LSU College of Basic Sciences reception

Attending a reception hosted by the LSU College of Basic Sciences to recognize recipients of distinguished professorships and donors are, front row from left, Mark Batzer, Ray Ferrell, Jim Moroney, Robert Strongin, Graca Vicente, John Battista, Charles H. Barré, Mark Hafner and Dean Kevin R. Carman.

LSU Basic Sciences awards professorships

The LSU College of Basic Sciences awarded distinguished professorships to eight of its faculty at an April 28 reception at the historic French House.

The awards were made to faculty members for excellence in teaching, research and service to the university. In addition, the donors for the various professorships, each created from an endowment of $100,000 or more, were recognized.

Dean Kevin R. Carman presided over the ceremony and presented cut-glass plaques to each recipient. Honored were John Battista, recognized as the Mary Lou Applewhite Professor in Biological Sciences, donated by Dr. Mary Lou Applewhite; Mark Batzer, recipient of the George C. Kent Professorship No. 4, donated by Applewhite; Ray Ferrell, recognized as the Webster Parish Chapter Alumni Professor with J.C. Johnson as chapter president; Mark Hafner, recognized as the DeSoto Parish Alumni Chapter Professor with Gil Reo as chapter president; Jim Moroney, recipient of the Glenda Wooters Streva Memorial LSU Alumni Departmental Professorship, donated by Carl Streva; Robert Strongin, recipient of the Philip W. and Foymae K. West Distinguished Professorship in Chemistry, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. West; and Graca Vicente, recognized as the Charles H. Barré Professor of Chemistry, donated by Charles H. Barré.

Ray Goodrich, recipient of the Ball Family Professorship in Physics, donated by Byrd and Alice Ball, was unable to attend and will receive his plaque at a later date.

Items for the “Coffee With Carol Anne and Mary” column are welcomed. In order to have submissions printed, information must be received by 9 a.m. the Monday preceding the Sunday run date. Events must be current and will run no later than three weeks after they have taken place. All information must be complete with the date and place of the event and should include a contact name and phone number. Photos are also welcomed. They will be used on a space-available basis and should preferably include no more than five people. Photos submitted will not be returned. However, they will be available to be picked up in the lobby of The Advocate, 525 Lafayette St. They will be kept on file for three months, after which time they will be discarded.