

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION

Paul G. Pearson

Paul G. Pearson, your administrative abilities have guided you through the ranks of Rutgers University to the presidency of Miami University. In teaching you have insisted on students articulating and defending ideas in class. Your studies have provided insights into the ecology of mammals and herps, as well as environmental issues facing mankind. But today we wish to recognize a different side of your accomplishments, your long and devoted service to the Ecological Society of America.

As Secretary from 1961 to 1964 you were the person who basically ran the Society. You also served as Editor of the *Bulletin of the Ecological Society of America* during these years. For eight years, 1961 to 1969, you were a member of the Ecology Study Committee, which focused on research areas and needs, and initiated the movement to increase the role of the Ecological Society of America, as North America became environmentally conscious. You were a Member of Council for eleven years, 1961 to 1972, and chaired the Coordinating Committee during the period 1968 to 1971. Our Society gained from your serving as Vice President in 1970, and Treasurer from 1974 to 1977.

You have also been honored as President of the American Institute of Biological Sciences and Editorial Board Member for the American Society of Zoologists, have served the Educational Testing Service, National Association of Biology Teachers, and State of New Jersey, and have played key roles in the development and use of



Distinguished Service Citation recipient Paul G. Pearson and Mrs. Pearson.

the BSCS High School "Green" or Ecological Textbook.

Many know you for a broad and steadfast commitment to the Ecological Society of America, and for a practical and keen administrative ability in numerous endeavors. You have strengthened the fabric of the Ecological Society of America by continually encouraging others to get actively involved in the Society. Paul Pearson, in recognition of these myriad contributions, the Ecological Society of America is honored to award you its Distinguished Service Citation.

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ESA Awards Committee