

Schauder receives 2001 Shepard Award



The annual Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award was presented to Dr. Jeffrey L. Schauder of Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin. The award recognizes a MSO member who has dedicated his/her life to the ideals of the orthodontic profession, community and family. MSO's Board of Directors unanimously selected Jeff for his exemplary contributions to the art and science of orthodontics and to his community.

A native of Wisconsin, Jeff received his dental and orthodontic degrees from Marquette University. Following his residency, he established Orthodontic Specialists of Green Bay which included a satellite office in Door County. Childhood friend Dr. Rick Steinke joined the practice in 1978. Drs. Michelle Koster and Kevin Wilke joined the practice in the 1990s. In 1997, Jeff retired from the Green Bay office, limiting himself to the practice in Door County.

As a proponent of group practice, Jeff feels sincere friendship and respect between partners overshadow and temper the many logistical hazards that so often come between colleagues. Staff members have always been regarded as partners in a practice that boasts of numerous staff persons with tenure exceeding twenty years.

Jeff served on the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists Board of Directors from 1985 to 1997. He was secretary/treasurer from 1992 to 1994 and president in 1995 – 1996. He most recently served on the 2001 MSO delegation to the AAO House of Delegates. He also has served on the Council of Orthodontic Health Care, Council of Library Resources, AAO Committee on Direct Reimbursement, as an AAO representative to the ADA Committee on Codes Revision and is currently serving on a special AAO task force to study endorsed programs.

A member of both state and local dental and orthodontic societies, Jeff chairs the local and state ethics committee. He is a member of the Northeastern Wisconsin Dental Study Club, Greater Green Bay Study Club and the PMA Study Group, a group of fifteen couples whose founders included Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Pankey and Dr. and Mrs. Harold Wirth, "wonderful mentors for sure!" Jeff currently contracts privately to offices undergoing transitions in terms of sales, associates and group practice troubleshooting and provides emergency locum tenens and management services for doctors in need.

Jeff has four great kids, Jon, Andrew, Anne and Daniel. "The kids had the joy of meeting Dr. and Mrs. Shepard personally when they all attended the MSO Board dinner in St. Louis in 1987 when the Shepard Award was established on the 50th anniversary of the MSO Annual Session."

Jeff is a pilot and a baseball enthusiast. He enjoys hunting, fishing and spending time with his small-scale logging and sawmill enterprise.

"I am both pleased and embarrassed to have been offered the Shepard Award," Schauder says. "I have so many heroes in our profession. This honor is surely the result of my good fortune in having been allowed to rub shoulders with those men and women. Thanks to everyone."