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## Kennedy Wows Annual Convention Crowd during Awards Ceremony



The Annual Convention in Eureka Springs was host to keynote speaker Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.

The Arkansas Trial Lawyers Association awards luncheon for the 42nd Annual ATLA convention, held on April 29th, was the site for several memorable moments and a few surprises. Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. stirred many with his powerful message *Our Environmental Destiny*. His speech fit hand-in-glove with the surprising national news that the Ivory Billed Woodpecker, thought to be extinct for 50 years, had been spotted in Arkansas. Another of the surprises of the day included a presentation of an Arkansas flag by the 39th Infantry Brigade in recognition of the organization's pro bono work through the *Operation Safekeeping* program.

Awardees for 2005 included Jesse Gibson, (Outstanding Member Young Lawyers Division), Judge John Harkey (Outstanding Trial Judge), Brad Hendricks (Roxanne Wilson Ad-

vocacy), Lynn Cloar (Outstanding Legal Asst.), Winslow Drummond (Henry Woods Lifetime Achievement) Gary Holt (Outstanding Trial Lawyer) and Bill Stovall (Consumer Advocate).



Brad Hendricks (left) and Clark Mason (far right) accept an Arkansas flag from Col. John Edwards and Capt. Bruce Anible given in recognition of ATLA's pro bono work for families of the 39th Infantry Brigade

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