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HATS Recognizes 2006 Professionals of the Year

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. – The Huntsville Association of Technical Societies (HATS) honored 19 recipients at its annual Professionals Of the Year (POY) Awards Dinner on Thursday, June 8, 2006, at 6 p.m. at the Von Braun Center North Hall. The 19 professionals were all nominated and selected by their membership organizations for their outstanding contributions to the mission of their awarding organization. Each of the 2006 recipients engaged in professional activities that resulted in broad social, technological, or economical consequences to benefit the science and engineering community. Each POY winner exhibited an extraordinary amount of dedication, creativity, and leadership in their work.

The 2006 Professionals of the Year are:

Ms. Sylvia Dean, Alabama Council for Technology (ACTE)
Ms. Karmel Herring, North Alabama National Society of Black Engineers (AE NSBE)
Mr. Darren Brewer, Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA)
Mr. Pete Cerny, Army Space and Missile Defense Association (ASMDA)
Mr. Richard O. Henrick, American Society for Quality (ASQ)
SFC Lawrence B. Scott, Association of the United States Army (AUSA)
Mr. Steve Humphrey, Huntsville Aerospace Marketing Association (HAMA)
Mr. Bob Woods, Huntsville Association of Technical Societies (HATS)
Dr. Bill Craig, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
Mr. Stan Miller, Joint Integrated Air and Missile Defense Summit Working Group (JIAMD)
Mr. Darryl Walker, National Contract Management Association (NCMA)
Mr. Jim Pepper, National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA)
Mr. Harry Craft, National Space Club (NSC)
Mr. Ken Merwin, Program Management Institute (PMI)
Dr. Christian Smart, Society of Cost Estimating and Analysis (SCEA)
Mr. Elmwood L. “Woody” Bombara, Society of Reliability Engineers (SRE)
Ms. Rhonda Barnes, System Safety Society (SSS)
Mr. Woody Williams, HATS STEDTRAIN
Ms. Tara Ragan-Ward, Women in Defense (WID)

This year, there was also a special award given out for the first time in honor of Huntsville community leader Joseph C. Moquin. The recipient of this award was Mr. Bill Craig of IEEE. Craig was chosen due to his extraordinary contributions to the North Alabama technical community. Moquin was present to deliver the award and was himself honored as a driving force behind the effort to establish a first-class research park, Cummings Research Park, in the community.

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