“Plant 150 Trees for the 150th”

Trees give tremendous value to a community and what better time to add 150 trees to the yards of Norfolk homes and businesses than during the 150th anniversary of the first settlers coming to the area?

That is the thought of members of the City of Norfolk Tree Advisory Board who are challenging citizens in Norfolk to plant 150 trees this year.

“Every tree that we sit under for shade and enjoy for its beauty and wind protection was planted by someone. What better gift to give our future generations than the gift of a tree?” said Dr. G. Tom Surber, chairman of the Tree Advisory Board.

Residents are encouraged to plant a tree in their yard and email a picture of them and the new tree to City of Norfolk Communications Director Diane Becker at dbecker@ci.norfolk.ne.us. The picture will be put up on the Tree Advisory Board website at ci.norfolk.ne.us/parks/150trees.htm and on the city’s Facebook page www.facebook.com/norfolkne. All of the emailed photos become the property of the City of Norfolk.

Anyone wanting a “I’m a Norfolk Tree Bud” sticker to promote planting trees in Norfolk can get one by calling Becker at 402-844-2034.

“Plant a tree and you’ll be able to tell your great-grandchildren how you planted a tree for Norfolk’s 150th and they might be inspired to plant one for their descendants,” Surber said.

For recommendations on what trees are good to plant in the Norfolk area go to ci.norfolk.ne.us/parks/150trees.htm.