



STREET TREE SEMINAR, INC.

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NEXT MEETING:
Thursday, August 19th
Newport Coast Commerce Center
Newport Beach, CA

2010 MEETING SCHEDULE

August 19, 2010 The Disease of the Trees in Newport Beach	Newport Coast Commerce Center Newport Beach, CA
October 21, 2010 Tree Inventory Systems	West Coast Arborists HQ Anaheim, CA
December 16, 2010 Scholarships Awards / Installation of Board Members and Officers	TBD

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."



Remember to email Robert Sartain @ RSartain@santa-clarita.com with your reservation



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MAY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS - Thousand Canker Disease

.Submitted by Robert Sartain, City of Santa Clarita - STS Secretary

Brief overview and introduction by Angela Liu who gave a brief history of how she became familiar with the Walnut Twig Beetle and Thousand Cankers Disease on local Black Walnuts.

Recently consulting arborist Angela Liu was doing a tree report for the Audubon Center at Debs Park in Los Angeles California. During her review of the property she noticed some dieback on the local black walnut trees. One larger specimen type walnut had considerable dead limbs on it. Angela was not sure at the time what the problem was or what caused the dieback. She did notice some small pin sized holes from borers on the bark of the dead limbs. Just afterwards she saw a pest release from an ASCA member ? about the Walnut Twig Beetle (WTB) and Thousand Cankers Disease (TCD) on walnuts. Angela noticed that the information matched what she was seeing on the local wal-



nuts. She took a sample to send it in to Steve Seybold, Forest Entomologist and Chemical Ecologist from the USDA Forest Service, UC Davis Department of Entomology for a diagnosis. Steve confirmed the activity of the Walnut Twig beetle (*Pityophthorus juglandis*) and the possibility of Thousand Cankers Disease.

Steve Seybold sent the samples to Ned Tisserat at the Department of Bioagricultural Sciences and Pest Management at Colorado State University for isolation of Thousand Cankers Disease. Ned Tisserat confirmed by that the trees were infected with Thousand Cankers Disease (*Geosmithia* sp). With this diagnosis it was confirmed that this was the first sighting of

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NEXT MEETING!

August 19, 2010
The Disease of the Trees in Newport Beach

LOCATION: NEWPORT COAST COMMERCE CENTER

TIME: 10:30 AM

COST: \$15.00 ADVANCED - \$20.00 AT THE DOOR



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Business Meeting

Past Presidents in attendance: Greg Monfette, Walt Warriner, Alan Hudak, Kevin Holman, Rose Epperson, Art Murphy, and Dave Thompson.

Thanks to all the donors for providing items for the raffle! Our winners were: Stephen Duprey, Deb Day, Clare Nelson, Robert Sartain, Nancy Sappington, Cy Carlberg, Alan Hudak, Leon Boroditsky, Bill Candlish and Glen Williams.

NEXT MEETING:

Our next meeting will be August 19, 2010 at the Newport Coast Community Center, 6401

San Joaquin Hills Rd in Newport Beach. The tentative program will be a discussion on the disease of trees in Newport.



Upcoming Industry Events

July 26-29

ISA International Conference, Building the Roots of Arboriculture - Chicago, IL information and registration available at www.isa-arbor.com

July 27

Inland Urban Forest Council's Quarterly Meeting @ 10:30 am Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District, Building F - 4500 Glenwood Drive, Riverside, CA 92501. Presentation on Urban Forest Management Plan Toolkit created by the Inland Urban Forest Council in partnership with the California Urban Forests Council and sponsored by CAL FIRE.

August 20 - 21

21st Annual PTCA Seminar & Field Day "Risky Business" in beautiful & historic Balboa Park in San Diego, CA. The program is almost ready. Another great list of cutting edge speakers & topics! For the latest update visit www.ptcasandiego.org

September 17

WCISA Regional meeting to be held at Martin Recreation Center. Topic to be announced.

October 3-9

California Urban Forest Council 2010 Conference at Pechanga Resort, Temecula. Vision for the Future

October 3-6

SMA Annual Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico - Tree Economics: A Smart Investment <http://www.urban-forestry.com>



CITY OF SANTA CLARITA RECEIVES GOLD LEAF AWARD



Rose Epperson, Executive Director of the Western Chapter, International Society of Arboriculture (WCISA) and President Elect, Greg Monfette, presented the 2009 Gold Leaf Award to the City of Santa Clarita. Robert Sartain, Urban Forestry Supervisor and Wayne Smith, Oak Tree Specialist for the City of Santa Clarita Urban Forestry Division received the award for the City of Santa Clarita for an outstanding Arbor Day event in 2009.

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Thousand Cankers Disease in Los Angeles County. Angela now plans on tagging walnut trees at several locations at Debs Park to survey and monitor the trees along with the activity of the pest and disease.

Angela then introduced Steven Seybold for a history and update on the Walnut Twig Beetle and Thousand Cankers Disease in California and seven western states.

Steve discussed how this is a newly discovered disease that affects two types of native walnuts in California. One walnut is *Juglans californica* - native to southern California and the other walnut is *Juglans hindsii* - native to northern California. The walnut twig beetle has been found in California in the past and is now found in 7 other western states, including Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Oregon and Washington. The vector for TCD is the walnut twig beetle which creates small pin sized holes in the branches. The beetle carries the fungus of the TCD as it borrows into the tree bark. Common



symptoms of the disease are flagging and yellowing leaves and branch dieback. Affected branches will have pin-sized holes and sap staining. One concern is that the disease will spread to eastern state by firewood or other means and affect the eastern walnuts. At the end of the meeting there was an explanation of the Audubon Center at Debs Park by Center Director and Master Teacher Naturalist Jeff Chapman. Jeff discussed the history of the Audubon Society and

the creation of the center at Debs Park. Jeff explained that the building and grounds were solar powered and off the electrical grid. Additionally the building was awarded the first National Platinum Award for a LEEDS construction building. The Audubon Center is a community nature center and provides local city children and community residents with an opportunity to explore the wonders of nature within the city. The center provides field trips and educational programs to teach children about local birds and ecology.

Annual Golf Tournament Results

Once again, Wayne Smith, outdid himself with a wonderful day of golf. Over 60 golfers played in our Annual Tournament on June 10th - this year, Robinson Ranch was a difficult but fun course.



Congratulations to the winners!

Ladies Long Drive- Karen Bryden

Men's Long Drive- Kris Keough

Ladies Closest to the pin- Karen Bryden

Men's Closest to the pin- Hector Macias

3rd Place Team w/ score of 59-

Norm Sieger, Evan Aldrich, Mike Stiles, Tony Demma

2nd Place Team w/ score of 57-

Chris Davis, Dave Davis, Mike Redmond, Arnie OSvaldsson

1st Place Team w/ score of 57-

Doug Heller, Yohan Garcia, Humberto Cruz, Hector Macias

And THANKS to all our sponsors - they make it happen!! Pacific Vista Tree & Landscape - Trophy sponsor (\$300.00+) Krueger Towing - Long Drive sponsor (\$250.00+) Roy Boak Tree Service - Closest to the Pin sponsor (\$250.00+) Valley Crest Tree Company - Golf Towels (\$250.00+) Stay Green Inc - Enviro-friendly gift bags (price unknown) Robinson Ranch Golf Course (foursome valued at \$348.00) Trees N Things - raffle items (\$225.00) T&D electric - raffle items (\$100.00) ISS Grounds Control raffle items - (\$250.00+) Tru-Green Chemlawn - player spot (\$75.00) Your Nursery Connection - raffle items (\$80.00+) Davey Tree - raffle items (Starbucks Gift Cards) Frank & Lisa Madero - raffle items (\$50.00) Oak Springs Nursery - (tournament foursome valued at \$300.00) Kriss Keough - raffle items (Multiple Titleist hats & visors \$150.00+) Crown Trophy - pens WCA - Two player spots (\$150.00) And thanks as well to all those who participated in the tournament. -- See you next year!