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2015 Register of Champion Trees



Champion State Tree – American Elm

Owned by Bryan & Michelle Vidger and daughter Arianna, Fargo, ND

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Champion Tree Program

The NDSU-North Dakota Forest Service maintains the records for the Champion Tree Program. The “ND Register of Champion Trees” contains trees and the runner-ups. Nominations for the largest tree of each genus and species are accepted throughout the year, and are due no later than December 31 at the state headquarters. The register is updated with the new champions and released shortly after the New Year.

Roots of the Program

On May 4, 1984, the ND Society of American Foresters and the ND Tree Farm Committee began a public contest on Arbor Day (the first Friday of May in ND) to find the largest of each native tree species in the state. The contest focused on getting some attention for trees and their owners, while having some fun. It was modeled after the “National Register of Big Trees” run by American Forests. The owner(s) of the largest tree in each native tree species category below received a wood plaque as a prize the following Arbor Day.

American elm	Cottonwood	Peach leaf willow
Balsam poplar	Green ash	Ponderosa pine
Birch	Hackberry	Quaking/trembling aspen
Black ash	Ironwood	Rocky Mountain juniper
Boxelder	Limber pine	Slippery elm
Bur oak	Linden/basswood	

In 1986, when North Dakota’s state centennial emphasis was on *planting 100 million trees* was initiated, the North Dakota Forest Service and Centennial Trees Commission joined as sponsors. The “ND Champion Tree Register” was renamed and expanded to include the first and second native and naturalized non-native trees. Since that time, winners and nominators have both received a certificate and have been included in the Register.

Common Questions

What is a tree? A tree is defined as any plant that has achieved one erect perennial woody stem or trunk at least 3 inches in diameter 4-1/2 feet above the ground (breast height); a definitely formed crown of foliage; and a height of at least 13 feet. To be a champion tree, a tree must meet these minimum requirements. In contrast, shrubs are small woody plants, usually with several perennial stems branching at the base.

What is eligible? A tree is eligible as long as it is rooted and in relatively good health. Measurements for height and average crown spread incorporate all parts of the tree, dead or alive. Native and naturalized non-native trees growing in North Dakota are acceptable. Only major species are accepted, **NO cultivars or named varieties.**

Common buckthorn was removed in 2011, as it is considered an undesirable species in North Dakota.

What's the difference between native and naturalized non-native? Native tree species (also called indigenous) are wild and grew naturally in the undisturbed environment before the arrival of Europeans. A naturalized non-native tree is an introduced species that has become established and is reproducing on its own in “wild” settings.

How long does a champion tree stay in the register? A tree stays in the register until it is dethroned by a larger tree or dies. When two trees have scores that fall within 5 points of each other, they may be listed as co-champions. Trees are measured not more than every 5 years.

Can I visit the champion trees? The champion trees located on public land can be visited without a problem. If a tree is located on private land, we ask that you respect the private landowner and ask permission before making a visit.

How can I nominate a champion tree? At the back of this register is the information you need and a form that can be submitted to the ND Forest Service headquarters by December 31.

What is North Dakota's largest tree? A cottonwood in Ransom County with a girth of 318-inches (26 feet, 6 inches), 115-feet tall and an average crown spread of 110-feet.

What is the nation's largest tree? The “General Sherman” giant sequoia in California is the largest living thing in the world (as heavy as 360 elephants) with a girth of 1,020-inches (85-feet), 274-feet tall and an average crown spread of 107-feet.

The **American Forests** keeps the record for the “National Register of Big Trees,” sponsored by the Davey Tree Expert Company. This program began in 1940. A copy of the national register of big trees can be obtained by calling 1-800-368-5748, Ext. 202, or found at their web site at:

<http://www.americanforests.org/our-programs/bigtree/>

The **NDSU-North Dakota Forest Service** provides the “ND Register of Champion Trees” free upon request in hard copy or it can be found on our web site in a pdf file at:

<https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/ndfs/about-north-dakota-forestry/champion-trees-of-north-dakota>

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Species	Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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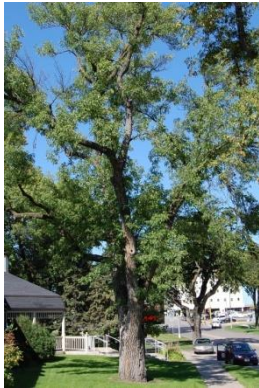
NATIVE TREES

ASH

GREEN, *Fraxinus pennsylvanica*

DM: 7/98	1.	10' 11"	81'	80'	232
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Location: 333 Fourth Street South, Fargo, ND
 Owner: F-M Community Theater, Fargo, ND
 Nominator(s): Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo, ND and Bob Kloubec, Moorhead, MN



Champion Green Ash
 F-M Community Theater, Owner
 Fargo, ND

ASPEN

QUAKING, *Populus tremuloides*

DM: 11/03	1.	6' 4"	65'	36'	150
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Location: West side of Loon Lake, Turtle Mountains, Bottineau, ND
 Owner: Nancy Wold, 912 South Gardner Dr., Chaneler AZ 85224 (602) 713-4011
 Nominator: David Klingbeil and Keith Broe, Bottineau ND

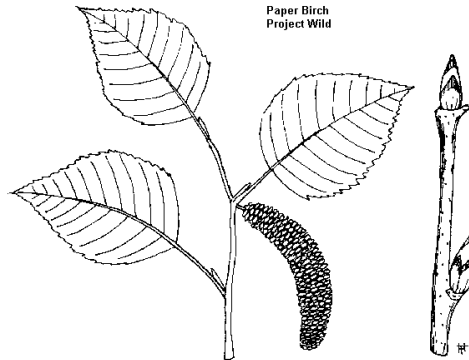
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BIRCH

PAPER BIRCH, *Betula papyrifera*

1. 6' 5" 61' 40' 148

Location: ¼ Mile West of Lake Metigoshe, Bottineau County
 Owner: Danny Johnson, Bottineau ND; (701) 228-3042
 Nominator: Danny Johnson, Bottineau ND



2. 6' 1" 57' 45' 141

Location: Homen State Forest, Bottineau County
 Owner: North Dakota Forest Service
 Nominator: Walter Pasicznyk, Bottineau ND

WATER BIRCH, *Betula occidentalis*

1. 2' 31' 58' 70

Location: SW 1/4 , Sec 16, T136N, R103W, Slope County
 Owner: North Dakota State Land Department
 Nominator: Dr. Richard Cunningham, Bismarck ND (701) 258-6937

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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BOXELDER

Acer negundo

DM: 8/05	1.	17' 9"	46'	70'	276
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Location: 4 Miles south of Tolna, ND on the south side of Sheyenne River
 GPS: N47-46-670, WO 98-26-525

Owner: Fred Lundeby, Tolna ND (701) 262-4916

Nominator: Fred Lundeby, Tolna ND



Champion Boxelder
 Fred Lundeby, owner
 Tolna, ND

	2.	12' 1"	61'	63'	222
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Location: 1430 Fifth Avenue South, Fargo ND

Owner: Lois Mickelson, Fargo ND

Nominator: Lee Dexter, Fargo ND

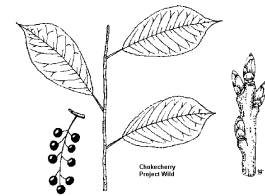
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CHOKECHERRY – ND State Fruit

Prunus virginiana

DM: 8/05 1. 3' 9" 45' 17' 94

Location: 719 Sixth Avenue NE, Devils Lake ND
 Owner: Linda Otto Otto
 Nominator: Mrs. Doug Nerby, Manvel ND (701) 696-2414



COTTONWOOD – Largest tree and tallest tree in ND

Populus deltoids

DM: 8/05 1. 26' 6" 115' 110' 461

Location: SW ¼ Sec 21, Twp 136-54 Greene, Ransom County
 GPS N46 33 996/WO 97 29 323 (701-882-3421)
 Owner: Lee & Judy Schobinger, 5836 140 Ave SE, Sheldon ND 58068
 Nominator: Sharon Bartels, Lisbon ND



Champion Cottonwood
 Lee & Judy Schobinger, owners
 Sheldon, ND

*Bob Kloubec takes official
 measurements of the State's
 largest tree!*

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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Populus deltoids – **Tree with the largest circumference in ND**

DM: 10/12	2.	28' 7"	94'	81'	457
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Location: 1 mi west and ¾ mi south of Horace – N 46 45 04.9 / W 096 55 36
Sec. 19 Twp 138N R 490W - Cass County

Owner: Robert A. Bensen, 326 Wall Street, Horace ND 58047; (701) 282-0128

Nominator(s): Robert A. Bensen, Horace, ND



Cottonwood with largest circumference
Robert A. Bensen, owner
Horace, ND

Forester Lorin Fornes is taking official measurements.

SMOOTH-BARK, *Populus acuminata*

	1.	10'	84'	59'	219
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Location: SW ¼ Sec 26, T136N, R103W, Slope County

Owner: North Dakota State Land Department

Nominator: Dr. Richard Cunningham, Bismarck ND / (701) 258-6937

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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ELM

AMERICAN, *ulmus americana* – **ND State Tree** (see photo on front cover)

DM: 9/05 **1.** 15' 0" 82' 89.5' 284

Location: 1012 Ninth Street South, Fargo ND
 Owner: Bryan and Michelle Vidger, Fargo ND 58103 (701) 293-7550
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN and Scott Liudahl, Fargo ND

DM: 5/05 **2.** 16' 5" 62' 77' 278

Location: Sec 12, T134N, R56W, Ransom County, Rose Street, Lisbon ND
 Owner: City of Lisbon
 Nominator: Bob Harsel, Lisbon ND, NDFS (701) 683-4912



Second Place Elm Tree
 City of Lisbon, owner
 Lisbon ND

*Bob Harsel, ND Forest Service,
 is trying to hug the large tree.*

SLIPPERY, *Ulmus rubra*

DM: 8/01 **1.** 9' 6" 74' 65' 204

Location: 1138 First Street North, Fargo ND
 Owner: Cindy Keney, Fargo ND (701) 232-7258
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND (701) 232-7258

Champion Slippery Elm
 Cindy Keney, Owner
 Fargo, ND



Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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HACKBERRY

COMMON, *Celtis occidentalis*

DM: 10/14 **1.** 10' 8" 52' 52' 194

Location: 16975 95th Street SE, Hankinson ND 58041
 Owner: Jesse Arends, (701) 899-0429; jarends@rrt.net
 Nominator: Jesse Arends



Champion Common Hackberry
 Jesse Arends, owner
 Hankinson, ND

Lorin Forness, ND Forest Service, takes the official measurements of the hackberry tree.

COMMON, *Celtis occidentalis*

DM: 08/01 **2.** 8' 7" 68' 55' 185

Location: 1022 North 5th Street, Bismarck ND
 Owner: Larry Brown
 Nominator: Paul Blumhardt, Bismarck ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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IRONWOOD

Ostrya virginiana

DM: 10/02	1.	3' 6"	38'	34'	89
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Location: 919 Tenth Street North, Fargo ND 58102
 Owner: Sarah Draxton, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Adam Klinnert and Jim Traun, all of Moorhead MN



Champion Ironwood
 Sarah Draxton, owner
 Fargo, ND

	2.	3' 5"	33'	34'	83
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Location: 1020 Fifth Street North, Fargo
 Owner: Harold Unruh, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND

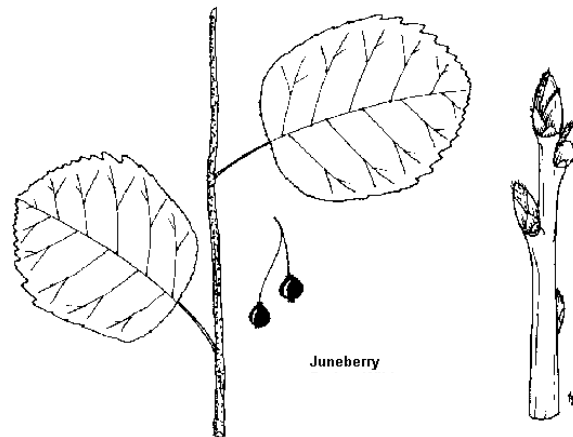
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JUNEBERRY

Amelanchier alnifolia

DM: 09/05	1.	7' 5"	27.5	3.5	36
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Location: ¾ miles south of Dazey on Hwy #1, east of house 200 yds
 Owner: Todd Jorissen, 1636 109 Ave SE, Dazey ND 58429; (701) 733-2279
 Nominator: Jerry Timm, 206 6th Ave NE, Valley City ND 58072; (701) 845-4016



DM: 09/11	2.	10'	17'	12'	30
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Location: 1033 Fourth Street North, Fargo ND
 Owner: Mary Bell, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN

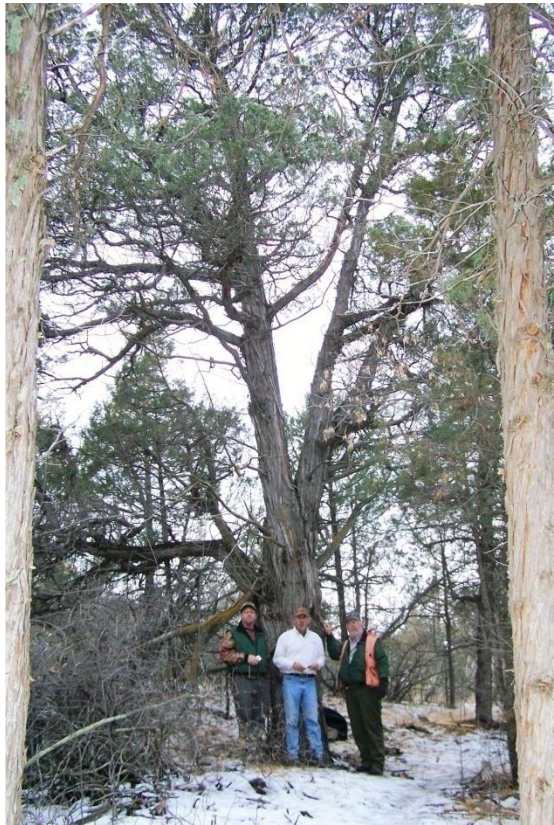
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JUNIPER

ROCKY MOUNTAIN, *Juniperus scopulorum*

DM: 12/08 **1.** 8' 1" 34' 32' 139

Location: Along Summit Trail #8003 – Sec 15, T147N, R99W, McKenzie County
 Lat: 47 degrees 33 minutes 34.98 seconds N
 Long: 103 degrees 16 minutes 33.96 seconds W
 Owner: USDA Forest Service, Dakota Prairie Grasslands, McKenzie Ranger
 District, 1901 South Main Street, Watford City ND 58854
 Nominator: Curtis Glasoe, Russ Walsh and Dave Pieper, USDA Forest Service
 99 23rd Avenue West, Suite B, Dickinson ND 58601; (701) 290-5171



Champion Rocky
 Mountain Juniper
 USDA Forest Service, owner
 McKenzie County

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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ROCKY MOUNTAIN, *Juniperus scopulorum*

	2.	7' 6"	12'	16'	108
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Location: Sec 13, T136N, R102W, Slope County
 Owner: USDA Forest Service, 240 Century Ave W, Bismarck ND
 (701) 250-4454 – Joe Washington at the Dickinson Office
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND

LINDEN

AMERICAN, *Tilia americana*

DM: 09/96	1.	13' 1"	75'	64'	248
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Location: Sec 8, T136N, R52W, Cass County
 Owner: Fred Solhjem, Leonard ND (road closed to this location 8/06)
 Nominators: John Challey and Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN

	2.	11' 5"	63'	43'	210
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Location: Powell Woods, Sec 5, T135, R52, Richland County
 Owner: Carter Powell
 Nominator: Bob Harsel, Lisbon ND

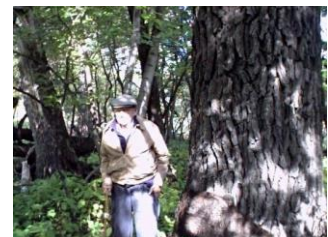
OAK

BUR, *Quercus macrocarpa*

DM: 10/02	1.	12' 4"	83'	65'	248
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Location: Sec. 36, Twp 147, R 53, Traill County
 Owner: Bernhard Nelson, Mayville ND
 Nominator: Levon Nelson, Mayville ND, and
 Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN

Champion Bur Oak
 Owner: Bernhard Nelson
 Mayville, ND

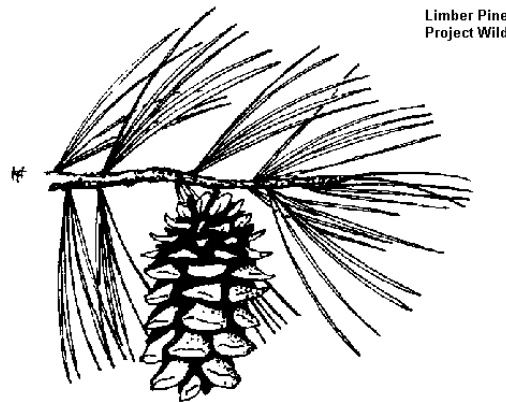


Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
BUR, <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>					
	2.	11' 5"	85'	61'	237
Location:	I-29 Rest area, Harwood ND				
Owner:	ND Department of Transportation				
Nominator:	Jason B. Siebels, Harwood ND				

PINE

LIMBER, *Pinus flexilis*

	1.	5' 5"	39'	30'	111
Location:	Rhame SW ¼, Sec 31, T135N, R105W, Slope County				
Owner:	USDA Forest Service, Dickinson Office – Josh Wilkie (701) 225-5151				
Nominator:	Richard Gilmore, Bismarck ND (701) 221-2453				



Limber Pine
Project Wild

PONDEROSA, *Pinus ponderosa*

	1.	7' 1"	73'	26'	165
Location:	Logging Camp Ranch, Sec 17, T136N, R102W, Slope County				
Owner:	Robert and John Hanson, Bowman ND; (701) 279-5501 summer				
Nominator:	Richard Gilmore, Bismarck ND				

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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POPLAR

BALSAM, *Populus balsamifera*

DM: 10/05	1.	4'	54'	24'	108
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Location: Homen State Forest, Bottineau County
 Owner: North Dakota Forest Service, (Sandy Lake – along road by campground)
 Nominator: Richard Gilmore, Bismarck ND

WILLOW

DM: 09/05	1.	21' 7"	40'	64'	315
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Location: 7 miles SW of Warwick
 Owner: Arrowhead Angus Ranch
 Nominator: Mark and Connie Krebsback, Bismarck ND

	2.	12' 7"	68'	60'	234
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Location: Lindenwood Park, Fargo ND
 Owner: Fargo Parks District
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN

ND State Fossil – Teredo Petrified Wood

North Dakota was one of the first states to recognize a fossil symbol. Teredo petrified wood was designated as the official state fossil in 1967. Teredo petrified wood is unique because of the "worming" of the original wood by the prehistoric teredo - a worm-shaped mollusk related to modern clams, mussels, and oysters. 60 to 80 million years ago, the teredo was burrowing through trees growing near the edges of warm swamps in North Dakota during the Paleocene Epoch.



Species	Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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NON-NATIVE TREES

AMERICAN ARBORVITAE

Thuja occidentalis

1.	6' 2"	45'	30'	126
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Location: Riverside Cemetery, Block 13, Lot #1, Fargo ND
 Owner: Riverside Cemetery Association, 2102 Fifth Street South, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Lowell Siebels, Harwood ND; (701) 282-5538



Champion American Arborvitae
 Riverside Cemetery Association, owners
 Fargo, ND

DM: 12/12	2.	5' 11"	43'	34'	123
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Location: 1109 – 5th Street North, Fargo ND 58102
 Owner: Steve Hauge, Fargo, ND
 Nominator: Steve Hauge, Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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APRICOT

Prunus armeniaca

(DM: 10/05)	1.	3' 3"	31'	43''	81
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Location: 510 25 Avenue North, Fargo ND
 Owner: Craig and Karen Murie, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND



Champion Apricot
 Craig and Karen Murie, owners
 Fargo, ND

ASH

WHITE, *Fraxinus Americana*

DM: 09/02	1.	3' 6"	52'	38'	103
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Location: One block south of the Courthouse in LaMoure ND
 Owner: Ron Splitt, LaMoure ND
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN 56560

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
WHITE, <i>Fraxinus Americana</i>					
	2.	1' 10"	34'	21'	61
Location:	2207 25-1/2 Avenue South, Fargo ND				
Owner:	Trinia Becker				
Nominator:	Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN				

ASPEN

SWEDISH, *Populus tremula*

DM: 09/06	1.	2' 2"	74'	6'	102
Location:	Sheyenne Gardens, Harwood ND				
Owner:	Neal Holland, 1710 29R Street SE, Harwood ND 58042				
Nominator:	Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN				



Champion Swedish Aspen
Neal Holland, owner
Harwood, ND

Species	Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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BIRCH

CUTLEAF WEEPING/EUROPEAN WHITE, *Betula pendula*

DM: 09/12 **1.** 8' 2" 47' 47' 157

Location: 1110 – 2nd Street NE, Mandan, ND 58554-3717 – Morton County
 Owner: Anton J. Kautzman, Mandan, ND – (701) 663-5102
 Nominator: Anton J. Kautzman, Mandan, ND



Champion Weeping White Birch
 Anton J. Kautzman, owner
 Mandan, ND

DM: **2.** 6' 10" 55' 50' 149

Location: County Line of Foster & Griggs, Kingsley Township, Griggs County
 Owner: Dybwad Family, % Ray Walen, HC 1 Box 78A, McHenry, ND 58464
 Nominator: Jackson Bird, Bismarck ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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RIVER, *Betula nigra*

DM: 10/03	1.	3' 1"	42'	51'	92
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Location: 414 Custer, Dickinson ND
 Owner: Edward and Shirley Hartman (701) 225-5239
 Nominator: Dickinson Urban Forestry Committee



Champion River Birch
 Edward and Shirley Hartman, owners
 Dickinson, ND

RIVER, *Betula nigra*

DM: 07/01	2.	2' 3"	40'	38'	77
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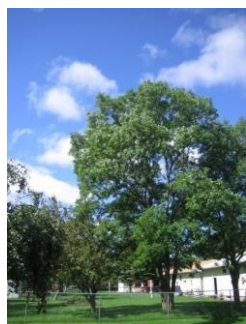
Location: 3013 Bohnet Boulevard, Fargo ND
 Owner: Dennis Rismon
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN

BLACK LOCUST

Robinia pseudoacacia

DM: 07/03	1.	5' 4"	45'	38'	119
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Location: 513 15th Avenue North, Wahpeton ND
 Owner: Gerda Burg
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN



Champion Black Locust
 Gerda Burg, owner
 Wahpeton, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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Robinia pseudoacacia

DM: 05/01	2.	3' 6"	49'	30'	99
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Location: North Dakota State University campus, west side by perennial flower bed
 Owner: North Dakota State University
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN

BUCKEYE

Ohio, *Aesculus glabra*

DM: 08/05	1.	6' 8"	57'	42'	147
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Location: 606 Broadway, Fargo ND
 Owner: St. Mary's Church, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN



Champion Ohio Buckeye
 St. Mary's Church, owner
 Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
Ohio, <i>Aesculus glabra</i>					
	2.	5' 11"	49'	38'	120
Location:	806 Broadway, Portland ND				
Owner:	Gladys Ryre, Portland ND				
Nominator:	Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND				

BUTTERNUT

Juglans cinerea

DM: 08/05	1.	3' 8"	44'	50'	93
Location:	623 Eighth Street South, Fargo ND 58103				
Owner:	David Humphery				
Nominator:	Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN				



Champion Butternut Tree
David Humphery, Owner
Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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CATALPA

NORTHERN, *Catalpa speciosa*

DM: 07/03	1.	4' 5"	54'	31'	115
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Location: 711 Fourth Street North, Wahpeton ND
 Owner: Wade Hardy
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN, and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN



Champion Catalpa
 Wade Hardy, owner
 Wahpeton, ND

DM: 11/03	2.	2' 4"	40'	39'	78
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Location: 1523 Second Avenue N, Grand Forks ND
 Owner: Lylah Sollom, Grand Forks ND
 Nominator: Vernon Quam, Fargo ND

CEDAR

EASTERN RED, *Juniperus virginiana*

(None)

Species	Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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CHESTNUT

EUROPEAN (HORSE), *Aesulus hippocastanum*

DM: 04/10	1.	5'2"	35'	26'	104
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Location: 1418 Porter Avenue, Bismarck ND 58501

Owner: Peter Feist, Bismarck (701) 255-1738

Nominator: Beth Peske, Bismarck ND



Champion European (Horse) Chestnut
Peter Feist, owner
Bismarck, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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COFFEETREE

KENTUCKY, *Gymnocladus dioicus*

DM: 08/05	1.	5' 3"	57'	44'	131
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Location: 1109 Fourth Street North, Fargo ND
 Owner: Joe Freitag, Fargo ND; (701) 293-8795
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND



Champion Kentucky Coffeetree
 Joe Freitag, owner
 Fargo, ND

DM: 07/03	2.	3' 10"	39'	25'	91
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Location: 513 15th Avenue North, Wahpeton ND
 Owner: Gerda Burg
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN, and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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CORKTREE

Amur, *Phellodendron amurense*

DM: 09/06	1.	3' 3"	45'	38'	94
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Location: Sheyenne Gardens at Harwood ND
 Owner: Neal Holland, 1710 29R Street SE, Harwood ND
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN



Champion Amur Corktree
 Neal Holland, owner
 Harwood, ND

CRABAPPLE

SIBERIAN, *Malus baccata*

(None)

Species	Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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ELM

ROCK, *Ulmus thomasi*

DM: 08/05 **1.** 5' 7" 60' 45' 138

Location: 1404 12th Avenue North, Fargo ND (S of NDSU)
 Owner: Northland Educators Credit Union, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND; (701) 232-7258



Champion Rock Elm
 Northland Educators Credit Union, owner
 Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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SIBERIAN, *Ulmus pumila*

DM: 06/01	1.	14' 6"	74'	88'	270
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Location: 1438 Tenth Avenue South, Fargo ND
 Owner: Keith and Teresa Haider; (701) 293-0999
 Nominator: Hubert Haider, Bismarck ND; (701) 255-1296



Champion Siberian Elm
 Keith and Teresa Haider, owners
 Fargo, ND

	2.	10' 10"	52'	54'	19
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Location: Dickinson State University Campus
 Owner: Dickinson State University
 Nominator: Hollis Dietz, Dickinson ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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FIR

BALSAM, *Abies balsamea*

DM: 8/05	1.	5' 10"	50'	30'	127
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Location: 210 Wolcott Avenue, Larimore, ND
 Owner: Andy Tveit, PO Box 161, Larimore ND 58251
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND; (701) 232-7258

DM: 12/7/2015	2.	4' 4"	60'	23'	119
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Location: 1746 37th St NE, Larimore ND 58251 / N47 5530 W97 3724
 Owner: Gerald Peterson, 1746 37th St NE, Larimore ND 58251 / (701) 343-2657
 Nominator: Mark Lewing, 499 Ambrose Creek Rd, Stevensville MT 59870 and
 Dan and Alyssa Mathis, PO Box 166, Larimore ND 58251

DOUGLAS FIR, *Pseudotsuga menziesii*

DM: 08/05	1.	8' 1"	58'	21'	160
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Location: Sec 18, T159N, R55W, Crystal, Pembina County
 Owner: Clyde Reilly, Crystal ND; (701) 657-2195
 Nominator: Larry Kotchman, Bottineau ND

FRASIR FIR, *Abies fraseri*

DM: 12/11	1.	1' 7"	17'	13'	50
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Location: SE ¼ Twp 130N, R 56W in Binhampton Twp, Barnes County
 GPS N46 45 798, WO 97 42 358
 Owner: Arlen Huber, 4431 131st Ave SE, Fingal ND 58031 (701) 924-8278
 Nominator: Easy Butler, Lisbon ND



Champion Fraser Fir
 Arlen Huber, owner
 Fingal, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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ROCKY MOUNTAIN/SUBALPINE, *Abies lasiocarpa*

DM: 12/09	1.	2' 5"	28'	24'	60
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Location: 818 18th Street NE, Jamestown, ND
N 46 SS' 37.4" W 098 41' 48.9"

Owner: Dennis Roaldson, 818 18th Street NE, Jamestown, ND 58401;
(701) 252-4579

Nominator: Vernon Quam, 102 – 3rd Avenue SE, Jamestown; (701) 252-5900



Champion Rocky Mountain Fir
Dennis Roaldson, owner
Jamestown, ND

WHITE, *Abies concolor*

DM: 08/05	1.	3' 1"	32'	20'	74
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Location: 1122 Eighth Street South, Fargo ND

Owner: Tom Monda, Fargo, ND 58102; (701) 239-5967

Nominator: Lowell Siebels, Harwood ND



Champion White Fir
Tom Monda, owner
Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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WHITE, *Abies concolor*

DM: 09/09	2.	3' 0"	24'	17'	64
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Location: South Point of Bowman-Haley Dam, Bowman, ND
 Owner: U.S. Corps of Engineers, % Robert Martin, PO Box 1752,
 Jamestown, ND 58402; (701) 252-7666
 Nominator: Vernon Quam, 102-3rd Ave. SE, Jamestown ND 58401; (701) 252-5900

GINKGO

Ginkgo biloba

DM: 07/09	1.	2' 2"	24'	27'	57
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Location: East Side of Stearn Culture Center Building
 Owner: ND State School of Science, 800 Sixth Street North, Wahpeton ND
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN, and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN



Champion Ginkgo
 ND State School of Science, owners
 Wahpeton, ND

	2.	1' 8"	13'	23'	39
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Location: 1146 Second Street North, Fargo ND
 Owner: Alice Nolan, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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HEMLOCK

EASTERN, *Tsuga Canadensis*

DM: 07/98	1.	11"	12'	12'	26
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Location: West side of Assumption Abbey
 Owner: Assumption Abbey, 418 Third Avenue West, Richardton ND 58652
 Father Thomas (701) 974-3315 thomas@assumptionabbey.com
 Nominator(s): Bob Askew, Casselton ND, and Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN



Champion Eastern Hemlock
 Assumption Abbey, owners
 Richardton, ND

HICKORY

SHAGBARK, *Carya ovate*

DM: 08/05	1.	3' 7"	50'	37'	102
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Location: 301 Pate Avenue, Larimore ND, 2 blocks west of Nursing Home
 Owner: Dorothy Bevan, Larimore ND; (701) 343-2348
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND

Species	Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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HONEYLOCUST

COMMON, *Gleditsia triacanthos*

	1.	5' 10"	60'	40'	140
Location:	111 3 rd Avenue South, Fargo ND				
Owner:	Charles and Monica Mohs, Fargo ND 58103; (701) 293-0611				
Nominator(s):	Lowell Siebels, Harwood ND, and Vernon Quam, Fargo ND				
DM: 08/12	2.	6' 0"	39'	33'	119
Location:	420 West Thayer Avenue, Bismarck ND 58501				
Owner:	Jake Axtman: (701) 220-5659				
Nominator(s):	Jake Axtman, Bismarck, ND				

HOPTREE

Ptelea, trifoliata

DM: 08/05	1.	3' 1"	15'	19'	56
Location:	5503 South University Drive, Fargo ND				
Owner:	City of Fargo (leased to River Keepers); (701) 235-2895				
Nominator:	Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN				



Champion Hoptree
City of Fargo owners
Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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LARCH

EASTERN, *Larix laricina*

DM: 08/05	1.	6' 5"	74'	41'	127
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Location: 1119 North Broadway, Fargo ND
 Owner: Wolfgang and Eeva Salejarvi-Teder, Fargo ND; (701) 298-7912
 Nominator: Walter Pasicznyk, Bottineau ND



Champion Eastern Larch
 Wolfgang and Eeva Salejarvi-Teder, owners
 Fargo, ND

EUROPEAN, *Larix deciduas*

DM: 08/05	1.	6' 10"	83'	41'	175
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Location: 1125 Fourth Street North, Fargo ND
 Owner: Stuart La Boundy, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Richard Gilmore, Bismarck ND



Champion European Larch
 Stuart La Boundy, owner
 Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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SIBERIAN, *Larix sibirica*

1.	4'	55'	18'	108
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Location: Denbigh Experimental Forest
 Owner: USDA Forest Service
 Nominator(s): Glenn Roloff, Missoula MT and Roy Laframboise, Towner ND
 (701) 537-5636

LILAC

JAPANESE TREE, *Syringa reticulate*

DM: 06/04	1.	2'3"	22'	20'	54
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Location: 738 Riverview Drive, Valley City ND
 Owner: Louise Broten, 802 Riverside Drive, Valley City ND 58072
 Nominator(s): Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN



Champion Japanese Tree Lilac
 Louise Broten, owner
 Valley City, ND

DM: 08/03	2.	1' 6"	21'	22'	45
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Location: Sheyenne Gardens, Harwood ND
 Owner: Neal Holland, 1710 29R Street SE, Harwood ND
 Nominator(s): Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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LATE, *Syringa villosa*

DM: 08/05	1.	3' 1"	16'	20'	58
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Location: 211 Front Street, Larimore ND
 Owner: Bob Vageline, 211 Front Street, Larimore ND 58251
 Nominator(s): Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND and Larry Chaput, Fargo ND



Champion Late Lilac
 Bob Vageline, owner
 Larimore ND

LINDEN

LITTLELEAF, *Tilia cordata*

DM: 08/05	1.	7' 2"	48'	45'	113
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Location: 118 Second Avenue South, Steele ND
 Owner: Joe Hagen, Steele ND; (701) 475-2307
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND

Champion Littleleaf Linden
 Joe Hagen, owner
 Steele, ND



Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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MONGOLIAN, *Tilia mongolica*

DM: 08/03	1.	1' 10"	30'	10'	55
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Location: Sheyenne Gardens, Harwood ND
 Owner: Neal Holland, 1710 29 R Street SE, Harwood ND
 Nominator(s): Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN, and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN



Champion Mongolian Linden
 Neal Holland, owner
 Harwood, ND

MAPLE

AMUR, *Acer ginnala*

DM: 08/05	1.	4' 9"	29'	30'	77
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Location: USDA Agriculture Research Station, Mandan ND
 (200 Ft N of Administration Building)
 Owner: USDA Agriculture Research Service
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND

Champion Amur Maple
 USDA Agriculture Research Service, owner
 Mandan, ND



Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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NORWAY, *Acer platanoides*

(None)

RED, *Acer rubra*

DM: 08/05	1.	2' 8"	35'	32'	75
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Location: 501 24 Avenue North, Fargo ND

Owner: Willard Bahr, Fargo ND

Nominator(s): Larry Chaput, Fargo ND, and Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN



Champion Red Maple
Willard Bahr, owner
Fargo, ND

SILVER, *Acer saccharinum*

DM: 05/11	1.	16' 9"	89'	90'	312
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Location: 4902 University Drive South, Fargo, ND

Owner: Robert Penner; (701) 491-2575

Nominator: Robert Penner

	2.	14' 4"	62'	92'	259
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Location: 3 Miles East and 2 ½ Miles North of Wyndmere

Owner: James Shorma, Wyndmere ND

Nominator: James Shorma, Wyndmere ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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SUGAR, *Acer saccharum*

DM: 08/05	1.	7' 7"	67'	52'	157
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Location: 707 Eighth Street South, Fargo ND
 Owner: Michael Weiner, Fargo ND (701) 235-2598
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND



Champion Sugar Maple
 Michael Weiner, owner
 Fargo, ND

MAY DAY

Prunus padus

(None)

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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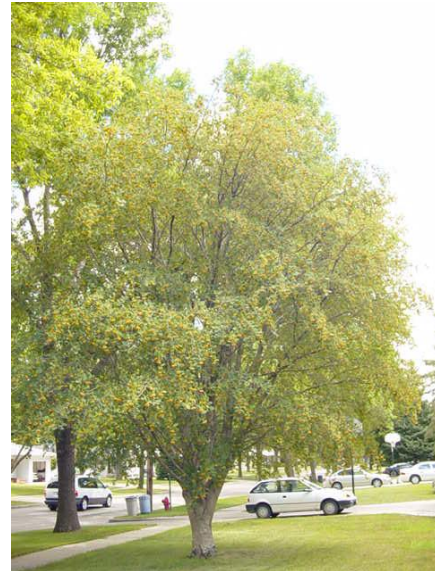
MOUNTAIN ASH

Sorbus aucuparia

DM: 08/05	1.	5' 3"	42'	30'	112
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Location: 110 23rd Avenue North, Fargo ND
 Owner: Jeff Weitzel, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN

Champion Mountain Ash
 Jeff Weitzel, owner
 Fargo, ND



DM: 09/00	2.	4' 10"	36'	32'	102
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Location: 1219 Sixth Street South, Fargo ND
 Owner: Ron and Eva McCullough, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN

MULBERRY

RED, *Morus rubra*

(None)

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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WHITE, *Morus alba*

DM: 08/05	1.	3' 11"	50'	47'	109
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Location: 1819 64th Avenue North, Fargo ND (east of house 30 feet)
 Owner: Art Lies
 Nominator: Bob Koubec, Moorhead MN



Champion White Mulberry
 Art Lies, owner
 Fargo, ND

OAK

MONGOLIAN, *Quercus mongolica*

DM: 09/06	1.	4' 11"	40'	40'	109
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Location: East Side of Morrill Hall, NDSU campus, Fargo
 Owner: North Dakota State University
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND



Champion Mongolian Oak
 North Dakota State University, owner
 Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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MONGOLIAN, *Quercus mongolica*

DM: 08/03	2.	3'1"	36'	20'	84
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Location: Sheyenne Gardens, Harwood ND
 Owner: Neal Holland, 1710 29R Street SE, Harwood ND
 Nominator(s): Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN, and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN

PECAN

Carya illinoensis

DM: 08/05	1.	15"	22'	20'	34
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Location: 731 12 Street North, Fargo ND 58103
 Owner: Paul and Pam Burkhardt, Fargo ND
 Nominator(s): Bob Kloubec, Adam Klinnert and Jim Traun, all of Moorhead MN



Champion Pecan
 Paul & Pam Burkhardt, owners
 Fargo, ND

PINE

AUSTRIAN, *Pinus nigra*

	1.	4' 9"	55'	32'	120
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Location: Mandan Field Station
 Owner: USDA Agriculture Research Service
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
<i>JACK, Pinus banksiana</i>					
	1.	5' 1"	48'	40'	119
Location:	15 Miles NW of Towner ND				
Owner:	The Livedahlen Family, Towner ND				
Nominator:	Ross Laframboise, Towner ND				
	2.	4' 1"	52'	28'	108
Location:	RR 1 Box 24, Fullerton ND				
Owner:	Carl and Ellen Larson, Fullerton ND				
Nominator:	Walter Pasicznyk, Bottineau ND				
<i>RED, Pinus resinosa</i>					
	1.	3' 2"	64'	19'	107
Location:	Denbigh Experimental Forest, Denbigh ND				
Owner:	USDA Forest Service				
Nominator:	Richard Gilmore, Bismarck ND				
	2.	2' 11"	38'	16'	77
Location:	ND ¼, Sec 35, T162W, R56W				
Owner:	North Dakota Game and Fish Department				
Nominator:	Al Peterson, Marchfield, Wisconsin				

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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SCOTCH, *Pinus sylvestris*

DM: 12/07/2015	1.	13' 2"	54'	43'	223
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Location: Corner of County Road 4 and 38th St NE, Larimore, ND / N47 5426 W97 3852 / SE¼ of Section 11 Twp 151 R 055 in Grand Forks County
 Owner: Rodney Folkers, 1858 39th St NE, Larimore ND 58251 / (701) 3443-6233
 Nominator(s): Mark Lewing, 499 Ambrose Creek Rd, Stevensville MT 59870 and Dan and Alyssa Mathis, PO Box 166, Larimore ND 58251



Champion Scotch Pine
 Rodney Folkers, owner
 Larimore, ND

DM: 07/03	2.	7' 10"	55'	49'	161
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Location: Chahinkapa Zoo, Wahpeton ND
 Owner: Chahinkapa Zoo, 1900 North Fourth Street, Wahpeton ND
 Nominator(s): Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN, and Adam Klinnert, Moorhead MN

WHITE, *Pinus strobes*

DM: 10/12	1.	5' 9"	60'	42'	140
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Location: 3559 – 82nd Avenue SE, Jamestown, ND 58401
 Owner: Levi Nenow: (701) 320-4787
 Nominator: Vernon Quam, 4175 Hwy 281 SE, Jamestown ND 58401



Champion White Pine
 Levi Nenow, owner
 Jamestown, ND

Species	Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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WHITE, *Pinus strobes*

2.	4'	62'	36'	119
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Location: 817 Second Street North, Fargo ND 58102
 Owner: Carlee O'Dell; (701) 235-9583
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND

POPLAR

WHITE, *Populus alba*

DM: 12/09	1.	14' 9"	72'	86'	261
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Location: 15 – 2nd Avenue SW, Bowman
 46 11' 02.52062"N 103 24' 13.96764"W
 Owner: City of Bowman, Parks & Recreation Department, % Glen Moser,
 PO Box 12, Bowman ND 58623; (701) 523-3896
 Nominator: Vernon Quam, 102–3rd Ave. SE, Jamestown ND 58401; (701) 252-5900



Champion White Poplar
 City of Bowman, owner
 Bowman, ND

*Tree was officially measured by:
 Roger Ashley-NDSU Extension,
 Curtis Glasoe-US Forest Service,
 Marissa Krebs-US Forest Service, and
 Andrea Bowman- County Agent.*

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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WHITE, *Populus alba*

DM: 12/09	2.	11' 9"	78'	79'	239
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Location: 16 – 2nd Avenue SW, Bowman, ND
 46 10' 54.76635"N 103 23' 53.19131"W
 Owner: Todd Walby, 16 – 2nd Avenue SW, Bowman, ND 58623; (701) 523-4189
 Nominator: Vernon Quam, 102–3rd Ave. SE, Jamestown ND 58401; (701) 252-5900

RUSSIAN OLIVE

Elaeagnus angustifolia

DM: 07/06	1.	6' 3"	49'	50'	137
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Location: East side of Industrial Ag Communications Center Building
 Owner: North Dakota State University, Fargo ND
 Nominator(s): Bob Koubec, Moorhead MN, and Larry Chaput, Fargo ND



Champion Russian Olive
 North Dakota State University, owner
 Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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SPRUCE

BLACK, *Picea mariana*

None

COLORADO BLUE, *Picea pungens*

DM: 09/96	1.	7' 4"	76'	31'	172
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Location: First Avenue North and Third Street North, Leonard ND

Owner: Clark Richards, Leonard ND

Nominator: Richard Gilmore, Bismarck ND

ENGELMANN, *Picea Engelmannii*

DM: 09/00	1.	3' 5"	53'	17'	111
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Location: Sec. 10 Twp 162N R 69W, Rolette County

Owner: Terry Lindbo, RR 1 Box 203, Rolla ND

Nominator: Terry Lindbo, RR 1 Box 203, Rolla ND

NORWAY, *Picea abies*

DM: 08/05	1.	10'	80'	48'	212
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Location: 14151 62-1/2 Street SE, Lisbon ND

Right by the house, N46 30 825, WO 97 27 165

Owner: Rodger and Ardis Evanson, Lisbon ND 58054 (701) 882-3245

Nominator(s): Sharon Bartels, Enderlin ND and Tim Spiekermeier, Sheldon ND



Champion Norway Spruce
Rodger and Ardis Evanson, owners
Lisbon, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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NORWAY, *Picea abies*

	2.	7' 10"	60'	32'	162
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Location: RR 1 Box 9, Ft. Ransom ND
 Owner: Herb Martinson, Ft. Ransom ND
 Nominator: Snorrie Thorfinnson, Ft. Ransom ND

WHITE, *Picea glauca*

DM: 08/05	1.	9' 5"	98'	43'	222
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Location: Sec 18, T159N, R55W, Crystal, Pembina County
 Owner: Clyde and Carol Reilly, Crystal ND (701) 657-2195
 Nominator: Larry Kotchman, Bottineau ND



Champion White Spruce
 Clyde and Carol Reilly, owners
 Crystal, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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SYCAMORE

Plantanus occidentalis

DM: 08/05	1.	6' 5"	51'	45'	139
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Location: 905 North 12 Street, Bismarck ND on the Boulevard
 Owner: City of Bismarck
 Nominator: Paul Blumhardt, Bismarck ND



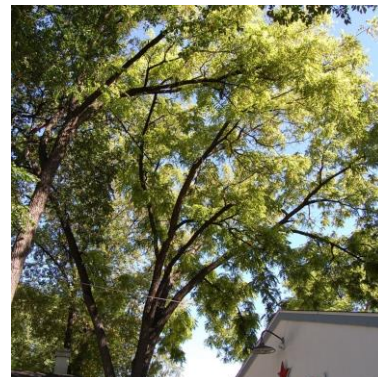
Champion Sycamore
 City of Bismarck, owner
 Bismarck, ND

WALNUT

BLACK, *Juglans nigra*

DM: 01/02	1.	7' 9"	68'	50'	169
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Location: Fargo ND
 Owner: (confidential)
 Nominator: Lowell Siebels, Harwood ND



Champion Black Walnut
 Fargo, ND

Species		Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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BLACK, *Juglans nigra*

	2.	7' 3"	58'	48'	157
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Location: 815 North Tenth Street, Fargo ND
 Owner: Tony and Sherry Dingmann, Fargo ND
 Nominator: Dr. Dale Herman, Fargo ND

WILLOW

GOLDEN, *Salix alba*

DM: 08/02	1.	24' 10"	71'	65'	372
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Location: East side of Mickelson Field (Park System), Fargo ND
 Owner: Fargo Parks Department, 701 Main Avenue, Fargo ND 58103
 Nominator(s): Bob Kloubec, Moorhead MN, and Lowell Siebels, Harwood ND



Champion Golden Willow
 Fargo Parks Department, owner
 Fargo, ND

DM: 1/10	2.	22' 0"	66'	68'	347
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Location: 328 – 5th Avenue SW (backyard), Jamestown, ND
 Owner: Gary and Louvicia Mayer; (701) 252-0031
 Nominator: Vernon Quam, 102 3rd Avenue SE, Jamestown ND 58401; (701) 252-5900

LAUREL, *Salix pentandra*

(None)

Species	Circumference at 4-1/2 feet (feet)	Height (feet)	Crown Spread (feet)	Total Points
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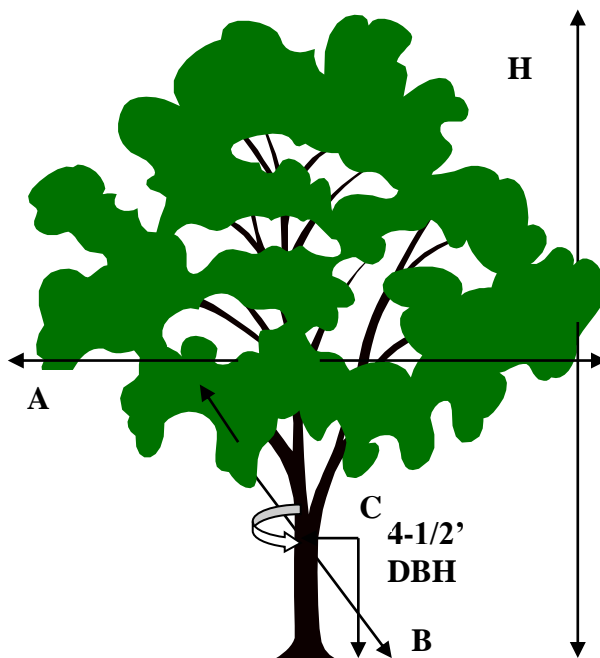
HOW TO NOMINATE A CHAMPION TREE

1. If you think you have a champion, fill in the nomination form on Page 53 and mail or email it along with a (jpg) photo to the address at the bottom of the form. Forms are due by December 31 each year. If you have any questions, contact Glenda Fauske at (701) 228-5446 or Glenda.Fauske@ndsu.edu.
2. A tree is defined as any plant that has achieved one erect perennial woody stem or trunk at least 3-inches in diameter at 4-1/2 feet above the ground (breast height); has a definitely formed crown of foliage; and a height of at least 13-feet. To be a champion tree, a tree must meet these minimum requirements. In contrast, shrubs are small woody plants, usually with several perennial stems branching at the base.
3. A tree is eligible as long as it is rooted and in relatively good health. Native and naturalized non-native trees growing in North Dakota are acceptable. Only major species are accepted, **NO cultivars or named varieties**. Common buckthorn was removed in 2011, as it is considered an undesirable species in North Dakota.
4. If you are not sure what type of tree you have, you may also send in a small branch with several attached twigs and leaves so it can be identified. Put them in a sealed plastic bag and mail it along with the nomination form in a bubble bag.
5. If the tree is a possible new state champion, a forester or designated representative will visit the tree and officially measure it.
6. If it is a new state champion, the owner and nominator will each receive a certificate and the tree will be added to the "ND Champion Tree Register." It will stay there until it is dethroned by a larger tree or dies.

HOW TREES ARE MEASURED TO GET POINTS

The following formula accumulates three measurements to get the **Total Points: Circumference (in inches) + Height (in feet) + ¼ of the Average Crown Spread (in feet)**.

- ◆ **(C) Circumference** of the trunk at breast height (4-1/2 feet above the ground) in feet and inches. If there is a fork at this point, measure the smallest circumference below the fork. If it branches below 4-1/2 feet, measure the largest fork above the branching.
- ◆ **(H) Height** in feet, from the base to the topmost twig of the tree.
- ◆ **(A & B)** One quarter of the *average Crown Spread* in feet. The crown spread should be measured in two directions, perpendicular to each other, at the widest portion and the most narrow. The average of the two measurements is taken as the average crown spread.



The total of these three rounded figures gives a single figure denoting the score. In case of a tie, the tree with the largest trunk circumference becomes the winner. Trees will not be re-measured until five years have passed.

CHAMPION TREE NOMINATION FORM

Common Tree Name: _____ Date Nominated: _____

Genus and species (if known): _____

Tree Location: _____ or GPS Reading: _____

or Section: _____ Twp: _____ R: _____ County _____

Tree Health Condition (*circle one*): Excellent Good Fair Poor

Estimated Circumference: ___ ft. ___ in. (4-1/2 ft. from the ground) Height: ___ ft.

Crown Spread: A ___ + B ___ = _____ total feet divided by 2 = the average of ___

Please include a photo or e-mail a digital jpg to: Glenda.Fauske@ndsu.edu.

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Date officially measured: _____

Circumference in inches _____ + Height in feet _____ + ¼ of the Average Crown

Spread in feet _____ = **Total Cumulative Points** _____ Measured by: _____

If this is a champion, as the owner my signature below authorizes the release of my name, the tree and its location in a news release, on the ND Forest Service web site and in the public "Register."

Signature of Tree Owner: _____

Print Name of Tree Owner: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email (optional): _____

Nominator of Tree: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email (optional): _____

MAIL THIS FORM TO: Champion Tree Register – G. Fauske
NDSU-North Dakota Forest Service
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Bottineau ND 58318-1100

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Deadline is December 31 of each year.