

## Chadwick Arboretum Volunteer Newsletter – April 2020

### Hello Volunteers!

Welcome to Chadwick Arboretum's new Volunteer Newsletter!

As with all things here at the arboretum, this is a work in progress and would greatly benefit from your input. If you have three minutes, please fill out this [Quick Poll \(click here\)](#) to help us choose a title and the content you'd like to see included in these.

Also, I want to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone who has already responded to my email a month ago in which I explained our need to get all of our volunteers a **background check** (those who don't already have one). If you haven't yet responded, please do! The deadline to get your background check has been extended until Dec.31<sup>st</sup>, 2020. (Didn't see that e-mail or forget what I need from each of you? E-mail me at [Wilson.4615@osu.edu](mailto:Wilson.4615@osu.edu).)



Small canna starts taking off in the greenhouse. Anyone else try to grow these from seeds before?



Julia and family Shelter-In-Place Project: Fairy houses

As you all are very aware, the COVID-19 pandemic has cancelled all our events and volunteer sessions that were to take place in March and April. While we are especially sad that we had to cancel our signature fundraising event of the year – The Spring Plant Sale And Auction – we are proud of the way The Ohio State University, Governor Mike DeWine, Amy Acton, and Ohio as a whole have been handling this crisis and saving lives.

Our staff are all sheltering in place at home for now and creating plans for when we get the green light to return to the grounds. However, did you know that **April is now Ohio Native Plant Month**? There are some great homebound activity ideas of how you can participate in [Ohio Native Plant Month \(click here\)](#).

Until then, **send me some photos of the projects you all have been working on from home!** I'll post them on our [Volunteer Only](#) page of our website, where we will be posting updates about continuing education webinars and other updates that will happily continue throughout this challenging time.

#### Login information:

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## February/March Photos



*An OSU Eagle Scout Fraternity group came out in February to help us remove invasive honeysuckle.*



*Mary Maloney, Director of Chadwick Arboretum, has been using this time to bake the things she's always wanted to!*



*Students exploring the wintery green roof for an Ecological Design class.*



*The daffodils are blooming in Mary's yard. What's blooming in yours?*