

Woodcrest Villa Flower Factory, Nature Trail & Arboretum

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May 2020 Newsletter

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Special Tree Donation: A huge thank you to Jenifer Bicher for showing a power point presentation that Jerry Lawrence prepared for the J & J Show on Wednesday, May 6, 2020. The most important part was the announcement that Beverly Trauger and Shirley & Ned Harms went together to sponsor an Honor Tree for the Arboretum “In Honor of the Entire Staff of Woodcrest Villa & Mennonite Home - *In Recognition of Our Health Care Heroes.*” They selected a Flowering Crab Apple. That will be a beautiful addition in multiple ways.



If you missed the show or have a friend that missed the show, you can see it at:

[5/6/2020 J&J Show Pictures - WCV Nature Trail & Arboretum \(pptx\)](#)

[5/6/2020 J&J Show Pictures - WCV Nature Trail & Arboretum \(pdf\)](#)

More Memorial / Honor Trees: 2 more have contacted Dennis Good about placing Memorial / Honor Trees in the arboretum. We hope to get more requests from people that saw the program on the J & J Show. These trees will be planted in the fall.

Trail Crew: Lew Kauffman and his crew including Tony Harnish, Dave Warfel, and Bruce Metzler were busy through the winter and spring improving the trail, planting grass, and spreading wood chips. They were so busy that they were running out of work on the trail and have time to also work in the arboretum removing invasive plants and debris.



Nature Trail Extension: Jim McCoy has created an extension to the Nature Trail that continues from the arboretum end of the trail until it comes out near the little parking lot along Woodcrest Drive that overlooks the arboretum from near Pheasant Pointe. This will also provide easy access from this parking lot to the arboretum.

Flower Planting: Jerry Lawrence has been busy since mid-winter raising flowers for the arboretum, the nature trail, and the flower beds for cut flowers. He and Shirley Harms have been planting cone flowers in the arboretum. After Mother's Day, they will be moving plants from the greenhouse to the cut flower beds. Dennis Good has been working on a special bed near the start of the nature trail by the Dog Park.



Tree Signs: Jenkins Arboretum has donated beautiful name signs to identify native trees along the Nature Trail and around the arboretum. Steve Henning has put signs on 9 trees on the trail that had enough leaves out to make a positive identification. He ran into a problem. Some trees have the leaves up so high that it is virtually impossible to see them. He is looking for some help in identifying native trees so he can put signs on them. He can be contacted at rhodyman@earthlink.net or 717-735-7116.



Website: The Woodcrest Villa Flower Factory, and Nature Trail & Arboretum website has been updated with new photos and updated maps at: <http://rhodyman.net/WCV/>

For future issues of this newsletter and the website, please send me photos, stories, and updates.

Stay Safe,

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