



# Lifetime Achievement Award

is presented to

**Tom W. Jones, PhD**



**Dr. Thomas W. Jones** has been an active member of Southwest Decision Sciences (SWDSI) since 1977 and a member of Decision Sciences Institute (DSI) since 1975. He recently retired after 36 years of dedication and service to the University of Arkansas. Dr. Jones began his tenure in the Information Systems Department as an assistant professor in 1977 and retired as University Professor, which is a prestigious honor he received in 2006. Prior to the U of A, his employers included Western Illinois University, Duke University, Stochastics Incorporated, his alma mater Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and NASA (Goddard Space Flight Center). Dr. Jones is a devoted teacher who has won numerous teaching and service awards, as well as a researcher who focused on the applications of statistical and operations research techniques. He has published in, among others, *Decision Sciences Journal of Innovative Education*; *MIS Quarterly*; *Industrial Management & Data Systems*; *International Journal of Services & Standards*; and *Journal of Accounting Research*.

Tom has been active in both Decision Sciences Institute (DSI) and Southwest Decision Sciences (SWDSI) as well as the Federation of Business Disciplines (FBD). Tom served in many capacities in both organizations, most notably as president of SWDSI 1983-1984 and president of DSI 2002-2003. Tom has been consistently involved in both organizations throughout his career as a leader and continues to serve FBD as historian. SWDSI thanks Tom for his many valuable years of service to our organization. Tom has always been a great mentor, colleague and friend. We wish Tom all the best and look forward to seeing him at future meetings with his wife Susan.

#### DSI and SWDSI Awards:

- DSI Dennis E. Grawoig Distinguished Service Award (2010)
- DSI Fellow (2008)
- SWDSI Outstanding Educator Award (2008)
- SWDSI Distinguished Service Award (1994)
- SWDSI Distinguished Paper Award (1984, 1991)