

FACULTY AWARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT
2007-2008

This report summarized the activities and accomplishments of the Faculty Awards Committee for this year.

Berkeley Faculty Service Award

The committee received several excellent nominations this year attesting to the many faculty on campus who have built a lengthy and commendable record of service in the spirit of shared governance. Professors Meg Conkey (Anthropology) and Herb Strauss (Chemistry) were selected this year to receive the BFSA.

The Chancellor has agreed to continue to support the award at the current level of \$10K. However, given the number of faculty who are deserving of this award, the committee determined that it was important for faculty morale to recognize and encourage the ethos of service by bestowing at least two full monetary awards. Given the current budgetary outlook, the FAC sought approval from the Divisional Council to pursue the possibility of establishing an endowment for the Award among Senate faculty members and, possibly, other constituencies. DIVCO endorsed this request. Subsequently, the Chair explored the proposal with University Relations staff and, along with FAC member Carol Clover, met with EVCP Breslauer to discuss the plan. EVCP Breslauer was receptive and requested a written proposal. In early June, the EVCP Breslauer notified the committee that he and the Chancellor supported the proposal and that he "commends (your) plans to raise endowment to fund additional awards. Let me add my personal thanks to you as well for your continuing efforts to enhance faculty morale."

Clark Kerr Award

At a dinner on October 25, the Senate honored Chancellor and Professor Emeritus Karl Pister with its highest award: the Clark Kerr Medal. His leadership roles embrace his outstanding tenure as the Dean of Engineering, and his Chancellorship of UC Santa Cruz. Professor Pister's unwavering commitment to the University is a truly exceptional achievement. For over 50 years he has given and continues his involvement with the University to uphold the ideal of shared governance. That leadership, and his accomplishments, well reflects the legacy of President Clark Kerr.

The *Berkeleyan* devoted a full-page article to Professor Pister's career.

President Emeritus of the University of Michigan and Princeton Harold T. Shapiro will receive the 2008 Clark Kerr Medal at a dinner planned for January 27, 2009.

In addition to these specific awards, at the request of the Chancellor, the committee made recommendations for the Mellon Emeritus Fellowships. In May, The Mellon Foundation notified all three nominees from campus that they were awarded a Fellowship. The Committee also reviewed proposals for the Carnegie Scholars Program. Throughout the year, the FAC sends notices to the campus community about various awards and honors to encourage departments to nominate colleagues.

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