
MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

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Public servants have taken on added significance since September 11, 2001, and during our country's ongoing efforts to ensure the security of our homeland. The men and women of USDA have set the bar high with energy, dedication, and talent that lie at the heart of effective public service. It has been my great pleasure to work with you as Secretary for two-and-a-half years, and over the course of many other years in my previous positions here at the Department.

Many Americans are unaware of USDA's daily role in their health and well-being. The 2003 Honor Awards are an ideal opportunity to tell stories of excellence in public service, and to thank our colleagues who represent USDA's impact and strength.

The scope and magnitude of the accomplishments we salute today are both impressive and inspiring:

We recognize those who have contributed to homeland security, or who have shown humanity to rural Americans rebuilding after a hurricane's devastation. We celebrate those who helped the United States provide strong leadership in world food security and trade. We honor research and innovation in areas such as animal disease and foodborne illness, as well as the tireless leadership behind the implementation of the 2002 Farm Bill.

Simply put, the individuals we are honoring in this 57th annual ceremony have touched people and improved lives, in a quiet and selfless way. USDA employees are good at what they do, and our nation is better for it.

The Honor Awards represent public service at its finest, and USDA at its best. I thank and congratulate all of today's winners.

Sincerely,

Ann Veneman, Secretary

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(Left to right) Merle Pierson, James C. Alsop, Chairperson, Terry Meisenbach, Owen Barwell,
(Insert) Bonnie O. Tanner

**2003 HONOR AWARDS
EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Mr. James C. Alsop, Deputy Administrator, Community Programs, Rural Housing Service,
Washington, DC, Chairperson

Mr. Jose J. Acevedo, Associate Deputy Chief for Programs, Natural Resources and
Environment, Washington, DC

Mr. Owen Barwell, Senior Financial Advisor, National Aeronautics and Space
Administration, Washington, DC

Mr. Terry Meisenbach, Director of Communications, Cooperative State Research,
Education and Extension Service, Washington, DC

Dr. Merle Pierson, Deputy Under Secretary for Food Safety, Washington, DC

Dr. Bonnie O. Tanner, Associate Director, Family and Consumer Science, Cooperative
Extension Service, College of Agriculture, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky

**UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

57TH SECRETARY'S HONOR AWARDS CEREMONY

**Ronald Reagan Building and
International Trade Center**

Musical Prelude	<i>Willie Moody</i> Vision Strength Artistic Arts
Presentation of Colors*	<i>Armed Forces Color Guard</i>
National Anthem	<i>Ms. Barbara Lincoln-Smith</i> Civil Rights
Pledge of Allegiance	<i>Mr. James C. Alsop</i> Committee Chair Rural Housing Service
Welcome and Introduction of Platform Guests	<i>Mr. James C. Alsop</i>
Introduction of the Secretary of Agriculture	<i>Mr. James C. Alsop</i>
Secretary's Message	<i>The Honorable Ann M. Veneman</i> Secretary of Agriculture
Presentation of Awards	<i>Secretary Veneman</i>
Presentation of Evaluation Committee Members Major External Awards Presidential Rank The Secretary's Special Award	<i>The Honorable John Surina</i> Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration
	<i>Ms. B.J. Corriveau</i> Off-Stage Announcer

Presentation of Plow and Honor Awards

- Expanding Economic and Trade Opportunities for United States Agricultural Producers
- Promoting Health by Providing Access to Safe, Affordable, and Nutritious Food
- Maintaining and Enhancing the Nation's Natural Resources and Environment
- Enhancing the Capacity of All Rural Residents, Communities, and Businesses to Prosper
- Operating an Efficient, Effective, and Discrimination-Free Organization
- Heroism and Emergency Response

Closing Remarks

Audience will be seated promptly at 12:00 p.m.

***Please stand during the presentation of colors and remain standing until the colors retire.**

Program should conclude at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Reception for the Award Recipients and Their Guests Immediately Following the Secretary's Honor Awards Ceremony

Located in the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center

HONOR AWARDS RECIPIENTS FOR 2003

PLOW, INDIVIDUAL, AND GROUP ACHIEVEMENTS

Expanding Economic and Trade Opportunities for United States Agricultural Producers

PLOW HONOR AWARD

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Katherine I. O'Rourke, Agricultural Research Service, Pullman, Washington

For innovative research leading to the United States scrapie control program and diagnostics for the control and study of chronic wasting disease and bovine spongiform encephalopathy.

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP ACHIEVEMENTS

Audit Verification Program for Good Agricultural and Good Handling Practices Developmental Team, Agricultural Marketing Service, Washington, DC

Leanne L. Skelton, Group Leader

For developing a customer-driven, Federal-State audit verification and training program for good agricultural and handling practices resulting in increased marketing opportunities for the fresh fruit and vegetable industry.

Group Members:

Gordon Poulsen, Patrick Mullen, Darrell Buxton, Robert Gore, Jim Quigley, Cindy Stark, Richard Lee Stacey, Clifford Hudson, James H. Cramer, Albert Davis, David Gagnon, Donald Ayers, Michael V. Morrelli, Anthony Souza, Mark Iverson, Lisa Hanson, Ronald Peterson, Vincent Fusaro, Michael Dietrich, Paul Manol, Michael Villeneva

Willard A. Dickerson, National Association of State Departments of Agriculture,
Raleigh, North Carolina

For leading research validating reductions in insecticides that could be realized by elimination of the boll weevil and the development of a commercially manufactured boll weevil trap.

Doha Development Team, Foreign Agricultural Service, Washington, DC

Mary T. Chambliss, Group Leader

For exceptional work in using international organization for enabling the United States Government to assume a leadership role on food security and cross-cutting trade issues.

Group Members:

Lynne A. Reich, Richard Hughes, Francesca Bravo, Marianne McElroy, Jeff Nawn, Ericka Garnett, Debra Henke, Joseph Hain, Hannah Buckman, Eric Van Chantfort, Lynn Goldsbrough, John Wilson, Margaret Fair, Ann Deans, Carol Kramer-Leblanc, Brenda King, Alyssia Liddell, Lisa Hardy-Bass, David Lambert, Erika Luedig, Rick Helm, Susan Sadocha

Office of the Chief Economist Group Member:

Adela Backiel

Economic Research Service Group Member:

Cheryl Christensen

State Department Group Members:

Seth Winnick, Rose Berstein, Lucy Tamlyn, Patrick Hudak

United States Agency for International Development Group Members:

Ralph Cummings, Susan Thompson

Embassy San Jose Team, Foreign Agricultural Service, San Jose, Costa Rica

Alan Hrapsky, Group Leader

For extraordinary initiative taken by the United States Department of Agriculture agencies in Costa Rica and outstanding teamwork between these agencies in maintaining and opening markets for United States agricultural products worth more than \$14 million.

Group Members:

Victor Gonzalez, Illeana Ramirez, Cynthia Smith-Palliser, Rosie Murillo

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Group Members:

Oswaldo Perez, Marco Gonzalez

False Phytosanitary Certificate Task Force, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Salem, Missouri

Daniel M. Hutchings, Group Leader

For the successful investigation and prosecution of Crown Products, Incorporated and its officers in the counterfeiting of Federal Phytosanitary Certificates.

Group Members:

Bobby Greenwood, Jacqueline Freeman, Dianne Shank, Jimmy Patschke, Michael R. Mills, Michael Ray, Alan R. Christian

Department of Justice Group Members:

Mike McMahon, Linda Bizzarro

Farm Bill Analysis Team, Economic Research Service, Washington, DC

C. Edwin Young, Group Leader

For developing a comprehensive, widely used, and highly acclaimed Web-based synthesis and analysis of the 2002 Farm Bill, anchoring the United States Department of Agriculture's coverage within 9 days of the bill's passage.

Group Members:

Margaret S. Andrews, Andrea L. Cattaneo, Roger L. Claassen, Adrie S. Custer, Kelly Day-Rubenstein, Anne B. Effland, Dwight M. Gadsby, Lewrene K. Glaser, Joy L. Harwood, Ralph E. Heimlich, Paul W. Heisey, Daniel M. Hellerstein, David Hopkins, Kevin A. Ingram, David S. Johnson, Kathleen M. Kassel, Steven R. Koenig, Jan K. Lewandrowski, Stephen S. Peterson, J. Michael Price, Mary V. Reardon, Richard J. Reeder, Ronald G. Trostle, Marca J. Weinberg, Paul C. Westcott, Letricia M. Womack

Office of Energy Policy and New Uses Group Member:

Marvin Duncan

Department of Commerce Group Member:

Cassandra Klotz-Ingram

Farm Bill Preparation Team, Farm Service Agency, Washington, DC

Audrey D. Sharp, Group Leader

For ensuring the Administration's goals were met in the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, which is now being equitably and efficiently implemented to thousands of farmers and ranchers.

Group Members:

Brad Karmen, Tom Lederer, Larry Walker, Tom Witzig, Solomon Whitfield, Grady Bilberry, Robert Stephenson, Tonye Gross, Carolyn Cooksie, James Radintz, Veldon Hall, Dan Colacicco, Terry Hickenbotham, Philip Scronce, Ed Rall

Office of the General Counsel Group Members:

Ralph Linden, Terry Jackson

Global Food Security Team, Economic Research Service, Washington, DC

Shahla Shapouri, Group Leader

For providing critical insight into the nature, scope, and root causes of global food insecurity and analytically informing the foreign food assistance mission of the United States.

Group Members:

Stacey L. Rosen, Michael A. Trueblood, Birgit Meade, Mark Nord, Margaret Andrews, Keith Wiebe

Margin of Preference Group, Foreign Agricultural Service, Washington, DC

James Grueff, Group Leader

For exemplary teamwork to ensure import market access for United States grain exports to the European Union resulting in the United States exports continuing at the \$400 million level.

Group Members:

Alan Riffkin, Amy Burdett, Oliver Flake, Elizabeth Autry, Danial Williams, Frank Gomme, Philip Jarrell, Elizabeth Berry, Cina Radler, Joe Carroll, David Young, Liz Jones, Robert Macke, Mark Sloan, Besa Kotati, Kurt Seifarth, Peter Kurz, Deanna Ayala, Lloyd Fleck, Leslie O'Connor, Lisa Hardy-Bass, Ann Muphy, Rich Petges, Karina Ramos, Phil Letarte, Morgan Perkins, Christine Strossman, Melinda Sallyards, Lana Bennett, Robert Curtis, Paul Spencer, Mary Revelt

Economic Research Service Group Member:

Jason Bernstein

Meat and Poultry Inspection Seminar Team, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Washington, DC

Cheryl M. Davis, Group Leader

For outstanding leadership in developing and delivering an annual technical seminar on meat and poultry inspection to government officials from around the world.

Group Members:

Virginia M. Olson, Kenneth H. Lee, Robert B. Tynan, Larry A. Lee, Kurt Krusekopf, Paulette M. Platko, Aurora K. Craver, Jonathan B. Coleman, Carlos A. Diaz, Rafael Florit Lebro

University of Puerto Rico Group Members:

Edna Negron, Jose Latorre, Ruben Quinones

Russian Poultry Markets Team, Foreign Agricultural Service, Washington, DC

Robert Macke, Group Leader

For extraordinary dedication and effectiveness in twice restoring United States access to the Russian poultry market valued at \$600 million through two rounds of prolonged, complicated, and contentious technical consultations.

Group Members:

Randy Hager, Michael Smith, Mikhail Maximenko, Yelena Vassilieva, Geoff Wiggins, Marina Muran, Marina Mitoshenkova, Vladimir Timoshenko, JonAnn Flemings, Gary Meyer, Corey Pickelsimer, Jeslyn Kawabata, Kathleen Wainio, Ralph Dutrow, Howard Wetzel, Yoonhee Macke, Marsha Sheehan, Amanda Penn

Food Safety and Inspection Service Group Members:

Patrick Clerkin, Barbara Masters, Larry Lee, Karen Morris, Rick Harries, Karen Stuck, Anita Manka, Virginia Olson

Agricultural Marketing Service Group Member:

Dean Kastner

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Group Members:

Craig Fedchock, Kelly Preston, W. Ron DeHaven, Cheryl Hall, Dan Sheesley, Karen Sliter

Food and Drug Administration Group Members:

Nick Weber, Steve Brynes, Patrick Wilson

United States Trade Representative Group Members:

Sharon Sheffield Sydow, Katerine Kuhlmann

Audrey D. Sharp, Farm Service Agency, Washington, DC

For ensuring the equitable and efficient implementation of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 farm programs to thousands of farmers throughout the United States.

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Larry A. Sivers, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Washington, DC

For outstanding leadership in nourishing the foundation of sound market information by enabling developing and transition countries to strengthen, implement, and improve agricultural information systems.

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Henry N. Spelter, Forest Service, Madison, Wisconsin

For significant research that helped lumber and panel firms understand overcapacity and its effect on profitability, and assistance to those working to resolve the United States-Canada lumber trade dispute.

Water Management Research Laboratory, Agricultural Research Service, Parlier, California

Thomas Trout, Group Leader

For developing, demonstrating, and promoting alternatives to methyl bromide soil fumigation that protect the environment and allow farmers to continue producing economical and high quality fruits and vegetables.

Group Member:

Sally Schneider

University of California Group Member:

Husein Ajwa

Promoting Health by Providing Access to Safe, Affordable, and Nutritious Food

PLOW HONOR AWARD

Global Food for Education Initiative, Foreign Agricultural Service, Washington, DC

Mary T. Chambliss, Group Leader

For the successful implementation of the Global Food for Education Presidential Initiative that provided healthy, nutritious meals to over seven million school children in 38 countries.

Group Members:

Ira D. Branson, Valerie Brown-Jones, Tawhid Al-Saffy, Sariem Chin, Tosha Clark, Ronald Croushorn, Victoria Calderone, Ama Damoah, Karen Darden, Chris Davenport, Elizabeth Davis, Judy Demetriades, Kelly Eades, Abdullah Ersoz, Joyce Estep, Michael Fay, Chris Frederick, Christina Fundeneau, Babette Gainor, Christopher Green, Delphine Hamlin, Toni Harper, William Hawkins, Karen Hoag, Vickie Hunter, Lorie Jacobs, Faye Johnson, Julius Johnson, Michele Kouadio, Ida Larmore, Dee Linse, Juli Majernik, Marianne McElroy, Lawrence McElvain, Maxine McNeal, Robert Miller, Ann Murphy, Debra Pfaff, Veronica Priddy, Valerie Ralph, Tynisha Railey, Katrina Reid, Ed Roseberry, Mark Rowse, Elizabeth Sellers, Robin Tilsworth, Lisa Twedt, Karen Uetrecht, Eric van Chantfort, Elisa Wagner, Cecilia Wheatley, Pamela White, Dawn Williams, Virginia Wolf

Food and Nutrition Service Group Members:

Peggy Cantfil, John Endahl, Stan Garnett, Claire Miller

Farm Service Agency Group Members:

Richard Chavez, James Firth, Amy Harding

Office of the General Counsel Group Members:

Maureen La Piana, Leonard Kreitzberg

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP ACHIEVEMENTS

Audit Enforcement Strategy Team, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Washington, DC

Sally O. Stratmoen, Group Leader

For exemplary teamwork in the development and implementation of a systematic strategy to improve the meat inspection system of Italy that both protected United States consumers and strengthened our trading relationship with Italy.

Group Members:

Nancy G. Goodwin, Clark D. Danford, Donald C. Smart, Ghias M. Mughal, Oto J. Urban, Faizur R. Choudry, Deborah L. Arthur, Ajibade Ogundipe, Thomas Hoffman, Geraldine Ransom, John L. Snyder, Roger Chermak, Richard F. Brown, Todd Furey, Mary S. Reese, Darlene M. Riden, Tracy A. Legall, Patricia L. Brickerd, Ricky E. Utt, Lisa Wigfall, Katherine S. Hogye, Claudia M. Andrews, Raymond E. Bell, Robert Cooke, Kristi L. Akers, Dawn R. Ruffner, John C. Prucha

Foreign Agricultural Service Group Members:

Lisa Hardy Bass, Ann Murphy, Franco Regini, Loretta Tranquilli, Manuela Ciocca

Eat Smart.Play Hard.Campaign Team, Food and Nutrition Service, Alexandria, Virginia

Judy Wilson, Group Leader

For vision, energy, and creativity in efforts to improve the health and well-being of children and low-income people in the United States through innovative nutrition and physical activity promotion.

Group Members:

Marion Hinnners, Rebecca Mandell, Jean M. Altman, Geraldine Howell, Alice Lockett, Vicky C. Urcuyo, Donna J. Bailey, Colette Thibault

Farm Bill Team, Food and Nutrition Service, Alexandria, Virginia

Barbara O'Neil, Group Leader

For successfully developing, presenting, defending, and implementing a nutrition assistance legislative package that adds \$6.4 billion in new funding to the domestic nutrition assistance programs over a 10-year period.

Group Members:

George Braley, Arthur Foley, John Knaus, Connie Slough, Retha Oliver, Nicholas Mantos, Patrick Waldron, Thomas O'Connell, Steven Carlson, Robert Dalrymple, Katherine Hines, Jane L. Genser, Frank Ippolito, Jessica Shahin, Molly Phillips, Ron Hill, Rachel Bishop, Ronald Vogel, Philip Cohen, James O'Donnell, Scott Mexic



Brian A. Federici, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, University of California, Riverside, California

For research on insect pathogens, especially Bt, that has led to a novel biocontrol product and has significantly enhanced understanding of microbial pest control agents.

Fit WIC Team, Food and Nutrition Service, Alexandria, Virginia

Jay Hirschman, Group Leader

For leadership, vision, and creativity in developing innovative strategies to address childhood obesity through the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

Group Members:

Patricia Daniels, Edward Herzog, Marta Kealey

Food Safety Systems Correlation Team, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Omaha, Nebraska

Donald C. Smart, Group Leader

For improving the safety of the United States food supply through organized, concentrated, and direct feedback from food safety subject matter experts to field inspectors and plant personnel.

Group Members:

Bobby D. Palesano, Deborah L. Arthur, Douglas A. Wanke, Fiaz A. Khan, Richard N. Benda, Teresa L. Taylor, Donna L. Potts-Gill, Dexter U. Reavis, Muhamad Zia-Uddin, Edward A. Schreck, Royce E. Sperry, Kim C. Butler, Kathleen G. Leddy, Carrie L. Leathers, Michael E. Fisher, Nader Memarian, Michael T. Lathrop, Darrell R. Wagner, Stephen C. Marzen, Charles W. Batson, Julie A. Cornett, John W. Linville, Mathew E. Edwards, James A. Heminover, Edith A. Kelly, Linda K. Sullivan, Glenda G. Aschoff, Thomas P. Doyle, James M. Kelley, Debra S. Davis

Master Hoof Care Technician Program Team, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Jan K. Shearer, Group Leader

For outstanding innovation in animal health by initiating the Master Hoof Care Technician Program, the Nation's first dairy animal foot care training program for dairy employees.

Group Members:

Sarel R. Van Amstel, Adrian Gonzalez

Meat and Poultry Import Inspection Improvement Team, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Washington, DC

Mary H. Stanley, Group Leader

For developing and implementing a modernized, science-based system for inspection of imported meat and poultry, vastly improving the tools available to ensure that only safe products are allowed to enter the United States.

Group Members:

Karen D. Stuck, Kenneth H. Lee, Anita S. Manka, Peter G. Kuhmerker, Walter J. Menz, Sr., Lori L. Alqassab, Beverly D. Lewis, Mohammed L. Benabdi, Karen V. Morris, Joan L. Collins, J. Mike Kelley, Carolyn A. Claypool, Angela W. Glodowska, Anthony Cheung, Daniel Pogolian

Northeast Multistate Research Group Northeastern 179, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts

Steve Goodwin, Group Leader

For increasing the efficiency, security, sustainability, and profitability of the fruit and vegetable industry through applications of the technologies developed.

Group Member:

Mark Mount

University of California Group Members:

Michael Delwiche, David Slaughter

University of Georgia Group Members:

Yen-Con Hung, Stan Prussia, Ernest Tollner

University of Hawaii Group Member:

Lauren Gautz

Purdue University Group Member:

Richard Stroshine

University of Maine Group Member:

Darrell Donahue

University of Maryland Group Member:

Yang Tao

Michigan State University Group Members:

Evangelyn Alocilja, Dan Guyer, Ajit Srivastava

Cornell University, Geneva, New York Group Members:

Yong Hang, M. Anandha Rao

Cornell University, Ithaca, New York Group Members:

Daniel Aneshansley, James Throop, Antje Baeumner

North Carolina State University Group Members:

Michael Boyette, Roger Rohrbach, L. Stickeleather

Pennsylvania State University Group Members:

Paul Heinemann, Joseph Irudayaraj

Washington State University Group Members:

John Fellman, Gary Hyde, Juming Tan

Nutrient Data Laboratory, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

Joanne M. Holden, Group Leader

For providing the American public with easy access to the United States Department of Agriculture's food composition data through personal digital assistants, personal computers, and Web-based National Nutrient Database search applications.

Group Members:

Rena Cutrufelli, Vincent de Jesus, Linda Lemar, David Haytowitz, Robin Thomas

HealthTech Group Members:

James Mault, Jay T. Kearney, Jeremy Schwartzentruber, Kati Chevaux, Rob Keeble, Jason Olson

Special Projects Team—Frankfurter Study, Agricultural Research Service, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania

John B. Luchansky, Group Leader

*For exceptional scientific leadership and commitment in support of food safety by conducting the United States Department of Agriculture's Frankfurter Studies to establish the prevalence, levels, types, and control of *Listeria monocytogenes* in commercial frankfurters.*

Group Members:

Frederick M. Wallace, Jeffrey E. Call, Anna Porto, George J. Cocoma, James L. Lindsay, Alan Oser, Dane Bernard, Jenny Scott, Alice Johnson, John P. Cherry, Wilda H. Martinez, John G. Phillips, Randall Hoffman, James Hodges, Skip Seward, Brian Dirks, Marcus Handy, Matthew Toht, Richard Perrine, Joseph Fanelli, Tod Stewart, Omua Ahonkhai, Maabo Kludze, Manuela Osoria, Edward Degen, Peggy Williamson, Caird E. Rexroad, Jr.

Food Safety and Inspection Service Group Members:

Walter E. Hill, Karen L. Hulebak, Loren D. Lange, Gerraldine Ransom, Denise R. Eblen, I. Kaye Wachsmuth

Safe Programs Group Member:

Dave Gombas

Maintaining and Enhancing the Nation's Natural Resources and Environment

PLOW HONOR AWARDS

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Thomas J. Jackson, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For leading research to develop soil moisture remote sensing technology, resulting in new satellite systems for global monitoring of critical information for agriculture and climate.

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Daniel A. Kaffer, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Carson City, Nevada

For outstanding leadership and partnering abilities, contributing to the environmental restoration of the Carson River, and improving the quality of life for residents in western Nevada.

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP ACHIEVEMENTS

Biotechnology Regulatory Response and Enforcement Team, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Riverdale, Maryland

Margaret J. Jones, Group Leader

For responding to violations of the Plant Protection Act to ensure the continued health of the United States food supply, protection of American agriculture and environment, and confidence in the biotechnology regulatory system.

Group Members:

John Turner, Carmen L. Soileau, Susan Koehler, Cindy J. Smith, Rebecca A. Bech, Kenneth Waters, Cathleen Enright, Juan Roman, James White, James Rogers, Alan Christian, Dorothy Wayson, Michael Booth, James DePue, Larry Neustel, David Neal, Joseph Frick, Sheila Novak, Rick Herndon, Thomas Walsh, Mark Hollister, Robert Meinders, Gary Aldredge, John Bruce Helbig, Amy Mesman, Ralph Stoaks, David Watson, Darryl Wortman, Steven Johnson

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Leroy Brown, Jr., Natural Resources Conservation Service, Des Moines, Iowa

For providing exemplary leadership and commitment in coalition building and helping to implement conservation programs in Iowa that resulted in accelerated conservation being applied on the land.

Cooperative Glassy-winged Sharpshooter Areawide Management Team, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Riverdale, Maryland

Lloyd E. Wendel, Group Leader

For participation in a cooperative multi-agency team resulting in the development and implementation of areawide Pest Management strategies against the Glassy-winged Sharpshooter in California.

Group Members:

Matthew A. Ciomperlik, David W. Bartels, Beth S. Stone-Smith

Texas A&M University Group Member:

Isabelle Lauziere

Agriculture Research Service Group Members:

Gary J. Puterka, Kevin J. Hackett, Edwin L. Civerolo, Thomas J. Henneberry, David H. Akey, Walker A. Jones

University of California Cooperative Extension Group Members:

Donald A. Luvisi, Jennifer M. Hashim

University of California Group Members:

Nick C. Toscano, Matthew J. Blua

California Department of Food and Agriculture Group Members:

Robert L. Wynn, David J. Elms, Jerome R. Campbell, Rosie Yacoub

Kern County Department of Agriculture Group Members:

Theodore K. Davis, Darin Heard

Kern-Tulare Glassy-winged Sharpshooter Taskforce Group Member:

Russell A. Carlson

Grapery Group Member:

Jack J. Pandol

Sun World, Incorporated Group Member:

Kevin S. Andrew

Agricare Consulting Services Group Member:

Thomas E. Avinelis

Callaway Vineyard and Winery Group Member:

Craig A. Weaver

Drake Enterprises, Incorporated Group Member:

Bennett R. Drake

ARCO Farming Group Member:

Raymond Etcheverry

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Richard L. Crane, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Houghton, Michigan

For outstanding leadership in construction inspection, resulting in successful completion of over \$5 million in remediation work for three sites of the Torch Lake Environmental Protection Agency Superfund Project.

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Clifford J. Dils, Forest Service, Tijeras, New Mexico

For successfully negotiating a settlement agreement and pending legislation that are the foundation for resolving a centuries - old land dispute between the Pueblo of Sandia and the Federal Government involving treaties with Native Americans and Mexico.

Greater Parks Fuels Reduction Project, Forest Service, Williams, Arizona

Susan Skalski, Group Leader

For exceptional partnership efforts that resulted in the thinning of many acres of private property, reducing the threat that wildland fire poses to local communities.

Group Members:

Jackie Denk, Annie Hanson

University of Arizona Group Members:

Art Matthias, Tom DeGomez

Arizona State Land Department Group Members:

Kevin Boness, Dave Sewall

Coconino County Group Members:

John Dobrinski, Jim Driscoll, Matt Ryan

Northern Arizona University Group Members:

Charlie Denton, Hiram Smith

Jalisco Pilot Study and Learning Center, Forest Service, Fort Collins, Colorado

Celedonio Aguirre-Bravo, Group Leader

For combining pixel-based remote sensing technology and geospatial statistics to create a low-cost, efficient scaleable monitoring system tested over 22 million hectares of agricultural and forest land.

Group Members:

Hans T. Schreuder, Andrew J. R. Gillespie, Raymond L. Czaplewski, Charles T. Scott, Michael L. Hoppus, Michael S. Williams

Secretariat of Rural Development (Mexico) Group Member:

Ignacio González Hernández, Rodrigo Diez de Sollano Elcoro

National Institute of Forestry, Agricultural, and Animal Research (Mexico) Group Member:

Hugo Ramirez Maldonado

National Forest Commission (Mexico) Group Member:

Rubuán Escalante Fernández

University of Colima (Mexico) Group Member:

Jorge Padilla Pastrana

Colorado State University Group Member:

Robin M. Reich

Ronald P. Neilson, Forest Service, Corvallis, Oregon

For outstanding contributions to understanding the potential impacts to ecosystems, water resources, and fire regimes under climate change at regional, national, and global scales.

Nutrient and Pest Management Training Development Team, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Colchester, Vermont

James C. Wood, Group Leader

For outstanding performance in the design, development, and delivery of the "Nutrient and Pest Management Considerations in Conservation Planning" training program for agricultural non-point source pollution reduction.

Group Members:

Stefanie G. Aschmann, Joseph K. Bagdon, Sam H. Davis, William H. Donham, Harold D. Drennan, Wildon J. Fontenot, Eric S. Hesketh, William F. Kuenstler, Jerrell L. Lemunyon, Kendall L. Pfeiffer, Iris L. Porta, Brett L. Roberts, Margaret L. Sears

University of Idaho Group Member:

Edward J. Bechinski

Pennsylvania State University Group Member:

Douglas B. Beegle

Oregon State University Group Member:

Jeffrey J. Jenkins

Washington State University Group Member:

Robert G. Stevens

Partnership for Environmental Potato Production, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin

Jeffrey A. Wyman, Group Leader

For creating a unique partnership of growers, researchers, and environmentalists to enhance the environment associated with Wisconsin potato production by promoting biological pest management and reducing pesticide toxicity by 37 percent.

Group Members:

Deana L. Sexson, Katherine P. Schmidt

Wisconsin Potato and Vegetable Growers Association Group Members:

Michael D. Carter, Andrew S. Diercks

World Wildlife Fund Group Member:

Clifton E. Curtis

International Crane Foundation Group Member:

John A. Barzen

Partner-Plover River Farms Group Member:

Nickolas A. Somers

Partner-Wallendal Supply Incorporated Group Member:

Andrew M. Wallendal

Phosphorus Indexing Research Group, Agricultural Research Service, University Park, Pennsylvania

Andrew N. Sharpley, Group Leader

For leading the development and implementation of a Phosphorus Indexing procedure to target remedial measures for nutrient management strategies that maintain productivity and protect water quality.

Group Members:

Douglas B. Beegle, Brad C. Joern, William E. Jokela, Peter J.A. Kleinman, April B. Leytem, Philip A. Moore, Jr., Jennifer L. Weld

University of Maryland Group Member:

Frank J. Coale

University of Arkansas Group Members:

Thomas C. Daniel, Paul B. Delaune

University of Vermont Group Member:

William J. Gburek

Iowa State University Group Member:

Antonio P. Mallarino

Natural Resources Conservation Service Group Members:

Charles H. Lander, Jerrell L. Lemunyon

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Group Members:

Gregory L. Mullins, Mary L. Wolfe

Environmental Protection Agency Group Member:

Roberta Parry

University of Delaware Group Member:

Thomas J. Sims

**Enhancing the Capacity of All Rural Residents,
Communities, and Businesses to Prosper**

PLOW HONOR AWARDS

Pay.Gov Development Team, Rural Housing Service, St. Louis, Missouri

Brian V. Barton, Group Leader

For developing and implementing the Pay.Gov mortgage payment system, resulting in payment flexibility and reduced delinquency for low-income housing borrowers.

Group Members:

Rita A. Rogers, Barbara L. Studt, Howard M. Streeter, Diane M. Williams, Lorie R. Ross, Susan Carlson, Anita Compton, Mary Ann Ivanovich, Janet Wring, Genine Perschbacher, Kimberly A. Byerly, Michele M. Owens, Archlovedia Johnson

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Reggie G. Skains, National Association of Resource Conservation and Development Councils, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Downsville, Louisiana

For working tirelessly to help increase the number of Resource Conservation and Development program areas from 289 to 368 and to enhance funding, thus assisting all of rural America.

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP ACHIEVEMENTS

Area Office Eight, Rural Housing Service, Kinston, North Carolina

Edwin W. Causey, Group Leader

For exhibiting exceptional leadership and professional competence in administration of Rural Development Programs as a result of a massive rebuilding effort in flood-ravaged eastern North Carolina.

Group Members:

Roger B. Davis, Connie K. Miller, Rachel G. Tingen, Ann C. Sherrill

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Mark A. Barnhart, Office of Inspector General, Columbus, Ohio

For the successful investigation and prosecution of 33 individuals and substantial recovery of property stolen by an organized theft ring responsible for more than \$5 million of farm related thefts in 12 counties across Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana.

18

Calvin L. Beale, Economic Research Service, Washington, DC

For outstanding contributions to understanding changing rural population patterns and the implications for Federal programs designed to improve the economic opportunities for all rural Americans.

Fishing for Success, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Daniel Canfield, Charles Cichra, Group Leaders

For establishing an innovative "Fishing for Success" program to introduce at-risk youth and other young people to aquatic systems, environmental stewardship, and aquaculture.

Group Members:

Amy Richard, Sharon Fitz-Coy, Thomas Glancy

19

Rueben F. Flores, Farm Service Agency, Honolulu, Hawaii

For outstanding service to limited resources Asian and Pacific Islanders by creating a partnership with the Pacific Gateway Center and establishing a full-service Farm Service Agency office in Guam.

Georgia Rural Development Single Family Housing Partnership Group, Rural Housing Service, Athens, Georgia

Joseph Walden, Group Leader

For recognizing the challenges and implementing the strategies to assist rural Georgians in obtaining affordable housing by utilizing financial resources, totaling \$135 million, from Georgia's Department of Community Affairs.

Group Members:

Donnie D. Thomas, Helen S. Sweeney, Adrienne D. Chappell, Shirley R. Bailey, Anthony K. Chambers, Kaye M. Hutchins, Sue S. Smith, Felton G. Poole, Michael Curry, Barbara A. Hilson, Debra E. Westberry, Kay G. Grogan, Linda B. Westberry, W.C. Blackmon, Cheryl M. Smallwood, Brenda J. Phillips, Shirley A. Ashcraft, Tamika Smith-McGhee, Eric A. Hixson, Tamra L. Augsburger, Henry C. Keller, Marlyn F. Hollis, Linda A. Vickery, Benjamin C. Davis, Bettye W. Wofford, Carolyn M. Kilgore, Margaret B. Faircloth, Gail Brown, Albert J. Walker, Rebecca E. Self, E. Beth Owens, Patricia L. Haley, Gerald W. McDuffie, Patricia F. Turner, Ashley L. Carlan

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William F. Hagy III, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Washington, DC

For enhancing the delivery of Business Programs, resulting in \$8.5 billion in assistance to over 10,000 recipients with over 524,000 jobs created/saved in rural communities in Fiscal Years 1994 through 2002.

Healthful Foods Research Team, Agricultural Research Service, Albany, California

Tara H. McHugh, Group Leader

For innovative research and development in food technology that has led to enhanced quality and safety of value-added processed foods and improved human nutrition and health.

Group Member:

Charles C. Huxsoll

Kauai Loan Project Team, Rural Utilities Service, Washington, DC

Sally R. Price, Group Leader

For providing extensive expertise and assistance resulting in approval of a loan permitting the rural residents of Kauai to acquire their own electric utility.

Group Members:

Terence M. Brady, Brian D. Jenkins, Charles M. Philpott, Rose M. Moerman, Raymond J. Secosky, Allan K. Yost, Robbin Griffin

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James A. Maetzold, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Washington, DC

For developing a comprehensive reference publication entitled "Alternative Enterprises and Agritourism Farming for Profit and Sustainability Tool Kit," which has had highly beneficial effects on producer and rural community incomes, as well as natural resource sustainability.

22

Richard E. Moore, Risk Management Agency, Topeka, Kansas

For exceptional service while working with Heifer International, a non-profit organization which helps impoverished families become self-reliant through the gift of farm animals and training.

23

Lynn B. Pike, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, Missouri

For initiating programs replicated in five states and 51 Missouri counties to prevent adolescent high-risk sexual behaviors and improve the lives of rural adolescent parents and their families.

Technology Marketing Unit, Forest Service, Madison, Wisconsin

Susan L. LeVan-Green, Group Leader

For exceptional dedication and commitment in providing technical and marketing assistance to rural forest-dependent communities and businesses.

Group Members:

John R. Dramm, Mark T. Knaebe, Gerry L. Jackson, Jean M. Livingston, Richard D. Bergman, Adele M. Olstad, Kathleen C. Walker, John I. Zerbe

24

Eugene A. Watson, Forest Service, Ogden, Utah

For exceptional leadership in the senior, youth, and volunteer programs, resulting in accomplishments that exceeded assigned targets and provided a significant source of work for rural residents and the Forest Service.

Operating an Efficient, Effective, and Discrimination-Free Organization

PLOW HONOR AWARDS

Human Capital Management Team, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Washington, DC

Karen W. Karlinchak, Group Leader

For designing and implementing Human Resources policies and programs that will meet the workforce needs of the Natural Resource Conservation Service in the 21st century and beyond.

Group Members:

Diane L. Anderson, Amelia S. Brooks, Gene E. Carter, Denise M. Decker, S. Timothy Dorman, Kathryn A. Huey, Mary J. Fleming, Luis C. Gamboa, Michael P. Gonzales, Valerie L. Smith

Office of the Chief Financial Officer Management Team, Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC

Edward R. McPherson, Group Leader

For implementing the United States Department of Agriculture's detailed accounting operation processes and strong internal controls that resulted in an unqualified ("clean") financial audit opinion from the Office of Inspector General in Fiscal Year 2002.

Group Members:

William C. Alexander, Jr., John L. Brewer, Virginia G. Cook, Patricia E. Healy, Jesse L. King, Joseph B. Marshall, Wendy E. Snow

Agricultural Marketing Service Group Members:

Laura MacKenzie, Joseph Roeder

Agricultural Research Service Group Member:

Steve Helmrich

Farm Service Agency Group Member:

Kristine Chadwick

Food and Nutrition Service Group Member:

Gary Maupin

Food Safety and Inspection Service Group Member:

Jeanne O. Axtell

Forest Service Group Member:

Mary S. Mateilla

Natural Resources Conservation Service Group Member:

Jack L. Crews

Risk Management Agency Group Member:

Mary Slay

Rural Development Group Member:

Christine Burgess

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP ACHIEVEMENTS



Michael J. Bosak, Rural Housing Service, Syracuse, New York

For providing outstanding technical support above and beyond assigned duties to further the cause of fair, equitable access to 34 United States Department of Agriculture offices and numerous federally financed projects, resulting in greater and more consistent compliance.

Chronic Wasting Disease Management, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Washington, DC

W. Ron DeHaven, Group Leader

For outstanding achievement in developing a plan to assist states and tribes in eliminating Chronic Wasting Disease, thereby enhancing the health and safety of our Nation's animals.

Group Members:

Bobby R. Accord, Kathleen Akin, Victoria Bridges, Michael Carter, Anna Cherry, Candy Clanton, John R. Clifford, Nancy Clough, Lynn Creekmore, Lelia Cruz, Dick Curnow, Michael Dalrymple, John Damare, Linda Detwiler, Michael R. Doerr, Emil Ewing, Lisa Ferguson, Lisa Fonville, Glen I. Garris, Michael J. Gilsdorf, Tomas Gomez, Adam Grow, Linda Ingram, Al Jenny, Richard Kelly, Randall L. Levings, Donna Malloy, Martin Mendoza, Hallie Pickhardt, Jack Ryhan, Betsy Sillers, Kimberley Smith, Cynthia Walters, Rob W. Werge

CYFERnet, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service,
Washington, DC

Sharon K. B. Wright, Group Leader

For building a cost-effective, multi-university human and technology network; peer reviewing and posting over 3,000 high quality resources; and serving 66,000 at-risk youth and families in over 200 community programs.

Group Members:

James R. Kahler, Anna-Mae Kobbe, Nancy Valentine Harper

University of Arizona Group Members:

Sherry C. Betts, James Christenson

Auburn University Group Members:

Martha R. Johnson, Mary A. Remenschneider, Kathleen Jajeu

Cornell University Group Member:

Stephen Goggin

University of Florida Group Member:

Nayda I. Torres

University of Idaho Group Member:

Janet Edwards

Field Automation and Information Management, Food Safety and Inspection Service,
Washington, DC

Peter G. Kuhmerker, Group Leader

For vision and exemplary performance in the design and implementation of the Food Safety and Inspection Service Field Automation and Information Management System.

Group Members:

Charmaine F. Benjamin, Barry R. Blumreich, Gerald P. Burns, Ellmore Champie, Edward F. Cole, Julie A. Ramos, Michael J. Gavron, Sharon C. Hudson, Robert A. Newhall (retired), Nitin H. Thaker

State of Texas Department of Agriculture Group Member:

Jan Lee

State of West Virginia Department of Agriculture Group Member:

Jan Charminski

Field Service Laboratories, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Athens, Georgia

Patrick C. McCaskey, Group Leader

For assistance in preparing the field service laboratories for accreditation under International Organization for Standardization of Standard 17025 while ensuring operation and delivery of program services.

Group Members:

Bruce C. Cottingham, Wayne A. Ziemer, Cathy P. Pentz, Lynn Cruickshank, Steven T. Benson, James G. Hess, Frankie J. Beacorn, Douglas O. Abbott, John F. Rivera, Warren C. F. Wong, Leon P. Ilnicki, David R. Martin, Terry J. Dutko, Michael R. Lankford, Dianna L. Abrahamson, David A. Blank, Mark D. Pratt, Cindy L. Reding, Debra E. Waldrop, R. Steven Dial, Larry H. Dillard, Eric T. Flynn, Robyn C. Johnson, Maritza I. Quinn, Gina E. McLeroy, Catalina Yee, Ralph S. Bakowski, N. Kay Stapleton, Mary T. Sutton, Bradley P. Webb, Kay A. Williams, Joel S. Salinsky, Michael E. Jones



Mary Ann Jarvis, Agricultural Research Service, Washington, DC

For creating a volunteer program for the United States National Arboretum that serves as a model for the Agricultural Research Service which annually utilizes thousands of volunteer hours.



Debra K. Kenerson, National Agricultural Statistics Service,
Nashville, Tennessee

For outstanding leadership, customer service, commitment to recruitment, and continual employee development that challenges and inspires employees to fully develop their talents and skills within the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

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Asa M. Manning, Jr., National Agricultural Statistics Service, Washington, DC

For excellence in management of the highly technical and complex automated data collection and data editing systems that support the agricultural statistics program for the United States.

Massachusetts Rural Development Staff, Rural Housing Service, Amherst, Massachusetts

Richard J. Burke, Group Leader

For improving the quality of life for the Narragansett and Nipmuc Tribal nations by providing over \$356,000 in development funds for water and business projects.

Group Members:

Lyndon S. Nichols, Diane L. King, David M. Delisle, David J. Steere

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Rita Medina, Rural Housing Service, Davis, California

For implementing cost budgeting and securing leadership positions for minority employees, which led the organization to its first "No Measurable Problems," report from the Office of Inspector General.

Mid-South Area Workforce Diversity Committee, Agricultural Research Service, Stoneville, Mississippi

Edgar G. King, Group Leader

For establishing a workforce diversity committee in the Agricultural Research Service and fostering an environment where all employees contribute creative ideas, seek challenges, assume leadership, and exceed at both business and personal objectives.

Group Members:

Archie Tucker, John Patrick Jordan, Deepak Bhatnagar, Betty Shepherd, Georgina O. Acosta, Carlos V. Alonso, David C. Ambrogio, Patricia A. Brown, Thomas E. Cleveland, Stephen O. Duke, Anthony Edmund, Rita Keeling, Jimmy R. McAlpine, Gay G. McCain, Barbara J. Smith, Joseph D. Villa, Patricia J. Winston, Maureen Wright

Program Integrity Team Leaders, Risk Management Agency, Washington, DC

Larry Piatz, Group Leader

For exceptional service, dedication, and excellence in implementing legislation that has saved taxpayers millions of dollars in improperly paid insurance claims.

Group Members:

Johnnie Purdue, Ronie Griffin, Alvin Gilmore, Billy Pryor, Susan Choy, Rebecca Davis, Jerome Alanko

Farm Service Agency Group Members:

Steve Peterson, Sandy Bryant

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Jerry D. Robinson, Farm Service Agency, Idabel, Oklahoma

For providing exemplary leadership and management of the Emergency Conservation Program in response to the massive December 2000 ice storm in McCurtain County, Oklahoma.

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Kalven L. Trice, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Little Rock, Arkansas

For notable achievements in building and retaining a diverse workforce, while ensuring efficient and effective program delivery and exceptional management of limited resources.

USDA Human Capital Team, Office of Human Resources Management, Washington, DC

Joseph V. Colantuoni, Group Leader

For successfully implementing the United States Department of Agriculture Human Capital Plan, that built a solid infrastructure of planning, communication, collaboration, and accountability that will help the Department to build and sustain its human capital plan.

Group Members:

David S. Fax, Patricia Norris, Peter Rockx, Clifton J. Taylor, Jr., Betty A. Waters, Susan Fonte

Office of the Chief Financial Officer Group Members:

Laura Castro, Matthew Faulker, Joseph Marshall

Office of the Chief Information Officer Group Members:

Janet Burt, Margaret Offit-Gold

Civil Rights Group Member:

James V. Blockwood

Agricultural Research Service Group Member:

William A. Duggan

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Group Member:

Edward P. Slaga

Farm Service Agency Group Member:

Joseph Migyanka

Food and Nutrition Service Group Member:

Lorraine Phelan

Forest Service Group Member:

John Y. Kusano

Natural Resources Conservation Service Group Member:

S. Timothy Dorman

Food Safety and Inspection Service Group Member:

Nancy Russell

Rural Development Group Member:

Larry Crowder

Washington Telecommunications Services and Operations Branch, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Washington, DC

Vernell S. Archer, Group Leader

For implementing business processes and advanced technologies to increase service performance and security for its agency's customers.

Group Members:

Stackin Abreu, Ken Albertson, Timothy J. Arnold, Chris Barbot, Alfred V. Boyd, Jesse Carter, Lawan Chatman, Bryan Dixon, Murtada Elkhalfifa, Maureen T. Farrell, Sean Felder, Antonio Garcia, Peggy Gibford, Eric W. Harris, Russell Hiatt, Ashwin Karkera, Elliot Lomax, Kevin Maki, Rick Miller, Wil Pace, Aria Rahimi, Peggy Ralston, Nick Ranson, Shawn Richard, Donna Stevens, Brian Tetrault, Frederick R. Tewell, Paul Tomlinson, Yvonne Williams, Karen Ward, Chris Wood, Tim Zirkle



Mary L. Winters, Farm Service Agency, Kansas City, Missouri

For leading a Nation-wide diversity initiative that resulted in the establishment of Regional Recruitment Teams, 25 full-time slots for diversity recruitment, and the production of various recruitment tools.

Heroism and Emergency Response

PLOW HONOR AWARD

Cindi Talkington Rescue Team, Forest Service, Marienville, Pennsylvania

Christopher D. Thornton, Group Leader

For displaying prompt actions and teamwork on June 24, 2002, while providing assistance to Cindi Talkington during a medical emergency.

Pennsylvania Pharmacia Corporation Group Member:

Christine Schuyler

State of Pennsylvania Police Department Group Member:

Joe Klinger

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP ACHIEVEMENTS

2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympics Investigations Group, Office of Inspector General, Lakewood, Colorado

John T. Horrigan, Group Leader

For superior achievement in planning and carrying out investigative and homeland protective operations, and ensuring the safety of public and governmental facilities against bioterrorist and ecoterrorist threats during the Winter Olympics.

Group Members:

Richard J. Mohatt, Marla M. Fricke, Neal H. Hasheider, Gregory L. McDiffett, Kevin R. Ganger, William R. Busby

Core Team to Assess Homeland Security Issues in the Forest Service, Office of Inspector General, San Francisco, California

Sam W. Currie, Group Leader

For assessing and identifying critical Homeland Security risks involving the Forest Service's aircraft, explosives, munitions magazines, and national borders.

Group Members:

Frederick F. San Buenaventura, Richard A. Martin, Robert W. Brown, Jose M. Cuevas, Stephen A. Graf, Philip T. Cole, J. P. Steffen

Extension Disaster Education Network, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri

David E. Baker, Group Leader

For providing a university-based database and network for Extension Service professionals as they prepare for and respond to disasters in their communities.

Group Members:

Joseph L. Wysocki, Eric S. Evans

Oregon State University Extension Service Group Member:

Peter D. Bloome

University of Florida Group Members:

Charles Brown, Carol J. Lehtola

Purdue University Group Member:

Steve Cain

University of Minnesota Group Member:

Rodney Hamer

Michigan State University Extension Group Member:

Mark F. Hansen

University of Wisconsin-Extension Group Member:

David G. Hinds (retired)

North Dakota State University Group Member:

Becky A. Koch

Louisiana State University Group Member:

Pat Skinner

Clemson University Group Member:

Robert E. Spalding, Jr.

Infectious Salmon Anemia Leadership Team, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Sutton, Massachusetts

William G. Smith, Group Leader

For providing exemplary leadership through a cooperative State, Federal, and Industry partnership in eradicating an outbreak of infectious salmon anemia, thereby protecting our Nation's salmon industry.

Group Members:

Stephen K. Ellis, Otis Miller, Jr.

Iowa Food Product Tampering Investigations Group, Office of Inspector General, Des Moines, Iowa

Craig N. Hangsleben, Group Leader

For outstanding performance in the successful investigation, surveillance, and prosecution of a criminal involved in food tampering, thereby precluding serious illness or death to the consumers of meat products containing harmful material.

Group Members:

William R. Busby, John T. Horrigan, Richard J. Mohatt, Mark S. Hopko, John L. Vasquez, Martin P. Dahlke, Susan L. Hytinen-Hoveland, Carole A. Schmitt, Daniel A. Mason, Paul Ward, Pamela S. Taylor, Karen Tobo

Virginia Avian Influenza Task Force Leadership Team, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Raleigh, North Carolina

Thomas J. Holt, Group Leader

For exemplary leadership in eradicating an extensive outbreak of Avian Influenza, thereby protecting our Nation's valued poultry industries.

Group Members:

Thomas J. Holt, William M. Sims, Jr., Terry Taylor, Bruce L. Akey

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Marilyn D. Lambert, Forest Service, Bartow, West Virginia

For demonstrating courage and quick action in protecting a family from being pinned between two vehicles without hesitation or regard for her personal safety.

SECRETARY'S SPECIAL AWARD

Farm Bill Working Group, Office of the Secretary, Washington, DC

Group Leaders:

Keith Collins, Office of the Chief Economist

Hunt Shipman, Committee on Agriculture Nutrition and Forestry, United States Senate; formerly Deputy Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services

Scott Steele, Office of Budget and Program Analysis

For providing exceptional service to overall Departmental coordination in implementing the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 in a timely and efficient manner.

Office of the Secretary Group Member:

Michael Neruda

Farm and Foreign Agricultural Service Group Members:

Floyd Gaibler, James R. Little, Teresa Lasseter, John Johnson, Ed Rall, Eugene Phillhower, Alan Ott

Natural Resources and Environment Service Group Members:

R. Mack Gray, Bruce I. Knight, Carole E. Jett, Gary A. Margheim, Anne M. Dubey, Larry Payne

Food, Nutrition and Consumer Service Group Members:

Roberto Salazar, Dan Dager, Sheri Ackerman

Rural Development Group Members:

John Rosso, Blaine Stockton

Research, Education and Economics Group Members:

Rodney J. Brown, Dawn Riley, Phil Schwab

Marketing and Regulatory Program Group Members:

James G. Bulter, Patrick Atagi

Food Safety Group Member:

Shannon McMurtrey

Office of Congressional Relations Group Members:

Mary Waters, Wanda Worsham

Office of Communications Group Members:

Alisa Harrison, Wayne Baggett, Patricia Klintberg

Departmental Administration Group Members:

John Surina, Nathaniel Deutsch

Office of Budget and Program Analysis Group Members:

Aida Negron, Don Bice, Parveen Setia, John McIntyre, Mike Poe

Office of the General Counsel Group Member:

Thomas Conway

Office of the Chief Economist Group Member:

Larry Salathe

WILLIAM A. JUMP MEMORIAL AWARD FOR 2003

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Brian E. McCallum, Assistant District Chief, Georgia District, United States Geological Survey, United States Department of Interior, Atlanta, Georgia

For dedicated public service and significant achievements including pioneering efforts in the development of a flood-tracking chart to be used by local citizens and emergency response personnel during hurricanes and other flood events; and conceptualization and development of the first annual computerized map interface concerning water resources data. These innovative products benefit the public and contribute to the protection of life and property.

The William A. Jump Memorial is presented annually to Federal employees under the age of 37 in recognition of outstanding service in the field of public administration. The award is given in memory of William A. Jump who for many years was the distinguished Budget and Finance Officer of the Department of Agriculture.

DR. DANIEL E. SALMON AWARD FOR 2003

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Jennifer H. McQuiston, Veterinary Epidemiologist, Lieutenant Commander (04), Department of Health and Human Services, United States Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia

For outstanding work on bioterrorism preparedness and response activities within the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and for exceptional contributions to our understanding of the epidemiology of viral and rickettsial zoonotic diseases.

The Dr. Daniel E. Salmon Award is presented annually to recognize outstanding contributions and notable service in the public's interest by a federally employed veterinarian who has no more than 10 years of service. This award was established in 1985 to honor the first director of the United States Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Animal Industry and is sponsored annually by the National Association of Federal Veterinarians.

MAJOR EXTERNAL AWARDS SPONSORED BY EXTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS 2002 - 2003

2002 VANGUARD AWARD — A LEADER IN CASH MANAGEMENT AWARD

sponsored by the United States Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Services

Howard P. Tamborella, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, New Orleans, Louisiana

For developing the Customer Advisory Board, simplifying the renewal of certifying officer designations, and automating the notifications of change process.

UNsung HEROES AWARD PROGRAM

sponsored by the Association of Technical and Supervisory Professionals; Employee Services and Recreation Association, United States Department of Agriculture National Association of Federal Veterinarians, Organization of Professional Employees of the Department of Agriculture; and Senior Executive Association, United States Department of Agriculture, Chapter

Anita Nelson, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Rineland, Wisconsin

Brenda Halbrook, Food and Nutrition Service, Alexandria, Virginia

James Oftedal, Forest Service, Clovis, California

Nick Owen, Natural Resources Conservation Service, El Reno, Oklahoma

David D. Steube, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Burley, Idaho

Sandie Stasiak, Office of Communications, Washington, DC

FELLOW OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRONOMY

sponsored by the American Society of Agronomy, Madison, Wisconsin

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Ashok K. Alva, Agricultural Research Service, Prosser, Washington

For promoting human welfare through advancing the acquisition and dissemination of scientific knowledge concerning the nature, use improvement, and interrelationships of plants, soils, and the environment.

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

sponsored by the American Society for Public Administration

Natural Resources Conservation Service

For outstanding applications of a systems approach to performance measurement that has resulted in a culture change, sustained improvements, and demonstrated positive effects on government performance and accountability.

TOMAS HIRSCHFELD AWARD

sponsored by the Bran and Leubbe Instruments/International Committee for Near Infrared Spectroscopy

Franklin E. Barton II, Agricultural Research Service, Athens, Georgia

For outstanding achievements in near infrared spectroscopy.

FELLOW, AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRONOMY

sponsored by the American Society of Agronomy

John D. Berdahl, Agricultural Research Service, Mandan, North Dakota

For development of improved perennial forages for livestock-forage-crop systems.

THE MARJORIE HULSIZER COPHER MEMORIAL AWARD

sponsored by the American Dietetic Association

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Margaret L. Bogle, Agricultural Research Service, Little Rock, Arkansas

For leadership as a role model and mentor in pediatrics nutrition.

SCIENTIFIC AWARD IN ANIMAL BIOMETEOROLOGY

sponsored by the International Society of Biometeorology

Tami Brown-Brandl, Agricultural Research Service, Clay Center, Nebraska

For an outstanding research paper entitled Thermoregulatory Profile of a Newer Genetic Line of Pig's Lives. Prod. Sci. 71:253-260.

2002 AND 2003 FEDERAL LABORATORY CONSORTIUM AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

sponsored by the Federal Laboratory Consortium

Brian G. Bosworth, Jeffrey T. Silverstein, William R. Wolters, Geoffrey C. Waldbieser, Agricultural Research Service, Stoneville, Mississippi

For sustained, creative, and effective research leading to the development, evaluation, and transfer of National Water Aquaculture Center 103 line catfish to the commercial catfish industry.

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Peter J. Cotty, Agricultural Research Service, New Orleans, Louisiana

For commercial scale biological control of aflatoxin contamination.

Thomas Devine, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For outstanding achievement in technology transfer through synthesis of forage soybean cultivars.

Mark A. Rasmussen, Thomas Casey, Agriculture Research Service, Ames, Iowa

For the development of a method and system for detecting fecal contamination on the carcasses of meat animals.

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Sanford Porter, David Williams, Agricultural Research Service, Gainesville, Florida

For the transfer of rearing and release technology of fire ant decapitating flies.

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Dennis Shuman, Agricultural Research Service, Gainesville, Florida

For automated insect detection and monitoring system for reduced insecticide use and integrated pest management.

William J. Hunter, Fort Collins, Colorado, **Larry D. Kuykendall**, Beltsville, Maryland, Agricultural Research Service

For the development of a unique superior soybean nitrogen fixation inoculant.

Mark Jenkins, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For recombinant proteins derived from the human pathogen "Cryptosporidium Parvum."

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Larry Kuykendall, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For development of a superior soybean inoculant and wide adoption by farmers.

FELLOW, SOCIETY OF NEMATOLOGISTS

sponsored by the Society of Nematologists

David J. Chitwood, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For outstanding contributions in the field of nematology.

ELECTED FELLOW OF AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

sponsored by the American Association for the Advancement of Science

Katrina Cornish, Agricultural Research Service, Albany, California

For significantly stimulating and fostering diversity in the chemical sciences.

PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

sponsored by the American Chemical Society

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Katrina Cornish, Agricultural Research Service, Albany, California

For outstanding work to promote the public image of chemistry.

Food Safety Award

sponsored by the National Food Processors Association

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Nelson A. Cox, Agricultural Research Service, Athens, Georgia

For a long history of outstanding contributions to food safety research and education.

FELLOW OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRONOMY

sponsored by the American Society of Agronomy

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Seth M. Dabney, Agricultural Research Service, Oxford, Mississippi

For contributions to soil erosion control and water quality improvement through innovative cropping systems involving conservation tillage, cover crops, and vegetative buffers.

ORDER OF THE KNIGHT'S CROSS

sponsored by the Office of the President of the Republic Lithuania

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Robert E. Davis, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For assisting with the establishment of a laboratory of microbial molecular biology at the Institute of Botany in Vilnius, Lithuania, by training scientists and students in molecular methods and transferring technology for detection, identification, and classification of plant pathogens.

2002 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATORS BLUE PENCIL AWARD — COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY

sponsored by the National Association of Government Communicators

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Peggy Greb, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For outstanding creativity while working with limited resources in producing a unique cover photo for a four-color agency magazine, "Agricultural Research," for a government organization.

MOLISCH AWARD

sponsored by the International Allelopathy Society

Stephen O. Duke, Agricultural Research Service, Oxford, Mississippi

For outstanding research contributions in the field of allelopathy.

Elected Extraordinary Professor in the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences of the University of Pretoria, South Africa

sponsored by the University of Pretoria, South Africa

Stephen O. Duke, Agricultural Research Service, Oxford, Mississippi

For outstanding and extraordinary scientific achievement in natural and agricultural sciences in Pretoria, South Africa.

WOMEN CHEMISTS COMMITTEE REGIONAL AWARD FOR DIVERSITY

sponsored by the American Chemical Society

Frances M. DuPont, Agricultural Research Service, Albany, California

For significantly stimulating and fostering diversity in the chemical sciences.

ALEXANDER VON HUMBOLT AWARD

sponsored by the Alexander Von Humbolt Foundation

Dennis Gonsalves, Hilo, Hawaii, **Maureen M. Fitch**, Aiea, Hawaii, Agricultural Research Service

For contributions to agriculture science, including the development of transgenic papaya that expresses resistance to Papaya Ringspot Virus and the transfer of this technology to the Hawaiian papaya industry, thereby saving it from destruction.

PORTER HENEGAR MEMORIAL AWARD

sponsored by the Southern Nursery Association

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Donna C. Fare, Agricultural Research Service, Washington, DC

For outstanding contributions to environmental horticultural research.

2003 AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PLANT BIOLOGISTS LEADERSHIP, IN SCIENCE PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

sponsored by the American Society of Plant Biologists

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Dennis Gonsalves, Agricultural Research Service, Hilo, Hawaii

For outstanding contributions to plant science and humanity.

HONORARY ACADEMIC ADVISOR

sponsored by the Director General, Institute of Geographic and Natural Resources Research, Chinese Academy of Science

Lajpat R. Ahuja, Agricultural Research Service, Fort Collins, Colorado

For serving as an Honorary Academic Advisor for Yucheng Experiment Station, Chinese Academy of Sciences.

AMERICAN OIL CHEMISTS' SOCIETY FELLOW

sponsored by the American Oil Chemists' Society

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Thomas A. Foglia, Agricultural Research Service,
Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania

For scientific achievements to the American Oil Chemists' Society.

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Gary R. List, Agricultural Research Service, Peoria, Illinois

For outstanding contributions to the lipid science and technology of fats and oils.

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Peter J. Wan, Agricultural Research Service, New Orleans, Louisiana

For technical findings that helped the fats and oil industry and led to the modifications and additions of several official analytical methods for the American Oil Chemists' Society

2002 FEDERAL EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR SCIENTIFIC

sponsored by the San Francisco Bay Area

Gregory Glenn, Agricultural Research Service, Albany, California

For research in the development of novel bio-based products using wheat as a resource and biobased products including starch-based plastics, lightweight concrete, microcellular foams, and biodegradable packaging.

2002 AMERICAN EGG BOARD RESEARCH AWARD

sponsored by the American Egg Board and Poultry Science Association

Richard K. Gast, Agricultural Research Service, Athens, Georgia

For publication of "Assessing the frequency and consequences of Salmonella enteritidis deposition on the egg yolk membrane," the outstanding manuscript for the year 2001, which pertains to egg science technology or marketing and which has a bearing on egg or spent-hen utilization.

GRATITUDE PLATE AWARD

sponsored by the Administrator, Rural Development Administration of the Republic of Korea

Kenneth C. Gross, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For outstanding contributions to the advancement of the Rural Development Administration-United States Department of Agricultural projects on postharvest technology.

43RD ALTON E. BAILEY AWARD

sponsored by the North Central Section of the American Oil Chemists' Society

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Michael J. Haas, Agricultural Research Service, Wyndmoor,
Pennsylvania

For outstanding contributions in the area of lipid biotechnology as well as exemplary services and leadership in the American Oil Chemists' Society.

C.W. WOODWORTH AWARD

sponsored by the Pacific Branch of the Entomological Society of America

James R. Hagler, Agricultural Research Service, Phoenix, Arizona

Outstanding contributions to entomology during the past decade.

DOW AGROSCIENCES AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

sponsored by the American Peanut Research and Education Society

53

Wiley C. Johnson III, Agricultural Research Service, Tifton, Georgia

For research results that helped contribute to the development of successful and economical weed control programs across the peanut belt, which are currently being utilized at the farm level by growers on an every-day basis.

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR HORTICULTURAL SCIENCE MEDAL

sponsored by the International Society for Horticultural Science

Freddi A. Hammerschlag, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For meritorious service to the Society as Chairman of the International Society for Horticultural Science Commission Biotechnology from 1998 to 2002.

ELECTED A FELLOW FOR A DISTINGUISHED CAREER IN SCIENCE OF NUTRITION

sponsored by the American Society for Nutritional Sciences

54

Judith R. Turnlund, Agricultural Research Service, Davis, California

For thorough, comprehensive studies of mineral metabolism using stable isotopes as tracers.

STEPHEN S. CHANG AWARD FOR LIPID/FLAVOR SCIENCE

sponsored by the Institute of Food Technologists

Gary R. List, Agricultural Research Service, Peoria, Illinois

For contributions to the Science and Technology of Fats and Oils.

2002 NATIONAL TIBBETTS AWARD

sponsored by the United States Small Business Administration

Ruth Lange, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, Washington, DC

For outstanding contributions to the Small Business Innovation Research Program.

2002 FELLOW OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRONOMY

sponsored by the American Society of Agronomy

55

James R. Kiniry, Agricultural Research Service, Temple, Texas

For distinguished research on maize phenology, maize yield components, and radiation use efficiency of a diverse group of crops, grasses, and trees.

ELECTED FELLOW, AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INDUSTRIAL MICROBIOLOGY

sponsored by the American Society of Industrial Microbiology

56

Ed Cleveland, Agricultural Research Service, New Orleans, Louisiana

For distinguished career accomplishments and dedication to the advancement of the applied microbiological sciences.

2002 PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

sponsored by the Irrigation Association

57

Dennis Kincaid, Agricultural Research Service, Kimberly, Idaho

For outstanding contributions outside of the industry to extend the acceptance of good irrigation practices.

FELLOW, AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRONOMY

sponsored by the American Society of Agronomy

58

Sarah E. Lingle, Agricultural Research Service, New Orleans, Louisiana

For outstanding contributions in an agronomic area of specialization in research, teaching, extension, service, or administration.

NATIONAL PORK BOARD - RESEARCH INNOVATION AWARD

sponsored by the National Pork Board

John Klindt, Agricultural Research Service, Clay Center, Nebraska

For authoring a scientific abstract demonstrating outstanding innovation that benefits the pork industry.

L.O. Howard Award

sponsored by the Eastern Branch of the Entomological Society of America

59

Douglass R. Miller, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For outstanding contributions to the systematics of scale insects, and leadership role in establishing ScaleNet, one of the world's premier Web-based insect databases.

FELLOW, AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING

sponsored by the American Society of Agricultural Engineering

60

Bailey W. Mitchell, Agricultural Research Service, Athens, Georgia

For demonstrating unusual professional distinction with outstanding qualifications and experience in the field of agricultural engineering.

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE 2003 FEDERAL ENGINEER OF THE YEAR

sponsored by the National Society of Engineers

Bailey W. Mitchell, Agricultural Research Service, Athens, Georgia

For providing new and effective non-chemical approaches in the area of electrostatic space charge systems for reducing dust and pathogens in poultry areas.

BEST POSTER AWARD

sponsored by the 2002 Annual Meeting of the American College of Nutrition

Judith Hallfrish, Daniel Scholfield, Kay Behall, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For the best poster award in the field of nutrition.

WHITE HOUSE CLOSING THE CIRCLE AWARD

sponsored by the White House Task Force on Recycling, Office of the Federal Environmental Executive

Phyllis E. Johnson, Ron F. Korcak, John N. Van de Vaarst, David A. Prevar, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For the most effective and innovative programs to implement environmental systems at Federal facilities in accordance with Executive Order 13148, Greening the Government through Leadership in Environmental Management.

2002 DR. DANIEL E. SALMON AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY ACHIEVEMENT IN FEDERAL VETERINARY MEDICINE

sponsored by the National Association of Federal Veterinarians

James E. Keen, Agricultural Research Service, Clay Center, Nebraska

For being a leading authority to the veterinary community on the issues of Escherichia coli O157 from beef cattle as well as on other subjects of food animal practices and husbandry.

HIGHLY CITED RESEARCHER IN AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE

sponsored by the Institute for Scientific Information

Bruce A. Kimball, Agricultural Research Service, Phoenix, Arizona

For outstanding achievements and contributions to the international research community.

2002 KEN WILKINSON RURAL POLICY AWARD

sponsored by the Rural Policy Interest Group of the Rural Sociological Society

Sally Ward Maggard, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, Washington, DC

For outstanding commitment, innovation, and untiring support in promoting policies that support rural development.

2002 MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF JAPAN DR. HIRATSUKA AWARD

sponsored by the Mycological Society of Japan

Kerry O. Donnell, Agricultural Research Service, Peoria, Illinois

For outstanding achievement on the paper, A Multigene Phylogeny of the Gibberella Fujikuroi Species Complex: Detection of Additional Phylogenetically Distinct Species.

ADVANCEMENT IN THE APPLICATION OF AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD CHEMISTRY AWARD

sponsored by the American Chemical Society's Division of Agricultural and Food Chemistry

Harold E. Pattee, Agricultural Research Service, Raleigh, North Carolina

For distinguished achievement and service in agricultural and food chemistry.

FELLOW, AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

sponsored by the American Association for the Advancement of Science

Edward John Sadler, Agriculture Research Service, Florence, South Carolina

For research and service to the conservation and protection of natural resources, particularly elucidating factors causing spatial variation in crop yield.

YOUNG ANIMAL/DAIRY SCIENCE LEADER OUTSTANDING RESEARCHER AWARD

sponsored by the American Society of Animal Science/American Dairy Science Association, Midwest Section

Timothy P.L. Smith, Agricultural Research Service, Clay Center, Nebraska

For outstanding contribution to animal or dairy research.

YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD

sponsored by the Soil and Water Management Division of the Soil Science Society of America

Peter J.A. Kleinman, Agricultural Research Service, University Park, Pennsylvania

For excellence in research, teaching, or extension in the area of soil and water management.

FELLOW, INTERNATIONAL NEUROPEPTIDE SOCIETY

sponsored by the International Neuropeptide Society



Ronald J. Nachman, Agricultural Research Service, College Station, Texas

For outstanding scientific contributions in the field of neuropeptide research.

HENRY A. WALLACE AWARD

sponsored by the Iowa State University College of Agriculture

Burton Y. Endo, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For outstanding contribution to international agriculture in writing, teaching, research, and leadership.

J. MERRILL AND ADELINE WALLACE AWARD

sponsored by the International Organization of Citrus Virologists

Robert A. Owens, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For presenting the publication "Cloned Sequence Variants of Citrus Viroid III Induce Different Symptoms in Etrog Citron" - judged the best presentation at the XIV Conference of the International Organization of Citrus Virologists (September 1998 - Campinas, Brazil).

FELLOW OF THE AGRONOMY SOCIETY OF AMERICA

sponsored by the Agronomy Society of America

Dennis E. Rowe, Agricultural Research Service, Mississippi State, Mississippi

For excellence in genetic research and waste management research.

RICHARD R. HILL, JR., ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

sponsored by the North American Alfalfa Improvement Conference

Dennis E. Rowe, Agricultural Research Service, Mississippi State, Mississippi

For outstanding contribution to alfalfa research, for genetic improvement of disease resistance in alfalfa.

FELLOW, AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRONOMY

sponsored by the American Society of Agronomy

Matt A. Sanderson, Agricultural Research Service, University Park, Pennsylvania

For outstanding contributions to agronomic research, teaching and outreach.

EDUCATIONAL AIDS AWARD

sponsored by the American Society of Agricultural Engineers

Andrew N. Sharpley, Agricultural Research Service, University Park, Pennsylvania

For outstanding aid in support of the Livestock and Poultry Environmental Stewardship Curriculum Project.

SERVICE RECOGNITION AWARD

sponsored by the Entomological Society of America

Thomas W. Sappington, Agricultural Research Service, Ames, Iowa

For outstanding service as co-editor of Environmental Entomology, 2001–2002.

SUSTAINED LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

sponsored by the Society for Range Management

Gerald H. Schuman, Agricultural Research Service, Cheyenne, Wyoming

For highly prolific research that has markedly contributed to the advancement of the art and science of rangeland management.

FRANK N. MEYER MEDAL FOR PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES

sponsored by the Crop Science Society of America

Allan Stoner, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For distinctive service to the United States National Plant Germplasm System with a career of 10 years in germplasm service.

2002 NATIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

sponsored by the Community Food Security Coalition, Venice, California

62

Elizabeth O. Tuckermanty, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, Washington, DC

For outstanding leadership in building community food security and sustainable local food systems.

DISTINGUISHED RESEARCH AWARD

sponsored by Oscar Mayer Foods and granted by the American Meat Science Association

63

Morse B. Solomon, Agricultural Research Service, Beltsville, Maryland

For outstanding meat science research contributions to the meat industry.

PRESIDENT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF NEMATOLOGISTS OF TROPICAL AMERICA

sponsored by the Organization of Nematologists of Tropical America

64

A. Forest Robinson, Agricultural Research Service, College Station, Texas

For outstanding research achievement and broad international recognition in the field of tropical nematology.

PIONEER AWARD

sponsored by the Beef Improvement Federation

L. Dale Van Vleck, Agricultural Research Service, Lincoln, Nebraska

For innovative contributions to genetic improvement of beef cattle.

2002 PEANUT RESEARCH AND EDUCATION AWARD

sponsored by the Peanut Foundation and American Peanut Council

Thomas B. Whitaker, Agricultural Research Service, Raleigh, North Carolina, **Julie G. Adams**, Almond Board of California, Modesto, California

For outstanding contributions to the peanut industry; specifically, for the development of the Origin Certification Program to test peanuts for aflatoxin.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AWARD

sponsored by the Institute of Food Technologists, Citrus Products Division

Wilbur W. Widmer, Agricultural Research Service, Winter Haven, Florida

For research excellence and contributions made in the field of citrus research.

FELLOW AWARD 2002 AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD CHEMISTRY DIVISION

sponsored by the American Chemical Society

Dominic Wong, Agricultural Research Service, Albany, California

For outstanding scientific contributions to the field of agriculture and food chemistry.

WESTERN SOCIETY OF WEED SCIENCE

OUTSTANDING WEED SCIENTIST AWARD FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR

sponsored by the Western Society of Weed Science

65

Frank L. Young, Agricultural Research Service, Pullman, Washington

For demonstrating excellence and creativity in research accomplishments, applying results to solve problems in weed science.

GEORGIA PEANUT RESEARCH AND EDUCATION AWARD

sponsored by the Georgia Peanut Commission

66

Soheila J. Maleki, Agricultural Research Service, Stoneville, Mississippi

For invaluable molecular biological research on peanut allergies.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR 2003 SAFETY AWARD OF MERIT

sponsored by United States Department of the Interior

Edward D. Hollenshead, Forest Service, Boise Idaho

For outstanding service and contribution to the Safety and Occupational Health Program.

2002 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION PROCESSING COUNCIL'S INTERGOVERNMENTAL SOLUTIONS AWARD

sponsored by the Federation of Government Information Processing Councils

Neal Hitchcock, Forest Service, Boise, Idaho

In recognition of outstanding intergovernmental solutions.

AVIATION WEEK AND SPACE TECHNOLOGY "LAUREL AWARD"

sponsored by *Aviation Week and Space Technology Magazine*

Tony Kern, Forest Service, Washington, DC

For making difficult, politically unpopular decisions to ground a major portion of the Nation's firefighting tanker aircraft and restrict flight operations for the remaining fleet during a brutal 2002 wildfire season.

2002 RANGER OF THE YEAR

sponsored by National Forest Recreation Association



Steve Nelson, Forest Service, Vancouver, Washington

For exemplary administration of recreation programs on forest lands.

2002 RESEARCH PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TEAM AWARD FOR DEMOLITION WASTE REDUCTION THROUGH REUSE AND RECYCLING

sponsored by the Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

Robert H. Falk, Forest Service, Madison, Wisconsin

For excellence in efforts to develop technologies for sustainable military installations.

TAPPI FELLOW

sponsored by the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry

John H. Klungness, Forest Service, Madison, Wisconsin

For meritorious service to the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry.

2002 L.J. MARWARDT WOOD ENGINEERING RESEARCH AWARD

sponsored by the Forest Products Society

Jerrold E. Winandy, Patricia K. Lebow, Forest Service, Madison, Wisconsin

For demonstrating unusual competence, versatility, and vision in the conduct of research and development of knowledge on wood as an engineering material, leading to the publication of a highly meritorious and significant research paper in this field.

2003 HALL OF FAME AWARD

sponsored by the Federal Government Distance Learning Association



Larry A. Quinn, Office of Communications, Washington, DC

For significant career accomplishments in promoting and developing distance learning in the Federal Government.

2002 PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS OF RANK SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE

DISTINGUISHED EXECUTIVES

69

Keith J. Collins, Office of the Chief Economist

For extraordinary leadership in developing farm policy and programs to strengthen the competitive and financial position of farm and rural people, and development of world-class agricultural market information systems that have generated a profoundly positive effect on market participants and national food policy.

70

Allen R. Dedrick, Agricultural Research Service

For leadership in advancing national agricultural research programs related to natural resources and sustainable production systems in support of customer and user needs.

71

Susan E. Offutt, Economic Research Service

For sustained extraordinary accomplishment in establishing the Economic Research Service as the Nation's leading source of economic information and analysis on agriculture, food demand and supply, natural resources, and rural communities.

72

I. Kaye Wachsmuth, Food Safety and Inspection Service

For exemplary contributions to the United States Department of Agriculture and to the national and international scientific and public health community.

MERITORIOUS EXECUTIVES

73

Mary T. Chambliss, Foreign Agricultural Service

For dynamic and dedicated leadership as Acting Administrator for the 800 professional staff of the Foreign Agricultural Service and at the same time continuing her role as leading authority for the one billion dollar - United States Department of Agriculture food aid programs.

74

Lawrence E. Clark, Natural Resources Conservation Service

For consistent leadership, business acumen, commitment, and dedication to the mission of Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Department, and the Administration.

75

W. Ron DeHaven, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

For outstanding leadership as Deputy Administrator for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's Animal Care Program.

76

William J. Hudnall, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

For exemplary leadership and outstanding management of technical support activities in Food Safety and Inspection Service and administrative support activities for the Marketing and Regulatory Programs mission area.

77

John Patrick Jordan, Agricultural Research Service

For career-long motivation of Federal and academic cooperation in agricultural research and extension across the Nation and for leadership of the United States Department of Agriculture Southern Regional Research Center.

78

Dennis Kaplan, Office of Budget and Program Analysis

For continually demonstrating outstanding skills, innovation, dedication, and integrity in the pursuit of his responsibilities as Deputy Director for Budget, Legislative, and Regulatory Systems.

79

Betsey A. Kuhn, Economic Research Service

For sustained accomplishment in the leadership of the Food, Consumer, and Nutrition Research Program at the Economic Research Service.

80

Bonny O'Neil, Food and Nutrition Service

For sustained, outstanding leadership and effective management of the Nation's largest domestic food assistance program—the Food Stamp Program.

81

John C. Prucha, Food Safety and Inspection Service

For extraordinary accomplishments while administering diverse programs over the last decade in the Food Safety and Inspection Service.

82

Caird E. Rexroad, Jr., Agricultural Research Service

For leadership in the development and application of genomics research for improved livestock health and production, food safety, and human nutrition.

83

Elijah C. Walker, Food Safety and Inspection Service

For improving and developing of new Food Safety and Inspection Service programs and management of the reorganization and streamlining of the Office of Public Health and Science to better serve the delivery of public health protection.

Special Memorial

July 28, 2002 - Stanza Fire Accident - Lassen Fire Fighter Engine II

THE TRAGIC ACCIDENT ON THE STANZA FIRE

The Stanza Fire was sparked by lightning on Monday, July 22, 2002, on the Klamath National Forest. Located 10 miles south of Happy Camp, California, the fire grew large quickly in the dry, steep, densely vegetated hillsides. In the early morning hours on July 28, five crewmembers of Lassen National Forest Engine II were doing a routine patrol along a road near the perimeter of the fire when their fire engine left the road, rolled down a steep embankment and into a ravine. Only two of the five crewmembers survived the plunge. They were transported via helicopter to Mercy Medical Center in Redding. Ryan Smith, 20, suffered serious injuries and Alex Glover, 19, was in fair condition. Both are now released from the hospital. Engine II was based at the Almanor Ranger District in Chester, California.

Three Forest Service firefighters lost their lives on in the Klamath National Forest:

Steve Oustad, 51 and **John Self**, 19, of Westwood, California; and
Heather Jane DePaolo, 29, of Redding California.

Family, friends and co-workers sorely miss them.

2003 LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS:

40 OR MORE YEARS OF SERVICE

AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

40 YEARS OR MORE

NAME	OFFICIAL HEADQUARTERS
Burkholder, Vernon E.	Phoenix, AZ
Chandler, Jimmy C.	Collins, MS
Clark, Martha Sue	Washington, DC
Crosby, Elizabeth S.	Washington, DC
Fengler, Wallace W.	Portland, ME
Hendrix, Edith L.	Gastonia, NC
Hodgson, James H.	Boise, ID
Ilg, Frederick G.	Fresno, CA
Kenefick, Thomas E.	Fresno, CA
McKinney, Genevieve K.	Dade City, FL
Redlin, Merlyn D	Yakima, WA
Rhodes, R. Shelton	Boise, ID
Samuel, Cynthia W.	Washington, DC
Smith, Richard Spellings	South Bend, IN
Ward, Jerry F.	Visalia, CA
Wendland, James B.	Washington, DC
Wilbanks, Wendell H.	Lubbock, TX

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

50 YEARS OR MORE

Alvarez, Maria L.	Brownsville, TX
Jojola, Carlos F.	Albuquerque, NM
Pang Ching, Bernard K.	Honolulu, HI
Schreck, Essie F.	Savannah, GA

40 YEARS OR MORE

Alaniz, Mario	Mission, TX
Bailey, Donald L.	Tuxtla Gutierrez, MX
Baize, Jackie W.	El Paso, TX
Beal Jr., Victor C.	Riverdale, MD
Bejarano Jr., Carlos	Austin, TX
Bryce, Barry M.	Riverdale, MD
Bushing, Sharon D.	Sacramento, CA
Clark, Wilber W.	Helena, MT
Colgrove, Gary S.	Riverdale, MD
Ely, Terrence F.	Phoenix, AZ
Gushikuma, David M.	Queens, NY
Hanson, Steven K.	Ames, IA
Heliczner, Robert M.	Los Angeles, CA
Hinds, Robert A.	Eagle Pass, TX
Honeycutt, Stacy M.	Fayetteville, NC
Hyde, Williams T.	San Luis, AZ
Imai, Edwin M.	Riverdale, MD
Ingram, Linda L.	Riverdale, MD
Jelinek, George Louis	Queens, NY
Jones, Herman A.	Oakland, CA
Koga, Ronney E.	Honolulu, HI
Kolbe, Donald R.	Ames, IA
Kruse, Kenneth C.	Rosemont, IL
Langlie, Karen Ann	St. Paul, MN
Leong, Arthur C.	Queens, NY
Lilley, James P.	Ridgway, PA
McBride, Michael D.	Sacramento, CA
McDonald, Virgil W.	Los Angeles, CA

Metcalf, Lou Ann	Roswell, NM
Miller, Arthur E.	Raleigh, NC
Moses, Billy G.	Mission, TX
Mueseler, Mary Ann	Riverdale, MD
Myers, Elma June	Riverdale, MD
Newby, Rita C.	Arlington, TX
Newland, Charles S.	Richmond, VA
Odermatt, Douglas M.	Riverdale, MD
Onzuka, Ricahrd Z.	Honolulu, HI
Osheim, David L.	Ames, IA
Palte, William J.	Minster, OH
Perry, J. B.	Morehead City, NC
Restivo, Ronald J.	Queens, NY
Rivera Rosari, Delcio	Mannheim, GM
Provencher, Donald J.	Laredo, TX
Shinsato, Harold J.	Queens, NY
Shinsato, Ronald M.	Queens, NY
Taylor, William D.	Ames, IA
Trumps, Drewey A.	Lake Charles, LA
Uherka, Ronald E.	Kissimmee, FL
Wetzel, Barton F.	Honolulu, HI
Yamaki, Edwin Y.	San Francisco, CA

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

50 YEARS OR MORE

Coulson, Jack R.	Beltsville, MD
Henneberry, Thomas J.	Phoenix, AZ
James, Lynn F.	Logan, UT
Nelson, Stuart O.	Athens, GA

Read Jr., Erle	Mississippi, MS
Urago, Tadao	Hilo, HI

40 YEARS OR MORE

Amerman, Carroll R.	Beltsville, MD
Arbogast, Richard T.	Gainesville, FL
Ballard, Danny L.	Shafter, CA
Barnes, Billy Bert	El Reno, OK
Binder, Ronald G.	Albany, CA
Blanchard, Eugene J.	New Orleans, LA
Blount, Vansie Lee	Beltsville, MD
Boylston, Eileen K.	New Orleans, LA
Brashears, Alan D.	Lubbock, TX
Brazee, Ross D.	Wooster, OH
Brodie, Bill B.	Ithaca, NY
Brown, Richard T.	Beltsville, MD
Bushnell, William R.	St. Paul, MN
Camp Jr., Carl R.	Florence, SC
Church, James P.	Beltsville, MD
Clapp, Charles E.	St. Paul, MN
Clark, Willa Mae	Beltsville, MD
Cochran, Verland L.	Sidney, MT
Coe Jr., Edward H.	Columbia, MO
Colson, Warren J.	Washington, DC
Cook, James M.	Tifton, GA
Damsteegt, Vernon D.	Frederick, MD
Davidson Jr., James I.	Dawson, GA
Davis, Phyllis M.	Wyndmoor, PA
Day, William H.	Newark, DE
Dedrick, Allen R.	Beltsville, MD

Deloach Jr., Culver J.	Temple, TX
Duncan III, Owen J.	Beltsville, MD
Durden Jr., Willey C.	Fort Lauderdale, FL
Fausey, Norman R.	Columbus, OH
Faust, Robert M.	Beltsville, MD
Ferrara, Virginia M.	New Orleans, LA
Fleming, Henry P.	Raleigh, NC
Friedman, Mendel	Albany, CA
Fuester, Roger W.	Newark, DE
Gordon, Sherald H.	Peoria, IL
Goynes Jr., Wilton R.	New Orleans, LA
Greene, Frank C.	Wyndmoor, PA
Gregorski, Kay Sue	Albany, CA
Grieve, Catherine M.	Riverside, CA
Haden, Joel D.	Columbia, MO
Hall, Jacqueline	Beltsville, MD
Harris, Ernest J.	Honolulu, HI
Hoogerwerf, Betty G.	New Orleans, LA
Howell, Charles R.	College Station, TX
Jackson, Walter J.	New Orleans, LA
James, Marian N.	Beltsville, MD
Jenkins, Johnie Norton	Mississippi State, MS
Kasperbauer, Michael J.	Florence, SC
Kindler, Dean	Stillwater, OK
Kirk, Ivan W.	College Station, TX
Knox, David A.	Beltsville, MD
Knuckles, Benny E.	Albany, CA
Kohel, Russell J.	College Station, TX
Kozempel, Michael F.	Wyndmoor, PA
Krizek, Donald T.	Beltsville, MD

List, Gary Ray	Peoria, IL
Loch Jr., John F.	Woodward, OK
Maanum, Laurel W.	Morris, MN
Martinez, Wilda, H.	Wyndmoor, PA
McCall, Charlie	Beltsville, MD
McCool, Donald K.	Pullman, WA
McGovern, William L.	Mississippi State, MS
McKenzie, John T.	Beltsville, MD
Meredith, Filmore I.	Athens, GA
Meredith Jr., William R.	Stoneville, MS
Merritt, Betty M.	Tifton, GA
Miguez, Walter S.	Beltsville, MD
Miller, James D.	Fargo, ND
Myers Jr., Clayton J.	College Station, TX
Nakayama, Francis S.	Phoenix, AZ
O'Berry, Phillip A.	Ames, IA
Pattee, Harold E.	Raleigh, NC
Pepperman Jr., Armand B.	New Orleans, LA
Peterson, Jerold K.	Ames, IA
Polansky, Marilyn MacArthur	Beltsville, MD
Popham, Thomas W.	Stillwater, OK
Quimby Jr., Paul C.	Montpellier, FR
Ralston, Donald F.	St. Paul, MN
Replogle, John A.	Phoenix, AZ
Robertson, David C.	Boise, ID
Ryder, Edward J.	Salinas, CA
Schwartz Jr., Paul H.	Beltsville, MD
Sessa, David J.	Peoria, IL
Silman, Robert W.	Peoria, IL
Smith, David R.	Washington, DC

Smith, Lewis W.	Beltsville, MD
Stein, Eduardo R.	Weslaco, TX
Thiel, Johann C.	Ames, IA
Tumlinson III, James H.	Gainesville, FL
Vail, Patrick V.	Parlier, CA
Wanjura, Donald F.	Lubbock, TX
Welch, Clark M.	New Orleans, LA
Wilkins, Dale E.	Pendleton, OR
Wright, James L.	Kimberly, ID
Wu, Ying Victor	Peoria, IL

COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND EXTENSION SERVICE

40 YEARS OR MORE

Deville, Curtiland	Washington, DC
Lamar, Agnes L.	Washington, DC
Mattison, Shirlene W.	Washington, DC
Merritt, Matilda	Washington, DC

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

50 YEARS OR MORE

Covington, Merita O.	Washington, DC
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40 YEARS OR MORE

Baker, Dorothea A.	Washington, DC
Bodie, Millard E.	Washington, DC
Hammonds, Annette B.	Washington, DC
Hinton, James H.	Landover, MD
Jenkins, Marilyn C.	Washington, DC

Sutton, John H.	Landover, MD
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Thrush, Nancy E.	Beltsville, MD
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ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE

50 YEARS OR MORE

Beale, Calvin L.	Washington, DC
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40 YEARS OR MORE

Christensen, Lee A.	Washington, DC
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Gadsby, Dwight M.	Washington, DC
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Immer, Glenn G. N.	Washington, DC
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Nelson, Frederick James	Washington, DC
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Vesterby, Marlow Clayton	Washington, DC
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FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

40 YEARS OR MORE

Chambers, Doris Y.	Washington, DC
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Cooney, Helen M.	Washington, DC
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Dalrymple, Dana G.	Washington, DC
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Gomme, Francis R.	Washington, DC
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Holz, Alan E.	Washington, DC
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Schumpert Jr., George H.	Washington, DC
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Whittington, Marnet Ann	Washington, DC
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FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

40 YEARS OR MORE

Bishop, Leila M.	Houston, TX
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Davis, Schumpart	Alexandria, VA
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Deary, Patricia A.	Alexandria, VA
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Kay, James J.	Robbinsville, NJ
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Loiselle, Joyce A.	Boston, MA
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Manners, Dorothy	Robbinsville, NJ
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McDermott, Mary T.	Dallas, TX
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McHenry, Patricia E.	Alexandria, VA
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Merrill Jr., Ralph W.	Denver, CO
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Schmitz Jr., Paul J.	Dallas, TX
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Sherman, Dorothy Ann	Robbinsville, NJ
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Thomas, Charles W.	Baton Rouge, LA
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Woodhead, Daniel R.	Alexandria, VA
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FOREST SERVICE

40 YEARS OR MORE

Albrecht, Arnold Jacob	Juneau, AK
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Allio, Theodore A.	Sitka, AK
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Almgren, Richard Spencer	Redding, CA
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Annis, Duane E.	Orofino, ID
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Ashe, Richard S.	Yreka, CA
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Baca, Martha A.	Vallejo, CA
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Bachicha, Tommy H.	Albuquerque, NM
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Baldwin, Bruce L.	Atlanta, GA
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Baltzell, John T.	Flagstaff, AZ
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Barnett, James P.	Pineville, LA
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Becker, Dennis H.	Portland, OR
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Beran, Dominic S.	Porterville, CA
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Billings Matten, Barbara J.	Laona, WI
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Bills, Michael P.	Libby, MT
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Black, Douglas H.	Enumclaw, WA
Blackwell, Michael L.	Portland, OR
Boehm, Ronald E.	Sandy, OR
Bonde, Ralph A.	Ely, MN
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Sylvester, Jerry B.	Parksville, TN
Tay, Wilbert F.	John Day, OR
Teigen, Melroy H.	Vallejo, CA
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Weisgerber, Bernard Henry	Tulelake, CA
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Werner Jr., William S.	Ogden, UT
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Yurczyk, Francis John	Plains, MT
Zimmerman, Eugene	San Bernardino, CA

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40 YEARS OR MORE

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Chilton, June C.	Reidsville, NC
Cooper, Willie F.	Alexandria, LA
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Elliott, Jacqueline L.	Alexandria, VA
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Gust, Robert C.	Fond Du Lac, WI
Hightower, W. Richard	Watonga, OK

Hitt, Carolyn R.	College Station, TX
Kimes, Joan R.	Washington, DC
Lester, Howard M.	Morgantown, WV
McMinn, Nancy L.	Washington, DC
Reynolds, Bobby O.	Washington, DC
Ricks, Josephine E.	Enid, OK
Rogers, James L.	Columbia, SC
Ruttenbur, Glen M.	Salt Lake City, UT
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Ridout, Charles, E.	Queens, NY

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Bilbo, Jimmy W.	Waco, TX
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Bolding, Richard B.	Atlanta, GA
Bolling, James H.	Montgomery, AL
Boykin, Robert L.	Los Angeles, CA

Brrason, Richard H.	Salem, VA
Brooks, Amos M.	Boaz, AL
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Brown, Elise A.	Washington, DC
Cochran Jr., Fred L.	Gadsden, AL
Crites, Norman D.	Timberville, VA
Curtis, Gregory M.	Washington, DC
Curtis, James O.	Selbyville, DE
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Doyle, William E.	Sunbury, PA
Elkins, Lyndal C.	Russellville, AR
Erbes, Robert L.	Windom, MN
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Florence, Monty C.	San Antonio, TX
Florke, Eldon R.	Marshalltown, IA
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Hellmer, Frank T.	Russellville, AR
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Hohn, Frederick J.	Wittenberg, WI
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Hulse, Clifford V.	Grand Island, NE
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Keeland, Gerald D.	Little Rock, AR
Kunz, Vincent R.	West Lafayette, IN

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McLaughlin, Herschel I.	Elizabethtown, PA
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Penniman, Robert L.	Beloit, WI
Powell, Donnie G.	Nashville, AR
Price, Curtis R.	Enid, OK
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Smith, Ellie R.	Florence, AL
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Traxler, Jack O.	Morton, MS
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40 YEARS OR MORE

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NATIONAL APPEALS DIVISION

40 YEARS OR MORE

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NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

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50 YEARS OR MORE

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40 YEARS OR MORE

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Scott, Wiley B.	Nashville, TN
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40 YEARS OR MORE

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