

What is the IHSCDEA Hall of Fame?

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A bit of history is in order for some of our members who were not around when we began this association back in 1952. The IHSCDEA has a group of distinguished individuals recognized for their commitment and dedication to Illinois Driver Education and Traffic Safety since our inception in 1952. For a number of years we called this elite group of individuals *Honorary Life Members*. The Board of Directors decided a number of years ago to change the name of this group to the ***IHSCDEA Hall of Fame***.

Possible candidates are nominated for their accomplishments and dedication by any current association member at the Fall Workshops throughout the state each year. A committee of Board Members and current Hall of Fame members evaluate all the candidates submitted to determine if they meet the criteria established by our association.

The Hall of Fame Committee recommends possible candidates to the Board of Directors at the January Board Meeting each year. The board then votes on the individual for induction at the Annual Conference each spring.

Below is the current list of individuals that have been inducted into the IHSCDEA Hall of Fame since the association was founded in 1952.

Dr. James Aaron
Earl Anderson
Wayne Anderson
David M. Baker
Dan Bolin
Harold Boyd
Frank Bridges
Dr. Ronald Budig
Don Byram
Charles Carpentier
Eugenia Chapman
James Churchill
Sam Clemente
Harvin Cook
Paul Cram
Scott Cumming
William Cushman
Dick Eckert
Jim Edgar
Tom Enright
Melvin Esarey
Dr. A Florio
Harrison Fuller

Victor Giovannini
Patty Greene
Dr. Frank Gruber
Glen Harjes
Warren Hastings
Charles Hayes
Ralph Heinz
Tom Holsen
Warren Huffman
Ed Johnson
Micky Johnson
Brent Johnston
Dr. Frank Kenel
Dr. Norman Key
Edward Klamm
Raymond Kracik
Dick Lemoine
Gordon Linqvist
Alan Lucas
Carl Magsamen
George Mathis
John Minerick
Dr. Amos Neyhart

Vernon Nichol
Edward O'Farrell
Richard Ovington
John Papa
Warren Quensel
Dr. Harlan Riebe
Allen Robinson
SOS - George Ryan
Matthew Sielski
James Smilgoff
Raymond Smith
Dr. S. C. Staley
Ronald Stopka
Janet Strader-Oval
William Stratton
Frank Svarc
Roger Voigt
Judy Weber-Jones
C. E. Welch
Larry Williams
James Witmer

Below are the procedures, time frame and requirements to submit someone for induction in the Hall of Fame.

Each Regional Director will explain to the person who nominates an individual, for the Hall of Fame, that they must follow these steps:

1. The resume of the nominee's qualifications must be prepared by the person nominating that individual.
2. The resume must be received by the Hall of Fame Chairman by **December 1st** of the current year to be considered for induction.
3. The resume of the person nominated will be reviewed by the Hall Of Fame Committee. The Committee's recommendation will be presented at the IHSCDEA Board of Directors' meeting in January.
4. The resume must include the nominator's name, address and work and/or home phone number.
5. If a person **is not** recommended, that person can be nominated in the future for consideration.

A person's resume for the Hall of Fame may include, but is not limited to, the following criteria:

1. The nominee has made a valuable contribution to the IHSCDEA and Traffic Safety in the State of Illinois.
2. The nominee has been a member of IHSCDEA
[include the number of years and conferences attended].
3. The nominee has been a member of ADTSEA
[include the number of years and conferences attended].
4. Include titles and offices held by the nominee in IHSCDEA and ADTSEA
[list committees and positions held].
5. List any articles and publications written by the nominee for IHSCDEA, ADTSEA or other organizations in the field of traffic safety.
6. List any appointments made by the Secretary of State, Illinois State Board of Education, Illinois Department of Transportation and other agencies/organizations that promote Driver and Safety Education.
7. List any traffic safety related awards and positions [include job description of positions] held during the nominee's professional career.
8. List any major single accomplishment of the nominee that improved Driver and Traffic Safety Education in the state and/or nation.