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2015 Day of Service

CALCP held the 7th day of service project at Riverside Cemetery on Friday April 24. 25 professionals attended and worked 6-7 hours. Several large dead trees were downed and ground up, buffalo grass plugs were planted in ground prepped by the “dingo” machine on loan from L.L. Johnson Distributors. Alpha One Fertilizer and Revive were spread over ...cont. page 3.

President’s Message

Emilie Hudson

Thank you to those who were a part of our day of service. We are grateful to those who donated and everyone who attended as a volunteer. With the recent weather, our plugs and seed are quite content and reaping the benefits. For those of us who are trying to get ahead, or caught up, the weather is both a blessing and an inconvenience. We are all doing all we can to get caught up, or ahead if you are fortunate enough. It is never easy to lose a full week in May. We are fortunate to be seeing the moisture, in the end, we will all be grateful for it.

A significant challenge for many is labor. It is a good reminder that we need to be cognizant and vigilant about recruiting new talent to the industry. As representatives of our industry,cont. on page 5

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2015 CALCP Scholarship Winners



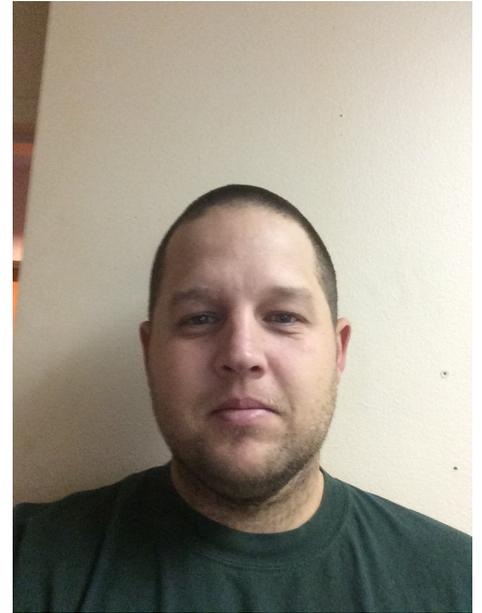
Jason Young

Jason is a grad student at CSU. He holds a bachelor's degree in Computer Animation & Illustration from the Art Institute in Pittsburgh. He discovered that working in a dark computer filled room wasn't for him so he returned to UC-Col. Springs to get a B.S. in General Biology which he put to work doing USDA agricultural research in Ft. Collins. He currently works with Yaling Qian at CSU studying root architecture and growth of inland saltgrass and Kentucky bluegrass. His GPA is above 3.6 and he also has a new baby. He is using his art skills in his green industry research projects.



Jordan Diede

Jordan is a Senior at CSU studying Turfgrass Management with a GPA of 3.0. He grew up idolizing his grandfather as he assisted him on a farm with chores every summer. Realizing that he couldn't be a farmer living in the suburbs, he turned his passion toward sports turf management. He has worked with the Col. Springs Sky Sox and while there decided to pursue aspirations to become a head superintendent and leader in the green industry.



Matt Kresbach

Matt is a Senior at Penn State University taking classes online with a GPA of 3.0. Matt has worked in the landscape industry since he was 14 in Minnesota, then moved to Denver where he was hired at Cherry Hills Village in 2007, earning several promotions since then. He holds a bachelors degree in Business Management and is about to get a second bachelor's degree in Turfgrass Science. He also holds certifications from Penn State and PLANET. He is married to Texcean and has a young child, Kain. He enjoys playing with Kain, learning and is an avid sports fan. He won the employee of a CALCP member company scholarship.

New CALCP Members

Cherry Hills Village

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several acres of ground, and weeding was done in the raised Plant Select demonstration beds.

5 tree crews worked on trimming live trees and felling several dead trees on the property: Swingle Tree, Lawn & Landscape Co. and Mountain High Tree Service each had one crew, and Davey Tree Expert Co. had 3 crews. Terra Care Associates sent a crew who assisted with the plug planting and grass seed planting, Rick Roehm from Helena Chemical Co, Terry Dwyer from John Deere Landscapes, Wade Grove from Green Mountain Lawn & Tree Care, Dan Defibaugh from Plants of Distinction, Justin Ketner from Highlands Ranch Metro District also assisted.



Pawnee Butte Seed Company also gave a discount on native grass seed.

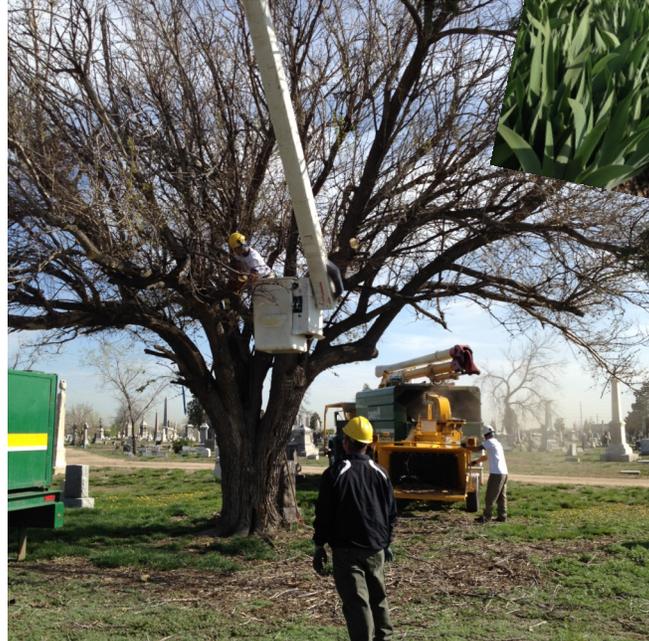
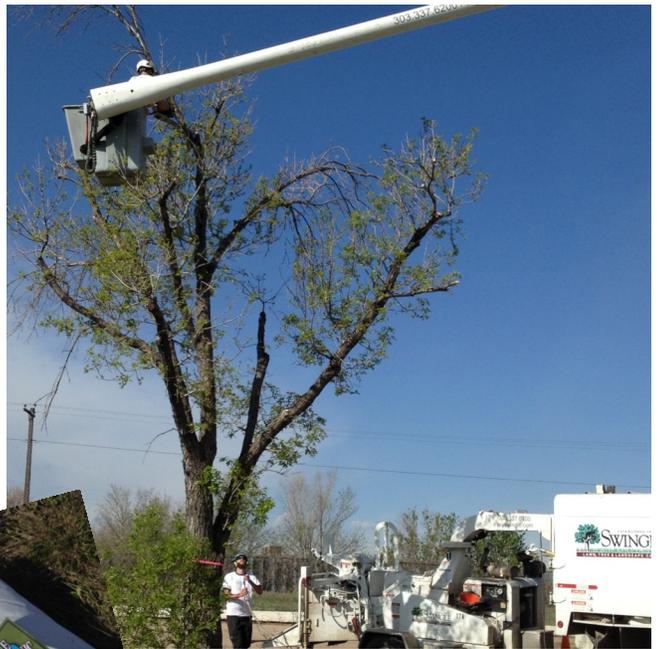
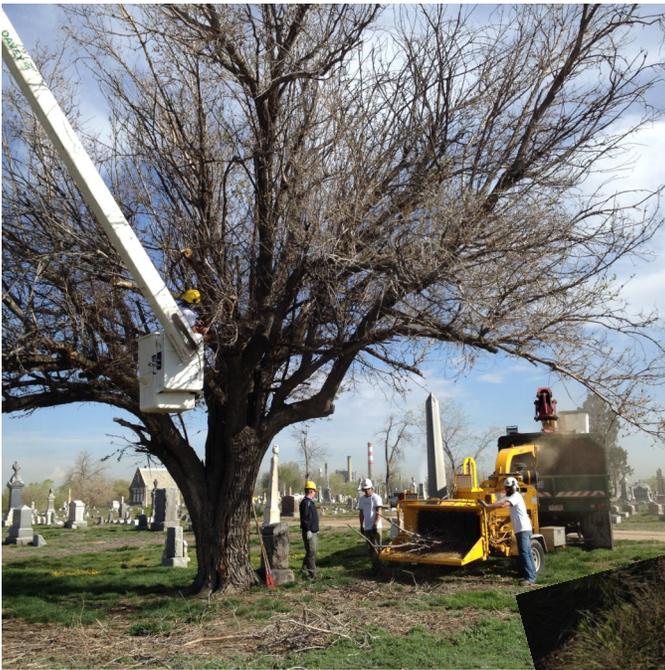
Patricia Carmody of The Heritage Foundation that operates the cemetery provided donuts & coffee, water and lunch for everyone.

Over the past 7 years CALCP has organized this work -



day to revive the landscape at the cemetery since they lost their water rights in 2002-3. Each year the value of this project has exceeded \$10,000 in equipment, crews and donations.





President's message continued...

we cannot promote it enough. Keeping our landscapes healthy and thriving is often taken for granted. This is a great time for all of us to discuss the potential and opportunities for folks to become active and help us responsibly grow our community. With construction and development becoming extremely active again, we are facing a great opportunity to find energetic, up and coming leaders to our industry who are willing to help us make a difference. Our challenges continue to come and we should all take responsibility in spreading our message, protecting our crops and beautifying our neighborhoods.

I feel very fortunate to have found a career within the industry. We should do what we can to promote it, be a contributor to change and promote what we do on a daily basis to sustain our environment.

New CALCP email address:

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Job postings on website

CALCP can now post your job listings on our website for FREE. Just send the info about the job and how to make contact with the company in an email or word document and it will be posted on our website under job listings for 30 days. This benefit is available to CALCP members.

Water smart phone app is delayed

CALCP, ALCC and the Colorado Water Wise Council have partnered to develop a new smart phone app for your phones to help you keep abreast of water restrictions all over the state. We are still hopeful that it will be available soon and include landscape and water rules at your fingertips. The plan is for crews to be able to pull up the app, put in info about your location, and get the current rules, codes, ordinances, etc about the property where you are working.

Some unexpected concerns with water provider cooperation have caused delays in the final app being ready now. We will send out notifications when the app is ready for distribution.

Senate Bill 119 Passes

The GreenCO legislative committee finished their work for the 2015 session by celebrating the passage of the Pesticide Applicator Sunset Review Act on Wednesday, May 6, the last day of the session. S.B. 119 finally passed the House on April 24 and due to amendments to the Senate version, had to go to joint Ag committee to iron out differences in the 2 versions of the bills. Several committee reps were added to the Ag Advisory Council, and the bill will now sunset again in only 8 years as opposed to the 9 years from the former senate version of the bill. Various members of the Ad Council, the legislative committee, and lobbyists have worked on this bill for 10 months. The coalition of Coloradoans for Responsible Pesticide Application also held bi-monthly phone calls

to discuss strategy, plans and work out internal issues regarding where we stood on certain issues.

Revisions to the final bill are as follows:

1. 8 year sunset term
2. Training for limited commercial and public applicators remains in the Bill
3. Colorado Dept. of Ag must provide internet access to information on closed violations
4. The Advisory Committee remains at 15 members as set forth in the House version, with a new representative from CDPHE, a public member engaged in urban agriculture, a beekeeper representative "active in apiary management", a worker as defined in the worker protection program, and an organic farmer. All told, **no existing** Advisory Committee members were lost and the urban agriculture member is just a description of one of the two existing public members.

If you would like to read the final version of the bill, open the attached document to this email.

Special thanks to the sponsors, Senator Jerry Sonnenberg and Rep K.C Becker for remaining flexible and with considerable help from Rep. Jon Becker and the governor's office, the bill was passed at the eleventh hour. Their email addresses are as follows: senatorsonnenberg@gmail.com repkcbecker@gmail.com Jon.becker.house@state.co.us

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GreenCO undertakes BMP Quantification Study

At the March meeting of the GreenCO board, it was decided to proceed with the research study to gather quantification data for the BMP's so our data can be a part of the Colorado State Water Plan being developed this summer. The cost of this study is \$42,300 which has been raised from various GreenCO member associations and donations from several companies. CALCP donated \$12,000 toward this study. Wright Water Engineers have been contracted to do the study.

The BMP's were developed in 2002-3 during that drought to provide standards and acceptable practices for the industry. Since then we have revised and added to them a couple of times and have been working with municipalities and water providers to get them included in city codes and training. Once the data is collected, the Colorado Water Conservation Board will develop sample ordinances that can be adopted by any city/county government entity throughout the state. We want to get these ordinances included in the statewide water plan due to the Governor in December.

The list of companies that supported this project at press time include:

ALCC, CALCP, CNGA, GCC, ASLA, CNREF, Swingle Tree, Lawn & Landscape Co, Davey Tree Experts, L.L.Johnson Distributors, CPS Distributors, Gard'n Wise Distributors, Tru-Green, TerraCare Associates, Weisburg Landscape Co, Timberline Landscape, J.Rick Lawn & Tree, Ewing Irrigation, Colorado Tree Farm, Plants of Distinction, Green Belt Sod Farm, Fredell Enterprises, and Lawn Dr. of Denver.

Calendar of Events:

July 3-July 13—CALCP office closed.

July 16—CALCP board meeting at the home of Rick Roehm. Call 303 850-7587.

July 16—Planning for 2016 Spring Training Conference. Send your ideas for speakers, topics and problems you encounter with the licensing process to the office or contact any board member. Call 303-850-7587.

July 19-21—PLANET Legislative Day-on-the-Hill in Washington DC. Call 303 850-7587.

August 3— CSU Annual Flower Trial Evaluations at CSU.

Sept. 24—CALCP Annual meeting at place to be determined. Call 303 850-7587.

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Don't walk by things that need to be done. Take care of them.

Never force people to wait for you.

Build on your strengths. Use them to serve others.

Don't take 8 minutes to do every five-minute job. It could result in ten or fifteen wasted years of your life.

On the job, think like an owner.

Never make light of another's good intentions.

Leave things in better condition than you found them.

Give gifts you have made with your own hands.