

Brewers Association Gives Achievement Awards to Brewing Icon

Seattle, Wash. • April 12, 2006- A capacity crowd attending the opening session of the Brewers Association's annual Craft Brewers Conference applauded the recognition of an outstanding individual in the brewing industry who was presented an award for dedication and service.

The Brewers Association Recognition Award went to Chuck Skypeck of Boscos Brewing Company. Skypeck is an individual whose inspiration, enthusiasm and support have contributed to the development of the North American craft beer movement.

Steve Bradt, Head Brewer at Free State Brewing Company and Brewers Association Board of Directors member recognizes Skypeck's tireless advocacy for the Organization [Brewers Association] and the Industry. "We all owe him a lot for the tremendous work that he put into the merger that created the Brewers Association," notes Bradt.

The Brewers Association Recognition Award is presented every year. Members of the association nominate candidates and the Brewers Association Board of Directors votes to determine the winner.

Skypeck says he is honored to be included with such an impressive list of past winners of the Brewers Recognition Award. "I am humbled to be chosen because I feel there are dozens of others in our industry that are deserving of this honor," said Skypeck.

Brewers Association Recognition Award Winners

2006-Chuck Skypeck, Boscos Brewing Co.
2005-Carol Stoudt, Stoudts Brewing Company
2004-Jack Joyce, Rogue Ales
2003-Mary-Anne Gruber, Briess Malting Co.
2002-George Fix, Clemson University
2001-Jim and Bobbie Kennedy, Admiralty Beverage Russell
2000-Ralph Olson and Ralph Woodall, Hopunion CBS, LLC
1999-Bill Owens, American Brewer Magazine
1998-Charles Finkel, Merchant du Vin
1997-Jim Koch and Rhonda Kallman, Boston Beer Co.
1996, Karl Strauss, Karl M. Strauss Consulting
1995-John Hickenlooper and Russell Schehrer, Wynkoop Brewing Co.
1994-Fred Scheer, Frankenmuth Brewery
1993-Jeff Mendel, Institute for Brewing Studies
1992-Paul Shipman, Red Hook Ale Brewery
1991-Ken Grossman, Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.
1990-Bert Grant, Yakima Brewing and Malting
1989-Roger Briess, Briess Malting Co.
1988-Fritz Maytag, Anchor Brewing Co.
1987-Michael Jackson

