

# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pitt's Vision Studies Program Panel

## "What are you most proud of?"

### **Dr. Bruce Blasch – Previous Faculty**

VA Medical Center, Decatur, GA, Retired  
Developing of the software program "RoboCane".

### **Dr. Ralph Peabody – Previous Faculty**

University of Pittsburgh, Retired  
Founding the program at Pitt and remained its coordinator for 25 years.

### **Dr. Richard Welsh – Previous Faculty**

President, Pittsburgh Vision Services, Retired  
My role in the creation of the first comprehensive textbook for the field of orientation and mobility: *Foundations of Orientation & Mobility*.

### **Dr. George J. Zimmerman – Current Faculty**

University of Pittsburgh  
Creating the Zimmerman Low Vision Simulation Kit in 1979 and the effect it had upon preservice and inservice training regarding the impact of low vision.

### **Dr. Lynn Fox** Class of 2012

PaTTAN Consultant  
Serving 11 years as a teacher-educator. It's been a privilege to combine my passion of teaching with the research and practice to prepare TVIs.

### **Dr. Kathleen Huebner** Class of 1981

Professor Emeritus, Salus University  
Adjunct Faculty, University of Arizona at Tucson  
Helping to create the National Center for Leadership in Visual Impairment and National Leadership Consortium in Sensory Disabilities.

### **Dr. Rebecca Renshaw** Class of 2010

Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children  
Creating a clinical competency assessment tool that ACVREP is considering to adopt as their new clinical competency requirement for individuals seeking O&M certification.

### **Dr. Christine Roman-Lantzy** Class of 1996

Pediatric View at the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, CVI Resources, and CVI Project Director, APH  
My book "Cortical Visual Impairment: An Approach to Assessment & Intervention".

### **Dr. Ellyn Ross** Class of 2000

Intermediate Unit 13, Retired  
Providing exemplary education and rehabilitation services to clients and families in a variety of direct service and administrative roles.

### **Dr. Audrey Smith** Class of 1971

Dean, College of Education and Rehabilitation, Salus University  
How far we have come in such a short period relative to the lives of those with blindness and low vision and the drive, spirit, and knowledge about what we must do to ensure quality efforts and growth in the future.

### **Dr. Kim Zebehazy** Class of 2006

University of British Columbia  
Creating the UBC O&M Program.

## Distinguished Alumni

### **Dr. Frances Mary D'Andrea** Class of 2010

Educational Consultant; Instructor, University of Pittsburgh; Chair, Braille Authority of North America  
Creating the Braille Bug website and materials.

### **Dr. Jane Erin** Class of 1984

University of Arizona, Retired  
My role as the first field-based Editor-in-Chief of JVIB and my research participation on the *ABC Braille* study.

### **Dr. Kay Ferrell** Class of 1983

University of Northern Colorado  
My book "Reach Out and Teach".