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QUOTE OF THE MONTH
A tree growing out of the ground is as wonderful today as it ever was. It does not need to adopt new and startling methods.
- Robert Henri

CAUTION, THIS TREE COULD BE SAVED!

POST STORM TREE CARE

Heavy snow and ice affected much of the Puget Sound region and wreaked havoc on both landscape trees and those in natural areas. Now the job is to tackle post-storm cleanup and -- just as important -- post-storm tree care. Read more.

COORDINATOR'S CORNER

DNR's Urban and Community Forestry's coordinator Sarah Foster says many of the tree failures show say around Olympia in late January were 'predictable' -- the trees had defects. Read more.
THE IMPORTANCE OF 'WILDLIFE HABITAT TREES'

In the right setting, allowing a damaged tree or snag to remain is a great benefit to animals and birds who "make their living" and their homes in these trees. Wildlife habitat trees can even be a part of the urban landscape as long as they won't become hazards to houses, picnic sites, fences, people, etc. Read more.

FRUIT TREE TIP OF THE MONTH

With fruit trees bare of leaves for winter, now is a great time to prune. Read more

PRUNING PRACTICES THAT HARM TREES

There are many good reasons to prune trees -- remove storm damage, control height or improve aesthetics -- but don't let those good intentions go to waste. Read our tips and find a resource list to avoid damaging your trees when pruning. You and your tree will be glad you did. Read more
How do you celebrate Arbor Day?

City of George provides positive planting experience

Thanks to a local nursery and volunteers and school staff, children enrolled in a Head Start Program program in the City of George got a head start on learning about trees and nature. Read more.

New online learning opportunity

Read more.

2012 Native Plant Sales

Many conservation districts in Washington are now taking orders for native plants and trees. Find out how to order. Read more.

Web-Ucation: Links to help you learn

See how urban forests combat air pollution, get a field guide to invasive plants of the NW, and see what the Lorax is up to. Read more.

February Calendar of events, opportunities and activities

Read more.
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