



2009 Recognition Awards Program

Deadline for Nominations: August 3, 2009

Recognizing Excellence

Each year, the Arkansas Hospital Association conducts an awards program to recognize individuals whose service has significantly contributed toward achieving the goals either of the association or one or more of its institutional members. Nominations for awards are evaluated and recipients chosen by the AHA board of directors.

Three awards are presented each year during the annual Awards Dinner, scheduled for Thursday, October 8, 2009 at the Peabody Hotel Little Rock. A description of the awards follows.

A. Allen Weintraub Memorial Award

Named for the beloved Allen Weintraub, longtime administrator of St. Vincent Infirmary Medical Center in Little Rock, the A. Allen Weintraub Memorial Award is the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the AHA. Those nominated for this award should be hospital administrators who have the same traits possessed by Allen Weintraub. He was not only active in state and national hospital and healthcare affairs, but was, at the same time, a very dedicated civic worker and an inspiration to all who worked with him. Persons who remember him always mention his care and concern, not only for hospital patients, but also for his employees; his passion for quality healthcare for Arkansans; his recognition of duty to the community; and his visionary influence. Those nominated should be hospital administrators/chief executive officers who are contributing to their hospitals and communities in much the same manner as did Allen.

Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award is presented to individuals who, while not necessarily AHA members, have promoted a cause of the healthcare industry, thereby becoming entitled to special recognition. Examples of those eligible for this award are physicians, nurses, trustees, auxiliaries, and other deserving individuals.

C. E. Melville Young Administrator of the Year Award

Named for the late C. E. Melville, administrator of Jefferson Regional Medical Center in Pine Bluff, the Young Administrator of the Year Award is presented by the Arkansas Health Executives Forum. The award recipient is selected by the Arkansas Health Executives Forum's Awards Committee. The selection is based on qualifications and criteria set forth by the Forum. The nominee must:

- A. be under age forty (40) by the date of the presentation of the award.
- B. have been a resident of Arkansas for at least two years on the date the award is presented.
- C. be employed by an Arkansas healthcare organization in some type of responsible administrative capacity for at least two years prior to the date he/she is presented the award.
- D. meet all requirements for Active Membership in the Arkansas Health Executives Forum. However, Active Membership in the Forum shall not be a requisite.
- E. not have been a previous recipient of this award.

Call for Nominations

Nominations are now open for the 2009 Arkansas Hospital Association awards program.

The deadline for nominations to be received for the A. Allen Weintraub Memorial Award, the Distinguished Service Award, and the C. E. Melville Young Administrator of the Year Award is **August 3, 2009**. All nominations must be received on or before the date to be considered. Please follow nomination submission requirements.

Please submit all nominations to:

AHA Awards Nominations
Arkansas Hospital Association
419 Natural Resources Drive
Little Rock, AR 72205
(501) 224-7878

All nominations must be submitted with the signature of the nominator.

Documentation supporting nominations becomes the property of the AHA and will not be returned unless requested. Please read the criteria for each award and be sure to include all requested material with the nomination.

All persons submitting nominations will be notified of the results of the AHA board of directors' decision. Award recipients will be notified of the annual Awards Dinner. It is the responsibility of the nominator to make all arrangements associated with assuring the presence of the nominee at the awards presentation. Two complimentary tickets to the Awards Dinner will be offered to each award recipient, as well as hotel accommodations, if requested in advance.

Submission Requirements

- 2009 Nomination Form.
- A detailed narrative citing contributions, achievements, honors, etc., stating why this individual deserves recognition.
- A current curriculum vitae or narrative biography of the nominee.
- Letters in support of the nomination (optional).
- **A photograph suitable for reproduction - actual photo or on disk.** (Do not submit polaroid photographs or photocopies.) *Note: If nominee is selected, nominator will be contacted for additional "candid" photographs of nominee.*

Previous award recipients are listed on the reverse side of the awards brochure.

Previous AHA Award Recipients

A. Allen Weintraub Memorial Award

1974 * **John Gilbreath**, Little Rock
 1975 * **Richard F. Scruggs**, West Memphis
 1976 * **Marvin Altman**, Fort Smith
 1977 **W. D. Hedden**, Magnolia
 1978 * **Fax Robertson**, Stuttgart
 1979 * **C. E. "Gene" Melville**, Pine Bluff
 1980 * **Sister Margaret Vincent Blandford**, Little Rock
 1981 * **Hugh Means**, Springdale
 1982 **Ben E. Owens**, President, St. Bernards Healthcare, Jonesboro
 1983 **Norman L. Roberts, Jr.**, Little Rock
 1984 * **Francis J. Ryan**, Wynne
 1985 **S. Howard Johnson**, Dumas
 1986 * **Joe Carmical**, Warren
 1987 * **Talmadge Robertson Conway**, McGehee
 1988 * **Wayne Lawson**, Bentonville
 1989 **Earl W. Eddins**, Fayetteville
 1990 * **A. Jack Reynolds**, Little Rock
 1991 **Franklin E. Wise**, Salem
 1992 **Anita Wise**, Eureka Springs
 1993 **Sister Judith Marie Keith, RSM**, Fort Smith
 1994 **C. C. McAllister**, Camden
 1995 **David C. Laffoon**, Searcy
 1996 **Eugene Zuber**, Searcy
 1997 **Charles Shuffield**, Fort Smith
 1998 **Ronald K. Rooney**, President, Arkansas Methodist Hospital, Paragould
 1999 * **Jim Bushmiaer**, Stuttgart
 2000 **Steven B. Lampkin**, Fayetteville
 2001 **Russell D. Harrington, Jr.**, President, Baptist Health, Little Rock
 2002 **Ray Montgomery**, CEO, White County Medical Center, Searcy
 2003 **Jonathan R. Bates, M.D.**, CEO, Arkansas Children's Hospital, Little Rock
 2004 **Luther J. Lewis**, El Dorado
 2005 **Stephen L. Mansfield**, Dallas
 2006 **Russ Sword**, CEO, Ashley County Medical Center, Crossett
 2007 **Gary Bebow**, CEO, White River Health System, Batesville
 2008 **Robert P. Atkinson**, CEO, Jefferson Regional Medical Center, Pine Bluff

Distinguished Service Award

1974 **Betty Bumpers**, wife of U. S. Senator Dale Bumpers
 1975 * **Georgia Lee Tucker**, Little Rock
 1976 * **Eugene Spratt**, Little Rock
 1977 * **R. C. Warren**, Pine Bluff
 * **Carl Yopp**, Little Rock
 1978 * **Rex Ramsay, M.D.**, Little Rock
 1979 * **Ray Allen**, Little Rock
Maxine Otey, RN, Little Rock
 1980 * **Roger Mills**, Searcy
 1981 * **H. Elvin Shuffield, M.D.**, Little Rock
 1982 **Father James Savary**, Diocese of Little Rock
Ed Weimer, former Director, Region 7, American Hospital Association
 1983 * **Harvey Jones**, Springdale
 * **Bernice Jones**, Springdale
 1984 **Tim Massanelli**, Pine Bluff
 1985 * **L. C. Carter**, Stuttgart
 1986 **William C. Nolan**, El Dorado
 1987 **Beryl Anthony**, former U. S. Congressman, Fourth District, El Dorado
 1988 **John Phillips**, Bentonville
 * **William A. Eldredge**, Little Rock
 1989 **John M. Lipton**, Warren
 1990 * **Nancy Orr**, Van Buren

1991 **Meryl Grasse, M.D.**, Calico Rock
 * **B. Douglas Brandon**, Little Rock
 1992 **C. P. "Pat" McCarty, M.D.**, Helena
William N. Jones, M.D., Little Rock
 1993 **Robert Miller, M.D.**, Helena
 1994 * **Herschel H. Friday**, Little Rock
 * **M. A. Jackson, M.D.**, Little Rock
 1995 **Roy H. Hogan**, El Dorado
 * **Eugene Towbin, M.D.**, Little Rock
 1996 **Louis Lichlyter**, Springdale
 1997 **Dick Trammel**, Springdale
Amy Rossi, Little Rock
 1998 **Lewis Epley, Jr.**, Eureka Springs
Sandra Nichols, M.D., Little Rock
 1999 **Charles McGrew**, Little Rock
 2000 * **Harry Ward, M.D.**, Little Rock
 2001 * **Florence Jones, RN**, Jonesboro
 * **Larkin M. Wilson, M.D.**, El Dorado
Josie Decker, Fort Smith
 2002 **Mary Esther Herget**, Paragould
Reed M. Perryman, Calico Rock
 2004 **Carlton L. Chambers, M.D.**, Little Rock
Wayne Hartsfield, trustee, Searcy
John L. Wilson, M.D., trustee, Little Rock
 2005 * **Linda K. Feltner**, Fort Smith
William Turner Harris, M.D., Little Rock
 2006 **Shirlene Harris, PhD, RN**, Little Rock
Linda Hodges, EdD, RN, Little Rock
 2007 **A.R. Brown, M.D.**, Little Rock
 2008 **Charles Daniel, M.D.**, Marshall
I. Dodd Wilson, M.D., Little Rock

C. E. Melville Young Administrator of the Year Award

1979 **Larry Barton**, Paducah, Kentucky
 1980 * **Dan Gathright**, Arkadelphia
 1981 **Michael D. Helm**, Hot Springs
 1983 **Gordon Hawthorne**, Washington, DC
 1984 **Steven Lampkin**, Fayetteville
 1985 * **Alan Prather**, Fayetteville
 1986 **Steve Reeder**, Helena
 1987 **Harrison Dean**, Senior Vice President/Administrator, Baptist Health Medical Center - North Little Rock
Larry Morse, President, Johnson Regional Medical Center, Clarksville
 1988 **Peter Leer**, COO, North Arkansas Regional Medical Center, Harrison
 1989 **Jan Burford**, CEO, CARTI, Little Rock
 1990 **Melissa Fontaine**, Vice President, University Hospital of Arkansas, Little Rock
 1992 **Terry Amstutz**, CEO, Magnolia Hospital
 1993 **Darren Caldwell**, CEO, DeWitt City Hospital
 1994 **Robin McAtee**, Little Rock
 1995 **Randy King**, Memphis
 1996 **Albert Pilkington III**, Mena
 1997 **Kristy Noble**, President, St. John's Hospital, Berryville
 1998 **Doug Weeks**, Senior Vice President/Administrator, Baptist Health Medical Center-Little Rock
 1999 **Tammy Gavin**, Assistant Administrator, White River Health System, Batesville
 2000 **Walter Johnson**, Vice President, Jefferson Regional Medical Center, Pine Bluff
 2001 **Jason Spring**, Montana
 2002 **Greg Crain**, Vice President, Baptist Health, Little Rock
 2003 **John Heard**, Administrator, McGehee Desha County Hospital
 2004 **Jonathan Davis**, Kansas
 2005 **Leah Osbahr**, Missouri
 2006 **Mark Bethell**, COO, Northwest Medical Center, Bentonville
 2007 **John R. Tucker**, CEO, Five Rivers Medical Center, Pocahtantas

* Deceased

NOMINATION FORM
2009 AHA RECOGNITION AWARDS PROGRAM

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Please check award category:

Nomination Deadline: August 3, 2009

- A. Allen Weintraub Memorial Award
- Distinguished Service Award
- C. E. Melville Young Administrator of the Year Award

Name of Nominee: _____

Professional/Business Title: _____

Employer/Business: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

Name of Person Submitting Nomination: _____

Title: _____

Institution: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

Briefly describe reason for nomination, with full explanation in attached documentation.

Signature of Nominator: _____ Date: _____

All nominations must comply with submission requirements outlined in brochure.