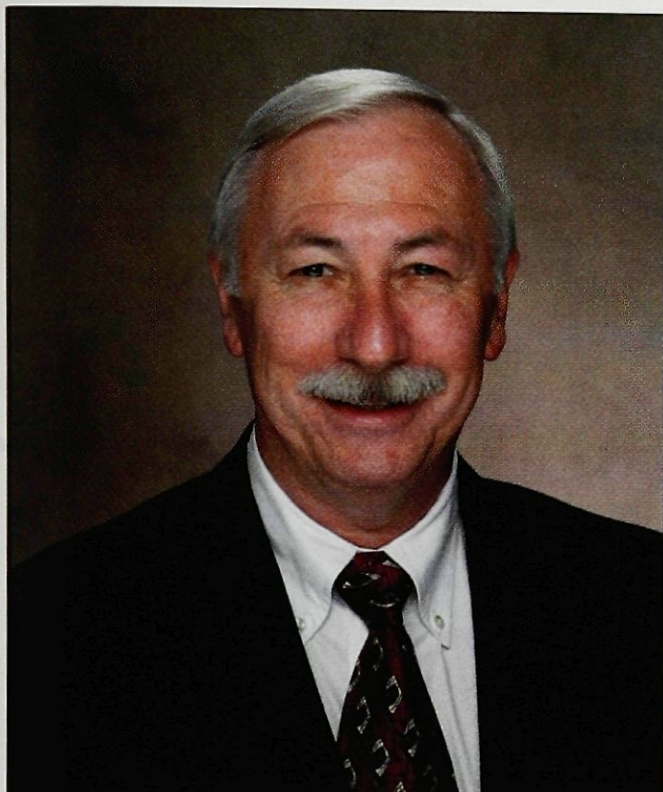


NELSON HOUSER

to receive

THE CHAPIN AWARD



In recognition for his outstanding service to the Association, AATCC has named Nelson Houser this year's recipient of The Harold C. Chapin Award.

Houser, a native of Lincolnton, N.C., holds a BS in Textile Chemistry from North Carolina State University. Throughout his career, he has served in various technical and management positions with dye and chemical suppliers and wet processors. Currently he serves as vice-president of technical marketing with Burlington Chemical. Prior to joining Burlington Chemical in 1994, he was technical director with Ciba Textile Products from 1981-94, technical manager with American Color and Chemical from 1978-81, and technical manager with GAF Corp. from 1975-78. Manufacturing experiences include management and technical positions with Burlington Industries' Galey + Lord Division.

AATCC ACTIVITIES

A member of AATCC since 1965, Houser has served with great distinction in both the technical and administrative functions of the Association. Houser served as President of the Association from 1997-1998. AATCC Foundation was established under his presidency. He served as the Foundation board's first chair and continues as an active member of the board of directors.

He has also served as chair of several committees, including the Appropriations Committee, Constitution & Bylaws, Education Advisory Board, Executive Committee of the Council, Henry E. Millson Award for Invention, Publications Committee, and RA52 Colorfastness to Perspiration Test Methods.

Houser has served on a number of other AATCC committees, including the Advertising Board, Building and Grounds, Committee on Conferences, Concept 2 Consumer, Corporate Membership, Editorial Board, Employee Benefits, Executive Committee on Research, Global Interaction, History and Archives, Harold C. Chapin Award, Intersectional Technical Paper Competition, Individual Membership, Olney Medal Award, Retirement Plan Administrative Committee, Subjects and Speakers Bureau, Strategic Planning, Technical Committee on Research, Textile Education, and RA91 Applied Dyeing Theory.

He has been an active speaker and participant in local sectional meetings and national workshops and symposia. He has

spoken at over 30 AATCC national and sectional programs, including the International Conference and Exhibition, Yarn Dyeing Technology, Garment Wet Processing Technology, Wrinkle-Free Symposia, and Fundamentals of Wet Processing. He has also served as a judge for the J.W. Weaver Paper of the Year award.

Personal Data

Houser and his wife, the former Betty Aldridge, live in Greensboro, N.C. They have two daughters, Robyn Bridges of Richmond, Va., and Mary Houser of North Myrtle Beach, S.C. He is a member of the West Market Street United Methodist Church, serving as a Sunday school teacher and formerly as a certified lay speaker in the Gastonia District of the Western North Carolina Conference. Houser also enjoys fishing in his spare time.

He is a member of the Society of Dyers and Colourists, the Textured Yarn Association of America, and the Technical Advisory Committee for the National Textile Center. He has authored over 12 articles. He is a frequent speaker at Clemson University's Professional Development Program for textiles. Houser was also named in the *Textile World* Annual Top 10 in 2001 for service and dedication to the textile industry, and was named a 2000 Leader of the Year by the North Carolina State University College of Textiles.

THE CHAPIN AWARD

The Chapin Award was established in 1958 in honor of the late Harold C. Chapin, professor of chemistry at Lowell Textile School, who served as national secretary of AATCC for nearly 25 years. Chapin was a contemporary of Louis Atwell Olney, founder and first president of AATCC, who was head of the chemistry department at Lowell Textile when AATCC was organized in 1921.

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