



Anyone or any organization may be nominated that has a role in building stronger communities by planting and caring for trees and leading others to do the same.

Be thinking about your award nomination for great projects you have seen or been a part of.

To nominate a person or organization, simply click on Awards Form, complete the form and submit it as instructed on the form.

AWARDS FORM

Excellence is recognized in six categories.

- Outstanding Volunteer and/or Volunteer Program
- Outstanding Business
- Outstanding Developer
- Outstanding Community
- Outstanding Professional
- Outstanding Organization

2010 Award Recipients

Outstanding Business

Diamond Bank.

Diamond Bank established the ReGreen Mena initiative in June 2009. It has grown into a coalition of private companies, government agencies, nonprofits and private citizens who are contributing funds, trees, equipment, skill and time to replacing the hardwoods and sod lost in Janssen Park in Mena during the April 2009 tornado.

Outstanding Volunteer and/or Volunteer Program

Linda Palmer, Artist, Palmers Gallery.

Linda Palmer serves on the Hot Springs Tree Board and promotes the State Champion Tree Program through painting and numerous speaking engagements throughout the State of Arkansas.

Outstanding Community

City of Prescott.

The Prescott Nevada County Charitable Foundation received a sizable donation and used a large portion of it, \$8,000, toward the purchase of trees and for arborist consulting fees. They beautified the highway area coming into their city by planting 90 trees. The City of Prescott has met all the requirements of Tree City USA and will become a Tree City USA in 2010.

Outstanding Professional

Leigh Kreimeier, Reporter, Stuttgart Daily Leader.

Leigh Kreimeier is lead reporter who publicizes Tree City USA meetings. She initiated a Tree of the Month series where she chooses a tree every month and writes an article about that tree and specifics of the tree species. She has also written other articles about the importance of urban trees, urban/community forestry grants and tree maintenance. Her photographs on these issues are also published in the newspaper.