The Joseph Barnes Award
for
Outstanding Service to Rowan University

Background
During his 23 years at Rowan University, Joseph Barnes served as a professional staff member and a tenured librarian, and regularly taught courses in the College of Communication. Throughout his career, Joe Barnes set a standard for dedication and service to the university that has seldom been matched. At the time of his unexpected death during the summer of 2001, Joe was the Secretary of the Senate, the newly-elected Vice President of F.O.R.C.E., Rowan’s Local 2373, and the Chair of the Campus Hearing Board. To commemorate his dedication to the university, the University Senate, AFT, and Campbell Library have established and funded the annual Joseph Barnes Award for Outstanding Service to Rowan University

Selection Committee
The selection committee will consist of the following:
   --President of the University Senate
   --Vice President of the University Senate
   --President of the AFT
   --Vice President I of the AFT
   --Librarian (to be chosen in an election held by the Library Staff)

The Senate President will serve as the chair of this committee and will convene all meetings. Committee members may nominate candidates, but are not eligible to receive the award.

Nominations
A call for nominations will be sent out in March of each year. Nominations will be sent to the Senate Office. Any member of the faculty and professional staff may nominate a candidate. Self-nominations will be accepted. Nominations must include a description of the accomplishments of the candidate.

Criteria for Selection
This award is intended to recognize the outstanding contributions of a current member of the faculty or professional staff. In any year in which the committee deems that there are no acceptable nominees from this group, no award may be given or the award may be given to an individual who previously served on the faculty and staff.

The recipient should be an individual who has provided consistent, extraordinary, and longstanding contributions to Rowan University. Such contributions shall include, but not be limited to, campus leadership, service on senate and union committees, service on departmental and college committees, service to student organizations and activities, and service to the university as a whole.
Funding
The Award will consist of a plaque and a stipend of one thousand dollars ($1,000). Additionally, the recipient’s name will be inscribed on a permanent plaque, which will be prominently displayed in the Campbell Library. The cost of the plaques shall be borne by the Library. The cost of the stipend will be divided equally between the University Senate and the local chapter of AFT.

Selection and Presentation of the Award
The committee will choose the recipient, and the award will be presented at the Fall Convocation.

Changes to the Process
Changes to this process can only be made with the consent of both the Senate Executive Committee and the Union Executive Committee.