

President asks senate to endorse merger, motion tabled

By Tobin J. Klinger

President Dan Johnson appeared before the Faculty Senate Nov. 22 to make his case for supporting an initiative he described as “achieving greatness.”

The president outlined for senate the history and his thoughts behind pursuing a

“It’s more important than who gets credit. It’s more important than any individual. It’s more important than a board member. It’s more important than a name.”

“Collaboration can only take you so far,” Johnson said during his 30-minute presentation, punctuated with a request for an endorsement from senate, adding that only through a merger would the community and the state feel the full benefit of UT’s and MUO’s respective assets.

“This is your opportunity [to influence the process],” the president remarked of the senate resolution, noting that such a merger would have to be decided by the state legislature.

The motion was tabled, with several senators expressing discomfort with voting on the resolution, desiring additional information and the ability to make an “informed decision.”

Senator Tom Barden said that the decision to table the motion should not be viewed as a negative, and that senators would simply like an opportunity to review a consultant’s

report on the subject that was commissioned by MUO.

According to Johnson, the matter will be taken up by the respective boards of trustees involved as early as next month, with the concept then moving forward to the Ohio Board of Regents and onward to the legislature, the ultimate decision-making body.



Photo by Terry Fell

President Dan Johnson talked to the Faculty Senate last week.

possible merger with the Medical University of Ohio, as announced Nov. 15 during MUO President Lloyd Jacobs’ state of the university address.

“This is really a new ball game,” Johnson said of the proposal.

“It’s more important than who is president,” Johnson said describing the importance of moving the initiative forward.

Budget reductions addressed at Faculty Senate meeting

By Jon Strunk

Anticipating a budget shortfall of almost \$10.7 million for fiscal year 2006, University of Toledo officials outlined recommendations to close that gap at a meeting of the Faculty Senate last week.

The deficit came about after UT was unable to attain enrollment targets for the fall semester, experienced a \$2 million shortfall due to the “plateau effect” caused by a decrease in part-time students and an increase in full-time students, and adjusted its enrollment model for the spring, said William Decatur, executive vice president and chief operating officer.

The “plateau effect” Decatur referred to results because students are not charged for their 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th credit hours, long a part of the credit-hour pricing structure in Ohio.

Soaring energy costs also resulted in a \$2.1 million shortfall for utilities, which will be covered with one-time dollars and contingency funds, he said.

Even with the adoption of a series of budget adjustments — such as increased overhead rates the University charges to its auxiliary operations and spending need-based

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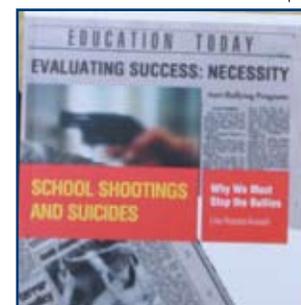
WINTER WEATHER IS ON ITS WAY... There are rare occasions when severe winter weather may alter operations at the University. UT administrators monitor campus conditions and confer with public safety officials before making a decision to remain open, delay classes, maintain operations but cancel classes, or close the University. When there is a change to standard operation, local radio and television stations will be alerted. A message also will be posted at www.utnews.utoledo.edu and recorded on the UT snow line, 419.530.SNOW (7669).

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Nov. 30 deadline to RSVP for holiday reception

By Deanna Woolf

“A World of Best Wishes,” the 2005 President’s Holiday Reception, will be held on Thursday, Dec. 8, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Student Union Auditorium.

Faculty and staff members have until Wednesday, Nov. 30, to RSVP to Deb Driscoll, senior events coordinator with the Office of the President, at Ext. 3333 or debra.driscoll@utoledo.edu.

“We would like to thank the UT Foundation for their donation to support this event for employees,” Driscoll said. “The committee has been planning the event since January, and we are excited for this year’s festivities.”

In addition to a buffet featuring hot and cold hors d’oeuvres, attendees can get their caricatures drawn by an artist. President Dan Johnson will be giving his toast at 4:30 p.m., followed by a drawing. “Make sure to get your complimentary ticket at the door — you must be present to win,” Driscoll said. Prizes include donated gift certificates and a gift basket.

Invitees can arrive and leave during the three hours as their schedules permit.



UT Authors and Artists Exhibit set to open

The 2005 University of Toledo Authors and Artists Exhibit will open on Wednesday, Nov. 30, at 4 p.m. in the Ward M. Canaday Center on the fifth floor of Carlson Library.

Dr. Carol Bresnahan, professor of history and vice provost for academic programs and policies, will present the opening remarks. A reception honoring the authors and artists will follow.

The exhibit features the works of some

75 UT faculty members and includes scholarly research published during the past academic year as well as works of art produced by members of the UT art department.

The free, public exhibit is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Dec. 30.

For more information, contact Barbara Floyd, director of the Ward M. Canaday Center, at Ext. 2170.

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aid currently, rather than building up a long-term need-based aid endowment — University vice presidents have been asked to identify reductions totaling \$4.5 million.

The divisions of Academic Affairs and Finance, Technology and Operations will face the largest cuts of \$2.7 million and \$1.5 million, respectively. Decatur told the senate that while the cuts for Academic Affairs were the largest in terms of absolute dollars, as a percentage of overall budget, its cut will be the smallest.

UT President Dan Johnson has decided to hold harmless several institutional initiatives, Decatur said, including the faculty hiring plan for fiscal year 2007, enrollment services, UT’s capital campaign and integrated marketing.

The reductions should be finalized shortly after the new year, Decatur and Dr. Alan Goodridge, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and enrollment services, wrote in a memo distributed to the campus community last week.

Decatur said the Fiscal Advisory Committee is developing plans to deal with a possible multi-million dollar budget gap in fiscal year 2007, as well, but cautioned much could change between now and April or May when budget numbers start being finalized.

In addition to a 6 percent fee cap, The University of Toledo is anticipating a 1.8 percent reduction in state subsidy for FY07, Decatur said, adding that enrollment numbers will play a key role as UT’s budget develops.



Photo by Daniel Miller

LUCKY WINNERS: A drawing was held last week at the UT Community Charity Campaign breakfast. Posing for a photo with their prizes are, from left, Kathy Bielski, senior business manager in Enrollment Services, with an Apple iPod Nano; Rick Bonitati, senior software specialist with Administrative Desktop Support, with a Rocket football helmet signed by Coach Tom Amstutz; and Lynn Hutt, staff auditor in the Internal Audit Office, with a round-trip ticket to any location in the continental United States. With pledges still coming in, UT is expected to meet its \$155,000 goal this year. Read more about the campaign finale online at www.utnews.utoledo.edu.

Service awards slated for Dec. 5

Some 370 staff and faculty members will be recognized for their years of employment at the University at the Service Recognition Awards on Monday, Dec. 5, at 1 p.m. in the Student Union Auditorium.

Employees marking five-, 10-, 15-, 20-, 25-, 30-, 35-, 40- and 45-year anniversaries as of Dec. 31 will receive awards. Sixty-

nine employees to be honored have worked at UT for 25 years or more, and some recent retirees will return to attend the ceremony.

Beverages and hors d’oeuvres will be served.

For more information, call Patricia Palominos at Ext. 1471 or Andrea Cutcher at Ext. 1478.

In memoriam

William Rosenberg, Pittsburgh, professional adviser of *The Collegian* from 1983 to 1995, died Nov. 17 at age 90. He received a bachelor’s degree in philosophy from UT in 1937 and served as sports editor, associate editor and editor in chief on *The Campus Collegian* during his student days. Rosenberg went on to a long career at *The Blade* and was named Outstanding Alumnus by the UT chapter of Blue Key National Honor Society. He was a member of the UT Alumni Association.

Secret Santa Program

\$1 tickets for the 50/50 raffle for sale to benefit holiday program that helps local families in need

New hats, gloves, toys and nonperishable food items are being collected

Drop boxes

- UT-MUO Credit Union in the Student Union
- Payroll Office, Rocket Hall Room 1700
- Human Resources Office, Transportation Center Room 1100
- Marketing and Communications Office, University Hall Room 2110

Tuesday, Dec. 6, deadline to send names of families or individuals in need

The Secret Santa Program is coordinated by the Communication Workers of America Local 4530. Raffle tickets are available from any CWA officer or by contacting program co-chairs Lynn Gowing at Ext. 7833 or Nancy Ellis at Ext. 1601.



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JULIA MARTIN

JULIA MARTIN started her job as assistant professor of library administration and business librarian at the University three months ago. She just returned to the states this summer after two years of teaching undergraduate business classes at Suzhou University in China. The native of Richfield, Ohio, holds a master of business administration degree from Cleveland State University and a master of library science degree from Kent State University. Martin said she is still readjusting, but she is happy to be back in Ohio at UT and so much closer to home.

HOBBIES: "Reading, of course, and tai chi."

FAVORITE AUTHOR: Robert A. Heinlein

LAST MOVIE WATCHED: "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"

LAST BOOK READ: *The Crusading Wizard* by Christopher Stasheff

FIRST JOB: "Reference librarian at the New York Public Library."

FAVORITE DESSERT: "Apple pie a la mode."

WHERE DID YOU GO ON YOUR LAST VACATION? "Urumqi and Kashgar in western China."

SOMETHING PEOPLE WOULD BE SURPRISED TO KNOW ABOUT YOU: "I spent two years in China teaching marketing and communications to Chinese business students."

FAVORITE HOLIDAY ACTIVITY: "Playing games with the family."

LINED UP: Dr. Dean Ludwig, a former faculty member in the College of Business Administration, left, was one of many who stopped by to see Dr. David Hoch. With presentations from colleges and colleagues, personal tributes from friends and students, and standing ovations that wouldn't quit, the official reception celebrating the career of Hoch, associate professor and retiring director of the UT Honors Program, packed a Student Union meeting room Nov. 17. At the University since 1969, when he joined the department of English as an associate professor, Hoch received accolades as teacher, administrator, mentor and comrade. "You leave big shoes to fill, my friend," said Richard Eastop, retired UT vice president of enrollment services, expressing a universal sentiment in a letter shared during the ceremonies.

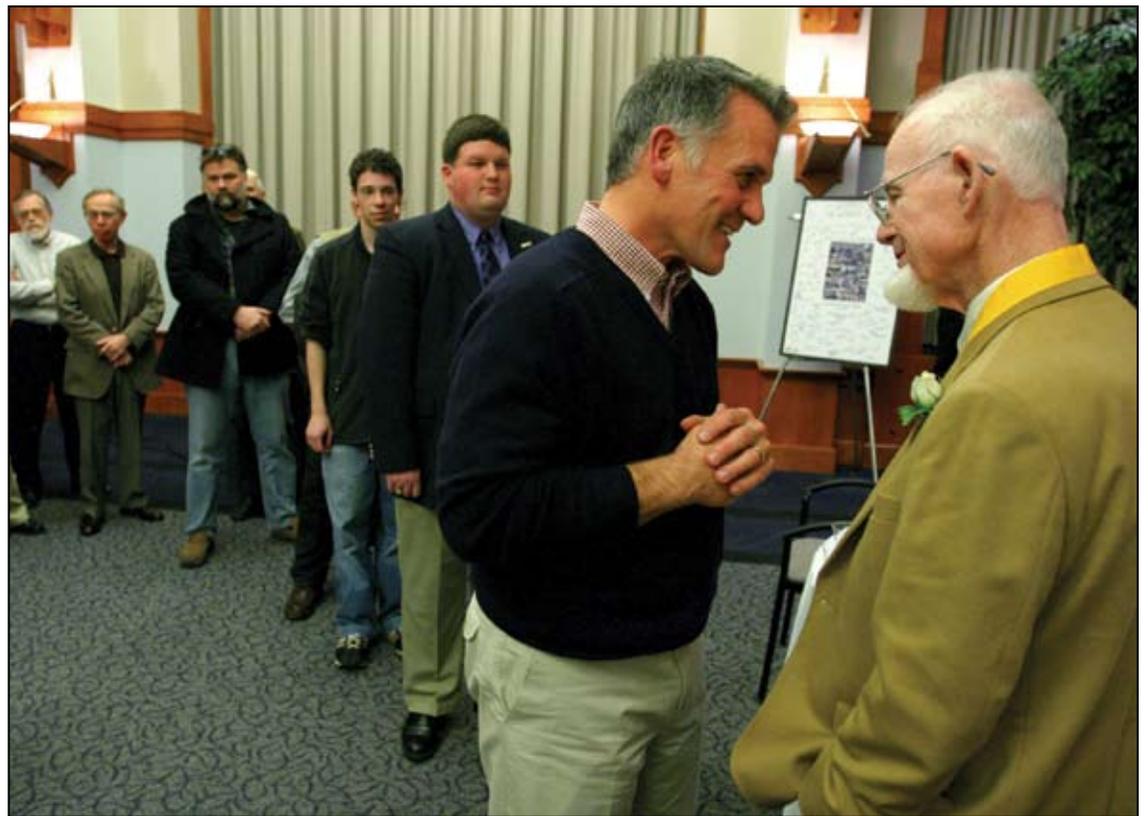


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ON DECK: Pat Bayus, public inquiries assistant, left, Anne Wiemer, a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences, center, and Geni Hofbauer, accountant 2 in Student Activities, checked out decorations that were for sale at the University Women's Commission's Holiday Bazaar. More than \$1,000 was raised for scholarships, according to Christine Smallman, chair of the University Women's Commission.



Photo by Daniel Miller

HOT TIME: Jan Tipton, systems analyst in Enterprise Applications, filled a bowl to sample an entry in the Finance, Technology and Operations Chili Cook-Off. Winners were Stephanie Blausey, assistant bursar, Bursar's Office, first place; Brenda Holderman, interim bursar, Bursar's Office, second place; and Larry Hilton, auto mechanic 3, Motor Vehicle Operations, third place.

Schedule graduate photos

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

Call Joanne Gray at Ext. 2675 to schedule an appointment by Friday, Dec. 16. Photos will appear in the Jan. 9 issue of the paper.

House of sun: Professor builds solar-powered home to catch rays

By Deanna Woolf

Dr. Robert Collins is ardent: "Every house built today without solar power is a missed opportunity."

So when it came time for the professor of physics and NEG Chair in Silicate and Materials Science to set up residence in northwest Ohio, he went solar.

Collins and his wife, Linda, soon will

be moving into a custom-built home, outfitted with 268 Uni-Solar roofing shingles.

Solar cells, also known as photovoltaic cells, are made of a semiconductor material, treated to create a positively charged layer and a negatively charged layer. When light hits the solar cell, electrons are freed from the atoms in the semiconductor material.

Attaching an electrical conductor to the positive and negative sides will form an electrical circuit through which the freed electrons can move. This electricity then can be used to power anything from a calculator to a house.

The Uni-Solar photovoltaic shingles used on Collins' house in Maumee dispel several myths about solar panels. First, they are barely noticeable — gone are the days of large, bulky solar panel units in one's yard. "Developers who build with them like them because they blend well into the roof of the house," Collins said.

Second, they can work even when there is some close natural shade. "People ask why we have so many trees nearby the house," Collins said. Solar cells work best when picking up direct light from the sun. But the solar shingles are "effective at picking up scattered light — that is, light that hits clouds or filters through the leaves on trees."

The third myth is the expense of solar equipment. "They are commercially available at a reasonable cost," he said. "There is assistance available ... a state of Ohio grant can pay \$5 a watt up to \$25,000 of the system's cost." Collins added there is a \$3,000

federal tax credit available for solar systems brought online in 2006. The Collinses' 4.5 kilowatt system cost \$37,460 total — but that was without an Ohio grant because "this system was too advanced" to fall under the current state guidelines. He believes the cost will go down as roofers and electricians become more experienced in installation and as advancements are made in the solar materials.

This solar technology also can work in conjunction with other energy-saving innovations. Collins' house is part of the Decker Homes' Energy Star Deer Valley subdivision, where each house conforms to specific energy guidelines. His home has argon-gas-filled wood windows with heat-reflecting glass; a high-efficiency gas furnace; fluorescent lighting; and high-performance insulation.

"It is hoped that our electric bill will be zero dollars, but solar power cannot provide sufficient energy for heating in winter," Collins said, noting he won't be entirely immune from this winter's high natural gas prices.

For Collins, his first house is an opportunity for this self-described "solar fanatic" to live the technology he's researching. "It's great to see our work come to fruition," he said with a smile.

But that doesn't mean he and other members of UT's photovoltaic research team can hang up their lab coats yet. "The solar shingles are about 7.5 efficient, meaning 7.5 percent of the power in the sunlight that impinges on the shingles will generate electricity," he said. "But we're working to find ways to make them more efficient and at higher rates."



Photo by Daniel Miller

Dr. Robert Collins holds a sheet of solar roofing shingles, which were used in the construction of his new home, right.



Professor honored for energy innovation

By Deanna Woolf

Dr. Alvin Compaan and his wife, Mary, are recipients of one of the 2005 Governor's Awards for Excellence in Energy Efficiency.

The awards honor individuals and businesses that have used innovative methods to improve energy efficiency, the environment and Ohio's economic competitiveness.

Compaan, professor and chair of physics and astronomy and director of the Center for Materials Science and Engineering, and his wife had thin-film solar panels installed on the roof of their newly built house in Holland, Ohio. The solar panels provide the power for the house and a battery-operated electric truck that he uses to commute to the

University, a trip of about 20 miles per day.

"The solar panels are connected through an inverter to the electric grid so that excess power not needed in the house will flow into the Toledo Edison power grid," Compaan said. "In the evening and on cloudy days, the house takes electricity back from the grid — just like a normal house."

Because of Ohio's net metering utility regulation, the Compaans pay Toledo Edison only for their net usage. "We sized our photovoltaic array at 4.3 kilowatts to be able to generate as much electricity as we use for the house and the truck," he said. "So far, after 11 months, our net electricity usage has cost \$36." And if the power lines go out, their

system is designed so that the house can be plugged into the truck batteries for power.

To the Compaans' knowledge, their solar house and vehicle are the only such setup in the world.

The Compaans moved into their home during December 2004. They estimated the solar home saves 11,000 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions

each year and the electric pickup truck saves about 400 gallons of gas each year.



Thin-film solar panels were installed in the roof of Dr. Alvin and Mary Compaan's new house.

Stopping bullies is subject of new book

By Shannon Coon

Dr. Lisa Pescara-Kovach, UT assistant professor of educational psychology, has made it her goal to research bullying and help prevent children from feeling its effects. Toward this goal, Kovach recently released her book, *School Shootings and Suicides: Why We Must Stop the Bullies*.

"I feel this book is important because it educates the reader on the importance of

taking action on this issue," Kovach said. "I hope that the reader comes away with an understanding of how serious this issue is. I also hope the reader will not remain complacent; that he or she will move forward, utilizing some of the book's suggestions, and implement anti-bullying programs in schools."

Kovach's book addresses why people should be concerned with bullying, what

defines bullying, factors connected with bullying, and samples of what is covered in the Preventing, Eliminating and Erasing Rejection in our Schools (PEERS) Program Kovach created to help prevent bullying in schools. The book also features a chapter on peace education theory co-written by Kovach, Dr. Dale Snauwaert, UT chair of foundations of education, and Vicki Dagostino-Kalniz, UT doctoral student in theory and social foundations.

The book includes stories from mothers whose children committed suicide. "I am most proud of the stories told by Brenda High and Rochelle Sides. These women are two of the strongest women I know. They were open with me about their wonderful children's lives and tragic deaths. Each has taken her grief and turned it into a dedication to this cause. It is for parents like Rochelle and Brenda that I focus on this issue in my research agenda."

Kovach has researched bullying since April 20, 1999, the day of the Columbine massacre, and has built the topic of bullying into the child development classes she teaches at UT, has taught classes specifically on school bullying, has given talks on this subject, and helped bring Peter Yarrow from Peter, Paul and Mary to campus to talk about the Don't Laugh at Me Program.

"I wrote this book because I feel it's time to increase the awareness of this topic," Kovach said. "By extension, we can no longer ignore the effects of being bullied, nor can we ignore the bullies who need help as well. Children are dying from this problem. Bullying should not be viewed as 'child's play' or 'kids being kids.' We know too much about the ill effects of this form of aggression. Whether victims are taking their own lives or whether they're taking others' lives, we must aim to prevent the problem. Too many schools have very expensive, high-tech cameras in their cafeterias and other key locations in an effort to 'catch' the bullies, yet many of the same schools are not teaching children how to live together peacefully. A much cheaper approach is to aim to prevent bullying from occurring through a message of acceptance of all others regardless of race, sexual orientation, gender, religious beliefs, physical appearance, etc. Children cannot learn if they fear for their physical or emotional well-being. We owe it to them to create powerful, tolerant climates where everyone can thrive."

Kovach's book is available at the UT Bookstore in the faculty author section or by calling Pearson Publishers at 1.800.922.0579 and providing the ISBN 0-536-95733-9.



Photo by Daniel Miller

Dr. Lisa Kovach posed for a photo with her new book, *School Shootings and Suicides: Why We Must Stop the Bullies*, with Dr. Dale Snauwaert, who co-wrote a chapter.

Students receive NASA awards for research

Two UT graduate students have been selected by the Ohio Space Grant Consortium (OSGC) to renew their Graduate Fellowships, and four UT undergraduate students have received scholarship awards.

The Ohio Space Grant Consortium is a member of the national Space Grant College and Fellowship Program, which constitutes 52 space grants — representing 50 states along with Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. The program is funded by Congress and administered through the NASA Office of Education.

UT is one of 16 universities and six community colleges in Ohio that are members of the consortium. The primary mission of the OSGC is to significantly increase national capability in technology, math, science and engineering by awarding scholarships and fellowships to U.S. citizens pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees in these areas.

The OSGC Graduate Fellowships are highly competitive throughout the state and depend upon the students' educational and past research credentials. Their research must be of importance to and have a connection with the NASA Glenn Research Center. Doctoral students receive \$18,000 — \$13,000 from OSGC, \$5,000 from UT plus tuition

— for three calendar years, and masters' students receive \$14,000 for the calendar year — \$11,000 from OSGC, \$3,000 from UT plus tuition — for 18 months.



Schilling

UT students receiving 2005-06 Graduate Fellowships are:

- Walter W. Schilling Jr., a second-year doctoral student majoring in electrical engineering and computer science. He is working with Dr. Mansoor Alam, professor of electrical engineering and computer science, on a project, "Embedded Software Quality."

- Mike Orra, a second-year master's student majoring in electrical engineering and computer science. He is working with Dr. Thomas Stuart, professor of electrical engineering and computer science, on "Remote Measurements Using Ad-Hoc Wireless Local Area Networks."



Orra

Undergraduate students received their awards by demonstrating their scholarship and desire to gain research experience. They are required to participate in university

research projects under the guidance of a faculty member. Scholarships are \$3,000 per year for seniors and \$2,000 per year for juniors, and both awards include a \$500 departmental contribution.



Vogel

UT students receiving 2005-06 awards are:

- Elisa M. Vogel, a junior majoring in chemical and environmental engineering, who is working on "Carbon Fiber Nanocomposites for Reverse Osmosis" under the direction of Dr. G. Glenn Lipscomb, professor and chair of chemical and environmental engineering.

- Frederick C. Roepcke, a junior majoring in chemical and environmental engineering, who is working with Dr. Isabel Escobar, assistant professor of chemical and environmental engineering, on "The Characterization of Irradiated and Virgin Membranes Through Storage in Various Chemical Environments."



Roepcke

- Paul H. Sell, a junior majoring in physics and astronomy, who is working under the direction of Dr. Adolf Witt, Distinguished



Sell

University Professor of Physics and Astronomy, on a project, "The Determination of Dust Opacities Using Color Asymmetries in Inclined Galaxies."

- Ashlie B. Flegel, a junior majoring in mechanical, industrial and manufacturing engineering, is working with Dr. Ray Hixon, assistant professor of mechanical, industrial and manufacturing engineering, on a project, "Computational Study of Engine Performance Using Computer-Aided Simulation."



Flegel

"I am very proud of these students as they represent our future in science and engineering and have been chosen to receive these awards through a statewide competition among the 16 affiliated universities in Ohio," said Dr. Kenneth DeWitt, University Distinguished Professor of Chemical and Environmental Engineering and director of UT's OSGC program.

Students will present their results at the annual OSGC Student Research Symposium in Cleveland in April.

Palestinian student hopes to take counseling education to Middle East



Nida Shuibat in her Advanced Personality Assessment class

Photo by Daniel Miller

By Jon Strunk

The United States, particularly as viewed from overseas, has a culture of high volume. It is large and loud. It penetrates into the open spaces of other cultures, and those unfamiliar or not prepared for it may find their senses overwhelmed.

Which is why even after working with the different cultures of various people from international aid organizations in the West Bank, Nida Shuibat had a little trouble grasping the quietness that pervades Toledo and other American communities.

“Do people live in these other apartments? Are they empty?” asked Shuibat’s sister, Muna, during a Toledo visit. It was the noise — the children playing, the car horns honking — that were signs of life in the West Bank, Shuibat explained. Toledo was too quiet. “No one talks to each other!” she said. “American society is much more individualistic.”

While after a year she has met a few of her neighbors — thanks in part to the universal positive response to good cooking — most of her time is focused on schoolwork. Shuibat is working toward a

master’s degree in community counseling at The University of Toledo through the Presidential Scholarship Program, a United States Agency for International Development-funded initiative administered by the Academy for Educational Development (AED).

Designed to provide lessons in leadership, the program has Palestinian students study in the United States and return home to apply what they’ve learned to help develop the Palestinian economy and society. The need for counseling in a region with thousands of years of strife seems self-evident, but Shuibat said no Palestinian universities offer counseling programs at the master’s level.

Long term, that’s what she hopes to change. A master’s degree will help formalize her experience — much of it on-the-job — and assist in her goal of setting up a graduate-level counselor training program at a Palestinian university for others in the field.

At UT, Shuibat is reinforcing and learning community-counseling techniques. “It’s a rich experience with tremendous

opportunities for learning and gaining knowledge,” she said, but acknowledged not all of what she learned would be accepted back home. “You have to assimilate what you can to your own culture.”

And she should have a strong sense of how to integrate theory into practice. For more than four years, Shuibat worked with mothers and malnourished children in Hebron and counseled families affected by the *intifada*. In her hometown of Bethlehem, she worked as a school counselor. But she soon found she was in need of counseling herself, weighed down by the emotional exhaustion of working in such

a volatile environment.

When presented with the AED’s education opportunity, however, she immediately found herself selecting counseling as a field of study in the United States.

The free time she does have has been spent traveling to Chicago and to Dearborn, Mich., where the Arabic community, culture and Arabic-language street signs help her and her husband, Mohammed, a UT doctoral student, feel more at home. Many Palestinians view the United States through the prism of U.S. government policy, she said. The result was a nation very different from what she expected. The diversity of the country was one surprise, a discovery that was new to her family when she shared it with them.

Being able to speak by Internet phone to them — sometimes several times a day — the novelty of the United States has become more routine, she said, and her parents’ message to her has become routine as well.

“They are very excited for me,” Shuibat said, “but always tell me, ‘Keep track of your studies.’”

In need of a helping paw: Animals still homeless after hurricane

By Deanna Woolf

According to the American Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, more than 8,000 dogs, cats, horses, livestock and other critters have been rescued in affected areas since Hurricane Katrina struck.

Joni Bishop, computer graphics design artist with the Office of Marketing and Communications, said the plight of animals was a topic at her recent American Red Cross volunteers meeting. “They are still trying to collect animals. No one has been living in New Orleans — the dogs and cats have no food and nothing to drink,” she said. “I know there are still people who need help, but they’re not dying in the street like these animals.”

Bishop returned last month from Biloxi, Miss., where she volunteered at a Red Cross shelter for two weeks.

In addition to the problem of rounding up abandoned animals, hundreds of pets have been placed at nearly 200 shelters across the country. “Even if some of the pets have microchips in them, you don’t know where the owner is,” Bishop said. Survivors could be halfway across the country from their pets. For example, she pointed to the Cincinnati Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, which has taken in cats and dogs from New Orleans. Owners nationwide have until Dec. 31 to claim their pets or else the animals will be put up for adoption.

Bishop rescued and watched over an abandoned Chihuahua during her time at the Biloxi shelter. “I still wish I would have taken her home,” she said, but added the dog has a good home with two other volunteers. She plans to adopt a small dog from a Hurricane Katrina-affected area.

For more information on reuniting pets and owners, visit <http://disaster.petfinder.org/emergency>. To volunteer or donate toward hurricane disaster relief for pets, visit www.americanhumane.org/site/PageServer?pagename=pa_disaster_relief.



UT slates events for World AIDS Day

By Shannon Coon

James H. Chapmyn, advocate for the rights of persons with AIDS and HIV, will give a talk about AIDS awareness titled "What Can I Do?" Thursday, Dec. 1, at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Auditorium.

He is founder and president of the theater and performance lecture company Chapmyn Spoken Word.

"What I will be doing is not a play per se but a lecture performance sharing experiences and excerpts from my whole body of work," said Chapmyn from Columbus, Ohio. "I will be using myself as a metaphor to help people understand the struggle with HIV."

Chapmyn has been an AIDS and HIV advocate for more than 20 years. "In 1984 before it was called AIDS and we knew what was going on, I lost 17 people to the disease and became very concerned," he said. "In 1986, concern moved to advocacy. I started advocating at my church, telling them that we cannot sit back and assume this was some great cleansing by God. In 1988, I became a full-time advocate. I worked with people in the streets, at-risk people who used sex as an income and other activities at risk."

He will be coming to UT with Donny Monaco and Ron Jenkins, two members of the Chapmyn Spoken Word acting crew, to share excerpts from Chapmyn's plays, which include "Womyn with Wings," "One

Race, One People, One Peace," and "Martin and Me."

Although Chapmyn Spoken Word was created in 1988 to educate people about HIV, the company has since expanded to include issues such as race, culture and class. The company tours 80 to 100 places a year, mostly in the continental United States. The company's goal is to "provoke dialogue and invoke change."

"My inspiration definitely comes from people," Chapmyn said. "I try to find creative ways to tell their stories, of course, with poetic license."

Refreshments will be provided, and attendance vouchers will be available.

Other World AIDS Day events at UT will include Planned Parenthood and David's House information tables in the Student Union Wednesday, Nov. 30, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Planned Parenthood, David's House, Toledo Health Department, Medical University of Ohio and Substance Abuse Services Inc. information tables in the Student Union Thursday, Dec. 1, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and anonymous HIV testing from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1, in the Student Union.

World AIDS Day events are sponsored by Student Activities and Leadership and ACT NOW.

For more information about the free, public events, contact the Student Activities and Leadership Office at Ext. 7221.

Flex account, health-care benefits open enrollment through Dec. 13

By Deanna Woolf

It's the special season that only comes once a year — not the holidays, but open enrollment.

Now through Dec. 13, employees can enroll or make changes in Network Choice health-care benefits and sign up or re-enroll in the Flexible Spending Accounts Program.

For Network Choice or Flexible

Spending Account enrollment forms, visit <http://humanresources.utoledo.edu/Forms/networkchoice.pdf> and <http://humanresources.utoledo.edu/Forms/FLexEnrollment.pdf>, respectively.

For more information, contact the Human Resources Office at Ext. 1470.

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Hendricks, Vocalstra to perform Nov. 30

Theatre to present 'The 24 Hours Plays' Dec. 3

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Glass Icicle Workshop

Learn to make glass icicles with Steve Moder, UT glassblower. Bowman-Oddy Laboratories Room 1079. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free, public. RSVP: 419.530.2117.

Lecture

Speaker: Abuk Bak, former Sudanese slave. Student Union Room 1592. 6:30 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.699.8510.

Band Concert

University Bands directed by Dr. Jason Stumbo, UT assistant professor of music. Doermann Theater. 8 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2448.

Thursday, Dec. 8

Physics and Astronomy Colloquium

"Making Magnetic Fields: Dynamos in the Nonlinear Regime." Speaker: Ethan Vishniac, John Hopkins University. McMaster Hall Room 1005. 4 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2241.

Friday, Dec. 9

Last Day of Classes

PAs Due to Payroll Office

RA Applications Due

Completed applications for fall 2006 due. Office of Residence Life, Ottawa House West Room 1014. 5 p.m. Info: 419.530.1345.

Planetarium Program

"Holiday Lights." Ritter Planetarium. 7:30 p.m. Observing at Brooks Observatory follows program, weather permitting. \$4 for adults; \$3 for seniors and children ages 4-12; free for children 3 and younger. Info: 419.530.4037.

Opera Workshop

Opera Workshop directed by Robert Ballinger, UT lecturer of music. Center for Performing Arts Recital Hall. 8 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2448.

Saturday, Dec. 10

Blood Drive/Bone Marrow Donor Screening

Second annual event held in honor of James Rice, UT pharmacy student, who died earlier this year. Epiphany Lutheran Church, 915 Reynolds Road. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Monetary donations also accepted. Info: 419.530.5320.

Glass Icicle Workshop

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Planetarium Program

"Santa's Secret Star." Ritter Planetarium. 1 p.m. \$4 for adults; \$3 for seniors and children ages 4-12; free for children 3 and younger. Info: 419.530.4037.

Women's Basketball

UT vs. Wright State. Savage Hall. 4:30 p.m. \$9; \$4.50 for children 12 and younger; half off for UT employees; free for UT students. Info: 419.530.4231.

Men's Basketball

UT vs. Ferris State. Savage Hall. 7 p.m. \$10 and \$7 for reserved seats; \$6 for general admission; half off for children 12 and younger; half off for UT employees; free for UT students. Info: 419.530.4231.

Sunday, Dec. 11

Choir Concert

Choir concert directed by Dr. Stephen Hodge, UT professor of music, and William Schwepe, UT lecturer of music. Doermann Theater. 3 p.m. \$5, \$3 for students and seniors. Info: 419.530.2448.

Dance Lessons

Sponsor: UT Ballroom Dance Society. Student Union Auditorium. 4-5 p.m. \$3; \$1 for students. Info: utbds@hotmail.com.

Monday, Dec. 12

Exams Begin and Continue Through Dec. 16

UT Employee Computer Class

"Migration From MS Office 2000 to XP." University Computer Center Room 1600. 1-5 p.m. Free for UT employees. Register: 419.530.1460.

HIV Testing

Free and anonymous testing by Substance Abuse Services Inc. Walk-ins welcome. Student Medical Center. 1-3:45 p.m. Info: 419.530.3464.

Tuesday, Dec. 13

Health-Care Benefits, Flexible Spending Accountants Open Enrollment Deadline

Info: 419.530.1475.

Board of Trustees Committee Meetings

Student Union. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Check the board Web page one week prior to meeting for specific rooms. Info: 419.530.2814.

Safety and Risk Management Class

"Bloodborne Pathogens." North Engineering Building Room 2250. 2-3:30 p.m. Register: 419.530.3600.

French Conversation

University Hall Room 5440. 2 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2583.

Miniya Program

"Financial Responsibility." Sponsor: Miniya, a mentoring and peer group for African-American female students. International House Sixth Floor Multipurpose Room. 6 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.509.9420.

ART

Quotidian Quilt Guild Exhibition

Featuring quilts by Quotidian Quilt Guild members — Joyce Dauer, Cheryl Darr, Bernice LaPlantz, Madelyn Botek, Jill Holt, Joanna Suter and Gretchen Schultz. Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women, Tucker Hall Room 168. Through Dec. 9. Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.8570.

2005 University of Toledo Authors and Artists Exhibit

See scholarly research published during the past academic year as well as artwork by some 75 UT faculty members. Canaday Center for Special Collections in Carlson Library. Opens with a special ceremony Nov. 30 at 4 p.m. Through Dec. 30. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2170.

"Cultural Domestication — Instinctual Desire"

Contemporary Czech art — photography, installations, stitched figures, paintings and videos — by Jiri Cernicky, Milena Dopitová, Zdena Kolecková, Alena Kotzmannová, Jan Mancuska and Jiri Prihoda. Center for the Visual Arts Gallery. Through Dec. 31. Free, public. Info: 419.530.8300.

UTNEWS

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UT CALENDAR — NOV. 30-DEC. 13**Wednesday, Nov. 30****AIDS Information Tables**

Pick up information from Planned Parenthood and David's House. Part of World AIDS Day events. Student Union. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Info: 419.530.7221.

Corn Hole Tournament

Two-person teams to compete. Student Union Ingman Room 11 a.m.-3 p.m.; Student Recreation Center 6-9 p.m. \$10 per team. Info: 419.304.4924.

Spanish Conversation Table

"La Tertulia." Student Union Cafeteria. 11 a.m.-noon. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2190.

UT Employee Computer Class

"Migration From MS Office 2000 to XP." University Computer Center Room 1600. 1-5 p.m. Free for UT employees. Register: 419.530.1460.

Stress Reduction Seminar

Learn how to deal with everyday pressures with Dr. Ashley Pryor, UT assistant professor of women's and gender studies. Center for Women, Tucker Hall Room 168. 3-4:15 p.m. Continues weekly through Dec. 7. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2642, 419.530.8570.

German Coffee Hour

"Kaffeestunde." Anyone interested in speaking German is welcome. Student Union Room 3020. 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.5506.

Exhibit Opening

2005 UT Authors and Artists Exhibit to open. Speaker: Dr. Carol Bresnahan, UT professor of history and vice provost for academic programs and policies. Canaday Center. 4 p.m. Exhibit open through Dec. 30. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2170.

Chemistry Seminar

"Dioxygen Activation and Monovalent Nickel." Speaker: Dr. Charles Riordan, University of Delaware. Bowman-Oddy Laboratories Room 1053. 4 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.7902.

Alcohol Awareness Workshop

Speaker: Matthew Lambdin, Peer Networking Association. Find out how alcohol plays a role in sexual assault and take a sobriety test with beer goggles. Student Union Room 3018. 4-6 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.6266.

RSVP Deadline for President's Holiday Reception

Make plans to attend the President's Holiday Reception Thursday, Dec. 8, 3-6 p.m., Student Union Auditorium. RSVP: 419.530.3333, debra.driscol@utoledo.edu.

Student Teaching Application Deadline

Those planning to student teach in fall 2006 must submit applications to Student Field Experiences Office, Gillham Hall Room 3012. Info: 419.530.2906.

Men's Basketball

UT vs. Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne. Savage Hall. 7 p.m. \$10 and \$7 for reserved seats; \$6 for general admission; half off for children 12 and younger; half off for UT employees; free for UT students. Info: 419.530.4231.

Thursday, Dec. 1**Last Day of Law Classes****AIDS Information Tables**

Pick up information from Planned Parenthood, David's House, Toledo Health Department, Medical University of Ohio, Substance Abuse Services Inc. Part of World AIDS Day events. Student Union. 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Info: 419.530.7221.

Pharmacy Lecture

"T Cell Dysfunction and Sensitivity to Apoptosis in Kidney Cancer Patients." Dr. James Fink, Lerner Research Institute, Cleveland. Bowman-Oddy Laboratories Room 2850. Noon. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2902.

Honors Lecture

"The Search for Proteins That Interact With CDCA8." Speaker: Blaise Hennessy, UT junior. Faculty mentor: Dr. William Taylor, UT assistant professor of biological sciences. Sullivan Hall Room 103. Noon. Free, public. Info: 419.530.6030.

Physics and Astronomy Colloquium

"Employment of the Roosbroeck-Shockley Relation for Photoluminescence Analysis of Heavily Doped GaAs." Speaker: Shyam Munshi, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Bowling Green State University Overman Hall Room 123. 4 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2241.

World AIDS Day Program

"What Can I Do?" Speaker: James Chapmyn, advocate for the rights of persons with AIDS and HIV. Student Union Auditorium. 7 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.7221.

Friday, Dec. 2**UT Employee Computer Class**

"Project Management Concepts." First of two classes; concludes Dec. 9. University Computer Center Room 1600. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Free for UT employees. Register: 419.530.1460.

Writing Workshop for Praxis I

Session will include grammar review, sample test questions, strategies for effective essays. Writing Center Conference Room, Carlson Library Room 1005. 12:30-2:30 p.m. Free. Register: 419.530.4939.

UT Employee Computer Class

"Building Your Keyboarding Skills." University Computer Center Room 1600. 1-5 p.m. Free for UT employees. Register: 419.530.1460.

Honors Lecture

"Researching C. Elegans, A Closer Look at mua-1." Speaker: Jennifer Quinlan, UT senior. Faculty mentor: Dr. John Plenefisch, UT associate professor of biological sciences. Sullivan Hall Room 103. 1 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.6030.

Biological Sciences Lecture

"Ras Isoform Specific Signaling Events." Speaker: Dr. Alan Wolfman, Cleveland Clinic Foundation. Wolfe Hall Room 3246. 3:30 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.1581.

Sub-Saharan Film Festival

"Moolaadé" (2004) and "The Making of Moolaadé" (2004). Written and directed by Ousmane Sembene of Senegal. Center for Performing Arts Lab Theatre Room 1039. 7 p.m. \$3 donation suggested. Info: 419.530.2202.

Planetarium Program

"Holiday Lights." Learn how the calendar and holiday customs are related to the nighttime sky. Ritter Planetarium. 7:30 p.m. Observing at Brooks Observatory follows program, weather permitting. \$4 for adults; \$3 for seniors and children ages 4-12; free for children 3 and younger. Info: 419.530.4037.

24-Hour Playwriting Fest

Toledo-based playwright Eric Pfeffinger will be in residence at UT and lead the first 24-hour playwriting fest with playwrights, directors, actors and producers to create a new play. 7:30 p.m. Culminates with production Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. Center for Performing Arts. \$3 suggested donation at door. Proceeds to benefit Arts Rescue New Orleans. Info: 419.530.2202.

Saturday, Dec. 3**Glass Icicle Workshop**

Learn to make glass icicles with Steve Moder, UT glassblower. Bowman-Oddy Laboratories Room 1079. Three sessions: 8:30-10:30 a.m., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m. Free, public. RSVP: 419.530.2117.

Planetarium Program

"Santa's Secret Star." Learn how Santa uses the stars to find his way back to the North Pole. Ritter Planetarium. 1 p.m. \$4 for adults; \$3 for seniors and children ages 4-12; free for children 3 and younger. Info: 419.530.4037.

Men's Basketball

UT vs. Northern Illinois. Savage Hall. 7 p.m. \$10 and \$7 for reserved seats; \$6 for general admission; half off for children 12 and younger; half off for UT employees; free for UT students. Info: 419.530.4231.

24-Hour Playwriting Fest

See the play that was written and produced during the first 24-hour playwriting fest. 7:30 p.m. Center for Performing Arts Studio Theatre. \$3 suggested donation at door. Proceeds to benefit Arts Rescue New Orleans. Info: 419.530.2202.

Concert

Gallagher. Student Union Auditorium. 8 p.m. \$35, \$32, \$25; students receive \$5 discount with ID. Info: 419.530.2350.

Sunday, Dec. 4**Faculty Recital**

Rico McNeela, UT associate professor of music, violin. Toledo Museum of Art Great Gallery. 3 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2448.

Dance Lessons

Sponsor: UT Ballroom Dance Society. Student Union Auditorium. 4-5 p.m. \$3; \$1 for students. Info: utbds@hotmail.com.

Monday, Dec. 5**Web Grading Opens****Law Exams Begin and Continue Through Dec. 16****Service Recognition Awards**

Ceremony to honor faculty and staff who will celebrate 5-, 10-, 15-, 20-, 25-, 30-, 35-, 40- and 45-year anniversaries as of Dec. 31. Student Union Auditorium. 1 p.m. Info: 419.530.1471, 419.530.1478.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 8 P.M.

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THE JON HENDRICKS VOCAL STRA

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ANDY WATSON, drums
and introducing
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& ROSS REDUX
with JUDITH HENDRICKS
& JOEL HAZARD


HIV Testing

Free and anonymous testing by Substance Abuse Services Inc. Walk-ins welcome. Student Medical Center. 1-3:45 p.m. Info: 419.530.3464.

Chemistry Seminar

Speaker: Eric Yearley, UT doctoral student. Bowman-Oddy Laboratories Room 1053. 4 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.7902.

Tuesday, Dec. 6**Safety and Risk Management Class**

"Laboratory Safety." North Engineering Building Room 2250. 1-3 p.m. Register: 419.530.3600.

French Conversation

All levels welcome. University Hall Room 5440. 2 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2583.

Faculty Senate Meeting

Student Union Room 2582. 3 p.m. Info: 419.530.2112.

Deadline to Submit Names to Secret Santa

Know someone in need this holiday season? Submit names to the Secret Santa Program, which is coordinated by the Communication Workers of America Local 4530. Info: 419.530.7833, 419.530.1601.

Jazz Concert

UT Jazz Ensemble directed by Gunnar Mossblad, UT professor of music. Center for Performing Arts Recital Hall. 8 p.m. \$5, \$3 for students and seniors. Info: 419.530.2448.

Wednesday, Dec. 7**Spanish Conversation Table**

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Stress Reduction Seminar

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German Coffee Hour

"Kaffeestunde." Student Union Room 3020. 3:30-4:30 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.5506.

Retirement Reception

Stop in to say goodbye to Dr. Dagmar "Dee" Morales, director of Latino initiatives, who is retiring from the University after 24 years. Libbey Hall. 4-6 p.m. Info: 419.530.2840.

Project Succeed Orientation

Program for women in transition following a change in marital status. Center for Women, Tucker Hall Room 168. 5:30 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.8570.

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