Michael J Hawes, MD, FACS named recipient of the prestigious Wendell L. Hughes Lecture Award

The American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (ASOPRS) has honored Michael J. Hawes, MD, FACS with its 2009 Wendell L. Hughes Lecture award. Dr. Hawes joins the ranks of prior recipients, among them the most prominent and innovative contributors to the advancement of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. Dr. Hawes will deliver his lecture on “The Evolution of Tarsalconjunctival Flaps and Grafts” at the American Academy of Ophthalmology annual meeting on October 25, 2009, to be held in San Francisco, California.

Wendell L. Hughes, MD (1901–1994) is recognized as a pioneer in the field of oculoplastic surgery, and is considered the father of oculoplastic surgery. Dr. Hughes was instrumental in the development of microneedles and sutures and many surgical techniques. He demonstrated a lifelong commitment to medical education and wrote and lectured extensively here and abroad. His text, Reconstructive Surgery of the Eyelids was published in 1943 and expanded in 1954. From 1950 to 1968 he headed the oculoplastic section of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology, and wrote and edited the Manual of Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery. Dr. Hughes was among the founders and first diplomats of the American Board of Plastic Surgery. During his term as President of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology, the Wendell L. Hughes Lecture was established in his honor, and it has been presented each year at the annual Academy meeting since 1970.

Dr. Hawes is now among the illustrious group of Wendell L. Hughes Lecture Award recipients:

1970  Alston Callahan, MD  
“The Surgical Correction of Endocrine Malfunction of the Ocular Adnexa”
1971  Byron Smith, MD  
“Oculoplastic Surgery: Recollections, Reflections and Projections”
1972  Charles E. Iliff, MD  
“Treatment of Frontal Sinusitis with a Combined External and Intranasal Approach.”
1973  Merrill Reeh, MD  
“Some Aspects of the Pathology of Endocrine Ophthalmopathy”
1974  Crowell Beard  
“Observations on Treatment of Basal Cell Carcinoma of the Eyelids”
1975  Orkan George Stasior, MD  
“Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery”
1976  Lester T. Jones, MD  
“New Anatomic Concepts in Eyelid Surgery”
1977  John T. Simonton, MD  
“Practical Ptosis Surgery”
1978  Robert B. Wilkins, MD  
“Wound Healing”
1979  Richard R. Tenzel, MD  
“Treatment of Complications of Lid Reconstruction”
1980  Charles K. Beyer, MD  
“The Use and Fate of Fascia Lata and Sclera in Ophthalmology”
1981  David B. Soll, MD  
“The Anophthalmic Socket”

1982  John E. Wright, MD  
“Orbital Vascular Lesions”

1983  Clinton D. McCord, Jr., MD  
“Orbital Decompression”

1984  Allen M. Putterman, MD  
“Mueller’s Muscle in the Treatment of Upper Eyelid Retraction and Ptosis”

1985  Carl Cordes Johnson, MD  
“Canthal Abnormalities”

1986  Frederick A. Jakobiec, MD  
“The Lymphocyte: It’s Ophthalmic Evolution; Problems in Diagnosis and Management”

1987  A. Jan Berlin, MD  
“Essential Blepharospasm Revisited”

1988  J.R. O. Collin, FRCS  
“Blepharochalasis”

1989  Robert R. Waller, MD  
“Optic Nerve Meningocele”

1990  Arthur S. Grove, Jr., MD  
“Beyond the Hughes Graft Evolution of Lower Lid Reconstruction by Tarsal Grafting”

1991  Lorenz E. Zimmerman, MD  
“The Spectrum of Melanocytic Tumors of the Orbit”

1992  Joseph C. Flanagan, MD  
“Tumors of the Lacrimal Sac”

1993  Bartley R. Frueh, MD  
“A Test to Supersede Levator Function in Evaluating Ptosis”

1994  John L. Wobig, MD  
“Old Wise Tales of Lacrimal Diagnosis and Surgery”

1995  Richard L. Anderson, MD  
“Myectomy Surgery for Blepharospasm - Past, Present and Future”

1996  Dwight Kulwin, MD  
“Wound Healing and Treatment of Periocular Burns”

1997  Henry I. Baylis, MD  
“The Growing Connection between Facial Surgery and Blepharoplasty”

1998  Mark R. Levine, MD  
“Evisceration: is sympathetic ophthalmia a concern in the new millennium?”

1999  William B. Stewart, MD  
“Surgery, Service and Soul”

2000  Richard K. Dortzbach, MD  
“Management of Severe Unilateral Ptosis - A Thirty Year Experience”

2001  John Bullock, MD  
“The Biophysical Basis of Ocular and Orbital Trauma”

2002  John Dutton, MD  
“The Human Orbit: 50 Million Years in the Making”

2003  J. Justin Older, MD  
“Cosmetic Eyelid Surgery Using Radiowaves”

2004  John V. Linberg, MD  
“Congenital Ptosis and Ocular Development”

2005  James Katowitz, MD  
“Surgical Management of Congenital Microphthalmia: Socket and Adnexal Considerations”

2006  Gerald Harris, MD  
“Oculofacial reconstruction after Mohs Surgery”

2007  John Harrington, MD  
“A New Insight: Intraoperative Imaging in Orbital Surgery”

2008  George B. Bartley, MD  
“From the Operating Room to the Board Room: An Oculoplastic Surgeon's Perspective on Health Care in America”

2009  Michael J. Hawes, MD  
“The Evolution of Tarsoconjunctival Flaps and Grafts”