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Editor's Commentary:

Volume 16 of the *AURCO Journal* is here. This 16th edition represents my fourth and final year as Editor of the *Journal*. It has been an interesting and enlightening experience during the past four years overseeing the *Journal*. I sincerely hope that we have built upon Editor Emeritus Art Molitierno's vision for the *Journal*. I would also like to welcome the next Editor of the *Journal* Dr. Stephen Nameth of Ohio State University—ATI in Wooster. Dr. Nameth brings a wealth of experience as an author, reviewer, and editor, so I look forward to a smooth hand-off of the *Journal*.

Thirteen manuscripts were deemed worthy of publication this year by our capable and loyal group of reviewers. Nine campuses within AURCO and several universities both inside and outside the borders of Ohio are represented in this edition. In addition, we continue the tradition of publishing the award winning student papers from the prior year's conference. In 2010, we are fortunate to publish the E. "Ted" Bunn Outstanding Student Paper from the 2009 Conference held at Miami University—Middletown.

As always, in keeping with the interdisciplinary nature of the journal, the reader will find a variety of writing and documentation styles employed by the authors. We continue to promote a diversity of styles and welcome manuscripts from all disciplines represented in academe from our member institutions and beyond.

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The 2010 AURCO Journal Editor's Choice award goes to:

Mary Ellen DeHoff of the University of Cincinnati—Clermont for her paper

Genetics Education in the Laboratory: Addressing Students' Misconceptions through Instruction and Activities

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Next, I would like to thank our special team of reviewers as they are the gatekeepers of quality for the *Journal* and they execute their charge with that in mind. I would also like to thank my Associate Dean, Dr. Victoria A. Hammer for her support over the past four years that helped make the publication of the *Journal* from the home base at the University of Cincinnati—Clermont possible.

The two people that I will miss working with the most are Associate Editor Li Zhou of Ohio University—Zanesville and Editorial Assistant and Graphic Designer Kathryn Brooks of the University of Cincinnati—Clermont. Li has always managed the review process with expert efficiency in dealing with the many submissions and reviewers needed to prepare an interdisciplinary journal. Kathryn has been the glue that binds the *Journal*; she keeps me on task and prepares the entire manuscript for printing. In addition, she designed and prepared the current cover graphics. Quite simply, the *Journal* would not exist without Li and Kathryn.

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