



Planting Calendar & Newsletter

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Dear Peter

Exciting events coming to you this fall are intended to help you reduce our community's carbon footprint, and create a healthier environment for all of us now and the future. We have been working hard this year developing these on-going programs. Now it your turn either to adopt a tree or plant a tree.

Memberships and donations are going to help us grow our agency and serve you better. Thank you for your help.

"He who plants a tree, plants hope." —Lucy Larcom

Calendar for Fall Plantings

Orientation: Wednesday, 7-8 PM, November 9
Recreation Bldg, B St. San Rafael

Street Trees: Saturday, 8-Noon, November 12
San Rafael Neighborhood,
Location to be Announced at Orientation

Hwy 101/Smith Ranch Road Exit
Saturday, December 10, and Wednesday December 14

Memorial for Supervisor Charles McGlashan
Date and time to be announced
Tam Center Service District

You are needed to help plant trees

Weekend Warriors and others who like trees are needed to help start these trees according to the standards of the International Society of Arboriculture and experiences of other statewide tree planting groups. Trees help reduce global temperature rise by capturing and storing carbon, and intercepting glare from gray surfaces (pavements and roofs) which reflects into our atmosphere. All volunteers and those who have requested a street tree need to attend the Orientation 7-8, Wednesday, November 9. We look forward to meeting you and starting two new programs



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Thanks for your support!



Memorial for Supervisor Charles McGlashan

For Earth Day and National Arbor Day in memorial of Supervisor Charles McGlashan, 10 Bigleaf Maples were planted at Boyle Park in Mill Valley, District 3. On hand were both Carol Misseldine, Charles' widow and Kenneth Wachtel, Mayor, City of Mill Valley.

Bigleaf maples are deciduous, native to California along stream banks and moist canyons, too big for small gardens or street trees. Five-lobed leaves are 6-15 inches wide, sometimes bigger on young, vigorous saplings.

Another planting is anticipated for Charles at Tam Center Service District, a community center near the Tam Junction where Charles and Carol enjoyed many events. The trees will be donated by individuals from City of San Diego Environmental Services Department and will be planted by the Junior Girl Scout Troop at Tam Valley School. The date and time are yet to be announced.

Marin County Arbor Week

The Marin Board of Supervisors approved our request for a resolution recognizing the week prior to Winter Solstice as Marin County Arbor Week, December 11-17 this year. They know that trees planted in late fall develop better with winter rains than those planted in spring when California and National Arbor Days are usually celebrated with tree plantings. Fall planted tree use less irrigation to get established. Irrigation uses the earth's precious resource, therefore reducing the amount of water needed to establish a tree demonstrates environmental awareness.

During the cooler days of fall, sap is retreating to a tree's roots in preparation of major root development and expansion. Growth in the canopy almost completely stops. Trees will anchor into the surrounding soil and acclimate to their new site during winter.

This year's planting along Hwy 101 at the Smith Ranch Road will celebrate Marin County Arbor Week. Come and help us. We will be looking for you.



We Need You to Save Acorns for Hwy 101 Project

Oak trees in Marin are producing fewer acorns this year, probably due to the lingering rains the past spring. Help us by harvesting acorns from oaks around you. Follow directions on our web site ([click here](#)) for

preparing them for storage until planting at the Hwy 101 site in December. Let us know that you have some, even a few dozen, and we'll make arrangement to pick them up from you. Any oak growing in Marin is OK, Coast Live, Blue and Valley. Best are those from naturally grown trees rather than those started from nursery stock such as those planted at Northgate, but we will be happy for anything you can provide!



Office Intern-Drake High School

Meet Kenny Tran, who helped with office support this past school year. He is a new student at College of Marin this semester taking classes necessary to go on to a university. Kenny updated our phone book, performed routine office maintenance jobs which had

been postponed for lack of time, and the Forest Rescue project with the National Forest Service in Placerville. He was cheerful and eager to help when and wherever he could. We wish him well.