Frank Rausche G'70 was awarded the 2009 G. Brooks Earnest Technical Lecture Award by the Cleveland Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers. The prestigious GBE award was established by the Cleveland Section in honor of G. Brooks Earnest '27, who was its president in 1943, National President of ASCE in 1962, and President of Fenn College from 1952 until the formation of Cleveland State University in 1964. The award is presented yearly to an outstanding individual of prominence in the field of Civil Engineering.

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