



STREET TREE SEMINAR, INC.

Your Los Angeles/Orange Regional Urban Forest Council
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NEXT MEETING:
Thursday, October 25th
Direction, Connection- Leading in your Community!
Anaheim, CA

2012 MEETING SCHEDULE

Oct. 25	Direction, Connection- Leading in your Community! Full Day workshop with IE UFC (separate registration required)	West Coast Arborists Office Anaheim, CA
Dec. 13	Annual Scholarship Awards/Officer Inst.	Kellogg West @ Cal Poly Pomona, CA
Jan. 18	Western Tree Management Symposium	Fairplex Pomona Conference Center Pomona, CA

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 Christy Cuba @ christy@cycarlberg.com with your reservation



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Highlights from Exceptional Trees of Long Beach

By Christy Cuba, Secretary

The August general meeting was hosted by Long Beach City College - Pacific Coast Campus. Our guest speaker for the day was Jorge Ochoa, Horticulture Department Chair. The program for the day was "Exceptional Trees of Long Beach". The initial meet and greet took place in the shady horticulture garden located on the campus.

To kick off the meeting, STS President John Conway introduced Thomas Shoots, CAL FIRE's Regional Urban Forester for the Los Angeles and Ventura regions. Thomas gave an update on the 2012-2013 urban forestry grants deadline (September 19th) and urged everyone to take advantage of the information and tools available on the CAL FIRE website.

The podium was passed on to Jorge, who gave a brief introduction to the Long Beach College Horticultural program and then took us into the classroom for his slide presentation. Throughout his talk on the historical and present-day trees of Long Beach, Jorge reminded us about the importance of trees in the urban landscape. Their branching structure, flowers, variety of canopy characteristics, and edible array of fruits and nuts all enhance the cityscape.



Beautiful water feature

Long Beach, Jorge reminded us about the importance of trees in the urban landscape. Their branching structure, flowers, variety of canopy characteristics, and edible array of fruits and nuts all enhance the cityscape.

The native trees known to the pre-Spanish indigenous peoples, such as coast live oak, have been replaced in large part by a variety of domestic and exotic species that have

changed with the demographics of the city. Since 2009, Jorge and his team have walked the streets of Long Beach in search of the "unique", "largest", "oldest", and "one-of-a-kind specimen" trees within the city limits. While Jorge can use his "cuteness" to win over some of the residents with impressive private trees, public access is an important factor for inclusion on the outstanding tree list. With about 70% of the inventory completed to date, they have found numerous outstanding examples of both native and exotic tree species around town.

The remnant grounds of historic Rancho Los Cerritos and Rancho Los Alamitos contain some unique specimen trees, such as the only Osage orange (*Maclura pomifera*) known in southern California and the largest Italian stone



Osage orange

pine (*Pinus pinea*) in Long Beach. Rancho Los Alamitos is also home to a large valley oak (*Quercus lobata*), a Joshua tree (*Yucca brevifolia*), and the oldest Torrey pine (*Pinus torreyana*) in the city. Some of the unusual, one-of-a-kind trees found by Jorge and his staff include wild lime or wild prickly ash (*Zanthoxylum fagara*), Capulin cherry (*Prunus salicifolia*),

Chilean wine palm (*Jubaea chilensis*), Kukui tree (*Aleurites moluccana*), and a Traveler palm (*Ravenala madagascariensis*). Jorge's presentation included many more specimens that were unique to Long Beach based on geographical location, rarity, age, or stature. Another unusual aspect of Long Beach's urban forest is the number of fruit trees planted in the parkways. In his walks, Jorge has come across avocados, mangos, citrus, plums, apricots, and the less-common horseradish tree (*Moringa*)

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NEXT MEETING!

Join us for our next meeting - October 25, 2012

The LA/OC Regional Urban Council along with the Inland Empire Council presents *Direction, Connection- Leading in your Community!* - great all day learning experience

LOCATION:

West Coast Arborists, Inc.
2200 Via Burton, Anaheim, CA 92806

TIME/COST:

\$35- Full Day begins at 7:30 and ends at 4:00- Register @ <http://www.caufc.org/Workshops>

\$15- STS Lunch & Meeting only - begins at 10:30 and ends at 1:00- RSVP to Christy@cycarlberg.com



August 2012 Business Meeting

The STS August 2012 Business Meeting was attended by past presidents Dan Jensen, Alan Hudak, Al Remyn, Kevin Holman.

Thomas Shoots discussed availability of CalFire Grants. Updates were given on the October and December meetings, as well as Winter and Summer WTMS 2013.

Thank you to our generous raffle prize donors: John Conway, Robert Sartain, Mauget, Christy Cuba, Kevin Holman/RPW, Street Tree Seminar

And Congratulations to our raffle prize winners: Christy Cuba, Heather Crippen, Al Remyn, Lee Mangum, Fred Roth, Brian Hastie, Ann Hope, Kevin Holman, Robert Sartain

Our next meeting will be October 25th - we are partnering with the Inland Empire UF Council to bring CaUFC's Advocacy workshop to the area. Come join us and take home information you can use immediately to increase the value of your community forest!

Get Involved in a BIGGER Way- Serve on the STS Board of Directors

Have you ever considered how you could make a difference in your community? Become part of the Street Tree Seminar leadership and find out just how easy it is when you join leaders in other communities.

Past president Wayne Smith is now accepting nominations to serve STS in a bigger way. If you are interested in getting more involved or want to nominate a colleague, contact Wayne Smith by phone:661/294-2548 or email: wsmith@santa-clarita.com



John Conway

Nominations will be announced at the October meeting and an electronic ballot will go out

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oleifera) in use as street trees. As Jorge's quest continues, he is sure to find additional outstanding trees throughout the city. The long-range goal is to map the trees and document their progress over time. Documentation will serve to preserve the historical landscape and may shape the future urban forest of Long Beach.

After class, we were released to recess and lunch in the horticulture garden. Members took the opportunity to walk the grounds, catch up with colleagues, and enjoy the ocean breeze.

The general meeting ended with our raffle and announcements for our upcoming meetings in October and December. On October 25th STS along with the Inland Empire Regional Council and CaUFC are teaming up to present an all-day urban forestry Advocacy/Leadership Workshop in Anaheim. December 13th will round out the year with our annual Scholarship Awards and Officer Installation at the Kellogg West Conference Center in Pomona.

Many thanks to Thomas Shoots and Jorge Ochoa, his staff and students, and Long Beach City College for hosting a interesting and instructive event!



Great networking

Upcoming CaUFC Leadership Workshops Direction, Connection: Leading Your Community Limited to 30 attendees

Spend a day building and polishing your leadership and advocacy skills.

LA/OC & Inland - October 25, 2012
Sponsored by Street Tree Seminar & CaUFC
West Coast Arborists Corporate Office
2200 East Via Burton Street, Anaheim, CA 92086
Spaces are going fast, Save your spot today!
Workshop Agenda - Click Here

Other dates:

Central Coast - November 8, 2012
Sacramento - December 6, 2012
San Joaquin Valley - February 7, 2013

for CaUFC Members ~ for Non-Members
Street Tree Seminar members that want to attend during the lunch hour only, please RSVP to Christy@cycarlberg.com

What's happening around the Golden State (and beyond)?

WCISA Annual Conference: Call for Presentations

DUE Oct 16, 2012

Between climate change and the awakening economy, business is heating up for arborists. WCISA's 79th Annual Conference wants to explore "hot topics" for arborists. Three tracks covering advanced arboriculture, a focus on palm trees and utility arboriculture offers something for everyone.

If you have expertise in new arboriculture techniques and methods, scientific approaches to tree care, new technology or any other sizzling topics, we want to hear from you!

Visit www.wcisa.net to submit your ideas

Tree Management Workshop

Tue, October 16
Santa Barbara, CA
5.75 CEUs

Join us in Santa Barbara for a dynamic workshop featuring an afternoon of outdoor presentations. Speakers include Ali Farsad, Ben Faber, Jim Downer, Greg Monfette, Julie Broughton, and Robert Krut. Early discounted registration deadline is October 5th.

Register today at www.wcisa.net/events

Desert Green XVI: Working Together for a Greener Future

October 18-19
Sam's Town, Las Vegas, NV
14 CEUs for full attendance

As the economy begins its slow revival, business-smart professionals understand the need for partnerships throughout the green industry. Network and grow at Desert Green XVI with "Working Together for a Greener Future" at Sam's Town Hotel and Gambling Hall in Las Vegas. Enjoy two days of four concurrent seminar tracks, table top displays and a green industry mixer.

Check www.desert-green.org for periodic updates on sponsors, CEU/Pesticide CEUs, and agenda updates.

Street Tree Seminar Scholarships

DUE November 1, 2012

Street Tree Seminar, Inc. annually awards monetary scholarships to outstanding southern California college students. Our main goal is to see more active college graduates enter the urban forestry and arboriculture fields. Application Process: Applicant must be a current student carrying a minimum of 12.0 units in a southern California area college majoring in the Arboriculture, Horticulture, or Natural Sciences field, with a keen interest in pursuing a career in Arboriculture/Urban Forestry.

Visit www.streetreeseminar.com for instructions and application form.

Partners in Community Forestry National Conference

November 14-15
Sacramento, CA

11.5 CEUs for full attendance

The Partners in Community Forestry National Conference Heads to Sacramento, California

Community forests continue to play an increasingly powerful role in the health and sustainability of our cities, towns and rural landscapes. The Partners Conference serves as the annual learning and networking opportunity for all who impact community trees and offers diverse presentations on sustainable partnerships and collaboration models.

Scholarships now available for Partners in Community Forestry National Conference

The CA Urban Forest Council is offering scholarships for cities and college students, and California ReLeaf is offering scholarships for nonprofits, corps members, and high school students. Apply now - we'll see you at the conference!

Conference information - <http://www.arborday.org/shopping/pcf/2012/>

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