The USEF Lifetime Achievement Award

Criteria: Awarded to the horseman or woman whose “lifetime experience and accomplishments in the equestrian world exemplify uncommon devotion to the sport of competition with horses and whose equestrian career and horsemanship have continually elevated the sport’s excellence.” With a special emphasis on length of service and a broad industry impact. This award can only be won once by an individual.

Selection of Winner: Nominations come from USEF competing senior members in good standing, via solicitations on the USEF website and in USEF e-communications. If response to this is poor, the Executive Committee is also asked to submit nominations. The National Officers selects the winner from the pool of nominees.

Award: Trophy given at the Pegasus Awards Dinner during the annual meeting.

Timeline: Solicitation begins in September; however, nominations will be accepted year long. The deadline for submittal is October 21st. The National Officers may also be asked for nominations. The names of non-winners from previous years may be resubmitted each year. The standing Awards Committee will review nominees to verify eligibility and move nominees to the Pegasus Medal of Honor nominee list if warranted. A list of nominees with short biographies is sent to all of the National Officers so that they can vote during a conference call.

Perpetual Trophy: Lifetime Achievement Award Trophy in Honor of Bill Steinkraus

Past Winners:

2010  Don Harris
2011  James C. Wofford
2012  Joe Fargis
2013  Keith Bartz
2014  Judy Werner
2015  Helena (Lana) DuPont Wright
2016  Larry Langer
2017  Joseph Dotoli
2018  Georgie Green
2019  Ellen Di Bella
2020  Sally Ike