

The following awards are presented each year at the Symposium.

**If you have a nomination for any of the following awards,
please email the appropriate association member by the date indicated.**

L. Richard Novelli Award - due by July 13

Contact: Michele James (mjames@stlawco.org)

The Novelli Award was instituted to honor the memory of L. Richard "Dick" Novelli, who died of cancer in 1993 while serving as the STOP-DWI Coordinator and Traffic Safety Director for Niagara County. Because of Dick's role as an educator, the award is given to programs that further STOP-DWI and/or traffic safety principles through community education. Primary considerations are the program's impact on the community, the originality of the design, the incorporation of either STOP-DWI or traffic safety principles, and the adaptability of the program to other communities. Consideration is also given as to whether the program could be used regionally or on a statewide basis. Some previous honorees include school assembly programs, victim panels designed for high school students, special events designed to promote STOP-DWI or traffic safety programs where the designer or originator was a community member as opposed to an employee of a local program.

Roy Thorpe Award - due by July 13

Contact: Michele James (mjames@stlawco.org)

Roy Thorpe was a past President of the New York State Association of Traffic Safety Boards. He served Erie County as a member of the Erie County Sheriff's Department, the Town of Tonawanda Police Department and as a member of the Erie County Traffic Safety Board. He dedicated his life to the traffic safety community of New York State by supporting safety programs at the "grass roots" level and expanding the involvement of the local traffic safety boards in state and national traffic safety issues. Roy felt that it was important to acknowledge the "unsung" heroes; the individuals who worked to promote traffic safety on a regular basis. He died while serving as NYSATSB President. In his memory, traffic safety community members established the Roy Thorpe Award to honor individuals who, like Roy, have made an outstanding contribution to traffic safety.

Robert Foley Award - due by September 15

Contact: Margaret Garvila (garvilam@sunyulster.edu)

This award honors an individual or organization for outstanding leadership in endeavors that significantly improve NYS highway/road safety. The recipient of this award has demonstrated his/her commitment through efforts beyond their job responsibilities to help in the achievement of zero deaths and serious injuries on NYS highways and roads.

William T. Smith Award - due by September 10

Contact: Colleen Grebleski (cgrebleski@co.chemung.ny.us)

The William T. Smith Award was developed to honor Senator Smith for his dedication to the cause of the NYS STOP-DWI Coordinator's Association. The "Smith Award" will be a New York State STOP-DWI Coordinator's Association Award, not an award for recognition of local accomplishments. The guidelines to be included for selection consideration are that the person(s) be a member of the Association in good standing, or be directly involved in the daily operation of any county program, or be a consultant directly involved in the overall operation of the State Association business. The person(s) selected will have provided the State Association with time and effort, which will be judged as enhancing the cause of the Association in its daily and yearly business.

Chairman's Awards - due by September 10

Contact: Chuck.DeWeese@dmv.ny.gov

The Chairman's Awards consist of two categories: one for individuals and a second for organizations. Individuals and organizations to be considered will have made efficient use of public resources and will have produced programs that are innovative, superior and highly successful in promoting traffic safety. State agencies, however, are not eligible for this award. Recipients must be grantees of the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee.