

## 2006 Elizabeth Ann Bartholomew Award Recipient—Joe E. Winstead



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Dr. Joe E. Winstead, Professor of Biology and Dean, College of Science and Technology at Southern Arkansas University, received the Elizabeth Ann Bartholomew Award on March 31st, at the annual meeting of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Society (SABS). This award, which honors Elizabeth Ann Bartholomew's untiring service to the public, to plant systematics, and to SABS is presented to individuals who have distinguished themselves in professional and public service that advances our knowledge and appreciation of the world of plants and their scientific, cultural, and aesthetic values, and/or exceptional service to SABS. This year's recipient has excelled in each of these areas!

Joe Winstead was born, raised, and received his early education in Wichita Falls, Texas, graduating from that city's public school system in 1956, and from Midwestern State University in 1960 with a B.S. in biology, where he was mentored by Arthur F. Beyer. In 1960, he headed east to Ohio University, where he studied under the tutelage of Warren A. Wistendahl, earning his M.S. degree in botany in June of 1962. During the summer of 1962, Joe was a biology instructor at Lander College in South Carolina, and during the fall of that year, he taught biology at Delta College in Michigan. His botanical studies were temporarily interrupted from 1963–65 while serving active duty in the United States Army, where he ultimately attained the rank of Captain, Infantry. Joe's next stop was the University of Texas at Austin, where as a student of Calvin McMillan he received his Ph.D. in botany, graduating in 1968.

Joe's first full-time academic position was at Western Kentucky University (WKU), where he served from 1968–96. Courses that he taught during his years in Bowling Green included Principles of Biology, General Botany, Introduction to Environmental Science, General Ecology, Plant Ecology, Senior Seminar, Contemporary Ecology (graduate level), and Evolution (graduate level). Additionally, Joe was one of the authors of a Principles of Biology laboratory manual that was published by Prospect Press in 1984. During this time, Joe also was major