In recognition of more than twenty years of professional commitment, leadership, and service to the Decision Sciences Institute, Southwest Region, R. Wayne Headrick has been selected to receive the Distinguished Service Award. He has been a member of the Southwest Decision Sciences Institute (SWDSI) since 1984, and was first a member of the Decision Sciences Institute (DSI) in 1982.

Dr. Headrick has served the SWDSI as Vice President-Finance (1999-2003), Council Member (1993-1999), and Distinguished Service Award Selection Committee member (1999-2000). He also served SWDSI as Secretary/Treasurer of the Federation of Business Disciplines (FBD), member of the FBD Board of Directors and FBD Executive Council (2003-2005). His professional activities at SWDSI, national DSI and international DSI conferences have included the presentation of many papers and participation in a variety of workshops and panel sessions. In addition, he has been an eight-time SWDSI Track Chairman and has participated as a manuscript reviewer, session chair and discussant for numerous conferences.

In addition to his service to SWDSI and DSI, Dr. Headrick has been active in a number of other organizations. He served as Chairman of the 1989 Information Systems Education Conference, an international conference sponsored by the Foundation for Information Technology Education of the Association of Information Technology Professionals – the world’s oldest association for IT professionals. He has also been a regular contributor at the Pan-Pacific Business Association’s Pan-Pacific Conferences, the Association of Indian Management Scholars’ International Conferences and the
Institut of Industrial Engineers’ annual conferences.

Currently an associate professor of Computer Information Systems at the University of Texas-Pan American, Dr. Headrick also holds the rank of professor emeritus of Information Systems at New Mexico State University, where he was the recipient of the University Meritorious Service Award, the Ft. Bliss Federal Credit Union Award for Excellence–Exceptional Service, the El Paso Energy Foundation Faculty Achievement Award, the College of Business Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching and the Sunwest Bank Award for Outstanding Service to the Community. He is a registered Professional Engineer (inactive) and is Certified in Data Processing (CDP) and Computer Programming (CCP) by the Institute for Certification of Computer Professionals.


In recognition of his professional commitment, leadership and service to the Decision Sciences Institute, Southwest Region, Dr. R. Wayne Headrick has been selected to receive the 2008 Distinguished Service Award.