Late summer in New England will beckon arborists across the U.S. when the International Shade Tree Conference holds its 49th convention in Boston in August.

Dates of the meeting are August 12-16. A pre-convention meeting of chapter presidents and past presidents will begin on August 11.

Official opening is slated for early Monday morning. This will be followed by an introduction to the Arnold Arboretum by Dr. Richard A. Howard, director.

Hyland R. Johns, Jr., Asplundh Tree Expert Co., will review the new pesticides applicator regulations. Methods of erosion control using wood chips and native plant material will be presented by Joseph L. Beasley, highway landscape supervisor, Massachusetts department of public works.

Dr. John W. Andresen, department of forestry, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill., will speak on the status of research in the shade tree industry. He will be followed by Dr. Gordon King, arboriculture department, University of Mass. who will discuss tree care in Europe.

The second day will be devoted to touring the Arnold Arboretum and field demonstrations by exhibitors.

The Wednesday session will be divided into three groups, utility arboriculture, municipal arboriculture and commercial arboriculture. Topics discussed in the utility section include: public relations and line clearance by Robert J. Kelly, Detroit Edison Co., alternatives to chemical brush control on transmission lines by G. A. Kihl, Public Service of Indiana; and a panel on right-of-way clearing, brush disposal and aesthetics, moderated by Richard E. Abbott.

In the session on municipal arboriculture, Jack Rogers superintendent of street trees, City of Los Angeles, will discuss planting trees along city streets. William T. Bell, street tree superintendent, Long Beach, Calif. will lead a discussion on the role of the Municipal Arborists Association.

Effective treatment for controlling bark borers will be the topic of Dr. David Neilson, department of entomology, Ohio Agriculture Research and Development Center, Wooster, Ohio. He will be the first speaker in the commercial arboriculture group. Following him will be a speech on getting your message across by Theodore Stamen, agriculture extension agent, Univ. of Conn.

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