

## **Awards Given by the South Carolina Chapter of The Wildlife Society**

On July 23, 2008, the Executive Board of the SC Chapter of The Wildlife Society voted to award deserving persons in three categories: Professional Wildlife Management Award, Lifetime Achievement Award and Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award. The criteria for selecting recipients for these awards are listed below. The first two awards are designed to recognize wildlife professionals for special individual or group achievements and the third is to recognize achievements by an undergraduate student.

### **Criteria for Award Recipients:**

*Professional Wildlife Management Award* - This award is to recognize professional individuals or groups for a particularly important contribution or achievement in wildlife management. Recipients should have direct responsibility for promoting and delivering wildlife management on the land. Typically, these individuals are referred to as “wildlife manager or manager” and they regularly practice the science and art of wildlife management on the land. Recipients should have professional training in wildlife management and be a chapter, sectional, or national member of The Wildlife Society. Previous winners are:

**2003 - Dave Baumann**  
**2004 - Buddy Baker**  
**2005 - Joe Hamilton**  
**2007 - Ben Miller**  
**2008 - Billy Dukes**  
**2009 - Laurel Moore Barnhill**  
**2010 - Deanna Ruth**  
**2011 - Charles Ruth**  
**2013 – Jamie Rader**  
**2014 – Cory Drennan**  
**2017 – Dr. James Rickie Davis**

*Lifetime Achievement Award* - This award recognizes an individual for his/her accomplishments in wildlife biology and management over their lifetime. These accomplishments may have been made in management, education, research, administration, or in a combination of activities that over a lifetime have noticeably advanced the field of wildlife biology and management and enhanced wildlife conservation in South Carolina. Recipients of this award should be current or past members of The Wildlife Society at the state, sectional, or national level. Previous winners are:

**2003 – Fred Kinard**  
**2004 – Bill Mahan and John Cely**  
**2005 – Dr. James Earl Kennamer**  
**2007 – Tom Murphy**  
**2008 – Bob Perry**  
**2009 – Dr. Greg Yarrow**  
**2010 – Dan Connelley**  
**2011 – Mark Bara**  
**2013 – Tim Ivey**  
**2014 – Phil Wilkinson**  
**2015 - Derrell Shipes and Kenny Williams**  
**2017 – Paul E. Johns and William Gerald Moore**

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award* – This award is presented to an undergraduate student pursuing a degree from a 2- or 4-year degree program in wildlife management or wildlife biology in the State. To be considered for this award the student has to be nominated by a member of the Chapter. The Chapter’s Awards Committee will review the nominations and determine the recipient. The recipient will be recognized at the Chapter’s meeting. The recipient will receive a plaque and a check for \$100.

**2014 - Alix Pedraza**  
**2015 - Carley Cofield**  
**2017 - Charles “Will” Gallman**