

# Dot News

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## Secretary Dole Honors Outstanding DOT Employees at 1983 Awards Ceremony

Declaring the Department of Transportation "richly endowed with talent and imagination," Secretary Dole conferred honors on 138 DOT employees at the Department's 16th annual awards ceremony.

"We could not perform as proudly as we do without a nucleus of skilled leaders," Secretary Dole said. "People of common sense and uncommon abilities, committed to superior public service."

In addition to the 138 awards presented at the ceremony, held September 13 in the Departmental Auditorium, Secretary Dole publicly acknowledged the 35 Coast Guard officers and enlisted personnel accorded military decorations during the past year.

"Those we honor today represent less than one half of one percent of DOT's global workforce," Secretary Dole said. "They have been singled out, a few among many, for special recognition."



Secretary Dole is shown addressing Department employees during the Sixteenth Annual Awards Program on September 13, 1983.

The Secretary went on to praise not only the award recipients but the thousands of others who, as she said, "merit our praise and thanks for day-to-day faithfulness and consistent performance."

The highest award, the Secretary's Gold Medal, was presented to Rosalind A. Knapp, deputy general counsel, and Charles Swinburn, deputy assistant secretary for policy and international affairs.

The Secretary's Silver Medal for exceptional achievement went to 48 employees. The silver medal is presented to employees who have substantially contributed to the accomplishment of DOT's mission or major programs.

Ten Cost Avoidance, Reduction and Efficiency Awards were presented for efforts in reducing costs and improving efficiency.

The Department's highest award for an act of heroism by a civilian, the Secretary's Award for Valor, was given to Clyde Rinkinen, air traffic control specialist with FAA in Flint, Michigan, and to Craig F. Schoff, electronics technician with FAA at JFK International Airport, Jamaica, New York.

Other awards for acts of heroism were presented to six members of the Coast Guard. Seven employees were cited for outstanding achievement in promoting equal opportunity.

Awards for Excellence went to 61 employees who had achieved outstanding performance in all aspects of their work.

Grady C. Cothen, Jr., special assistant to the chief counsel, Federal Railroad Administration, received the Schneider Award, which is given annually to an especially competent and productive practicing attorney serving with the Department of Transportation during the first 10 years after their admission to the bar.

John D. Smith, operations research analyst at the Transportation Systems Center in Cambridge, Massachusetts, was cited as the Department's outstanding physically handicapped employee.

In her remarks, Secretary Dole outlined the goals to which she is committed and which, as she said, require "people of common sense and uncommon abilities."

- A greater dedication to safety in all forms of transportation, and the launching of a whole set of new initiatives to make travel safer for all Americans.

- Development and implementation of the National Airspace Plan, to modernize our air traffic control system and reduce its operating costs.

- Preparing to carry out remaining CAB functions when the sunset of that agency is complete.

- Maintaining the pace of our highway and transit rehabilitation programs.

- Returning Conrail to the private sector.

- Maritime regulatory reforms and a strong, modern adequately-equipped Coast Guard.

- Greater employment and promotional opportunities for minorities and women.

Several hundred employees, friends and family members attended the ceremony. Robert L. Fairman, assistant secretary for administration, served as master of ceremonies. Music was provided by the Coast Guard band.



The U.S. Coast Guard color guard is shown in the presentation of colors during the annual awards program at the Departmental Auditorium.

# Knapp and Swinburn Win Gold Medals

The Gold Award for Outstanding Achievement, the Department's highest civilian award, has been awarded to Rosalind A. Knapp, deputy general counsel, and Charles Swinburn, deputy assistant secretary for policy and international affairs. The medals were presented by Secretary Dole to lead off the 16th annual DOT awards ceremony held September 13, 1983.

The Secretary praised Knapp and Swinburn, both veteran DOT employees, for their "superlative work" as dedicated and committed public servants.

The gold medal is given in recognition of "exceptionally outstanding leadership or services" and achievements of "marked national or international significance which reflect great credit on the Department and the Federal government."

It is usually awarded, but it is not limited, to one recipient each year. According to the Office of Personnel and Training, it has been several years since more than one individual has received a gold medal.

Rosalind "Lindy" Knapp was honored for "continued excellence in legal service to the Department, particularly in bus and maritime regulatory reform."

Charles Swinburn was cited for "outstanding leadership, dedication, intellectual excellence and exceptional initiative over a wide range of important and sensitive transportation issues."

Knapp, who was appointed to her present position in 1981, previously served as assistant general counsel for legislation. A 10-year employee, she came to DOT in 1973, first as honors attorney, then as attorney advisor in

the Office of the Secretary, and from 1974 to 1977 as special assistant to the deputy secretary.

A graduate of Stanford University with a Juris Doctor degree from the Stanford Law School, Knapp began her government career with the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Swinburn joined DOT in 1971 as chief of the Industry Analysis Division. From 1976 to 1979 he was associate administrator for federal assistance, Federal Railroad Administration. He was named to his present position in 1979.

A former marine officer and pilot who served with distinction in Vietnam, Swinburn holds a bachelor's degree from Princeton University and a master's in business administration from the Harvard Business School.



Rosalind Knapp accepts the Gold Medal from Secretary Dole for excellence in legal service to the Department, particularly in bus and maritime regulatory reform.



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SWINBURN



Charles Swinburn, winner of the Gold Medal, is shown with his wife Carol, daughters Annie and Kate, and Secretary Dole at the awards ceremony. Swinburn won the award for outstanding leadership over a wide range of issues.

## Handicapped Award Goes to TSC Research Analyst

The Department's Outstanding Physically Handicapped Employee Award for 1983 was presented to John D. Smith, an operations research analyst at the Transportation Systems Center in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Secretary Dole made the presentation at the 16th Annual DOT Awards Ceremony.

Smith was cited for his ability to understand the internal logic of a computer model, making it possible for him to take an



SMITH

existing computer capability and extensively modify it by adding the decision logic needed for the model to become a useful analysis tool. His effort provided TSC with a planning tool to evaluate the cost trade-offs associated with alternative railroad maintenance-of-way procedures.

A loss of vision would have slowed most people, but not Smith. He lost the sight of one eye at the age of fourteen months. Vision in his other eye was far from normal, but he did manage to participate in some activities which more fortunate children take for granted, such as bicycle riding. A complete loss of sight occurred at the age of nine.

Even with his handicap, Smith was determined to get an education and carve out a career for himself. He graduated from Winchester, Massachusetts, High School in 1972. He received a bachelors degree in mathematics and management science from MIT in 1977. While at MIT, Smith assisted in the development of a method for illustrating books for blind children. He also created a number of vacuform replicas of hand tools and presented them to the Howe Press at the Perkins Institute for the Blind, Watertown, Massachusetts.

Smith is a member of the Massachusetts Association for the Blind and the Winchester, Massachusetts, Knights

of Columbus Council. He received the American Legion Award in Academics in 1969 and was a Member of the National Honor Society in 1971-1972. His dedication to quality and desire to perform continue to provide an inspirational example, not only to his fellow workers but to all who come in contact with him.

Smith's hobbies and interests include camping, reading, and all athletic sports. He is also a licensed amateur radio operator.

Smith was born in Woburn, Massachusetts, in 1952 and now resides with his mother in Winchester, Massachusetts.

# Ten CARE Awards Presented to DOT Employees

The Secretary's Award for Cost Avoidance, Reduction and Efficiency (CARE) represents the Department's highest level of honor and recognition to employees at all grade and organizational levels who have excelled in their efforts in identifying and implementing cost avoidance, reduction and efficiency measures.

Nine employees, one from OST, one from Coast Guard, one from FAA, two from FHWA, one from FRA, one from UMTA, one from SLSDC, and one from RSPA, received CARE awards at the 16th annual awards ceremony. In addition, the FAA's Great Lakes Region, with headquarters in Des Plaines, Illinois, received the award for dedicated performance in cost reduction and avoidance.

Gary W. McCullough, Deputy Support Services Manager, Office of the Secretary, received the award for outstanding and significant contributions to the Department's CARE program.

Howard L. Hime, mechanical engineer, U.S. Coast Guard, received the award for significant savings to the U.S. Coast Guard through better utilization of established national standards for pressure vessels.

The FAA winner was Robin J. Masek, electronics engineer, Airway Facilities Division, in their Anchorage, Alaska, office who received the award for outstanding achievement in CARE. Paul K. Bohr, director of the Great Lakes Region of FAA, accepted the award on behalf of all the region's employees.

Two FHWA employees received the CARE award. Hiram Pearlman, structural engineer, Massachusetts Division of FHWA, received the award for his contribution in reducing the cost of bridge design in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Wendall C. Shingler, supervisory space and communications officer, received the award for exceptional work in planning and implementing FHWA's national space reduction program.

Jewel Y. Primas, operations research analyst, FRA, received the award for diligence and initiative beyond normal job responsibilities resulting in significant savings to the federal government.

Thomas A. Norman, director, Office of Bus and Paratransit Systems, UMTA, received the award for his contributions to significant savings in Section 6 research and development grant costs.

Lamar T. Sizemore, assistant resident manager for facilities and navigation, SLSDC in Massena, New York, received the award for outstanding leadership and accomplishments in the Corporation's CARE program.

And finally, Lennart E. Long, electronics engineer at RSPA in Cambridge, Massachusetts, received the award for exceptional efforts resulting in major cost reductions of UMTA field tests.



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SHINGLER



PRIMAS



NORMAN



SIZEMORE



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## Six Coast Guard Men Receive Medals for Heroism at 1983 AWARDS Ceremony

Six Coast Guard men received heroism awards at the Department's 16th annual awards ceremony.

Secretary Dole gave the Coast Guard Medal to Chief Machinery Technician Thomas S. Tharrington, Marine Science Technician Third Class Aaron M. Ross, and Seaman John A. Kallelis; the Distinguished Flying Cross to Lieutenant Commander Bruce E. Melnick; and the Meritorious Service Medal with Operational Distinguishing Device to Lieutenant Michael G. Wallace and Aviation Electrician's Mate Second Class Gregory C. Petsch.

Tharrington was cited for rescuing two men from a burning boat near Cape Henry, Virginia, on October 21, 1982.

Ross was cited for assisting in the rescue of a man from a burning car on December 1, 1982.

Kallelis was given the Coast Guard Medal for entering the frigid waters of the Merrimac River near Newburyport, Massachusetts, on October 13, 1982, and towing two survivors of a capsized small boat to safety.

Melnick was cited for his involvement in the rescue of the survivor of a small plane crash from the side of a mountain near Icy Bay, Alaska, on August 14, 1982, while serving as a pilot of a Coast Guard helicopter.

Wallace was cited for his actions while serving as a copilot of a Coast Guard helicopter engaged in the rescue of the survivors of a plane crash on Attu Island, Alaska, on July 30, 1982.

Petsch was cited for his actions while serving as aircrewman on a Coast Guard helicopter engaged in the rescue of survivors from a capsized boat on February 2, 1983.

Other Coast Guard personnel who received the Air Medal during the past year were LCDR James C. Olson, LCDR Samuel R. Hardman, Lt. John P. Currier, Lt. Bradford W. Black, Lt. David R. Glaser, Lt. William E. Lewis, Lt. Edward J. DeWitt, Aviation Structural Mechanics Second Class Jeffrey S. Smith and Joseph G.

Brand, Aviation Machinist Mate Third Class Richard S. Winn, Aviation Structural Mechanic Third Class Thomas N. Viscosi, and Aviation Electronics Technician Third Class John P. Rivera.

Others receiving the Coast Guard Medal were Boatswain's Mate First Class Wayne D. Culkey, Boatswain's Mate Second Class Kevin J. Galvin, Machinery Technicians Second Class Thomas A. Ray and Richard C. White, Machinery Technician Third Class John H. Alessandrini, and Seaman Andrew J. Pepe.

Receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross were Lt. William W. Peterson and Aviation Electronics Technician Second Class Jon R. Riebau.

Awarded the Meritorious Service Medal with Operational Distinguishing Device were CAPT John J. Dirschel, CAPT Paul R. Taylor, CAPT Stephen D. Csintyan, CAPT William P. Leahy, CAPT Alexander R. Larzelere, CDR Michael O. Murtagh, CDR Armand L. Chapeau, CDR Charles W. Peterson, Chief Warrant Officers Kenneth E. McFelea and Stephen W. Day, Master Chief Boatswain's Mates Malcolm S. Daniels and Laurence H. Mitthauer, Machinery Technician Third Class Robert C. Niesel, Fireman Larry A. Green, and Seaman Apprentice Robert D. Lehman, Jr.



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MELNICK



WALLACE



PETSCH



The U.S. Coast Guard Band, directed by Lt. Lewis J. Buckley, entertains DOT employees during the annual awards program.

# Sixty-one Employees Receive Awards for Excellence

The Secretary's Award for Excellence is granted to employees in grades GS-1 through GS-9 and Wage Grades 1 through 8 who have achieved outstanding performance in all aspects of their work and who deserve special recognition. Sixty-one employees received the award at the 1983 awards ceremony.

**Office of the Secretary**—Eugenia J. Amado, Coedna Carter, Constance L. Gray, Mae Etta Harrison, Jacqueline E. Hathaway, Patricia P. Miller, and LaVaughn M. Mitchell of Washington, D.C., Daisy M. Sawicki of Atlanta, Georgia, and William H. Tapscott and Janice C. Williams of Washington, D.C.

**Office of the Inspector General**—Sharon T. Neal of Washington, D.C., and Vera R. Shinn of Kansas City, Missouri.

**U.S. Coast Guard**—Shirley E. Johns of Louisville, Kentucky, Jean M. Puhmann, Doris M. Yoder, and Kathleen Mary Yurek of Washington, D.C., and Jose B. Zamora of San Francisco, California.

**Federal Aviation Administration**—Joanne K. Anderson of Washington, D.C., Patricia E. Clark of Nashua, New Hampshire, Lillian R. Cooper of Covington, Kentucky, Patricia K. Hoover and Mary Ann Guntow of Washington, D.C., Manuel Julbe, Jr. of San Juan, Puerto Rico, Sarah K. Krtanjek of Washington, D.C., Iris K. Noguchi of Hawthorne, California, Teala R. Sparks of Englewood, Colorado, and Diane Van Winkle of Fort Worth, Texas.

**Federal Highway Administration**—Barbara A. Bryant of Washington, D.C., Donna J. Kelly of McLean,

Virginia, Patricia A. Masterson of Kansas City, Missouri, Frances L. Pinzow of Washington, D.C., Rosalie T. Skerkovich of Baltimore, Maryland, Ella Stone of Washington, D.C., Sandra K. Velasquez of San Francisco, California, and Sandra J. Verrone of Olympia, Washington.

**Federal Railroad Administration**—Judy Anita Haynes, Beverly J. Moline, Jacqueline C. Parson, and Linda M. Washington, all of Washington, D.C.

**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**—Rita I. Gibbons of Washington, D.C., Philomena C. Hogan of White Plains, New York, and Brenda Jones and Phyllis E. Wallace of Washington, D.C.

**Urban Mass Transportation Administration**—Donna L. Abbott of

Washington, D.C., Sheila A. Byrne of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Janie B. Gordon and Millicent E. Hendricks of Washington, D.C., and Rita M. Lopresti of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

**Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation**—Dean C. Farnsworth and Mary C. Fregoe of Massena, New York.

**Research and Special Programs Administration**—Ruby P. Boyd of Cambridge, Massachusetts, Evelyn A. Dennis of Houston, Texas, Elizabeth C. Di Meo of Cambridge, Massachusetts, Leslie M. Graves of Washington, D.C., and Elizabeth B. O'Leary of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

**Maritime Administration**—Sandra L. Bowers, Patricia M. Randall, Marguerite A. Speights, JoAnne Spittle, and Gladys L. Taylor, all of Washington, D.C.



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FARNSWORTH



FREGOE



GIBBONS



GORDON



GRAVES



GRAY



GUNTOW



HARRISON



HATHAWAY



HAYNES



HENDRICKS



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Janie B. Gordon was one of five employees from UMTA to win the Award for Excellence. Janie is shown with Secretary Dole.



Sarah K. Krtanjek, FAA, winner of the Award for Excellence, is shown with Secretary Dole at the annual awards program.



Phyllis E. Wallace, NHTSA, received the Award for Excellence at the annual awards ceremony. Phyllis is shown with Secretary Dole, her husband Raymond, and daughters Raquel (left) and Katrina.



AUSTIN



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# Silver Medals are Awarded to 48 DOT Employees

The Department's Award for Meritorious Service, the Silver Medal, is given by the Secretary in recognition of exceptionally meritorious service or exceptional achievement.

Forty-eight employees received silver medals at the Department's 1983 award ceremony.

## Office of the Secretary

**Luci F. Austin**, administrative officer, Departmental Office of Civil Rights, for outstanding efforts in implementing and maintaining an effective administrative management program.

**Florence E. Bicchetti**, staff assistant, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for consistently outstanding and meritorious service to the regional representative and three regional administrators.

**Carolyn Blum**, procurement analyst, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration, for developing significant improvements to the major system acquisition review process for the national airspace system program.

**Roberta D. Gabel**, attorney-adviser, Office of the General Counsel, for outstanding performance of legal duties in Departmental financial assistance and procurement programs.

**John E. Harman**, deputy director, Office of Industrial Policy, for exceptional leadership in analyzing maritime industry problems in developing the Department's maritime industry policies.

**George W. McDonald**, program analyst, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs, for outstanding program and financial analysis in support of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982.

**Constance Y. Ragsdale**, chief, Information Analysis Staff, Executive Secretariat, for exemplary service in facilitating the work of the Office of the Secretary.

## Office of Inspector General

**Kenneth T. Furukawa**, director, Office of Regional Programs, for outstanding leadership in improving audit operations and the follow-up on unresolved audit findings.

## U.S. Coast Guard

**Karlyn E. Daube**, economist, Chief of Staff, for outstanding ingenuity and effectiveness in developing and implementing the operating and support program planning system.

**Roberta M. Gaither**, chief, Paperwork Management Branch, for exceptional accomplishments in improving the management efficiency and effectiveness of the Coast Guard.

**John W. Gardenier**, operations research analyst, Office of Research and Development, for outstanding and creative applications of risk management and simulator techniques for enhanced maritime safety.

**Norman W. Lemley**, supervisory general engineer, Office of Merchant Marine Safety, for effective leadership in developing amendments to shipboard lifesaving system international treaty requirements.

**Joseph M. Malinovsky**, contract specialist, Procurement Branch, Juneau, Alaska, for superior accomplishments of assigned duties in formal contracting.

## Federal Aviation Administration

**Joe A. P. Alvarez**, manager, Civil Rights Staff, Hawthorne, California, for meritorious achievement and outstanding leadership of the Western-Pacific region's equal employment opportunity program.



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RADOVICH



RUBENSTEIN



CARROLL



DUFF



ESQUIVEL



JOCK



BLOOD



MALLEN



FOX



HAMMER



WESTCOTT



ZOK

**Chester W. Anderson**, air traffic manager, O'Hare air traffic control tower, Des Plaines, Illinois, for outstanding management of the nation's busiest terminal air traffic control facility under extremely critical circumstances.

**Marilyn M. Carrigan**, administrative officer, Airway Facilities Division, Fort Worth, Texas, for exemplary service and contributions toward the FAA mission.

**J. E. Murdock III**, chief counsel, for exemplary performance in the development and implementation of programs which ensured safe and efficient utilization of the nation's airspace.

**Marvin L. Olson**, acting manager, Planning Analysis Division, for meritorious effort in the operation of the industry slot allocation system at U.S. airports.

**Leland F. Page**, deputy director, Systems Engineering Service, for outstanding contributions to FAA's en route and terminal automation programs.

**Michael J. Powderly**, air traffic manager, Atlanta air traffic control tower, Atlanta, Georgia, for many outstanding achievements in noise abatement and human relations.

**Carl B. Schellenberg**, regional counsel, Des Plaines, Illinois, for outstanding performance of strike emergency duties while maintaining effective routine regional legal services.

**Russell J. Sebold**, assistant sector manager, Airways Facility Sector, Farmington, Minnesota, for outstanding professionalism, commitment to agency mission, leadership, dedication, and documented performance.

**William F. Shea**, associate administrator for airports, for exemplary performance as associate administrator for airports and spokesman and advocate for the national system of airports.

**Richard P. Shewfelt**, manager, Labor Relations Branch, Des Plaines, Illinois, for outstanding accomplishments in representing the agency during the air traffic controllers strike.

#### Federal Highway Administration

**Julie Anna Cirillo**, chief, Safety and Design Division, McLean, Virginia, for sustained leadership and achievement in the field of highway safety and for direction of a comprehensive highway research program.

**Frederick T. Comstock, Jr.**, division administrator, New Hampshire Division, Concord, New Hampshire, for outstanding leadership in administering the federal-aid highway program in New Hampshire.

**Marshall Jacks, Jr.**, associate administrator for safety, traffic engineering and motor carriers, for his efforts in the general improvement of the highway safety of the motoring public.

**Ruth R. Johnson**, deputy assistant chief counsel, General Law Division, for meritorious legal service in the minority business enterprise and Buy America programs.

**Robert G. S. Young**, regional administrator, San Francisco, California, for accomplishments in successfully achieving federal-aid highway program goals.

#### Federal Railroad Administration

**S. Mark Lindsey**, assistant chief counsel, for his outstanding legal counsel on rail passenger issues.

**JoAnne A. McGowan**, chief, State Programs Division, for consistently excellent administration of the local rail service assistance program.

**Charles R. Meyrick**, director of railroad safety, Office of Safety, for outstanding contributions as the team leader on the Livingston, Louisiana, derailment task force.

**Joseph W. Walsh**, associate administrator for railroad safety, for implementing innovative labor-management measures and comprehensive assessments leading to significant improvements in railroad safety.

#### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

**Clayton J. Hall**, special assistant to the director, Office of Alcohol Countermeasures, for outstanding leadership and unending dedication toward the reduction of alcohol-related deaths and injuries on the highways.

**Grace Hazzard**, data retrieval specialist, Office of Research and Development, for sustained and distinguished service in disseminating technical and statistical highway safety information to the public.

**Thomas J. Enright**, highway safety management specialist, Region IV, for exceptional achievement in providing technical expertise and leadership to state and private industry officials.

**Vladislav Radovich**, safety standards engineer, Crashworthiness Division, for continued superlative contributions to child passenger safety.

**Enid Rubenstein**, supervisory trial attorney, Office of the Chief Counsel, for leadership and an uncompromisingly high standard of legal advocacy in cases of judicial review of important agency regulatory and law enforcement decisions.

#### Urban Mass Transportation Administration

**Gene E. Carroll**, director, Office of Management and Technical Assistance, Region IV, for outstanding technical assistance in project management of rail projects.

**Daniel R. Duff**, assistant chief counsel, Legislation and Regulations Division, for outstanding and dedicated service rendered in the enactment and implementation of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982.

**Rosemary Esquivel**, civil rights officer, Region I, for a results oriented approach to significantly increasing minority hiring and contracting opportunities by Region I grantees.

#### Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation

**Howard J. Jock**, electrical engineering technician, Office of Maintenance, for outstanding leadership and management of resources which contributed to exceptionally economical maintenance programs.

#### Research and Special Programs Administration

**Bernard E. Blood**, supervisory general engineer, Office of Systems Assessment, for his exceptional technical management of research to improve the service and efficiency of urban mass transportation.

**Arthur J. Mallen**, chief, Technical Division, Office of Hazardous Materials Regulation, for meritorious technical contributions to the Department's hazardous materials safety program.

#### Maritime Administration

**E. William Fox, Jr.**, attorney-adviser, Office of the Chief Counsel, for outstanding performance of duties in the Title XI ship financing guarantee program.

**Norman Odin Hammer**, acting director, Office of Ship Construction, for outstanding coordination of staff activities and for providing sound leadership in developing methods to improve administration efficiency.

**James L. Westcott**, chief, Division of Capital Construction Funds, for initiative and outstanding financial ability in the administration of the federal ship financing program.

**James J. Zok**, director, Office of Financial Management, for meritorious contribution to the achievement of Departmental goals in the promotion of the U.S. Merchant Marine.



Secretary Dole presents the Award for Meritorious Achievement, the Silver Medal, to Norman Odin Hammer, Maritime Administration.

# Equal Opportunity Awards Go To Seven Employees

The Secretary's Award for Outstanding Achievement in Equal Opportunity is given to employees who have no specific equal employment responsibilities but who have excelled in their efforts to promote equal opportunity through leadership, skill, imagination, and perseverance.

Seven employees received the equal opportunity award at the 16th annual awards ceremony.

Ella W. Bolden, a special assistant to the director of the Transportation Computer Center, received the award for her role in helping young people obtain additional skills to compete in the job market.

William H. Campbell, Jr., assistant chief, Systems Technology Division, Office of Research and Development, U.S. Coast Guard, received the award for making an EEO Committee an effective, important, and integral part of Coast Guard management.

Clifford A. Armstrong, air traffic control specialist, Air Traffic Division

of FAA, received the award for the outstanding contribution he has made in promoting EEO and creating a vibrant and enthusiastic link between the FAA and the community.

Edward J. Harris, Jr., electronics technician in FAA's Western-Pacific Region, received the award in recognition of his many outstanding accomplishments in counseling minorities and women to help them live a more meaningful and rewarding life.

Robert J. McCarthy, director of the office of personnel and training, Federal Highway Administration, received the award for his contribution in employment, training, and advancement of minorities and women in the FHWA.

Louis S. Thompson, FRA's associate administrator for the northeast corridor improvement project, received the award for superior achievement in minority and female employment and development and advancement of economic opportunity



BOLDEN CAMPBELL ARMSTRONG HARRIS



McCARTHY THOMPSON DURHAM

for minority and women owned businesses in railroad construction contracting.

John S. Durham, operations research analyst for UMTA, received the award for his outstanding and continuous efforts with minority business enterprise procurement, minority contractor development, and minority and female recruitment.

## Schneider Award is Given to FRA's Cothen

Grady C. Cothen, Jr., special assistant to the chief counsel, Federal Railroad Administration, received the 1983 Schneider Award from Secretary Dole at DOT's 16th Annual Awards Ceremony. He was given the award for his exemplary service in furthering the safety and economic well being of the railroad industry.

The award is named for Lawrence R. Schneider, former chief counsel of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The annual award is presented to a practicing attorney who has shown special competence and productivity. Only attorneys who have practiced less than 10 years are eligible.

Cothen, 37, received a bachelors degree from Oklahoma Baptist University in 1968 and a Juris Doctor degree from Georgetown University in 1975. Upon completion of his education, he went to work for the Federal Railroad Administration's Safety Enforcement Division.

Other awards received by Cothen during his FRA career have included the Administrator's Transition Recognition Award in 1977, a Special Achievement Award in 1979, Awards for Superior Achievement in 1981 and 1982, and the Secretary's Award for Meritorious Achievement in 1981. Cothen has also received cash awards seven of the eight years he has been employed at FRA.

Cothen is married and resides in Cheverly, Maryland, with his wife Lelia and their two children, Elizabeth and William.



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## Two FAA Employees Cited for Bravery

Two FAA employees received personal bravery awards at the Department's 16th annual awards ceremony.

Secretary Dole presented the Secretary's Award for Valor to Clyde Rinkinen, air traffic control specialist, stationed in Flint, Michigan, and to Craig F. Schoff, electronics technician, stationed at JFK International Airport, Jamaica, New York.

The Award for Valor is a Departmental award for acts of heroism or courage involving great risk by civilian employees under unusual circumstances.

Rinkinen received the award for exceptional courage while rescuing the driver of a burning truck.

While on his way from work Rinkinen spotted a truck which had crashed against a guard rail and which was in flames. The truck was loaded with acetylene gas tanks. Unable to free the driver, Rinkinen ran two



RINKINEN SCHOFF

blocks to his home and called the local police and fire departments and then ran back to the burning truck. With the help of two neighbors, he was able to free the driver of the truck, in spite of exploding 22-caliber ammunition which was stored in the cab.

Schoff demonstrated outstanding courage while rendering assistance to an injured pilot.

Following a single engine plane crash on October 24, 1982, Schoff

directed a rescue team to the crash site and was one of the first on the scene. Four people were in the crash, including a man, his wife, and two daughters, all critically injured.

Extensive training in first aid enabled Schoff to administer first aid to the one most in need, the pilot.

Suffering severe head injuries, the pilot had stopped breathing. Schoff immediately applied hand traction and cleared the tongue from his breathing passage, enabling him to breathe again. Considering the spilled fuel from the plane and the danger of fire, Schoff clearly put his personal safety second in order to render timely and life saving assistance to the pilot.

Rinkinen joined FAA via the FAA Academy at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in November 1981. Schoff is a 23 year veteran, joining FAA in 1960, following four years in the Air Force.



Gary W. McCullough, OST, winner of the Cost Avoidance, Reduction and Efficiency Award, is shown with his wife Pat, Secretary Dole, and his two children, Charles and Dawn.

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