



Environmental Commission volunteers plant 100 trees around Woodstown's Memorial Lake

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Seen at the Woodstown-Piles Grove Joint Environmental Commission's tree planting at Woodstown's Memorial Lake Saturday are, from left, Commission Chairman Bill Stoms, Woodstown Mayor Richard Pfeffer, Andrew Grosik and Shane Godshall.

WOODSTOWN — Members of the Woodstown-Piles Grove Joint Environmental Commission planted trees around Memorial Lake in Woodstown on Saturday, May 14.

Volunteering from the Joint Environmental Commission were Commission Chair Bill Stoms, Woodstown Mayor Richard Pfeffer, Andrew Grosik, and Shane Godshall.

They planted 100 silky dogwoods along the south bank of Memorial Lake and along nearby Main Street and Lotus Avenue.

The plants were donated for free by the New Jersey Tree Foundation as part of their Celebrate Arbor Day program and were provided to the commission by the

AmeriCorps New Jersey Watershed Ambassador Program.

Silky dogwoods are a deciduous shrub native to southern New Jersey. As the dogwoods grow, they will provide shade along the lake edge, reduce bank erosion, provide flowers for viewing pleasure, and berries for birds and other animals to forage on.

The 100 silky dogwoods planted on May 14 join 25 silky dogwoods planted last year around the lake by WPJEC volunteers.