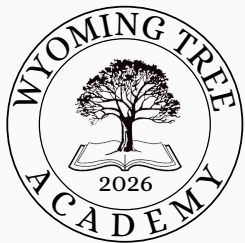


PRE-CON



2026 WTA PRE-CONFERENCE

09.16.2026

08:00AM - 03:15 PM

WEDNESDAY

CHECK-IN CHEYENNE BOTANIC GARDENS

8:00 AM

Gathering Rooms
Coffee, Donuts & Networking

MORNING SESSION - SOILS

8:30 AM

- Instructor: **James Cassidy**
 - Session 1: 8:30-9:45 AM
 - Session 2: 10:00-11:15 AM
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LUNCH

11:15 AM

AFTERNOON SESSION - FUNGUS/ROT

12:15 PM

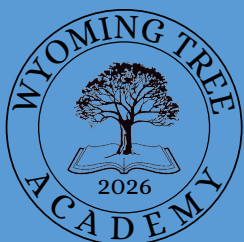
- Instructor: **Chris Luley**
 - Session 3: 12:15-1:30 PM
 - Session 4: 1:45-3:15 PM
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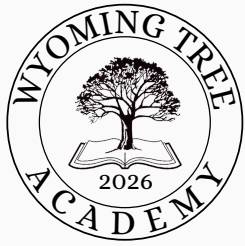
DISC GOLF TOURNAMENT EVENING SOCIAL

4:00 PM

- Lions Park Pergola
- Prizes, Beverages & Snacks
- Event: 4:00-7:00 PM

Open to All Conference Attendees





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09.17.2026
08:15AM - 11:30 PM

THURSDAY

CHECK-IN
KIWANIS COMMUNITY HOUSE **8:15 AM**
Registration
Coffee, Donuts & Networking

WELCOME & OPENING **9:00 AM**
REMARKS

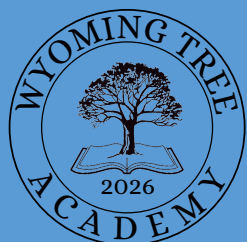
CECIL KONIJNENDIJK **9:15 AM**
*The 3-30-300 Rule and Why Urban
Trees Matter More Than Ever*

BREAK **10:15 AM**

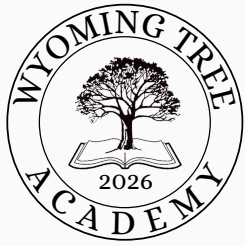
JAMES CASSIDY **10:30 AM**
Soil! - What it is & How it works

LUNCH (PROVIDED ON-SITE) **11:30 AM**

PAUL RIES **12:30 PM**
How to Talk Trees (and How Not To)



DAY ONE



2026 WTA CONFERENCE

09.17.2026

08:00AM - 11:30 PM

THURSDAY

CHRIS LULEY

1:30 PM

Callus, Wound Wood, and Importance
in Tree Health Care

BREAK

2:30 PM

15 Minutes

EZEKIEL WILLARD

2:45 PM

ANSI A300: Writing Pruning Specifications
for Compliance, Clarity & Communication

MARK ELLISON & JACKIE SUNTRUP

3:45 PM

Urban Forestry in Action: Municipal-
Nonprofit Partnerships

CHEYENNE BOTANIC GARDENS GUIDED TOUR WITH ISAIAH SMITH

4:30 PM

AWARDS DINNER & EVENING SOCIAL

5:30 PM

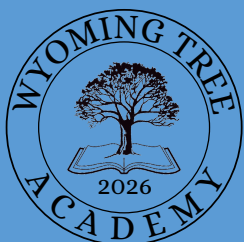
Dinner - 5:30pm

Awards & Recognition - 6:30pm

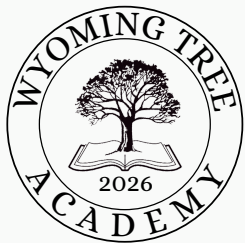
Tree Trivia & Prizes - 7:15pm

Live Music & Social - 8:00pm

Networking Opportunities!!!



DAY TWO



2026 WTA CONFERENCE

09.18.2026

08:00AM - 03:00 PM

FRIDAY

COFFEE & LIGHT BREAKFAST KIWANIS COMMUNITY HOUSE

8:00 AM

Conference Day 2 &
Field Tour

JOE BOFFA

8:45 AM

Fire Blight: A Brief History (and its
Management)

CECIL KONIJNENDIJK

9:45 AM

Applying the 3-30-300 Rule in
Practice

BREAK

10:45 AM

15 Minutes

PAUL RIES

11:00 AM

Beyond Point and Shoot: Using
Photography to Communicate Trees

BOX LUNCH & TRAVEL

12:00 PM

HIGH PLAINS ARBORETUM TOUR

1:00 PM

Scott Skogerboe & Jessica Friis
Guided tour, Species selection, Q&A

FIN (END)

3:00 PM

