

Chancellor's Associates honor Alan F. Hofmann for excellence in research; David R. Miller for excellent in teaching; and Peter Irons for excellence in community service

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CHANCELLOR'S ASSOCIATES HONOR THREE FACULTY

The Chancellor's Associates, a support group at the University of California, San Diego has honored three faculty members for outstanding teaching, research, and public service.

The three winners, who each received a check for \$1,000 along with a certificate of excellence during a Chancellor's Associates meeting December 2, are: for research, Alan F. Hofmann, M.D., professor of medicine; for teaching, David R. Miller, professor of chemical engineering, and for community service, Peter Irons, an associate professor of political science.

The award to Hofmann read: "The research of Alan F. Hofmann into the biology and chemistry of bile salts has resulted not only in the theoretical understanding of a basic body mechanism, but has also brought concrete benefits to humanity. Dr. Hofmann synthesized new bile acids which stimulate liver function and developed a successful treatment for cholesterol gallstones. He showed that therapy with bile salt resins is effective in treating bile salt malabsorption. This combination of pure research and practical application is in the highest tradition of medicine."

Hofmann has been a member of the UCSD School of Medicine faculty since 1977. A world authority on gallstones and bile acids, he has been a visiting professor in a number of universities around the world.

Miller was praised because he "draws enthusiasm from both colleagues and students as a superior teacher. That he instructs some of the university's most difficult courses makes this enthusiasm doubly impressive. The Department of Applied Mechanics and Engineering Sciences is now introducing design elements into its curriculum, an addition vital to maintaining the department's accreditation and also crucial in its desire to train excellent engineers. Dr. Miller was instrumental in shaping these changes while also impressing students as an outstanding teacher. No teacher--and no university--could ask for more."

Miller, a former winner of the Revelle College Teacher of the Year Award, has been at UCSD since 1966. He is currently heading a National Science Foundation funded graduate experimental research program to study the physics and chemistry of solid surfaces using molecular beams. Miller is a former chairman of the Department of Applied Mechanics and Engineering Sciences.

The citation given to Irons, a professor of political science, read: "Peter Irons is a constitutional lawyer who teaches political science not just to UCSD students. As an unpaid advocate, Professor Irons assembled a team of lawyers, developed the briefs and participated in the cases that resulted in the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to set aside three major cases which had legitimated the internment of Japanese-Americans during the Second World War. This is the only Supreme Court case to have been reversed. In winning this landmark decision, Professor Irons not only addressed a painful wrong, but also made legal history."

Irons holds a law degree from Harvard University as well as a Ph.D. in political science from Boston University. He is the author of two books, "The New Deal Lawyers" (Princeton Univ. Press, 1982) and "Justice at War" (Oxford Univ. Press, 1983).

The Chancellor's Associates was formed in 1966 and is made up of friends of the university who contribute more than \$1,000 to the chancellor's discretionary fund. The group, which now numbers more than 300, has been honoring outstanding UCSD faculty in the three areas since 1975.

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