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Park Tree Donations Pass Milestone

"The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is today!"

The Centre Region Parks & Recreation Authority, State College, has announced that the popular "[CRPR Remembrance Tree Program](#)" has so far resulted in 400 trees being planted in Centre Region parks since the program began in 1994 - and officials think that number will continue to grow. The most recent donation will add Remembrance Tree #400 to Millbrook Marsh Nature Center this spring in memory of Skye Gina Pilato.

The CRPR website at www.crpr.org includes annual rosters listing the details of each CRPR Remembrance Tree planted since 1994. CRPR Director Ronald J. Woodhead said that the agency is pleased to host the Remembrance Trees to honor or memorialize individuals, families, organizations and pets. The donations have enabled the planting of the 10'-12' shade trees in many local parks - noting that tree plantings at several parks, including Lederer Park for example, have been suspended since the park has reached tree capacity. But with 54 park sites totaling 915 acres, there is still plenty of room for more trees in other parks. A special arboretum area has also been created at Tom Tudek Memorial Park where a cast bronze plaque accompanies each Remembrance Tree.

In early-2014 the Authority also established a companion tree-planting program, the "[My Veteran/My Hero Tribute Tree](#)"© program, that has started at the new Oak Hall Regional Park near Boalsburg. To date, donations in honor of individual U.S. Veterans have enabled adding 11 trees there. Those veterans will also be honored at the May 2 Grand Opening of the new park.

Both Gift Tree programs will be ongoing. Donations made by March 15 to either program are then used for trees that are planted that spring.

The CRPR Authority operates 54 parks across 5 municipalities, including the two community swimming pools, Millbrook Marsh Nature Center and the Centre Region Senior Center. Please call (814) 231-3071 for more information.



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