

## HONORS CONVOCATION

UNLV TAM ALUMNI CENTER APRIL 20, 2011

HOWARD R. HUGHES COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING



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ALMA MATER, WE PRAISE YOU FOR SPIRIT, THE ETERNAL FLAME, STRENGTH WHICH NEVER FALTERS, A TRIBUTE TO YOUR NAME ALMA MATER, WE THANK YOU, **FXALTED SCARLET AND GRAY.** Truth and wisdom from your standard IN OUR MINDS AND HEARTS WILL STAY ALMA MATER, WE CHERISH YOU. AND IN OUR DAYS THAT ARE YET TO BE, OUR VOICES LET US EVER RAISE IN HONOR, U-N-L-V

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# 2010 - 2011 HOWARD R. HUGHES COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING HONORS CONVOCATION PROGRAM

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National Anthem Mr. Paul Villaluz '97, '06

Introduction of the Dean Dr. Mohamed Trabia

Welcome Dr. Rama Venkat, Dean

Introduction of Dean's List Recipients Ms. Doa M. Gregory, P.E. '98

Introduction of Keynote Speaker Dr. Rama Venkat

Keynote Speaker Dr. Stephen M. Younger

President, National Security

Technologies, LLC

Presentation of Scholarship Recipients Ms. Doa M. Gregory, P.E. '98

Presentation of University, College

& Department Awards Dr. Rama Venkat

Dr. Mohamed Trabia Dr. Peter Stubberud Capt. Mindy Davitch Lt. Col. Eric Wishart

Dr. David Ashley Dr. John T. Minor Dr. David Shields

Dr. Henry Selvaraj Dr. Hal Berghel Dr. Woosoon Yim

Recessional and Alma Mater Mr. Paul Villaluz '97, '06

Guests are to please remain standing until faculty and honor students have completed the recessional. Please join us

in the Lobby of the UNLV TAM Alumni Center for a reception immediately following the Convocation.

## MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



Welcome to the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering Honors Convocation. We strive for excellence in everything that we do. Our academic and intellectual values form the basis of everything that goes on within the college. This event was established to recognize faculty, students and staff who have demonstrated superior achievement during their time here at UNLV.

The reputation of the College is built largely upon the reputation of our faculty and graduates, so we would take this opportunity to recognize the outstanding achievement of these individuals. We would also like to offer our heartfelt thanks to those individuals and corporations who provide funding for students scholarships, faculty grants, and for key programs which support our students.

The administration, staff, and faculty of the College work very hard to provide an environment in which our students can be successful. Success in challenging disciplines such as computer science and engineering does not come without serious effort. I am extremely proud of our faculty and staff, but most of all, I am proud of our students. It is your talent and hard work that we, along with your family and friends, celebrate tonight.

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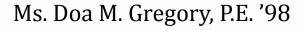
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## MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES





Mrs. Gregory currently serves as the Engineering Services Manager for the Las Vegas Valley Water District, where she oversees the review, approval and construction inspection of all private development and public works projects within the City of Las Vegas and unincorporated Clark County.

Doa is the inaugural President for the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering Alumni Chapter, which was formed in May 2009, where she continues to serve as the President and as a Director on the UNLV Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Doa and her husband, Shannon have two girls, Eliza (6) and Charisma (8).

## 2010 - 2011 DEAN'S LIST

Undergraduate Students with at least 12 credits and a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3.50 or higher are eligible for the Dean's Honor List. This list represents the Spring 2010 and Fall 2010 Semesters.

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## KEYNOTE SPEAKER



## Stephen M. Younger, PhD President National Security Technologies<sup>LLC</sup>

Stephen M. Younger is the president of National Security Technologies, LLC, the manager and operator of the Nevada National Security Site and satellite facilities in California, New Mexico, Nevada, Hawaii, Washington, D.C., and Germany. He is also a senior policy scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and a faculty member at the University of Hawaii.

From 2001 to 2004, Younger was the director of the Defense Threat Reduction Agency, a component of the

U.S. Department of Defense whose mission is to reduce the threat of weapons of mass destruction. His oversight responsibilities included arms control inspections, The Cooperative Threat Reduction Program, advanced weapons development, chemical and biological defense programs, and operations in Iraq.

Prior to government service, Younger was senior associate director for national security at the Los Alamos National Laboratory. He was responsible for assuring the safety and reliability of most of America's nuclear deterrent, and managed a wide array of capabilities and facilities ranging from basic research to plutonium manufacturing. Younger was a driving force in the development of a new approach to strategic forces and deterrence in the post Cold War era, one that emphasized reductions in the nuclear stockpile and greater use of conventional weapons for strategic applications. He was the founder and first director of the Center for International Security Affairs at Los Alamos and took a leading role in opening the Russian nuclear weapons institutes for international collaboration.

From 1982 to 1989, Younger was a nuclear weapons designer at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in Livermore, Calif., where he developed and oversaw the testing of several new concepts in nuclear explosives. He previously served as computational atomic theorist at the National Bureau of Standards in Gaithersburg, Md.

Younger has published more than 70 papers in physics, public policy, and anthropology. He is a Fellow of the American Physical Society and recipient of the Secretary of Defense Award for Outstanding Public Service. His book *Endangered Species: How We Can Avoid Mass Destruction and Build a Lasting Peace*, offers a comprehensive approach to reducing the threat from weapons of mass destruction. *The Bomb: A New History*, deals with the history and future of nuclear weapons. Younger's current research and writing centers on the nexus of leadership, interpersonal violence, and warfare in chiefdoms with a focus on Pacific island societies. A book on this subject is in preparation.

Younger earned his bachelor's degree in physics from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., in 1973; a master's degree in physics from the University of Maryland in College Park, Md., in 1975; and a doctorate degree in physics from the University of Maryland in 1978. He resides in Las Vegas. April 2011.

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## **UNIVERSITY AWARDS**

### 2011 NSHE BOARD OF REGENTS' AWARDS

Regents' Scholar Award (undergraduate)

Shipra De, Honors, BA Economics, BS Math, BA Computer Science

#### HARRY REID SILVER STATE RESEARCH AWARD

Dr. Woosoon Yim, Chair, Mechanical Engineering

#### **CSUN FACULTY AWARDS**

**CSUN Faculty Awards in Engineering** 

Dr. Pushkin Kachroo, Electrical & Computer Engineering

## **COLLEGE AWARDS**

## DISTINGUISHED COLLEGE RESEARCHER

Recipient receives a \$1000 monetary award and a plaque to honor them for their outstanding research contributions.

Dr. Darrell Pepper

## **OUTSTANDING COLLEGE TEACHER**

Recipient receives a \$1000 monetary award and a plaque acknowledging their excellence in the classroom.

Dr. Yi-Tung Chen

## DISTINGUISHED COLLEGE RESEARCHER

## Dr. Darrell Pepper



Dr. Pepper's contribution to the College, his profession, and the field of Finite Element Analysis is substantial at all levels. This is reflected in his numerous publications. He is a prolific writer and researcher. In just the past year, he published one book, two book chapters, and five journal papers. Over the last five years, he has authored three books, four book chapters, 16 journal publications, 36 conference proceedings, and 26 citations. He is the lead writer of most of his peer reviewed publications. His contribution entitled "Application of an h-adaptive finite element model for wind energy assessment in Nevada" has received seven citations. In addition to publications, he has been successful in attracting research funding. In the past five years he has received 4 grants totaling to about \$1,724,000). Dr. Pepper has also stayed active in mentoring graduate students. He currently supervises three M.S. students. He has graduated four M.S. students in the past five years.

Dr. Pepper came to the College of Engineering in 1992. Since that time he has served as the Interim Dean of the College, the Chairman of the Mechanical Engineering Department, the Director of the Nevada Center for Advanced Computational Methods, Director of Engineering, High-Pressure Science and Engineering Center, Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering, and Associate Director of CMEST. His areas of expertise are computational fluid dynamics and heat transfer. Dr. Pepper received his Ph.D. from the University of Missouri-Rolla.

Dr. Pepper received his Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering and an M.S. in Aerospace Engineering from the University of Missouri at Rolla. He served as an Officer in the United States Army, Corps of Engineers for five years and completed two years of service in the Army Reserve as a Captain. He is a Fellow of ASME and an Associate Fellow of AIAA. Dr. Pepper is a member of Sigma Xi, ASEE, USACM, and SIAM. Over the course of his career Dr. Pepper has participated in projects and raised funds equaling nearly \$19 million dollars.

#### Research

- Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Fluid Dynamics
- Heat Transfer
- Environmental Transport
- Numerical Methods
- Finite Elements
- Meshless Methods

## **OUTSTANDING COLLEGE TEACHER**

## Dr. Yi-Tung Chen



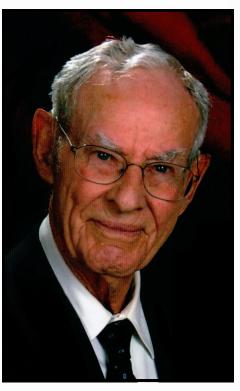
Dr. Yitung Chen is Associate Professor of Department of Mechanical Engineering. He received his Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Utah in 1991. He also has a minor in Nuclear Engineering. He was a consultant for several engineering companies from 1991 to 1993. Dr. Chen is an expert in experimental and computational aspects of momentum, heat, and mass transfer. His research interests include hydrogen energy, high temperature heat exchanger design, proton exchange membrane, phase change materials, chemical kinetics modeling, high level radioactive waste repository design, atmospheric sciences, magnetohydrodynamics modeling, ground water transport, energy conservation, fuel cell design, electrochemical cell design, process analysis and modeling, and biomedical engineering. He also has a strong background in organic chemistry, biochemistry, polymer chemistry, and physical chemistry. He has been appointed as Associate Technical Director of Nuclear Hydrogen Initiative (NHI) Program at UNLV in 2006. His research has included many special programs through the Department of Energy. He receives external funding over \$2M/year and employs nearly 25 research faculty, professional staffs, graduate and undergraduate students to work on the different funded projects. He is the author or co-author of over 250 technical publications.

Dr. Chen demonstrates a consistent record of quality teaching and displayed qualities that are to be admired as a distinguished teacher and scholar. In particular, the Committee commended his excellent student exit interviews, his consistently high student evaluations, his publications and his teaching methods.

#### Research

- Corrosion Modeling Studies
- Hydrogen Production through Nuclear and Solar Technologies

## TROY BARTLETT AWARD



Troy Bartlett was born on April 24, 1924, in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma to parents who struggled to raise wheat and cotton in the middle of the Dust Bowl during the Great Depression. The adversity broke weaker souls, but Troy's parents instilled in him, a strong work ethic and commitment to one's community. values Trov exemplified throughout his life. He met Selma, his high sweetheart, before heading off to serve in the European Theatre of World War II. They were married in Anadarko, OK, over 65 years ago. Selma moved Trov and Henderson, Nevada in 1954 when Troy was stationed at Nellis Air Force Base. He spent 20 years in the Air Force, retiring as a Master Sergeant.

After his military service, Troy worked for 25 years at First Interstate Bank, where he retired as a bank officer in charge of purchasing. Banking was a profession he shared with his wife, who was regional president and board member at Bank West of Nevada. Side by side, the couple worked together, sponsoring scholarships at UNLV, Nevada State College and CSN, helping churches throughout the community and even taking nuns from St. Rose Dominican Hospitals on vacations with them.

Troy dedicated his life to the service of others and through the Troy Bartlett Service Award, the UNLV College of Engineering honors its most outstanding senior for his/her service to others, both on the college campus and within the local community. In this way Troy's vision of volunteerism lives on through the actions of others. His dedication to making the community a better place, is achieved, one graduate at a time.

# 2011 TROY BARTLETT SERVICE AWARD WINNER



Anabell Shimono

Computer Engineering

President of the UNLV Collegiate Chapter of the Society of Women Engineers

Born in 1987 to an unwed mother in the Phillipines, Anabell was abandoned at birth and left to die. She was rescued after 10 days by the woman who became her adopted mother. Ana's parents were stationed in the Philippines with the USAF. He mother was a native of the islands, but her father was Japanese American. They moved back to the United States where Ana grew up in a loving and supportive family.

She will graduate this May with a bachelor's degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering. Not only has Anabell successfully completed this strenuous curriculum, she also took on the role of President for the UNLV Collegiate Chapter of the Society of Women Engineers. She is extremely active in volunteerism here at the college and is never one to say, "no" when asked to give of her time, energy, and talents. She is an inspiration to all of us. We expect great things from this little lady who has already overcome so much adversity with grace and compassion.

## **COLLEGE AWARDS**

AIR FORCE ROTC

Distinguished Graduate

Distinguished Graduate

Cadet Dean Graham

Cadet Antoniya Petkova

**ARMY ROTC** 

SY 2011 Distinguished Military Graduate

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