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Recipient Year Location Robert D. Elliot 1973 Austin, Texas Huntington Beach, California Pierre St. Amand 1974 E.C. "Taffy" Bowen 1975 Santa Barbara, California Bill Lang 1976 Los Angeles, California Thomas J. Henderson Salt Lake City, Utah 1977 Ray Jay Davis 1978 Tucson, Arizona Reno, Nevada Archie M. Kahan 1979 Santa Barbara, California Conrad G. Keyes, Jr. 1980 Paul C. Summers 1981 Fort Collins, Colorado Emilio Perez-Siliceo Fresno, California 1982 Arnett S. Dennis 1983 Champaign, Illinois Merlin C. Williams Bismarck, North Dakota 1984 Keith J. Brown 1985 Monterey, California Stanley A. Changnon 1986 Arlington, Virginia Arnold Court 1987 Albuquerque, New Mexico John W. James 1988 Costa Mesa, California Park City, Utah Arlin Super 1989 Wallace F. Howell 1990 Sparks, Nevada Harold D. Orville 1991 Ontario, California William L. Woodley 1992 Denver, Colorado Don A. Griffith 1993 Scottsdale, Arizona Paul L. Smith 1995 Durango, Colorado Robert Czys 1996 Monterey, California James R. Miller, Jr. 1997 Las Vegas, Nevada Bruce A. Boe Park City, Utah 1998 Roger F. Reinking 1999 Banff, Alberta, Canada Banff, Alberta, Canada William G. Finnegan 1999 George W. Bomar 2000 Lubbock, Texas Daniel Rosenfeld 2001 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Joseph A. Warburton 2002 Reno, Nevada James H. Renick 2003 Rapid City, South Dakota Mark Solak 2004 Fresno, California 2005 Steve Chai Rockville, Maryland Joseph Golden 2006 San Antonio, Texas Terry Krauss 2007 San Francisco, California Arlen Huggins 2008 Westminster, Colorado Roland List 2008 Westminster, Colorado

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