Call for Nominations for Special Awards

Deadline April 1, 2004

I am inviting nominations for the second competition for the two awards that have been created by the Society: The Distinguished Research Medal and the Service Award. Rules for nominating people for the award and the process by which the recipients will be selected are given below.

The International Society of Hymenopterists Distinguished Research Medal is open to any Hymenopterist, and should go to an individual who has made significant and distinguished research contributions to the study of Hymenoptera.

The International Society of Hymenopterists Service Award is meant to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions in service to the Society that went well beyond normal expectations. Officers and former officers of the Society can be considered, but obviously the award is not restricted to these individuals.

There will be a deadline of April 1, 2004 on nominations for both awards. This will leave time to organize a selection committee (which can't include nominees or signatories to nominations) in time to announce the recipients at the meeting of the Society to be held in conjunction with the International Congress of Entomology in Brisbane, Australia, August 2004. Nominations must be electronic and should be sent to Dr. Jim Woolley, Secretary, at jimwoolley@tamu.edu

The rules that apply to the award of the International Society of Hymenopterists Distinguished Research Medal are as follows:

- The award will be made no more often than every second year.

- A candidate must be proposed by no fewer than three Members in Good Standing [one nomination is sufficient, which must be supported by 3 Members in Good Standing].

- There is no restriction on candidates, beyond having made significant and distinguished research contributions to the study of Hymenoptera.

- Proposers of the candidate shall provide the Secretary of the Society with the name, curriculum vitae (including qualifications, career, distinctions and publications), a statement of approximately 500 words explaining why the candidate merits the award, and the signatures of two additional sponsors who are Members in Good Standing of the Society.

- A selection committee for the award of the medal will be appointed and convened by the
President, and members of that committee shall themselves not be nominated or be signatories of the nomination in that year.

- Should the committee recommend to the Executive Committee that an award be made, the name of the recipient will be announced at the following annual meeting.

- The recipient of the award will receive Life Membership in the Society, in addition to the medal.

The rules that apply to the award of the *International Society of Hymenopterists Service Award* are as follows:

- A candidate may be proposed by one or more Members in Good Standing.

- Any Member in Good Standing or previous Members of the Society are eligible for the award including current members of the Executive Committee.

- Proposers of the candidate shall provide the Secretary of the Society with the name and a statement of approximately 300 words explaining why the candidate merits the award.

- A selection committee for the award will be appointed and convened by the President, and members of the committee shall themselves not be nominated or be signatories of the nomination in that year.

- Should the committee recommend to the Executive Committee that an award be made, the name of the recipient will be announced at the following annual meeting.

*Lynn Kimsey, President*
*International Society of Hymenopterists*

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**Next ISH Meeting will be in Brisbane**

The next annual business meeting of the Society will be held in conjunction with the International Congress of Entomology, Brisbane, Australia, August 15-21, 2004. Information on the Congress is available at [http://www.ccm.com.au/icoe/home/default.htm](http://www.ccm.com.au/icoe/home/default.htm). The ISH meeting will be held during one of the evenings. More details will be available soon.