



RED OAK RAIN GARDEN

Garden Report: November 2021

- **Monitoring:**
 - **CoCoRaHS** rain gauge watchers reported 1.28 inches of precipitation which is well below the average for October, which is 3.68 inches.
- **Observations of note:**
 - **November interest:** Though not as vibrant as in years past, fall colors finally arrived with RORG's trees and shrubs turning to shades of red and yellow. Throughout the abnormally dry month, several species of plants continued to bloom including 'Rozanne' Geranium, Smooth Blue Aster, and one very late Cardinal Flower. Finches were observed eating seed from Rosinweed, and Question Mark Butterflies were seen sunning themselves on RORG's groundcover of sedges.
- **Social Media Highlights:**
 - Celebrated [Dia de los Muertos](#).
 - Shared a [News-Gazette](#) feature of Chemistry Professor Jonathan Sweedler, who does some of his best thinking on his daily walk by the Red Oak Rain Garden.
 - Spotlight on [Red Chokeberry](#).
- **Volunteer Highlights:**
 - Volunteers had the month off as most plants at RORG went dormant for the winter.
- **Presentations & Tours:**
 - Filming was done at RORG to prepare for upcoming educational videos.
- **Published Blogs:**
 - [In the Garden: November](#)
- **Fundraising**
 - Our current fundraising focus is on the installation of interpretive signage explaining what rain gardens are, as well as the general history of the Red Oak Rain Garden. If you're interested in supporting this phase of the project, please go to <https://redoakraingarden.org/support/>.

