

IPA PRESENTS JACK WRIGHT, PH.D. WITH THE JOHN CAMBARERI AWARD

The *John Cambareri Award for Excellence in Psychology* was established by unanimous Board action in June 1985 to honor Dr. John Cambareri's contribution to psychology in the state of Idaho. Today, the award continues to celebrate and recognize individuals for their distinguished service to psychology in Idaho and their extraordinary accomplishments in the field.

Dr. Jack E. Wright was nominated by a colleague for this special recognition for his many exemplary contributions to the field of psychology. Jack has been a continuous and extensive leader for psychology in the state of Idaho. For many years, as a practicing psychologist, he has voiced the importance of science and being evidence-based. He has also been a strong proponent for lifelong learning through networking with other psychologists. He has been a spokesperson for organized psychology and reached out to many groups, including academic departments and governmental agencies.

Over the last 10 years, he has served as IPA president, at least twice, and he has been active on most of IPA's committees. He has advocated tirelessly for psychology with both federal and state representatives. In particular, he has advanced public understanding of psychology's role in serving underrepresented and underinsured rural patients by pushing for an independent provider status under Medicaid and by supporting health care reform generally in Idaho. It is time to honor him for a lifetime of service to the profession that he loves.

Nominees for the Cambareri award must be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors of the Idaho Psychological Association. Having received that approval, Dr. Jack Wright joins the short list of only nine others who have been bestowed the Idaho Psychological Association's most prestigious award, the *John Cambareri Award for Excellence in Psychology*. Today, it is our honor and pleasure to present Dr. Jack Wright with this award.

Cambareri Award Recipients List

Virgil Sterling (1986)
Wylla Barsness (1987)
Susan Hayden Sherlock (1988)
Candice Crow (1990)
Maria Krasnec (1996)
Gary Payne (2000)
Mark Roberts (2001)
Patricia Kempthorne (Former First Lady of Idaho-2003)
Tony Cellucci (2007)
Jack Wright (2008)