

**THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
2009-2010 LECTURES COMMITTEE REPORT
May 11, 2010**

Lectures Committee:

David Wilder, associate professor of biomedical engineering, chair

Fred Streicher, College of Engineering director of marketing and communications, ex-officio member

Caterpillar “On the Edge of Technology” Seminar Series

The Caterpillar Foundation, Peoria, IL, was unable to provide funding for the “On the Edge of Technology” seminar series for the 2009-2010 academic year because of budget constraints. Thus, no seminars were scheduled. The foundation did support engineering scholarships and Ethnic Inclusion Effort for Iowa Engineering.

Randall and Barbara Meyer “Grabbing the Globe” Seminar Series

For the 2009-2010 academic year, the College of Engineering continued the college-wide seminar series, titled The Randall and Barbara Meyer "Grabbing the Globe" College-wide Seminar Series. The seminar series recognizes UI Distinguished Engineering Alumni Academy member Randall Meyer (BS 1948 with highest distinction in mechanical engineering) and his wife, Barbara. Featured speakers included:

- November 12, 2009 – Hosted by Electrical and Computer Engineering, featuring Andy Haun (BS 1984 in electrical engineering), engineering director, electronic and software engineering for Schneider Electric, Raleigh, NC, and member of the College of Engineering Advisory Board.
- March 11, 2010 – Hosted by Biomedical Engineering, featuring Dr. Robert Malkin is director, engineering world health, and professor, biomedical engineering at Duke University.
- April 22, 2010 – Hosted by Chemical and Biochemical Engineering, featuring John L. Kessler (BS 1981 in chemical engineering), global engineering and design competency manager at DuPont, Wilmington, DE.

College of Engineering “Sustainable U” Seminar Series

For the 2009-2010 academic year, the College of Engineering established a collegewide seminar series designed to share sustainability experiences, challenges, and best practices from industry leaders recognized for world-class sustainability programs with students, faculty, staff, local and state government officials, and corporate partners.

- October 1, 2009 – Featuring Jean Sweeney, vice president of environmental, health & safety operations, 3M Company, St. Paul, MN.
- April 15, 2010 – Featuring Laurie Zelnio, director of safety, environment and standards, Deere & Company, Moline, IL.

Other Notable College-wide Seminars

- The Annual Kurtz Lecture was held October 15, 2009. Jan Jelinek, senior fellow at Honeywell Advanced Technology Labs, Minneapolis, spoke on "Visual Biometrics."
- Paul D. Scholz Symposium on Technology and its Role in Society, sponsored by Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honor society, was presented April 8, 2010. Richard H. Stanley (MS 1963 sanitary engineering), UI Distinguished Engineering Alumni Academy member, chair emeritus of The Stanley Group of companies, and chair of the Stanley Foundation, spoke on "Engineering -- A Global Perspective."