

**The Society of American Foresters  
Sir William Schlich Memorial Award  
(Awarded even-numbered years only)**

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**PURPOSE:** To recognize broad and outstanding contributions to the field of forestry with emphasis on, but not limited to, policy and national or international activities.

**INFORMATION ON SIR WILLIAM SCHLICH:** Sir William Schlich, a 19th-century English forester, is remembered for his efforts to advance forestry education and practices. From 1867 to 1885 he was a member of the Royal Indian Forest Service, working to establish British timber reserves in its colonial possessions. He is known for having the greatest impact on British forestry in the early years of this century.

Schlich advocated the idea of systematic forest management on public and private estates for which he prepared management plans. To advance modern forestry practices Schlich wrote a five-volume work, The Manual of Forestry, that discussed silviculture, forest protection, and forest management. Throughout his distinguished career Schlich went on to publish numerous papers on the emerging field of forestry.

Education played a large role in Schlich's life. He established the forestry department of the Royal Indian Engineering College at Coopers Hill, and he founded the School of Forestry at Oxford in 1905. These two institutions have been instrumental in the training of the majority of British foresters who have served throughout the world.

**AWARD CRITERIA:** Nominees for the Sir William Schlich Memorial Award must demonstrate work done to enhance the effects of forestry, primarily in the field of policy. The recipient need not be a member of the Society of American Foresters. Evaluation will be based on:

1. Outstanding demonstration of work done to enhance the effects of forestry in national or international activities.
2. Outstanding contributions in the field of policy

**NOMINATION:** The nominator must submit by February 28, for the award that year (even-numbered years only), 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:

- Three letters of endorsement addressing the Schlich award criteria
- A biographical sketch (not to exceed three pages) that references the award criteria.
- Nomination form – available from the SAF National Office or the SAF website ([www.safnet.org](http://www.safnet.org)).

Unsuccessful candidates may be renominated by letter providing any updated material. All award criteria must still be met at the time of renomination. *The SAF National Office will contact the nominee only if chosen to be the award recipient. All other corresponds will be directed to the nominator.*

**AWARD DESCRIPTION/PRESENTATION:** The award is presented in even-numbered years at the annual awards ceremony at the SAF national convention. The recipient will receive an engraved medallion 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:**

1935 Franklin D. Roosevelt	1978 William E. Towell
1940 Gifford Pinchot	1980 Emmanuel Fritz
1944 Henry S. Graves	1982 Philip A. Briegleb
1946 William B. Greeley	1984 John R. McGuire
1948 Herman S. Chapman	1986 Murlyn B. Dickerman
1950 Ralph S. Hosmer	1988 Bruce John Zobel
1952 Elwood Wilson	1990 Stanley L. Krugman
1954 Tom Gill	1992 John A. Zivnuska
1956 Samuel T. Dana	1994 Robert E. Buckman
1958 B. Frank Heintzleman	1996 No recipient
1960 Clyde S. Martin	1998 No recipient
1962 Richard E. McArdle	2000 Harold K. (Pete) Steen
1964 Henry Schmitz	2002 James W. Giltmier
1966 George A. Garratt	2004 Robert E. Wolf
1968 Charles A. Connaughton	2006 Howard R. Heiner
1970 Philip R. Wheeler	2008 Michael R. Wagner
1972 Richard J. Preston, Jr.	2010 John Heissenbuttel
1974 DeWitt Nelson	
1976 Kenneth P. Davis	