



Shade Tree News

The mission: *To promote a sustainable and productive community forest and shade tree resource that will subsequently improve the quality of life for the residents of the Borough of Dumont NJ.*

Dumont Shade Tree Marches in the 2018 Dumont Memorial Day Parade!

After two rained-out years, we knew the sun would shine on Dumont this year! The Dumont Shade Tree Commission was proud to march in the annual Dumont Memorial Day parade. Thanks to James Parrish for driving us in his amazing a 1970 Lincoln Continental Mark III. The Shade Tree handed out almost 1500 seed packets to make gardens grow in our community!

March 2018 Seminar Heritage Trees and our Shared History: Identifying, Managing, and Recognizing the Value Of Mature Trees



The Dumont Shade Tree Commission annual seminar was a giant sequoia-sized success with Speakers Dumont Historian Tom Kelly and Arborist Rob

Gillies sharing their knowledge to a standing room crowd! The presentation examined the role trees have played in the development of the area and their value to the community in a challenging and changing environment. Mr. Kelly reviewed the history of Dumont through our trees and Mr. Gillies told us about the role he played in the preservation and ultimate removal of The Basking Ridge NJ oak tree that was already 200 years old when the Pilgrims first landed in North America. Read more about it at <http://www.nj.com/somerset/index.ssf/2017/04/600-year->



Dumont Friends of the Shade Tree 2018 Scholarship

On June 6, 2018 The Friends of the Shade Tree proudly awarded the 2018 Scholarship to graduating Dumont High School senior Kayla Massari. Kayla has devoted time to the mission of protecting trees and the environment. She plans to continue her studies by majoring in bio-chemistry. We wish her well in all her future endeavors.



HERITAGE TREES provide a valuable service: oxygen, shade, water and soil management, beauty, and increased property values. But the largest ones also inspire us. Big old trees connect us to our past and carry our stories through the years. As part of its ongoing work to protect the health of the Dumont urban forest, the Dumont Shade Tree Commission (DSTC) identifies the biggest and oldest trees in Dumont; our HERITAGE TREES. To nominate a tree, notify the DSTC Heritage Tree Committee by email : DSTC07628@gmail.com .



THE DUMONT SHADE TREE COMMISSION UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2018:

June - 6/18 - 3rd Monday DSTC
(at the GAZEBO)

July - Wednesdays **TWILIGHT**
at the **GAZEBO** 7/11, 7/18,
7/25, 8/1

July - 7/16 - 3rd Monday DSTC
(at the GAZEBO)

Aug - 8/1 - 1st Wednesday Twi-
light at the Gazebo

Aug - 8/6 - 1st Monday FOTSC
Garden Committee

Aug - 8/20 - 3rd Monday DSTC

Sep - 9/17 - 3rd Monday DSTC

Oct - 10/1 - 1st Monday FOTSC
Garden Committee

Oct - 10/15 - 3rd Monday DSTC

Nov - 11/19 - 3rd Monday DSTC

Dec - 12/3 - 1st Monday FOTSC
Garden Committee

Dec - 12/17 - 3rd Monday DSTC

Dumont Arbor Day 2018 || A Blooming Success!



The Dumont Shade Tree Commission lucky 13th Arbor Day is in the books. We are proud of the entire Dumont community who contributed to this wonderful event at the Arboretum. Shout out to Dumont Girl Scouts Troop 6659 and Boy Scouts Troop 64 who took charge of our annual flag-raising ceremony. Thanks to Emma Brennan for singing the National Anthem. A special thank you to Councilwoman Carole Stewart, DSTC Shade Tree Liaison, for all she did to present the 2018 Arbor Day Award of Merit to LUPARDI'S

NURSERY in Closter. Tony Lupardi has been a strong supporter of the Dumont Shade Tree and we thank him kindly for his efforts. Thank You to the sponsors including Visions Federal Credit Union, DSTC Council Liaison Stewart, Mayor and Council, Shade Tree Desk, DPW, Police, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, Yarn Bombers, Art Contest winners and participants, and all the volunteers. We were also happy to have so many students in our Art Contest. Shade Tree President Ray Slaman announced Art Contest Winners; each received a ribbon, backpack, and gifts. We planted the Arbor Day 2018 Tree—a Flowering Crabapple—*Malus Prairiefire* tree at

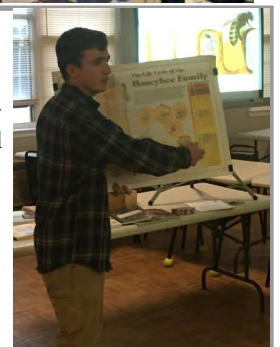
the Arboretum on behalf of the Borough of Dumont with the help of Brownie Troop 97090 and Daisy Troop 97123. The tree has long-lasting spring blossoms and offers year-round beauty with changing leaf color. Glossy purplish-red in spring, the leaves become dark green with purplish-red veins in the summer then a beautiful bronze color in Fall. All attendees were able to throw a symbolic shovel of dirt and help plant the tree. Thanks to the NJ Arbor Day Foundation, for a surplus of saplings including flowering dogwood, white pine, and red chestnut oak that were distributed to the community by Nursery Manager Mary Normoyle. We are happy to see trees get planted and cared for around town! Thank you to residents who took our saplings and gave them a good home so they can grow into majestic trees.



|| HARRISON BEE KEEPING PRESENTATION || Monday June 4th

Thank you to Patrick Harrison for an informative Beekeeping Demonstration and Presentation to the community on bees and beekeeping. The Friends of the Shade Tree (FOTST.ORG) Garden Club hosted this informative and fun evening. Pat Harrison is an Eagle Scout from Dumont, and owner of HarBee Beekeeping. Pat told

a standing-room only audience about bees, beekeeping, and the problems that face both native and honey bees. Pat keeps bees for four families in northern NJ and manages 15 hives of his own. Bees are complex organisms, a live bee observation hive was on display.



Leafy Projects |

PAVING THE WAY TO A GREENER DUMONT
Buy a Brick



Friends of the Shade Tree Gardens Gives Thanks to:

- * Joyce Monges for her generous donations to the Arboretum in memory of her longtime partner Joseph Curtin
- * Barbara Briton who donated bags of birdseed and suet for the feeders at the Arboretum
- * volunteers who helped plant the beautiful flowers at the Dixon Homestead Library
- * Lupardis Nursery in Closter for their contribution for the flowers
- * Catherine Dodwell, Director of the Library for her continued support of the Shade Tree Commission and Friends



Donate a brick~~

- ❖ in honor of someone
- ❖ as a graduation gift
- ❖ in memory of someone special
- ❖ to remember a special event

Bricks will be installed by the gazebo in the Arboretum walkway.

Bricks cost \$75.

Scan the code to find out more information!

For details, go to www.fotst.org/ for order forms and PayPal information.



Friends of the Shade Tree is a
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Founded in support of the Dumont
Shade Tree Arboretum West Shore
Avenue, Dumont, NJ



Adopt-a-Tree Program

The Shade Tree commission will purchase and plant these trees at no cost to the homeowner. Once the trees are planted, the homeowner must agree to water and watch over the new trees. Contact us to let us know you want a tree on the web:
<https://www.dumontshadetree.org/adopt-a-tree>

Limitations and restrictions may apply. Planting trees in the Borough Right of Way is the sole responsibility of the DSTC. Planting subject to available nursery stock. Program administered by DSTC while supplies last.

DUMONT SHADE TREE COMMISSION ON SOCIAL MEDIA

FOLLOW US ON YOUTUBE, FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM, AND TWITTER

Follow Dumont Shade Tree! Do you want to learn more about how to care for your trees? Explore all the topics that we broadcast on our YouTube channel. Learn about trees in your yard? Connect with us via social media!

www.dumontshadetree.org | www.fotst.org | www.dumontnj.gov/boards/shade-tree-commission

Facebook: @dumontshadetree Instagram: @dumontshadetree Twitter: @dumontshadetree
YouTube: Dumont NJ - "It's All About Trees"

VISIT US AT OUR NEW WEBSITE: WWW.DUMONTSHADETREE.ORG



Dumont Shade Tree Commission Contact Information

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Residents Welcome!

DSTC Meetings on third Monday each month in the Senior Center: 39 Dumont Avenue

{June-August meet at the Arboretum}

7:30pm — 9pm

Check the Dumont Borough calendar!

From the President's Desk:

Planting trees has been the central activity of the DSTC since its founding in 2006. Our goal has been to plant more trees than we lose during the course of the year; but it has been a challenge to keep up with the loss of trees due to storms, old age, and public indifference. We are a small group of volunteer tree huggers who can only do so much to keep the Dumont canopy. That is why we believe that we can plant more trees by enlisting and engaging more people in the community. This past fall we broke ground for the DSTC Tree Nursery where we are growing trees for distribution in Dumont. At the nursery we will plant seeds and acorns, nurture saplings, and find homes for new trees. Visit the nursery on Sunset Street just north of New Milford Avenue and watch our progress. Say hello to our Nursery Manager Mary. Soon these trees will be available free to you, Dumont homeowners, who know that trees add to the beauty and value of their home and believe that our community is worthy of this kind of investment.

**Ray Slaman, President
Dumont Shade Tree**



The DSTC Commissioners are:

- Rachel Bunin (term exp. 12/31/21)
- Tom Fisichella (term exp. 12/31/18)
- Tanya Zimmerman (term exp. 12/31/20)
- Abbie Slaman (term exp. 12/31/22)
- Raymond Slaman (term exp. 12/31/19)
- Sally Tayeb (term exp. 12/31/20)
- Carole Stewart, Council Liaison (term exp. 12/31/18)



Dumont Tree Ordinance:



In continuing the effort to protect the trees in our town, the Borough of Dumont has an amended Shade Tree ordinance; Ordinance 1503 6/21/16.

By law, any resident must apply for a permit—\$25.00 fee—through the Building Department before ANY tree greater than 6 inches in caliper or 10 feet in height can be removed within the Borough of Dumont. This ordinance applies to trees on private property and to town trees. Follow-

ing the application for a permit, the Dumont Shade Tree Commission will inspect the tree to certify the jurisdiction of the tree and determine if the tree is on private property and therefore can proceed. Failure to apply for a permit prior to removing a tree will result in a fine. Removing or damaging a borough tree will result in penalties. Our goal is to preserve the canopy in Dumont. The canopy protects all Dumont homes during winter and summer by providing shade and absorbing water. For further information on the ordinance contact the Dumont Building Department or the Shade Tree Commission.

Where have you seen your Shade Tree Commission?

- ♦ Summer Concerts-Twilight at the Gazebo
- ♦ Dumont Day
- ♦ Arbor Day
- ♦ Memorial Day Parade
- ♦ Spring Seminar Series



Dumont NJ is a
Tree City USA
Since 2009