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HEATH VILLAGE CELEBRATES <u>ARBOR DAY</u>

Washington Twp, NJ – Celebrating Arbor Day has been a time-honored tradition at Heath Village since 1974. Over the past 50+ years Heath Village, in recognition of this important day, has planted nearly 60 trees across its 100+ acre campus.

Making the annual event even more special is sharing it with students from the Friendship Center, the intergenerational child care center located on the Heath Village campus. Each year, the students love learning about the importance of trees and helping to plant our new one.

This year, the weather was simply perfect for our celebration and the residents and the students had a fun time planting this year's selection – a Hardy Rubber Tree (Eucommia Ulmoides).



Featured in photo from left to right:

Front Row FC Students: Quint Schweighardt, Henry Goldrick, Bryce Durham, River Butler & Nadya Ostrenko Back Row HV Residents: Bill Blaskopf, Frieda Burrowes, Gail Crothers, and Maria Moch

About Heath Village

Heath Village is a full-service, not-for-profit, retirement community located at 430 Schooley's Mountain Road in Washington Township, Morris County. For further information, please call 908-852-4801 or visit us on our website at www.heathvillage.com. Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/heathvillage.

About the Friendship Center

The Friendship Center at Schooley's Mountain was the very first Intergenerational Child Care Center in Northwest New Jersey. It was conceived in 1990 when members of the Heath Village Board of Trustees saw a promising opportunity – a chance to provide a unique learning and development experience for the children while enriching the lives of Heath Village residents at the same time. That opportunity was intergenerational childcare in a retirement community setting.