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NCUFC eNews

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Comments from the Chair



Happy Halloween Everyone!

The fall season is flying by, and unfortunately, it's brought some scary events.

We watched many friends and colleagues leave our annual conference in September to assist their customers and communities in the wake of Hurricane Helene. And in the month that's past, our industry professionals have worked hard to help with tree clearing and cleanup when allowed. We all know recovery and rebuilding will be a long process. We are reaching out to members and friends throughout Western North Carolina to see how the Council can help moving forward.

Election day is next week and we encourage votes for candidates, referendums, and bonds that help protect the trees where we live, work, and play.

Registrations will open tomorrow for several fall NCUFC events, including:

- **November 19:** Carolina Canopy Workshop
- **December 9-10:** ISA Certified Arborist Prep Course
- **December 11:** ISA Certified Exam

We are also securing speakers and locations for two additional NC Community Tree Webinars and an additional Carolina Canopy Workshop to be held in the Charlotte area.

The Board will head to our annual retreat next week. We'll be brainstorming ideas to make your program suggestions happen in 2025. If you have additional ideas or would like to serve on the Board, please contact Executive Director Kim Strazisar - ncufc1@gmail.com.

Finally, our 2025 membership drive will start soon. If you didn't renew your 2024 membership, or you are looking to join NCUFC, now is the perfect time. You will receive discounts immediately after [renewing or joining NCUFC](#).

Please contact the NCUFC if you have any questions and keep reading for more helpful information.

Sincerely,
Mark

Mark Livingston
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Event News

NC Bradford Pear Bounty Strikes in Onslow County

NCUFC was happy to join our NC Bradford Pear Bounty friends in Onslow County on October 12 to help residents replace their Bradford pear trees with stronger, non-invasive - and better-smelling! - trees.

Our 2025 Spring events are just around the corner. We're planning events in Pasquotank, Wilson, and Wilkes counties. Look for details in our upcoming newsletters and on social media.

NC Bradford Pear Bounty is a collaborative program between NC State Extension, NC Urban Forest Council, NC Forest Service, and NC Wildlife Federation



15th Annual Great NC Tree Conference Connected Attendees with Resources and Education

Thank you again to everyone who attended our annual conference in September, and to the Sponsors, Exhibitors, Speakers, and Staff who made it a success. 100% of the participants who filled out the event survey reported the conference met their expectations!

We look forward to seeing everyone next year.



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Alamance Community College

Integrity Tree Imaging

ISA - Southern Chapter

NC Urban Wood Group

North Carolina Forest Service

Upcoming Events

2024 CAROLINA CANOPY WORKSHOP

Managing Tree & Landscape Pests - West

November 19, 2024
8:30 a.m. - Noon

Bartlett Tree Research Lab
13768 Hamilton Road, Charlotte, NC, 28278
Members: \$25
Non-Members: \$40

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CERTIFIED ARBORIST PREP COURSE & REVIEW

GREENSBORO, NC

Dec. 9, 8:30a-5p **Course**
Dec. 10, 8:30a-5p **Course**

Dec. 11, 9a-12:30p **Exam (Optional)**



Lunch
Provided!



CEUs
Available!



Other News, Events, and Resources

Resource: NC Disaster Information Center

NC State Extension has pulled information, resources, and tools together in one website location to assist in Hurricane Recovery.

Website: <https://ncdisaster.ces.ncsu.edu/>

Resource: NCUFC - Trees & Storms

We can take steps year round to help prevent and minimize tree damage, effectively respond after storms, and assess the additional steps needed to ensure the health of remaining trees. These basic steps save homeowners and taxpayers money *and* promote the health of North Carolina's urban forests and the many benefits they provide.

You can find brochures, videos, and a webinar for homeowners, tree care professionals, and municipalities on our website.

Website: <https://www.ncuafc.org/NC-Trees-Storms.php>

Resource: Urban Forest Connections Webinar Series

This webinar series from the USDA Forest Service creates a stage for experts to share the latest science, practice, and policy on urban and community forestry. While focused primarily on the needs of local advocates and practitioners, participants range from state and federal government to nonprofit, municipal, university, private industry and public health leaders.

Several recorded webinars from throughout the year are now available online.

[Click here](#) for more information.

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Explore benefits [online](#).

*If you join or renew today, you receive membership benefits immediately.
Annual memberships are valid January 1 thru December 31.*

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