

Tree E-News

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The International Society of Arboriculture hosts www.treesaregood.org for the sole purpose of educating the public about trees. At this website you will find six drop-down menus entitled; *Fun Facts*, *Tree Care Information*, *Frequently Asked Questions*, *Media Source*, *Find a Tree Care Service*, *Resources*. Each drop down menu opens up to a wealth of information that can be used to self-educate or to share with others. Here are some examples of what you can find in each drop down.

Fun Facts

- A tree does not reach its most productive state of carbon storage for about 10 years.
- Trees are the longest living individual organisms on earth. A bristlecone pine growing in the White Mountain range of California is over 4,800 years old.

Tree Care Information

- There are downloadable pictorial handouts on the Benefits of Trees, Buying High-Quality Trees, Mature Tree Care, and Pruning Young Trees, which is just a sampling of the material available.

Media Source

- There are examples of press releases or Public Service Announcements on tree value, pruning, and construction remodeling, which can be used to educate via newspapers or social media.

Frequently Asked Questions

- This is a logical place to start a query for tree information or to find out more about the International Society of Arboriculture and the arboriculture field.

Find a Tree Care Service

- You can find the nearest tree professional by last name, zip code, location or certification ID if you happen to know it. Probably the easiest search is by **location**.
- The list of communities you can search by is quite extensive, but it is smarter to search by the nearest community with a population of two to five thousand people.
- The search results will always supply Certified Arborists that are in good standing with the ISA. Some of these individuals are available for hire and some are not.

Resources

- The ISA acknowledges that there are many partners who share the same vision of tree education. Here you can find more tree information and links to organizations and groups who share the same vision.

Important Dates for Your Calendar

February 11th – The *Eastern Colorado Community Forestry Conference* will be in the City of Rocky Ford this year. The theme for this year's conference is "Trees, A Foundation for Community Growth." Registration is only \$15, which includes lunch. Once again a group of experienced presenters will share their knowledge. The agenda topics include champion trees, basic pruning techniques, tree planting and establishment, and common tree pest problems. The day will end with a three person panel sharing their successes in local tree programs. An agenda and registration form can be acquired from the CTC website, www.coloradotrees.org. Once on the home page, select the Meetings & Events tab. ISA Certified Arborist continuing education credits are available for this conference.

February 17th – The 23rd Annual *Greeley Winter Tree Care Workshop* is being sponsored by the Greeley Forestry Program. This annual event continues the tradition of providing state-of-the-art information on urban tree management. This year's subjects include, tree risk assessment, pre-climbing inspections, pest management in a changing climate, and experiences learned from the devastating Front Range snow storm of 2011. Additional information, registration form, and maps can be downloaded from the Greeley forestry website at www.greeleyforestry.org. ISA Certified Arborist continuing education credits are available.