

## **Red Bank – 2012**

### **Shade Tree Activities**

#### **Maintenance**

- ✓ Removed 34 hazardous trees.
- ✓ Mulched and watered trees.
- ✓ Continued the pruning program throughout the borough.

#### **Planting**

- ✓ Continued the tree planting program by adding 24 street trees to the Borough forestry.

#### **Inventory**

- ✓ Inventoried Count Basie Park and new street trees: 52 existing/new trees.
- ✓ Added the information to the GIS database.
- ✓ Updated the inventory on the Web using Google Maps.

#### **Community Outreach**

- ✓ Held an Arbor Day celebration with the Red Bank Middle School. Arbor Day Proclamation read at the Council meeting. Tree City USA banner flown over the Borough Hall.
- ✓ Received Tree City USA designation for the 6th year.
- ✓ Distributed information at Farmers Market, Riverside Gardens Park events, Middle School Earth Day
- ✓ Had articles published on tree-related issues in the local publications:
  - ✓ <http://www.redbankgreen.com/2012/04/tree-slaughter-five-years-later.html>
  - ✓ <http://www.redbanknj.org/press/read/b5127aee>
  - ✓ <http://redbank.patch.com/articles/red-bank-named-a-tree-city-usa>
  - ✓ [http://hub.gmnews.com/news/2012-05-31/Front\\_Page/Red\\_Bank\\_named\\_Tree\\_City\\_USA.html](http://hub.gmnews.com/news/2012-05-31/Front_Page/Red_Bank_named_Tree_City_USA.html)
- ✓ Responded to residents' requests and questions.
- ✓ Updated the [STC website](#) on redbanknj.org.

#### **Working with Other Entities**

- ✓ Provided input on the road construction plans through the Borough Engineer.
- ✓ Continued cooperative programs with the Special Improvement District.
- ✓ Continued a close working relationship with the Monmouth County Shade Tree Commission
- ✓ Continued to hold monthly Shade Tree Committee meetings with site plan reviews.

#### **Education and Training**

- ✓ Two Environmental Commission members attended tree-related seminars (4.5 CEUs total)
- ✓ One DPU employee attended the annual NJ Shade Tree Federation conference (3.5 CEUs)