

## Jackie Miller to receive 2016 Shepard Award

The MSO Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award was created in 1987



to honor Dr. Shepard and recognize those orthodontists who perform service to mankind in a combination of service to orthodontics and service in other areas in dentistry and/or their state or local community. Jacqueline (Jackie) M. Miller, DDS, MS, was selected by the Board of Directors as the recipient of the 2016 MSO Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award.

Dr. Miller was recognized for her more than 20 years of humanitarian and volunteer work with the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists and the American Association of Orthodontists. In 1992, while still in her orthodontic residency, she went on her first medical and dental mission as one of the founding members of Washington Overseas Mission (WOM), a Washington, Missouri non-profit group organized the next year. The humanitarian organization provides healthcare, construction, water, scholarships and daycare for the people of Honduras and other third-world countries. She has been vice-president of WOM since its founding and has completed 18 dental and construction trips and helped organize 23 dental mission trips. Dr. Miller was also instrumental in establishing a daycare and dental clinic in Pimienta, Honduras.

A member of the Washington Rotary Club since 1993, the organization has recognized Dr. Miller for her service. She received the organization's Rotarian of the Year Award in 1999, the Outstanding Achievement Award in 2001, the Rotary District Award in 2007 for authoring six humanitarian grants, and the Rotary International Foundation "Service Above Self Award" in 2009. She was the 2006 recipient of the St. John Mercy Hospital "Spirit of Mercy" Physician Award, and the 2007 Crider Health Center Community Partner for Mental Health Award.

Along with her volunteer dental ministry work, Dr. Miller is committed to service to others in multiple ways. On the community level, she has served on the boards of several medical, educational and community organizations

including the United Way, the Washington Board of Public Works and the Washington Fair Parade Board. She provides dental education and toothbrushes to more than 3,000 area students annually during National Children's Dental Health Month in February and works annually with Give Kids a Smile and participated in Smiles for a Lifetime. She is active in her church, Our Lady of Lourdes, where her activities include lecture, cantor, choir, the auction committee and serving at parish breakfasts and dinners.

Dr. Miller has served in numerous offices and capacities in organized dentistry and orthodontics. She is a past president of the Midwestern Society of Orthodontics (MSO), and was the first female to serve in that post. She has represented the MSO at the AAO House of Delegates, including two years as delegation chair. She served on the 2011 AAO Annual Session Planning Committee as Staff Co-chair. She is a past president of the Missouri Society of Orthodontists. Dr. Miller is active in the Greater St. Louis Dental Society, where she has served on the board, as president of its Southwest County District Society, and represented the organization as a delegate to the Missouri Dental Society.

Other professional memberships include the World Federation of Orthodontists and the American Dental Association. She is a Fellow of both the International College of Dentists and the American College of Dentists. She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics, and a clinical instructor at St. Louis University Center for Advanced Dental Education, Division of Orthodontics.

At the recent 116th Annual Session of the AAO in Orlando, Florida, Jackie received the AAO Humanitarian Award. Miller attributes her philanthropic efforts to her parents, Dr. Francis and Jackie Miller, who instilled in their children that "we have a responsibility to share our talents and treasure and that service is a way of life."

Dr. Miller attended Rockhurst College, Kansas City, Missouri, from 1985-1987, where she earned senior class status after two years and was accepted into the University of Missouri at Kansas City (UMKC) School of Dentistry. There she was elected to the Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honor Society, served as president of the dental school student council, and

completed an outreach dental mission trip to Venezuela. She earned her DDS from UMKC in 1991, graduating with distinction.

In 1993, Dr. Miller completed her orthodontic residency program at the University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Dentistry, earning an MS and certificate in orthodontics. She has been in private practice as an orthodontic specialist since then.

Dr. Miller is a resident of Washington, Missouri. She and her husband, Timothy Huber, will be celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary this December and are so proud of their five children. Dominic, Samuel and Claire are attending college and Luke and Maria are in high school. Her hobbies include spending time with her family, reading, walking, boating, baking and cooking.

Congratulations, Jackie, on receiving this well-deserved honor and for your service to your community, dentistry, orthodontics and beyond.