

Joseph A. Schlesinger (Professor of Political Science, Michigan State University) was recognized for his article, "On the Theory of Party Organization."

The award for lifetime achievement was presented to Samuel J. Eldersveld (Professor of Political Science, University of Michigan) for his body of work in political party organization. The awards were presented by Kenneth Janda (Professor of Political Science, Northwestern University), Gerald Pomper (Professor of Political Science, Rutgers), and John S. Jackson III (Dean of Liberal Arts, Southern Illinois University/Carbondale). □

Policy Studies Awards Presented

The Policy Studies Organization and the Policy Studies Section of the American Political Science Association presented several awards at the Annual PSO Awards Luncheon on August 29, 1986, at the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C. as part of the APSA Annual Meeting.

The Harold Lasswell Award was received



Leon D. Epstein of the University of Wisconsin-Madison was awarded the outstanding book award, accorded by the Section on Political Organizations and Parties, for his *Political Parties in Western Democracies*.



Marguerite Ross Barnett, Chancellor of the University of Missouri-St. Louis, is recognized by the Committee on the Status of Blacks for her outstanding achievements.

by Theodore Lowi of Cornell University as an outstanding scholar in contributing to our understanding of the substance and process of public policy. Previous recipients have included Yehezkel Dror, Aaron Wildavsky, and James Q. Wilson. The Hubert Humphrey Award was received by Jeane Kirkpatrick as an outstanding public policy practitioner. Previous recipients have included Ralph Huitt, Donna Shalala, and Alice Rivlin. The Donald Campbell Award was received by Elinor Ostrom as an outstanding methodological innovator in public policy studies. Previous recipients have included Duncan MacRae, Edward Quade, and Peter Rossi.

The Jeffrey Pressman Award was presented to Herman Boschken for the best article in the 1985-86 issue of the *Policy Studies Review*. The Theodore Lowi Award was presented to Stephen Elkin and Brian Cook for the best article in the 1985-86 issues of the *Policy Studies Journal*. The PSO Book Award was presented to Harvey Averch for the best policy studies book published in 1985-86. The PSO Conference Paper Award was presented to Kenneth Meier

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and Gary Copeland for the best paper presented at the 1985-86 annual meetings of the national and regional political science associations.

The Policy Studies Organization welcomes nominations for the 1987 PSO Awards in the above six categories for being an outstanding policy studies contributor, practitioner, methodologist, book author, article author, and conference paper author. Nominations should be sent to PSO, 361 Lincoln Hall, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL 61801. □

Transformational Politics Group Forms

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"Let a thousand conference groups bloom" well describes the process of differentiation within the discipline over the past 15 years. Consistent with this trend, a new scholarly subunit—the Conference Group on Transformational Politics—was formed at the 1986 Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. The goal of the group is to explore those trends in modern society that challenge the viability of older lines of political and social cleavage (Left/Right, Global/Local, Evolution/Revolution, Secular/Spiritual, Empirical/Normative), and to examine alternative directions for political life and political science.

Scholars at the first organizational meeting observed that such groups have been underway for some time in other behavioral science disciplines (psychology, economics, sociology) where subgroups with varying names ("humanistic," "ecological," etc.) have been com-

plementing the work of other subunits for 10 to 20 years. Transformational politics is as old as Lao Tsu (circa 600 BC) and as new as the Greens, providing an opportunity for political scientists to rethink many of their assumptions about the process *and* content of contemporary politics, as well as how we practice our profession.

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Editor's Note: See Upcoming Conferences in this issue of PS for call for papers for the Conference Group on Transformational Politics, which plans to hold panels at the September 3-6, 1987, annual meeting of APSA. □

Section on Religion and Politics Invites Participation

The Religion and Politics Organized Section of the APSA put on its first program in 1986. The section's purpose is to encourage research, writing, and the sharing of ideas and information related to the study of religion and politics. For those interested, you may join this section by checking the appropriate box on the APSA annual dues notice. Section dues are \$5.

At the first section business meeting in Washington, attended by well over 30 political scientists, the following executive committee was elected for the coming year:

Nominations Sought for 1987 APSA Awards

Nominations are invited for the APSA awards to be presented at the 1987 annual meeting in Chicago. Dissertations must be nominated by departments and submitted by January 15, 1987. Books must be nominated by the publisher and submitted by February 1, 1987. Members of the Association are invited to nominate individuals for the career awards. Further details may be obtained by writing to the national office. □