

## **SCMCA Award Criteria:**

All award nominations shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors (BOD) and awarded, based upon their judgment & discretion, at the annual meeting. Awards do not have to be presented if suitable candidates are not nominated.

### **Guidelines for selection of awards:**

- Consistent & excellent performance with efforts above & beyond expected duties
- General knowledge of mosquito biology
- Service to community
- Positive attitude: enthusiasm, pride in work
- Team player
- Must be a member of the association in good standing (except for Silver Dipper)

### **Technician of the Year (established in 2005):**

Presented a plaque and a jacket in their size (requested on nomination form)

This award is intended to recognize outstanding members that meet the guidelines listed above. This award is not for supervisory staff. The recipient will also receive reimbursement for the current year's dues or the following year and their registration cost will be complimentary for the year they are presented with the award. It will be the supervisor's responsibility to ensure they attend the meeting and arrange for other expenses (such as lodging & meals).

### **Silver Dipper Award (established in 1988):**

Presented a "silver dipper" with their name & the year presented engraved on the handle.

This award is intended to recognize someone for their support of mosquito control or SCMCA that the BOD judges to be exemplary. Nominees of this award should meet the guidelines listed above with the exception that they need not be a member of the association.

Multiple Silver Dipper Awards may be presented in a year if there are multiple eligible candidates or possibly in a team effort to the individuals of the team. It is better to limit the number of dippers presented to 2 individuals so as not to diminish the significance of the award.

### **L.A. Williams, Jr. Award (established in 2006):**

This is the highest award presented by the SCMCA. It is intended to recognize an individual that has made extensive or extraordinary contributions to mosquito control or to SCMCA. The plaque presented is in the shape of the state of South Carolina.

Anyone wishing to nominate a candidate should submit a resume or outline of the candidate's career, a list of contributions and the reason for the nomination. The BOD should consider the candidate's participation with other offices, committees, other boards. This award is open to anyone participating with mosquito control in any capacity whether it is through research, media relations, training, GIS, operations, commercially, etc. Awards do not have to be presented if suitable candidates are not nominated.