

News Release

City of Mansfield

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For Immediate Release

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**Subject: City of Mansfield Shade Tree Commission
Celebrates Arbor Day with Malabar Intermediate 4th Grade Students
Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.**

Mansfield, Ohio – The City of Mansfield Shade Tree Commission is pleased to announce the first program offered to celebrate Arbor Day 2016 and their participation in the 20th Annual Earth Stewardship Celebration.

On Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 1:00 p.m., a representative of the Shade Tree Commission will visit **Malabar Intermediate School** 4th Grade students and give a brief presentation on the history and importance of Arbor Day, as well as discussing the importance of trees in an urban setting. Tree seedlings will then be distributed to the students. The Richland Soil & Water Conservation District generously donated the tree seedlings for distribution.

The Shade Tree Commission, as part of its annual work plan, continues to provide education to our local schools as part of their annual Arbor Day Celebration.

The Shade Tree Commission is pleased to provide this hands-on educational activity to the students, which demonstrates to our youth the importance of volunteerism and the benefits of urban forestry in our community, while they celebrate Arbor Day 2016. For more information, please contact Kim Hildreth at 419.755.9702.