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Hamden Tree Commission

Hamden Tree Commission Calls for “Notable Tree” Nominations

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The Hamden Tree Commission has started a program called “Notable Trees” which highlights the beauty and diversity of Hamden’s urban forest. The Commission is looking for special trees – notable for their age, beauty or rarity of species– to be posted to its website and publicized in local media. The Commission is calling on local residents to nominate trees, either public or private.

The Commission hopes to draw attention to the importance of Hamden’s urban forest. “We take the trees for granted, and we often don’t realize how hard they are working for us,” says Thomas Parlapiano, Chairman of the Hamden Tree Commission. “It’s a fact that trees reduce storm water, calm traffic, improve air quality, prevent erosion, buffer noise, reduce heating and cooling costs, and increase property values.” Trees also provide habitat for birds and other animals.

If you have a tree you want to nominate, please send its location, an image, and a few sentences describing the tree and what you think makes it notable to: help@hamden.com. Please include your name, address, email and phone number as well. Or you can mail your nomination to the Tree Commission care of the Mayor’s Office, Hamden Government Center, 2750 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT 06518.

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