## People

- Industrial Engineering Prof. Shivakumar Raman received the Institute of Industrial Engineers Fellow Award. The highest honor given, it recognizes outstanding leaders who have made significant, nationally recognized contributions to industrial engineering.
- Presidential Prof. of Communication, H. Dan O'Hair, was a featured speaker on May 8 at the Army War College to summarize his research program on terrorism in a presentation entitled, “The Paradox of Communication and Terrorism.”
- Electrical and Computer Engineering Prof. Stamatiou Kartalopoulos was elected an IEEE Fellow, which is the Institute’s most prestigious honor. He has authored 7 textbooks, holds 19 patents and has published more than 120 papers.

## Scholarship

- Prof. Janet Brennan Croft, Head of Access Services for University Libraries, has published *Tolkien and Shakespeare: Essays on Shared Themes and Language*. This is her fourth book and second edited collection.
- Prof. Albert L. Hurtado, Travis Chair in American History, recently published *John Sutter: A Life on the North American Frontier* with OU Press. Sutter was a pivotal figure in the history of the American West and is best known for the gold discovery that set off the great rush to California in 1848. In January, Hurtado toured California to give lectures on the book.

## Funding

- Researchers from the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering (James Sluss, Pramode Verma, Hakki Refai and Monte Tull) and School of Chemical Engineering (Jerry Newman) received a $3,468,596 grant from 3D Icon Corporation to develop prototype devices that demonstrate the ability to display objects in three dimensions. The research team already has submitted three utility patent applications as a result of research performed in the first two phases of this project.
- The William R. Hearst Foundation of Dallas approved a $200,000 grant to the Gaylord College for the William Randolph Hearst Foundation Endowed Lecture Series. It will bring 3-4 guest speakers to campus each semester.

## Feature: Oklahoma Biological Survey (OBS)

- The OBS, established in 1927 and currently led by Zoology Professor Caryn C. Vaughn, is both a College of Arts and Sciences research unit and a State office.
- OBS includes 8 faculty, 14 professional staff, 4 support staff, and numerous graduate and undergraduate students. They study the ecology, evolutionary biology, and conservation of the flora and fauna of Oklahoma and associated regions, provide information used in environmental review, and assist in the protection and preservation of the natural heritage of Oklahoma.
- OBS funding exceeds $6.5M including support from the NSF, EPA, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, USA Forest Service, Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation, and Oklahoma Department of Transportation.