

INSIDER'S GUIDE TO THE FAMOUS & HISTORIC TREE PROGRAM

What is the Famous & Historic Tree Program?

Since 1981, the AFC has sponsored a program to locate and recognize trees of historic significance - The Famous & Historic Tree Program.

When can a tree be nominated?

- Trees may be nominated any time of the year.
- The review committee meets and announces new additions quarterly.

How do I nominate a tree?

- Nomination forms are available on-line and in county AFC offices.
- Nomination forms include two pages: a nomination form and a condition form.
- The nomination form may be completed on-line or sent via fax or mail.
- The condition form may be completed by any “qualified person” (arborist, horticulturist, forester), so an AFC employee is not necessarily required.
- The condition form is available on-line but currently cannot be submitted electronically.

What are the criteria for selection?

The following categories are used to determine eligibility:

Notable People

Development of the nation, state, county or city

Eminent educators/educational institutions

Churches and religion

Early forest and conservation

Art, artists, literature and writers, law, music, science, or the cultural life of the nation, state, county or city.

What happens once a tree is approved?

The owner and nominator receive certificates. A tree marker is provided to the owner of the tree for placement during a public ceremony. The AFC is not responsible for the ceremony.