

Hi Green Team,

Our next event is:

**Event:** **Earth Day Planting**  
Educational Session: Landscaping with Natives Plants  
Date: **April 17th**  
Time: 7pm Service Center

Volunteer Project: Earth Day Planting  
Location: Post Preserve  
Date: **April 22nd**  
Time: 10:00am

In Post Preserve, the pond behind the homes on the east side of Stillhouse Lane. If you're coming from Post Road, you'll turn onto Post Preserve and then left onto Stillhouse Lane.

There is a **second planting** on Saturday, April 26th at 8:30am! Join the horticulture team again to plant 3,000 seedlings on the South fork of Indian Run! Park in west lot of Dublin Community Recreation Center, off of Post Road and walk along bike path past brown stables into Coffman Park.

One of the most famous creatures in crypto zoology, according to Wikipedia, stands between 7 and 10 feet tall with brown hair and a pronounced brow line. Known mostly in Northwestern America, it has been spotted by countless people throughout the decades and has been studied by numerous scientists. Thought to be a descendent of *Gigantopithecus blacki*, some scientists believe it moved across the Baring Strait like many other creatures long ago. This would explain it's cousins in other countries including Tibet and China. Yes, I'm talking about Sasquatch. I thought it a fitting subject for April. April 1<sup>st</sup> is a day of trickery and hoaxes; but what about this creature? Is Big Foot just a hoax?

The Yeti, Loch Ness Monster and Sasquatch were things that fascinated me throughout childhood (ok...and beyond). They're a great natural mystery! One of the first movies my parents took me to see was a documentary on Sasquatch. I remember the dark, cool theater and my dad accidentally touching the head of a young boy as we made our way back from my restroom break. The boy screamed causing chaos throughout the theater and forever imbedding the moment in my memory. Perhaps seeing this many people react to an animal stuck with me.

Most cultures have some kind of huge, human like creature in their history. Diaries from missionaries recorded giant, fish stealing hairy humans living amongst the Native Americans of the Northwest. Theodore Roosevelt spoke of this creature, relaying a story of a Big Foot attack. Furthermore, many Native American tribes have a large hairy creature in their ancestral stories. Bones have been found, blood and hair studies, yet no

conclusive evidence! Amazingly, numerable new mammals are found throughout the world each year. We think we know so much, but do we?

Regardless of our belief in this creature, Sasquatch has had a huge impact on society. There's a Sasquatch music festival (carbon neutral...very green!), countless books, a society, an internet service provider and a bureau dedicated to it! This is a legend that still lives in Ontario Canada where researchers actually continue to study Big Foot. Hmm, I thought I saw something hairy at Indian Run Falls...

I look forward to seeing all of you! Happy April!

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