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### **NOMINATE YOUR FAVORITE TREE**

**WAKE FOREST, NC – February 24, 2009** – The Wake Forest Urban Forestry Advisory Board encourages you to celebrate Arbor Day by nominating your favorite tree for recognition in the biannual Capital Trees Program awards.

Over the past 12 years the Capital Trees Program has recognized over 200 significant trees throughout Wake County.

The nomination deadline is March 20, 2009 – Arbor Day in North Carolina. After compiling the nominations, a professional awards jury will visit and evaluate all the nominated trees and recommend those eligible for awards. Trees can be nominated in four categories: Champion, Historic, Landmark, and Meritorious.

Awards will be presented at the county commission, town council or city council meetings in the municipality where the tree is located. Both the nominator and owner of those trees receiving recognition will be invited to the awards ceremony to celebrate the beauty and environmental benefits provided by these honor roll trees.

To nominate your favorite tree, contact Town Planner Ann Ayers at (919) 554-6143 or via email at [aayers@wakeforestnc.gov](mailto:aayers@wakeforestnc.gov). Additional information and a nomination form are available at [www.tjcog.dst.nc.us/members/captrees.shtml](http://www.tjcog.dst.nc.us/members/captrees.shtml).

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