

Heritage Tree Award Winner—2016

This magnificent **Pin Oak tree**, recipient of the City of Shaker Heights 2016 Heritage Tree Award, has stood as a sentinel at **3662 Stoer Road** for more than 175 years. It grew from a sapling on farm land long before the Van Sweringen brothers developed Shaker Heights as a Garden City in the early 20th century. When the house was built on the property in 1940, the Oak was already 100-years-old and can be seen on the architectural plans for the lot. The present owner, only the second owner of the home, has protected this near bicentenary giant of our urban forest with regular professional pruning and care. It has provided abundant shade for the house and backyard, and a home for countless local squirrels and birds.

