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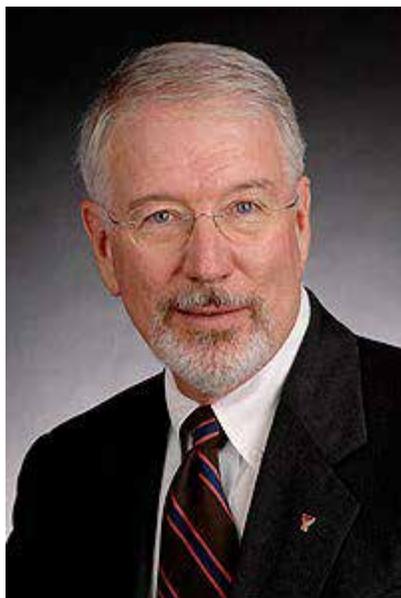
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## TIEHH PROFESSOR HONORED FOR WORK IN ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY

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### Ron Kendall will receive two awards from the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry.



Ron Kendall

**Ron Kendall**, a professor of environmental toxicology and founding director of **The Institute of Environmental and Human Health (TIEHH)** at Texas Tech University, will be honored next week with two major awards from the **Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC)**, a global organization with more than 6,000 members.

Kendall will be named a SETAC Fellow and receive the 2017 Stephen J. Klaine Environmental Education Award during SETAC's 38th annual meeting, Nov. 12-16 in Minneapolis.

"To be elected a SETAC Fellow is a significant honor and recognition from my colleagues at SETAC in terms of my long-term scientific contribution to the field of environmental toxicology. I am very appreciative of this recognition," Kendall said. "Receiving the Stephen J.

**Klaine Environmental Education Award from SETAC is also deeply appreciated. When you spend a career being part of developing programs and educational materials for the field of environmental toxicology, it is a significant honor to be recognized by your colleagues for this contribution.”**

**The Stephen J. Klaine Environmental Education Award was established to identify outstanding contributions of either individuals or organizations contributing to environmental education. Kendall was chosen for his leadership in establishing three successful graduate programs in environmental toxicology, including programs at Western Washington University, Clemson University and Texas Tech. In addition, Kendall has provided leadership in developing 12 textbooks related to environmental toxicology and chemistry. Many current members of SETAC emerged from graduate programs Kendall provided leadership in establishing during his 37-year career.**

**Being elected a SETAC Fellow is among the highest honors the SETAC scientific organization can bestow upon an individual. The identification and appointment of Fellow status is intended to provide additional recognition of excellence and contributions of SETAC members to ecotoxicology, environmental chemistry, risk assessment and life cycle assessment. The hallmark of a SETAC Fellow is leadership within the professional and scientific arenas as well as within SETAC. The SETAC Fellow designation represents only the top 1 percent of members in the organization.**



#### **About SETAC**

**SETAC is composed of individuals and institutions engaged in the study, analysis and solution of environmental problems; the management and regulation of natural resources; environmental education; and research and development. Its mission is to support the development of principles and practices for the protection, enhancement and management of sustainable environmental quality and ecosystem integrity.**

## **TIEHH**

**The Institute of Environmental and Human Health was created in 1997 as a joint venture between Texas Tech and the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center to assess the impact of toxic chemicals and diseases on the physical and human environments, including air, water, soil and animal life.**

**Researchers investigate elements in the environment, both those that are naturally occurring such as disease and those caused by humans, such as nuclear activity, pollution or chemical or bioterrorism, which negatively impact the environment. It is one of the few labs in the country dedicated to environmental toxicology.**

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“It is a great honor for any academic program to have a faculty member selected for such a prestigious award as the Stephen J. Klaine Environmental Education Award,” said **Steve Presley**, chair of the Department of Environmental Toxicology. “This award not only recognizes Dr. Ron Kendall’s significant and long-term contributions to environmental education through educating other educators, but also reflects great credit upon his many colleagues and alumni of the Department of Environmental Toxicology and The Institute of Environmental and Human Health at Texas Tech University.”

Kendall has been a pioneer in the area of wildlife toxicology in SETAC. He is a past-president of SETAC and has served on the editorial board of the scientific journal Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry for more than 30 years.

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