

## Dean's Club Symposium honors life of George Isaac, awards Mundt endowed professorship

The Dean's Club Symposium of the UT College of Medicine and Life Sciences celebrated George Isaac's support of the college and awarded the first Adela and Alfred Mundt Endowed Professorship in Transplantation Cardiology.

The event, held Thursday in the George Isaac Minimally Invasive Surgery Center, celebrated the work of the Dean's Club that helps the UT College of Medicine and Life Sciences and UT Medical Center meet its mission of excellence in medical education, research and clinical care. Gifts from members provide essential funds for scholarships, faculty research support and other innovative programs.

"We lost a true champion of the University's mission earlier this year when George Isaac died," said Dr. Christopher Cooper, senior vice president for clinical affairs and dean of the UT College of Medicine and Life Sciences. "During his 91 years on this earth, George was a generous and involved community leader."

In a show of support for the 2006 merger between UT and the former Medical College of Ohio, Isaac donated \$1 million for the new George Isaac Minimally Invasive Surgery Center. A previous \$1 million donation supported the Isaac Chair in Cancer Research, the George Isaac Scholarship in Occupational Therapy and the Isaac Presidential Scholarship.

His dedication to medical education in our community also included serving on the MCO Board of Trustees from 1987 to 1996, as chair from 1991 to 1996. Isaac also was a past member of the MUO Foundation Board of Trustees.

The Adela and Alfred Mundt Endowed Professorship in Transplantation Cardiology also was awarded to Dr. Samer Khouri, professor in the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine. Khouri's area of expertise is the diagnosis of diastolic heart failure and pulmonary hypertension, and the interaction between the kidney and the heart.

The Mundt family have been longtime supporters of the University. Alfred Mundt



Photo by Daniel Miller

**HONORED:** Dr. Samer Khouri, left, posed for a photo with Alfred Mundt, local restaurateur and longtime MCO/UT benefactor. Khouri received the Adela and Alfred Mundt Endowed Professorship in Transplantation Cardiology.

received his cardiovascular care from longtime MCO/UTMC cardiologist Dr. Thomas Walsh; treatment for this included a quadruple bypass surgery, arrhythmia problems and, eventually, a heart transplant following congestive heart failure.

To support the cardiology program, the Mundt family, who are local restaurateurs, in 2008 created the Mundt Cardiology Endowment Fund. The next "From the Heart" celebrity wait night in support of the

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Photo by Daniel Miller

Chris McAnall, a student majoring in kinesiology, checked out titles at the used book sale in the Carlson Library Concourse. The April 15 event was part of UT's celebration of National Library Week.

## University completes Title IX assessment

The University of Toledo recently completed an assessment of its Title IX policies, procedures, training and outreach in an effort to implement the best practices for preventing and addressing sexual assault and harassment.

In a letter to the campus community last week, UT Interim President Nagi Naganathan outlined the recommendations that resulted from that comprehensive review conducted with the assistance of Bisi Okubdejo of Ballard Spahr LLP from Philadelphia.

"The University of Toledo is deeply committed to preventing and addressing sexual assault and harassment, a commitment Ms. Okubdejo and her team from Ballard Spahr recognized following interviews with approximately 100 faculty members, students, staff and administrators," the president wrote. "I want to thank those who took time to share your insights and contribute to this assessment. Our path forward is clearer thanks to your active engagement and support."

The assessment's recommendations include:

- Streamline and reduce the number of Title IX policies to ensure a clear process and a consistent message;
- Address staffing levels dedicated to Title IX, including the appointment of a designated Title IX coordinator and assigning three deputy coordinators;
- Provide increased clarity for the UT community regarding the process for handling Title IX complaints, including clear timelines and identifying which University personnel will assist at different points in the process;
- Conduct a retrospective review of the University's response to Title IX matters during the past three years;

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## Two UT fundraisers earn distinguished professional certification

By Meghan Cunningham

Two fundraisers for The University of Toledo Foundation have earned the highest professional certification in their field from the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

Barbara Tartaglia-Poure and Brett Loney recently received the Advanced Certified Fundraising Executive certification, a distinguished achievement available only to senior-level fundraisers who have worked in the profession for 10 years. They are among only 107 professionals in the world who have achieved this certification since the inception of the program in 1992.

“The ACFRE process is so much more than simply studying all of the experts in our profession,” Tartaglia-Poure, associate vice president of development, said. “It is a journey of self-exploration, one when successfully completed allows the seeker to find their own voice in our profession of fundraising and philanthropy. Perhaps this quote from Aristotle addresses it best: ‘Knowing yourself is the beginning of all wisdom.’”

“The ACFRE process has been about far more than simply the next step in certification,” Loney, director of corporate and foundation relations, said. “It has been

a process of self-discovery and a chance to really immerse myself in the profession. I learned a lot more about some of the great authors and experts, but the process also helped crystallize my own philosophy of fundraising and my commitment to what we do every day as professionals.”

Tartaglia-Poure and Loney will be honored for their achievements during the Association of Fundraising Professionals Leadership Academy in October.

UT is the only organization in the nation with three individuals on staff with this distinguished credential. Vern Snyder, vice president for advancement, also is an Advanced Certified Fundraising Executive.

Of the eight individuals in Ohio who hold the ACFRE, five are members of the Northwest Ohio Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. Benjamin J. Imdieke, who attended his first year of law school at UT, and Kenneth Frisch, senior philanthropic services officer at the Toledo Community Foundation, also have the certification.

Prior to her current position at UT, Tartaglia-Poure served as associate vice president and principal gifts officer at the

University of Cincinnati Foundation, principal gifts officer for the UT College of Business and Innovation, and executive director of Mom’s House of Toledo. She has a bachelor’s degree in individualized studies from Lourdes University and a master’s degree in liberal studies from UT.

Before joining UT, Loney was vice president for advancement at St. John’s Jesuit High School, director of development for Wright State University’s College of Engineering and Computer Science, and director of development at Chaminade Julianne Catholic High School. He has a bachelor’s degree in English and political science from Fordham University and a law degree from the College of William and Mary.

The ACFRE program is a rigorous certification process that includes a comprehensive application detailing achievements, a written examination that

measures a candidate’s knowledge of fundraising and philanthropy, a portfolio representing their body of professional work, and an oral peer review.

For more information on the Association of Fundraising Professionals, visit [afpnet.org](http://afpnet.org).



Brett Loney and Barbara Tartaglia-Poure display their Advanced Certified Fundraising Executive medals.

### Corrections

The wrong photo accompanied the story about the UT Pershing Rifles Troop in the April 13 issue of UT News. The shot that ran last week was from the 2013 unit, which won the championship cup and trophies at the John J. Pershing Memorial Drill Competition and is part of the three-peat. Here is this year’s UT Pershing Rifles Troop L-I with the championship cup and trophies it won at the national competition.



James Tuschman’s title was incorrect last week in a photo caption about the signing of a memorandum of understanding to create a consortium aimed at making college more affordable. Tuschman served on the Ohio Board of Regents from 2004 to 2012.

### Title IX

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- Update electronic resources available on UT’s Title IX website and integrate the site with web pages of the Counseling Center, UT Police and Student Affairs;
- Develop an instrument to regularly assess the campus climate with regard to sexual harassment and sexual violence and encourage ongoing public dialogue on the topic among all constituency groups across campus; and
- Create and launch an awareness campaign on campus to educate the community on prevention as well as prohibited conduct and resources available to survivors.

Okubdejo noted that UT had already begun the work to improve processes and procedures to align with the recommendations, requirements and best practices from the White House Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault and the U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights.

UT is moving forward with the appointment of a Title IX coordinator and is implementing the University’s own “It’s on us” campaign effective fall 2015 to create better awareness and remain vigilant in prevention efforts.

Okubdejo in her report identified the University’s strong commitment from senior leadership, employees and students to participating in ongoing enhancements to the Title IX process.

Naganathan thanked Okubdejo and her team for their assistance to help move UT into a leadership position when it comes to sexual assault prevention and response and to ensure the safety of students and employees.

“The conclusion of this review marks the beginning of a renewed and ongoing effort by this institution,” Naganathan said. “In the weeks and months ahead, we will be calling on the UT community to join us in the University’s steadfast effort to improve our prevention of sexual assault and our response to assist survivors. I want to thank all of you for your commitment to ensuring a safe learning and working environment for all members of the UT community.”

The full report is available at [utoledo.edu/media/downloads/Title-IX-Assessment-Report.pdf](http://utoledo.edu/media/downloads/Title-IX-Assessment-Report.pdf).

## April 27 date for UT Annual Awards Ceremony

Several faculty and staff members will be honored Monday, April 27, at 5:30 p.m. in Student Union Rooms 2582 and 2584.

Awards for outstanding advising, research and scholarship, and teaching will be presented, and the recipients of the Edith Rathbun Outreach and Engagement Excellence Award will be recognized.

“We are fortunate to have such a talented and dedicated faculty, so I know choosing the recipients is always very difficult,” Interim Provost John Barrett said. “These outstanding individuals are extraordinary in their accomplishments and are extremely deserving of these awards.”

## Staff members to be honored April 29

Five employees will receive the 2015 Outstanding Staff Award Wednesday, April 29.

The ceremony will begin at noon in the Radisson Birch Room.

Up for grabs: \$1,000 and a plaque for each winner.

In addition, the Diane Hymore Exemplar of Excellence Award will be presented.

“Shining the spotlight on loyal employees who have accomplished so much and are committed to improvement and innovation is always a heartwarming experience,” Jovita Thomas-Williams, vice president and chief human resources officer, said. “Employees make everything run smoothly at the University and should be recognized for their dedication.”

## In memoriam

**Barbara Ann Hirschle Karst**, Port Clinton, Ohio, and Bonita Springs, Fla., died April 10 at age 77. She was a member of the Satellites Auxiliary and served as president in 1977. She coordinated the organization's second cookbook and was the chair of Escapades International IV in 1976. She is survived by her husband, Dr. Thomas O. Karst, professor emeritus of psychiatry.

## Service recognition awards slated for May 5

The Employee Service Recognition Program will be held Tuesday, May 5, at 3 p.m. in the Student Union Auditorium.

More than 1,300 employees will celebrate 18,360 years of combined service at the University.

“It's important to come together and commemorate these milestones,” Jovita Thomas-Williams, vice president and chief human resources officer, said. “The University is a special place to work, and it's nice to thank the employees who make it feel like home for so many — students, patients and their peers.”

Interim President Nagi Naganathan will speak at 3:15 p.m. to start the celebration. A reception will start about 4 p.m.

Those who have worked at the University five, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 and 45 years will be recognized with service pins and awards during the ceremony.

Employees are encouraged to go to <http://utoledo.do/serviceaward2015> to see the list of those who will be recognized. If you believe you should be on the list, email [humanresourcesdepartment@utoledo.edu](mailto:humanresourcesdepartment@utoledo.edu) and include your Rocket number and hire date to be verified.

## UT employees may schedule graduate photos

Faculty and staff or members of their families who will graduate from UT in May and wish to have a photo taken and published in UT News may contact the University Communications Office.

Call Laurie Flowers at 419.530.2002 to schedule an appointment before Friday, May 8.

Photos will appear in an upcoming issue of the paper.

## Dean's Club Symposium

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fund will be Monday, Aug. 24, 5:30 p.m. at Loma Linda, 10400 Airport Highway in Swanton.

Other endowed faculty positions created by philanthropy that were recognized at the symposium were:

- Clair Martig Endowed Chair in Neurology;
- Edmund Vickroy Collins Endowed Professorship in the Department of Pediatrics;
- Frank D. Stranahan Endowed Chair for Oncological Research;
- Frederick W. Hiss Endowed Professorship in Diabetes Research;

- George Isaac Endowed Chair in Cancer Research;
- Helen and Harold McMaster Endowed Chair in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology;
- John M. Howard Endowed Professorship of Pancreatic Surgery;
- John T. Schaeufele Endowed Professorship in Pediatrics;
- Kenneth A. Kropp M.D. Endowed Professorship of Urology;
- Medical College of Ohio Alumni Endowed Chair in Surgery;
- Mercy Health System Chair of Excellence in Education;

- Rita T. Sheely Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology;
- Robert A. Stranahan Chair in Microbiology and Immunology;
- S. Amjad Hussain M.D. Endowed Professorship in Cardiothoracic Surgery; and
- University of Toledo College of Medicine and Life Sciences Endowed Professorship in Nephrology.

Also at the event, the 2015 Ashel Bryan Distinguished Service Award was presented to Peter and Nanette Ryerson for their

efforts to advance the health and well-being of the region. Peter Ryerson is the president of Ryerson Management Associates, a national health-care management consulting firm. He served as a board member of the Medical College of Ohio Foundation from 1994 to 2005 and is a member of the UTMC Advisory Council.

## Artwork on exhibit at UT thanks to Michigan entrepreneur; RSVP for April 28 reception

By Samantha Watson

The fifth floor of Mulford Library at The University of Toledo is a bit brighter these days.

That's because nearly every wall is covered with the John W. & Betty Jane Barfield Exhibit, featuring artwork by Paul Collins. Pieces inspired by people from all over the world give a glimpse into the different cultures reflected in the University's community.

"We embrace diversity here at UT, and this exhibit complements that philosophy," said Marcie Ferguson, director of corporate relations, operations and initiatives, who organized the installation efforts for the collection.

To understand the exhibit, you first have to understand John Barfield and Paul Collins.

Barfield, the son of two field hands, was born in Tuscaloosa, Ala., before moving to Washington, Pa., and later Ypsilanti, Mich. In 1947, he began working as a custodian for the University of Michigan, later cleaning newly constructed houses on the side for additional income.

After his side job became more lucrative than his full-time job, he quit his UM job and began the Barfield Cleaning Co. After several acquisitions and transitions, Barfield founded the Barfield Manufacturing Co., now called The Bartech Group, which he has since turned over to his son, Jon.

The staffing and human resources company based in Southfield, Mich., employs and manages the daily work assignments for more than 35,000 associates and more than \$3 billion in contingent labor for major employers around the world.

"The life story of John Barfield is inspiring to all," said Chuck Lehnert, UT vice president for corporate relations. "And he always remembers to keep the important things first and in order: faith, family and friends."

In 1975 when Barfield was refurbishing one of his company's offices, he commissioned Collins to create some art for the space.

Collins is a well-known artist from Grand Rapids, Mich., recognized for his portraits depicting all ages, races and cultures that define humanity. He is credited with more than 100 exhibitions around the world, including "Great Beautiful Black Women," recognizing history makers such as Harriet Tubman and Rosa Parks, and "America at Work," showcasing the American worker's contributions to the country and its success.

Collins' mural of President Gerald R. Ford is on display in the Gerald R. Ford International Airport, and he also created the Ford Museum commemorative poster for the opening of the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum.

For Barfield's offices, Collins was sent to Harlem and returned with 19 sketches that blew Barfield away — sketches that now are part of the collection he donated to UT.

It was the shared passion for showcasing culture and humanity that led to Barfield sponsoring Collins' trip to Kenya and Tanzania to paint the Maasai people and preserve a dying culture. These paintings are some of the most vibrant pieces included in the collection in Mulford Library.

Barfield collected many of Collins' other works over the years, amassing a collection worth more than \$230,000 that includes the works from Harlem and Africa, as well as pieces inspired by Japan and Native Americans in South Dakota.

Barfield donated his collection to the Charles H. Wright African American Museum in Detroit. When Barfield showed the collection to then UT President Lloyd Jacobs, whom he was introduced to by Dr. Nina McClelland, former dean of the UT



College of Arts and Sciences, they discussed putting it on display at the University.

Juanita Moore, president and CEO of the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American Museum, agreed to permanently loan the collection to UT.

A ribbon-cutting and reception for the collection on the fifth floor of the Mulford Library will take place Tuesday, April 28, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Barfield, Jacobs and Interim President Nagi Naganathan will offer remarks, and Collins will be in attendance.

During the reception, Barfield will sign copies of his autobiography, *Starting From Scratch: The Humble Beginnings of a Two Billion Dollar Enterprise*.

"I'm glad that we were able to keep this art intact, first by giving it to the museum and now by having it at the University," Barfield said. "We're very excited to see the unveiling of it."

To attend, RSVP before Wednesday, April 22, to the Office of Special Events to [speialevents@utoledo.edu](mailto:speialevents@utoledo.edu) or 419.530.2200.



These portraits by Paul Collins are part of the John W. & Betty Jane Barfield Exhibit that is located on the fifth floor of Mulford Library.

## Silence on Mulford Library's fifth floor to be broken April 28

Due to a special event that will take place on Mulford Library's fifth floor Tuesday, April 28, silence will be interrupted from approximately 2 to 7 p.m.

The John W. and Betty Jane Barfield art exhibit unveiling and book-signing event will start at 4 p.m., but preparations will begin earlier in the afternoon.

UT administrators apologize for any inconvenience and ask for understanding during these few hours.

# Employees, alumna, students recognized by University Women's Commission

By Vicki L. Kroll

Four University employees and one UT graduate committed to her alma mater were honored last week for excellent service and dedication to the campus community at the 29th annual Outstanding Women's Award ceremony.

Some 60 attended the University Women's Commission program, which was held Thursday in the Savage Arena Joe Grogan Room. Dr. Penny Poplin Gosetti, dean of the UT Judith Herb College of Education, spoke at the event.

There were five recipients of the Dr. Alice Skeens Outstanding Woman Award:

- **Dr. Amanda Bryant-Friedrich**, associate professor of medicinal chemistry and director of international pharmaceutical sciences graduate student recruitment and retention in the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. She joined the faculty seven years ago. Her research interests focus on modified nucleic acids, biomarkers, DNA and RNA damage, photochemistry, mass spectrometry and ionizing radiation. She is a strong advocate for women in science.

"For the past three years, I have assisted Dr. Bryant-Friedrich and many other fabulous women planning WISDOM — Women in STEMM Day of Meetings. This is an event with the mission of getting more young women to consider studying the STEMM fields," one nominator wrote. "Every year the Association of Women in Science brings more than 100 students from

area high schools to campus for a day of experiments, lessons and fun. Dr. Bryant-Friedrich served as president of the association last year and played a key role in the success of the event."

- **Lt. Tressa Johnson** of the UT Police Department. She joined the staff in 1998 and received a master's degree in counseling from the University in 2004. Two years later, she became a licensed professional counselor in Ohio. Johnson started the Healthy Boundaries Program that promotes strong relationships among students, and she implemented the UT Police Department's first domestic violence training program, providing resource materials for all officers.

"Lt. Johnson is a powerful resource for everyone on campus, especially for students involved with domestic and intimate partner violence situations," a nominator wrote. "We had a student who was in a violent relationship, and Lt. Johnson helped us help our student. She went above and beyond to keep this student safe and helped me to understand the dynamics of domestic violence. She has so much grace and knowledge dealing with this complex and difficult topic. I am so glad she is a resource for our students."

- **Dr. Patricia A. Relue**, professor of bioengineering and director of the undergraduate program in bioengineering in the College of Engineering. She joined the faculty in 1993. She received a bachelor of

science degree in chemical engineering from UT in 1988. Her research applies engineering first principles to solve problems involving biological systems. These include producing ethanol and other high-value products from biomass and



Receiving \$1,000 scholarships from the University Women's Commission were, from left, Rachel Wagner, Tiffany Runion and Grisoranyel Yoselyn Barrios Rodriguez.

multispectral imaging of skin for diagnosis of cancer.

"Dr. Relue serves as a role model for young female engineers, one that is often challenging to find. Despite having graduated last year, I still seek advice from Dr. Relue and value her opinion. Her personal connection sets her aside from most other teachers. To me, Dr. Relue garners great respect due to her intelligence, skills and personality. This cannot be said for most people, let alone engineers who often face many stigmas," one nominator wrote. "I know that Dr. Relue has impacted more lives than just my own."

- **Diana (Dee) H. Talmage**, UT Women and Philanthropy member, UT Foundation Board of Directors member emeritus, UT Alumni Association past president and community volunteer. She received a master of education degree from UT in 1965. For years, she has been involved with the Judith Herb College of Education and the UT Alumni Association. For that dedication, she received the Blue T Award in 1996. Her community involvement includes serving on the Owens Community College Board of Trustees and Foundation Board of Directors, and she has been elected Ohio Republican Party State Central Committee Woman for Senate District 2 since 2002.

"Dee embraced the 'stay-at-home mom' and home manager roles, but did not allow that to define her. She also was passionate about giving back to the community and utilizing her abilities as a leader and organizer," one nominator wrote. "She has opened doors for

other women to follow her in many organizations and has been a mentor."

- **Dr. Celia Regimbal**, associate professor of early childhood, physical and special education in the Judith Herb College of Education. She joined the UT faculty in 1986. She serves as chair of the Faculty Senate Committee on Academic Regulations and is the UT Faculty Athletic Representative for the NCAA.

"Dr. Regimbal always gets her students involved in their learning processes inside and outside of classrooms. An outstanding example of her leadership, from 2006 to 2011, she organized an alternative spring break experience that took students to Bay St. Louis, Miss., for Hurricane Katrina recovery work," one nominator wrote. "She has encouraged community attention to the importance of physical education at all ages. She co-authored Ohio's Physical Activity Plan 2008-2013. For more than 20 years, she has been involved with the Ohio Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, and currently is president-elect of the Midwest Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance."

The University Women's Commission also presented \$1,000 scholarships to three students. Receiving awards based on academic achievement, support of women's and gender issues, and campus and community involvement were Grisoranyel Yoselyn Barrios Rodriguez, a sophomore majoring in political science and social work; Tiffany Runion, a junior majoring in women's and gender studies; and Rachel Wagner, a junior majoring in bioengineering.



Photos by Daniel Miller

Winners of the Dr. Alice Skeens Outstanding Woman Award were, from left, Dr. Patricia Relue, Lt. Tressa Johnson, Dr. Celia Regimbal, Diana (Dee) Talmage and Dr. Amanda Bryant-Friedrich.

## Project uses education, vaccination to prevent HPV infections

By Cynthia Nowak

It's a silent epidemic that adds another 14 million new cases every year, most of them in young people age 15 to 24. It increases the risk for several forms of cancer. It's wholly avoidable; just three injections provide a lifetime of protection — yet fewer than half of college-age students are fully vaccinated against the human papillomavirus (HPV), the world's most common sexually transmitted infection.

Two faculty members in the College of Health Sciences, April Gardner and Natalie Walkup, are out to change the numbers. The two doctoral students, along with other doctoral and master's students in the Health Education Program, are spearheading an educational effort on Main Campus aimed at making sure all students understand the

risks of HPV and receive the three necessary injections of the vaccine Gardasil.

"Our goal is to reach every Main Campus student between the ages of 18 and 26," Gardner said. "They represent a group of young adults nationwide who are unvaccinated or under-vaccinated. Many of them may not know whether they received the vaccine when they were children."

"We want to raise the question so the students can ask either their parents or their family physician," Walkup added. "And although 96 percent of insurance plans cover Gardasil, we want students to check on that as well, because they will be financially responsible for the vaccinations otherwise."

If they find that they still need to be vaccinated and wish to do so, the students

will be able to sign up online to receive the Gardasil at the Main Campus Medical Center.

Because the academic year is winding down, the co-investigators said, the program at this point is in its educational phase, with a website and online sign-up slated to be developed this summer and the main effort to begin fall semester.

Gardner and Walkup hope to ultimately publish the project's results to encourage similar initiatives on other campuses nationwide.

The statistics associated with HPV warrant the push, the two said. Spread through all forms of sexual intercourse and through skin-to-skin contact, the infection can be prevented by the use of condoms

— a reported habit in only half of sexually active college students.

The Gardasil vaccine protects nearly 100 percent from the long-term risks that come with HPV: genital warts and an increased chance of cervical, penile, vaginal, vulvar and oropharyngeal cancers.

Walkup said, "Statistically speaking, we have approximately 8,000 students on Main Campus who are under-vaccinated against HPV, and this age group is the highest risk of exposure. We have the opportunity to make a huge impact here on UT's campus as well as nationwide."

More information can be obtained by contacting [april.gardner@utoledo.edu](mailto:april.gardner@utoledo.edu) or [natalie.walkup@utoledo.edu](mailto:natalie.walkup@utoledo.edu).

## Tie One On Cancer Awareness Lecture Series to start this week

By Amanda Benjamin

In partnership with Tie One On, UT Health's Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center will host a series of monthly lectures to educate the public about various types of cancer.

The first event in the Tie One On Cancer Awareness Lecture Series will take place Thursday, April 23, at 6 p.m. and feature Dr. Jason Schroeder, neurosurgeon and assistant professor of surgery at the University. He will discuss diagnosis and surgical management of brain tumors.

"We are very excited to have a program that is entirely dedicated to educating the community, here in Toledo and surrounding area, about key topics in cancer care and treatment," said Chris Kosinski, multispecialty clinic manager at the Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center.

The Tie One On Cancer Awareness Lecture Series will feature eight free, public lectures.

Upcoming Thursday lectures include:

- May 21 — Dr. Helen Mabry, breast surgeon and UT assistant professor of surgery, will discuss topics in breast cancer.
- June 18 — Dr. James Willey, lung cancer expert and UT professor of medicine, will present information on lung cancer.
- July 16 — Dr. Arun Baskara, UT assistant professor of surgery, will share his expertise on colon cancer.

Attendees will receive tickets to an upcoming Detroit Tigers or Cleveland Indians game sponsored by Tie One On.

To RSVP, e-mail [christopher.kosinski@utoledo.edu](mailto:christopher.kosinski@utoledo.edu).

For more information, contact the Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center at 419.383.5035.



Photo by Aimee Falk

**NOW OPEN:** Cutting the ribbon held by Rocky and Rocksy at UT Health's new physical therapy office at the Regency Medical Campus were, from left, Susan Van Camp, clinic manager for physical medicine and rehabilitation, physical therapy and sports medicine; Ryan Bastien, physical therapy assistant; Dr. Patrick Siparsky, orthopedic and sports medicine physician; Marci Cancic, physical therapist; and Ashleigh Stubleski, physical therapist. UT Health Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine is located off Talmadge Road near Franklin Park Mall at 1000 Regency Court, Toledo. For more information, call 419.383.2733.

## Teacher empowerment conference this week

By Samantha Watson

The University of Toledo will host the first “Empowering Teachers, Empowering Learners: Active Learning and Technology” conference Wednesday, April 22.

The conference, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the second floor of the Student Union, is free and available to all university and high school faculty in the area. It is co-hosted by the University Teaching Center and Learning Ventures.

“We wanted to give the high school and university faculty a chance to learn together,” said Dr. Barbara Kopp Miller, UT associate provost for online education. “Those two groups don’t normally have an opportunity to have professional development together.”

Check-in will take place from 8 to 8:30 a.m. in Student Union Room 2582, followed by keynote speaker Matt Pellish, senior director of strategic research and education and a national meeting speaker with the Education Advisory Board. Two breakout sessions will follow, then lunch

with keynote speaker Dr. Jon Landis, U.S. development executive with Apple Inc.

Following two additional breakout sessions, the group will go on a tour of the Jacobs Interprofessional Immersive Simulation Center on Health Science Campus. Buses will be available to transport the group to and from each campus for the tour.

Eight different breakout sessions that discuss active learning in the classroom will be offered, each led by university and high school faculty members. Each session discusses how active learning is being used within the classroom at UT and in surrounding high schools.

“Active learning increases student retention and performance,” said Dr. Constance Shriner, UT vice provost for academic program development. “There is a growing body of literature that suggests that when students are actively engaged with the content and with each other, they perform better.”

## UT to host Glass City Marathon April 26

By Cassandra DeYoung

A qualifying event for the Boston Marathon will be held at The University of Toledo Sunday, April 26.

Organized by the Toledo Roadrunners Club, the Glass City Marathon will feature different running events, including a marathon, half marathon, five-person marathon relay, a 5K and kid’s marathon.

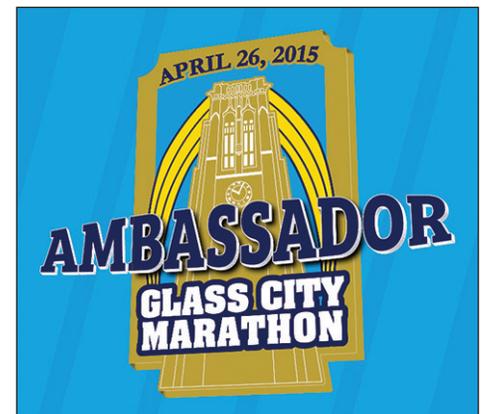
All events will start on UT’s Main Campus and finish on the field of the Glass Bowl Stadium, with the exception of the kid’s marathon, which will be held on the track outside of Savage Arena.

“This event really highlights the University’s beautiful campus and brings a lot of people from all over to Toledo,” said Andrea Masters, assistant director in Rocket Wellness. “Last year, we had at least one representative from all 50 states participate.”

In conjunction, a Health and Wellness Exposition will be held in Savage Arena Saturday, April 25, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The free, public event will feature more than 40 vendors and serve as registration and packet pickup for participants.

More than 8,000 runners are expected to participate in the marathon’s events, according to Masters.

As a result, certain parking lots and roads will be closed on and around UT’s Main Campus.



Lot 10 will be closed beginning Friday, April 24, from 9 p.m. through Sunday, April 26, at 4 p.m. Cars remaining in the lot Saturday, April 25, at 6 a.m. will be towed.

On Sunday, April 26, lots 3, 4 and 5 are reserved for volunteers arriving before 6 a.m. and will remain closed through 1 p.m.

During the event, no traffic will be allowed on or near Stadium Drive. Additionally, East Rocket Drive from Douglas Road and South Towerview Boulevard will be closed.

The north entrance off Bancroft Street will be open only to lots 1S and 1N and the east parking garage.

West Towerview Boulevard and West Rocket Drive will allow only traffic into Lot 12 or other exterior lots. Traffic will be allowed into exterior Lot 25.

For more information on the event, visit [glasscitymarathon.org](http://glasscitymarathon.org).

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Paddling for the UT co-ed team in the concrete canoe race on Maumee Bay State Park’s inland lake April 11 were, from left, Dylan Gasche, Jane Piakowski, Joey Leech and Jenny Collier. The race was part of the 2015 American Society of Civil Engineers North Central Student Conference. Nearly 300 students from 10 universities attended the event, which was hosted by the UT American Society of Civil Engineers Student Chapter. UT placed sixth in the boat race; Michigan Technological University came in first and moved on to the national competition. In the steel bridge competition, UT placed fourth, with Michigan State University and Michigan Technological University coming in first and second, respectively, and moving on to the national competition.

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# UT music graduates to share talents in ‘Alumni Sing for Alma Mater’

The University of Toledo Alumni Association and the Richard R. and Barbara R. Perry Program Excellence Fund are co-sponsoring “Alumni Sing for Alma Mater” Sunday, April 26, at 3 p.m. in Doermann Theater.

The free afternoon music performance will be followed by a reception in the lobby outside the theater.

“Alumni Sing for Alma Mater” will feature singers who are graduates of the University and have achieved success in opera, stage performance and through the teaching of classical, Broadway and jazz.

Michele Fredericks, Jo-Anne Chrysochoos, Jodi Jobuck, Joyce Rush, Kim Buehler, Sam Mason, Kevin Foos, Chris Jakutowicz, Janet Ziegler and Emily Holsclaw will entertain and educate with their vocal repertoire.

Robert Ballinger, UT associate lecturer in the Department of Music, will serve as accompanist.

Parking is free in the lots nearest University Hall: areas 2, 13, 1N and 1S. A shuttle bus will transport guests from area 17 outside the Driscoll Alumni Center to Doermann Theater.

While the event is free, reservations are encouraged online at [toledoalumni.org](http://toledoalumni.org) or by calling the Office of Alumni Relations at 419.530.2586 or 800.235.6766.

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