, Natural Resource Districts and other individuals and organizations working to improve their communities’ trees and landscapes.
Every child needs nature

Northfield Elementary School in Gering, Nebraska, is very diverse—racially, ethnically and socio-economically. Among its many needs was a new playground. The “grass” play area was nothing more than a sticker patch with intermittent tufts of grass and weeds. Pea gravel covered the remaining playground. When it rained, water from roof drains flooded the gravel playground and deposited debris on sidewalks and basketball courts, causing regular wipeouts during heated games of basketball, leading in turn to bloody elbows and knees and frequent trips to the nurse’s office. Neither the teachers nor the students enjoyed the barren environment.

The building and playground desperately needed shade trees and opportunities for more relaxed play and learning. But thanks to the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum and local efforts and energy, things have changed.

Most of the planting was done in the summer of 2015, with volunteers from the Gering football team laying sod and more than 75 students, parents and community supporters gathering for a planting day. There were people everywhere, hungry to pitch in wherever they were needed. They were curious about plants, design ideas and how things would work.

It was like a busy colony of ants getting ready for winter and it was one of the coolest things I have ever been a part of. After just a few hours of working together, volunteers were enjoying a sandwich and celebrating the fact that they had planted 26 trees, 66 shrubs and 200+ perennials, and spread 120 yards of mulch.

The project not only changed the physical appearance of the playground but created opportunities for parents, grandparents, aunts/uncles and community volunteers to connect with students and staff and make new friendships. The project brought people together from all kinds of backgrounds and I met people who, in my regular routine, I would not have had the chance to encounter.

By educating people about plants, NSA also has the unique opportunity to bring people together to form stronger bonds. Quietly, through this kind of project, they encourage people to care more about the future of their community and provide opportunities for people to work together and accomplish great things.

The result? Teachers use the grounds for service learning; fifth and sixth graders help with mulching the landscape, doing spring clean-up and pulling weeds throughout the fall. Every child has a chance. No more sitting on the sidelines when there are old logs and stumps to climb on, trees to sit under and the physical beauty of a playground they worked together on as a community. Bravo, NSA!

Amy Seiler, Western Community Forestry Specialist for Nebraska Forest Service and Sustainable Schools Project leader for Northfield Elementary

Northfield Park Elementary playground underwent a radical transformation in just a few years. From Booster Club in 2013, to fundraising, to a Sustainable Schoolyard Partnership grant, to planting in 2015.

“Every child needs nature. Not just the ones with parents who appreciate nature. Not only those of a certain economic class or culture or gender or sexual identity or set of abilities. Every child. If a child never sees the stars, never has meaningful encounters with other species, never experiences the richness of nature, what happens to that child? Richard Louv

Henry Armbrust discovers the pleasure of puddles.
You’ve been buzzed...  
Bloom Boxes provide plants for pollinators

Why are pollinators important?  
Pollinators are essential to about one in three bites of our food.  
They’re also a critical link in the food chain for animals and they recycle waste, enrich soil, disperse seeds and control populations of otherwise damaging insects.

Cynthia in Omaha

“I was giddy with excitement when it arrived,” says Cynthia, an Omaha resident and avid gardener. “I unpacked the instructions and carefully separated all the contents onto my living room floor.” Cynthia had received her Bloom Box, a kit of custom pollinator-friendly plants selected by NSA horticulturists and delivered to her door this September. She signed up for it through NSA’s Plants for Pollinators! rebate program and planted it at the Gifford Park Community Garden with help from the rest of the Gifford Park Neighborhood Association.

Through her Bloom Box manual, Cynthia learned more about the importance of native insects to the food web. “I didn’t know that pollinators are responsible for one out of three bites of food we take each day,” she relays. “I knew that butterflies pollinated, but I didn’t know that a variety of flies and beetles also do a great deal of work for us.” Cynthia and her neighbors hope that, by planting the Bloom Box, they will encourage beneficial insects to visit the crops in the garden and at the same time deter problem pests. “We are excited to partner with NSA’s Bloom Box program. We not only got their knowledge in selecting the right plants for the right place, we also know the plant source is solid.”

Steven in Lincoln

Steven is another of the 32 gardeners across the state who participated in the Plants for Pollinators! program this fall to get a Bloom Box for half-price—an effort made possible by grant funds secured from the Nebraska Environmental Trust. Like Cynthia, he wanted to create habitat for wildlife, and did it at Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Lincoln.

“With almost two acres of lawn to care for, the church is attempting to transform idle land into a neighborhood greenspace that benefits the environment and offers solace through nature,” Steven explains.

He was also excited about the rebate. “Getting 50 plants for half price was a great incentive for eliminating several dozen square feet of unproductive vinca and grass,” he added, “and having a pre-selected collection of plants with design suggestions was ideal for a non-expert.” He welcomes NSA to check back in a few years to see how the garden is doing, an invitation we are excited about.

Want a Bloom Box next year?  
Check with Rachel Anderson, randerson28@unl.edu.

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Thanks to Cynthia and Steven for lending their stories to this issue of Leafings. We’re excited to see how their gardens grow and hope to keep in touch with all the 2016 Plants for Pollinators! participants. Their feedback will help improve the program for another round of Bloom Boxes next spring.

Rachel Anderson, MLA, Community Landscape Specialist  
Nebraska Forest Service and Nebraska Statewide Arboretum
Making a difference... plants and people

If you ask Bob what he’s proudest of in the last year, he’s not likely to mention the way he’s helped communities deal with stormwater runoff and other challenges by promoting native sedges—though his work there and in other very public ways has definitely made a difference.

The things he’ll point to are less about economics and more about people and inspiration.

He had fun giving a talk on “Planting Native Plants to Encourage Pollinators” April 13th at Joslyn Castle. Part of the 2016 Joslyn Castle Garden Lecture Series, it gave him a chance to talk about the importance of pollinating insects and the best plants for pollinator gardens. “It was a room full of people with great questions, all looking for answers on how we can make a difference with our plant choices. I am proud to say that we are working to educate and inspire people to ask for, purchase and plant native wildflowers, trees and shrubs. It’s a great way to make a difference even in your own small yard.”

For community efforts, he’ll talk about his trip to Gering and Scottsbluff in early June for Wildflower Week. In the course of those events, he helped put in a lot of native plants at dryland demonstration gardens at the Legacy of the Plains Museum, in Monument Heights Neighborhood and for a new bioswale planting at Chadron State College.

Bob also led a wildflower hike in the Wildcat Hills and planted a GreatPlants demonstration garden at TLC Garden Center in Scottsbluff. “We don’t make it to western Nebraska as often as we’d like but there’s always great local support and it’s fun to work with the plants native to the Panhandle.”

Justin enjoyed the trip out west too. “I don’t know if I’m most proud of it, but I gave a talk in Annette Aulick’s garage in Scottsbluff as part of the Western Summer Field Day in September that I’ll always remember. It was kind of a surreal scene with the Scotts Bluff National Monument in the background, a pet pig running around, cold beer on the table and a helicopter flying people around to see some of the local bluffs. Good people and good fun.”

He also enjoyed working with the Barnes Park Arboretum in Madison. “It’s a relatively new affiliate that has had its struggles since one of its most ardent supporters moved away. But I’ve been able to work with other local people in generating new enthusiasm and bringing the project along.”

Seed Collecting

One of the favorite jobs for Bob and the volunteers is seed-collecting. Nebraska is situated at a kind of crossroads for tree and plant species, making it a good source for hardy species.

Shown here: Elizabeth Lutz, Sarah Masek and John Dietrich collecting acorns from a rare, native population of dwarf chinkapin oak in Richardson County.
Climbing to connect

How do we help people appreciate trees? One thing we do is to let them climb them! This was the second year for the Omaha Tree Climb. Kids and adults alike were challenged to climb up into the 60 foot tall Champion Swamp White Oak in Elmwood Park. This free event drew 150 climbers who learned to use a rope and harness climbing technique to experience the intricacy and uniqueness of the tree canopy.

Challenging how we see trees

Early in November, 150 people filled the Hardin Hall auditorium for the 2016 Young Memorial Lecture in Horticulture. Some folks even joined in via livestream. Nalini Nadkarni, world-renowned forest ecologist, spoke on the value of trees and forests. She challenged us all to think outside the box about how we could weave our disciplines together to promote trees and nature. The enthusiasm and energy in the room was incredible. If you missed the lecture, you can listen in at: youtu.be/YoZPBXE1I5c.

ReTree plants one town, one tree, *one shovel a time

What's at the roots of the ReTree Nebraska Initiative? It's made up of ReTree ambassadors, NSA curators and other community tree advocates. This last fall, they organized almost 100 plantings and demonstrations in 50 communities and planted more than 600 trees.

ReTree mini-grants multiply the efforts and results. Since 2010, more than 2,500 trees have been planted in public spaces thanks to fall mini-grants provided by the Nebraska Environmental Trust, a beneficiary of the Nebraska Lottery, and the United States Forest Service “Community Marketing of Trees” grant.

Between ReTree mini-grants and its ambassadors, communities get new trees and all the resources, support and techniques they need to help them thrive.

Join the tree-planting spirit, visit retreenebraska.org!

Well, maybe more than one shovel at a time!

ReTree week events in Gering were led and organized by Amy Seiler and Jessica Kelling.

World-renowned forest ecologist Nalini Nadkarni weaves the lessons of trees into an inspiring tapestry that draws scientists, artists, dancers, prisoners, and trees themselves, into a shared community.

Dawson Fairgrounds arboretum curator Dave Stenberg established a quercetum (collection of oaks) to provide shade for spectators.
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Fall arboretum tours took us to Kearney, Hastings and Grand Island, communities known for their trees and their volunteers.

Nebraska Statewide Arboretum (NSA) Accredited, Historic and Landscape Steward Sites

NSA’s arboretums are far from cookie-cutter gardens. In all of them however, from cemeteries to downtown areas, plants are grown for study, education and inspiration.
Curators Mark Canney and Kyle Johnson (above) keep trying out new things. Canney is using prairie plants along Antelope Parkway to minimize management and draw in pollinators.

Johnson works to make the landscape at Joslyn Castle just as memorable as what’s inside. He’s also making sure the gardens are monarch-friendly by growing every species of milkweed he can find seed for.
Growing members and gardens

Our members make a difference!

In 2016 NSA’s membership grew by 200 new members. As of October 31, 2016 we have 1,080 members. Members financially support the work of the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum; make a difference in their own yards and communities; and act as ambassadors—spreading the word about the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum to their friends and family.

Members, thank you for inspiring us and supporting us! Let us know if you want us to send some publications and an invitation to friends who might enjoy them. You can email addresses to arboretum@unl.edu.

More gardens to visit

NSA was pleased to add two new sites to the network of affiliates in 2016, Vintage Heights Neighborhood Arboretum and Fireworks Restaurant, located next to each other in southeast Lincoln.

Fireworks Restaurant Rain Garden

NSA has been working with Reba Schafer and Fireworks Restaurant since 2011 to help make the landscape around the restaurant more sustainable and meaningful. Reba wanted the restaurant to reach beyond the traditional and somewhat boring commercial landscaping that tends to permeate the built environment today. She wanted the landscape to better reflect our natural heritage, to do more for stormwater management and to be better habitat for pollinators and biodiversity.

The highlight of her efforts was the development of a prairie-inspired bioretention planting (rain garden) on the east side of the property adjacent to Antelope Creek and a public bike trail. More than 3,000 trees, shrubs and native perennials representing over 60 species were planted by a cadre of volunteers. In the years since its planting, the rain garden has evolved to be a richly diverse botanical treasure providing habitat and filtering stormwater from more than two acres of pavement and rooftop.

Vintage Heights Neighborhood Arboretum

The Fireworks landscape ties in nicely to the Vintage Heights Neighborhood via the adjacent Billy Wolff Trail that runs along the headwaters of Antelope Creek. This trail corridor has become the backbone for the Vintage Heights Arboretum where more than 60 new trees representing over 35 different species have been planted within the last five years. Local residents Dan and Diana Wheeler are leading the effort and are now embarking on developing a major prairie-themed planting in adjacent common areas. Vintage Heights is quickly becoming a model for landscape sustainability that other neighborhood groups can learn from and aspire to.

Justin Evertson
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Award Winners

At an Awards Ceremony March 4th in Lincoln, Nebraska Statewide Arboretum recognized the following organizations and individuals for tree and landscape efforts across the state:

Nebraska Environmental Trust—President’s Citation
City of Lincoln—Blazing Star Award
Great Plains Nursery in Weston—Johnny Appleseed Award
Lucinda Mays in Chadron—Jim Kluck Honor Award
Amy Seiler in Scottsbluff—Educator Award
Wes Pokorny in Clarkson—Educator Award
Karen Creswell in Lincoln—Volunteer Award
McCook Highway Project—Community Landscape Award
Salem Cemetery—Community Landscape Award
Sun Valley Landscaping in Omaha—Community Landscape Award
Jim Kluck Memorial Railside Green Arboretum in Schuyler—Affiliate Excellence Award

Nebraska Environmental Trust received the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum “President’s Citation Award.” From left: NSA Board President Wanda Kelly, NET Director Mark Brohman, Marilyn Tabor, Sheila Johnson, Paul Dunn, Henry Brandt and Allison La Duke.

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