

NATIONAL SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS

The National Service Award is presented annually to a person who has made significant contributions to the industry either in terms of technical or social achievement.



1985: JEFFREY V. WEBBER

(second from right)

Presented by Senator William Cohen in Washington, D.C. Recorded to be the first award presented. Scholarships presented to Chemeketa Community College, Salem, Oregon (\$500) and Lakeland College, Mattoon, IL (\$1000).

1986: RICHARD A. (DICK) LUMPKIN

(second from left). Presented by Senator Harry Woodyard. Award was made based on Mr. Lumpkin's nomination for significant work in the telecommunications industry and social contributions in the Special Olympics program. Scholarship presented to Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ (\$1000).



1987: JOHN W. CHRISTIAN, JR.

Presented by Ray Thrower and John Holmes in Elko, NV, to John W. Christian, III, (center) on behalf of his deceased father. Awarded posthumously to John W. Christian for his outstanding



achievements and service in the Telecommunications field. Scholarship presented to the University of Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV (\$1000).

1988: FRED M. LINK (No photo available)

Presented by Ray D. Thrower at the Entelec Convention in New Orleans, LA. "Not only was Link a pioneer in the field of Communications, but he considers himself a pioneer in the hiring of the handicapped and was one of the first persons in manufacturing to use totally blind persons as part of the working force." *NARTE NEWS*, 1989. Scholarship presented to Pennsylvania State University, (\$1000).

1990: RUSSELL V. CARSTENSEN

(right) Presented by Senator Charles Robb in Washington, D.C. Text of award read: "Who by charismatic leadership, innovation, motivation, and persuasive penmanship has generated and spearheaded multiple programs to appreciably enhance the Standard of Excellence throughout the discipline of Electromagnetic Compatibility."



Scholarship presented to Centralia Community College, WA (\$1000).

1991: Nominee of choice was a member of the CNN staff who set up the communications link from Baghdad to the free world during the period of Desert Shield and Desert Storm. CNN recommended that the award be presented to the head of the department representing all individuals taking part in this effort. The NARTE Board of Directors decided to forego the 1991 award presentation because the NSA is individually oriented.



1992: WILLIAM G. MCGOWAN

Presented posthumously by Senator Arlen Specter. Text of award: "In recognition of a distinguished pioneer and daring entrepreneur who tenaciously sought a telecommunications monopoly and won." Scholarship presented to Rev.

James Lackenmier, C.S.C., of King's College, Wilkes-Barre, PA, presented by "Father Joe" of Mercy Hospital, Scranton, PA.

1994: ARTHUR W. BROTHERS (right)

Presented by Senator Robert F. Bennett in Salt Lake City, UT. Text of award: "Arthur Brothers, through extraordinary determination and innovation, made an impossible dream a reality. Venturing where others dared not, with a vision beyond convention and the will to persist, he brought 21st century telecommunications to regions of rural Utah."



1998: RAY D. THROWER (left)

Presented by Governor George W. Bush at the Capitol Building, Austin, TX. Text of award: "Whose inspirational leadership, extraordinary vision, remarkable innovation and intellect gave reality, honor and respect to an organization certifying competency and ethical work practices in telecommunications and related fields. By oratory, charisma, daring and deed, he has consistently set the example above and beyond conventional excellence to men and women serving the worldwide arena of telecommunications."

(No award recipients in 1989, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1999, 2000 or 2001.)

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