

# **Brian Kempf**

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# **Experience**

#### Wood Architecture, LLP

2012 - Present

- Urban Forestry and arboricultural consulting.
- Professional education and training.
- Nursery consulting and training.
- Plant procurement and tagging.
- Project management.
- Construction observation and administration.
- Past Projects/Clients.
  - 1. Apple Computers Corporate Campus in Cupertino, Ca.
  - 2. Valley Crest Tree Company in Filmore, Ca.

#### **Urban Tree Foundation, Executive Director**

1999 - Present

- Grant writing: Responsible for securing \$15 million in grant funding for Urban Forestry projects, street tree
  plantings, riparian restoration and passive recreational trails.
- Grant administration and project management.
- Community tree planting programs: City of Visalia, Tulare, Reedley, Albany, Berkeley, San Francisco, Woodlake, Porterville and Hanford.
- Assist municipalities and jurisdictions with Urban Forestry related issues.
- Develop management plans and needs assessments, draft ordinances for landscape and Urban Forestry, develop guidelines for landscape and Urban Forestry.
- Speaker at over 300 industry wide conferences, educational institutions, community events and professional training seminars.
- Past Projects/Clients.
  - 1. Guideline Specifications for Nursery Tree Quality 2009, California Department of Forestry
  - 2. Structural Pruning: 'A Guide to the Green Industry', California Department of Forestry
  - 3. Street Trees on Hwy 63, Court and Locust, City of Visalia/Cal Trans



## **Decorations for Generations, VP of Marketing and Product & Development**

1998 - 2000

- Responsible for all Reddy Stake sales to the end user market.
- Responsible for the development of marketing promotions and programs.
- Developed the production and manufacturing line for the Reddy Stake.
- Developed press releases.
- Created trade show booths.

#### Screw Tight Post Co., President

1998 - 2000

- Invented Reddy Stake tree staking system.
- Patent search-draft utility patent, awarded patent in 1998.
- Product development and testing.
- Created and expanded sales to include retail and end user markets.
- Developed marketing material.
- Licensed utility patent.

## **Education**

#### **University of California at Davis**

1996

Bachelor of Art in Geography with an emphasis in Regional Planning.

#### References

Steve Solomon 559. 393. 6830

Retired City Manager for the City of Visalia.

Bruce Hagen 707. 576. 2936

Retired Urban Forester CDF, Editor of the Western Arborist, Teacher at Santa Rosa J.C.

Ed Gilman 352. 273. 4523

Professor, Urban Trees & Landscape Plants, University of Florida Envir. OH Dept.

Darla Mills 559. 234. 4109

Cal Fire Regional Urban Forester.



# **Honors & Awards**

Friends of the Oak Award City of Visalia	2001
Certificate of Appreciation  Landscape Supervisors Forum.	2003
Community Service Award Christ Lutheran Church	2004
Certificate of Appreciation  Tulare County Office of Education, Tulare Count WIB, Tulare County Youth Coalition.	2004
Certificate of Recognition  Tulare County Board of Supervisors.	2005
Outstanding Community Service Award City of Visalia, California Parks and Recreation Society.	2007
Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition  Entrepreneur of the Year, Innovation.	2009
Certificate of Recognition	2009
Tulare County Economic Development Corporation- Entrepreneur of the Year Nominee.  Award of Merit  Western Chapter of the International Society of Arbericulture	2012
Western Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture.  Local Motion Award for Outstanding Citizen	2013
Tulare County Association of Governments	