Arbor Day Celebration to Commemorate City’s 50th Anniversary

Arbor Day in La Vista this year is about more than just a ceremonial tree planting. At 10 a.m., Friday, April 30, at Champion Park in the 7400 block of Park View Boulevard, students from G. Stanley Hall Elementary School will assist Mayor Douglas Kindig and City Council members in commencing La Vista’s ‘50 Trees for 50 Years’ initiative.

Prior to La Vista’s 50th anniversary, the City applied for and was awarded a grant from the Nebraska State Arboretum to plant 50 trees, one for each year of the City’s existence, in various locations throughout La Vista’s park system. Arbor Day celebration sponsor CSG Systems generously funded the City’s grant match.

In addition to the 50 trees initiative, City officials will also unveil a new park concept for Champion Park.

“The ‘50 Trees for 50 Years’ initiative is the perfect opportunity to give back to the environment and honor our history,” said City Administrator Brenda Gunn. “I believe the concept plan for Champion Park incorporates the amenities La Vista residents want to see in their city parks and lays the foundation for future improvements to our park system.”

A reception will follow the Arbor Day program where the Champion Park concept will be on display and City staff will be available for questions.

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