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NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, April 27, 2006
FIGHTING CITIZENS TREE CLAIMS & NEW TREE WELL TECHNOLOGY
Fairmount Park - Riverside, CA

2006 MEETING SCHEDULE

April 27	FIGHTING CITIZENS TREE CLAIMS & NEW TREE WELL TECHNOLOGY Presented by the City of Riverside	Fairmount Park - Boathouse Riverside
May 25	TREE RELOCATION Presented by ValleyCrest	ValleyCrest Corporate Headquarters Calabasas
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

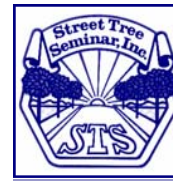
MISSION STATEMENT

"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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Migratory Birds and Tree Pruning Conflicts

March's meeting, held in Santa Clarita, featured guest speaker Stephanie Picha from PCR Services Corporation discussing the safety of migratory birds in relation to tree care. The following information was taken from her pamphlet..



Guidelines to Follow Prior to Tree Trimming Activities

- ☞ All workers shall visually check each tree for nests
- ☞ Hawk Nests are large and visible, but the majority of songbird nests especially the hummingbird nests, are small and very well camouflaged.
- ☞ Observe for birds in the area of the tree
- ☞ Slowly search the tree for nests visually from top to bottom
- ☞ Even if birds are not observed in the area, the tree should still be searched for nests thoroughly from top to bottom
- ☞ Finally, begin removing some branches while intermittently stopping and looking for nests

Guidelines to Follow if Nest is Detected

- ☞ Cease all work in the tree immediately
- ☞ Notify Supervisor and/or city contact
- ☞ Supervisor and/or city contact must notify project Biologist
- ☞ Flag tree with tape
- ☞ Maintain a 200' to 500' NO WORK ZONE around the tree
- ☞ Do not commence work in the NO WORK ZONE until project Biologist has given clearance to do so.

Guidelines to Follow if Nest is Damaged, Knocked Down, or Bird is Killed

- ☞ Cease all work in the tree immediately
- ☞ Notify Supervisor and/or city contact
- ☞ Supervisor and/or city contact must notify project Biologist
- ☞ Flag the tree with tape
- ☞ Establish a 200' NO WORK ZONE around the tree
- ☞ If bird is dead or injured do not attempt to pick it up or move it
- ☞ If nest is damaged in the tree or has fallen on the ground, leave it
- ☞ Do not commence work in the NO WORK ZONE until project Biologist has given clearance to do so.

Federal and State Laws

- ☞ Nested birds are afforded protection under the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) Sections 703-712, as well as under the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) Code Sections 3503, 3503.5, and 3513
- ☞ All birds other than some non-migratory upland game birds (such as quail, grouse, and turkey) and non-native birds (European starlings, pigeons, and

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UPCOMING MEETING INFORMATION

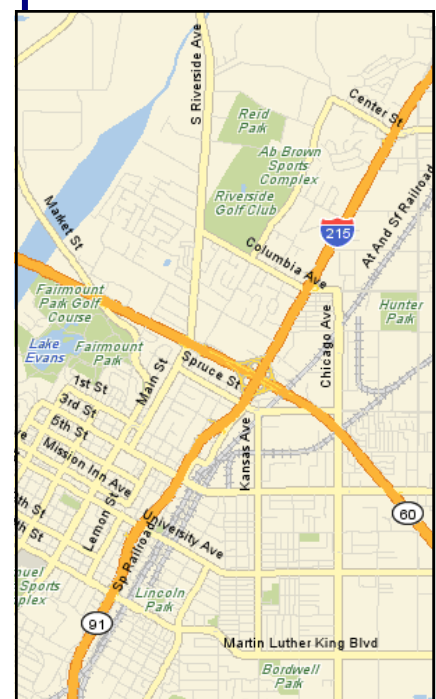
APRIL 27, 2006

FIGHTING CITIZENS TREE CLAIMS & NEW TREE WELL TECHNOLOGY
 Presented by the City of Riverside

LOCATION:
Fairmount Park
2601 Fairmount Blvd.
Riverside, CA
 "IN THE BOATHOUSE"

COST:
 \$15.00 RESERVED
 \$20.00 "AT THE DOOR"

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



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STS Business Meeting— March 30, 2006

Past Presidents in Attendance:
Robert Sartain, Andy Trotter

the membership is greatly appreciated.

Johnny Aguila, Andy Trotter, Josh Hoole, Joseph Rowels, Ted Latta, Mike Monroe, Emilio Blanco, Fred Bonilla, Linda Rappoport.

Publications Report:

The publications committee is continuing to go through the process of adding and deleting trees for in the next addition of *Street Trees Recommended for Southern California*. Any feedback from

Raffle: Raffle prizes generously donated by : RPW, Street Tree Seminar, Valley Crest Tree Company, West Coast Arborists, Robert Sartain.

Raffle Winners: Eddie Luna x3,

Next Meeting: Apl 27, 2006
Fighting Citizen's Tree Claims and New Tree Well Technology, Fairmont Park in Riverside, CA.

Upcoming Industry Events

May 9, 2006

Nursery & Landscape Breakfast
Target Specialty Products
Aryes Suites, 1900 Frontage Road, Corona
Contact: Phyllis Riedman 800/352-3870

June 10-11, 2006

WCISA Tree Climbing Championships
LA County Arboretum
301 N. Baldwin Ave, Arcadia, CA
Contact: WCISA office 714/639-3610

May 10, 2006

Nursery & Landscape Breakfast
Target Specialty Products
Hampton Inn, 767 Albertoni Street, Carson
Contact: Phyllis Riedman 800/352-3870

June 19-21, 2006

Community Forestry At It's Best National Conference
Arbor Day Farm
Nebraska City, Nebraska
Contact: NADF 402/474-5655

May 25, 2006

Mauget Certification Class
Target Specialty Products
15415 Marquardt Avenue, Santa Fe Springs
Contact: Target 800/352-3870

July 29-Aug 2, 2006

Hooked on Trees, Arboriculture up North
ISA 82nd Annual Conference & Trade Show
Minneapolis Convention Center
Minneapolis, MN
Contact: ISA- www.isa-arbor.com

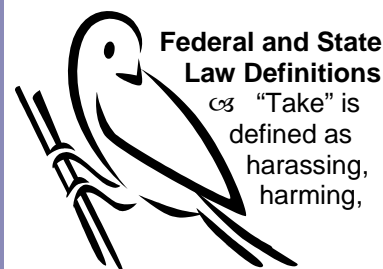
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English house sparrows) are protected by the MBTA. Any unauthorized "take" of migratory birds is a violation of the MBTA, regardless of whether the responsible party intended to kill the birds.

pursuing, hunting, shooting, wounding, killing, trapping, capturing or collecting, or attempting to do any of these things. "Harm" is defined in the regulation as including destruction of habitat that kills or injures wildlife by significantly impairing essential behavior pattern, including breeding, feeding, or sheltering.

Federal and State Penalties
The USFWS and the CDFG will issue citations and levy fines to individuals and companies that blatantly disregard the Federal and State laws.

For more information on this and other environmental concerns, visit PCR Service Corporation's website at www.pcrnet.com.



The Importance of Street Trees— Scholarship Essay

Submitted by Debra Ann Burroughs, 2005 Scholarship Recipient

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Trees, symbols of permanence and durability, offer us shelter, food, fiber, and beauty and owing to their great size and longevity, awe and inspire us. In contemporary society we bring trees into our crowded cities but tend not to wax poetic about their beauty. Instead we focus on the specific benefits the urban forest can offer and attempt to quantify them. This assures us our scarce dollars are spent wisely. Some benefits of trees confirmed by recent research include energy savings, crime reduction, enhanced worker productivity, stress reduction, and other public health benefits (Wolf 117-188).

Many urban planners and designers realize the significant contributions trees make to our city streets. Allan Jacobs, a professor in the Department of City and Regional Planning at University of California, Berkeley, defines the qualities that make a great street, based on observations of streetscapes around the world. Of eight qualities he lists, four are met by trees. The first quality great streets possess is a feeling of safety. Trees planted on the sidewalk, near the curb, especially if planted closely together, provide a physical barrier that contributes

to pedestrians' sense of safety, allowing a leisurely pace. Second, street trees provide physical comfort as they provide shade, reduce the effects of wind, and provide some protection from precipitation. If they are deciduous, welcome sunlight can reach the pedestrians during the winter. The third quality is definition, or boundaries, that "make it a place" (277). Buildings provide these boundaries, but rows of street trees can enhance definition, especially if the buildings need to be brought down to human scale. The fourth quality a great street tree requires consists of "qualities that engage the eye". (283) As light moves over the various textures of tree trunks and branches and plays among the leaves, it creates patterns of light and shadows in the trees, on the ground, and on buildings. As the light changes and the leaves stir in the breeze, patterns constantly change, shift, and disappear. In addition, Jacobs lists ancillary conditions that contribute to a great street and the first among these is trees. He states: "Given a limited budget, the effective expenditure of funds to improve a street would probably be on trees. Assuming trees are appropriate in the place and that someone will take care of them, trees can transform a street more easily than any other physical improvement. Moreover, for many people trees are the most important single

characteristic of a good street." (295)

More scientific studies have looked at the value of street trees. A Chicago study showed that tree and grass cover were linked to stronger social ties, increased feelings of safety and reduction in crime rates (148). Kathleen Wolf's study looked at several specific benefits of the urban forest to inner-city business districts and found that: "Business districts having trees were characterized as being higher in visual quality and comfort, as providing more positive interaction with merchants, as having higher-quality products, and generally appearing to be better maintained and kept up. Such evaluations are reinforced

by respondents' claims that they would be willing to travel farther and longer, visit more often and for longer periods of time, and pay more for parking when visiting retail places that have trees." (123)

This research bears out conclusions that urban foresters, landscape architects, arborists and others long ago reached through instinct. People love trees. We are more comfortable when we are around trees; we feel safe and are apt to linger happily beneath them and socialize. And to the delight of merchants, when we are happy and safe and comfortable and standing in front of their stores, we extend our generous mood to them and their merchandise and are more likely to spend money.

Works Cited:

- Wolf, Kathleen. "Public Response to the Urban Forest in Inner City Business Districts." *Journal of Arboriculture* 29.3. (2003) 117-126
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- Kuo, Frances E. "The Role of Arboriculture in a Healthy Social Ecology" *Journal of Arboriculture* 29.3 (2003) 148-155.

