

Section 12: Guidelines for Awards and Honors

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***QST* Cover Plaque Award**

The *QST* Cover Plaque Award was established in 1961. For many years the selection was made by mail vote of the Board of Directors. Minute 59, January 2000 Meeting of the Board, amended the policy (Standing Order 114) to read as follows: "A monthly award consisting of the cover from *QST*, properly mounted and engraved, shall be made to the person or persons contributing the best article for the particular issue as determined by membership response. The Chief Executive Officer is to assess membership response primarily by survey on the ARRL Members Only Web site or similar means."

Staff-written articles are not eligible for the Cover Plaque Award.

ARRL Technical Merit Award

The ARRL Merit was established in 1953 "...to be presented to an Amateur chosen for their outstanding contributions to the art of Amateur Radio communications during their amateur experience." Subsequently the name was changed to Technical Merit Award. The award has been given to groups as well as to individuals.

The most recent award was to Dr. Allen Katz, K2UYH, for his 1976 work in earth-moon-earth (moonbounce) communication. No Technical Merit Award has been made since then; the Technical Excellence Award, reflecting technical contributions to *QST*, appears to have taken its place, although it is not clear that one was intended as a substitute for the other.

ARRL Doug DeMaw, W1FB Technical Excellence Award

The ARRL Technical Excellence Award was established in 1975 to honor the author whose article (or series of articles) published in ARRL periodicals for that year is judged to have the highest degree of technical merit. The award is made annually, and has been earned by the authors on the following pages. In honor of the late Doug DeMaw, W1FB, the name of the award was changed to the Doug DeMaw, W1FB Technical Excellence Award in 1997.

For articles with more than one author, each was presented with an engraved cup. All winners except those for 1981 lived in the U.S., and each of those awards was presented through Division Directors. The 1981 award presentations were made through sister societies of the ARRL.

After the close of a calendar year, the process for determining the winner for that year begins. As established by the Board, the judging is done by a panel of Technical Advisor appointees, with liaison through the Publications Department at Hq. The recommendation of the judging panel is made to the Volunteer Resources Committee, which reviews the recommendation and forwards it to the Board at the second meeting of the Board in the year following the date of the award, after which the award is engraved. The award itself is a 9-inch pewter loving cup and base (the 1983 award was a bowl rather than a cup). The engraving identifies the award and includes the ARRL diamond logo, year, and the author's name and call.

ARRL Technical Innovation Award

The amateur community has witnessed great changes over the past 75 years, from spark to space. At the heart of many advances in the radio art has been the amateur himself. It has been and will remain ARRL policy to encourage amateurs to continue to lead at the forefront of technological advancement as described in the Board's resolution above. The ARRL Technical Innovation Award is granted annually to the licensed radio amateur whose accomplishments and contributions are of the most exemplary nature within the framework of technical research, development and application of new ideas and future systems in the context of Amateur Radio activities, including but not limited to:

Increasing use and development of higher-speed modems and improved packet radio protocols;

Expanded use of personal computers in Amateur Radio applications;

Increased efficiency in use of spectrum;

Alleviation of long-standing technical problems, e.g., antenna restriction, competition for spectrum, EMC;

Digital voice experimentation;

Improved portable and mobile communications capability through Amateur satellite development;

Increased use of solar, natural and alternative power sources for field applications;

Development of practical compressed video transmission systems;

Spread-spectrum technology and applications; and

Development of assistive/adaptive technology for disabled amateurs.

Formal nominations may be made by any ARRL member. Suggestions and supporting information, including the endorsement of ARRL affiliated clubs and elected or appointed League officials, should be submitted along with the nomination document. The Future Systems Committee will serve as the award panel and will review the nominations received from the members and select the winner. The winner will receive a cash award of \$500, a suitably engraved plaque, and travel and accommodations expenses to enable him or her to attend an ARRL convention at which a formal presentation will be made.

Nominations should document as thoroughly as possible the Amateur Radio achievements and contributions of the nominee during the previous calendar year. Additional information concerning the character of the nominee should be as complete as possible.

The ARRL Technical Innovation Award is intended to provide encouragement, and a tangible reward, for amateurs who are outstanding in the development of new technical ideas and applications. It should also provide an opportunity for Amateur Radio, and its many benefits for society, to be brought to the attention of the public. Nominations must be received at Headquarters by March 31.

ARRL Technical Service Award

The Technical Service Award is to be given annually to the licensed radio amateur whose service to the amateur community and/or society at large is of the most exemplary nature within the framework of Amateur Radio technical activities, including, but not limited to, the following:

Participation or leadership in technically-oriented organizational affairs at the local or national level;

Service as official ARRL volunteer; i.e., Technical Advisor, Technical Coordinator, Technical Specialist.

Sharing of technical education and achievements with others through articles in the Amateur Radio literature, and at club meetings, hamfests and conventions; and encourage others to do the same.

Promotion of technical advances and experimentation at vhf/uhf and with specialized modes, and work with enthusiasts in these fields.

Service as technical advisor to clubs that sponsor classes for obtaining amateur licenses or upgraded licenses.

In times of emergency or disaster, provide technical expertise to Amateur Radio service providers, government and relief agencies to assist with the establishment of emergency communications networks.

Referral of amateurs in the section who need specialized technical advice to appropriate sources.

Work with local clubs to develop RFI/TVI committees in the section for the purpose of rendering technical assistance as needed.

Assistance to local technical program committees in arranging suitable programs for ARRL hamfests and conventions.

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Nominations should document as thoroughly as possible the record of technical service of the nominee during the previous calendar year. Additional information concerning the character of the nominee should be as complete as possible.

The ARRL Technical Service Award is intended to provide encouragement, and a tangible reward, for amateurs who are outstanding in the field of technical service. It should also provide an opportunity for Amateur Radio, and its many benefits for society, to be brought to the attention of the public. Nominations must be received at Headquarters by March 31.

ARRL Microwave Development Award

Problem: If amateurs do not use their allocations, it's difficult to explain to policy-makers at the national or international level why they ought to continue to preserve those allocations in their present form. This applies to the amateur microwave bands. There is no accurate census of the hams who are active on the microwave bands, but any reasonable estimate of the percentage would have to be in the single digits. Few new hams or veterans alike use these bands, despite the documented rewards that can be had by operating at that region of our spectrum.

The ARRL Microwave Development Award is given each year to the amateur (individual or group) whose accomplishments and contributions are of the most exemplary nature within the framework of microwave development, i.e., research and application of new and refined uses and activity in the amateur microwave bands. This includes adaptation of new modes both in terrestrial formats and satellite techniques.

Nominations may be made by any ARRL member. Suggestions and supporting information, including the endorsement of ARRL affiliated clubs and elected or appointed League officials, should be submitted along with the nomination document. The Future Systems Committee will serve as the award panel and will review the nominations received from the members and select the winner. The winner will receive a suitably engraved plaque, and travel and accommodations expenses to enable him or her to attend an ARRL convention at which a formal presentation will be made.

Nominations should document as thoroughly as possible the Amateur Radio achievements and contributions of the nominee in the context of microwave development during the previous calendar year. Additional information concerning the character of the nominee should be as complete as possible.

The ARRL Microwave Development Award is intended to provide encouragement, and a tangible reward, for amateurs who are outstanding in the development of new technical ideas as they apply to amateur microwave band activity, and to promote use of the microwave bands which is consistent with ARRL policy. It should also provide an opportunity for Amateur Radio, and its many benefits for society, to be brought to the attention of the public. Nominations must be received at Headquarters by March 31.

ARRL Goldwater Scholarship

I. Purpose of the Scholarship

In order to encourage academic excellence and dedication to public service among Radio Amateurs, an ARRL College Scholarship to honor Senator Barry M. Goldwater, K7UGA, has been created. It recognizes the long history of support to Amateur Radio and to the public by the Senator. This scholarship is intended solely for educational use: to provide assistance with tuition, room/board or other costs essential to advanced education.

II Applications Requirements

1) The applicant must be accepted for enrollment in at least a baccalaureate-degree program in a regionally accredited institution of higher education. The applicant must also be a licensed Radio Amateur.

2) Completed applications (on a proper form) must be received not later than June 1st for award in the following academic year.

3) The applicant must intend to study full time in a field related to communications.

4) While many factors will be considered, academic merit and financial need will be of highest priority. Up to date, official transcripts of secondary school and other work must be provided.

III Selection Procedures

The award will be made after review by the ARRL Foundation Scholarship Committee. The successful applicant will be notified by August 1. Publicity concerning the award will appear in an early issue of *QST* each Fall. The decision of the Committee, upon acceptance by the Foundation, is final.

IV Miscellaneous

The ARRL Goldwater Scholarship is Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000). Payment will normally be made to the institution that the recipient attends. No award need be made if, in a given year, total income to the Goldwater Scholarship Fund is under \$5,000 or if there is no qualified candidate.

Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award

The Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award is to be given annually to the licensed Radio Amateur under the age of 21 whose accomplishments and contributions are of the most exemplary nature within the framework of Amateur Radio activities, including, but not limited to, the following:

- 1) Participation or leadership in organizational affairs at the local or national level;
- 2) technical achievement;
- 3) operating record;
- 4) recruitment and training of new Amateurs; and
- 5) public-relations activities.

In keeping with the tradition of the award when it was first established in 1926, formal nominations will be made by the respective ARRL Section Managers. Suggestions and supporting information, including the endorsement of ARRL-affiliated clubs and elected or appointed League officials, should be submitted to the respective Section Manager. The Programs & Services Committee will review the nominations received from the Section Managers and select the winner. The winner will receive a cash award of \$1,000, a suitably engraved plaque, and travel and accommodations expenses to enable him or her to attend an ARRL convention at which a formal presentation will be made.

Nominations should document as thoroughly as possible the Amateur Radio achievements and contributions of the nominee during the previous calendar year. Additional information concerning the character of the nominee should be as complete as possible.

The Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award is intended to provide encouragement, and a tangible reward, for outstanding young Amateurs. It should also bring Amateur Radio, and its many benefits for young people, to the attention of the public.

Honorary Vice President

Distinguished members of the League may be elected as Honorary Vice Presidents of the League in order to recognize their outstanding contribution to ARRL and Amateur Radio. Candidates may be nominated in accordance with the following criteria, which was adopted as a revision to Standing Order 69 at Minute 38 of the 2002 Annual Meeting of the ARRL Board of Directors.

69) Distinguished members of the League may be elected as Honorary Vice Presidents of the League in order to recognize their outstanding contributions to ARRL and Amateur Radio. Candidates may be nominated in accordance with the following criteria.

Service Eligibility:

(a) Volunteers: Not less than 15 years of service as an official of the League, elected by the Board or the membership.

(b) Staff: Not less than 25 years of service to the League, which could include prior or subsequent service as an elected official, similar to (a) above.

Achievement Eligibility:

(a) Volunteers: Must have made an exceptionally notable contribution to the health and strength of ARRL which is clearly and demonstrably above and beyond the call of duty. Must have demonstrated leadership among leaders, including service as either a committee chairman or officer.

(b) Staff: Must have contributed significantly, above and beyond the call of duty, to the efficiency and unity of League affairs.

General Consideration:

(a) There shall be an upper limit of ten Honorary Vice Presidents.

(b) Not less than 60 days before the election of Honorary Vice Presidents, which shall take place only at Annual meetings of the Board, the Officer or Director making a nomination must supply a written biographical sketch to the Directors. This sketch shall fully substantiate the candidate's term of qualifying service and shall spell out in detail the candidate's extraordinary accomplishments that justify election as an Honorary Vice President.

(c) No nomination may be made unless there is a current vacancy.

(d) No elected official of the League or member of the staff may serve simultaneously as an Honorary Vice President.

(e) The election of an Honorary Vice President requires eight affirmative votes cast by secret ballot. Only the fact of election or non-election shall be announced by the tellers. The vote count shall not be announced.

ARRL Honorary Vice Presidents:

Jim Fenstermaker, K9JF -- 2016
Bruce Frahm, K0BJ -- 2014
Frank Butler, W4RH -- 2008
Fried Heyn, WA6WZO -- 2004
John Kanode, N4MM -- 2003
Jay Holladay, W6EJJ -- 1996

Silent Keys:

Tod Olson, K0TO -- 2003
Evelyn Gauzens, W4WYR -- 2016
Dennis Bodson, W4PWF -- 2015
George Hart, W1NJM -- 1984
Hugh Turnbull, W3ABC -- 2000
Edmond A. Metzger, W9PRN -- 2007
Marshall Quiat, AG0X -- 2006
Paul Grauer, W0FIR -- 1993
L. Phil Wicker, W4ACY -- 1988
Vic Clark, W4KFC -- 1980
J.L. McCargar, W6EY -- 1980
John Griggs, W6KW -- 1980
J. A. "Doc" Gmelin, W6ZRJ -- 1979
David H. Houghton -- 1976
Robert W. Denniston, W0DX -- 1974 & 1976 *
Roemer "Doc" Best, W5QKF -- 1974 & 1976 *
Charles G. Compton, W0BUO/W0AF -- 1974 & 1976 *
Wayland G. "Soupy" Groves, W5NW -- 1974 & 1976 *
F.E. Handy, W1BDI -- 1966, 1974 & 1976 *
Alex Reid, VE2BE -- 1966 *
Robert York Chapman, W1QV -- 1975 & 1976 *

* Prior to 1976, Honorary Vice Presidents served only until the next election of Officers. The Annual Meeting in 1976 amended the Standing Order to make the honor permanent.

Director Emeritus

Minute 65 of the March 18-19, 1982 Meeting of the Board created the position of "Director Emeritus" in recognition of those members of the Board that have served the League with superior performance and distinction.

Recognition shall be in the form of a certificate, suitable for framing, citing the number of years of notable service and the offices held. There shall be no limit to the number of Directors Emeritus nominated or elected and Board members only are to be considered regardless of length of service.

The Director Emeritus candidate may have his name placed in nomination at a Board meeting provided each Director shall receive a written statement of intent to nominate accompanied by the qualifications of the nominee. The elected Director Emeritus shall be suitably recognized in *QST*.

ARRL Directors Emeritus:

Coy Day, N5OK – 2018

Tod Olson, K0TO – 2000 (Silent Key)

Gay Milius, W4UG -- 1990 (Silent Key)

Noel Eaton, VE3CJ -- 1984 (Silent Key)

Robert B. Thurston, W7PGY -- 1982 (Silent Key)

ARRL Hall of Fame

The ARRL Hall of Fame was established at Minute 35 of the Second 1977 Meeting of the Board. Nominations were solicited in September 1978 *QST*, and the first person elected to the Hall of Fame was Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW, at the 1979 Second Meeting. ARRL co-founder Clarence Tuska was elected at the 1981 Annual Meeting.

** A moratorium was placed on further elections to the Hall of Fame at the 1981 Annual Meeting, and was continued indefinitely the following year, at minute 122 of the 1982 Annual Meeting.

ARRL International Humanitarian Award

The ARRL Board established the ARRL International Humanitarian Award as follows (1984 Annual Meeting):

I. In as much as Amateur Radio operators provide public service and promote international goodwill and understanding, this award is dedicated to those amateurs who, through Amateur Radio, are devoted to promoting the welfare of mankind. In order to help all people, both Amateur Radio operators and others, to understand the purpose and importance of this award, it shall be called, "ARRL INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD."

II. The selection of the recipient of the award shall be made by a committee appointed by the President of the ARRL, and shall serve at his or her pleasure for the term of office.

III. Any licensed Radio Amateur, world wide, or group of amateurs who, by use of his or her skills of Amateur Radio, have provided extraordinary service for the benefit of others in times of crisis or disaster, is qualified to receive the award.

IV. Nominations for the award will be accepted by the committee, up until December 31 of each year, from a licensed Radio Amateur or any governmental organization which has received the benefits of the radio amateur's extraordinary service. In the event that no nominations are received, the committee may determine possible recipients or may decide to make no award in a given year.

Nominations must contain the following:

- a. A summary of the actions of the nominee, which qualify the recipient of the award.
 - b. Statements from at least two references including names and addresses for verification.
- V. The award is to include the following elements:
- a. An appropriate plaque or medallion to be presented at the ARRL National Convention, or presented at the recipient's home convention.
 - b. An article describing the recipient and his or her extraordinary achievements is to be written for use in and consumer magazines.
 - c. No monetary prize is planned or desired.

VI. ARRL will seek voluntary contributions to create an endowment to fund the award, with suitable recognition to be given to donors. Should the expenses of

administering the award exceed the income available from the endowment, these expenses will be reimbursed as authorized by the ARRL Board.

VII. Because of the importance of this award to promoting international friendship among not only Amateur Radio operators, but all persons of the world, extreme care must be taken to insure that each recipient is deserving of the award. Therefore, the Committee will be responsible for verification of all nominations, with the most rigorous scrutiny given to finalists in the selection process.

ARRL Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award

Herb S. Brier, W9AD, long-time CQ Novice Editor, represented the spirit of effective, caring Amateur Radio instruction. The ARRL sponsors this award in conjunction with the Lake County Indiana Amateur Radio Club, in his memory to recognize the very best in Amateur Radio instruction and recruitment.

The award is bestowed by the ARRL Board of Directors. The Program & Services Committee of the Board will oversee the nomination and screening process.

The name of the award shall be the “ARRL Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award.”

Requirements/Eligibility

- ARRL member
- ARRL registered volunteer instructor or ARRL registered professional classroom teacher
- Holds an Amateur Radio license
- Acts/acted as lead licensing instructor for 4 years or more, has conducted a minimum of 8 classes (of any level: Technician, General and/or Extra), or equivalent level of commitment and duration of service.

Note: Candidates for this award may be nominated for past service even though they may not be currently active. However, eligibility requirements and all selection criteria apply to all nominees.

Selection Criteria

1. Uses creative instructional approaches to cover the license course content, engages hands-on radio activities and teaches for understanding.
2. Uses student evaluation and/or other process to get feedback for improvement, and receives consistently favorable student evaluations.
3. Demonstrated ability: success rate measured in terms of percentage of students beginning a course who complete it and/or who pass the license exam.
4. Provides students with information about the variety of activities and operating modes available to radio amateurs.
5. Models the highest values of the amateur radio community (dedication to learning, courtesy, importance of adhering to FCC rules, voluntary service to community, etc.).

6. Demonstrates follow through and personal commitment to amateur radio instruction. Examples include, but not limited to, helping new amateurs get on the air, coordinating antenna parties, organizing a school radio club, setting up Elmers to work with new amateurs assisting in their transition to the local amateur radio community.
7. Personal enthusiasm and ability to recruit students to study for license, and/or efforts to publicize license preparation classes.

Documentation must be provided to support the selection criteria. Candidates will be evaluated according to a scoring system for each criterion. Each criterion will be assigned a weight. The candidate's score will be multiplied by the weight for that criterion to reach a score. If a particular criterion is not documented, the candidate will receive no score for that criterion. The candidate's final score will be a total of all weighted scores for all criteria.

Materials required for nomination

- Information to support eligibility requirements, including listing of classes held during the past 4 years, dates of at least 8 classes, or description of similar level of commitment and duration of service.
- Recommendation from ARRL elected official: Director, Vice Director or Section Manager and/or ARRL club sponsorship

Additional materials that would support a nomination

- Examples of instructor developed instructional materials, such as handout sheets, PowerPoint presentations or concept demonstrations
- Candidate recommendations from former students or local amateur radio observers, school officials or colleagues, non-ham community groups. Endorsements can provide anecdotal information and should address the criteria for receiving the award.
- Copy of course syllabus
- List and description of course activities used to support instruction
- Sample lesson plan(s)
- Representative video of selected class segments (no more than 15 minutes total) demonstrating instructional technique and/or activities
- Copy of the student's course evaluation and summary of results
- Documentation of courses held with number of students, number of licensees, pass rate
- Summary of students' amateur radio related projects, such as science fair projects or enrichment projects
- Copy of recruiting materials, publicity for classes
- Syllabus/ description of post license workshops for new licensees or ham club members
- Anecdotal information of dedication and extraordinary personal commitment

- Short essay by nominee describing personal teaching philosophy

Procedures

1. Nominations shall be solicited through the ARRL membership, field organization, affiliate clubs, registered teachers and instructors and may be accepted from any source.
2. Nominations must be received by March 15 to be considered for an award in the current year.
3. Nominations will be acknowledged by ARRL to the nominator and the nominee by email when received, but no later than March 30. Acknowledgement will contain the terms of reference for the award and will request documentation for the selection criteria of the award to be submitted by the deadline of April 30.
4. ARRL will inform the ARRL Director, Vice Director and Section Manager of nominations in their division/section and solicit their recommendation.
5. ARRL will assemble the nomination materials for each candidate, and after determining if the requirements are met will forward the materials for eligible candidates to the members of the Education Awards Committee by May 15.
6. The Education Awards Committee will include at least 5 individuals including ARRL staffers and appointees by the Education Services Manager or by the Programs & Services Committee.
7. The Awards Committee will evaluate the eligible candidates according to all selection criteria using a scoring system to assess each criterion. The Committee will determine the process to be used to conduct the scoring and whether an award can be recommended based on the documentation received.
8. The Awards Committee will make a recommendation to the Programs and Services Committee by June 15.
9. The PSC will make the final recommendation to the Board of Directors at its second annual meeting.
10. ARRL will prepare the award and award news coverage. If possible, an ARRL elected official will present the award. The award sponsor, Lake County Indiana Amateur Radio Club will fund the award.

The Award

- An engraved plaque and a cover letter, presented by ARRL elected official (when possible)
- Coverage in QST and/or on the ARRL website
- ARRL publications of a value up to \$100
- Local media coverage through PIO

President Emeritus

The title of President Emeritus has been conferred as an ad hoc honor on four occasions. First was to Goodwin L. Dosland, W0TSN (SK), who was elected President Emeritus at the 1962 Board Meeting. Second was to Harry Dannals, W2HD, elected at the 1984 Annual Meeting. Third was to George S. Wilson III, W4OYI (SK), elected at the 1995 Second Meeting. Fourth was Jim Haynie, W5JBP at the 2006 Annual Meeting and Larry Price, W4RA in 2011. No Board action specifies the office, its privileges or qualifications.

Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award

The award was established at the 1993 Annual Meeting.

This award is given jointly by the ARRL and the New Hampshire Amateur Radio Association to the ham who best exemplifies the volunteer public relations efforts of Phil McGan, WA2MBQ (SK), on behalf of Amateur Radio.

A. The award is bestowed by the ARRL Board of Directors; the Public Relations Committee shall oversee the nomination and screening process.

B. The name of the award shall be the "Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award."

C. Eligibility -- Nominee:

1. The award is given to an individual (not a group), who is a full ARRL Member in good standing at the time on nomination. The nominee must not be compensated for any public relations work involving Amateur Radio (including payment for articles) and may not be a current Officer, Director, Vice Director, staff member of the current selection committee.

D. Selection criteria:

1. The winner of the Philip J. McGan Silver Antenna Award will demonstrate volunteer public relations success on behalf of Amateur Radio at the local, state or national level, and will live up to the high standard of achievement exemplified by Philip J. McGan.

E. Procedure:

1. Nominations must be received at ARRL Hq in Newington by 5 PM on the last Friday in May.
2. Nominations will be screened by the ARRL Public Relations Committee, which will forward its recommendation to the Programs & Services Committee of the ARRL Board of Directors. The Board will make the final determination at its July Board meeting.

F. The Award shall consist of:

1. an engraved plaque and cover letter
2. coverage in *QST* and *QSO Media*

Bill Leonard, W2SKE, Professional Media Award

The ARRL accepts nominations annually for the Professional Media Award, which pays tribute to the late CBS News President Bill Leonard, W2SKE.

This award goes to a professional journalist whose coverage best reflects the enjoyment, importance and public service value of Amateur Radio. The deadline for entries is December 15.

Nominations are judged by ARRL's Public Relations Committee, and the winner is be recommended to the Board of Directors for consideration at its January meeting. The winner receives a plaque and a cash award of \$500.

Leonard was an avid Amateur Radio operator most active in the 1960s and 1970s. In Amateur Radio circles, he is remembered for his 1958 contribution to Sports Illustrated, "The Battle of the Hams," which covered the "sport" of DX contesting. In addition to describing Amateur Radio and identifying some of the notables of the day, the article details the K2GL operation during the 1958 running of the ARRL International DX Contest.

Leonard was inducted into the Broadcasting Hall of Fame in 1996.

Colvin Award

The Colvin Award is funded by an endowment established by Lloyd D. Colvin, W6KG (SK). Approximately \$6,000 in annual investment income is available.

Consistent with Mr. Colvin's wishes and with the policies of the ARRL Board, the Colvin Award is conferred in the form of grants in support of Amateur Radio projects that promote international goodwill in the field of DX. To minimize overhead costs and the time required to review applications, the Grants Committee consists of three senior members of the ARRL Headquarters staff [at the present time, the Chief Executive Officer, Membership Volunteer Programs Manager, and DXCC Branch Manager] located in Newington, Connecticut.

Eligibility: Grants are made only in response to applications that meet the following criteria:

- ◆ Applicants must be groups (i.e., not individuals), with a favorable track record in the field of DX and with experience that is directly related to the project being proposed.
- ◆ The proposed project must have as a goal a significant achievement in the field of DX.
- ◆ The application must include a financial plan showing all anticipated expenses and sources of funding.
- ◆ The applicants must agree to provide the ARRL with an electronic copy, in a format specified by the ARRL, of all logs of Amateur Radio contacts made in the course of the project, and must agree to permit the ARRL to use these logs to verify the contacts.
- ◆ If Amateur Radio operation from an inhabited location is envisioned, the application must show how the project will enhance the condition of Amateur Radio in that location.
- ◆ The applicants must agree to comply with all DXCC rules. If applicable, the application must demonstrate how compliance with Rule 7 (licensing) will be accomplished.
- ◆ The applicants must agree in writing to hold harmless and indemnify the League from any claim which may arise in connection with any actions they may take. [The text of the required statement will be supplied by the League.]
- ◆ Grant applications will be considered from groups seeking support for a project that has already taken place, if it meets the above criteria.

◆ Preference will be given to multi-national groups of radio amateurs, all of whom are members in good standing of their own national IARU member-societies.

Publicity: Appropriate credit to the ARRL and the Colvin Award shall be given on the QSL card and in publicity about the project.

Grant applications should be submitted to:

**Colvin Award Grants Committee
c/o Secretary
American Radio Relay League, Inc.
225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111 USA
FAX: 860-594-0259**

President's Award

The ARRL President's Award was created by the Board in July 2003.

This award is presented to ARRL members who have shown long-term dedication to the goals and objectives of ARRL and Amateur Radio, and whose support of individual programs and/or goals has been above and beyond the normal efforts of ARRL members. It is presented only to those whose truly outstanding efforts have benefited ARRL and/or Amateur Radio operators in the state, the region, or the nation.

1. Need not be awarded each year.
2. No more than five awards in any calendar year.
3. Cost paid from the division budget of the recipient. No travel budget is provided for the award recipient.
4. Recipient must be nominated by the Director, and approved by the ARRL President and the Executive Committee.
5. When feasible the ARRL President will present the award at an appropriate national or regional venue.
6. An individual may receive the award only once.
7. The award will consist of a plaque and will involve Web and *QST* coverage

Recipients of the President's Award are:

2004 – Jerry Agliata, W2GLA
2005 – Walter Cronkite, KB2GSD
2005 – Mary Ann Crider, WA3HUP
2009 – Frank Bauer, KA3HDO
2012 – Vic Poor, W5SMM
2013 – Michael R. Sigelman, KØBUD
2014 – John Amodeo, NN6JA
2014 – John Dyer, AE5B
2014 – Carla Dyer, N5RLA

Knight Distinguished Service Award

The ARRL Board of Directors established the **Knight Distinguished Service Award** to recognize exceptionally notable contributions by a Section Manager to the health and vitality of the League. The first such award was presented to Joe T. Knight, W5PDY, for whom the award was named, in recognition of his exemplary service not only as the ARRL Section New Mexico Section Manager for more than a quarter century but also for his willingness time and time again to share his knowledge and skills leadership by volunteering to help train and orient newly elected Section Managers from throughout the country at the invitation of the Field Services Department (now Membership and Volunteer Programs).

In recognition of the commitment to the ARRL Field Organization as exemplified by Joe T. Knight, W5PDY, the **Knight Distinguished Service Award** may be awarded from time to time to an ARRL Section Manager who has distinguished himself or herself in accordance with the following ideals:

1. Exceptionably notable contributions over and extended period of time within his or her Section and beyond.; and
2. Whose efforts have contributed to the health and vitality of the ARRL and its Field Organization; and
3. Whose actions are in the spirit of the unselfish contributions of Joe T. Knight, W5PDY.

The ARRL Board shall publicize the existence of the **Knight Distinguished Service Award** and the nomination criteria from time to time in its *QST* and on the ARRL Web Page. Nominations may be made by any ARRL member and shall be accompanied by a narrative of the accomplishments of the nominee identifying the long term contributions of the nominee to ARRL and its Field Organization.

Those awarded the **Knight Distinguished Service Award** shall be presented with a suitable plaque commemorating the award.

The George Hart Distinguished Service Award

The George Hart Distinguished Service Award may be presented by the Board of Directors to the ARRL member whose service to the ARRL's Field Organization is of the most exemplary nature. The Distinguished Service Award is named in honor of George Hart, W1NJM, long-time Communications Manager at ARRL Headquarters and chief developer of the National Traffic System.

Selection criteria include

Operating record with the National Traffic System; or participation within the Amateur Radio Emergency Service; or

Station appointments and/or leadership positions held within the Field Organization.

Procedure:

Nominations shall be accepted from anyone.

Nominations shall be submitted to the Field Services and Radiosport Manager at ARRL HQ by November 1.

Nominations should document as thoroughly as possible the nominee's lifetime activities and achievements within the Field Organization. It is expected that nominated candidates will have 15 or more years of distinguished service.

The Programs and Services Committee will serve as the Review Committee.

The Board of Directors shall make the final determination at its Annual Meeting in January.

The award shall consist of: An engraved plaque, a cover letter, and coverage in *QST*.