

Certified Tree Steward Training



Offered by Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service – Spartanburg County

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Tree Stewards are community volunteers committed to promoting healthy urban and rural forests in South Carolina. Tree Stewards undergo training classes, educational programs, and projects in their communities intended to increase public awareness regarding the value of trees while teaching about trees and practicing proper tree care. With classroom training and hands-on practice, tree stewards are equipped to identify trees, counsel on tree selection, demonstrate proper tree planting and follow-up care, and guide removal of invasive plants that threaten trees.

Each person undertaking the tree steward training makes a commitment to return a specific number of volunteer hours to their local tree steward projects. Each community determines the number of hours, sets the standards for volunteer work, and decides the tree steward project(s) they will undertake. Tree steward volunteers are a positive force for change in their communities. All tree steward projects are tailored to meet the needs of their community.

Training Dates:

January 16, 23 and 30, 2014 (Thursdays) from 6:00 to 8:30 pm. A field training day will be held at a date and time to be chosen by the class.

All classes will be held at the Clemson Extension office at 612 Chesnee Hwy., Spartanburg, SC 29303 unless otherwise noted.

Cost:

\$45 (cash or check) Please make checks payable to Clemson University

Trainers:

George Dickert, County Horticulture Agent, Coordinator
Others TBA

Volunteerism:

In order to become a Certified Tree Steward, trainees must perform a minimum of 20 hours of volunteer service to any Trees Coalition project.