

**Parks and Recreation
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Commemorative Tree Program

Program benefits and goals:

- * Gives the opportunity to beautifully honor or memorialize a special person, group or event.
- * Provides replacement trees for those lost to damage, disease or age.
- * Helps maintain a healthy habitat for wildlife.
- * Enhances the general appeal of our parks and city property for generations to come.

History: Established in 2015 by the Parks and Recreation Board, the City has planted a variety of shade, evergreen and ornamental trees in honor, memory or in celebration of various persons or events.

Application Process:

- * Applications are available at the Recreation Center, City Hall and online at www.cityofbn.com.
- * The application fee is a tax deductible donation of \$150.00
- * Applicants will have their first and second choice from a provided list of trees and planting areas. Applicants are encouraged to consult with the City's Parks & Recreation Director when choosing their species and planting site.
- * An engraved stone may be placed at the base of the tree.

Planting:

- * Trees will be planted annually in early spring prior to Arbor Day by employees of the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors Parks and Public Works Departments.
- * The City will guarantee the tree and plaque for two years.
- * The City reserves the right to remove any tree that becomes diseased, a hazard, a nuisance or that will stand in the way of park renovations or improvements. Sponsors will be contacted if such situations occur.

Dedication:

- * A Tree Dedication Ceremony will be included as part of our annual Arbor Day Celebration held on the Saturday before Easter.
- * A card will be sent to the recipient of the gift notifying them of the tree planted and a map showing the location.