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## NATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND RECREATION FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

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## A Message from the Incoming President, to the NCPERID Membership

I am honored to serve as President of the National Consortium for Physical Education and Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities. Furthermore I am thankful to all those who have worked diligently to assure the consortium's vitality. Foremost the consortium Board of Directors who have worked so vigorously. In particular Diane Craft has been exemplary during the past two years as President. Among other accomplishments, Diane worked extensively to enhance communication with the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services. She has forged alliances with congruent organizations and reached out to all consortium members to be active participants. Most recently Diane orchestrated and presided over our annual meeting. Instrumental to the success of the meeting were the "beyond the call of duty" efforts of Vice President Katie Stanton. In spite of seeming endless logistical challenges, Katie put together a powerful agenda which included representatives from the Council for Exceptional Children, the National Clearinghouse for Professions in Special Education, the National Association for State Directors of Special Education and the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services. These sessions along with excellent presentations from our own members made for a very informative and productive meeting.

Among the most meaningful aspects of our annual meeting was the participation of Dr. Kenneth Warlick, Director of the Office of Special Education Program. In his address Dr. Warlick spoke of his personal commitment to the provision of physical education and recreation services to meet the needs of children with disabilities. Dr. Warlick went on to initiate a very positive dialogue between OSEP and NCPERID with the sole purpose of working in concert to address the physical activity needs of children with disabilities. Also attending from OSERS was Martha Bokee. Martha's annual personnel preparation and research funding report has come to be a fixture and a focal point at our meeting. Martha also provided insight and answered questions regarding proposal preparation, expert reviewer paneling, and future trends in personnel preparation and research funding. Also of great significance was the participation of Bill East, Executive Director of the National Association of State Directors of Special Education, Bill reaffirmed NASDE's commitment to providing quality physical education and recreational services, specially designed where necessary, for all children with disabilities.

Ron French and Luke Kelly brought the membership up to date on the Adapted Physical Education National Standards. Recent APENS accomplishments and continuing challenges were clearly outlined. We continued the momentum created two years ago at our "Come to the Hill" meeting which was co-sponsored with AAALF. We increased our understanding of the legislative process, as well as legislative realities. We learned of continuing threats to IDEA including discipline-related amendments and budgetary issues. We discussed NCPERID's role in governmental policy development and increased our legislative lobbying sophistication. We even conducted our own "PEP Rally," meeting with over 30 Legislative Aides to discuss the status of the Physical Education for Progress Act. In doing so we have continued to raise our organizational recognition with legislative branch members while at the same time continuing to work with administrative branch personnel.

In and out of the sessions in Washington we had frank discussions concerning the status of the consortium membership and funding for physical education and recreation personnel preparation and research. We discussed the paneling of expert reviewers, administrative priorities and political realities. We revisited the challenges to making the APENS the recognized "standard of care" and an integral part of physical education service delivery. While no absolute solutions to recurrent problems were apparent, we reached consensus on a variety of initiatives. Most importantly we remained united in this effort. Results of these discussions can be positive, if we act.

Leadership of the Consortium now falls to its present Board of Directors. It is up to this hard working group to maintain and enhance the Consortium's effectiveness, especially as it relates to advocacy and policy development. I can attest that this group is dedicated to working on the very issues as seminal to NCPERID. Among these priorities are continued enhancement of communication with the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services. A focal issue of this communication is enhancement of the provision of physical education and recreation personnel preparation funding with the goal of meeting the needs of all individuals with disabilities. Also continued enhancement of the consortium's alliances with key organizations such as the Council for Exceptional Children, Special Olympics International, National Clearinghouse of Professions in Special Education, National Association of State Directors of See Message, page 2

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Special Education and the National Association of the Directors of Physical Education. The Board is also committed to increasing membership by making meaningful contributions to the hundreds of Certified Adapted Physical Educators who continue to enter our organization. For instance, we seek to implement a practitioner's award in the near future. Additionally, we are taking steps to encourage the active participation of present and future graduate adapted physical education and therapeutic recreation graduate students. We seek to increase the profile of the Consortium by maintenance of an up-to-date, informative, website. Relative to this objective, the Board is initiating a series of informative "parent-friendly" brochures addressing Consortium concerns. Laurie Zittel is spearheading this project.

To make a difference regionally I urge consortium members to contact their state Comprehensive System of Personnel Development officer to discuss physical education and recreation personnel data collection, needs and remedial strategies. I also urge Consortium members to contact their state director of Special Education to discuss obtainment and utilization of State Improvement Grant funds for the physical activity needs of children and youth with disabilities. We must also clearly advocate for recognition and utilization of the Adapted Physical Education National Standards on a statewide basis. This will only occur with concerted efforts of Consortium members. This includes encouragement of new graduates and veteran practitioners to aspire to become Certified Adapted Physical Educators by preparing for, and taking, the APENS examination.

All of the challenges before us are important. I call upon the membership to continue their participation in seeking solutions and identifying new opportunities. The Consortium Board of Directors stands ready to take on these challenges. Together with an active membership we can achieve great things for individuals with disabilities. Thank you in advance for your commitment to NCPERID and to the ultimate realization of our mission, to promote research, professional preparation, service delivery, and advocacy of physical education and recreation for individuals with disabilities.

Dr. James Decker, East Carolina University

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### National Consortium on Physical Education and Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities

## Award Nominations Sought

Dear Consortium Member,

The NCPERID Recognition and Awards Committee is requesting nominations from the membership for the following awards:

- The Hollis Fait Scholarly Contribution Award
- The William A. Hillman Distinguished Service Award
- Congressional Award
- The G. Lawrence Rarick Research Award

Criteria associated with the awards and guidelines for nominating individuals is attached. The nomination deadline is **January 19, 2001**.

It is the nominator's responsibility to demonstrate in a one to two page written statement to the Awards Committee why the person nominated deserves the particular award. The nominees deemed appropriate by the Awards Committee will be sent a letter asking them to submit a professional vita and support materials for the Awards Committee to review. The Awards Committee will then make a determination of who, if anyone, is/are worthy of these awards.

There are many Consortium members who are making noteworthy contributions to the profession. One of the greatest honors an individual can receive is to be recognized by his or her peers. Your participation in the nomination process is appreciated by the Awards Committee.

Sincerely,

Hester Henderson, Ph.D.

Chair, NCPERID Recognition and Awards Committee

## NCPERID AWARD GUIDELINES





Individuals nominated must have a distinguished record of scholarly productivity in the area of physical education or recreation for individuals with disabilities including:

- Significant contributions to the knowledge or understanding of physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities.
- 2. Publications in journals and/or books that are widely used or quoted in the field of physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities,
- 3. A significant record of scholarly presentations at international, national, and regional professional meetings,
- 4. Service on the editorial boards and/or as a reviewer of scholarly journals dealing with physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities, and
- 5. A record of scholarly/creative works in specialized area of physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities.

## THE WILLIAM A. HILLMAN DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Individuals nominated must have an exemplary service record including:

- Elected or appointed service to NCPERID. This includes membership on the governing board, committees, and/or Advocate board,
- 2. Service to other organizations that deal with disabled populations in the same or similar functions as stated above.
- 3. Service on editorial boards and/or reviewer of scholarly journals dealing with physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities.
- 4. Service as a community service volunteer involved with programs and/or athletic events for individuals with disabilities (i.e. Special Olympics, USABA, NWAA, etc.), and
- Addresses before educational groups, conventions, media presentations, and other meetings held in the interest and promotion of physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities.

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#### **CONGRESSIONAL AWARD**

Individuals or organizations nominated must have either a record of effort on legislative reform or contributions which resulted in significant change including:

- 1. Legislative reform efforts on the local, state or federal level in the area of physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities.
- 2. Leadership for legislative actions that enhance and/or protect the quality and quantity of physical education/recreation services for individuals with disabilities.

## THE G. LAWRENCE RARICK RESEARCH AWARD\*

Individuals nominated must be recognized as a research scholar in the area of physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities including:

- 1. A distinguished record of research systematically directed toward specific questions that has helped advance knowledge in physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities.
- 2. Authorship of data-based articles published in refereed journals or monographs of national significance,
- 3. Research that has undergone refereed review and meets criteria established by academia,
- 4. Research presentations at international, national, and regional professional meetings, and
- 5. Direction of student research (thesis and/or dissertations) dealing specifically with physical education/recreation for individuals with disabilities.

\*Recipients of this award may be from other disciplines, but their research must have made a significant contribution to the area of recreational/physical education for individuals with disabilities.

#### NOMINATION FORMAT

For each nomination, please submit the following information:

- a. Award category and the date
- b. Nominee

name

title/position

business address with telephone number

c. Nominator

name

title/position

business address with telephone number

Each nomination should come with a letter of support specific to the award:

#### The Hollis Fait Scholarly Contribution Award

A written statement needs to be provided that documents to what extent the nominee has contributed, either in print or non-print, to a better understanding of adapted physical activity for individuals with disabilities.

#### The William A. Hillman Distinguished Service Award

A written statement needs to be provided that documents to what extent the nominee has contributed, through leadership roles, to adapted physical activity for individuals with disabilities.

#### Congressional Award

A written statement needs to be provided that documents to what extent the nominee has contributed to enhance education, adapted physical activity for individuals with disabilities.

#### The G. Lawrence Rarick Research Award

A written statement needs to be provided that documents to what extent the nominee has contributed to research activities for the advancement of adapted physical activity for individuals with disabilities.

### 2001 NCPERID RECOGNITION AWARDS GENERAL GUIDELINES

- NCPERID members should follow the above nomination format. All nominations must be from current Consortium members
- NCPERID members can nominate more than one person, however, each nominator can only nominate one person per category.
- A person can not be nominated for an award they have previously received. However, past recipients can be nominated for awards in other categories.
- All nomination letters should be mailed to the following address:

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University of Utah
Salt Lake City, UT 84112-0920
801-581-7964 (voice)
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5. The nomination deadline is <u>January 19, 2001</u>. Because of the time lines we must follow, no nominations will be accepted after this date.

## PREVIOUS NCPERID AWARD RECIPIENTS

The Hollis Fait Scholarly Contribution Award (instituted in 1982) past recipients include:

Hollis Fait	1982
John Nesbit	1983
David Auxter	1984
Claudine Sherrill	1985
Joseph Winnick	1986
Louis Bowers and Geoffrey Broadhead	1988
Ronald French	1989
John Dunn	1990
Jay Shivers	1990
Gary Robb	1991
David Austin	1993
Martin Block	1996
Ron Davis	1997
David Porretta	1999
Stephen Klesius	2000

## The William A. Hillman Distinguished Service Award (instituted 1981) past recipients include:

1987, 92, 94, 95, 98

No Awards Given

William Hillman	1981
Leon Johnson	1982
Grace Reynolds	1983
Ernest Bundschuh	1984
John Dunn	1985
Louis Bowers	1986
Glenn Roswal	1987
Hollis Fait (Posthumously)	1988
Michael Churton	1989
Karen DePauw	1990
Janet Wessel	1991
Julian Stein	1992
David Auxter	1993
Joseph Huber	1994
David Beaver	1995
Gene Hayes	1995
Jeff McCubbin	1996
Luke Kelly	1997
Janet Seaman	1998
Michael Paciorek	1999
No Award Given	2000

#### Congressional Award (instituted 1981) recipients include:

Congressman Carl Perkins (KY)	1981
Senator Lowell Weicker (CT)	1981
Dennis Vinton	1981
Billy Ray Stokes	1982
Max Foreman	1983
Lane Goodwin	1984

Michael Churton	1985
John Shank	1988
David Auxter	1991
Martha Bokee	1996
L.D. "Smokey" Davis	1998
Robert Arnhold	1999

No Awards Given	1986, 87, 89, 90,	
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## The G. Lawrence Rarick Research Award (instituted 1982) recipients include:

James Horgan	1982
G. Lawrence Rarick	1983
Dennis Vinton	1984
Michael Wade	1987
Walter Davis	1988
Paul Jansma	1989
Robert Cipriano	1989
David Compton	1990
Joseph Winnick	1990
John Dattilo	1991
Claudine Sherrill	1992
Dale Ulrich	1993
Paul Surburg	1994
Luke Kelly	1995
Terry Rizzo	1995
Greg Reid	1997
Francis X. Short	2000
No Awards Given	1985, 86, 96, 98, 99

#### Note:

In 1981, Mel Appell was given a special award for his contributions to physical education and recreation for persons with disabilities.

In 1989, Martha Bokee was given a special award for her contributions to physical education and recreation for persons with disabilities.

Congratulations to 2000 award recipients Stephen Klesius and Francis Short.

### 2001 John K. Williams Jr. International Adapted **Aquatics Award Honoring an Individual Serving Persons** with Disabilities

Nominations can now be submitted for the 2001 John Williams Jr. International Adapted Aquatics Award to honor an individual who has made significant and substantial contributions to the field of adapted aquatics/aquatics for individuals with disabilities as participant, athlete, teacher/instructor, coach, organizer, administrator, or media representative. This award, established and administered by the Adapted Aquatics Committee of the International Swimming Hall of Fame (ISHOF, Ft. Lauderdale, FL), will be presented sometime during mid-to-late 2001.

Male and female nominees from throughout the world must:

- 1. be at least 18 years of age by January 1, 2001,
- 2. be outstanding and excel in meeting criteria for this interna-
- 3. have made significant contributions in adapted aquatics,
- 4. be of good moral character and high integrity, and
- 5. must exemplify the ideals of the highest quality adapted aquatic activities and programs.

#### Previous winners have been:

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Grace Reynolds (Longview, Washington) 1995

Louise Priest (Indianapolis, Indiana) 1996

1997 Ruth Sova (Port Washington, Wisconsin)

1998 Mary Essert (El Cerrito, California)

1999 Julian Stein (Oliver Springs, Tennessee)

2000 Uri Bergman (Israel)

To nominate someone for the award, please submit:

- 1. A letter of nomination of no more than two pages.
- 2. A second letter of support of no more than two pages from another individual.
- 3. A statement of nomination of no more than three doublespaced pages that does not merely duplicate content of the two letters, and
- 4. A good quality black and white head and shoulders photograph (5" x 7" preferred)

Nominees must sign the nomination statement personally attesting that all facts contained in the nomination packet are true, and giving permission for publication of these facts.

Nominations packets should be postmarked no later than February 1, 2001 and sent to:

Julian U. Stein

283 Mahoney Road Oliver Springs, TN 37840-1862 **USA** 

Additional information, including factors and criteria for the award, can be obtained from Julian Stein at the address above, or by telephone or Fax at (865) 435-7249 between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, or by email at justein.webtv.net

### **National Veterans** Wheelchair Games: From the **Volunteer Trenches**



The 20th National Veterans Wheelchair Games (NVWG) were held in San Antonio, Texas July 4th through July 8th, 2000. This competition was the largest annual wheelchair sports event in the United States this year with over 750 athletes competing from the United States, Canada, and Great Britain. The Department of Veteran Affairs and Paralyzed Veterans of America co-sponsored the Games. The NVWG is the premiere annual sport and rehabilitation event open to all United States military service veterans (male or female) with disabilities who use wheelchairs due to spinal cord injuries, amputations, certain neurological injuries, and other mobility impairments. Competitive events include air gun shooting, archery, basketball, billiards (9-ball), bowling, hand cycling (exhibition), quad rugby, softball, swimming, table tennis, track and field, weightlifting, wheelchair rally, wheelchair slalom, and a 5-K road race.

Two volunteers, a medical rehabilitation employee and an adapted physical education specialist share their experiences and offer their unique perspectives. As a physical therapy assistant employed at Dallas Veterans Administration Hospital, Tammy Beeler is used to assisting with the rehabilitation of veterans/athletes. For her it is extremely rewarding to see patients being physically active in this type of competitive environment. As a Navy veteran she "recognizes the friendly competition and enjoys the camaraderie shared by these veterans. Military veterans really have a unique bond."

As an adapted physical education specialist for the past 5 years, Linda Hilgenbrinck, views the NVWG and the necessary physical preparedness of the military as the epitome of a physically fit person. Military personnel must be at a moment's notice physically ready to defend and the goal as an educator is to prepare students to be physically active for life. Hilgenbrinck, who had previously attended the Paralympic Games in Atlanta, continues, "This has been a tremendous experience for me. It's an additional, very much needed, form of disability sport!" She suggests that this is an area of disability sport that perhaps adapted physical educators have ignored. Staying true to the belief system that we are here to assist all individuals to meet their physical activity life-span needs...the Veterans Games certainly provide opportunities for competition for veterans as well as motivation/opportunities to stay physically active. For many of the veterans the NVWG provides their highest level of competition. However, for some of the veterans/athletes in attendance their competitive year does not end at the NVWG. These veterans/athletes will continue their athletic guests at the Paralympic Games in Sydney.

Inclusion is an important aspect of adapted physical activity and recreation and the NVWG appears to epitomize the inclusion ideal across genders. Due to the small number of female veterans with disabilities, participation for women means practicing and competing with and against men. Basketball and softball squad rosters contain both male and female veterans/athletes members. Both Beeler and Hilgenbrink were impressed by the

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empowering atmosphere that the NVWG provided to veterans with disabilities. Competition was only one aspect of the games in which veterans participated. Veterans also worked as event officials, organizers, and in administrative roles.

Although historically the NVWG are grounded in medically based professions and the therapeutic recreation career field, it is the opinion of the authors that more adapted physical educators could benefit from volunteering their expertise and assistance to foster further growth within this area of disability sport. There appears to be much opportunity to conduct research, share information and increase our own knowledge base concerning veterans with disabilities.

Linda C. Hilgenbrinck, M.S. is a doctoral student at Texas Woman's University and an Adapted Physical Education Specialist in the Wise County Special Education Cooperative, Bridgebort TX Tamara S. Beeler, is a Physical Therapy Assistant, at Dallas Veterans Administration, Dallas, TX

## **Grant Applications Under the Special Education-Personnel Preparation To Improve** Services and Results for Children with Disabilities **Program: Notice**

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84.325A Preparation of Special Education, Related Services, and Early Intervention Personnel to Serve Infants, Toddlers, and Children with Low-Incidence Disabilities

Applications Available 09/06/00

Application Deadline Date 10/20/00

84.325D Preparation of Leadership Personnel (doctoral and/or post-doctoral training)

Applications Available 09/06/00

Application Deadline Date 10/13/00

84.325E Preparation of Personnel in Minority Institutions Applications Available 09/06/00 Application Deadline Date 01/26/01

84.325H Improving the Preparation of Personnel to Serve Children with High-Incidence Disabilities

Applications Available 09/06/00

Application Deadline Date 11/17/00

84.325N Projects of National Significance Applications Available 09/06/00

Application Deadline Date 12/08/00

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> Submitted by Martha Bokee Office of Special Education Programs Research to Practice Division

#### Lost and Found???

Over the past year NCPERID has lost a number of members due to inaccurate mailing information. If you have addresses for any of the following members please contact NCPERID Membership Chair, Gail Webster at gwebster@ksumail.kennesaw.edu or mail her at Kennesaw State University, Department of HPS, 1000 Chestaint, Kennesaw, GA 30144-5591, or phone her at 770-590-0454. When you relocate please put us on your change of address list so that you will continue to receive NCPERID notices and publications. Each and every member is extremely valuable to our organization and we do not want to "lose" any more members.

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Allison, Joan

An, Y-N Michael

Anthony, Rose

Berends, Kerrie

Bratton, James

Capello, Michael

Cavuoto, Catherine

Conatser, Phillip

Dowell, Meredith Erickson, Lori

Grant, Kristin

Hilborn, Lisa

Key-Denniston (Pitts), Elizabeth

Kivi, Tanya L.

Lindley, Lloyd

Long, Trena

Murch, Patrick

Nolan, Joseph

Osborne-Alrich, Patricia

Pastor, Sue

Peltier, lennifer

Penella, Diane

Perkins, Jennifer

Plott, Joseph

Power, Marie

Rauss, William

Rougeau, Debe

Stawicki, Laurie

Stone, Brian

Von Ohlen, Patricia

### **Special Registration Rate for NAFAPA\***

Symposium 2000 "Research in Adapted Physical Activity: Life-span Empowerment for the New Millennium" will be held November 19-21, 2000 at the Hotel Monteleone in New Orleans, Louisiana. Top experts from major universities in the USA and Canada will be sharing research interests, ideas, and engage in scholarly discussions involving motor development, adapted physical education, sport, rehabilitation, and recreation. The Opening General Session will begin at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 19, 2000. Sessions begin on Monday and Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.

Please complete the following registration form and return to: University of New Orleans, NAFAPA 2000, UNO Conference Services Metropolitan College ED 122, New Orleans, LA 70148.

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