

Dr. Michael Horton Honeysuckle Challenge

Ohio's Largest Honeysuckle Removal



before

Saturday

April 10th

Fairborn Community
Park Reserve



after

Join us for an exciting event to clear an invasive shrub that has been crowding out the wildflowers and native plants in this 35 acre natural area.

**Morning session
9am till noon**

**Lunch
provided**

**Afternoon session
1 - 4 pm**

Michael Horton, DVM, past B-W Greenway trustee and energetic advocate for Fairborn green spaces, was very instrumental in this preserve joining Fairborn Parks. The B-W Greenway held Ohio's Largest Honeysuckle removal at the Wenrick Wetlands in 2006 with 160 volunteers. We hope to honor Michael's memory by exceeding that record.

Please arrive 1/2 hour early. Hot beverages and donuts will be available for the morning crew as well as lunch at noon for all. During lunch Terry Fredrich will give an informative talk and demonstration about invasive plant species and what is happening around Ohio and the United States. It will be a great educational opportunity.

Wear long pants and shirt and bring your own gloves. If you have heavy duty loppers, please bring them as well. We will be working in crews of 4-5 people. There will be a cutter, a cutter's helper, a stump painter and 1-2 draggers and stackers. Park at the Cemex Reserve on Sanctuary Drive off Garland Avenue. You will be transported to the work site.

The B-W Greenway Community Land Trust has been clearing honeysuckle in this area for the past 4 years but we are only about 1/4 done. We hope to finish the remaining 3/4 on April 10. An abundance of spring wild flowers have blossomed in other areas we have cleared in the B-W Greenway. Maybe some will be up by April 10.

Registration requested - pete.bales@ci.fairborn.oh.us

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2006 Honeysuckle crew

Sponsored by B-W Greenway Community Land Trust & Fairborn Parks with participation from Beaver Creek Wetlands Assn, Cemex, Fairborn HS Junior ROTC, Fairborn Senior Center, Greene County Master Gardeners, Greene County Park District, Habitat Creations, and The Summit at Park Hills

