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'Tulips Against Tumors'

Chris Grundner (left), executive director of the Kelly Heinz-Grundner Foundation, and Tom Jule, plant tulip bulbs in the garden in front of the Woodlawn Library in Wilmington for the foundation's third annual "Tulips Against Tumors Tribute" on Nov. 3.

Members of the foundation planted about 125 tulips in the library's garden to raise awareness of brain tumors.

Grundner started the foundation in 2004 after his wife, Kelly, died of a brain tumor. He holds the tribute as a fundraiser for the foundation.

Foundation members sold 12,000 tulip bulbs this year and raised \$7,000 that they will use to support families of people with brain tumors and fund disease research.

People who purchased tulip bulbs were asked to plant them on Nov. 3 for the tribute, Grundner said, and tulips were chosen because they were his wife's favorite flower.

"My wife, at one point, had said if she could paint the whole world with tulips, she would do that," he said.

He hopes the tribute will motivate people with symptoms to be tested for brain tumors, because he said early detection is the key to beating cancer.