



2nd Annual Rewarding Outstanding Achievement Reception

Sponsored by the Student Activities Office and Student Government

The ROAR Awards Ceremony is the one time every year that Capital recognizes group and individual organizational leadership. Students, faculty and staff gather over dessert to celebrate the seen and unseen leadership of individual students and organizations, while highlighting remarkable service and programming initiatives.

It is, indeed, the organization event of the year.

The 2009 Awards & Dessert Reception will be held Sunday, April 19 at 8:00 pm in the Harry C. Moores Campus Center Mezzanine.

AWARD INFORMATION PACKET



Rewarding Outstanding Achievement Award Explanations

The Rewarding Organizational Achievement Reception celebrates group and individual organizational leadership through 17 different awards. The awards criteria are listed below.

Organizational Awards

Dynamic Recruitment

Honors exemplary work attracting and retaining new members during this academic year. Excellent candidates for this award will show that

their organization went above and beyond to attract non-members year-round through focusing on the organization's purpose, with special recruiting efforts made toward engaging first-year students.

Achievement in Service

For consistent participation in service projects throughout the academic year. These projects may have been ongoing with one or two agencies, or varied among several agencies and audiences. Service, for this award, is defined as giving time and talent (not money) to the Capital University and/or surrounding communities.

Crusader Award

Recognizes the organization that has demonstrated superb Capital spirit. Excellent candidates will have made a positive impact on campus-wide programming events and a variety of campus constituents through their work, including other organizations, alumni and athletic teams.

Most Improved Organization

Goes to the organization with the most significant qualitative and quantitative progress this year. Applications for this award should focus on growth and development in a variety of areas including, but not limited to, membership recruitment and retention; organization management; visibility; congruence with mission; and leadership development.

Organization of the Year

Honors the organization with the most comprehensive success. This organization has excellent internal operations and external initiatives; it has a clear mission, one that can be clearly seen in their behavior, programming and even in spending. Students involved benefit from membership in a variety of ways and non-members respect the organization.

Service Project Awards

Most Creative: Recognizes a service project coordinated by Capital organization(s) that has taken a creative, innovative, clever, or unique approach to serving the community in order to impact a social problem.

Most Educational: Recognizes a service project coordinated by Capital organization(s) that taught participants about a social problem or injustice in order for them to grow as active citizens and servant leaders.

Outstanding Passive Program

Recognizes programming that did not include an event or activity, but served to raise awareness about a cause or issue through student advocacy, print and multi-media.

Program of the Year – 2 Awards

Single organization: Awarded for the best campus program. The success of the program will be evaluated on the resources used, publicity, purpose of the event, and effectiveness of the program.

Collaborative: Given to two or more organizations that effectively combined resources to put on a successful campus-wide program that complemented both organizations' missions and positively contributed to campus.

Individual Awards

Organizational Leader – 4 Awards

Given to a student who has made substantial contributions to a student organization. This person's contribution can be documented through individual achievement as well as resulting organizational development; ideal candidates have a competitive GPA, have taken initiative within the organization, have made the organization better through their work. Recipient do not have to have an officer position within the organization. *One award will be given to a student from each class, first-year through senior.*

Emerging Leader – Up to 3 Awards

Given to as many as 3, likely underclassmen, students who have begun to show leadership and significant involvement in one or more student organizations. This award exists to recognize students with energy, initiative, competitive grades, and extremely high potential to make a significant contribution to organizational leadership during their tenure at Capital.

Outstanding Servant Leader

Recognizes a student who has shown personal commitment to social justice and community involvement, and has led others in service and active citizenship.

Outstanding Senior Leader – Up to 3 Awards

Given to as many as 3 seniors, this award recognizes exemplary leadership that demonstrated an awareness of University goals, issues and priorities. Ideal candidates will have shown sustained leadership that typically involved more than one organization or area of campus life, and who have made an enduring commitment to enhancing the quality of life in the Capital and/or surrounding communities by making a noticeable and lasting impact through leadership efforts.

Outstanding Organization Officer

Given to a student who has gone above and beyond in their elected or appointed officer role within an organization. This person has executed the job description with excellence, learned from mistakes, delegated appropriately, and been a team player.

Outstanding Organization President

This exemplifies the leadership qualities that are desired of a president of an organization. An Outstanding President must effectively be able to oversee the organization and provide vision to the members on how to continually work toward their mission or purpose. Ideal candidates represent his or her organization well internally and externally.

Outstanding Leadership Mentors – Up to 3 Awards

Recognizes students, faculty, staff or community members who have made a significant impact on one or more student leaders through individual mentorship. Candidates do not have to serve in any formal advisory capacity, but they may. Students should nominate those in the Cap or surrounding community who have helped them grow and develop as a leader, whether as a short- or long-term mentor.

Outstanding Advisor

Given to recognize the organization advisor who has done an exemplary job in working with his or her organization this year. The Capital staff or faculty member should also take a sincere interest in the mission and purpose of the organization, work to further promote this mission or purpose, and be present and available for organization members and officers.

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How to Apply

Each award application must follow the specified format and include all components. Awards submitted without any piece of the application packet, or submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

Organization application parameters

In some cases, organizations may have multiple programs or achievements in one category. Every organization is limited to two entries per award category.

Individual application parameters

In order to be considered for the ROAR awards, student nominees must have a strong academic record and must not have a significant conduct history.

Nomination cover page

All application packets must include a nomination cover page. There are no parameters for who can serve as an award nominator. However, **self-nominations are strongly, strongly encouraged and expected for all awards**. The only awards that require a nominator other than the candidate are the Outstanding Leadership Mentor and the Outstanding Advisor Awards.

Application essay

Each application packet should include a typed essay outlining why the nominee should receive the award. Essays are limited to 1 double-sided page or 2 single-sided pages. Please focus on the criteria outlined in the award description, using very specific examples including as many details as possible.

Supporting documents

In addition to the essay, application packets may include up to 4 pages (single-sided, 2 if double-sided) of supporting documentation. Examples of documentation include: newspaper clippings, publicity, evaluations, pictures and letters of recommendation.

Submission

Application packets must be submitted via email. All components of the application packet must be attached to the same message; ideally, all components will be included in one document. For a copy of the nomination page electronically, email rhilpert@capital.edu or go to the Student Activities web page on www.capital.edu.

Deadline

Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. on Monday, March 23.

Questions

Contact Ryan Hilperts, rhilpert@capital.edu, with any questions.