

## 2009 CAPCSD Honors and Awards Lunch

Information about the Awardees, in conjunction with the ppt slide show

**Award of Appreciation:** Loretta Nunez, ASHA's Director of Academic Affairs since 2003, ASHA, Washington, DC

- Dr. Nunez provides leadership on behalf of the educational preparation of speech-language pathologists and audiologists and speech and hearing scientists
- A graduate of THE Ohio State University, BA and MA in both SLP and AUD, she completed her Doctor of Audiology from Central Michigan University. She has worked at Johns Hopkins, The University of Akron, Kent State, the VA Medical Center in Canton and other clinical sites. She has published and presented with many in the audience today.
- She identifies relevant issues, forecasts needs and trends in higher education, working with us (CAPCSD), the American Council on Education, the Council of Graduate Schools, the Institute on International Education to name a few.
- She helps develop resources that support academic programs and faculty. CAPCSD greatly appreciates how well she works with all of us and especially her tireless work on the Higher Education Data System, the Central Application System, several educational summits and programs over the years where we are always included. She has a wonderful charm and grace that helps her deal with the wild, wacky world of academia.

**Diversity Incentive Award,** Joe Melcher, Professor and Chair, Xavier University, New Orleans, LA

- Joe Melcher! Dr. Melcher has been at Xavier University of New Orleans, a historical black college and university, for 37 years!
- He has been a member of the National Black Association of Speech Language and Hearing, NBASLH, for many years and in 2005 he received the Scholar-Mentor Award.
- He was a founding member of L'GASP, the GLBT Caucus of ASHA, which began meeting informally in 1982, and became organized in 1990.

- He has chaired and published many national papers on issues related to sexual orientation and inclusion in our discipline.
- Joe has served on ASHA's Multicultural board, is an ASHA Fellow, a Louisiana Speech Language Hearing Association Fellow, has served as a member of several national mentoring programs, has been state association president, and has served his university on many of committees, boards and programs.
- He was on the advisory board of the International Conference on Diversity.
- Is on the Board of Directors of P-FLAG New Orleans, a group that has given \$200,000 in student scholarships.
- Joe gave a wonderful talk at the last educational summit on handling change, after surviving Hurricane Katrina and we consider him our very own CAPCSD Hurricane!

**Award for Distinguished Contributions**, Kay Pentax, Lincoln Park, New Jersey

- In 1947 a company was founded—Kay Electric Company, by Elmo Edward, “Bud” Crump, an electrical engineer who has worked at Bell Labs during WW II and who held numerous patents. He, along with a partner, founded the company in Pine Brook, NJ, and in 1951, they were licensed by Bell Labs to develop the first commercial version of the sound spectrograph, called the Sona-Graph. Many of us worked at universities where we used the Sona-Graph for speech and linguistic analysis. We all learned to say, “Joe took father’s shoe bench out.”
- In the 60s and 70s they developed products for radar and TV and in the 70s they began to develop products that we know –and their name changed to Kay Elemetrics Corporation with Mr. Crump as president. The instrumentation that we know for diagnosis and therapy of voice, speech and swallowing increased and developed. No voice lab was complete without “Kay stuff.”
- They relocated in 1987 to Lincoln Park, NJ, Mr. Crump retired in 1994, but his son continued in the company. In 2005 they were acquired by Pentax Medical Co and became KayPentax

- No matter what the name, they have helped our scientist-researchers, our clients, and our students not just buy selling us instrumentation, but helping us learn how to use them, educating us in the scientific bases of the instruments, and providing hands on workshops, newsletters, and even being on TV! Who can forget that ER episode?
- And, for many years there was a network of electrical engineers and technicians who were a bridge between us and Kay or Mr. Crump...people like Wes Heisey, working in the basement of CWRU; Claude Lambert at The Ohio State University, Bruce Clark, heading “the shop” at the University of Iowa, and Don Riggs, called a genius of things technological” at Vanderbilt. All these guys knew Mr. Crump! Kay has continued this network, but now that we don’t need all that analog help, they connect a network of faculty researchers and graduate students and we will always be grateful.
- As I said in 2007, when they received an ASHA award, “they are not just the vendors of instrumentation...they are THE professionals to call for technical support or to find other researchers who may be of help. They have expanded our scope of practice.

In memory of Mr. Crump, and honoring his 9 children and his company, congratulations to Kay Electric Company, Kay Elemetrics and Kay Pentax!