This Douglas-fir (Pseudotsuga menziesii) grove located at the Wilsonville Library was planted under the guidance of Frank Lockyear (1913 - 2001) in the mid-1970s by the Wilsonville Lions Club as a community service project. For more than 50 years, Mr. Lockyear, a nurseryman from Wilsonville, dedicated his life to his passion; planting trees. He is the founder of Re-Tree International, a nonprofit organization dedicated to planting forests on idle lands around the world. He believed that the world always needed more trees and that youth should be part of that effort so they could be educated in the importance of growing and maintaining healthy forests. He enlisted the help of Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, school groups, 4-H, churches and other organizations. His tireless efforts resulted in the planting of millions of trees in over fifty countries- two million in the Pacific Northwest alone. There are trees all over Wilsonville planted by Frank and his Boy Scout Troop. He donated the seedlings to the City's first Arbor Day celebration in 1997. Today, those 20+ft coast redwoods and incense cedar trees beautify the entry to Memorial Park.



Frank Lockyear (1913 - 2001)

