

**2017-18 Report from the AAPA Committee on Awards and History
Submitted by Anne Stone (Chair)**

I. Darwin and Lasker Awards

Nomination packets were solicited for two awards:

- 1) Darwin Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2) Lasker Award for Outstanding Service

Nominations were solicited from the AAPA membership (in the call for papers, in on-line registration questionnaire, and on the website). Nominations were due via email or regular mail no later than October 16, 2017. Four nominees for the Lasker Award and five for the Darwin Award were considered, only one of which was not a new nomination. All of the nomination letters were submitted electronically. Nomination packets for the Lasker Award were submitted via email to the Executive Committee for discussion and voting on November 21, 2017, which concluded December 4, 2017. Nomination packets for the Darwin Award were submitted via email to the full Executive Committee on December 4, 2017 and voting concluded on December 7, 2017. As per our previous practice, submissions of new and/or updated nominations made in 2017 but not awarded in 2018 are to be retained for future consideration. Members are encouraged to submit new nominations to Robin Nelson by October 15, 2018.

The 2017 winners are:

- 1) Dr. **Kenneth Weiss** (Pennsylvania State University), Darwin Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2) Dr. **Anne Grauer** (Loyola University Chicago), Lasker Award for Outstanding Service

II. History

In order to increase the visibility of biological anthropology and record our history, we are beginning a new initiative to update and write entries about biological anthropologists and the AAPA on Wikipedia. At the AAPA meetings in Austin, I will host a Wikipedia editing workshop. The goal is to establish an annual Wikipedia editathon at the AAPA meetings to add and edit entries about biological anthropologists and biological anthropology.

I thank all those who considered the many outstanding AAPA members for each of these awards and who are getting involved in recording the history of biological anthropologists.