



# Branching Out

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## EMERALD ASH BORER UPDATE FOR NORTHERN KENTUCKY—A COMMUNITY MEETING

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Tuesday, July 31  
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Sanitation District No. 1 Boardroom  
1045 Eaton Drive, Ft. Wright, Kentucky



City and County Budgets and Landscapes—Learn how the Emerald Ash Borer may impact both

Homeowners and Property Managers—Learn what you can do to protect your property

Nurseries, Tree Service, and Landscape Maintenance Companies—Learn how best to prepare and serve your customers



The Northern Kentucky Urban Forestry Council invites you to a community meeting to learn more about the potentially devastating effects this exotic forest insect pest may have on Northern Kentucky landscapes, urban forests, and woodlands. Significant EAB populations and tree damage has been confirmed in Hamilton County, Ohio and a quarantine has been issued. The Council encourages all of Northern Kentucky and the Tri-State region to be informed and prepared for the spread of this destructive insect.



The speakers include Lee Townsend, U.K. Extension Entomologist, Tim McClure, Kentucky Division of Forestry, Carl Harper and Joe Collins, Kentucky Nursery Inspectors and Joe Boggs, O.S.U. Extension.

Please plan to attend this important meeting.

## The Importance of Open Space

Is another traditionally designed subdivision or commercial development being built in your neighborhood? While Northern Kentucky's economy seems to still be going strong, unlike other areas of the country, we continue to face the challenge of balancing growth with the loss of forests and open spaces.

A recent USDA Forest Service Report (FS-861) indicates that approximately 6,000 acres of open space and forests are being lost in the United States each day. That equals about 4 acres per minute! In 2003, USDA Forest Service Chief Dale Bosworth identified the loss of open space as one of the four great threats to our nation's forests and grasslands.

How important is open space? Here are some interesting national statistics:

- Increase in bird watching participation in the U.S. from 1982 to 2001: 236%
- Amount spent by birdwatchers to further their interests in 2001: \$32 billion
- Miles of roadway in the U.S.: 4 million
- Number of vertebrate run over by cars each day: 1 million
- Number of invasive plant species in the U.S.: 2,000
- Cost to the public of invasive species per year: \$120 billion
- Percent of endangered species per year at risk from invasive species: 46%
- Number of off-highway vehi-

cle users in 1972: 5 million

- Number of off-highway vehicle users in 2000: 36 million

Largest single source of water in the U.S.: National Forests

---- from the USDA Forest Service's  
"Cooperating Across Boundaries --- Partnerships to Conserve Open Spaces in Rural America"



## All ISA Certification Credentials Available to Veterans

Jenny Gulick, Secretary—Northern Kentucky  
Urban & Community Forestry Council

The Department of Veterans' Affairs has added Certified Arborist Municipal Specialist and Board-Certified Master Arborist to its previous list of ISA certifications.

Now all five ISA credentials have been approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the VA has agreed to cover the cost for qualified US military veterans and eligible persons. The ISA exams have been proven to be valid and reliable in determining knowledge, and along with education and experience require-

ments, ISA has certified 20,000 arborists all around the world.

Interested veterans can use these certifications to expand their job opportunities and join the thousands of arborists that have benefited from obtaining the credential. Higher income and stability are two of the leading reasons to take the exam.

If you are a US veteran or are interested in ISA Certification, please contact ISA at (888) 472-8733, visit [www.isa-arbor.com](http://www.isa-arbor.com),

or e-mail us at [cert@isa-arbor.com](mailto:cert@isa-arbor.com).




We hope you will join the 20,000 arborists currently ISA Certified.

## Chainsaw Safety Training

August 9, 2007 • 8:30—11:30 a.m.

**Sponsored by:** Northern Kentucky University Center for Applied Ecology, Northern Kentucky University Operations and Maintenance, and U.K. Campbell County Cooperative Extension Service



-  Learn how to safely use chainsaws and other outdoor equipment.
-  Program will be taught by Rick Bryan from Bryan Equipment.
-  Program includes classroom instruction and outdoor demonstration.

### ***Location:***

NKU Operations and Maintenance Building  
70 Campbell Drive, Highland Heights, Kentucky

**Space is limited to 50 participants.**

**Registration is required. Contact U.K., Campbell County Cooperative Extension Service at 859-572-2600.**

### ***Directions:***

From I-275 East, take exit 76 Three Mile Road. Turn right onto Three Mile. Continue on University Drive. Turn right onto Kenton Drive. Turn right onto Campbell Drive. The Operations and Maintenance Building is on the left.

From I-275 West, take exit 74A US 27/Alexandria. Turn right at the 5th light onto Martha Layne Collins Blvd. Continue straight; road becomes Johns Hill Road. Turn right onto Kenton Drive. Turn left onto Campbell Drive. The Operations and Maintenance Building is on the left.

*Parking is located across the road from the building.*

**For questions, contact DJ. Scully at 859-572-2600 or [djscully@uky.edu](mailto:djscully@uky.edu)**

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Arborist Certification Exam and Training Session(s)

Fall 2007

Details To Be Announced

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**Save the Date!**



**Annual Community Dinner  
and Program  
Thursday, October 25, 2007  
The Plantation Club at Twin  
Oaks  
Covington, KY 41015**