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Thank You, Sheryl! Thank you, Jack!

The highlight of the UC Berkeley's Library Advisory Board June meeting was the presentation of several very special awards. Completing a 5-year term as Library Advisory Board president, Sheryl Wong '67 was acknowledged by University Librarian Tom Leonard for her immeasurable and unselfish commitment to Cal's Library. During Sheryl's tenure, the University Library reestablished itself as the top public university library in North America. Chancellor Robert Berdahl acknowledged Sheryl's service by noting that, "She has been one of the most dedicated and extraordinary individuals in the Cal family whom I have come to know in my seven years as Chancellor."



The Library Advisory Board has benefited tremendously under the leadership of its three presidents: (left to right) Sheryl Wong, outgoing president; Al Johnson, incoming president; and Jack Rosston, immediate past president.

Rosston, '42, founder and mentor of the Library Advisory Board. University Librarian Tom Leonard noted that, "Jack's appreciation of and advocacy for the Library in the life of the Berkeley campus has been an inspiration to all. As is the Library often considered the Heart of the University, so too is Jack the Heart of the Board and of the alumni and volunteer Spirit that dwells in all the Cal libraries."

Also presented during the evening was the Robert M. Berdahl Library Award, established by the Library Advisory Board in honor of the outgoing Chancellor, to recognize exceptional dedication and service in support of the University of California, Berkeley Library. Appropriately enough, the first Berdahl Award was presented "to the man who has become known as the Library Chancellor...and one of the truest friends of the Library." That would be Chancellor Berdahl himself.

Continuing the recognition of the spirit of dedication and commitment to the Library, the second Berdahl Award then was presented to Jack

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