



November 2016



### Your donations are making a difference!

What is the state of municipal urban forestry in the U.S. today? Dr. Rich Hauer (U. of WI-Stevens Point) set out to answer this question (last explored in 1993) in his project, "[Assessment of Municipal Urban and Community Programs in the United States and Evaluation of Associated Community Capacity.](#)" His findings paint a picture of how communities are managing and funding their tree care operations and how that is changing over time. The project proposes developing a planning model to identify the ideal urban forest, create best management practices to build it, and help communities measure progress toward it. Find out more and access Dr. Hauer's full municipal urban forestry report on our [website](#).

Thank you to our September and October 2016 [lead donors](#)  
(for contributions of \$2,500 or more to the TREE Fund these months).

*Thank You!*

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**Get a good deal while you do a good deed.** Take advantage of Show Specials at TCI EXPO that benefit the TREE Fund. Stop by the TREE Fund area in the Main Entrance Lobby before Friday November 11 at noon and make an offer on a Bandit chipper or Green Manufacturing cutting system. The person with highest qualifying offer buys the machine for that price, and proceeds support tree research and education! Get details on [our website](#).

## Frustrated with trying to grow trees in compacted urban soils?

Mark your calendar for our free TREE Fund webinar “Soil Compaction and Urban Trees: Strategies for Gaining Ground” featuring Dr. Bryant Scharenbroch (U. of Wisconsin – Stevens Point). Learn how you can protect urban soils from compaction and gain useful management strategies to improve the quality of compacted soils in your local landscape.



- **November 30, 2016 at 12:00 pm MST** (translate to *your* time zone [here](#)).
- [Pre-registration](#) is not required; however, if you do so, you’ll receive a reminder email the day before the program. Otherwise, enter the webinar on November 30 at [treefund.org](http://treefund.org).
- One CEU available from ISA or SAF.

Dr. Scharenbroch has received multiple TREE Fund grants; read about his research [here](#).

Thank you to Utah State University Forestry Extension and Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands for hosting this webinar.



**Here's to a successful 2016 STIHL Tour des Trees!** 96 riders and our support team shared the TREE Fund mission with people all across the Piedmont, planted 17 trees, and distributed over 600 books about trees to local schoolchildren. Rider fundraising is currently over \$385,000 – a historic high – and 100% of this amount will go to research, education or community

engagement grants or endowed funds, as all Tour expenses were defrayed by TREE Fund Partners. Many thanks to our riders, support crew, fundraisers, donors, volunteers, Tour Director Paul Wood, TREE Fund Partners, host Southern Chapter ISA, and the wonderful communities throughout the Carolinas for helping make the 2016 ride a success.

### Congratulations to our top five Tour fundraisers in 2016:

- Dick Rideout: \$14,846
- Frazer Pehmoeller: \$12,625
- Jim Edson: \$7,795
- Randy Miller: \$7,600
- Steve Geist: \$6,520

**Kudos to Team Bartlett, our #1 fundraising team!** Led by captain Frazer Pehmoeller, Team Bartlett raised a whopping **\$65,059** for the TREE Fund. Running neck-in-neck with Bartlett the entire time was Team Ohio; they brought in an incredible \$62,254. Thank you very much to both! The Tour fundraising campaign continues through December 31, 2016 at [stihltourdestrees.org](http://stihltourdestrees.org).



### Double your impact with Mid-Atlantic Chapter ISA’s match

There’s no better time to support student scholarship than now. Make a gift to the Bonnie Appleton Memorial Fund through December 31, 2016, and Mid-Atlantic Chapter ISA will **match 100% of your tax deductible gift**, up to \$15,000. [Learn more](#) and download a donation form, or donate online at the [TREE Fund](#). Thank you!

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