



## **The Leonard M. Monheim Distinguished Service Award CALL FOR NOMINATIONS - 2020**

The American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists has identified a need to recognize dentists who have made outstanding contributions to the discipline of anesthesiology, benefiting the dental profession. This Distinguished Service Award is named in honor of Leonard M. Monheim, D.D.S., whose many contributions to the art and science of anesthesiology and visionary leadership helped lay the foundation for a specialty in anesthesiology for dentistry. Dr. Monheim established the first autonomous Department of Anesthesiology within a dental school (University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine) in 1949 and served as the only anesthesiologist for the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center for nearly twenty years. Also in 1949, he initiated the first postdoctoral training program in anesthesiology for dentists. His prolific teaching and writings in the discipline of dental anesthesiology provided a strong educational foundation for all dentists rotating on his anesthesia service and he published the first modern textbook on general anesthesia specifically for dentistry. It is only fitting that the ASDA honor this man's contributions to our discipline and dentistry.

### **Mechanism for Nominations**

Nominations for the award may be submitted by members of the ASDA to the Awards Committee Chair (Immediate Past President of ASDA) with a letter as to the nominee's qualifications, together with current Curriculum Vitae, at least one year prior to the ASDA Annual Scientific Session and the date of the award presentation. Notification of the call for nominations will be sent by the Awards Committee Chair to the ASDA membership by February 15 of each year. For example: The 2020 Leonard M. Monheim recipient will be announced at the 2019 ASDA Annual Scientific Session and will be presented with the award at the 2020 ASDA Annual Scientific Session.

### **Mechanism for Selection of a Recipient**

The Committee on the Leonard Monheim Distinguished Service Award shall review the names of nominees submitted and shall recommend one candidate to the ASDA Board of Directors. Selection of the candidate shall require a 2/3 vote of the full committee. The committee shall meet via conference call to make its selection. There may not be a suitable candidate to recommend to the Board of Directors every year.

### **Notification of the Approved Recipient**

Upon approval of the nominee by the Board of Directors, the honoree will be formally notified by the ASDA of his or her selection. A copy of the formal notification will be made and maintained by the ASDA in perpetuity for the purposes of record and remembrance of this honor.

*Past Monheim Distinguished Service Award Recipients*

Dr. Larry Trapp	1999
Dr. Ralph Epstein	2000
Dr. John Yagiela	2001
Dr. Joe Giovannitti	2002
Dr. Joel Weaver	2003
Dr. Ray Dionne	2005
Dr. James Chancellor	2006
Dr. C. Richard Bennett	2007
Professor Yuzuru Kaneko	2008
Dr. William A. MacDonnell	2009
Dr. Daniel A. Haas	2010
Dr. Michael Higgins	2011
Dr. James Phero	2012
Dr. Steven Ganzberg	2013
Dr. Christine Quinn	2014
Dr. Stanley Malamed	2015
Dr. Morton Rosenberg	2016
Dr. James Snyder	2017
Dr. Lee Lichtenstein	2018
Dr. Michael Mashni	2019

Sincerely,



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