Alumnus Green Awarded Dean’s Medal

THOMAS R. GREEN, JD ’58, received the Dean’s Medal from Dean Kent Syverud at the law school’s Distinguished Alumni Awards event on April 20, 2012.

The Dean’s Medal is the highest honor a dean can bestow. Selected entirely by the dean, the award recipient is recognized for his or her extraordinary contributions to the law school, including inspiring others and enhancing the school’s progress. Since its creation, only a select few recipients have been awarded the Dean’s Medal.

A longtime friend of the law school and a member of the National Council, Green received the school’s Distinguished Alumni Award in 1995 and Washington University’s Distinguished Alumni Award in 2004. He previously served as chairman of the Kresge Challenge for Anheuser-Busch Hall and co-chair of the law school’s fund-raising effort for Seigle Hall. He also established the Thomas and Karole Green Professorship in 2002.

Green is an attorney at the Law Offices of Thomas R. Green, a real estate developer, and a businessman in St. Louis. He is also the founder, director, and majority shareholder of Royal Bancshares Holding Company. He served as an Assistant Attorney General for the state of Missouri and Assistant County Counselor for St. Louis County. He has held leadership roles in numerous community, civic, and religious organizations, including the Jewish Federation of St. Louis, the United Jewish Appeal, the United Israel Appeal, the Jerusalem Foundation, and the Jewish Agency.

Green is also a recipient of both the National Conference Brotherhood Award and the Israel Peace Medal. The medal is recognized as “Israel’s highest civilian honor awarded to individuals who distinguish themselves through their humanitarian service, community leadership, and through dedicated support of Israel’s continuing effort to build a strong economy and achieve everlasting peace.”

Haley Receives Prestigious Japanese Honor

JOHN OWEN HALEY, the William R. Orthwein Distinguished Professor Emeritus, recently received the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon from His Majesty the Emperor of Japan. The prestigious award was given in recognition of his contributions to friendship between Japan and the United States.

Haley is considered one of the nation’s outstanding international and comparative law scholars and is widely credited with having popularized Japanese legal studies. His numerous scholarly works span issues ranging from international trade policy and comparative law to Japanese land-use law, Japanese and East Asian business transactions, and Japanese law and contemporary society. He has taught and lectured internationally, including at Aoyama Gakuin University, Kobe University, and Tohoku University in Japan, and at Tuebigen University in Germany.