Chubu University gifted Ohio University 175 cherry blossom trees to represent the number of years OU existed. Chubu University is Ohio University's sister school in Kasugai, Japan, a suburb of Nagoya. Chubu University gifted us more trees to celebrate Ohio University's bicentennial. Japanese often gift cherry blossoms as a sign of friendship to other nations.
Flower Pressing: As the petals fall off the cherry blossom trees, pick them up and press them. The trees are in bloom for about a week, but you can press the petals you can preserve them forever! Please do not pick the flowers from the trees.

Directions
1. Place the flower/petals flat between two sheets of paper
2. Insert the paper into a large, heavy book
3. Weigh the book down with other books or heavy objects
4. Wait one week
5. Give some pressed flower/petal to a friend as a symbol of friendship :)

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