

2022-23 COTE Awards (4/22/2023)

On 22 April 2023, COTE announced its 2022-2023 COTE award recipients.

The awards fall into three main categories:

COTE Exemplar Awards recognize individuals or groups with significant accomplishments promoting the sustainable use of natural resources or the protection of ecological systems.

Individuals who have a record of continual significant achievements are further recognized by the awarding of a "**COTE Exemplar Lifetime Achievement Award**".

COTE Green Initiative Awards recognize everyday activities, decisions or contributions that help to move Ball State University (and its near-surround community) toward sustainability. Their purpose is to reward discrete contributions rather than a history of multiple accomplishments.

COTE Service Awards recognize past individual service on or to the BSU Council on the Environment.

COTE Award Recipients 2023

COTE Exemplar Award for Lifetime Achievement

KEMUEL S. BADGER

This Council on the Environment Exemplar Award for Lifetime Achievement is presented to Dr. Kemuel S. Badger in recognition of his commitment to the Environment and a lifetime of work toward public understanding of the complex issues that bear upon the stewardship of our natural resources. This is demonstrated by example in his decades-long ecosystem research and public service as an expert on Old-Growth Forests in Indiana.

COTE Exemplar Award

DONNA BROWNE

This Council on the Environment Exemplar Award is presented to Donna Browne in recognition of her commitment to the stewardship of our natural resources and protection of ecological systems as demonstrated by service as: the *CERES Grant Writer*, Board Member of both *Muncie Action Plan* and *Muncie/Delaware Clean and Beautiful*, annual participant in the *White-River Cleanup*, and lead planner in the making of *Muncie Iron Man* and *Art Walk Soup Crawl* as Zero Waste events.

COTE Exemplar Award

ENGELWOOD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

This Council on the Environment Exemplar Award is presented to Engelwood Development Corporation in recognition of its commitment to the stewardship of our natural resources and protection of ecological systems as demonstrated through its partnership with Ball State University students and faculty in the design, financing and construction of "*Alley House*", a Net-Zero competition entry for the *2023 Solar Decathlon Build Challenge*.

COTE Green Initiative Award

BANDITH CARR,

SGA ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEMBER

This Council on the Environment Green Initiative Award is presented to Bandith Carr in recognition of a commitment to environmental stewardship as demonstrated by implementation of the *2022 Cardinal Climate Rally* which brought together the Natural Resources Club, College Democrats, and the Green Action Team, and the *2023 Earth Day Celebration* of the Grand Opening of the *BSU Community Garden*.

KATRINA LEMING,

SGA ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEMBER

This Council on the Environment Green Initiative Award is presented to Katrina Leming in recognition of a commitment to environmental stewardship as demonstrated by implementation of the *2022 Cardinal Climate Rally* which brought together the Natural Resources Club, College Democrats, and the Green Action Team, and the *2023 Earth Day Celebration* of the Grand Opening of the *BSU Community Garden*.

SHAINA MILLER,

SGA ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEMBER

This Council on the Environment Green Initiative Award is presented to Shaina Miller in recognition of a commitment to environmental stewardship as demonstrated by implementation of the *2022 Cardinal Climate Rally* which brought together the Natural Resources Club, College Democrats, and the Green Action Team, and the *2023 Earth Day Celebration* of the Grand Opening of the *BSU Community Garden*.

DR. DANE MINNICK

This Council on the Environment Green Initiative Award is presented to Dr. Dale Minnick in recognition of a commitment to environmental stewardship as demonstrated by organizing *Community Cleanup Days, Drug Take Back Days, Nicotine Quit Day*, which over a decade of time will yield a collection of some 30 tons of trash, 300 gallons of unused medications, and smoking cessation by some 260 individuals.

SARAH OWENS,

SGA ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEMBER

This Council on the Environment Green Initiative Award is presented to Sarah Owens in recognition of a commitment to environmental stewardship as demonstrated by implementation of the *2022 Cardinal Climate Rally* which brought together the Natural Resources Club, College Democrats, and the Green Action Team, and the *2023 Earth Day Celebration* of the Grand Opening of the *BSU Community Garden*.

MAMED RAMAZANLI,

SGA ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEMBER

This Council on the Environment Green Initiative Award is presented to Mamed Ramazanli in recognition of a commitment to environmental stewardship as demonstrated by implementation of the *2022 Cardinal Climate Rally* which brought together the Natural Resources Club, College Democrats, and the Green Action Team, and the *2023 Earth Day Celebration* of the Grand Opening of the *BSU Community Garden*.

CASEY ROCKEL,

SGA ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEMBER

This Council on the Environment Green Initiative Award is presented to Casey Rockel in recognition of a commitment to environmental stewardship as demonstrated by implementation of the *2022 Cardinal Climate Rally* which brought together the Natural Resources Club, College Democrats, and the Green Action Team, and the *2023 Earth Day Celebration* of the Grand Opening of the *BSU Community Garden*.

MACKENSIE SHEARS

This Council on the Environment Green Initiative Award is presented to Mackensie Shears in recognition of a commitment to environmental stewardship as demonstrated by implementation of the *media templates for sustainability messages* across the digital signage network and *collection of used and inoperable electronic equipment and batteries throughout the Teachers College*.

COTE Service Awards

Betty Brewer

Gary Lee