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LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP PLANS ARBOR DAY ACTIVITY

LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP, N.J. (April 13, 2017) – The Lawrence Township Shade Tree Advisory Committee will conduct an Arbor Day Ceremony on Friday, April 28, 2017 at 12:00 noon at the front entrance of the Lawrence Township Municipal Building, 2207 Lawrenceville Road, Lawrence Township, NJ 08648.

The Lawrence Township Council issued a Proclamation recognizing Arbor Day. The Department of Public Works will plant a Norway Spruce to replace the previous tree which was lost in a wind storm this past winter.

Lawrence Township Mayor Dr. David Maffei said “It will be a pleasure to attend our community’s Arbor Day event to celebrate the importance of trees. Lawrence Township continues its hard work and dedication to preserve our woods and specimen trees as well as our environment”.

The NJ Department of Environmental Protection has been promoting Arbor Day since 1949. In that year, the New Jersey legislature designated the last Friday in April as the official day to honor trees and the people who take care of them. The Township has recognized Arbor Day with tree related activities every year since 1996.

Lawrence Township is in its twenty-first year as a Tree City USA. This status is achieved by meeting four core standards of sound urban forestry management: maintaining a tree committee, having a community tree ordinance, spending at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry, and celebrating Arbor Day.

The Lawrence Township Shade Tree Advisory Committee was created by the Township Council to provide advice on street tree matters. The Committee meets the 4th Monday of each month.

For additional information about the Arbor Day ceremony please contact Andrew Link at 609.844.7087 or alink@lawrencetwp.com.