

ARRL Board Names Award Winners

NEWINGTON, CT, Jul 24, 2002--The ARRL Board of Directors has named the winners of several League awards. The Board selected the nominees when it met July 19-20 in Windsor, Connecticut.



The Hiram Percy Maxim Award winner for 2001 is Tamara Stuart, KF6RIV.

2001 Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award

Tamara M. Stuart, KF6RIV, of Palm Springs, California, is the winner of the prestigious Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award for 2001. Established in 1936, the award goes each year to a radio amateur under the age of 21 whose Amateur Radio accomplishments and contributions are of the most exemplary nature.

A recent graduate of Palm Springs High School, Stuart is active in the Desert Radio Amateur Transmitting Society of Palm Springs ("Desert RATS"), the Southwest Remote Radio Club, the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) United States Air Force Auxiliary. She's a Technician licensee and an ARRL member.

For the past four years Stuart has experimented with radio wave propagation and antenna design, and her list of science fair projects is praiseworthy. Her 2001 entry was "Radio Frequency (RF) Radiation Propagation and Polarization of One-Wavelength Loop Antennas." She also has made presentations about her radio experiments to youth and community service groups, and she has encouraged young women to pursue nontraditional careers in science and engineering.

A ham since 1998, Stuart enjoys operating on VHF and UHF. She remains active in school and community activities and was selected as Miss Palm Springs 2002. She's also a 2001 National Discover Card scholarship winner. While in high school, she maintained a 3.91 grade point average while participating in an advanced placement program. In the fall, she plans to attend Harvey Mudd College in Claremont, California.

Stuart's Web site contains additional details on her activities and describes her efforts to promote Amateur Radio.

As the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award winner, Stuart will receive a cash award of \$1500 and an engraved plaque.



2002 Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award

Sharon T. "Sherri" Brower, W4STB, of Vero Beach, Florida, is the winner of the 2002 Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award. Established in 1993, the McGan Award honors an amateur who demonstrates outstanding public relations success at the local, state or national level on behalf of Amateur Radio.

A ham since 1989, Brower has been an ARRL Public

Information Officer since 1995. She holds an Extra ticket and is an ARRL Life Member. She's also an Official Emergency Station in Indian River County and active in ARES and RACES.

ARRL Southern Florida Section Manager Phyllisan West, KA4FZI, nominated Brower for the McGan Award. "Rather than being a single, loud thunderstorm, Sherri's public relations contributions are a refreshing and encouraging yearlong rain that keeps Amateur Radio in view of the public throughout her three-county district and spills over into other parts of the Southern Florida Section," West said. She said Brower makes a special effort to aim her public relations activities at youth, with demonstrations on Earth Day and Kid's Day as well as during scouting activities and in classrooms. "She is prominent at all local hurricane expos with a ham radio demo setup and ARRL flyers explaining how ham radio can fill the gap in a communication emergency," West continued.

West said Brower's efforts have helped to educate local governmental officials about ham radio and its benefits. In addition, she said, her presentations have helped in the fight against antenna restrictions in Florida.

The award's namesake--the late journalist Philip J. McGan, WA2MBQ, the first chairman of the ARRL's Public Relations Committee--was an enthusiastic Amateur Radio booster. As this year's winner, Brower will receive an engraved plaque.

Professional Educator of the Year Award



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A third-grade teacher at Stillwater Elementary School in Carnation, Washington, Dumond views Amateur Radio as a technology tool for his young students. In 1994, Dumond applied for and received an in-district grant of \$1200 to initiate a ham radio program known as "Radio Experience." The grant money made it possible to install an HF station. To date, more than 700 students have participated in the program.

In nominating Dumond for this award, Janie Dalton, WA7GNI--a former student and instructional assistant--cited his level of enthusiasm, support, encouragement and caring. "He puts all of these qualities into action for the benefit of his students," Dalton said.

Dumond will receive an engraved plaque.

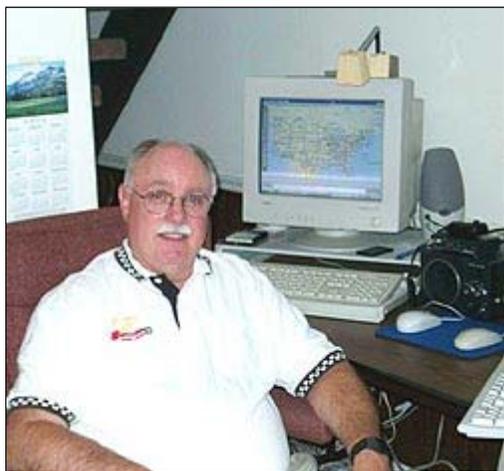
2001 Professional Instructor of the Year Award

Thomas Henderson, WD5AGO, of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, is the winner of the 2001 ARRL Professional Instructor of the Year Award. This award is given to an individual who teaches an Amateur Radio licensing class as a regular course in an educational institution, such as a community college or vocational school. Henderson has been incorporating Amateur Radio into his *Wireless Design* class at Tulsa Community College for eight years.

Students in Henderson's classes build amateur transmitter and receiver projects as well as VHF and UHF antennas, which can be tested on the college's antenna range. The students get to keep their finished projects.

"Mr. Henderson helps with those students who need more instruction," said student Gregg Koontz, KBOQDI. "I have seen him numerous times talking with the past and present students before and after class. He makes himself available to the students, always encouraging them."

Henderson will receive an engraved plaque.



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Richard W. "Rick" Crockett, W0PC, of O'Fallon, Missouri, has been chosen to receive the 2001 ARRL Herb S. Brier Instructor of the Year Award. The award, named for the late, long-time *CQ* Novice editor, honors an individual who represents the spirit of Brier's effective and caring Amateur Radio instruction. Cosponsoring the award is the Lake County Amateur Radio Club of Crown Point, Indiana.

Crockett, who's been teaching licensing classes for more than 25 years, is an active member of the St Charles Amateur Radio Club. He enjoys SSTV, CW and PSK31.

"Rick is knowledgeable, easygoing and creates an atmosphere in his classes that makes it very easy for the students to succeed," said former student Larry Carr, K0LAC.

Crockett will receive an engraved plaque.

ARRL 2001 Doug DeMaw, W1FB, Technical Excellence Award

John B. Stephensen, KD6OZH, of Fresno, California, is the recipient of the 2001 Doug DeMaw, W1FB, Technical Excellence Award. The award recognizes the author whose article in an ARRL periodical is judged to have the highest degree of technical merit.

Stephensen was selected on the basis of his article, "Reducing IMD in High-Level Mixers," which appeared in the May/June 2001 issue of *QEX*, the ARRL's technical journal.

Established in 1975 as the ARRL Technical Excellence Award, the name was changed in 1997 to honor the late Doug DeMaw, W1FB, a former ARRL Headquarters technical editor and well-known Amateur Radio author. The award consists of an engraved nine-inch pewter cup.

ARRL Technical Innovation Award

The 2001 ARRL Technical Innovation Award will go to three amateurs. This award is given to an amateur or group of amateurs whose technical research and development accomplishments are of the most exemplary nature.

Keith Lamonica, W7DXX, of N Easton, Massachusetts; Bob Arnold, N2JEU, of Canastota, New York; and Stan Schretter, W4MQ, of Reston, Virginia, are the recipients of the 2001

award. They were cited for their development of Internet control of remote HF stations with new and unique software and a hardware interface. Their efforts were recognized in an article, "Remote-Controlled HF Operation Over the Internet," by Brad Wyatt, K6WR, which appeared in the November 2001 issue of *QST*.

The ARRL Technical Innovation Award carries a cash award of \$500 and an engraved plaque.

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