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ASPA RECOGNIZES SCHOLARSHIP AND OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO PUBLIC SERVICE
Scholars and Practitioners Honored at 2015 Annual Conference

Washington, DC - Twenty leading practitioners, scholars and organizations will be honored for their contributions and extraordinary commitment to public service during the American Society for Public Administration’s Annual Conference in Chicago on March 6-10. This year’s honorees have made positive and lasting contributions toward promoting integrity in public service, advancing scholarship over a lifetime and serving both ASPA and the public in significant ways.

Their work, research and leadership have been instrumental in building a stronger public sector. The 2015 recipients represent a diverse mix of individuals working in the public, nonprofit and academic arenas, as well as the next generation of public servants.

“Public service is about commitment to others. Those who work in the public and nonprofit sector dedicate endless hours to making their communities and the world around them better. ASPA is honored to be able to say thank you for their dedication and to recognize their contributions,” said ASPA Executive Director William Shields.

In recognition of lifetime scholarship, contributions and dedication to the public service field, ASPA will present the following awards:

The Dwight Waldo Award, which honors outstanding contributions to the professional literature, will be awarded to Frank Thompson of Rutgers University at Newark. Thompson will also accept the Charles Levine Award for his demonstrated commitment in teaching, research and service to the wider public administration community.

The Elmer Staats Lifetime Achievement Award for Distinguished Public Service, honoring an individual’s contributions to public service over a lifetime, will be presented to Chester A. Newland of the University of Southern California.

The Paul Van Riper Award, presented to an individual who has made contributions to the academic and practitioner fields, will be awarded to Montgomery Van Wart of the University of Southern California, San Bernardino.

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The International Public Administration Award will be presented to Barbara Kudrycka, a member of the European Parliament, for her work on a global scale to strengthen the public sector and understanding of public service.

The Public Integrity Award, which recognizes an organization that has made outstanding contributions to responsible conduct in public service, will be presented to The Volcker Alliance.

In recognition of work done to advance social equity, ASPA will present the Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Exemplary Practice Award to the Akron Peacemakers. ASPA’s Section on Democracy and Social Justice will award its annual Gloria Hobson Nordin Social Equity Award to H. George Frederickson, a leader in ethics and promoting social equity.

The John Gaston Jr. Award for Public Service Management will be awarded to Kamyar Guivetchi, California Department of Water Resources.

ASPA Sections and Chapters are key to ASPA’s efforts to provide local and special interest networking opportunities for members. This year’s Patricia J. Yearwood Chapter/Section Award will be presented to ASPA’s Sacramento Chapter.

ASPA will present the H. George Frederickson PA TIMES Best Article Award to the writer of the article published in PA TIMES judged most informative, critical and contributing to new knowledge. This year’s winning author is Mary Hamilton with the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

The Donald C. Stone Service to ASPA Award will be presented to Steve Bobes, Miami-Dade County.

Public Administration Review, the premier journal for those in public management and administration, will celebrate its 75th anniversary this year. The journal will present awards for the best submission, commentary and book review during the 2014 publication year.

PAR’s Louis Brownlow Award will be awarded to Shui-Yan Tang with the University of Southern California; Richard F. Callahan of the University of San Francisco and Mark Pisano with the University of Southern California.

The William and Frederick C. Mosher Award will be presented to Zachary W. Oberfield of Haverford College.

The Burchfield Award for Best Book Review will be awarded to Martin Lodge, London School of Economics.

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The newly established Chester Newland Award recognizes the best commentary and will be presented to Dall Forsythe, New York University Wagner Graduate School of Public Service and Juanita Scarlett, Park Strategies, LLC.

ASPA’s Center for Accountability and Performance (CAP) will recognize organizations and individuals that have helped promote efficient and effective administration through model performance management techniques. The Harry Hatry Distinguished Performance Measurement and Management Practice Award will be awarded to Shelley Metzenbaum, The Volcker Alliance.

The Joseph Wholey Distinguished Scholarship Award will be presented to Rusi Sun and Gregg G. Van Ryzin, Rutgers University.

CAP’s Organizational Leadership Award will be awarded to the City of Louisville Office of Performance Improvement.

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