

News Release

City of Mansfield

Timothy L. Theaker, Mayor



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**Subject: City of Mansfield Celebrates Arbor Day
Friday, April 27, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.
North Main Street Landscape Tree Planting at 5th & Main**

Mansfield, Ohio – Mayor Tim Theaker is pleased to announce that the National Arbor Day Foundation has named the City of Mansfield a “Tree City USA” for the 17th consecutive year. To receive this award, a community and its Shade Tree Commission must demonstrate a commitment to implementing a sound urban forestry policy.

Mansfield Shade Tree Commission members continue to demonstrate their commitment to our community and have assisted members of the Richland Community Development Group Beautification Landscape Committee in the development of the North Main Street Corridor Master Plan for the planting of trees along this corridor.

To kick off this beautification and improvement project, the City of Mansfield Shade Tree Commission has chosen to celebrate Arbor Day 2012 with the first tree planting of this corridor.

The community is invited to see the planting of three (3) Green Mountain Sugar Maples at the corner of 5th & Main Street on Friday, April 27, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. to mark the beginning of the North Main Beautification Landscape Project. This planting will be the first of two (2) programs offered by the Shade Tree Commission to commemorate Arbor Day 2012.

Alta Florist & Greenhouse, Inc., Best Western Richland Inn, Commission Member Josh Maurer, and the Mansfield/Richland County Convention & Visitors Bureau generously donated the trees in recognition of National Tourism Month and Arbor Day.

For more information, call Kim Hildreth at 419.755.9702.