## **Deadline Extended for Awards Nominations**

The deadline for nominations for the **Distinguished Scientific Contributions Award** and the **Rebecca L. Sandak Young Investigator Award** has been extended to **June 8**. Please see below for information about each award. Further details are presented on the SSR website. Applications should be submitted to the chair of the awards committee, Rebecca Treiman: <a href="mailto:rtreiman@wustl.edu">rtreiman@wustl.edu</a>.

## **Distinguished Scientific Contributions Award**

The Distinguished Scientific Contributions Award recognizes empirical, theoretical, or scholarly work or collections of works that have served significantly to further the scientific understanding of reading, its processes, its acquisition, or its instruction. The award is given every other year.

Please accompany your nominations for the Distinguished Scientific Contributions Award with a 500-word rationale summarizing the nominee's distinctive and sustained contribution to the science of reading and its applications. Please also include the nominee's top ten citations (which may include articles, chapters, books, software), and a CV. Nominations should be supported by a nominator and two seconders, and at least one of the three supporters should be voting members of the Society.

## Rebecca L. Sandak Award

The Rebecca L. Sandak Young Investigator Award honors the memory of Rebecca Sandak, who died before her research goals and ideas could be fully realized. The award, which is presented yearly, is intended to recognize a gifted young reading researcher who shows outstanding promise and dedication to the field. The award includes a certificate and a monetary award of \$500.

Applicants must be doctoral students, postdocs, faculty, lecturers or research scientists who have not received their Ph.D. more than five years ago (i.e., the applicant's Ph.D. must have been awarded no earlier than July of the fifth calendar year prior to the current year, although consideration will be given for parental or medical leaves if requested). Applicants must have an accepted spoken or interactive paper at this year's conference, and applicants must attend the conference and present their spoken or interactive paper.

Applicants or individuals nominating on an applicant's behalf should submit a nomination letter that summarizes the applicant's research and makes the case for the nominee's promise and dedication to the field of reading research. The applicant's CV should also be included.