### Kansas Forest Service

- Established on March 10, 1887, KFS is the 5th oldest state forestry agency in the nation
- Administratively located at Kansas State University in the College of Agriculture
- Mission Statement: "Care of Natural Resources and Service to People Through Forestry"
- Programs include Conservation Tree and Shrub Planting, Fire Management, Community Forestry, Rural Forestry, Marketing & Utilization and Forest Health
- State office is located in Manhattan with 11 district offices spread throughout the state



State Champion Eastern White Pine Leavenworth County

#### Tree Species:\_\_\_\_\_

Circumference:\_\_\_\_\_

Height:\_\_\_\_\_

Crown Spread:\_\_\_\_\_

Total Points:\_\_\_\_\_

Measured By:\_\_\_\_\_

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

Comments:

For more information or to nominate a tree visit our website: www.kansasforests.org

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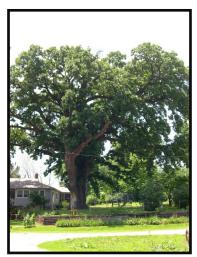
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# Champion Trees

National and Kansas Register



State Champion Bur Oak Pottawatomie County



National Champion Western Soapberry Johnson County

# What is a Champion Tree?

A champion tree is the largest tree of a species

### National Register

- www.americanforests.org
- 700+ species
- Established in 1940
- Sponsored by The Davey Tree Expert Company

### Kansas Register

- www.kansasforests.org
- 130+ species



State Champion White Fir Wyandotte County

# How is a Champion Tree determined?

Total points = Circumference + Height + (crown spread/4)

### Circumference

- Measured in inches (1 inch = 1 point)
- Measured at 4.5 feet high unless otherwise noted

### Height

• Measured in feet (1 foot = 1 point)

### Crown Spread

- Measured in feet (1 foot = 0.25 point)
- First measurement is the distance from one end of branches to the other end
- Second measurement is the same distance perpendicular to the original measurement
- The two measurements are averaged for the crown spread and then divided by four



State Champion White Mulberry Douglas County

## Why are the Champion Tree Registers important?

- Honoring large and resilient trees
- Increasing awareness of a variety of tree species
- Developing interest in the natural world
- Preservation and protection of big trees for both historical and scientific interests
- Celebrating the legacy of the Wye Oak of Wye Mills, MD



State Champion Dwarf Chinkapin Oak Brown County