



2008 RESNA Awards Ceremony



RESNA Awards



Certificate of Appreciation



Recognizes a RESNA member or non-member for a special one-time activity benefiting either RESNA or the fields of rehabilitation or assistive technology

Certificate of Appreciation Awardees

- **Outgoing executives of the RESNA Board of Directors:**
 - Glenn Hedman, MS, PE, ATP, RET
 - Cathy Bodine, PhD, CCC-SLP
 - David C. Wilkie, EBS, BFA, ATP

Certificate of Appreciation Awardee



Glenn Hedman, MS, PE, ATP, RET - for his
efforts and contributions as RESNA
President

Certificate of Appreciation Awardee



Cathy Bodine, PhD, CCC-SLP - for her
efforts and contributions as RESNA
Secretary

Certificate of Appreciation Awardee



David C. Wilkie, EBS, BFA, ATP - for his
efforts and contributions as RESNA
Treasurer

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- **Outgoing members of the RESNA Board of Directors:**
 - **Katherine D. Seelman, PhD**
 - **Gerald Weisman, MSME, ATP, RET**
 - **Jessica Presperin Pedersen, OTR, MBA, ATP**
 - **Kay Ellen Koch, OTR/L, ATP**

Certificate of Appreciation Awardee



Katherine D. Seelman, PhD - for her efforts
and contributions as a member of the
RESNA Board of Directors

Rory A. Cooper accepting

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Gerald Weisman, MSME, ATP, RET - for
his efforts and contributions as a member of
the RESNA Board of Directors

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**Jessica Presperin Pedersen, OTR, MBA,
ATP** - for her efforts and contributions as a
member of the RESNA Board of Directors

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Kay Ellen Koch, OTR/L, ATP - for her
efforts and contributions as a member of
the RESNA Board of Directors

Certificate of Appreciation Awardees

- **Outgoing committee chairs:**

- James Lenker, PhD, OTR/L, ATP
- Karen L. Milchus, MS, ATP
- Ray Grott, MA, ATP, RET
- Laura J. Cohen, PT, PhD, ATP
- David L. Jaffe, MS
- Kevin M. Caves, ME, ATP, RET
- Alex Mihailidis, PhD, Peng
- Rory A. Cooper, PhD

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James Lenker, PhD, OTR/L, ATP - for his
efforts and contributions as Chair of the
RESNA Research Committee

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Karen L. Milchus, MS, ATP - for her efforts
and contributions as Chair of the RESNA
Education Committee

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Ray Grott, MA, ATP, RET - for his efforts
and contributions as Chair of the RESNA
Meetings Committee

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Laura J. Cohen, PT, PhD, ATP - for her
efforts and contributions as Chair of the
RESNA Professional Standards Board
Committee

Certificate of Appreciation Awardees

- **Outgoing SIG Chairs:** 1 of 2
 - SIG-06 - **Donna Case, PhD, OT**
 - SIG-07 - **Dianne Goodwin, ATP**
 - SIG-08 - **John A. Brabyn, PhD**
 - SIG-09 - **Mark R. Schmeler, PhD, OTR/L, ATP**
 - SIG-11 - **Todd D. Schwanke, MSE, ATP**
 - SIG-12 - **Therese Willkomm, PhD, ATP**

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- **Outgoing SIG Chairs:** 2 of 2
 - SIG-13 - Mohsen Makhsoos, PhD
 - SIG-14 - Michael Papp, MS BME
 - SIG-16 - W. Thomas Edwards, PhD
 - SIG-19 - Molly F. Story, MS
 - SIG-20 - Tony Gentry, PhD, OTR/L
 - SIG-21 - Jongbae Kim, PhD

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Donna Case, PhD, OT - for her efforts and contributions as Chair of the Special Education Special Interest Group (SIG-06)

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Dianne Goodwin, ATP - for her efforts and contributions as Chair of the Technology Transfer Special Interest Group (SIG-07)

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John A. Brabyn, PhD - for his efforts and contributions as Chair of the Sensory Loss & Technology Special Interest Group (SIG-08)

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Mark R. Schmeler, PhD, OTR/L, ATP - for his
efforts and contributions as Chair of the Wheeled
Mobility & Seating Special Interest Group
(SIG-09)

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Todd D. Schwanke, MSE, ATP - for his efforts and contributions as Chair of the Computer Applications Special Interest Group (SIG-11)

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Therese Willkomm, PhD, ATP - for her efforts
and contributions as Chair of the Rural
Rehabilitation Special Interest Group (SIG-12)

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Mohsen Makhsoos, PhD - for his efforts and contributions as Chair of the Robotics & Mechatronics Special Interest Group (SIG-13)

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Michael Papp, MS BME - for his efforts and contributions as Chair of the Job Accommodation Special Interest Group (SIG-14)

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W. Thomas Edwards, PhD - for his efforts and contributions as Chair of the Gerontology Special Interest Group (SIG-16)

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Molly F. Story, MS - for her efforts and contributions as Chair of the Universal Access Special Interest Group (SIG-19)

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Tony Gentry, PhD, OTR/L - for his efforts and contributions as Chair of the Cognitive Disabilities & Technology Special Interest Group (SIG-20)

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Jongbae Kim, PhD - for his efforts and contributions as Chair of the Telerehabilitation Special Interest Group (SIG-21)

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- **Outgoing PSG Chairs:**

PSG-01 - **Gerry Dickerson, ATS, CRTS**

PSG-03 - **Daniel P. Knowland III, OTR/L**

PSG-04 - **Maureen A. Linden, MSBME**

PSG-06 - **Carrie M. Bruce, MA, CCC-SLP, ATP**

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Gerry Dickerson, ATS, CRTS - for his efforts and contributions as Chair of the Suppliers and Manufacturers Professional Specialty Group (PSG-01)

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Daniel P. Knowland III, OTR/L - for his efforts and contributions as Chair of the Occupational Therapists Professional Specialty Group (PSG-03)

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Maureen A. Linden, MSBME - for her efforts and contributions as Chair of the Rehabilitation Engineers and Technologists Professional Specialty Group (PSG-04)

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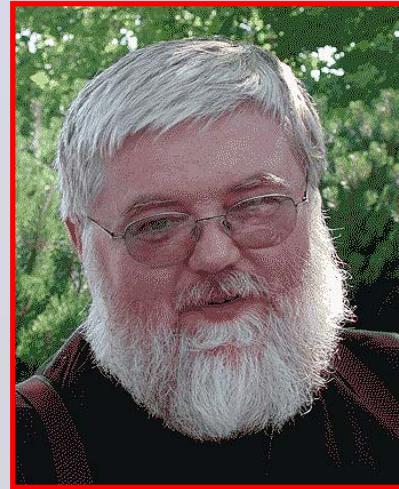
Carrie M. Bruce, MA, CCC-SLP, ATP - for her efforts and contributions as Chair of the Speech-Language Pathologists/Audiologists Professional Specialty Group (PSG-06)

Maureen A. Linden accepting

Certificate of Appreciation Awardee

- Authors of Fundamentals in Assistive Technology - 4th Edition
 - Denis Anson, MS, OTR
 - Steven Barber
 - **Peggy Barker, MS, ATP**
 - John A. Brabyn, PhD
 - Elizabeth Cole, MSPT
 - **Barbara Crane, PhD, PT, ATP**
 - Faith Saftler Savage, PT, ATP
 - Susan Johnson Taylor, OTR/L
 - Michelle L. Lange, OTR, ABDA, ATP

Certificate of Appreciation Awardee



Denis Anson, MS, OTR - for his authorship
of the chapter on Computer Access in the 4th
Edition of Fundamentals in Assistive
Technology

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Steven Barber - for his authorship of the chapter on Hearing in the 4th Edition of Fundamentals in Assistive Technology

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Peggy Barker, MS, ATP - for her authorship
of the chapter on Augmentative and
Alternative Communication in the 4th Edition
of Fundamentals in Assistive Technology

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John A. Brabyn, PhD - for his authorship of
the chapter on Vision in the 4th Edition of
Fundamentals in Assistive Technology

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Elizabeth Cole, MSPT - for her authorship of the chapter on Professional Conduct and Public Policy in the 4th Edition of Fundamentals in Assistive Technology

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Barbara Crane, PhD, PT, ATP - for her
authorship of the chapter on Assessment in
the 4th Edition of Fundamentals in Assistive
Technology

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Faith Saftler Savage, PT, ATP - for her authorship of the chapter on Mobility in the 4th Edition of Fundamentals in Assistive Technology

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Susan Johnson Taylor, OTR/L - for her authorship of the chapter on Positioning in the 4th Edition of Fundamentals in Assistive Technology

Distinguished Service Award



Recognizes a RESNA member for their
sustained contributions and service

Distinguished Service Awardee



Shirley G. Fitzgerald, PhD - for her service and contributions to the RESNA Meetings Committee

Contributions and Accomplishments

- **Shirley** has served ably on the RESNA Meetings Committee for five years (2003 through 2008)
- **Shirley** has taken responsibility for research-related content and scientific paper reviewing
- **Shirley's** willingness to continue to serve on the Meetings Committee is much appreciated by its Chair, Ray Grott

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Distinguished Service Awardee



Patricia E. Karg, MSMBE - for her service and leadership on two ANSI/RESNA national standards organizations

Contributions and Accomplishments

- **Tricia** has served as Chair of the ANSI/RESNA Pressure Management Working Group which has led to the ANSI/RESNA Pressure Management Device Standard
- **Tricia** has also served as Chair of the ANSI/RESNA Committee on Wheelchair and Related Seating Standards since 2002
- **Tricia** has delivered numerous presentations at various community and professional venues

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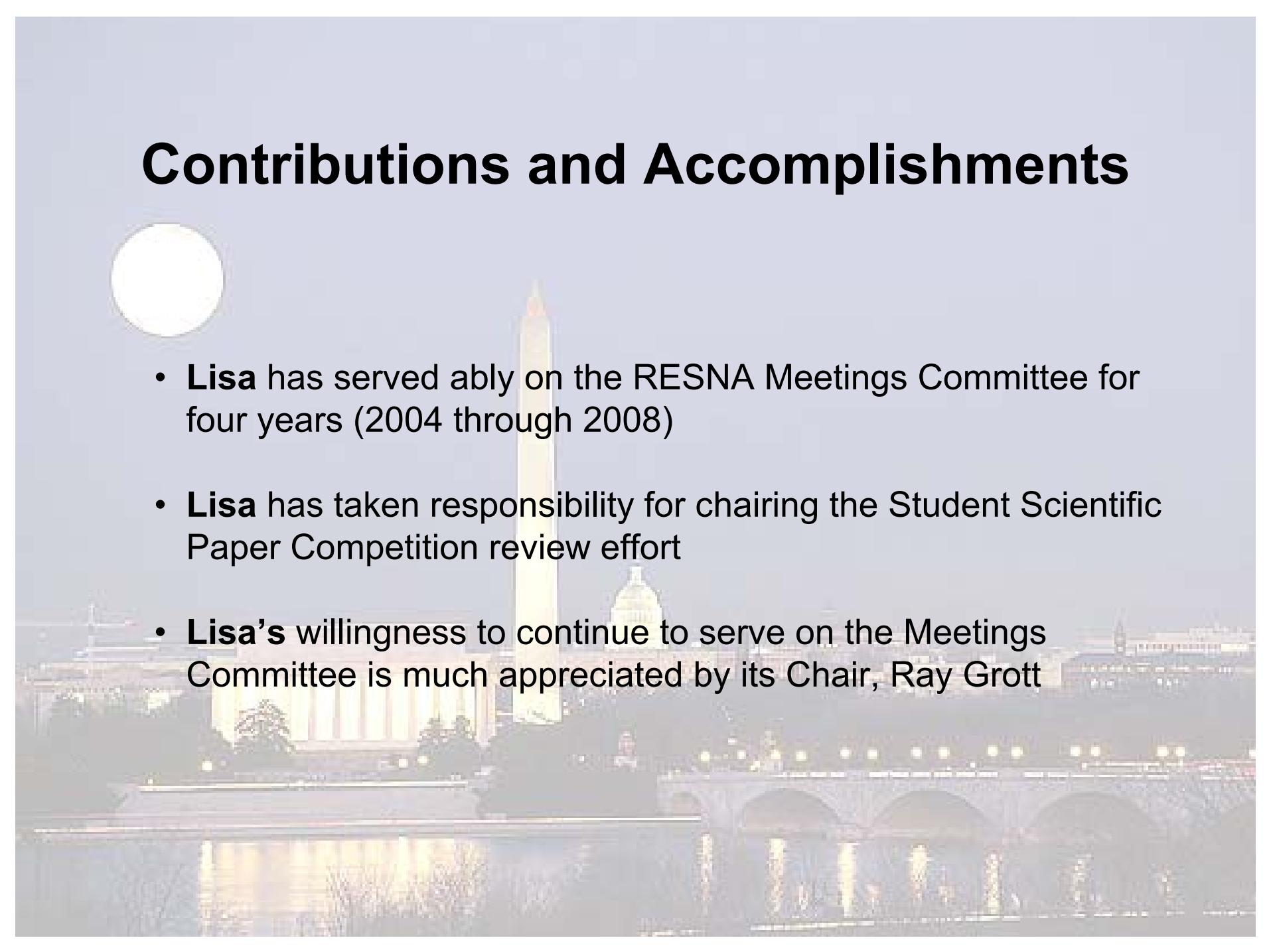
Distinguished Service Awardee



Lisa K. Simone, PhD - for her leadership and contributions in chairing the Student Scientific Paper Competition

Katherine Swift accepting

Contributions and Accomplishments



- **Lisa** has served ably on the RESNA Meetings Committee for four years (2004 through 2008)
- **Lisa** has taken responsibility for chairing the Student Scientific Paper Competition review effort
- **Lisa's** willingness to continue to serve on the Meetings Committee is much appreciated by its Chair, Ray Grott

Distinguished Service Awardee



Lisa K. Simone, PhD - for her leadership and contributions in chairing the Student Scientific Paper Competition

Rookie Award



Recognizes a new member who has made significant contributions, provided leadership, and made an impact to RESNA

Rookie Awardee



Amanda M. Reinsfelder, MS, ATP - for
her many volunteer activities and
contributions to the RESNA Annual
Conferences as a new member

Contributions and Accomplishments

- **Amanda** was a student member of RESNA during both her undergraduate and graduate years.
- **Amanda** worked on enhancing the First Timers experience both last year and this year by contacting new attendees and matching them up with RESNA “sidekicks”.
- **Amanda** submitted a workshop proposal for this year’s conference.
- **Amanda** participated as a conference paper reviewer.

Accolades

- "Amanda is very enthusiastic about any project she takes on and she models the ideal of what we want our membership to be like in terms of jumping in early."

Paul Schwartz

- "I believe that her volunteerism and active participation makes her stand out as a significant new member of RESNA."

Ray Grott

Rookie Awardee



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Leadership Award



Recognizes an agency, company, association, or university that has significantly contributed to the advancement of assistive technology and has provided recognition and support for RESNA

Leadership Award Awardee



The National Coalition for Assistive and Rehab Technology – for the organization's efforts to ensure adequate consumer access to appropriate technology and services.

Accepting – Sharon L. Hildebrandt, Executive Director

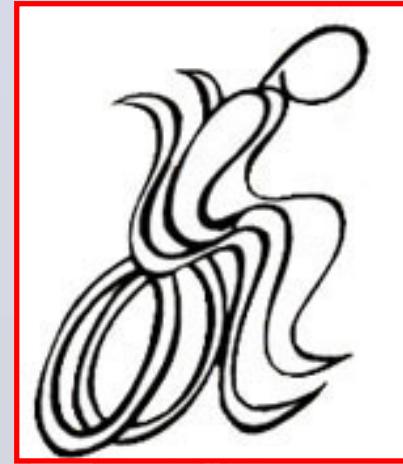
Accomplishments

- **NCART** has closely monitored and reported anticipated legislative, regulatory and policy changes and has submitted thoughtful constructive input during public comment periods to effect change that will serve people with mobility impairments
- **NCART** has provided input into Medicare and Medicaid coding, coverage, documentation, payment, and competitive bidding processes for complex rehabilitation and assistive technologies
- **NCART** has sponsored three successful congressional fly-ins and two Rehab Technology Fairs on Capitol Hill to educate members of congress and staff about complex rehab and assistive technology products and services

Accomplishments

- **NCART** has successfully advocated for separate quality standards for rehab technology companies
- **NCART** has established an identity on Capitol Hill to distinguish complex rehab and assistive technology from traditional durable medical equipment
- **NCART** has been representing the work of RESNA members for many years

Leadership Award Awardee



The National Coalition for Assistive and Rehab Technology - the organization's efforts to ensure adequate consumer access to appropriate technology and services.
Accepting – Sharon L. Hildebrandt, Executive Director

Hall of Fellows

- The **RESNA Hall of Fellows** recognizes RESNA Fellows for their significant contributions to the field of assistive technology and to the RESNA organization.
- The **RESNA Hall of Fellows** will maintain a record of Fellows' achievements for future generations of RESNA members and the general public.

Hall of Fellows

- Photographs in the registration area
- On the RESNA website



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[Chronologic Listing](#)

Leonard L. Anderson, MSEM	David Azen, MS, OTR	Peter W. Arthur, MSEM	William Everling, MD
Mary O'Brien, MEd	Clifford E. Bruckner, PhD	Raymond C. Cheever	Dolley E. Collier, PhD
Charles L. Cooper, MD	Albert M. Cook, PhD	Ray A. Cooper, PhD	Alexandra Entine, BS, OTR
Melinda Ferguson, PhD	Fakih A. Frosd, PhD	Margaret Jean Gurnani, MD, FAAP	Glenn Hettman, MD, PE, ATP
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Fellow Award



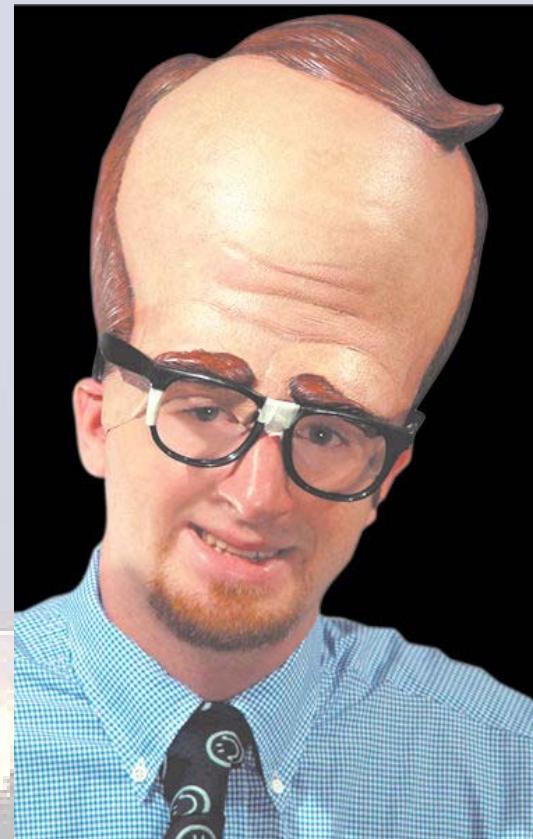
Recognizes a member who has made long term and substantial contributions to the fields of rehabilitation or assistive technology as well as significant contributions to RESNA

Fellow Award



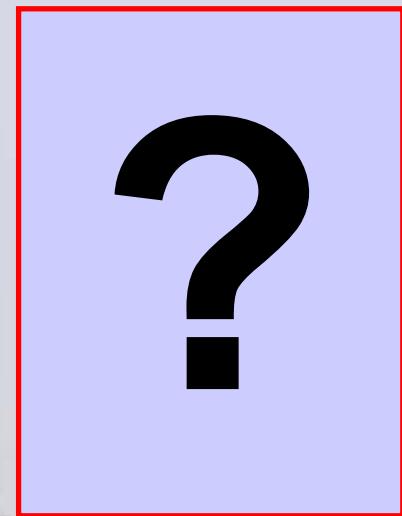
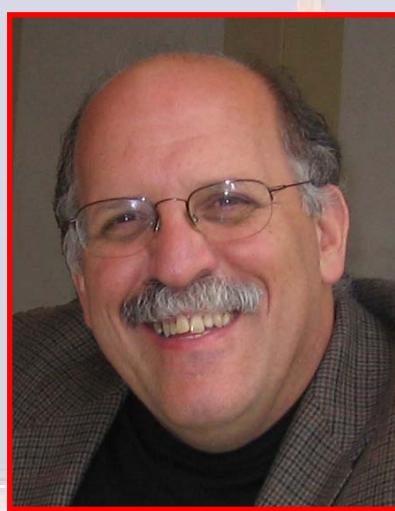
Prestigious

Fellow Award



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RESNA Fellows



Stephen H. Sprigle, PhD, PT

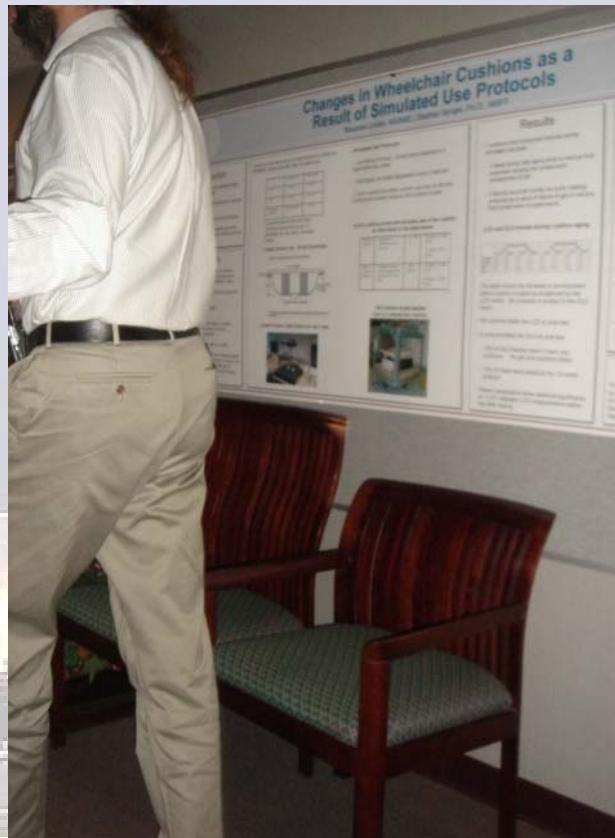
RESNA Fellow



Stephen H. Sprigle, PhD, PT - for his extensive record of mentorship, research, teaching, and service to RESNA

Presented by Kevin Caves

Photos are hard to come by



Stephen Sprigle, PhD, PT

Researcher

Educator

Mentor

Clinician

Advocate

Grant Reviewer

Long time RESNA supporter



RESNA Supporter



**Been member and held
leadership positions in:**

SIGs

PSG

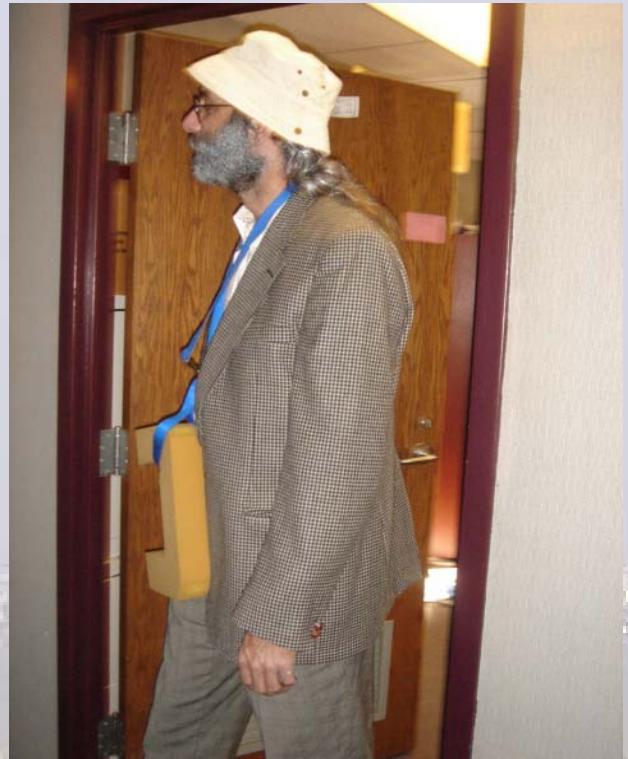
Committee Structure

Regional Conferences

Board of Directors

RESNA List Boy

Extramural Funding Opps



- Rejected by the Doug Hobson Foundation
- Robotic Assistant, Humidor, and Liquor Cabinet

Longitudinal Wheelie Study



- Goal to study w/c stability caused by retreat of hair from top of head to back of head

Hobbies

Accomplished
Rhythmic Gymnast

Proficient with both
Ribbon and Ball



The Sprigles



The Sprigles



Anthony Stephen Sprigle

A Leader



A Leader



Who can also follow

Sprigle Starter Kit



Sprigle Starter Kit

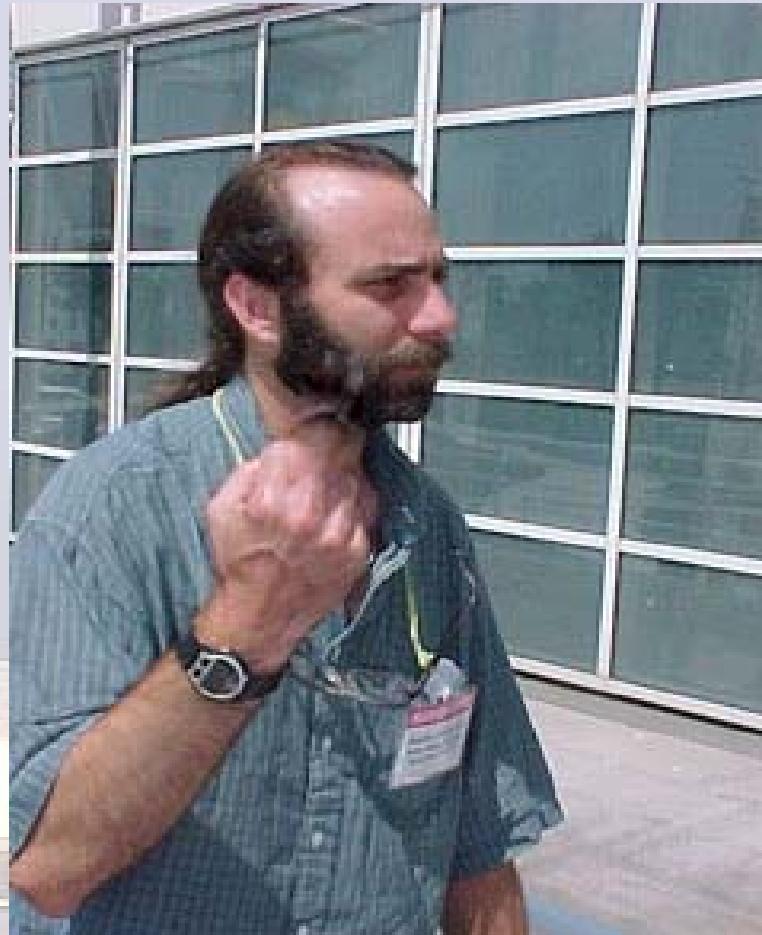
Sprigle Costume Kit

Directions:

1. Cut out beard, earring and pony tail
(coloring is optional)
2. Attach beard with rubber bands
3. Tape earring to ear
4. Tape pony tail to back of favorite ball cap
Congrats! You're now Dr. Sprigle!



Congrats Dr. Sprigle



You're #1!

Gerald Weisman, MSME, ATP, RET

RESNA Fellow



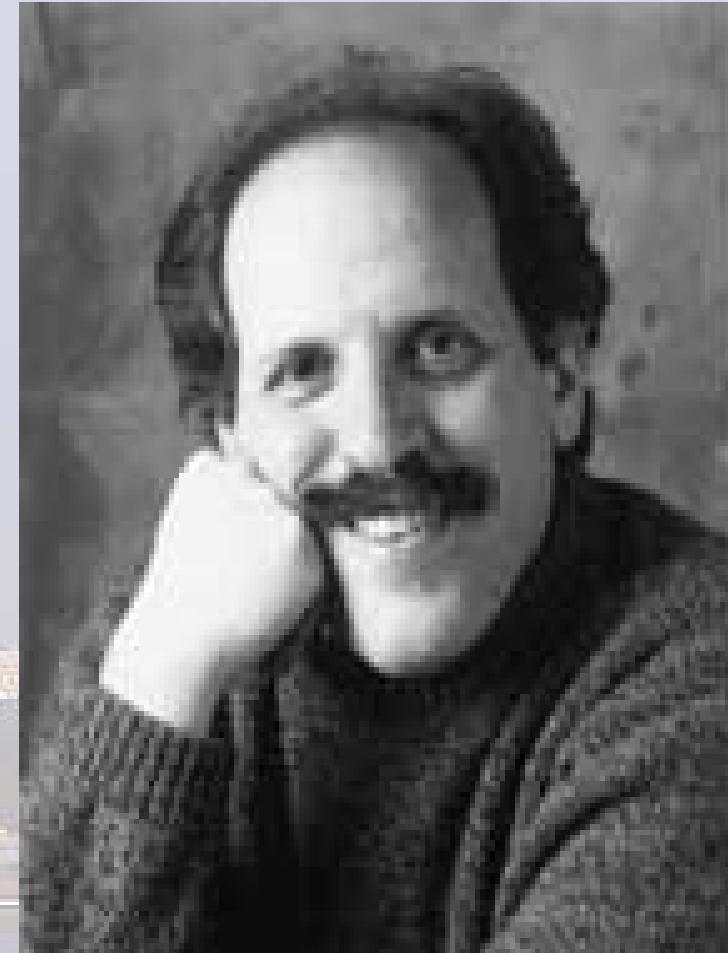
Gerald Weisman, MSME, ATP, RET - for his continuing contributions to RESNA, knowledge and advocacy of Assistive Technology including support of service providers, and astute intuitive judgment

Presented by Greg McGrew

Gerald Weisman

**Three Decades in
Rehabilitation
engineering
services, including
time at:**

- Crotched Mountain Rehab Center
- VA Rehabilitation Engineering Center (formerly VAPC)



Gerald Weisman

Educator:

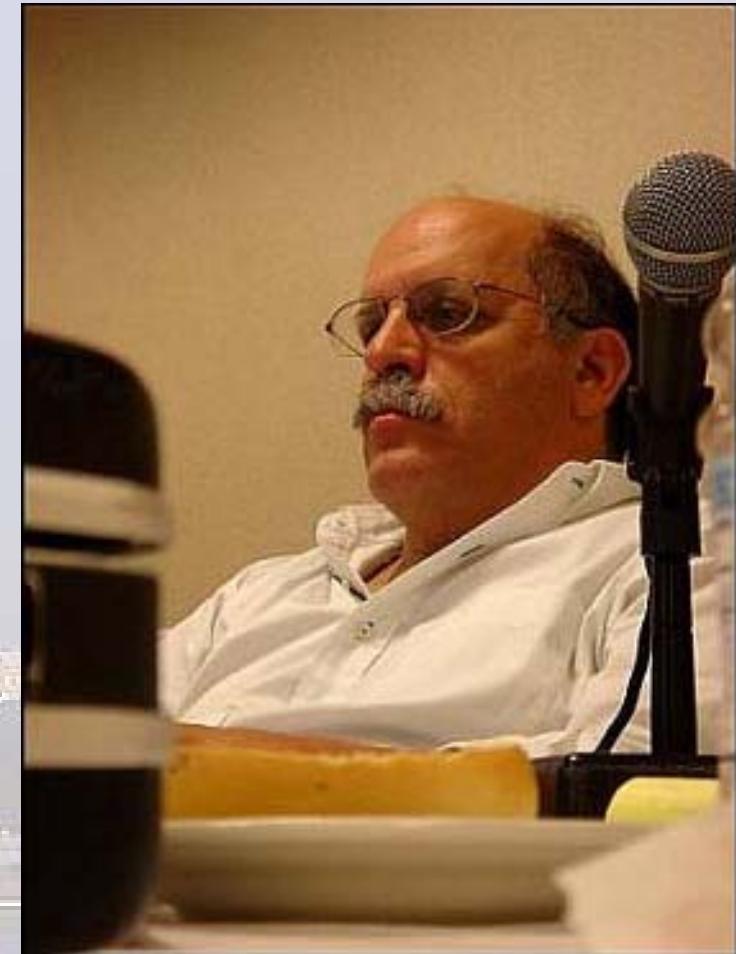
- Vermont Technical College
- University of Vermont, Burlington
- RESNA
Fundamentals of
Assistive Technology
course



Gerald Weisman

Researcher:

- Rehabilitation Engineering Center on Low Back Pain, University of Vermont



Gerald Weisman

RESNA Participant:

- Chaired 4 committees
- Served on 10 committees
- Board of Directors
- International ambassador, Republic of Korea



Gerald Weisman, MSME, ATP, RET

RESNA Fellow



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Marcia Joslyn Scherer, PhD, MPT, FACRM

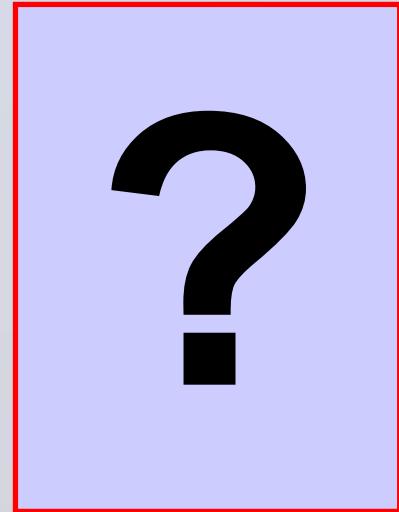
RESNA Fellow



Marcia Joslyn Scherer, PhD, MPT, FACRM
for her seminal contributions to the field of
Assistive Technology through her research,
publications, and presentations

Presented by Rory Cooper

RESNA Fellow



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Presented by Jean Minkel



Mystery Fellow

Jeopardy

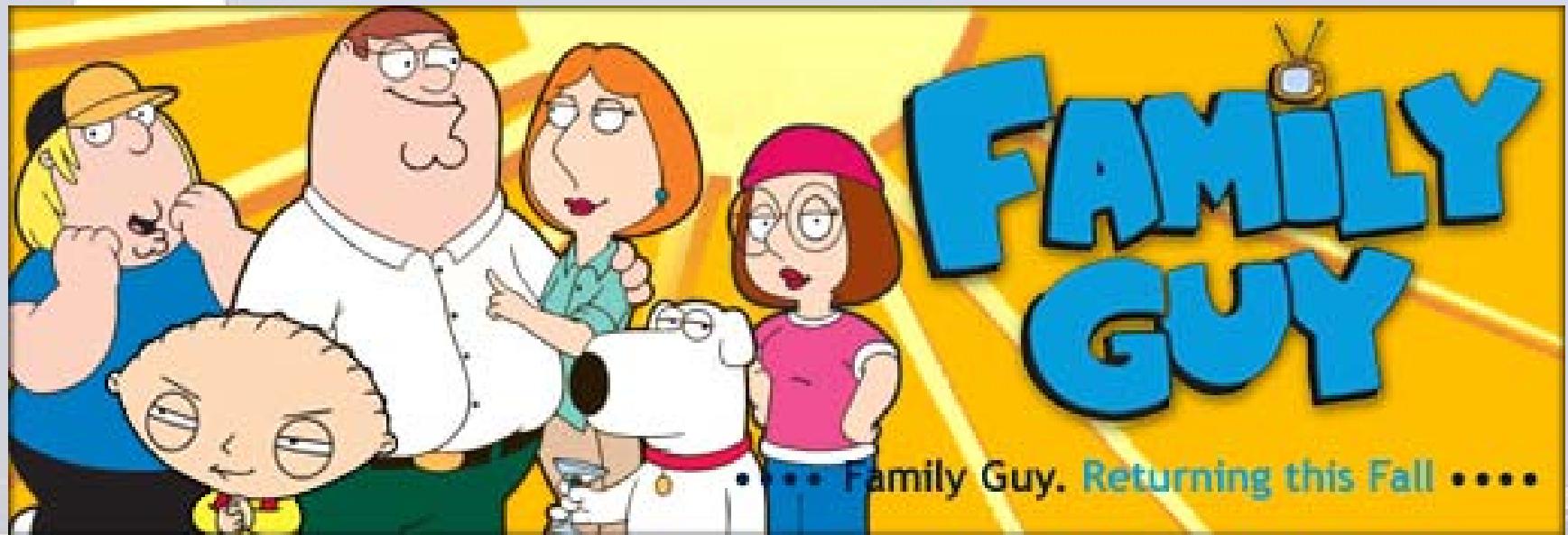
Categories

- Personal – Though not TOO Personal
- Service Delivery – Emphasis on Service
- Government Affairs – How to spend your “Free Time” !!

Personal

TV character who is most
admired by the Mystery
Fellow

What is Family Guy?



Service Delivery

Distance traveled by the
Mystery Fellow to get a new
wheelchair to drive straight

What is 688 miles?

- Round trip from Stanhope, NJ to Elyria, OH
- Actual drove a wheelchair back to the factory – not just once – he did this twice (fortunately not the SAME wheelchair)

Government Affairs

Democratic Candidate who
failed to heed the Mystery
Fellow's sage advise on
CMS DMEPOS Policy

Who is Hillary Clinton?



Mystery Fellow

- What is a “GD” CRTS?
- Gerry Dickerson’s email address

RESNA Mystery Fellow

- Who is Gerry Dickerson, CRTS?
 - A True Family Guy
 - Who goes to extraordinary lengths to “get it right” for the consumer
 - Who tirelessly stays current with the Industry
 - and Who contributes large amount of financial support and “face time” so WE are known on Capitol Hill

AND

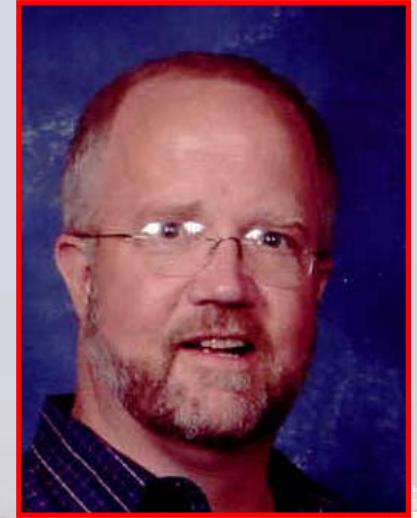
A true Success!

Gerry Dickerson, ATS, CRTS RESNA Fellow



Gerry Dickerson, ATS, CRTS - for his thirty-years of commitment to RESNA, devotion to Public Policy, and tireless support of the ATS credential

RESNA Fellows





My Personal Thanks



Awards Committee:

- Heidi Koester
- Ken Kozole
- Caren Sax
- Brenda Sposato
- Jerry Weisman



Past Awards Committee Chair:

- Glenn Hedman

RESNA Office:

- Nell Bailey

