Teaching awards
President Jay Gogue, left, and Debbie Shaw, right, vice president for alumni affairs, congratulate recipients of the Auburn Alumni Association’s 2007 Alumni Undergraduate Teaching Awards. Recipients, starting at second from left, are Mark Byrne of Chemical Engineering, Elizabeth Brestan Knight of Psychology and Philip Zenor of Mathematics and Statistics.

Cater Lawn activity to highlight AU recycling program
To celebrate America Recycles Day, the AU Recycling Program will conduct its second “Landfill on the Lawn” event on Cater Lawn from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. Thursday.

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The AU College of Education recently awarded 118 undergraduate and graduate scholarships and assistantships totaling more than $210,000 for the 2007-08 academic year, an increase of more than $60,000 from last year.

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Gaillard will discuss his book, “Prophet From Plains: Jimmy Carter and His Legacy,” at 3 p.m. in the Special Collections and Archives Department in Draughon Library.

Gaillard, author of more than a dozen books on subjects ranging from civil rights to southern music, first profiled the former president for the Charlotte Observer in the mid-1980s.

Expanding his research to survey Carter’s role on the national and global stage in his post-presidency years, the new book interprets the former president’s life and work.

David Carter of the Department of History in AU’s College of Liberal Arts wrote the book’s introduction and will join Gaillard in the presentation.

Casting a spell
In this scene from Shakespeare’s “A Midsummer Night’s Dream,” Puck, played by Phillip Beard of the English Department, casts a spell on the First Fairy, played by AU student Natalie McCormick. Presented as a “jukebox musical” with songs from several decades and styles, the AU Theatre comedy continues Tuesday-Friday at Telfair Peet Theatre. For tickets, call 844-4154.