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NEXT MEETING:
Thursday, February 23rd
CAL POLY AGRISCAPES
Pomona, CA

2006 MEETING SCHEDULE

February 23	Special Project Update	Cal Poly Agriscapes - Pomona
March 30	Migratory Birds & Tree Pruning conflicts	Santa Clarita
April 27	C DFA Grants	Fairmont Park - Riverside
May 25	TBA	Rancho Los Alamitos - Long Beach
June 29	Golf Tournament	Royal Vista GC - Walnut

If you have a great idea for a meeting for the 2006 year, please contact Kevin Holman at 714.870.6352

MISSION STATEMENT

"To promote the advancement of urban forestry and provide a forum for tree care professionals to share their experiences, knowledge, and expertise for the benefit of the membership and the enhancement of Southern California's community forests."

VISION STATEMENT

"To enhance the health and beauty of Southern California cities by improving the quality of our community forests."

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STS NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2006

Highlights from "The Ins and Outs of Tree Care"

Street Tree Seminar kicked off the New Year with our first meeting in conjunction with the Western Tree Management Symposium. The meeting was held January 19th and the beautiful LA Arboretum, with six very informative speakers.



The first speaker was Bob Bretton from SEAPRO in Folsom, CA. Bob discussed tree growth regulators as "vegetation management tools", describing how the product is applied as well as the type of trees the product would work best on when used to extend the pruning cycle and how it is used here in southern California on Eucalyptus trees. For more information, you can log on to www.treegrowthregulators.com.



Next was Brian Kempf, who talked about selecting, planting, and maintaining the Urban Forest with a focus on the first 5 years. There will be a Planting and Selecting seminar in Visalia on February 8th, and with the mayor of LA wanting to plant one million new trees, Brian recommends that all who can attend this meeting. To contact Brian, you can e-mail him at Brian@urbantree.org



Speaking both third and fourth was Dave Docktor with the City of Palo Alto. In his first discussion, Dave talked about creative enforcement strategies for municipal tree ordinances. He also shared some very fascinating stories about early Palo Alto and its relationship with trees. Dave touched on creative ways of enforcing codes, the importance of

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UPCOMING MEETING INFORMATION

FEBRUARY 23, 2006
Special Project Update

LOCATION:

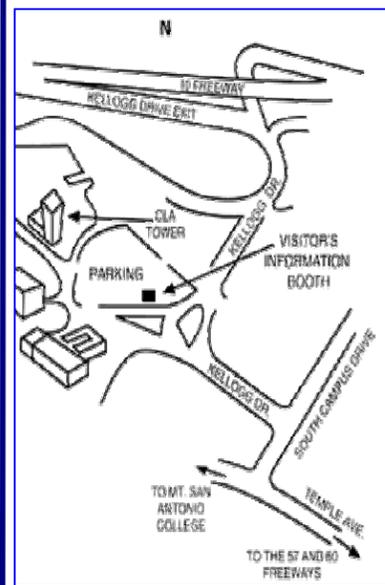
Agriscapes
Cal Poly Pomona
3801 West Temple
Pomona, CA

MEETING SCHEDULE:

10:30-11:00 Gathering
 11:00-12:00 Program
 12:00-1:30 Lunch
 & Meeting

COST:

\$15.00 RESERVED
\$20.00 AT THE DOOR



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More Highlights from WTMS

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tree protection zones, how to design room for trees when building, how to create effective tree ordinances, and how "trophy homes" are impacting our heritage trees. www.cityofpaloalto.com

Dave's second discussion gave us insight into amazing trees. He shared the fascinating history of Palo Alto's history trees. He also gave us insight as what the trees have gone through to survive and the impact that man has had on trees. For more information, go to www.canopy.org



The fifth speaker was Mark Wisniewski, a consulting arborist from San Diego, CA. He discussed root collar inspections and forensic tree failure. Mark stressed the importance of continuing education. He also had a detailed discussion on tree failure in Simi Valley.

Upcoming Industry Events

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| February 18, 2006 | Tree Workers' Preparation Workshop - IN SPANISH
Adventure Park, Whittier, CA
Contact- WCISA - 714/639-3610 |
| March 9 -10, 2006 | Advanced Tree Appraisal Workshop
Clarion Hotel - Millbrae, CA
Contact- WCISA - 714/639-3610 |
| April 10-13, 2006 | The International Language of Trees
72 nd Annual Conference of the WCISA
Santa Monica, California, USA.
Contact- Walter Warriner or Johnny Aguila (310) 458-8974 |



The last speaker was Andy Trotter, from Sanger, CA. Andy talked about the importance of volunteering for a sustainable future. Volunteering lends to a sense of belonging, builds self esteem and most importantly self actualization. He asserts that networking matters.

We hope you enjoyed this seminar and learned something new. Please join us for our next meeting on Thursday, February 23rd, at Agriscapes at Cal Poly Pomona.

Did you Know?



Street Tree Seminar now accepts Visa and Mastercard! We hope that this will help us to provide a higher level of service to our members!

Six Winter Chores for Healthier Spring Trees

Champaign, IL (January 16, 2006) -

The tree-filled landscapes of winter can be mistakenly thought to be asleep. Wintering trees are not sleeping; they are simply still - counting the days until spring. Only then will it be apparent whether the tree has saved enough resources to respond to the new season of growth.

Winter is a difficult time for trees which must stand alone against all circumstances that the season can generate. Trees have some internal methods of protection.

Most of the growing points in the tree are protected inside jackets called buds, and food reserves are carefully conserved for the coming needs of spring. Also water continues to move through the tree until it freezes. However, these protective stages may breed other problems. For example, creatures needing a meal may chew and nibble on the resting buds and twigs.

What can you do to help your valuable trees? A few things can help a tree be more efficient and effective in surviving the winter and thriving in spring. These small winter investments can pay off in a large way, yielding healthy and structurally sound trees.

The "Critical Six" things to do for your tree this winter are:

1. Add a thin layer of composted organic mulch to blanket the soil surface. Mulch protects and conserves tree resources and recycles valuable materials.
1. Properly wrap new trees that have not developed a corky bark and could easily be damaged. Mechanical injury from the environment, including chewing and rubbing by animals, must be prevented.
2. Remove or correct clearly visible structural faults and deadwood. Try to make small pruning cuts that minimize the exposure of the central heartwood core on branches.
3. Perform limited greenwood pruning of declining and poorly placed branches. Pruning should conserve as many living branches as possible, with only a few selective cuts.
4. Fertilize with elements needed in small quantities. Essential elements added over a mulch layer will help provide a healthy soil environment for root growth.
5. Water where soils and trees are cool but not frozen, and where there has been little precipita-

tion. Winter droughts need treatment with waters the same as summer droughts. However, it is easy to over water in winter, so be careful.

6. Invest in great trees by helping them over a difficult time. For trees, wonderful springs come from well-tended winters. Seek assistance from ISA Certified Arborists <<http://www.isa-arbor.com>> for the life of your trees!



The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), headquartered in Champaign, Ill., is a nonprofit organization supporting tree care research and education around the world. As part of ISA's dedication to the care and preservation of shade and ornamental trees, it offers the only internationally-recognized certification program in the industry.

For more information and to find a local ISA Certified Arborist, visit www.treesaregood.com.

Western Chapter International Society of Arboriculture
73rd Annual Conference & Trade Show

The International Language of Trees
"Applied Arboriculture in the field"

Program Topics
Applied Arboriculture for the field
Organic Pest Control Management
Consulting and Construction / Tree preservation under extreme conditions
Rigging for technical removals
Vegetation management for utility right-of-ways in the 21st Century
Heritage Tree Ordinances & Landmark trees
Empowering your Office to Strengthen Your Field Operations
Certified Tree Worker, Arborist & Specialty Exams
Getty Center Garden Tour
~Incluyendo Secciones en Español~

Held in the beautiful
FAIRMONT MIRAMAR HOTEL
Santa Monica, California, USA
Location of the 7th Annual Western Shade Tree Conference in 1934
Four Star Hotel w/ new luxury renovated rooms & Free Parking
On the cliffs above Santa Monica Bay
Walking distance to the beach and Santa Monica Pier
2 Blocks from the 3rd Street Promenade
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy with Hiking Trails
Conveniently located near Los Angeles Airport

SAVE THESE DATES!
APRIL 10-13 2006