People

- Prof. J. R. Cruz, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, was elected by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Vehicular Technology Society to a three-year term on its Board of Governors, starting January 1, 2008.
- Prof. Albert L. Hurtado, Travis Chair in Modern American History, won the LA Times Distinguished Fellowship at the Henry E. Huntington Library and Art Gallery in San Marino, California. The $60,000 award will help fund one year of residence at the library.

Feature: CIVO

- The Commerce Information and Venture Opportunities (CIVO) office, located in the Office of the University VP for Technology Development, is led by Col Joel Martin (USAF, Ret). CIVO serves the mission of the broad R&D enterprise by building relations with external interests (mostly government and industry), scouting opportunities, and managing strategy and alignments.
- CIVO is architecting a data aggregation concept whereby OU serves to collect and distribute a wide variety of environmental and other data to industry and government.
- Stanley/Techrizon, now in One Partners Place and hiring 12-15 employees, provides engineering for the US Army Fire Finder radar and other fire-control radar systems. CIVO is helping integrate them into the OU enterprise and develop opportunities.

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- Honors College Prof. Randolph Lewis had two peer-reviewed articles accepted for publication in October: one on “intentionality” in nonfiction cinema for *Studies in Documentary Film*, and a piece on new Sicilian photography for *Transformations*.
- Computer Science Prof. and Hitachi Chair, Krishnaiyan Thulasiraman, was elected Fellow of the American Association for Advancement of Science for more than four decades of distinguished scholarly contributions.
- Dr. Le Gruenwald, David W. Franke Professor and Director of Computer Science, was honored as a Distinguished Alumnus at the 40th Anniversary of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Southern Methodist University.

Funding and Scholarship

- Anthropology Prof. Diane Warren will receive up to $680,000 from the National Institutes of Health for a 5-year investigation of genetic factors influencing type 2 diabetes in Oklahoma American Indians. Her project part of Dr. Jian-Xing Ma's $11M Center of Biomedical Research Excellence study at OUHSC.
- Profs. Vassilios Sikavitsas and Dimitrios Papavassiliou, School of Chemical, Biological and Materials Engineering, received an NSF grant to examine the effects of fluid flow on adult stem cells.
- Prof. Yongpei Guan, School of Industrial Engineering, received $142,516 from NSF to study Stochastic Programming.