

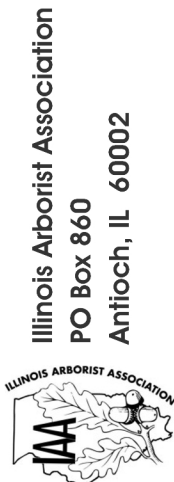
**Location:**

**Salt Creek Park  
Forest Preserve District of DuPage Cty  
Wood Dale, IL**

Professional tree climbers will be competing for the title of Best Climber in the Illinois Arborist Association Annual Tree Climbing Competition. This unique event, to be held on May 20, 2017 at Salt Creek Park in Wood Dale, IL, will showcase the skills of 30 competitors as they maneuver in the trees.

Climbers will perform five different preliminary events. Each event tests a competitor's ability to quickly, professionally, and safely maneuver in a tree while performing work-related tree-care tasks. Tree climbing competitions are designed to simulate working conditions of those arborists who work in the field. Utilizing the highest level of professional skills and safety, the events provide a competitive learning environment for those working in the industry.

The woman with the most accrued points after competing in the 5 preliminary events will be crowned the champion of the women's division. The three male climbers who score the highest during the preliminary competition will compete in the Masters' Challenge. The winner of this challenge will be named the Chapter Champion and will earn the honor of representing the Illinois Chapter at the International Tree Climbing Championships (ITCC) in July, 2017.



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## **Illinois Tree Climbing Championship**

Saturday, May 20, 2017

**Salt Creek Park  
Forest Preserve District of  
DuPage County  
Wood Dale, IL**

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## Climbing Events

Events: Work Climb, Aerial Rescue, Secured Footlock, Belayed Speed Climb, Throw Line

The Illinois Arborist Association Tree Climbing Championship will take the first 25 men and women that sign up.

The men will compete in the 5 events and the top 3 finishers will compete in the Masters' Challenge to decide the champion.

The women will compete in the 5 events and the woman with the most accrued points after competing in the 5 preliminary events will be crowned the champion of the women's division.

- \* Gear Inspection will be at 7:30am
- \* The competition will start at 8:30am

### Individual prizes include:

#### MEN

- 1st Place - Over \$1,000 in prizes
- 2nd Place - \$300 Cash
- 3rd Place - \$200 Cash
- 4th Place - \$100 Cash

#### WOMEN

- 1st Place - Over \$1,000 in prizes
- 2nd Place - \$300 Cash
- 3rd Place - \$200 Cash

**To volunteer as a judge or timer, please contact the IAA office at 877-617-8887 or email [april@illinoisarborist.org](mailto:april@illinoisarborist.org).**

3 CEUs available for all judges, timers and contestants.

# 2017 Illinois Tree Climbing Championship

\$75 Climber Fee

**Deadline for registration is April 14, 2017**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City-Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an Illinois Arborist Association Member? Yes No  
Membership is mandatory. If not, please enclose \$45 membership dues along with payment either by credit card or check.

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Years Climbing: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: M L XL XXL

VISA or MasterCard

Please enclose payment made payable to:

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Illinois Arborist Association  
PO Box 860  
Antioch, IL 60002  
or FAX to 262-857-6677

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## ComEd Corporate Cup Tree Climbing Award

This award was created to increase participation in the Illinois Tree Climbing Competition by fostering competition between companies. We hope the traveling Corporate Cup will demonstrate the value of teamwork.

- \* Companies or groups must register **PRIOR** to the competition.
- \* A minimum of 3 climbers per company must participate in the preliminary events.
- \* Preliminary event scores will be used. No Master's Challenge points will be included in the Corporate Challenge.

**Cost \$300**

for up to 5 contentstants.

Lunch will be provided for all competitors, judges and timers courtesy of Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc.



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