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NEXT MEETING
Thursday October 25, 2018
Challenges & Opportunities In Urban Areas w/ Rachel Malarich
KYCC, Los Angeles

2018/19 MEETING SCHEDULE

October 25	Challenges & Opportunities In Urban Areas w/ Rachel Malarich	KYCC Los Angeles, CA
Dec 13	Scholarship Awards/Officer Installation	Kellogg West Pomona, CA
Jan 17	Western Tree Management Symposium Building Greener Communities	Huntington Library San Marino, CA
March 21	TBD	TBD

Interested in hosting a program in your community? We are interested in hearing from you!
Contact heather@streettreeseminar.com

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 Lisa McCoy at lmccoy@jjmauguet.com with your reservation

August Meeting Highlights: Fullerton Arboretum with Don Hodel

In the fall of 1970, Dr. David Walkington and Dr. Eugene Jones, along with other faculty members and a group of students at Orange State College, later to become California State University, Fullerton, began to discuss the idea of an arboretum to be developed on a parcel of land at the Northern end of the campus. An orange grove which had been part of the Gilman lands was in a serious state of disease leading to almost certain death of the trees, neglected for some years. Most of the area was, in fact, a field of wild mustard and little hope was held for saving any of the trees. In time, a group of faculty wives led by Teri Jones pitched in to help find community support for future development of the acreage. A group called the Arboretum Committee was formed and to everyone's surprise and delight won a Disneyland Community Service Award for its environmental efforts. In 1971 the Associated Students of Cal State College began a drive to raise funds for the future project.

In the following year, after substantial lobbying by interested citizens, the California State University Trustees considered setting aside land for a future botanical garden, the first of its kind on university land in the state. This was followed by the formation of an Arboretum Society which began a series of fund-raising activities on campus to build a fund for the future botanical garden.

In early 1972 a community group called the Friends of the Fullerton Arboretum was formed as an outgrowth of the Arboretum Society to pursue the goals of development. In due course the Friends



organization was chartered as a tax-exempt, non-profit corporation and granted a license to raise funds for the future development of the Arboretum.

The Street Tree Seminar meeting at the Fullerton Arboretum took place on a beautiful summer day and we were lucky to have Don Hodel as our tour guide. We set out on an early adventure through the trees and as we stopped we were given lots of great advise on what we were looking at. Don had mentioned that to him the crepe myrtle seems to be extremely vibrant this year and that perhaps they tend to thrive in the warmer weather we have experienced this summer.

The group as a whole agreed that to many this was the fact and that the tree were very vibrant and pleasing to see in our streetscapes. As we started out on our walk Don pointed out the beautiful Jubaea chilensis (Chilean Wine Palm) Some of the other trees that we encountered were the Royal Poinciana, and the Koelreuteria bipinnata, also known as (Chinese flame tree) were big hit with their gnarly trunks, amazing flowers and variegated leaves.

During our tour we discussed many topics and a lot of the focus was on the trees and the effect the high temperature that we endured on July 6th of this year, this heat has taken quite a toll on many trees throughout the region and unfortunately several of the species on the tour had been effected.



For more information about the Fullerton Arboretum, visit their website- www.fullertonarboretum.org

Notes from our August 2018 Meeting

Our August 2018 meeting was held at Fullerton Arboretum in Fullerton, California

Emina Darakjy, Don Hodel, Lisa McCoy, Harry Johnson, Sherri Cobble and Heather Williamson

Past Presidents in attendance were: Ken Pfalzgraf, and Kevin Holman.

Prizes were donated by: Emina Darakjy, Ken Pfalzgraf, WD Young, Lucas Mitchell, Ann Hope, Ted Lubeshkoff and Kevin Holman

Congratulations to our Raffle Winners: Theresa Dulcich, Thea Komen,



Next Meeting:

**OCTOBER 25, 2018 // 10:30AM
Environmental and Bureaucratic Challenges & Opportunities in Urban Areas with Rachel Malarich. KYCC Koeratown, Los Angeles, CA**

Visit our website for more information or to register: streettreeseinar.com

Trees of Fullerton Arboretum



Above: *Ficus elastica* (Varigated Rubber Tree)
Right: *Koelreuteria bipinnata* (Chinese Flame Tree)



Left and Below: *Delonix regia* (Royal Poinciana). Also called flamboyant due to its glorious red flowers.



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Los Angeles' decreasing urban forest cover- an exert from Urban Forestry & Greening

Increased home size and hardscape decreases urban forest cover in Los Angeles County's single-family residential neighborhoods, a study by Su Jin Lee^{a,c}, Travis Longcore^{a,b}, Catherine Rich^c, John P. Wilson^a

Single-family residential neighborhoods make up large areas within cities and are undergoing change as residences are renovated and redeveloped. We investigated the effects of such residential redevelopment on land cover (trees/shrubs, grass, building, and hardscape) in the 20 largest cities in the Los Angeles Basin from 2000 to 2009. We identified spatially stratified samples of single-family home lots for which additional square footage was recorded and for which additional construction was not recorded by the tax assessor. We then digitized land cover on high-resolution color imagery for two points in time to measure land cover change. Redevelopment of single-family homes in Los Angeles County resulted in a significant decrease in tree/shrub and grass cover and a significant increase in building and hardscape area. Over 10 years, urban green cover (trees/shrubs and grass) declined 14–

55% of green cover in 2000 on lots with additional recorded development and 2–22% of green cover in 2000 for single-family lots for which new permits were not recorded. Extrapolating the results to all single-family home lots in these cities indicate a 1.2 percentage point annual decrease in tree/shrub cover (5.6% of existing tree/shrub cover) and a 0.1 percentage point annual decrease in grass cover (2.3% of existing grass cover). The results suggest that protection of existing green cover in neighborhoods is necessary to meet urban forest goals, a factor that is overlooked in existing programs that focus solely on tree planting. Also, changing social views on the preferred size of single-family homes is driving loss of tree cover and increasing impervious surfaces, with potentially significant ramifications for the functioning of urban ecosystems.

Su Jin Lee will be joining us on January 17th for "Building Greener Communities" - our winter full day symposium - mark your calendar. Exert from Urban Forestry & Urban Greening - journal homepage: www.elsevier.com/locate/ufug

Upcoming Events

5-8.30PM FRIDAY NOVEMBER 2 SAN FRANCISCO

5-8.30PM FRIDAY OCTOBER 26 SAN DIEGO

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Nov 1-2	Desert Green Conference	Las Vegas, NV	desert-green.org
Nov 6	PTCA November Meeting	San Diego, CA	ptcasandiego.org
Nov 7	Partners in Community Forestry Conference	Irvine, CA	arborday.org
Nov 15	Chainsaw Training w/Anthony Tressault	Anaheim, CA	wcisa.net
Nov 28	ASCA Annual Conference	San Diego, CA	asca-consultants.org