

Friday, October 3, 2003

Alumni, friends to receive awards at banquet

The **Oakland University Alumni Association** will honor alumni and friends at the ninth annual **Alumni Awards Banquet**, which will be held on campus Saturday, Oct. 11, in the Oakland Center Banquet Room.

This year's awards and their recipients are:

Distinguished Alumni Service Award – Dennis Pawley of Waterford, School of Education and Human Services (SEHS) '82 and trustee of Oakland University. This is Oakland's highest alumni honor and recognizes outstanding alumni leadership and service to OU or the alumni association.

Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award – George W. Jackson Jr. of Southfield, SEHS '75, president and CEO of Detroit Economic Growth Corporation. This award recognizes outstanding professional achievement or contribution to the community.

The Odyssey Award – Monica E. Emerson of Rochester, College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) '71 and executive director of the Corporate Diversity Office at DaimlerChrysler. This award honors alumni whose lives exemplify Oakland University's motto to "seek virtue and knowledge."

The Odyssey Award – John (Jack) Parker, MD, FACP, FCCP of Morgantown, W.Va., CAS '72, professor and chief of pulmonary and critical care medicine at West Virginia University of Health Sciences Center.

The Spirit Award – Barry M. Klein of West Bloomfield, CAS '68 and chairman of Barry M. Klein Realty Enterprises, LLC. This award recognizes exemplary volunteer service to the university.

Honorary Alumnus/Alumna Award – Hugh Elliott of Rochester, president and CEO of Elliott Group International, Nancy Elliott of Rochester, retired teacher of the Utica Public School System, and Patrick Nicosia of Rochester Hills, retired director for Budget and Financial Planning at Oakland University. These awards recognize non-OU alumni who have given outstanding service to the university.

For more information, visit the **OU Alumni Award Winners** Web page or contact Jamie Simek at (248) 370-3700, ext. 1113, or ruark@oakland.edu.

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