

## **2008 STELLAR AWARD NOMINEES - EARLY**

Rotary National Award for Space Achievement



Stellar Award winners receive a high-quality marble trophy such as the one shown here.

Jeremy H. Brand of NASA Johnson Space Center - Technical excellence in thermal protection system materials and processes, and key contributions to the Orbiter Damage Assessment team.

Jimmy M. Doll, Jr. of Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company -Outstanding leadership demonstrated during the external tank-120 restoration and delivery

effort in support of the Space Shuttle Program manifest, resulting in improved understanding and reduction of external tank debris.

Timothy A. Finkel of NASA Johnson Space Center - Outstanding leadership in ground testing, development of operational philosophies, procedures, and safety controls culminating in the successful activation of the oxygen generator system onboard the International Space Station.

Ryan T. Gill of The Boeing Company - Exceptional initiative and leadership in project integration for design, build and delivery of International Space Station flight hardware, and for production implementation of an engineering design release system.

**Michael Gregory of ARES Corporation** - Significant leadership efforts in promoting knowledge management and retention to ease NASA's workforce transition while providing full support to the Vision for Space Exploration.

**1st Lt. Anna E. Gunn-Golkin of the USAF, 1st Air and Space Test Squadron** - Outstanding contributions to space material sciences, Missile Defense Agency development efforts, and community programs supporting space and aerospace education.

Elizabeth P. Hayley of NASA Johnson Space

**Center-** Exceptional technical support to the Shuttle Orbiter Environmental Control and Life Support Systems team as the NASA subsystem engineer for atmosphere revitalization.

Maj. David J. Laird of the USAF, 45th Space Wing, 45th Launch Support Squadron - Outstanding contributions to enabling technologies for future space capabilities including communications and responsive space, and contributions to mission assurance for current spacecraft and space lift campaigns.

Neal E. Lepsetz of Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne -Outstanding leadership, technical accomplishment, and dedication in support of space shuttle main engine test and flight operations.

Thomas N. Martin III of Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne - Outstanding contributions to the design, development and testing of space flight injector and ignition systems.

Capt. Jason D. Niederhauser of the USAF, 1st Air and Space Test Squadron - Outstanding leadership in developing and testing operationally responsive space concepts and prototypes while laying the foundation for gaining and maintaining space superiority.

Alyssa M. Olson of Space Applications International Corporation - Exceptional safety and mission assurance contributions in addressing flight issues with the shuttle remote manipulator system and design issues with the orbiter boom sensor system and keep-alive umbilical.

John K. Paris of Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne - Leadership and technical excellence in support of multidisciplinary simulation tools and processes for the J-2X engine, enhancement and application of tools for hypersonic propulsion, and development of an automated manifold design tool.

**Paul Albert Parker of The Boeing Company** - Exemplary contributions as lead orbiter debris analyst, ensuring shuttle thermal protection system structural integrity for Earth entry.

1st Lt. Jodie J.E. Pleisch of the USAF, 1st Air and Space Test Squadron - Outstanding dedication and launch mission management in overseeing two critical Missile Defense Agency test launches, enhancing national security.

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**2007 Early Career Winners (L to R):** *James Reilly, II (presenting), Robert Crouch, David York, Mark Mulqueen (for Matthew Scudder), Joshua Hopkins, Capt. Brian M. Clifford, USAF, Joan Higginbotham (presenting). Dana Weigel not pictured. (NASA)* 

**Stephen E. Prescott of Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne -**Outstanding dedication, leadership, and technical excellence in supporting safe flight of the space shuttle.

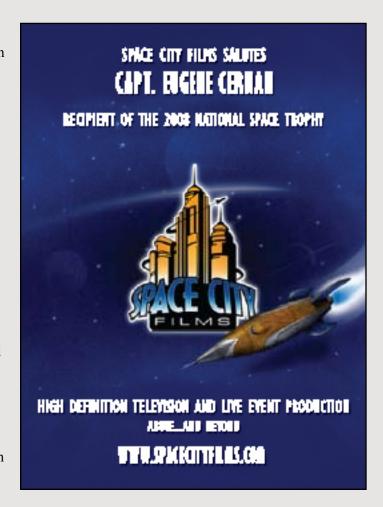
Jessica A. Stuart of Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne -Leadership and technical excellence in enabling safe flight for the Delta II RS-27 engine and the Delta IV RS-68 engine.

Lauren Walls of Booz Allen Hamilton - Outstanding contribution to International Space Station assembly and maintenance by early identification and resolution of resupply needs.

Monique S. Wilburn of NASA Johnson Space Center - Tireless work ethic and enthusiastic dedication to the Energy Systems Division Battery Group projects.

Heather J. Wojciechowski of ATK Launch Systems -Outstanding initiative, enthusiasm and leadership instrumental to the successful qualification of the ATK booster separation motor for the Space Shuttle Program.

**Jody Woods of NASA Stennis Space Center** - Exceptional technical expertise and demonstrated leadership in multiphysics modeling and analysis application to rocket propulsion test systems development.



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