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Re: 2026 Workday Thank You

Dear Volunteers and Supporters,

On behalf of the New England Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), I would like to extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of the TCC Workday held on March 21st at the Masonic Youth Center in Warwick, Rhode Island.

Arborists from Rhode Island and Massachusetts dedicated their time and expertise to preparing the park for this annual event. The day began at 8:00 a.m. with coffee, donuts, a safety meeting, and a comprehensive job briefing. Volunteers then worked diligently throughout the park and along the main entrance road, pruning large deadwood to enhance safety and site readiness.

We are especially grateful to Bob Kempf, Park Manager, for providing valuable insight on additional work needed throughout the property. Thanks to the collective effort, the work was completed efficiently using two bucket trucks and chippers provided by RI Energy, along with additional equipment and skilled climbers from TF Morra Tree Care.

We would like to recognize and thank the following individuals and organizations for their contributions:

RI Energy and Partners:
Chris Rooney
Chip Wilcox, ISA Certified Arborist (Lewis Tree – RI Energy)
Matthew Schonfarber (Lewis Tree – RI Energy)
Xavier Alers (Lewis Tree – RI Energy)
Jessee Dessert (Davey Tree – RI Energy)
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Tom Morra, ISA Certified Arborist
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Wesley Grover, ISA Certified Arborist
Chris Mulvey, ISA Certified Arborist

Harrison McPhee (Millis, MA)
Bruce Duffy, ISA Certified Arborist

The 2026 TCC will be held June 11-13 at the Masonic Youth Center in Warwick, RI. Visit our website for details

We also extend a special thank you to the Masonic Youth Center for their continued support and for providing such a wonderful location for this event.

The work was completed shortly after lunch, with all objectives successfully achieved. The estimated value of the volunteer contributions is approximately $15,000—a testament to the professionalism, dedication, and generosity of everyone involved.

This effort would not have been possible without the commitment of our volunteers. We also greatly appreciate the ongoing support of the TCC Committee in making this event a success.
Thank you once again for your time, expertise, and dedication to our industry.

Sincerely,
Bruce Duffy
TCC Chair
New England Chapter ISA