

# John A. Beale Memorial Award

## **PURPOSE:**

To recognize outstanding efforts over a sustained period of time by an SAF member in the promotion of forestry through voluntary service to the Society.

## **INFORMATION ON JOHN A. BEALE:**

John Beale's name is synonymous with words like service and leadership. Before his untimely death in 1976 he played a major role in shaping the future direction of SAF.

Beale's diverse background lent itself well to positions of leadership in the Society. Born in Illinois in 1919, he received a bachelor's degree in forestry from Michigan State, and went on to receive a master's from Harvard. During World War II, Beale served in the army and received a Purple Heart in the Italian Peninsula Campaign. After the war, Beale began working for Wisconsin's Department of Natural Resources and was promoted to Chief Forester in 1954. In 1968 he was selected to become the Deputy Secretary to the state's Conservation Administration where he remained until his death.

Beale is best known for his eight years of national elected service (1968-1976), in which he served as Council member, Vice-President, and President. Beale was at the forefront of SAF policy formulation as a member of the SAF's Forest Policy Committee, a committee he went on to chair in 1976.

## **AWARD CRITERIA:**

Nominees for the John A. Beale Memorial Award must demonstrate a strong continuing commitment to volunteer work supporting the SAF and its members which furthers the cause of forestry. Nominees must be members of the Society of American Foresters. Evaluation will be based on:

1. Leadership in Volunteer Work Supporting SAF
2. Promotion of Forestry
3. Evidence of outstanding efforts over a sustained period of time

## **NOMINATION:**

The nominator must submit by March 28, for the award that year, the following information on behalf of the nominee to National Awards, Society of American Foresters, 5400 Grosvenor Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814-2198. The nomination packet must include:

- A nomination letter from the state society executive committee addressing the award criteria
- A biographical sketch (not to exceed three pages) including education, experience, and evidence of efforts made on behalf of SAF.

- Nomination form – available from the SAF National Office or the SAF website ([www.safnet.org](http://www.safnet.org)).

Nominations are only accepted from SAF state societies and each state society may nominate only one candidate each year. Unsuccessful candidates may be renominated by letter providing any updated material. All award criteria must still be met at the time of renomination. *Nominee will be contacted only if chosen to be award recipient. All other corresponds will be directed to nominator.* The nomination packets will be reviewed the national Committee on Professional Recognition.

**AWARD DESCRIPTION/PRESENTATION:**

The award is presented at the annual awards ceremony at the SAF national convention. The recipient will receive an engraved award and a cash honorarium of \$500. Complimentary convention registration is provided and up to \$500 is available to cover travel expenses and accommodations for the award recipient.

**PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS:**

1978	Douglas S. Boardman	2007	William Barton
1979	Ben C. Meadows	2008	James Rombach, CF
1980	Ronald E. Smith	2009	Marlin A. Johnson, CF
1981	Thomas D. Glass		
1982	Clyde M. Walker		
1983	Warren T. Doolittle		
1984	Merle S. Lowden		
1985	Jay H. Cravens		
1986	Lloyd P. Blackwell		
1987	John C. Barber		
1988	Thomas B. Borden		
1989	Stanley E. Blinks		
1990	Fred W. Haeussler		
1991	George W. Bengtson		
1992	Harry W. Camp		
1993	Robert L. Alverts		
1994	Roger L. Sherman		
1995	Sharon R. Miller		
1996	Donald R. Theoe		
1997	John W. Moser, Jr.		
1998	Norwin E. Linnartz		
1999	John A. Helms		
2000	Robert D. Tokarczyk		
2001	Robert W. Bosworth		
2002	William C. Siegel		
2003	No Recipient		
2004	No Recipient		
2005	Timothy A. French CF		
2006	David Wm. Smith, CF		