

AWARD OF MERIT

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
1983	Len Hammerstone
1984	Dr. E.B. Himlick
1985	Charles Stewart
1986	John Hendericksen
1987	Dr. Dan Neely
1988	Charles Keppel
1989	Dr. Tom Green
1990	Mike Reichenbach
1991	James A. Fizzell
1992	Dr. Frederic Miller, Jr.
1993	Dr. John Reeves
1994	Dr. George Ware
1995	Dennis W. Cephlecha
1996	Harold "Hal" Robson
1997	Dr. Gary Watson
1998	Larry Hall
2000	Jim Appleby
2001	Bill Kruidenier
2002	Steve Ruffolo
2004	Bob Benjamin
2006	John Morell

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YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
2007	Todd Kramer
2008	Mike Brunk
2009	Sandy Clark
2011	Jeff Brink
2015	Mike Robinson
2016	Dr. Frederic Miller, Jr.
2020	Byron Doerr
2021	Norman Hall
2023	Eduardo Medina
2024	Lydia Scott
2025	Fred Braun

GOLD LEAF AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
1983	Dr. George Ware
1984	Father Edward Hughes
1985	Bruno Schilzeth
1986	Larry Nauman
1986	Daughters of the American Revolution
1986	Sandra Forgacs (Clark)
1987	Village of LaGrange
1988	Chicago Park District
1988	Edith Makra, Openlands
1989	Champaign County Community Development
1989	Committee Steve Heir, Palmer Square Homeowners
1992	Association Will Smith
1993	Ralph K. Seiber
1994	Busey Bank
1995	Steve Partyka
1995	Bensenville Garden Club
1995	Oak Lawn Park District
1995	The Morton Arboretum
1996	Glen Ellyn Manor Park Enhancement Committee
1997	Urbana Park District
1997	Suburban Tree Consortium

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1998	City of Champaign
2001	Urbana Park District
2003	Bartlett Tree Experts
2003	Connor & Jo Shaw, Possibility Nursery
2004	Scott DeRoss
2005	Karl Persons
2006	Winfield United
2006	City of Naperville
2007	Capstone Custom Homes
2008	Chris Canning
2009	Jim Tresouthick
2010	Adam Middleton
2011	Urbana Park District
2013	Kerr School
2013	U of I Master Gardeners and Homewood
2015	Village of Maywood & Sterling Lumber
2018	ComEd
2022	City of Urbana
2023	Trees Forever
2023	City of Des Plaines
2023	Debbie Fluegel

GOLD LEAF AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
2024	Victor Janusz, Sr.
2024	Daniel Miraval
2025	Village of Arlington Heights
2025	Mike Brunk

HONORARY LIFE AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
1983	James Fizzell
1984	John Dwyer
1985	Jim Appleby
1986	Cal Bundy
1986	Hal Robson
1987	John Morell
1988	Keith Jones
1989	Sandra Clark
1990	Larry Hall
1991	Michael Spravka
1992	William P. Kruidenier
1993	Dr. George Ware
2001	Dr. Fredric Miller
2002	William Bolt, Jr.
2003	Don Gustafson
2004	Norm Hall
2005	Susan Wiegrefe
2008	Eduardo Medina
2011	Heather Green
2016	Rex Bastian
2019	Steve Ludwig

HONORARY LIFE AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
2020	Don Roppolo
2024	Mike Brunk
2025	Charlie Keppel

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
1986	Diane Nelson
1987	Mark Laatsch
1987	Mike Leaf
1987	Paul Buzan
1987	Jon Zindel
1987	James Zindel
1987	Al Mickelson
1988	Tere O'Rourke
1989	Larry Webber
1989	Michael Dirksen
1989	Robert Scalf
1989	John Scalf
1989	Keith Myers
1989	Mike Rainan
1989	Tom Morrison
1989	Pat O'Leary
1990	John Dwyer
1993	Suzanne Malec-Hoerr
1994	Timothy W. Schuenke
1995	Michael Spravka
1996	Michael Dirksen

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
1996	Guy Sternberg
1996	Larry Hall
1998	Reinee Hildebrandt
2000	Rex Bastian
2001	Bill Thompson
2001	James Reynolds
2001	Dan Klindera
2002	Todd Kramer
2002	Illinois Department of Agriculture
2002	City of Chicago, D.S.S Bureau
2002	Forestry USDA, Forest Service
2002	USDA, APHIS, PPQ
2002	Michael Dirksen
2002	Norm Hall
2003	Eduardo Medina
2004	Edith Makra
2005	Jim Tresouthick
2005	Gary Swick
2005	Harvey Holt
2006	Gary Watson
2006	Kramer Tree Specialists

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
2006	Gerard Dziuba
2006	Matt Dziedzic
2007	Todd Kramer
2008	Chad Toney
2008	Heather Green
2009	Steve Ludwig
2010	Derek Vannice
2010	Eric Duchinsky
2011	Cal Williams
2012	Thomas Dilley
2013	Jim Schuster
2013	Bryant Scharenbroch
2013	Jim Semelka
2013	Kerstin Von der Heide
2015	Norm Hall
2015	Don Roppolo
2016	Steve Lane
2016	April Toney
2016	Nate Paulsberg
2017	Aaron Schulz
2017	Mark Simon

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
2017	Byron Doerr
2018	Karl Person
2018	Jose C. Lopez
2020	Eric Henderickson
2020	Roger Smith
2020	Michael Collins
2021	Samantha Nugent
2021	Scott Waguespack
2021	George Cardenas
2021	Openlands Team
2022	Dr. Paul Blome
2022	Andrew Guetler
2022	Mike Priller
2022	Mike Priller
2023	Beau Nagen
2023	Cory Wierema
2024	Chris Evans
2024	Zach DeVillez
2024	Libby Bower
2024	Terry Bates
2024	Junior Kool

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
2024	Stephanie Adams
2025	Russ Garcia
2025	Phil Prohaska

WILLIAM BOLT JR. VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

YEAR AWARDED	AWARD RECIPIENT
2016	Bill Bolt, Jr.
2020	Norm Hall
2020	Chad Toney
2022	Paul Filary
2023	Charles Shonts
2024	Eric Hendrickson
2025	Jay Peters