

MEDINA COUNTY BIG TREE CONTEST

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Medina County Soil and Water Conservation District

Contest Guidelines:

- 1.) The 2012 contest is open for the Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*) tree
- 2.) Tree nominated must be located in Medina County.
- 3.) A tree may be nominated only once. The first nomination received will be entered in the contest.
- 4.) The tree does not have to be on the property of the nominator, however, permission of the landowner must be obtained by the nominator.
- 5.) The Medina County nomination form must be submitted to:
 - **Medina County Soil and Water Conservation District**
 - **6090 Wedgewood Road, Medina, Ohio 44256**
 - **330-722-2628 extension- 3**
- 6.) All nomination forms must be received by June 1, 2012 - 4:30 p.m.
- 7.) All nominated trees will be measured by qualified personnel who will use the official Ohio's Big Tree nomination form. Decisions of the judges will be final.
- 8.) The Medina Big Tree Award will be made at the Annual Banquet of the Soil and Water Conservation District to be held in the fall.

2012 RED OAK TREE NOMINATION FORM

- Circumference (in inches) at 4 1/2 feet height on uphill side of tree _____
- Best estimate of height (in feet) _____
- Best estimate of diameter (in feet) of the tree's crown _____
- Date Measured _____
- Measured by _____
- Location of Tree: Township _____
- Tree's location (sketch a map of the tree's location and mark the tree) *This is very helpful!*
- Name of owner _____
- Address of tree _____ City _____ Zip _____
- Nominated by _____ Phone _____
- Nominator's address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Big Tree Contest

The Medina County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) along with the Medina County Gazette will sponsor the 10th annual Big Tree Contest. In this contest, entrants submit a nomination for a predetermined type of tree they believe might be the largest in the county. Qualified personnel will measure the trees to determine the winner.

The contest procedures are based on requirements of the Ohio Division of Forestry, since winners may be submitted for the Ohio Big Tree Program as a state champion. You may not have a state champion, but the tree could be Medina County's champ.

- ❖ 2012's trees will be **RED OAK** tree
- ❖ The tree nominated must be located in Medina County.
- ❖ A tree may be nominated only once. The first nomination received will be entered in the contest.
- ❖ The tree does not have to be on the property of the nominator; however, permission of the landowner must be obtained prior to nomination.
- ❖ The nomination form must be submitted to the SWCD office by June 1, 2012.
- ❖ Qualified District personnel will measure all nominated trees. The decision of the District will be final.
- ❖ Prizes will be awarded at the District's annual meeting in the fall.
- ❖ Prizes will include a \$25.00 coupon to be used for the District's 2013 tree seedling sale (no other cash value) and a plaque with tree's statistics.

Take an entry form to nominate your winning **Red Oak** tree.

For more information please call either Jim or Beth in our office.

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