

**Horace D. Taft Alumni Medal
and
Citation of Merit
2005 Recipient**



John L. Vogelstein '52

Graduating cum laude, lettering in wrestling and golf, and offering your thoughtful voice as editor-in-chief of the Papyrus, your Taft years confirm your founder's fervent hope to educate the whole person, even as your achievements predicted the emergence of a quiet, forceful leader preferring substance over style. Earning your bachelor's degree at Harvard College, you embarked on your corporate career on Wall Street, navigating its formidable course with dynamic resolve as you ascended to the peak as president of E.M. Pincus Warburg. Holding close dignity and integrity, you always embraced balance between personal growth and community outreach, opening doors for others as they were opened for you. Trustee of New York University, the Leonard R. Stern School of Business, the Rand Graduate School, the Jewish Museum, and the New York City Ballet, nowhere is your public service commitment more pronounced than through your beneficent stewardship of Prep for Prep; as president, you nurtured and empowered promising minority students the chance to flourish at your alma mater and other distinguished secondary schools. Serving as a Taft trustee for twenty years, chairman for four, your keen intellect and fiscal acumen launched an era of unsurpassed growth that heralded your school's preeminence into the twenty-first century. Steadfast in your vision, graceful in your overwhelming support, and humble in accepting accolades for your singular impact, your legacy is testimony to Horace Taft's guiding ideal: *Non Ut Sibi Ministretur Sed Ut Ministret*. John Vogelstein, you have always cherished honor, principle, and an unsurpassed belief that enriching others ensures the vibrant future of society. It is with the utmost gratitude and admiration that we confer upon you Taft's highest honor, the Alumni Citation of Merit.