RELEAF WASHINGTON

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Upcoming Events

Our next event will be Saturday, April 27, our annual Arbor Day/Earth Day tree maintenance day. We will be mulching, weeding and checking the overall status of our trees. This will also be our annual meeting.

Havens Gardens Park covered shelter near bridge

- 10:00-10:30 Meet-greet-review of ReLeaf mission and activities.
- 10:30-11:00 Pruning & care training

• 11:00-2:00 Teams go to tree sites

Plan to join us and let us know you're coming at the e-mail address below! Please send questions/ RSVP:

releafwashington@hotmail.com

Thanks so much for your continuous financial support! You are vital to our progress: Over **200 trees** planted, toward our goal of **1,000 trees in 10 years**!

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Welcome To Spring ReLeafers!

Saving a Tree in Veteran's Park

One of the services ReLeaf Washington offers is to protect trees. We were so glad when the City of Washington reached out as it prepared to take care of several trees which were ailing along Jack's Creek in Veteran's Park. ReLeaf Board member and



retired forester, Ben Hudson, went out to meet with the City personnel and look at the trees.

"There were two trees growing too close together and competing for resources," he explains. "So, one would need to be cut. The one on the left had a large hole, and the City thought it was dying, but it actually looked pretty good." Ben explains that when a tree has a big hole in it, like this one, it does mean that the tree has suffered some type of injury or disease. However, in

this case, the tree had developed a lot of new growth around the hole. So, it was healing. "All of that growth is newer and stronger than the older wood around hole," he says. "So it was actually showing that it was healthy and getting stronger. I recommended that they save this one and cut down the other competing tree."

The City agreed to replace the cut tree and so Washington gets to benefit from the shade, oxygen, groundwater recharging and so many other benefits these trees provide (see next page).

If you see trees that you think need to be cut down, call us first! We can help.

> Heather Moore Thienpont, President Susan Sizemore-Watson, Treasurer Dick Leach Meredith Loughlin Ben Hudson Ginger Gardiner Andrea Elmquist





Spring 2024 Quarterly Membership List

Live Oak: \$100 To \$499

Ulrich & Mary Alsentzer Andrea Elmquist Ginger Gardner Jan Hindsley George & Jeannie Kountouris Dr. Ernie & Sara Larkin Dick & Becky Leach Jule & Laurel Mackenzie Mary Day & New Hilbert Mordecai Heather & John Thienpont Damon & Christy Walcott

Red Oak: \$50-\$99

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Cypress: Under \$50

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In Honor ~ Memory

- \bigstar Dick & Becky Leach in Memory of Larry Smithwick
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- Dick & Becky Leach: In Honor of Jimmy & Katirie Leach
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- Robin Arnold: In Memory of Robert Kent Meece
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- * Kathleen Simpson on behalf of Washington High School Class of 1971
- * Mack & Susan Simpson: In Memory of Sally Ross Simpson Roseveare and Elizabeth Nash Butler
- ReLeaf Washington: In Memory of Emory Morgan
- Edward Newburn: In Memory of Thomas Sloan
- * Bay Harbour Neighbours: In Memory of Ronald Woolard
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- Beth & Chris Collier: In Memory of Mariah Gerow Lynch
- *Dr. Elizabeth & Russel Cook: In Honor of Dr. Richard Young
- * Delyle & Louise Evans: In Honor of and in Memory of LaRue M. Evans
- ✤ Mary Todd Mackenzie: In Memory of Mariah Gerow Lynch
- Parker & Elizabeth Johnson: In Honor of Becky and Dick Leach
- *H. Clay Carter: In Honor of Lou Carter and Mary Carter
- Sabin Leach: In Memory of Richard Cox Leach
- * Mary Todd Mackenzie: In Memory of Cathy and Lee Cooper
- Susan S. Watson: In Memory of Athy and Lee Cooper
- ◆ H. Clay Carter: In Honor of Lauren and Brock Lynch
- *Robin Arnold: In Memory of Redding Lewis Cratch, Sr. and Verona Bailey Clark Cratch
- Robin Arnold & Gordon Watts Jr.: In Memory of Francis Marion Tillman
- * Nannette Smyre: In Memory of Jean Shook