

Michael Wilson, instructor in medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital, *Brigham and Women's Minority Career Development Award*

Courtney Wiseman, instructor in psychiatry, Cambridge Health Alliance, *Cambridge Health Alliance Department of Psychiatry Fellowship in honor of Elliot G. Mishler, Ph.D.*

Jing-Ruey Yeh, instructor in medicine, Massachusetts General Hospital, *Clafin Distinguished Scholar Award*

Xu Yu, assistant professor of medicine, Massachusetts General Hospital, *Clafin Distinguished Scholar Award*

### **HSPH Requests Nominations for 2009 Distinguished Alum Award**

The Distinguished Alum Award is annually presented to a former graduate of the HSPH Biostatistics Department who is working in government, industry, or academia and who has had a significant influence on the theory and practice of statistical science. Award recipients are invited to deliver a lecture on their career and life beyond the department for the primary benefit of students.

The recipient of the 2008 Distinguished Alum Award was Robert Strawderman of Cornell University. Receiving the award in previous years were Masahiro Takeuchi of the Kitasato University School of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Daniel Siegel, a 1961 Harvard alum.

Nominations for the award, to be given in May/June 2009, should be sent to the Distinguished Award Committee, Dept. of Biostatistics, Harvard School of Public Health, 655 Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02115. Nominations should include a letter describing the contributions of the candidate, specifically highlighting the criteria for the award, and curriculum vitae.

Supporting letters and materials are welcome but not required. For more information on the award and its criteria, contact Shaina Andelman at 617-432-7449 or [sandelma@hsph.harvard.edu](mailto:sandelma@hsph.harvard.edu).

The deadline for submission of nominations is Jan. 31, 2009.

### **Elite Science Recognized with Korsmeyer Chair**

Though he died in 2005, Stanley Korsmeyer still brings people together. At the Nov. 14 reception for the Stanley J. Korsmeyer Professorship in Medicine at HMS and the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Dean Jeffrey Flier quoted Robert Horvitz of MIT, who said, "Stan was everybody's hero as a scientist and a human being." It is in this spirit that we celebrate the chair, Flier said. A former fellow in Korsmeyer's lab, Scott Armstrong, now an HMS assistant professor of pediatrics at DFCI, attested to Korsmeyer's mentorship. He recounted that when his father was dying of glioblastoma, Korsmeyer, upon hearing the news, wrote a long letter to Armstrong's parents telling them what a wonderful son they had. Armstrong held up a copy of the letter his mother had sent him. "She wouldn't give me the original," he said.