

News Release

City of Mansfield

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**Subject: City of Mansfield Shade Tree Commission to host an
Educational Public Meeting, Thursday, October 4, 2018.
“Why Trees Matter”
Aesthetically, Economically, Environmentally & Socially**

Mansfield, Ohio –The city of Mansfield Shade Tree Commission is pleased to announce an Educational Public meeting to be held on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the North Lake Park Pavilion.

In their ongoing commitment to providing service and educational opportunities to the residents of Mansfield, the members of the Shade Tree Commission are pleased to offer this free, educational session.

The agenda for the evening is multifaceted and includes members of the Shade Tree Commission explaining the role of the Shade Tree Commission in Mansfield, and procedures for contacting them.

The Shade Tree Commission will welcome **Alistar Reynolds, Invasive Species Forester from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry** to provide the latest updates on Urban Forest Health issues and concerns.

The Shade Tree Commission is pleased to announce our keynote speaker is **Mr. Jim Chatfield, Associate Professor & Extension Specialist at the Ohio State University Extension**. **Mr. Chatfield will present: “Why Trees Matter”. You will learn about how you can easily determine the economic value of the environmental services trees in our community, on your street, or in your yard provides.**

Following our keynote address, the floor will be open for a question and answer session to discuss local resources and planting standards.

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