

# Around the Country

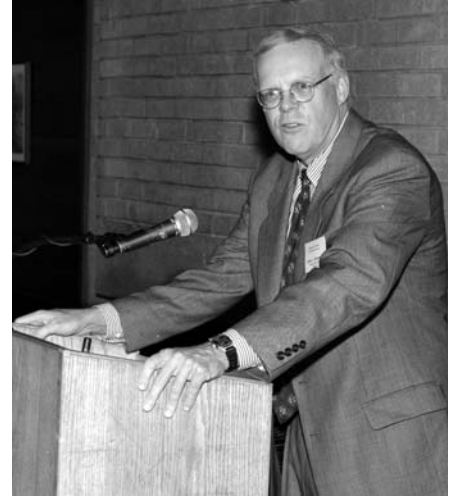
Over the past several months, campus receptions were held in the Midwest and in California as part of the Academy's expanding outreach activities. President Patricia Meyer Spacks, Vice President Louis W. Cabot, and Executive Officer Leslie Berlowitz participated in many of these events, which provide expanded opportunities for Fellows to meet each other and present their research.

## Stanford University

At a meeting at Stanford University on November 23, 2004, Kathleen M. Sullivan, Stanley Morrison Professor of Law at Stanford Law School, spoke on the topic "Do we have an emergency Constitution?" (The full text of Sullivan's remarks will appear in a forthcoming Academy publication.) Stanford President John Hennessy presided over the campus reception that attracted Fellows and guests from throughout the Palo Alto area.



**Kathleen Sullivan (Stanford Law School) and Louis W. Cabot (Cabot-Wellington, LLC)**



**John Hennessy (Stanford University)**

## University of California, Berkeley

On November 22, 2004, Vice President of the Western Center and Academy Councilor Jesse H. Choper and Academy Councilor Randy W. Schekman co-hosted a gathering at the University of California, Berkeley, to welcome Berkeley's new Chancellor, Robert Birgeneau, who spoke to the group about the challenges and opportunities in higher education.



**Robert J. Birgeneau (UC Berkeley)**



**Jesse H. Choper and David Collier (both, UC Berkeley)**



**Randy W. Schekman and Charles B. Harris (both, UC Berkeley)**

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## California Institute of Technology

Caltech President David Baltimore welcomed Fellows and guests to a campus reception on February 15, 2005, where Colin Camerer, Rea A. and Lela G. Axline Professor of Business Economics, spoke about the rapidly emerging field of neuroeconomics. Camerer conducts laboratory experimental research in games, decisions, and markets.



David Baltimore and Colin Camerer (both, California Institute of Technology)

## University of California, Los Angeles

Following greetings from Chancellor Albert Carnesale, Professor of Astronomy Andrea M. Ghez and Richard C. Maxwell Professor of Law and Professor of Policy Studies Joel F. Handler discussed their research at an informal meeting of Fellows on the campus of the University of California, Los Angeles on February 16, 2005. Ghez explores star formation and has established the existence of a supermassive black hole at the center of the Galaxy; Handler studies welfare law and policy and has examined current policy issues relating to poverty and high-risk adolescents.



Albert Carnesale and Joel F. Handler (both, UCLA)



Andrea M. Ghez (UCLA)

## University of Michigan

At a campus gathering for Fellows on November 11, 2004, Huda Akil, Gardner C. Quarton Distinguished Professor of Neuroscience and Psychiatry and Co-Director and Senior Research Scientist of the University of Michigan Mental Health Re-

search Institute, presented a talk on "Stress and Equanimity in Turbulent Times." Akil's research centers on the neurobiology of behavior, especially the molecular mechanisms underlying responsiveness to stress and pain.



Huda Akil

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## University of California, San Francisco

Dean of the School of Medicine and Vice Chancellor for Medical Affairs David A. Kessler hosted a reception for Fellows on February 17, 2005, at the University of California, San Francisco. Reflecting on his induction as a new member of the Academy, Professor of Medicine Jay A. Levy spoke of the Academy's work in science over the past three centuries, urging the group to propose new ideas for Academy projects in the biological and medical sciences.



David A. Kessler (UCSF)



Jay A. Levy (UCSF)

## Northwestern University

Dedre Gentner, Director of the Cognitive Science Program and Professor of Psychology and Education, and Paul F. Berliner, Professor of Musicology, spoke at a reception for Fellows at Northwestern University on March 29, 2005. In a talk entitled "Why We're So Smart," Gentner discussed her research on the nature and function of analogical reasoning and on the interplay between language and thought. Berliner considered the fate of the mbira players during Zimbabwe's struggle for independence in his talk "The Heart that Remembers: A Tale of Musicians in a Time of War." Northwestern President Henry S. Bienen presided at the meeting.



Dedre Gentner (Northwestern University)



Henry S. Bienen, Ursula Oppens, and Loren F. Ghiglione (all, Northwestern University)



Paul F. Berliner (Northwestern University)

## New York City

On December 1, 2004, the Academy hosted “A Conversation on Russia and Its Neighbors,” a panel discussion on the issues raised by the project on International Security in the Post-Soviet Space. The meeting was moderated by **Elihu Rose**, an Academy Fellow and professor of military history at New York University. The speakers included **Robert Legvold**, Professor of Political Science at Columbia University, **Dmitri Trenin**, Deputy Director of the Carnegie Moscow Center, and Lieutenant General **William Odom** (U.S. Army, Ret.), former director of the National Security Administration and Senior Fellow at the Hudson Institute.



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## New York City

Are institutions of higher education the new catalysts for major trends in urban design? On February 28, 2005, a Stated Meeting of the Academy explored the role of universities as urban planners. Moderated by architect and writer **Robert Campbell**, a panel of speakers – including Columbia University President **Lee Bollinger**, architect **James Polshek** (Polshek Partnership Architects LLP), and University of Penn-

sylvania Senior Vice President **Omar Blaik** – described their experiences with major construction projects. The group discussed ways in which universities are collaborating with their communities to transform and expand their campuses. E. **John Rosenwald, Jr.** (Bear Stearns Companies), who has been involved with numerous building projects at educational and cultural institutions, presided.



**John Brademas** (NYU) and **Conrad Kenneth Harper** (Simpson Thacher & Bartlett)



Left to right: **Omar Blaik** (University of Pennsylvania), **James Polshek** (Polshek Partnership Architects, LLP), **Lee Bollinger** (Columbia University), **Robert Campbell** (Cambridge, Massachusetts), and **E. John Rosenwald, Jr.** (Bear Stearns Companies)