

Tree E-News

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Pruning Information Resources



International Society of Arboriculture (ISA)

- The International Society of Arboriculture hosts www.treesaregood.org for the sole purpose of educating the public about proper tree care. On the home page for Trees Are Good™, there are tabs that will take the web browser to general subject categories entitled *Fun Facts*, *Frequently Asked Questions*, *Media Source*, *Find a Tree Care Service*, and *Resources*.
- Clicking on these general categories opens up to more informational choices regarding trees. Most of these categories have publications that can be downloaded for further study. Here is a sampling of the type of illustrated publications available: *Why Hire an Arborist*, *Pruning Young Trees*, *Pruning Mature Trees*, and *Why Topping Hurts Trees*.

Colorado Master Gardener (CMG)

- The CSU Colorado Master Gardener Program maintains the www.cmg.colostate.edu website, an online resource for Master Gardeners. This site also contains informational links and pruning publications.
- Choose *CMG Garden Notes* on the left side of the home page for a listing of all the online units.
- The Pruning section has eleven different pruning subjects from Pruning Cuts to Structural Training. All of these units have pictures and/or diagrams and that can be downloaded if paper documents are preferred.

Dr. Ed Gilman-University of Florida

- Ed Gilman is a professor in the Environmental Horticulture Department at the University of Florida. He wrote the third edition of "An Illustrated Guide to Pruning," which was published in 2011. In addition to being an accomplished author, Ed is a well-known presenter at regional and national tree conferences.
- He oversees the Landscape Plants website at <http://hort.ifas.ufl.edu/woody/>, which has an extensive list of tree-related subjects. To learn more about Pruning look first in the Tree section of the home page.
- This section on pruning shade trees discusses all aspects of pruning. From start to finish he discusses and shows how to prune and treat trees correctly. His comments are based on research that he and his students have conducted on trees at the university.
- In addition to presenting the 'How to Steps' of pruning, his staff has developed two pruning PowerPoint presentations. One is on Pruning Young Trees and the other is on Pruning Mature Trees. Some of the PowerPoint slides have notes which describe the slide content.

Important Dates for Your Calendar

February 15th – The 24th Annual Greeley Winter Tree Care Workshop is being sponsored by the City of Greeley Forestry Program. This annual event continues the tradition of providing state-of-the-art information on urban forestry issues. This year's diverse subject matter includes making furniture from urban wood waste, marketing yourself, OSHA regulations for using cranes, the recovery efforts following the High Park Fire, and managing personal protective equipment (PPE). 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.

March 14th – The Eastern Colorado Community Forestry Conference will be in the City of Brush this year. The conference cost is only \$20. The registration fee will cover handouts, lunch, refreshments, and prizes. The subjects covered include tree selection, proper maintenance, structural pruning, and insect and disease threats on the horizon. The registration form will be posted on the CTC website, www.coloradotees.org. On the home page, select the Events tab. ISA Certified Arborist continuing education credits are available for this conference.