



# THE Tau Beta Pi

## McDonald Mentoring Award

**Nominations due April 1st**

**M**arion and Capers W. McDonald (NC  $\Gamma$  '74) and the Association have established an award to celebrate excellence in mentoring and advising among Tau Beta Pi educators and engineers who have consistently supported the personal and professional development of their students and colleagues as excellent mentors or advisors.

Serving as engineering educators or as professionals in industry, government, or service organizations, these Tau Beta Pi mentors have contributed diversely to our engineering community, serving as effective advocates and guides in both professional and administrative matters. They have shown true concern for the individual, supporting an environment for developing talents, and have earned respect and recognition for their contributions to their field and to the greater community. In 2005, the Executive Council established the award to be given annually.

### **Nomination**

Any chapter or member may nominate one or more alumnus members for the award. The nomination (in four sets)

shall be made to the Executive Director by April 1. Nomination packets will not be returned. The following material is required:

- 1) *A one-page summary of achievements and/or contributions of the nominee exemplifying the objective of the award.*
- 2) *Two letters of reference from persons other than the nominating party or sponsoring chapter president who are familiar with the nominee's contributions and achievements, such as the dean or supervising personnel.*

### **Award and Recognition**

The award will be presented to the Mentor of the Year at the national Convention. Tau Beta Pi will pay appropriate travel expenses for the honoree to attend the event.

The honoree will receive a special three-inch diameter medallion and \$1,000 (plus \$1,000 in the name of the honoree to the nominating chapter or the honoree's chapter



if nominated by an individual). Recognition also includes publicity of the award in THE BENT and other national and local publications.

If the honoree cannot accept a financial award, that portion will remain in the endowment fund.

### **Selection Committee**

The selection of the Tau Beta Pi-McDonald Mentoring Award will be made by a committee of national officials appointed by the Executive Council. Only one award will be presented each year and will be announced before September 1.