Al Doerr Award

Pharmacist Al Doerr lived from 1904 to 1985 and became licensed as a pharmacist in 1928. After many years as a staff pharmacist and pharmacy owner in Napoleon, he became the Executive Secretary/Treasurer of the North Dakota State Board of Pharmacy, a position that he held until 1980. He also served as the Executive Secretary/Treasurer of the North Dakota Pharmaceutical Association from 1955 to 1976. During the time he represented the Board and Association, Dr. Doerr became recognized nationally as an innovative pharmacy leader, receiving several honors. He received the APhA Remington Honor Medal in 1975, the most prestigious award that is presented to pharmacists. In 1977 he was elected Honorary President of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy. The North Dakota State University conferred the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science on him in 1977. The contributions of Dr. Doerr to North Dakota pharmacy placed the state’s practitioners in the forefront of pharmacy practice and established a high standard for pharmacy leadership. Sponsored by NDPhA.

Criteria for Award Nominees:
1. The recipient must be a Pharmacist licensed to practice in North Dakota.
2. The recipient must be living. Awards are not presented posthumously.
3. The recipient must not have been a previous recipient of the award.
4. The recipient has compiled an outstanding record for community and pharmacy service.

Past Recipients:

1977 – DOERR, AL – BISMARCK
1978 – GROSZ, WILLIAM. J. – WAHPETON
1979 – FORBES, DAVID – FARGO
1980 – MAYER, GORDON – HARVEY
1981 – BERNARDY, JACK – FARGO
1982 – SCHULD, JOHN F. – DICKINSON
1983 – LEE, JOHN – FORMAN
1984 – KROHN, ODELL – HARVEY
1985 – ROGERS, RILEY – VALLEY CITY
1986 – HAAKENSON, PHILIP N. – FARGO
1987 – WELDER, ANTON P. – BISMARCK
1988 – OLIG, HERMAN J. – HANKINSON
1989 – IRSFELD, JAMES – DICKINSON
1990 – GEORGE, CLARENCE T. – WAHPETON
1991 – LINK, RAYMOND – BISMARCK
1992 – SCHLITTENHARD, DuWAYNE – FARGO
1993 – OLIG, DAVID J. – FARGO
1994 – ZUEGER, JR., EMIL E. – NEW ENGLAND
1995 – ANDERSON, JR., HOWARD C. – TURTLE LAKE
1996 – AIPPERSPACH, LORETTA – JAMESTOWN
1997 – DEWHIRST, GARY W. – HETTINGER
1998 – HAROLDSON, LAUREL – JAMESTOWN
1999 – TREITLINE, BOB – DICKINSON
2000 – THARALDSON, TOM – FARGO
2001 – BILDEN, PAUL – NORTHWOOD
2002 – BIRKMAIER, GEORGE (SKIP) – GRAND FORKS
2003 – ABRAHAMSON, EARL – DICKINSON
2004 – OBERLANDER, KEVIN – BISMARCK
2005 – BUCHHOLZ, DENNIS – LISBON
2006 – CHURCHILL, PATRICIA – BISMARCK
2007 – DETWILLER, RICK – BISMARCK
2008 – HANEL, HARVEY – BISMARCK
2009 – BAILLIE, F. DUANE – RUGBY
2010 – AURIT, MARK – BISMARCK
2011 – SWISHER, JUDITH – GRAND FORKS
2012 – KRISTENSEN, TERRY – BISMARCK
2013 – ZIEGLER, GAYLE – FARGO
2014 – MOE, ARDELL – NEW TOWN
2015 – ESSLER, KIM – GARRISON
2016 – MILLER, DONALD – FARGO
2017 – THOM, BONNIE – GRANVILLE
2018 – STEVE BOEHNING – FARGO
2019 – MIKE RIEPL – BISMARCK

2020 – ERIK CHRISTENSON

2021 – AMY WERREMEYER - FARGO

2022 – TIM JOYCE – TIOGA

2023 – SUE NELSON - FARGO