**Tree Tour BT3. Central and North Campus Big Trees**

Welcome to "Rod's Tree Tours" of the University of Nevada Reno Arboretum. My name is Rod Haulenbeek, AKA "The Tree Hunter." I am the host for this tour.

This is the "Central and North Campus Big Trees" Tree Tour. It starts at the Mackay Statue, heads around the Mackay Mines Building, past the Ansari Business Building, enters Hilliard Plaza past the Mack Social Sciences Building, and, in front of the Reynolds Journalism Building, goes around Schulich Lecture Hall to the Leifson Physics Building. In addition, it tours two trees on the North side of the campus.

For more information on the various attributes of Big Trees, go to the Frequently Asked Questions Link on "Rod's Tree Tour."

Also, I am giving you the number of points the National Champion has, so you can see how the UNR trees "stack up." If a tree doesn't have a National Champion, I shall tell you so.

Okay, let's get started.

Facing the front of the Mackay Statue, turn left, then right onto the sidewalk on the west side of Mackay Mines. Near the sidewalk, about 50 feet from Mackay Mines, is a lone large tree at number 1 on the map. It is:

**Dutch Elm**
- Scientific Name: *Ulmus x hollandica*
- Type Big Tree: Champion
- Circumference at breast height: 118 inches
- Height: 88 feet
- Average spread: 59 feet
- Total points: 221
- National Champion: none

Continue along the sidewalk until you reach the patio in front of Ansari. The tree to the left of the door and farthest from the door at number 2 on the map is:

**White Alder**
- Scientific name: *Alnus rhombifolia*
- Type Big Tree: Champion
- Circumference at breast height: 67 feet
- Height: 41 feet
- Average spread: 37 feet
- Total points: 117
- National champion: 250 points

Go around Ansari and descend the stairs to the north side of Ansari. You are now in Hilliard Plaza. The weeping tree 50 feet ahead at number 3 is:

**Weeping Crabapple**
- Scientific name: *Malus 'Red Jade'*
- Type Big Tree: Co-champion
- Circumference at breast height: 32 inches
Height: 18 feet
Average spread: 22 feet
Total points: 56
National champion: none

Take the left sidewalk next to Mack. About halfway along the building is a conifer at number 4. It is:

**Blue Atlas Cedar**
Scientific name: *Cedrus atlantica* 'Glaucia'
Type Big Tree: Champion
Circumference at breast height: 94 inches
Height: 88 feet
Average spread: 51 feet
Total points: 195
National Champion: none

Head across the lawn toward the round Schulich Lecture Hall. There is a round-headed weeping tree near the large sidewalk at number 5. It is:

**Young's Weeping Birch**
Scientific name: *Betula pendula* 'Youngii'
Type Big Tree: Co-champion
Circumference at breast height: 27 inches
Height: 12 feet
Average spread: 18 feet
Total points: 44
National Champion: none

Turn right at the sidewalk in front of Reynolds and go around Schulich. At the right (south) end of Leifson at number 6 is:

**Japanese Flowering Cherry**
Scientific name: *Prunus serrulata*
Type Big Tree: Champion
Circumference at breast height: 43 inches
Height: 43 feet
Average spread: 31 feet
Total Points: 91
National Champion: none

Note: There are two more Big Trees on Campus, which not on any of these "Big Trees" Tree Tour.

To get to the first tree, walk across the street from the Nevada Historical Society. Look for the wooden sign, and enter the Cherry Blossom Garden. Go south on the gravel path to just before a water feature. On the right is a compound-leaved tree. It is:

**European Ash**
Scientific name: *Fraxinus excelsior*
Type Big Tree: Champion
Circumference at breast height: 80 inches
Height: 62 feet
Average spread: 43 feet
Total points: 153
National Champion: none

To get to the second tree, turn off North Virginia Street to the street between the Post Office and KNPB and follow it to just past a turnaround. On the left is a door to one of the Medical Buildings. Enter it and, once inside, go down the hallway to the right and enter the atrium you see. The tree is the larger of two trees left of the sidewalk. It is:

**Smoketree**
Scientific name: *Cotinus coggygyria*
Type Big Tree: Champion
Circumference at breast height: 23 feet
Height: 39 feet
Average spread: 22 feet
Total points: 67
National Champion: none

This concludes the "Central Campus Big Trees" Tree Tour. Thank you for joining me on this tour. If you would like to support the Arboretum, please see the options on the “Donate” link on the UNR Arboretum website.