



*Faculty Awards
For Excellence
in Instruction, Research, and Outreach
Thursday, October 18, 2007*

Order of Events

Welcome

Jay Gogue
President, Auburn University

"Keep Your Lamps"

Arranged by Andre J. Thomas
Performed by the Auburn University Gospel Choir
Directed by William Powell

"Alma Mater"

Directed by William Powell

Introduction of Alumni Awards

Norman Godwin
Master of Ceremonies

Alumni Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Awards and Alumni Professors

Debbie Shaw
Vice President for Alumni Affairs

Instruction Highlights

Dr. Godwin

The Gerald and Emily Leischuck Endowed Presidential Awards for Excellence in Teaching

John Heilman, Provost
Gerald and Emily Leischuck

Research Highlights

Dr. Godwin

Creative Research and Scholarship Award

Ralph Zee, Acting Associate Provost and
Vice President for Research

Outreach Highlights

Dr. Godwin

Award for Excellence in Faculty Outreach

Royrickers Cook
Assistant Vice President for University Outreach
David Bransby
Professor, College of Agriculture

Closing Remarks

Dr. Gogue

Honorees please return to the stage for photographs after the ceremony.

Reception immediately follows in Ballroom A.

*Entertainment provided by the Auburn University Steel Drum Band,
directed by Doug Rosener.*

*The Gerald and Emily Leischuck Endowed
Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching*

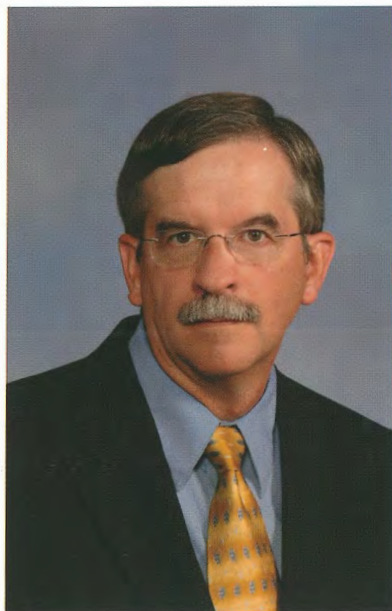


Pamela Boyd

**Associate Professor, Department of Curriculum and Teaching
College of Education**

Pamela Boyd was born and raised in Atlanta, Ga., and received a BS in elementary education, an MEd in elementary education with an emphasis in reading difficulties, and a certification in gifted education from Georgia State University. She received a doctorate in curriculum and teaching from Mississippi State University. An associate professor of curriculum and teaching and faculty member for 14 years, she teaches undergraduate and graduate students in the College of Education. Her teaching, research, and outreach focus is "school/university partnerships" to reform education at all levels. Making the work of the university relevant in the public school classroom and the work in the public school classroom relevant to the university is her priority. Boyd has published work in prominent professional journals such as *Action in Teacher Education* and the *Journal of Teacher Education*. She is the recipient of various professional awards including Camp War Eagle Outstanding Faculty Honoree, Auburn University Panhellenic Council Outstanding Professor, Outstanding Undergraduate Faculty Member, Mortar Board Favorite Educator Award, and the Glomerata Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year in 1994. She also received the Emily and Gerald Leischuck Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award in 2001 for the College of Education. Her husband, Frank Boyd, is Alabama's State Wildlife Biologist. They have two children, Brian and Katie, who are graduates of Auburn University.

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Roland Dute

**Professor, Department of Biological Sciences
College of Sciences and Mathematics**

Roland Dute accepted a position as an assistant professor in the Department of Botany, Plant Pathology, and Microbiology at Auburn University in September of 1982. He was born and raised in Ohio and attended Ohio State University where he received his BS and MS in botany. His graduate school days were interrupted by service in the Army. After receiving his master's degree, he entered the University of Wisconsin where he received his doctorate, also in botany. The following three years he served as a postdoctoral researcher at both the University of Wisconsin and the University of Illinois. He then spent three years as an assistant professor at St. Ambrose College in Davenport, Iowa. During his tenure at Auburn, he was named Teacher of the Year in 1996 by the Tri-Beta Biological Honorary, received an Auburn University Alumni Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Award Recipient in 1997, and was named the Outstanding College of Sciences and Mathematics Teacher for 1998.

Creative Research and Scholarship Award



Mona El-Sheikh

**Alumni Professor, Department of Human Development and Family Studies
College of Human Sciences**

Mona El-Sheikh received her undergraduate degree from the American University in Cairo, Egypt, and MS and PhD degrees from West Virginia University. She started her career at AU in 1990 as an assistant professor and was tenured and promoted to associate professor in 1995, professor in 2002, and alumni professor in 2005. Her research focuses on child development in the context of family risk. Her publications have appeared in the leading journals (e.g., *Child Development*, *Abnormal Psychology*, *Developmental Psychology*) in her field. She serves in editorial and review capacities for top journals (e.g., *Journal of Family Psychology*, *Child Development*) and organizations in her field, as well as the NIH and the NSF, which has awarded her more than \$3 million in research grants. She is considered one of the nation's foremost experts in the area of physiological measurement of children's emotion regulation. A recognized feature of her research is its multi-disciplinary nature, and her research has received attention for building bridges across several disciplines concerned with child health. This research has advanced a biopsychosocial model for understanding the development of psychological, social, cognitive, and physical health problems in the context of family risk.

Creative Research and Scholarship Award



Zhanjiang (John) Liu

Alumni Professor and Director of Aquatic Genomics Unit

Department of Fisheries and Allied Aquacultures

College of Agriculture

John Liu graduated with a BS from Northwest Sci-Tech University of Agriculture and Forestry and from the University of Minnesota with a MS and PhD. He is the aquaculture coordinator, U.S. National Animal Genome Project, and serves on the National Scientific Advisory Panel for Oceans and Human Health, United States Department of Commerce. He was a panelist for Aquaculture in the 3rd Millennium, and Aquaculture and Aquatic Resources of Food and Agriculture Organization of the U.N. He is the editor for *Marine Biotechnology*, the scientific advisor for the Chinese Academy of Fisheries Science and China's Agricultural High-Tech Demonstration Zone, and editor/author of 13 chapters of *Aquaculture Genome Technologies*. Liu's research objective uses genomic approaches to improve catfish performance traits. His major research achievements include development of more than 10,000 molecular markers, construction of catfish genetic linkage and physical maps, generated more than 100,000 catfish and oysters expressed sequence tags, development/application of catfish microarray technology, and development of higher generations of channel catfish and blue catfish interspecific hybrids for genetic improvements. His research was exhibited to the U.S. Congress in 1999. He received the 2000 Alabama Catfish Industry Outstanding Contributions Award; the 2002 AU Alumni Professorship; the 2004 Jin Ding Award, Governor, Sichuan Province, China; and the 2006 AAES Director's Research Award.

Award for Excellence in Faculty Outreach



Christa Slaton

Professor, Department of Political Science

Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts

Christa Slaton received her MA and PhD in political science from the University of Hawaii. She is currently the associate dean for educational affairs, College of Liberal Arts and the director of Auburn University's Professional Education Program for Elections and Voter Registration Administrators. Slaton's academic life has been devoted to developing the means to engage and empower citizens and to utilize the resources of the university to serve community interests. She was the co-founder of the first university-based mediation center in the United States and the co-designer of a method of deliberative polling that has been utilized by governments from the county level to the national level. More recently, she led a grassroots effort in west Alabama to create an organization of concerned citizens (Uniontown Cares), which partnered with government to tackle community problems and improve the quality of life in their town. As a pioneer in the field of utilizing information and communication technology to expand democracy, Slaton has been invited to give keynote addresses at international conferences in Germany, Austria, Finland, and Sweden and has facilitated conferences in the Czech Republic and Greece.

Alumni Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Award

These awards are presented on the basis of outstanding teaching of undergraduates from nominations made by department heads, deans, alumni, and students.

A committee of retired faculty selects the recipients.

Mark Byrne

**Assistant Professor of Chemical Engineering
Samuel Ginn College of Engineering**

Mark Byrne holds a BS in chemical engineering/biomedical engineering from Carnegie Mellon University and a MS and PhD degrees from Purdue University (MSChE and PhD as a National Science Foundation Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship fellow). At Auburn, he co-directs the National Science Foundation Research Experiences for the undergraduate program in micro/nano-structured materials, therapeutics, and devices.



Elizabeth Brestan Knight

**Associate Professor and the Lanier Professor of Psychology
College of Liberal Arts**

Elizabeth Brestan Knight received her BA in psychology from Emory University and her PhD in clinical and health psychology from the University of Florida. After completing an internship in pediatric psychology at the Mailman Center for Child Development at the University of Miami School of Medicine, she completed a post-doctoral fellowship at the Center on Child Abuse and Neglect at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. Her research interests include the behavioral observation of parent-child interactions, the portrayal of child maltreatment in film, and parent-child interaction therapy.



Phillip Zenor

**Professor of Mathematics and Statistics
College of Sciences and Mathematics**

Phillip Zenor joined Auburn in 1968. He co-designed and taught a four-quarter course sequence that integrated calculus and physics. He also co-authored a calculus text that maintained the structure from the integrated class. With an NSF grant, he co-designed and conducted a two-year sequence of courses that integrated the topics in physics, mathematics, and engineering. He is currently a co-principal investigator on a \$9 million NSF grant (TEAM Math) working with Tuskegee University and 15 school districts in the surrounding area to reform and improve the mathematics instruction in the public schools. For 10 years, Zenor served as president and CEO of Formal Systems. He was a co-founder of *Topology Proceedings*, an internationally circulated research mathematics journal that has been published at Auburn for more than 30 years.



Alumni Professors

Twenty-five, five-year non-renewable alumni professorships are sponsored by the Auburn Alumni Association. The Alumni Writer-in-Residence, a creative writer from the English faculty, is the only ongoing appointment. The Vice President for Academic Affairs/Provost calls for nominations from department heads through deans. The awards are presented on the basis of research, publishing, and teaching.

New Alumni Professors



Jonathan W. Armbruster
Associate Professor and Curator of Fishes
Department of Biological Sciences
College of Sciences and Mathematics



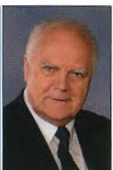
John Gaber
Professor of Community Planning Program
School of Architecture
College of Architecture, Design and Construction



Hanqin Tian
Professor of Ecology
School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences



Vitaly Vodyanoy
Professor of Physiology and Director of Biosensor Laboratory
Department of Anatomy, Physiology and Pharmacology
College of Veterinary Medicine



Bogdan M. Wilamowski
Professor and Director of Alabama Microelectronics Science
and Technology Center
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
Samuel Ginn College of Engineering

Current Alumni Professors

Kelly Alley	<i>Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work</i>
Sushil Bhavnani	<i>Mechanical Engineering</i>
Kai H. Chang	<i>Computer Science and Software Engineering</i>
Patricia Duffy	<i>Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology</i>
Ray Dugas	<i>Art</i>
Mona El-Sheikh	<i>Human Development and Family Studies</i>
George Flowers	<i>Mechanical Engineering</i>
William F. Gale	<i>Mechanical Engineering</i>
Ram Gupta	<i>Chemical Engineering</i>
Kenneth Halanych	<i>Biological Sciences</i>
Jeffrey Katz	<i>Psychology</i>
Steven A. Kincaid	<i>Anatomy, Physiology and Pharmacology</i>
Yoon Y. Lee	<i>Chemical Engineering</i>
Michael McKee	<i>Chemistry and Biochemistry</i>
Guofu Niu	<i>Electrical and Computer Engineering</i>
Francis Robicheaux	<i>Physics</i>
Dennis Ruth	<i>Architecture</i>
Samia Spencer	<i>Foreign Languages and Literatures</i>
Isabelle Thompson	<i>English</i>
Judy Troy	<i>English - Alumni Writer-in-Residence</i>

Master of Ceremonies



Norman Godwin

Associate Professor and Director of the School of Accountancy

College of Business

Norman H. Godwin, PhD, CPA, graduated from AU in 1991 and obtained his doctoral degree from Michigan State University in 1996. His current teaching and research interests focus on financial accounting. His honors at Auburn University include Panhellenic Council Outstanding Professor, Cardinal Key Outstanding Faculty Member, the Association of Graduate Business Students Faculty Member of the Year, the Colonial Company Teaching Excellence Award, the College of Business Outstanding Research Award, the College of Business Excellence in Outreach Award, and the College of Business Distinctive Faculty Achievement Award. He currently serves as president of the National Council of Tau Sigma National Honor Society, president of the American Accounting Association Southeast Region, and faculty advisor to War Eagle Girls and Plainsmen and Mortar Board.

William C. Powell

Associate Professor of Music and Director of Choral Activities

Department of Music, College of Liberal Arts

William C. Powell holds degrees from Alabama State University (BME), Westminster Choir College (MME), and Florida State University (PhD). He was director of choral activities at Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark., for eight years prior to coming to his current position at AU in Fall 2001. He conducts the Auburn University Concert Choir, Gospel Choir, and Men's Chorus, and teaches choral-related undergraduate, graduate, and distance courses in conducting, choral techniques, choral arranging, and choral literature. He is a noted accompanist and arranger. His choral arrangements are published by Hal Leonard Corporation and Gentry Publications/Fred Bock Music. He is in demand as a choral conductor, adjudicator, presenter at conferences and workshops to include the Ithaca College Gospel Music Festival, the Christmas Candlelight Processional at Walt Disney World and at Carnegie Hall in New York City. An active member of the American Choral Directors Association, Powell recently served as the repertoire and standards chair of the Committee on Ethnic and Multicultural Perspectives for the Southern Division. He also holds memberships with the Music Educators Association, the College Music Society, and the American Society of Composers and Publishers.

Doug Rosener

Percussion, Assistant Director of Bands

Doug Rosener received his bachelor's degree in music education from Penn State University, his master's degree in percussion performance from the University of North Texas, and his doctorate in percussion performance from the University of Colorado in Boulder. He has performed with many professional orchestras including the Altoona Symphony, the Boulder Philharmonic, the Sinfonia of Colorado, the Colorado Ballet Company Orchestra, The Colorado Springs Symphony, and the Colorado Music Festival Orchestra. He has recorded CDs with the North Texas Wind Symphony, North Texas Chamber Players, the Colorado Vocal Jazz Ensemble, and has been a regular drummer with several professional musical theater companies. He was also a member of the Cavaliers Drum and Bugle Corps in 1987, 1988, and 1990. Several of his percussion ensemble compositions and arrangements have been published through Drop6 Publications, and he continues to remain active as a percussion composer/arranger, clinician, and judge for high schools and universities throughout the United States. He is an artist/clinician for Vic Firth and Sabian.

Faculty Awards Committee Members

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Auburn University Gospel Choir

Auburn University Steel Drum Band

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