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City Establishes Tree Sponsorship Program

DUBUQUE, Iowa – Mayor Roy D. Buol and the Dubuque City Council have established a tree sponsorship program to fund the transplanting of 119 trees in Dubuque parks and other properties maintained by the City.

The trees are 16 to 25 feet tall and four inches in diameter. Beeler Tree Farm and Breitbach Tree Farm have offered these trees to the City for \$250 each, which includes transport and placement of the tree. Tree varieties offered include: Single Stem and River Birch, Accolade Elm, and Maples – Armstrong Columnar, Autumn Blaze, Autumn Fantasy, Autumn Flame, Emerald Queen, October Brilliance, October Glory, Pacific Sunset, and Sienna Glen.

This sponsorship program will allow service clubs, companies and individuals to "adopt" a site and pay the cost to transplant the tree. The sponsorship fee is \$250 per tree. This program is aimed at planting in the fall of 2008. Requests to sponsor trees at the identified parks and City properties will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you are interested in sponsoring a tree, or would like additional information, please contact Leisure Services Manager Gil Spence at 589-4263 or gspence@cityofdubuque.org.

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