Alberta Ellett, an associate professor in the School of Social Work, was elected to serve a three-year term on the board of directors of the Society for Social Work and Research and as the secretary of the board. The SSWR is a professional society and nonprofit organization dedicated to the involvement of social workers and social work faculty and students in research and to the promotion of human welfare through research and research applications.

Claude Felton, associate athletic director, received the 2008 Bert McGrane Award from the Football Writers Association of America. The McGrane Award is given to a member of the media who has made a significant contribution to the coverage of college football. Felton, a member of the College Sports Information Director's Hall of Fame, has been sports information director at UGA since 1979.

Michael Geller, physics professor, presented an invited lecture on “Quantum Computer Design” at the fourth International Workshop on Simulational Physics held at Zhejiang University in Hangzhou, China. While in China, he also presented this talk at the Workshop on Computational Physics sponsored by Northwest University in Xi'an.

David P. Landau, Distinguished Research Professor and director of the Center for Simulational Physics, presented an invited talk entitled “Monte Carlo Simulations of Critical Endpoint Behavior: A ‘New’ Old Problem” at the fourth International Workshop on Simulational Physics held at Zhejiang University in Hangzhou, China.

Gregory H. Robinson, Franklin Professor Chemistry, has been named the 2008 Herty Medalist. The award is given in honor of Charles Holmes Herty, innovative chemist and namesake of UGA’s Herty Field and Herty Drive. Robinson is being honored for his groundbreaking research into the organometallic chemistry of the main group elements and for his service to chemistry. Robinson will present a lecture and receive the Herty Medal in a ceremony in Atlanta next month.
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