

## NAMES IN THE NEWS

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**James R. Evans**, a professor of quantitative analysis and operations management and director of the Total Quality Management Center in the College of Business at the University of Cincinnati, has been appointed by U.S. Secretary of Commerce Donald L. Evans to a three-year term as a member of the Judges Panel for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, effective March 1. The nine-member Judges Panel, which was established to ensure the integrity of the award selection process, functions as an advisory body to the director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the Secretary of Commerce. Jim, a Fellow and past president of DSI, has served as an examiner, senior examiner, and alumni examiner for the Baldrige National Quality Program from 1994 through 2001.  
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**Sang M. Lee** of the University of Nebraska received another honorary doctoral degree (his fourth) in October 2004. Chungbuk National University in Korea conferred upon Sang the Honorary Doctorate in Global Education for his contributions to educating future leaders in many countries around the world. Sang, a Fellow and past president of DSI, delivered a speech at the honorary degree ceremony attended by more than 500 people.  
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**Dan Power**, a professor of information systems and management at the College of Business Administration at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, has published a new DSS reference book, *Decision Support Systems: Frequently Asked Questions* (available at [www.iUniverse.com](http://www.iUniverse.com)). In this DSS FAQ, Dan answers over 80 frequently asked questions

about computerized decision support systems, covering a broad range of contemporary topics. Dan also edits [DSSResources.com](http://DSSResources.com), a knowledge repository that helps people who are interested in learning about how to use information technologies and software to improve decision making.

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**William "Al" Wallace**, a professor of decision sciences and engineering systems at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, received the 2004 Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS) President's Award for critical contributions to the public sector resulting from his research in information and decision technologies. In a written citation, INFORMS acknowledges Wallace for nearly three decades of distinguished contributions to the understanding and management of urban service systems. The organization notes, in particular, his work on emergency and disaster management, ethics in modeling, operational risk management, and information systems for safe and efficient maritime commerce. The organization also credits Wallace's research with helping ensure safer, more productive transportation systems.  
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**Barbara Withers**, a professor of management science and project management at the University of San Diego, has recently received several awards. She was the recipient of the first annual Project Management Institute's Community Advancement through Project Management Award, which was presented at last year's PMI conference at The Hague. Barbara also received the Univer-

sity of San Diego's Innovation in Experiential Education Award. Both of these awards were a result of the Thanksgiving House projects undertaken by students in her graduate project management course. In addition, she has just received a Recognition Professorship award from the University of San Diego, recognizing her outstanding, balanced cumulative career contributions supporting the mission and goals of the University of San Diego.

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