



## *Village of Inverness*

1400 Baldwin Road  
Inverness, Illinois 60067



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# **Come Celebrate Arbor Day in Inverness on May 6**

## **Student Art Contest Offers \$50 Gift Card for Best Original Drawing**

*March 21, 2019* - The Village of Inverness will celebrate Arbor Day and the village's 28th year as a Tree City USA on Monday, May 6, at 4:30 p.m. at North Park, 300 North Highland Road, in Inverness.

There will be a tree-planting ceremony, refreshments and Arbor Day giveaways. The Inverness Tree Commission will hold an Arbor Day raffle for Inverness residents at the celebration. The prize is a 2-to-3-inch tree, including professional planting. Residents must be present to enter and win.

### **Student Art Contest**

In conjunction with the celebration, the Tree Commission is conducting a contest for the best original drawing for the cover of the Arbor Day program. The winner will receive a plaque and a \$50 gift card. **All area students – grades 1 through 12 – can enter.** Depending on the entries received, winners may be selected from two age groups: 6 to 12 and 13 to 18.

Design requirements for the program cover are:

- 8½ x 11-inch paper
- Hand-drawn, using any medium, or original computer-drawn art (no photos, clip art, etc.)
- To be considered, the drawing must include the phrases:  
**Inverness Arbor Day 2019 and Tree City USA 28 Years**

Please list the artist's name, telephone number and age on the back of the drawing. Drawings need to be received at Village Hall, 1400 Baldwin Road, by 4:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, May 1.**

The Village of Inverness has received the Tree City designation for 28 consecutive years because it has complied with all Tree City USA guidelines: The village has a tree commission, a community tree ordinance, a community forestry program and an Arbor Day observance. Participation in the Tree City USA program has resulted in the planting and preservation of several thousand trees in the village.

Whether you are able to attend the event or not, **you are encouraged to** plant a tree in honor of Arbor Day, a practice that is more important than ever as trees are lost due to diseases and violent storms. Trees produce oxygen, clean the air, provide cooling shade, offer shelter and food for wildlife, reduce noise pollution, and make cities more pleasant and homes more valuable.

Please call Village Hall at 847-358-7740 with any questions about the contest or celebration.