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MEMORANDUM

TO: Environmental Concerns Committee

THROUGH: Carl Goldsmith, Director of Public Works *CG*

FROM: David Gorman, Assistant Director of Public Works *DG*

SUBJECT: Arbor Day 2013

DATE: February 15, 2013

National Arbor Day is April 26th. The Village of Lombard will be celebrating this by planting a lilac tree donated by a tree nursery in President Mueller's honor. The date has not yet been scheduled since it will depend on when the tree nurseries are able to open and schedule delivery. All are welcome to attend and details will be available shortly.

Last year, the Village Forester worked with the GEHS Ecology Club to place tags that state each tree's value in terms of environmental benefits. These tags are available from the Morton Arboretum at no cost. Due to the Forester's involvement in the tree planting ceremony and limited time during tree planting season (he and one technician comprise the Village's Forestry Division), it is proposed that the ECC members place the tags. The chosen trees would be in locations that get higher pedestrian traffic like the downtown, library, Lilacia Park, the IPP & GWT, Lombard Common, Madison Meadow, Sunset Knoll and Four Seasons (approval would be obtained from the Park District). The Ecology Club would be invited to help, especially for trees around their campus. The tags would be pre-printed and the trees would be located on a map for easy locating. More information about the tags program is at <http://www.mortonarb.org/arborday>.

The annual trails cleanup will be the next morning, 9AM to noon. This is another opportunity to volunteer for anyone that can devote the time. Volunteers should contact the Asst. Director of Public Works to be assigned a trail section.

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