A kind and gentle person, Beth Lebsock has been a colleague, mentor, nurturer and friend for over 30 years to many in Colorado, Wyoming, and New Mexico, the Rocky Mountain region of ACRAO, and beyond. As a champion of professional development, Beth has given much to her profession with leadership and involvement at the state, regional, and national level.

Beth’s career spans 30 years of service to institutions of higher education in Colorado. She began with professional positions in financial aid, registrar’s office, and admissions before becoming the director of admissions and records, dean of student services, and finally, associate dean of the college for student services all at Morgan Community College, from 1970 until 1993. Not yet finished, Beth moved on to Pikes Peak Community College in 1993 where she has served as Dean of Student Services and Assistant to the Vice President of Academic Affairs until her retirement in 2003.

Professionally Beth has been a star. She has been actively involved and served in leadership roles in both Rocky Mountain ACRAO and AACRAO. Beth served as Secretary (1988-90), President-Elect (1992-93), President (1993-94) and Past President (1994-96) of RMACRAO. She has been a frequent presenter at both RMACRAO and AACRAO and has served on several AACRAO committees. During 1998-1999 Beth was chair of the New Member committee, which was an ideal role for her as she welcomed new members to the annual meeting. Besides RMACRAO and AACRAO, Beth has served in other higher education professional organizations.

Beth served as president of the Colorado Community and Junior College Association of Students Services in 1984-85 and again in 1988-89. During the interim when she wasn’t president, she was treasurer from 1985 to 1988. Beth was the campus coordinator and member of the Executive Board for Colorado Women in Higher Education Administration (1990-93). Beth found yet one more organization to serve and was a member of the Colorado ACT Assembly Executive Committee from 1990-2003 and was the ACT State Representative from 1992-2003. Beth, indeed, gave much to her profession!

As a person, Beth has shown that she cares individually about the people she works with, meets, and takes under her wing. Beth has been a model of integrity, character, and compassion. She has mentored or befriended people wherever she has gone. She has truly made an impact in the lives of those fortunate enough to know her.

For truly outstanding service to the profession and the organization, and because she is a genuinely wonderful person, Rocky Mountain ACRAO is honored to present its distinguished service award to Beth A. Lebsock.