

Category: Outstanding Professional/Arborist of the Year
Awarded to: Par Wentworth

◆ Pat is owner and operator of the Austin Tree Specialists that has operated in Austin since March 1976. He is also an ISA Certified Arborist. But it is for his legendary service to his community and profession that we would like to recognize him for here this evening.

◆ In his hometown, Pat has been involved as a voice for the trees for over 20 years. He has been an advisor to City Manager's Oak Wilt Task Force, Board member of the Save The Oaks Fund, Inc., Member of Board of Directors of West Austin Neighborhood Group, Member of Urban Forestry Board of the City of Austin including vice-chair and chairman, Member of Austin ReLeaf, Member of Board of Directors of Project Greenscape, and a technical advisor on the Treaty Oak Remembered project.

◆ His service to his profession is just as broad and deep. He is a member of the American Society of Consulting Arborists, Co-Founder of the Central Texas Arborists Association, member of the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) and Texas Chapter, the Society of American Foresters, the Texas Urban Forestry Council, the Society of Commercial Arborists, the Utility Arborists¹ Association, American Forests, and the National Arbor Day Foundation.

◆ In addition to his membership support, Pat has unselfishly given of his time and talents as to his profession by his leadership within local and statewide professional associations. For the ISA, Pat has held many positions including: Board member 1987 – present and Director 1989 – present

Other positions within ISAT include: Chairman of Research Committee, Chairman of Certification Committee, Chairman of Scholarship Committee, Chairman of Membership Committee, Chairman of Program Committee, Vice President 1995 – 1996, President 1997 – 1998, and Past President 1999 – 2000

◆ In addition his statewide commitments, Pat has served the International as Certification Liaison for the Texas Chapter from 1992-present, as Chairman Certification Liaisons Committee, and the Vice Chairman of Certification Liaisons Committee.

Pat's commitment to excellence while entrusted with responsibilities from the Chapter is well known. To illustrate, Pat Wentworth has only missed one meeting in all his time as a committee member, Director, and office holder- a feat unmatched in ISAT history. As a Director, he has consistently provided sage advice and ideas to the Board. Moreover, he has sacrificed an immense amount of time towards the development and implementation of arborist certification - literally thousands of hours - not only here in Texas but also at the International level in his capacity as liaison to the International Board.

◆ Finally, as a businessman and professional, Pat actively searches for the most up to date, scientific arboricultural knowledge and then applies that knowledge to consistently providing quality, professional work in the Austin metropolitan area. Likewise, he has staunchly advocated increasing arboricultural research here in Texas, thereby increasing knowledge for his peers and advancing his profession.

It is our honor to award this recognition for your hard work on behalf of trees and people.
Congratulations Pat.