This is Volume 47 of the Quarterly Trail Tree Project Newsletter. We hope the topics in this newsletter will be of interest to you. If you want us to report on other things, just let us know and we will be happy to do that. Below is all the latest news.

**Trail Tree (TT) Database**

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In late December 2019, we crossed the threshold of 2,700 Marker Trees in the database and now are heading to 2,710. The trees in the database cover 44 states and Canada. The remaining states in the lower 48 that do not have a Marker Tree found as yet are North & South Dakota, Idaho and Nevada. We need folks from those states looking for a Marker tree so we can get our coverage to 48 states. Someday, maybe we will get a tree from Alaska and Hawaii.

**Trees of Interest**

I’ve selected some of trees from all over the United States submitted from mid-year to November 2019 to show the extent of Marker Trees nationwide. We keep thinking we are going to run out of finding them but not the case. Every time an article appears about the trees, the number submissions increased several fold.

**GA Trees**

Kit works on a golf course in North GA. He discovered his tree just off one of the fairways. Interestingly, hundreds of folks have walked by the tree for many years before Kit found it and reported it to us. Other trees have been found on golf courses in SC and NC.

David’s tree, also from GA, was found in the northeast part of the state.
Lydia, a friend of ours, was hiking the Lookout Mt area of TN and suggested we go visit to see the amazing tree she found there. This tree is on the very end of the bluff overlooking the Chattanooga and Tennessee River valley. The area where the tree is located was occupied by Union and Confederate soldiers who battled at this site during the Civil War. This tree was determined to be a sacred ceremonial tree for the Cherokee Indians who lived here before the removal.

Shawn’s tree, also from TN, was found by him in the Tennessee River valley below the other tree and marking a known Indian trail.
**AL Tree**

Andy’s tree is marking an Indian village site on his land in AL. We visited this site to document the tree and the common cultural features of the Creek Indian village.

**MO Tree**

Michael found his tree near Independence MO. This tree is very old and may not be with us much longer.

**NY Tree**

Michael’s tree was found in NY pointing toward a stream. He is searching the area for more trees.
WV Tree

Gary found this very unique Marker Tree in West Virginia. We believe it is a very special ceremonial tree. We have seen a number of Marker Trees with long horizontal arms. This is one of the longest.

Ohio Tree

On this OH farm, there is a large 49-ring Geospiral marking a ceremonial site. We have found sites where the trees and shrubs are bent toward energy sources. Across from the Geospiral are a number of trees all pointing toward it. Several of these trees were bent to mark the location.

At a site in GA where there is a very powerful Geospiral, there is a privet thicket surrounding the site. Some of those privet bushes are leaning toward the Geospiral and others are leaning away.
**Iowa Tree**
We do not have many trees found in IA yet, but Mark just found his second one.

**Indian Heritage Sites Research Program**

We have continued with our research of sacred sites having energy fields associated with the site. In North GA, we have been working at a site where four cultures, Late Mississipian, Creek, Catawba and Cherokee all used the site over a 600-year period. One interesting find at the site is a powerful upwelling and Geospiral energy location that we think was used by the Catawba for ceremonial purposes. We think the Medicine Man for the tribe visited this site to receive visions for guiding the tribal government on its path. This same site was later used by the Cherokee as a healing site. The Geospiral at this location has 49-rings of energy which are spaced one-foot apart. Normally, the rings are spaced 5-6 feet apart. Thus, it is one of the most powerful found to date.

At the center of the Geosprial is a very unique created Marker Tree. The Catawba took five Poplar trees and grafted them together to form a right upside-down hand. The five trees form the fingers and where they are grafted together on the ground, they form the palm. The picture to the right shows the tree but does not begin to compare what you see when you stand in front of it looking into the hand. It is an incredible site to behold.

I mentioned in the last newsletter about our researching some churches that were built to the Geodetic Code. That is, they have a specific pattern of energy under the building which was used to guide the design of the building. We have now determined that some of these churches were built on top of very sacred Indian sites. These sacred sites
were where numerous Indian tribes could come and gather for trade, for council and for healing. These sites were well known to the tribes. These sites were a place of safety where no blood could be spilled. Each of these sites were marked with a Marker Tree, rock cairn or other rock structure. We visited three of these churches in GA in November and filmed our findings.

**GA Indian Removal Memorial at Eagle’s Rest Park**

I have been reporting on the Mountain Stewards effort to build a GA Indian Removal Memorial at Eagle’s Rest Park on top of Oglethorpe Mountain. This project is a joint partnership between the Mt. Oglethorpe Foundation, Mountain Stewards and Steven Stone, artist and stone carver. We finally completed the construction of the memorial in late November. We are now planning on adding more signage to the site in January to expand the history of the removal to cover the period from 1700 to 1838. Currently the signage only covers the history of the 1830’s.

We are now planning a dedication ceremony for the memorial on the Spring Equinox on 21 March 2020. There is an Indian saying, that we should begin new things on the Equinox so it’s a good time to do the dedication. A number of tribal leaders are being invited to attend the celebration. A picture of the finished memorial is on the next page.

![GA Indian Removal Memorial](image)

**Mystery of the Trees Presentations and Book Signings**

Although we had stopped advertising our availability to do presentation two years ago after we sold out of the books, we still get a lot of requests for presentations. We have done over ten this year and have the first one in 2020 in late January. We still have about 60 of the Mystery of the Trees DVD’s left to sell and they will not be reprinted then when gone. We dropped the price of that item to $12.00 and will have it for sale until supplies are gone.
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