

## PRESS RELEASE

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### AMAZING TREE QUEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED!

The AMAZING TREE QUEST launched on May 28th by Rivers West Red River Corridor in partnership with the Manitoba Forestry Association (MFA) is pleased to announce the winning trees for 2016. This culminates activities that have occurred during National Forest Week which is held each year to encourage greater awareness and recognize the importance of Canada's forests and trees to our nation. This year's theme was True North, Strong and Green, recognizing how communities, families and individuals depend on forests for their livelihood and way of life.

We are pleased to announce the three winners of the 2016 Amazing Tree Quest:



#### **1st place**

Brian Roy

Type of tree: Oak Tree

Location: Near St-Pierre-Jolys

*"You can see me sitting in front of my oak tree.... I took (7 core samples) and the average came to about 292 years old."*



## 2nd place

Courtney Fontaine

Tree name: Andre

Location: Winnipeg, MB

*"I bought my home 5 years ago and it was here. I was told by Fontaine Landscaping it could be one of the tallest trees in St. Vital. Many neighbours often joke (probably seriously) that we should cut it down due to all of the leaves however we enjoy the park like atmosphere it adds to our yard."*

## Honourable Mention

Micheal Grime

Type of tree: Tamarack

Location: D'Arcy Drive, Winnipeg, MB



First and second place receive a gift certificate at a garden centre of their choice!

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