Louis Bartoshesky, M.D., of Wilmington, Del., was honored for his outstanding community contributions, including volunteering at a medical center that serves homeless children and aiding youngsters with cleft palates.

The Wilmington-based News Journal newspaper chose Dr. Bartoshesky as one of five Delaware finalists for The Jefferson Award, which was created by the Institute for Public Service and is given annually at the local and national levels.

A past president of the AAP Delaware Chapter, Dr. Bartoshesky is director of education in the Department of Pediatrics at Christiana Hospital in Newark and president of the medical staff at duPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington. He is a member of the AAP Sections on Genetics and Birth Defects, and Med/Peds.

Mark S. Clanton, M.D., M.P.H., of Richardson, Texas, has been named chief medical officer for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas. He will oversee the Health Care Management Division, including pharmacy programs, medical policy and physician reviews.

Dr. Clanton was elected vice president of managed care at Blue Cross and Blue Shield in April 1998. Prior to joining the organization, he was chief medical officer for PCA Health Plan of Northeast Texas.

Katherine L. Esterly, M.D., of Newark, Del., was presented a newly established award in her name at a March of Dimes award and recognition luncheon in October. The award honored Dr. Esterly’s lifetime commitment to the well-being of mothers and babies in the state of Delaware.

In future years, the award will honor someone who has made a mark in the area of maternal and child health issues.

An emeritus fellow, Dr. Esterly is a member of the AAP Sections on Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, Perinatal Pediatrics and Senior Members.

Robert J. Giusti, M.D., of Brooklyn, N.Y., received the Distinguished Pediatric Pulmonary Achievement Award presented by the American Lung Association of Brooklyn.

The award recognizes Dr. Giusti’s compassionate care for children, particularly those with lung disease, as assistant chairman of pediatrics and director of the Cystic Fibrosis Center at Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn.

He is a member of the AAP Section on Pulmonology.

Larry H. Patton, M.D., of Richardson, Texas, has been awarded the Texas Pediatric Society’s Sidney R. Kaliski Award of Merit. The award is given to a pediatrician in recognition of outstanding contributions to the health and welfare of Texas children.

Dr. Patton is former president of the Texas Pediatric Society.

Jay A. Perman, M.D., of Richmond, Va., has been named director of pediatrics at the University of Maryland School of Medicine and the University of Maryland Medical System.

As director, he also will serve as physician-in-chief of Maryland’s Hospital for Children and handle administrative responsibilities within the central organization.

Dr. Perman was Jesse Ball duPont Professor and Chair at the Medical College of Virginia.

He is a member of the AAP Sections on Home Health, and Gastroenterology and Nutrition.

Jane Rider, M.D., of San Angelo, Texas, received the Executive Board Award from the Texas Pediatric Society.

Dr. Rider is chair of the Texas Pediatric Society’s Legislative Committee. She has spent the past year working with state and national associations and agencies formulating the Texas CHIP program.

Dr. Rider is a member of the AAP Section on Administration and Practice Management.

Rizwan Zafar Shah, M.D., of Des Moines, Iowa, was the honored guest at the Child Abuse Prevention Council’s Annual Big Band Benefit in October.

Dr. Shah was recognized as a nationally known expert in caring for the abused child. She is medical director of the child abuse program at Blank Children’s Hospital in Des Moines.

Dr. Shah is a member of the AAP Maternal and Child Health Committee and Committee on Substance Abuse. She serves as liaison for the Sections on School Health and Child Abuse.

IN MEMORIAM

C. Gordon R. Sell, M.D., of Nashville, Tenn., died Dec. 31 of ventricular fibrillation. He was 81.

Dr. Sell made a name for himself in Nashville through his pioneering efforts in establishing the city’s first clinical cardiac catheterization laboratory at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. He then started similar laboratories in Nashville at St. Thomas Hospital and Meharry Medical College, formerly Hubbard Hospital.

Dr. Sell was clinical professor of pediatrics at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine for 40 years and maintained a private practice from 1963 to 1983.

He received his medical degree from Cambridge University in 1941. During World War II, he spent six years as a commanding officer in a field ambulance unit in the Indian Medical Service.

In 1948, he moved to the United States after being awarded a Fulbright Scholarship. He studied pediatric cardiology at Johns Hopkins University from 1948 to 1951.

Dr. Sell was a member of the American Heart Association, a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of London and a fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians.

An emeritus fellow, he was a member of the AAP Section on Cardiology.

He is survived by his wife, Sarah H. Sell, M.D., FAAP, professor of pediatrics emeritus at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine; two sons; and four grandchildren.

In memory of Dr. Sell, friends and colleagues may send donations to their local branch of the American Heart Association.

O.M. “Buzz” Moore, M.D., of Helena, Mont., died Oct. 20 after a brief battle against cancer. He was 85.

Dr. Moore was Helena’s first pediatrician. He spent 45 years providing care to the children of Helena, offering free services to financially disadvantaged patients and often making house calls.

Dr. Moore received his medical degree from the University of Nebraska in 1938. He accepted the first pediatric intern/resident position offered in Vancouver, British Columbia, and concurrently worked a pediatric residency at Minneapolis General Hospital.

He moved to Helena in 1941 and visited many Montana communities during the war to provide medical care for children. Dr. Moore also cared for developmentally disabled residents at a state hospital in Boulder.

He received the Community Service Award from Carroll College in 1978 and four years later was honored with the Directors Award from Shodair Hospital in Helena.

Helena’s Brightest Star in Medicine Award was bestowed on him by the Helena Jaycees in 1986, and Sept. 8, the day he retired, was declared “O. M. Moore Day.”
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