



Welcome To ASFPM'S 2018 National Awards Luncheon

Our **Outreach/Media Award** was established to acknowledge exemplary efforts on the part of media to increase information and/or awareness of flood issues with the general public. It is also for an individual, private organization or governmental unit or agency that have increased information and/or awareness of flood issues with the general public.



**Outreach/
Media Award**



Our 2018 Media Award Winner is the Houston Chronicle





Our 2018 Outreach Award Winner is University Of Iowa Professor Ibrahim Demir for his “Flood AI Alpha” Artificial-Intelligence Algorithm





The **John R. Sheaffer Award For Excellence In Floodproofing** was created to honor its namesake for his pioneering work in demonstrating floodproofing as a viable flood-loss reduction measure, and for his decades of work in promoting and advancing the knowledge of these measures.



Our 2018 John Sheaffer
Award Winner Is
Christopher Jones



The **Larry R. Johnston Local Floodplain Manager of the Year** award commemorates the life and work of Larry Johnston (1945-1990) who was finishing his work on the highly-acclaimed National Assessment of Floodplain Management at the time of his untimely death. This award recognizes outstanding individual efforts and contributions at the local level. The award honors an individual responsible for developing a distinguished local program or activity, or one who struggles to implement flood hazard reduction at the local level in the absence of sophisticated programs and support.



Our 2018 Local Floodplain
Manager of the Year is Michael
Blakely, floodplain administrator
for Chatham County, Georgia



The **John Ivey Award For Superior Efforts In Certification** was established by ASFPM in 2001 to recognize exceptional efforts to promote the professional certification of floodplain managers. Any individual, agency or organization is eligible. The award was named after John Ivey because he was serving as our Professional Development Committee chair in the mid-1990s and was instrumental in the CFM exam development and roll out.





Our 2018 John Ivey Award
Winner is Tom Palko, Head of
the Stormwater Division of
Metro Water Services in
Nashville, Tennessee



The **James Lee Witt Local Award For Excellence in Floodplain Management** recognize outstanding programs or activities at the front lines of floodplain management -- local programs where "the rubber meets the road." The ASFPM Board of Directors in 2000 named this award after then FEMA Director James Lee Witt in recognition of his landmark efforts to support, enhance and encourage local floodplain management capabilities.



James Lee Witt Award Winner is the Bee Branch Watershed Flood Mitigation Project Completed by the City Of Dubuque, Iowa



The **Tom Lee State Award for Excellence** is given annually to recognize an outstanding floodplain management program or activity at the state level. It preserves the memory of Tom Lee (1935-1976), a visionary floodplain manager responsible for some of this country's finest state-level programs, and for his instrumental work in developing the regulatory framework that we still seek to implement and improve today.





Our 2018 Tom Lee State Award for Excellence goes to the California Department of Water Resources for its Update of the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan





This year we do not have an
“Outstanding Chapter Award”
announcement because none submitted
a nomination.

It's the ol' lottery philosophy:
“You can't win if you don't play!”



The **Meritorious Lifetime Achievement in Floodplain Management** award recognizes individuals who, throughout their career, have achieved success in a significant aspect of floodplain management. These efforts could include policy, outreach, implementation, education, government, research, litigation or other actions that demonstrate the advancement of flood loss and risk reduction within the nominee's professional realm.



This year's Meritorious Lifetime Achievement in Floodplain Management award goes to **Siavash Beik**, Indiana's Father of Floodplain Management!



The **Louthain Award for Distinguished Service**, named after Jerry Louthain and created in 1995, is the highest award ASFPM gives to recognize individuals who, through their long-term efforts, have clearly influenced the work of this association.





This year's ASFPM Louthain Distinguished Service award goes to Janet Thigpen





Gilbert White (left) and Jim Goddard.

The **Goddard-White Award** is named in honor of the contributions made to floodplain management by Gilbert White (1911- 2006) and Jim Goddard (1906- 1994). This award is given by ASFPM to individuals who have had a national impact carrying forward the goals and objectives of floodplain management. It is an indication of the level of esteem the association holds for the two namesakes as well as the recipients, and is ASFPM's highest award.



ASFPM's 2018 Goddard-White Award Winner is Jim Schwab, FAICP, and recent retiree from the American Planning Association.

