

Alumni Awards Banquet



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The College of Engineering honored eight distinguished alumni who have brought honor to the college through their exceptional achievements, both professional and philanthropic, at a May 7 banquet at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center.



Applied Engineering Sciences Distinguished Alumni Award

Jane E. Sydlowski
(BS '86, Engineering Arts)

Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award

Benson J. Lamp
(PhD '60, Agricultural Engineering)

Red Cedar Circle Award in Chemical Engineering and Materials Science

John Ogren
(BS '65, Chemical Engineering)
John Warren Pridgeon*
(BS '58, Metallurgical Engineering)

Civil and Environmental Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award

Ben C. Maibach III
(BS '68, Civil Engineering)

Computer Science and Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award

Julie Louis-Benaglio
(BS '79, Computer Science)

John D. Ryder Electrical and Computer Engineering Alumni Award

Brian M. Kent
(BS '80, Electrical Engineering)

Mechanical Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award

Joseph C. Klewicki
(BS '83, PhD '89, Mechanical Engineering)

Claud Erickson Distinguished Alumnus Award

John Ogren
(BS '65, Chemical Engineering)

*posthumous



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- 1 Dean Janie Fouke addresses attendees after a delicious meal at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center.
- 2 John Pridgeon received the Chemical Engineering and Materials Science Red Cedar Circle Award posthumously. His wife, Nancy, accepted it on his behalf.
- 3 Many of John Pridgeon's relatives, glad to see him honored, attended the banquet with John's wife, Nancy. All but four of the family members pictured live in Michigan. *Left to right:* Dean Pridgeon (John's brother and former president of the MSU Board of Trustees); Becky Pridgeon (BS mathematics '67) (John's niece, Dean's daughter); Marcille (MS Human Ecology '54) and Tom Dalgleish (John's sister and her husband); Janet Pridgeon (John's sister-in-law, wife of Marvin); Robert Godosky and Laurie Pridgeon (John's son-in-law and daughter from New York City); Sharron Pridgeon (John's sister-in-law, wife of Thomas); Lisa Pridgeon Craighead (John's daughter from Fairfield, Connecticut); Thomas Pridgeon (PhD Educ Admin '74) (John's brother); Nancy Pridgeon (John's wife, attended MSU but married John before graduating, from Charlotte, North Carolina); and Marvin Pridgeon (John's brother, BS Agricultural Engineering '50).
- 4 Department chairperson Laura Dillon (*left*) presented Julie Louis-Benaglio with the Computer Science and Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award.
- 5 Department chairperson Martin Hawley (*left*) presented both Nancy Pridgeon (John Pridgeon's wife) and John Ogren with a 2005 Chemical Engineering and Materials Science Red Cedar Circle Award.
- 6 Brian Kent family. *Left to right:* Daniel (son), Brian, Linda (wife), Stephen (son)
- 7 Jane Sydlowski accepts the Applied Engineering Sciences Distinguished Alumni Award.
- 8 Ben Maibach (*left*) received the Civil and Environmental Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award from department chairperson, Ron Harichandran.
- 9 Eann Patterson, department chairperson; Joe Klewicki; and John Foss, professor of mechanical engineering. Foss, a former mentor and currently a colleague of Joe's, presented Klewicki with the Mechanical Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award.
- 10 Benson Lamp accepts the Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award
- 11 2005 award winners. *Left to right:* Benson Lamp, Jane Sydlowski, Brian Kent, Julie Louis-Benaglio, Ben Maibach, Dean Janie Fouke, John Ogren, Nancy Pridgeon (for John Pridgeon), and Joe Klewicki.

To view a gallery of photos from the Alumni Awards Banquet, go to www.egr.msu.edu/egr/development/alumni/awards/banquet-photos/2005/index.php. To read more about the award winners or about the awards, go to www.egr.msu.edu/egr/development/alumni/awards/program-06.pdf.

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