

A GIFT BACK TO FOULKEWAYS

Foulkeways residents are often asked, "What is one of our most valued gems?" There are many responses, but very frequently, the answer is "our grounds."

Since Foulkeways inception, our spacious, beautifully landscaped grounds have been one of our most treasured assets. Were it not for the early Pioneer residents planting trees and shrubs throughout the campus, these words would not ring true.

Members of the Grounds Committee were the inspiration for this gift to Foulkeways in celebration of the 50th anniversary. They enthusiastically worked together with the Anniversary and Fund Development Committees to give a gift of a tree commemorating each year in Foulkeways history. Thus, the **50 Trees for 50 Years** project was created.

A large campus map showing each tree species and location allowed residents, their families, Foulkeways employees and Board Members to sponsor a tree of their choice. Response to the project was remarkable – all 50 trees were adopted in less than a week. In an effort to not deny anyone the opportunity to be a part of this special project, additional trees were added to the map. To date, 74 trees have been sponsored!

The twenty tree species selected for this project are varieties native to Pennsylvania. Once all the trees are planted, each tree will be marked with a gold tag to identify it as part of the **50 Trees for 50 Years** project. The tag will display the tree's specific species and the identifying number.

D. Elton Trueblood, father of Foulkeways residents Arnold and Martin, once said, "It takes a noble man to plant a seed for a tree that will someday give shade to people he may never meet." Given this philosophy, it was fitting that Arnold Trueblood, one of the original Foulkeways planners, was asked to Chair the **50 Trees for 50 Years** project. We are grateful to Hadley Robertson for her creativity, time and support in creating the logo for the print materials for this project. This special project bears witness to the spirit of Foulkeways as



many worked together to enhance and preserve our beautiful campus for future generations of Foulkeways residents.

As quoted from the September 2012 edition of the Foulkeways Bulletin: "We should all feel a glow of satisfaction at being witness to the beginning of this living tribute to the first 50 years of Foulkeways, its continuation, its leadership and its inspiration to others. These 50+ trees will outlive us all by many, many years."

Foulkeways resident, Helen Cary, and friends from the Foulkeways Child Care Center, celebrate the planting of the tree she dedicated in their honor.

