

# **Clackamas County Heritage Tree Program**

Approved 2012

#### **Points of Interest**

Owner: Steve Berliner

Location: SE Hull Ave.,

Milwaukie

**Species:** Scarlet Oak (Quercus coccinea)

Age: Approx. 145 years

Height: 90 & 93 feet

**Canopy:** 65 & 81 feet

**Diameter: 36 & 37** 

inches

Circumference: 8 feet 9 inches & 10 feet 1 inch

Health: Good

#### **Significant Features**

The trees date back to 1867, which predates the historic William and Irene Finley home completed in 1921.

### **Berliner Property**

## Scarlet Oak (stand of two trees)

These two Scarlet Oak trees are historically tied to the 1921 Finley house. The property was part of the late Berryman and Martha Jennings property, and the trees were likely planted by the Jennings around 1867.

Berryman Jennings, born in 1807, married Martha in 1851 and filed his donation land claim in 1852. Mr. Jennings, a well-known Oregon State legislator, who was owner of the Lot Whitcombe paddle-wheeler and Grand Master of the Oregon Masonic Grand Lodge, passed away in 1888.

The tree species is a medium-large deciduous tree native to the eastern United States from southern Maine west to eastern Oklahoma and south to southern Alabama. It is typically planted for ornamental purposes for its bright red fall color.

The stand of two Scarlet Oak trees are nominated and approved under the Heritage Tree category of a historic landmark.





