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FALL EVENTS/MARK YOUR CALENDARS (see pages 4-6 for more info)

- **Canadian Urban Forest Conference 9 in Truro, NS combined with ISA-Atlantic Chapter's AGM and ATCC Oct 4-8, 2010**
 - **Communities-in-Bloom Conference October 27-30, 2010 Halifax, NS**
 - **HortEast Conference & Trade Show November 22-24, 2010 Halifax, NS,**
 - **Our ATCC champ Trevor Burton competes at ITCC Chicago, Ill.**
 - **News & Pics from ISA International conference in Chicago and report from International director Brian Phelan**
- CEU's & Certification exams this fall**

Our ATCC Champ, Trevor Burton competing with the world's finest in Chicago



Trevor Burton in action throwing his line for the tree work competition at the World's Tree climbing championship at ISA International's event held at the Morton Arboretum near Chicago this past July.

Trevor's comments on his performance "I placed 25 overall with my best event being throw line (13points). The day before the competition, Chicago had a record rain fall 7.5 inches and on Saturday instead of competing, the climbers stayed at the hotel. Seminars were quickly put together (Tree climbing Japan, Tree Magineers, and Past / present champions); an unexpected highlight to the trip."



Trevor into the full swing of things

"This year we had to cram the two day competition in to one day, starting at seven o'clock, ending with Mark Chisholm from the USA proving why he is number one just as we ran out of day light. It was an honour to have the opportunity to spend the time with such an elite group of professionals.

Thank you Atlantic Chapter."



Trevor's Supporters and chapter reps at the ITCC site at the Morton Arboretum, our International director Brian, Trevor and past president, Stan who was a presenter at the educational sessions

**Board of Directors Report –
Brian Phelan, Board Member Meeting –
Chicago, Illinois, July 23, 2010**

ISA's 86 Annual Conference and Trade Show, hosted by the Illinois Arborist Association, in one of North America's greenest cities saw many firsts. The Conference and trade show site was held at Navy Pier which protrudes out more than 3000 feet into Lake Michigan. The ITCC was held at the Morton Arboretum which seemed just as gigantic for those who took in the many experiences that this tree-mendous venue had to offer.

While the final figures are still being calculated, I do know that there were over 2200 attendees and it was ISA's biggest Trade Show to date in both exhibitor numbers and trade show floor space. The new board was introduced to the ISA membership as part of the opening ceremonies, with the opening reception being held with the exhibitors in the Trade Show, which was a huge hit.

The Board of Directors meeting was held on Friday, July 23. It was very evident to the new 15 member board that the smaller, leaner size (results of the new governance structure) had many advantages including being able to get back to a more manageable room size as well as being able to conduct a more effective and efficient meeting. In the afternoon the new board met with the Council of Representatives (CORE). Another first, as both groups provided updates to one another followed by members of the board presenting ISA's new strategy to the Council.

Our new Atlantic Chapter council member is Jim Urbanowsky. Unfortunately Jim was not able to attend the inaugural CORE meeting in Chicago - due to a communication blip. He did not get official

notice of being nominated / elected as the Chapter's Rep until after the Chicago meeting took place. Having since talked with Jim, he intends to attend the ISA Leadership Workshop in Champaign this October. Congratulations to Jim for accepting this position. I hope his experience is as exciting and satisfying as mine was in serving as the Atlantic Chapter Rep. I will share some of my "war stories" with Jim at the Leadership Workshop as I have been asked to be one of the presenters. More to follow at our business meeting at CUFC 9 in Truro in October – **Brian Phelan, August 26, 2010**

**ISA-Atlantic Chapter delegates in
Chicago & Highlights**

From the ISA-Atlantic chapter, Brian Phelan and his wife Cathy and John Simmons represented HRM, Rob Young from NS Power and Steve Christensen from Asplundh, rounded out the Halifax Dartmouth contingent, Past President, Stan Kochanoff and Trevor Burton our ATCC champ were Annapolis Valley reps. David Evans was our lone member from St. John's Newfoundland

This year's conference included pre-conference workshops, tours and the International Tree Climbing Championship for both the men and women at the world famous Morton Arboretum just west of Chicago. As Trevor mentioned in his report, the heavy flooding conditions delayed the ITCC event by one day and many of the pre-conference workshops



Flood waters receding at Morton Arboretum in Lisle

Chicago ISA Highlights (continued)



Chicago Waterfront viewed from Navy Pier

The educational program and Trade Fairs covering three days was held at the Navy Pier Centre on the Chicago waterfront. Chicago is a beautiful treed city where tall buildings with beautifully landscaped setbacks are the norm. The city boasts over 600 Green Roofs, the most of any city in the world. The ISA presented a Honourary-life membership to Chicago Mayor Richard Daley for greening efforts over his 28-year tenure of the city.



Chicago's epic Millennium Park, a new model urban landscape



Trees and Tall buildings in harmony

Fun Times at the ISA in Chicago

Along with all the workshops, taking in educational sessions to keep abreast of new techniques, earning CEU's, touring the city landscape and networking, there's always time to squeeze in a little socializing! You can bet the Nova Scotia contingent gets involved. The last night of the conference, a bunch of us wrangled invitations to the annual Asplundh social event, which consisted of a fabulous evening river and waterfront, cruise.



ISA-Atlantic party-animals: Stan, Brian & Cathy Phelan, Steve Christiansen and Rob Young



John Simmons, Rob Young and Steve Christensen with the Alberta power boys



Our hosts, the Blues Brothers in Action

Coming Fall educational conferences and earn CEU's at the following events:



- **The Canadian Urban Forest Conference # 9 October 5-7, 2010 Glengarry Best Western Inn, Truro, NS.**

All members are encouraged to take advantage of this great educational opportunity to attend a national Urban Forest Conference being held in the Atlantic region for the second time since Halifax in 1997. See CUFC web site for complete speakers Program & tours.

- **Following the CUFC, is ISA-Atlantic Chapter's AGM, & Banquet Oct 7, 2010, Atlantic Tree Climbing Championship Memorial Park, Truro and ATCC awards Oct. 8 Glengarry Best Western Inn, Truro, NS.**

Tentative Program

- **October 7, 2010** ISA-Atlantic Chapter AGM 4:00-5:00 pm Salon D (coffee will be served)
- 6:30pm-7: 30 pm Happy Hour/ Cash Bar. 7:30-9:00 pm Annual Banquet All you can eat Buffet Style. 6:00-7:00 pm:
- **October 8,** ATTC Climbing Competition, Memorial Park, downtown, Truro: 7:00 am -5:00 pm
6:00 pm-8:00 pm ATCC awards Best Western Glengarry Inn Pub style dinner on your own. Room TBA. Advanced Registration will be appreciated for the AGM & banquet

EXTRA

On Thursday evening sandwiched in between our AGM, happy hour and annual banquet there is a meeting planned for All Canadian ISA Chapter reps and execs with ISA International and Tree Canada personnel Location & time TBA

- **Communities-In-Bloom October 27-30, 2010 Halifax, NS.**



Halifax Regional Municipality is hosting this international event here again in Halifax. ISA-Atlantic will be represented at the show. The Halifax waterfront at Pier 21 will be the venue of this event. Complete details of the program are available on the CIB's web site



ISA-Atlantic Chapter will be displaying in the trade fair area. Many of our HRM members will be actively engaged with this event. Help manning the booth will be appreciated.

• **HortEast Conference and Trade Show, Cunard Centre, Halifax, NS November**



The ISA-Atlantic Chapter will be represented with a booth at the Trade Fair

Save the date for HortEast 2010, taking place November 23-24th at the Cunard Centre in Halifax, NS with pre-show tours and workshops on the 22nd. HortEast has scheduled a variety of speakers for the 2010 show and there will be opportunities to earn CEU's for Arborists at the following seminars:
Educational Program Highlights

Tuesday November 23rd, 11:00am - 12:00pm: "Phenology" led by Jeff McMann NPD, ISA, CLT (Supervisor of Forestry, Town of Markham ON) - Learn about the history and 'science' of phenology. Understand why phenology works and how to effectively use it to improve your IPM and PHC program. Review of plant indicators for regional specific pests and diseases. This seminar qualifies for 1 CEU.

Tuesday November 23rd, 4:00pm - 5:00pm: "Arboriculture Tree Myths and Their Contribution to the Landscape" led by Jeff McMann NPD, ISA, CLT (Supervisor of Forestry, Town of Markham ON) - There are many tree 'myths' that abound in the industry. Which ones are busted or confirmed? Attendees will learn:

- Which myths are negatively affecting your landscape.
- What trees really need to survive in the landscape.
- How to properly maintain trees.
- How to properly plant trees.

This seminar qualifies for 1 CEU.

Wednesday November 24th, 11:00am - 12:00pm: "Living Walls & Green Roofs" led by Sue Sirrs, CSLA, ASLA, LEED, AP (Outside! Planning & Design Studio, Halifax NS) - Living walls and green roofs have captured the imaginations of people around the world and images of installations are showing up regularly in industry magazines and popular culture. How do we do these projects in cold climates? Sue will share her experiences in Atlantic Canada working on exterior living walls and green roofs. Tim Amos will join her for an in-depth look at the NSCC exterior living wall project and the research that went into the development of the wall. This seminar qualifies for 1 CEU.

Other 2010 seminars and workshops include:

- Landscape Maintenance half day workshop with Jeff McMann (Town of Markham, ON) and Eric Lyons (University of Guelph, ON)
- HortEast Educational sessions
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Landscape Construction half-day workshop with Robert Bowers (Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute, Uxbridge ON)

- It is Up To You - Revisiting The Hiring Process with Tim Brennan (Hiring Smart Canada Inc., Halifax NS)
- Engaging your Seasonal Workers for Increased Productivity and Retention with Tim Brennan (Hiring Smart Canada Inc., Halifax NS)
- Going to Pot with Liz Klose (Landscape Canada Committee/CNLA, Milton ON)
- Proven Performance Plant Partners with Liz Klose (Landscape Canada Committee/CNLA, Milton ON)
- Making Decisions on New Products with Eric Lyons (University of Guelph, ON)
- The Pattern Language of Concrete Pavers with Robert Bowers (Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute, Uxbridge ON)
- LEED and Sustainable Sites Initiative with Sue Sirrs (Outside! Planning and Design Studio, Halifax NS)
- New Varieties from Pan American Seed Co and Ball Seed for 2011 with Jerry Gorchels (Ball Horticultural Co., US)
- Controlling the Growth of Your Greenhouse Crops with Jerry Gorchels (Ball Horticultural Co., US)

Visit www.horteast.ns.ca for more information on how to register, call 1-866-383-4711 or email rebecca@canadanursery.com.

All in all, a very busy fall for learning and earning CEU's for Certified Arborists. For anyone interested in writing the certification exam, our Certification chairman, Brian Phelan is making arrangements for people to take

the exam on Monday October 4th preceding the CUFC9 in Truro and a second on November 22nd just before the HortEast conference in Halifax.

Please remember that applications to write certification exams must be received by ISA a minimum of 12 working days prior to the exam date. You can apply to write the exams by going to the ISA Web site www.isa-arbor.com and click on certification.

Members are encouraged to take advantage of these great educational and social events coming to Nova Scotia this fall. A great opportunity to learn new techniques, network and socialize.

For any information regarding any of these events, please visit the various association web sites for more details. This newsletter will also appear on our ISA-Atlantic chapter web site at www.isaatlantic.org

Membership Updates

A number of our members have not renewed their memberships for 2010 according to ISA International's provincial listing. A draft listing by province will be circulated to everyone to update his or her information to go into the new membership brochure. Please forward any information changes that may be required. We would like the draft membership brochure ready for presentation at our October 7th AGM meeting in Truro.

Although it may be busy fall because of the very warm and humid summer we've been through, take some time out to renew!

Hope to see many you at some of these events. Next year, we're looking into a 2-day Tree Appraisal workshop to get some of you, young budding arborists involved with consulting work. Let me know if you're interested.

Any comments or suggestions about the newsletter and its contents, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Stan Kochanoff, Past President & Newsletter editor