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**Quote of the Month**

"A sure cure for seasickness is to sit under a tree."
- Spike Milligan

**Timely Tree Tips: The Root of Failure**

Research shows that circling, girdling, diving and kinked roots that develop in the nursery pot lead to poor tree health, blown-down trees and shorter lifespans.

[Read more](#).

**Coordinator's Corner**

September brings the change from summer to fall, and as the seasons change, we have some big changes for the Urban Forestry Team!

[Read more](#).
Planting Diversity: A Tree to Try

The ‘hardy rubber tree’ is a medium-to-large tree that is excellent for shade. Virtually pest-free, this is a good tree to try.

Read more.

Food Forests in the Inland Northwest

The idea of a food forest is not new, but there are not a lot of examples in the Inland Northwest. The Spokane Urban Forestry Program, along with the Citizens Advisory Committee, is proposing to change that.

Read more.

Urban Wood Utilization - Obstacles and Opportunities

Compared to other states, Washington is already at the front-end of realizing the value of urban forest resources, even after trees are removed from the landscape. Learn about a new project that helps communities utilize urban wood for a higher and better use than firewood or mulch.

Read more.

Council Communique’

Green Kent Stewards receive Urban Forestry Stewardship Award

The Washington Urban and Community Forestry Council, in recognition of exceptional leadership, creativity, cooperation and stewardship toward the goals of urban and community forestry in Washington, will present an award to the Green Kent Partnership.
volunteer stewards at the Council's September 11 meeting.

Read more.

Web-ucation: Links to help you learn

- Add to the last bit of summer fun with a short quiz from the Morton Arboretum, "What Kind of Tree Are You?".

- Archangel Ancient Tree Archive is a 30-year-old Oregon nonprofit run by a father and son team, David and Jared Milarch. Together with a team of biologists and climbers, they have spent the past two decades assembling a "living library" of the world's most important old growth trees, cloning hundreds of different species along the way. Read more

- For a newly planted street tree, adequate watering during establishment is quite literally a matter of life and death. Some, if not most, trees may require 15 to 20 gallons per week for the first 2 to 3 years after planting. Slow watering prevents runoff and penetrates into the soil encouraging root re-growth, but it takes time. Without an automatic irrigation system, what's the best method to water a sidewalk tree? Select this link to compare watering strategies from the DeepRoot Blog.

- Trees are naturally engineered to withstand normal weather conditions, and most urban trees can survive a storm. But some storms exert extreme forces that result in tree injuries and even tree loss. Lindsey Purcell, Urban Forestry Specialist at Purdue University, has written a publication for Purdue Extension, "Trees & Storms," suggesting that the response to tree damage following violent storms should be based on two concepts: risk and sustainability. Follow this link to read his guidelines for responding to specific tree damage following violent storms.

Calendar of Events, Activities, and Opportunities

Symposiums, classes, workshops and more await you. Read more

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