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Harriet Konter and Steve Smith

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(June 11, 2010) The Armstrong Atlantic State University (AASU) [Alumni Association](#) recognized two alumni during its 2010 Distinguished and Outstanding Alumni Awards reception held June 7 on the AASU campus. Savannah Mayor Otis Johnson, a 1964 graduate of Armstrong State College, was on hand to congratulate the award recipients.

Harriet Konter received the 2010 Outstanding Alumni Award, which recognizes alumni who have made significant contributions to the growth and development of the university through dedication and support of the institution and the alumni association.

Konter, who graduated from Armstrong Junior College in 1944, is a former president of the AASU Alumni Association. She holds the professional designations of G.R.I., C.R.B. and Leadership Training Graduate. A past president of the Savannah Board of Realtors and former Realtor of the Year, she was the first woman in Georgia to serve as president of the Georgia Association of Realtors. In addition, Konter is a former director of the National Association of Realtors.

Steve Smith received the 2010 Distinguished Alumni Award, which recognizes Armstrong alumni who have achieved distinction through community involvement and professional expertise and who have provided leadership to the community.

Recently appointed as the U.S. Marshal for the Southern District of Georgia, Smith is a 28-year veteran of the Savannah Police Department and a decorated Vietnam War veteran. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in [criminal justice](#) from Armstrong State College in 1975 and 1986, respectively. He joined the Savannah Police Department in 1973 and rose to the rank of captain during his tenure. He served as commander for the Chatham-Savannah Counter Narcotics Team from 1996 to 2002. His law enforcement career also included his service as police chief in Thunderbolt, GA from 2002 to 2005.

For further information about the AASU Alumni Association, contact [Beth Crovatt](#) at 912.344.2586.



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