

## Cynthia Hoover wins George W. Thorn Award

Cynthia A Hoover (nee Miller), PhD 1995

Dr. Hoover has been selected by UB Alumni Associate for the George W. Thorn Award.

Dr. Hoover earned her doctorate in synthetic inorganic chemistry from UB (Jim D. Atwood mentor) and after two years as a research chemist at Advanced Technology Materials in Danbury, CT, joined the Praxair Research and Development Center as a development associate in electronics technology and analytic research and development. Dr. Hoover is now director of research and development for the Fortune 500 Company that has operations around the world and is responsible for the identification, development and commercialization of new products to be used for the electronics industry. She holds several patents and in 2005 was the recipient of the Young Eminent Engineer Award from the National Academy of Engineering. She is an avid recruiter of UB students to Praxair, successfully placing chemists, chemical and mechanical engineers.