

American Otological Society 2009 recipient for the “Award of Merit” goes to Dr. William H. Lippy of Warren, Ohio.

On Friday the 29th of May in Phoenix, Arizona, Dr. William H. Lippy from Warren, Ohio was presented the prestigious Award of Merit by the American Otologic Society.

Dr. Antonio De la Cruz, the immediate past President from the world famous House Ear Institute in Los Angeles, presented the Award to Dr. Lippy noting his multiple contributions in his field of otosclerosis, stapedectomy and revision stapedectomy. This would include over 17,000 stapedectomies surgeries performed, sixty peer review papers and seven book chapters he has written.

The American Otological (Ear) Society was founded in 1864 and has presented the “Award of Merit” to only one recipient per year since 1949. When Dr. Lippy was presented the award, he was completely surprised. He noted that he was shocked and humbled

along with being completely overwhelmed at receiving the esteemed prize. “These are both my peers and the most outstanding otologists in the world, with all of my predecessors involved in developing the operations that preceded my specialties, the stapedectomy and the stapes revision surgeries. Each year the Society elects only one recipient and for me to be picked is a tremendous honor and the highlight of my medical career.” Lippy also noted that “the names of past honorees are the most familiar in our field. It’s similar to current baseball players relating to the names of fellow players such as Feller, Gehrig, Ruth, Dimaggio and Mays.”

Dr. Lippy’s partner Dr. Leonard Berenholz was very proud to have been a part of the event in Phoenix noting that he did not know of any physician in the field of otology that was more deserving. “Dr. Lippy’s contribution to the field of hearing restoration is well documented and I am very proud to be associated with him and our wonderful practice. He has been a great role model and tremendous

mentor for me.”

In the fall of 2008 after 18 months of hard work, Drs. Lippy and Berenholz released a series of online videos for physicians covering many of their peer review papers and book chapters. The online library is completely free has been used by physicians from 78 different countries. There are plans to add several more videos to the collection this year. The Library can be found online at:

www.TheLippyLibrary.com

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