AEROSPACE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
HONORS NIGHT AWARDS--NEW ORLEANS 2007

Richard T. Jennings, M.D., 2006-07 President of the Aerospace Medical Association, presented awards to 15 outstanding physicians, nurses, and researchers during the Honors Night ceremonies at the 78th Annual Scientific Meeting at the Sheraton Hotel, New Orleans, LA. Andy Bellenkes, Ph.D., the Chair of the Awards Committee, read the citations. The names of the awards' sponsors and representatives, when present, are printed in parentheses. Maj. Christopher Paige, USAF, NC, could not be present to receive the Mary T. Klinker Award, sponsored by the Aerospace Nursing Society. William B. Kruyer, M.D., could not be present to accept the Boothby-Edwards Award, sponsored by Harvey W. Watt & Co. The President's Citation was also presented during the ceremonies.

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ERIC LILJENCRANDTZ AWARD
Estrella M. Forster, Ph.D.
(Arthur Arnold, M.D., Bionetics Corp.)

HARRY G. MOSELEY AWARD
John A. Caldwell, Ph.D.
(Roger W. Moore, (center) Lockheed-Martin Corporation)

THEODORE C. LYSER AWARD
Chiharu Sekiguchi, M.D., M.S.
(Lockheed-Martin Space Operations)

RAYMOND F. LONGACRE AWARD
Carol A. Manning, Ph.D.
(Peach Taylor, M.D., PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP)

ARNOLD D. TUTTLE AWARD
Victor A. Convertino, Ph.D.
(Bob Ellis, Sr. VP, Wyle Laboratories)

SIDNEY D. LEVERETT, JR., ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AWARD
Benisse Lester, M.D.
(George K. Anderson, M.D., Environmental Tectonics Corp.)
JULIAN E. WARD MEMORIAL AWARD
Willem Bles, Ph.D.
(Douglas Robb, M.D., Society of U.S. Air Force Flight Surgeons)

KENT K. GILLINGHAM AWARD
Willem Bles, Ph.D.
(Wolfgang Lindlbauer, AMST)

JOHN A. TAMISIEA AWARD
Eduard M. Ricaurte, M.D.
(Jim Harris, M.Ed., Civil Aviation Medical Association)

President's Citations

Dr. Jennings presented the 2007 President's Citations to (lower left photo) Drs. Dan Callan (right) and (lower right photo) to Stanley R. Mohler (left).

Daniel Callan, D.O., was presented the President's Citation for his sustained performance supporting the Annual Scientific Meeting. He has worked for years as a Chair of the Registration Committee, with the arrangements, taking tickets for various functions, etc., and for all the hard work that he has quietly done to help us enjoy the meeting each year. As Thomas Edison said, "I have friends in overalls whose friendship I would not swap in favor of the kings of the world." Dan is one of those folks who have lead the way with his work.

Stanley R. Mohler, M.D., was presented the President's Citation because of his continued positive approach to the field of aerospace medicine. This is unusual in medicine and particularly as one ages. A quote from Steinbeck explains how many of us are: "It is the nature of a man as he grows older...to protest against change, particularly change for the better." During his more than 2 decades of training new Aerospace Medicine specialists, even though he loves the history of Aerospace Medicine, he has always been open to new ideas and enabling/encouraging that residents should pursue their projects and dreams. Instead of saying something will never work, he always says give it a try. However, he usually reminds one to have a "plan b" in mind. It is easy to get negative as one ages, and Stan has always remained positive. Aerospace Medicine has benefited greatly from his example.