

## Objective of the Awards Program

Recognize individuals in Pennsylvania who have made an outstanding contribution to some aspect of forage and grassland improvement in the state. Awards are made annually when there is a worthy candidate. Presentation of awards will be made in November at the annual forage conference and meeting of the Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council.

## Making Nominations

Nominations can be made by any member, group of members, or persons affiliated with the Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council by completing the nomination form on the reverse side of this brochure. Active participation by both the nominator and nominee in making nominations is encouraged. Nominations should be in writing and should be sent to:

PFGC Awards Committee  
C/O Jessica Williamson  
116 ASI Building  
Pennsylvania State University  
University Park, PA 16802  
jaw67@psu.edu

By **no later than December 1**. Nominations should include the name, address and a brief statement on the nominee's major contributions to Pennsylvania's forage and grassland agriculture in the area for which the individual is nominated. Additional letters in support of the nominee are welcome and should be included with the nomination.

## Award Categories

### PFGC's Special Award

This Special Award is the highest recognition given by PFGC. It is presented to an individual who has made a major contribution directly to the Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council as well as an outstanding contribution to Pennsylvania's forage and livestock industry and/or conservation farming. The recipients' contribution may have been in production agriculture, industry, research, extension, teaching, or other public service.

### Research/Extension/Teaching Award

This award is presented to an individual or team affiliated with either Penn State University, Delaware Valley College or the USDA Pasture Laboratory at University Park, PA who has made an outstanding contribution to forage and grassland agriculture in areas of research, extension or teaching. No more than one award will be presented annually.

### Forage/Conservation Farmer Award

This is a joint award of PFGC and the Keystone Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society of America. It is presented to a Pennsylvania farmer who has demonstrated superior skills in the development and implementation of an outstanding soil and water conservation program utilizing appropriate forage and conservation species as well as other approved conservation practices.

### Conservation Award

This Conservation Award is presented to an individual in Pennsylvania, other than a grassland farmer, who has made an outstanding contribution in the area of soil and water conservation emphasizing the use of forage and conservation species. The contribution may have been in research, teaching, extension, or other areas of leadership, such as agency personnel, in the promotion or implementation of improved conservation practices.

### Outstanding Pasture Producer Awards

This award category was established to recognize outstanding producers throughout Pennsylvania who effectively use pastures as a major component of their forage-livestock system. These awards will be presented on behalf of AFGC (American Forage and Grassland Council) to Pennsylvania producers who have been declared winners in Pennsylvania's competitive program. Nominator and/or nominee may be contacted for more information about the nominee's pasture operation.



## NOMINATION FORM

Award: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Written Statement Outlining Nominee's Major Contributions to Pennsylvania's Forage and Grassland Agriculture in the Award Area for Which They are Nominated:

Nominator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

# Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council's



## Awards Nomination Form

The Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council is dedicated to the profitable production and utilization of quality forages and grassland for the advancement of Pennsylvania's agriculture and sustainment of Pennsylvania's environment.