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City of De Pere forestry, New Leaf Foods hosting tree planting workshop

DE PERE, Wis. — The City of De Pere Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department, in partnership with New Leaf Foods, is inviting the public to dig in and help plant fruit trees this spring during a hands-on tree planting workshop and demonstration.

The event will take place Thursday, May 8, beginning at 9 a.m. at Samantha Park (2245 Samantha St). Once planting is completed at that location — expected to take 1.5 to 2 hours — the group will continue planting at the De Pere Community Center orchard (600 Grant St). Community members are welcome to attend either location to take part in the event, learn proper tree planting techniques and help grow De Pere's urban orchard system.

This educational workshop gives residents a chance to get involved, gain practical knowledge, and contribute to a long-term community project that supports sustainability and local food access. Registration is not required but is appreciated. Visit this link to register: deperewi.gov/treeworkshop.

This partnership builds on strong area initiatives that promote nutrition, environmental stewardship, and community care. New Leaf Foods installs Community Orchards throughout Brown County to empower Green Bay area residents to grow their own food and participate in a sustainable urban agriculture system. Since 2016, the City of De Pere has also maintained an Urban Orchards program, providing free, fresh fruit to the public and offering valuable educational tools for local schools. For more information, contact De Pere Parks, Recreation & Forestry at 920-339-4065 or by email at krouce@deperewi.gov, or contact New Leaf Foods via email at info@newleaffoods.org.

Additional information about the City of De Pere can be found at www.deperewi.gov, and New Leaf Foods by visiting www.newleaffoods.org.

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