

# Their Just Awards



Fitzgerald: Alumni Service

Michael Fitzgerald (Law '68), received the 1995 Alumni Service Award. Fitzgerald, a Kansas City, Mo., attorney, has helped further UMKC's legislative efforts through Alumni Association efforts in Jefferson City. A past president of the Alumni Association, he has worked to expand association benefits to alumni and has provided legal assistance to the association's board of directors.

The Alumni Service Award recognizes an alumnus who has demonstrated outstanding loyalty and commitment to the University and the Alumni Association as well as outstanding service to the community.

Fitzgerald also has been active in local, state and national professional associations, as well as state political groups and local civic organizations.

Other alumni representing individual academic units also received achievement awards:

**Arts and Sciences:** Gary Seabaugh ('76), executive director of the Plaza Academy, which provides a last-chance hope for young people who have dropped out of school.

**Business:** Robert O'Byrne ('55), chairman and chief executive officer of Robert O'Byrne and Associates, an

insurance company ranked first in Kansas City in life and employee benefit premiums and named Small Business of the Year by the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce.

**Conservatory of Music:** Thomas Helm ('74), conductor and musical director of Broadway productions that include the current staging of "Les Miserables."

**Dentistry:** Daniel Jolly ('74, '77), professor of clinical dentistry at Ohio State University and president of the International Association of Dentistry for the Handicapped.

**Education:** Patricia Ferris ('84), counselor and coordinator of guidance and counseling at Kansas City's Center School District, who has developed several new programs for the district and now coordinates the A+ Program to help high school students.

**Engineering:** Michael Varady ('82), engineer and project manager at Allied Signal Bendix/King, and founder of AeroComm, a telecommunications company.

**Law:** The Hon. Jack Gant ('54), circuit court judge in Jackson County, Mo., and an active leader in civic and county organizations.

**Medicine:** Dr. Steven Waldman ('73, '77), founder of Kansas City's first full-time pain-management center and several other such centers and a national expert on pain management.

**Nursing:** Jeanine A. Hummell, ('85, '91), administrative director, Women's and Children's Services of Shawnee Mission Medical Center, and a consultant for area groups and health care organizations.

**Pharmacy:** Ruth Ann Nylén ('84) president and lead consultant for clinical drug development education and business process design for the RAN Institute Inc., as well as a member of the Pharmacy Dean's Advisory Council.

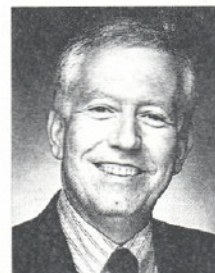
— Patrick Walker



Seabaugh



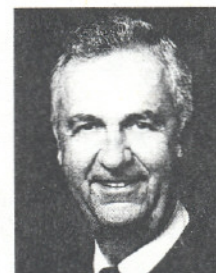
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