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Friends Of Hallie Arnold Create Memorial Tree Fund

In August 2006, Hallie Arnold, a former award winning reporter for the Daily Freeman and Director of Ulster County Tourism, died after a short, intense battle with lung cancer. Hallie was a talented musician, singer and quilter with a passion for animals and gardening. Prior to moving to Saugerties, Hallie resided in New Paltz where she maintained a plot at Gardens For Nutrition. In honor of her love of gardening, a group of friends and family members are raising funds for a white, flowering dogwood tree and memorial plaque to be placed in a park near Gardens For Nutrition on Huguenot Street. Donations are being sought for the project and a small dedication is planned for May 6, 2007, at a time yet to be finalized.

“I am pleased to support the efforts of Hallie Arnold's friends and family as they seek to create a lasting memorial to her through their tree fund. Given Hallie's love of the outdoors and gardening I find this to be a fitting and wonderful tribute to her life,” said Ulster County Legislature Chairman David Donaldson, a cancer survivor.

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Anyone wishing to contribute to the memorial can send a check made payable to:

The Hallie Arnold Memorial Tree Fund, c/o 8 Maplebrook Lane, New Paltz, NY 12561.

All donations collected will be placed in an account at Walden Savings Bank in the name of the fund. Any money not used to purchase the memorial planting and plaque will be donated to the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in Kingston in Hallie's name.