CCTA Members:

CCTA Kickoff 2023 is to be held at the Crest Ranch in the Santa Cruz Mountains. Please keep this date open Saturday **September 23**rd. The agenda is being finalized now and we anticipate a Great meeting with some real useful information.

Paul Illingworth will be leading a hands-on tree shearing and tip pruning on several varieties of Crest Ranch's existing trees. In addition, very important information regarding the association will be sharded. Paul and Mark and others have put together a multi part video on growing and preparing Christmas trees for sale.

There will be a Silent auction of items, several items donated by John and Lorie Hays, our past president, as well as other association members. In addition, please bring anything you might want to sell or donate to the association to be sold for a fundraiser and that other members might be able to use this upcoming season. Indicate that on the registration form so we can let everyone know before the meeting.

WE already have new Little Shakey (Tree Shaker with stand) as well as other items that will be ready for the silent auction. We would like to prepare a list of items that may be available so when you register, if you will be bringing any items for the silent auction please write it down so I can let everyone know and the list will be on the CCTA website www.cachristmas.com

But there is more, we will also have a buy and sell where you can sell items that are no longer needed, and I know we all have items that are collecting spider webs that others could use.

The Meeting will start a little earlier allowing for all the information that will need to be covered including an update on the state of CCTA. We need everyone's input and help in molding CCTA for the coming Years.

Board Business

We are excited to let the association know that Paul Illingworth and Paul Battaglia have agreed to serve on the CCTA Board.

The current Board is:

Mark Scheberies	President	Scheberies@gmail.com
Holly Benzer	Vice President	haparish@yahoo.com
Keith Garlock	Secretary	klgarlock61@gmail.com
Ted Seifert	Treasurer	ted@tedseifert.com
Paul Battaglia	At Large	paulbatt01@aol.com
Jeri Seifert	At Large	Jeri@silveyvilletreefarm.com
Paul Illingworth	At Large	cvtreefarm@gmail.com
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CCTA past Board Members were Don Cameron, Ed Battalia, and George McKenzie

Leadership will be looking for filling the current vacancy, so if you would like to help molding the future of CCTA please let a Board member know.

The current By Laws are in need of revision and this will be addressed before our annual meeting in 2024.

REGISTRATION FORM ATTACHED

Registration Kick Off 2023

Crest Ranch Santa Cruz

12200 Empire Grade Santa Cruz, CA 95060 (831) 423-8733

September 23rd, 2023

Starting at 8:30 sharp

Farm Name:	
	y September 8 th Includes Kick off Meeting, snacks, Continental d Buy and Sell
Number of Attendees X	\$40
LATE Registration after September 11	is \$50 per person
If you would like to sponsor the snacks,	continental breakfast or lunch please indicate below:
Continental Breakfast Sponsorship	\$100
Lunch Sponsorship	\$200
Snack and treats	\$ 50
We thank you and just add the sponsorsh	ip to your registration.
Please return your Registration Form in check.	the enclosed a Stamped return envelope and check, if you are paying by
	s.com, login as a member and complete the payment online, but please having an issue please email <u>info@cachristmas.com</u> to get help.
Silent Auction items (All proceeds go in	to CCTA research fund):
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Buy and Sell items (Your money to keep	0)