

Nancy Bissinger ('15, '10, '73)

Nancy owns Electrical Sales Corporation while her son, Brandon ('07), runs the day to day operations. Electrical Sales is a third generation family business operating in the New Orleans area and specializing in telecommunications. She recently established Pinehaven Timber, LLC and is actively managing loblolly and longleaf pine timber operations, with educational help from the Forestry department at Auburn. Since her first AU degree in 1973, Nancy has retired from several different careers related to the field of technology and from her favorite career—motherhood.

She spent 2010 living as a student in Auburn, re-learning statistics and calculus and finishing the MS degree she began in 1973. Nancy went on to teach herself enough about the transmission of power and the properties of natural gas to earn the PhD degree in 2015 with a dissertation entitled, *Cyberintrusion Detection in Critical Infrastructure*. Following graduation, Nancy held a part-time post-doc position in the ISE department at AU until 2018—preparing proposal documentation for the Master of Engineering Management Degree program, photographing for and writing the annual newsletter, editing student papers, and chaperoning a summer abroad trip.

Nancy is a member of 100+Women Strong and The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at Auburn, a Louisiana Master Naturalist and a Mississippi Master Gardener, and serves on the Louisiana State Master Naturalist Board. She is an amateur photographer, a writer, poet and painter and will welcome two grandchildren in August and September. She is the proud mother of three lovely grown children (Brook, Brett and Brandon '07) and lives with Happy the cat in the piney woods of Poplarville, Mississippi.