President to discuss UT-MUO merger in State of the University Address

By Vicki L. Kroll

President Dan Johnson will talk about the future of The University of Toledo, including the proposed merger with the Medical University of Ohio, during his fifth annual State of the University Address Thursday, Jan. 19, at 3:30 p.m. in Doermann Theater.

His address is titled “Together: Shaping the Future of The University of Toledo.”

“We have a chance to truly transform higher education in this region and in the state if the merger is approved,” Johnson said.

“If we come together to form a single institution, students would see some significant advantages,” Johnson said. “They would be attending the third largest institution in the state in terms of budget size and external research funding. The institution would be more recognizable nationally. There would be seamlessness in taking courses or combining degrees or curriculum, and access to additional faculty and services.

“Even though we have joint programs now in public health, nursing and some other areas, this opens up a whole new level of opportunity for the combination of degrees in law and medicine or health and business,” Johnson said. “I think that we have just begun to envision the opportunities this would create from a curricular point of view.”

He plans to ask the campus community to be patient if the merger takes place.

“These things take time. It will take perhaps a number of years for a complete transition as we move forward with the merger,” Johnson said. “It will be challenging, but it will be enormously rewarding in the long term for us, for the medical campus, and all those we serve.”

Johnson also will discuss strategies for shaping the future of the University and the responsibilities that come with accepting a stronger relationship role among Ohio’s institutions of higher education, as well as in the city, region and state.

The address will be streamed live at the UT and MUO campuses. A Web address will be posted at www.utnews.utoledo.edu the week of the event.

An informal reception will take place outside Doermann Theater immediately following the address.

Researchers ‘on the move’ in lab

By Deanna Woolf

When you ask someone to mimic an elderly person, Peggy Arnos said, “They usually do this.” She slumps her head forward, creating a hunched effect on her upper back.

This characteristic may be familiar to most people, but the idea that elderly people’s upper body posture has an effect on lower body mechanics isn’t. Arnos, a PhD student in kinesiology, believes the slower gait and poor balance the elderly exhibit is due to how their upper body is situated, and she’s using the Motion Analysis Laboratory to test the theory.

The lab, located in the Health and Human Services Building, is a state-of-the-art facility equipped with cameras, force measurers and computers with software capable of building 3-D models of the human body. “The lab is designed to give us the comprehensive ability to affect [and test] the theory,” Arnos said.

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Negotiations continue on health-care contract

By Deanna Woolf

Members of the UT administration and employee unions are continuing to negotiate the health-care contract, with one group setting a strike deadline.

The negotiating units will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 10, when the administration will present a counteroffer to the unions.

Ron Honse, president of the Communication Workers of American (CWA) Local 4319, said the union has set a strike date for Monday, Jan. 23. “We will continue to try to resolve this between now and the 23rd,” he said. “Our plans are going forward, in the event we cannot reach an agreement, to prepare for the strike.”

He said after the Jan. 10 meeting, the executive officers would decide “whether or not it’s worthy of taking the counteroffer back to the full membership. The members ultimately have to ratify it.”

Calls to the UT chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) were not returned.

Christopher Gail, software specialist with the College of Arts and Sciences computing and Professional Staff Association (PSA) chair, said, “We’re just waiting to see what happens.” He added PSA members will likely get the same contract the unions negotiate.

LOOK FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OF UT NEWS JAN. 23
Honor ‘The Power of One’ at the MLK Unity Celebration

By Deanna Woolf

A s Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. proved, one person can make an immense difference. Honor his accomplishments at the Unity Celebration on Monday, Jan. 16, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in Savage Hall.

This is the sixth year The University of Toledo has partnered with the city of Toledo to present the event. Last year, more than 3,000 people attended.

The theme this year is “The Power of One.” There will be a parade of nations from Toledo Sister Cities International; a procession of youth, business leaders, clergy members, elected officials, educational leaders, and social service agency members; and remarks by Toledo Mayor Carty Finkbeiner and UT President Dan Johnson. A 60-member interfaith choir will perform, and there will be a special song and tribute to the American Red Cross and the United Way for their efforts during the Hurricane Katrina disaster.

Following the program, there will be a luncheon in the west lobby of Savage Hall.

For more information on the free, public event, contact Deb Driscoll, senior events coordinator with the Office of the President, at Ext. 5317.

The College of Engineering is hosting a Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. oratorical competition for area elementary and middle school students. The event is Monday, Jan. 16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Nitschke Hall Auditorium.

Professor emeritus teaches in Hungary on Fulbright grant

By Deanna Woolf

Dr. Mark Kinney, professor emeritus of foundations of education, is teaching courses at the University of Szeged and Eszterhazy Karoly University in Hungary as part of a Fulbright Scholar grant.

Kinney wrote in his Fulbright project statement that his main reason for applying is to be of service as Hungarian universities pursue acceptance of their research and scholarship in the European Union. He also wants to work on developing a linking arrangement between UT and the two Hungarian institutions.

Finally, Kinney hopes to share his experiences with Americans upon his return. When asked about the differences he’s noticed thus far between Hungarian and UT students, he answered, “Students in Hungary are much more part of a big family, where a faculty member is responsible for their success and can ask the student to be sure to sign up for a course or attend a lecture, etc., and the student will do so. Students are in class sessions much more than at UT. They have fewer books and materials to work with, so instruction is more distilled to the essentials.”

Kinney’s grant runs through February.

Economic developer selected to lead technology corridor

By Jon Swope

Peter Kay, a former economic adviser for the Pennsylvania Governor’s Office, has been hired as director of the Toledo Science and Technology Corridor.

Kay, 58, will start his new job this month and will make $130,000 annually.

“I think in Peter we have found just the person to combine the resources of The University of Toledo with those of businesses and nonprofit organizations in northwest Ohio,” said President Dan Johnson. “Peter’s leadership will be integral as we focus our region’s combined educational and industrial potential into what could be a very powerful economic transformation for this area.”

Kay, a certified economic developer, has held a series of economic development positions, including serving as an economic adviser to then-Gov. Tom Ridge and the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

He also was president and CEO of the Economic Development Corp. of Erie County, Pa., where he worked in partnership with General Electric, Penn State University and the state government to successfully foster economic growth.

Kay will be charged with:

• Developing and implementing a plan for the corridor that is aligned with the learning, discovery/research and engagement missions of UT;

• Obtaining support for the corridor from community leaders and members of local neighborhoods;

• Preparing proposals and other initiatives to gain external funding to support corridor projects;

• Coordinating joint projects with corridor partners; and

• Recruiting high-tech businesses in conjunction with economic development partners.

Speaker to address military draft

By Deanna Woolf

“Do You Feel a Draft?” is the question J.E. McNeil, executive director of the Center on Conscience & War (CCW), will address in her speech Friday, Jan. 13, at noon in the Law Center Auditorium.

CCW, located in Washington, D.C., was formed in 1940 by an association of religious organizations. Its staff members work to defend the rights of conscientious objectors and to place them in alternative service programs if a draft occurs.

McNeil will survey the evolution of the legal status of conscientious objectors and the military’s response, as well as share her experiences on representing and advising tax resisters.

When asked about the likelihood of a draft, McNeil answered, “The short version is that if we do not withdraw from Iraq, and certainly if we send troops to any new place, we are perilously close to a draft — simply because there are so few remaining options for the military to provide troops to Iraq. They are just beginning to reach into the Navy and the Air Force for MPs [military police] and truck drivers, the primary people being deployed. They called up thousands of IRR [individual ready reserves] with only about a one-in-three success rate. There are no more pockets of personnel sitting out there.”

For more information on the free, public event, contact the Law Communications Office at Ext. 2712.

AVI offers cooking class

AVI Chef Todd Maxson will hold a cooking class Monday, Jan. 23, in Libbey Hall.

The class, which costs $25, runs from 6:15 to 8:30 p.m. and includes dinner, refreshments, a recipe folder and a gift certificate for lunch at Libbey Hall, valued at $40.

To attend the class, RSVP by Monday, Jan. 16, to AVI at Ext. 8415.
Three degrees in December

Two staffers watched family members graduate during fall commencement, and another employee picked up a diploma last month.

DEBBIE SKUTCH is the director of the Center for Family Business. She has worked at the University for nearly 14 years. The native of Erie, Pa., holds a bachelor of science degree in education from Miami University.

FAMILY: Husband, Steven, and three daughters, Emily, 24, at the University of Cincinnati; Sally, 22, a senior at the University of Kansas; and Cathy, 22, who is at UT studying middle school education.

HOBBIES: Walking, reading, friends and family outings

FAVORITE BOOK: The Charm School by Nelson DeMille

LAST MOVIE SEEN: “The Producers”

THREE WORDS TO DESCRIBE YOURSELF: Good-natured, fair-minded, impatient at times with bureaucracy

FAVORITE SPORTS TEAM: Pittsburgh Steelers

WHO WOULD YOU WANT TO TRADE PLACES WITH FOR ONE DAY? A movie star

FIRST JOB: Switchboard operator at hotel — my own family’s business

FAVORITE DESSERT: Cheesecake

WHERE DID YOU GO ON YOUR LAST VACATION? Florida with 18 family members!

FAVORITE MEAL TO COOK: Steak on the grill

WHAT DO YOU DO TO RELAX? Read, watch sports on TV, walk

FAVORITE WINTER ACTIVITY: Getting away

SOMETHING PEOPLE WOULD BE SURPRISED TO KNOW ABOUT YOU: I was the junior high ping-pong champion in eighth grade.

DONNA SCHROEDER BRASWELL, business services officer in the College of Arts and Sciences, received a law degree. She was the recipient of the Law Merit Scholarship and was on the dean’s list. She plans to continue working at the University and take the Ohio Bar Exam in July. After that, Braswell will consider practicing in business, employment or tax law.

KENNETH HOEFFLIN, son of Kris Armstrong, clinic coordinator in the Student Medical Center, graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering. He is considering employment offers.

MELISSA L. MEINHART, daughter of Ruth L. Meinhardt, director of the Student Success Center, received a bachelor of arts degree in new media. Melissa’s artwork has been displayed in several exhibits at the Center for the Visual Arts. She plans to move to Naples, Fla., to work in graphic arts, possibly for a magazine or a company.

Kennis Hoefflin, Donna Schroeder Braswell and Melissa L. Meinhardt.

HONORS SET IN STONE: Brothers Joe Taberner, left, and Orris Tabner, a 1968 UT alumnus, front one of the two seals designed and created by their father, local builder and sculptor John Taberner, who attended UT in the 1940s. The seals — the University seal and that of Toledo, Spain — were fabricated in 1932 for Kappa Pi Epsilon sorority, which used them to honor Dr. Henry J. Doermann, president of the University, who died in November of that year. Sculpted in a plaster-plastic composite and stained to resemble weathered wood, the seals since their installation have graced the stairwells to University Hall’s two courtyards. “It was a great thrill to find out that our father had this other connection with the University,” Joe said, admitting that he and Orris had no idea how impressive the seals are. In a ceremony to dedicate two plaques the brothers donated to mark their father’s work, Dr. Penny Poplin Gosetti, executive assistant to President Dan Johnson, said, “The seals represent both the history of our campus and the larger history that ties our University to Spain and to the wider world. These kinds of connections are what UT has always been about, and your father’s seals remind our students, our faculty and our staff about our history.”

Betty L. Eastop, Denver, who was manager of the Student Union Snack Bar during the 1970s and 1980s, died Dec. 3 at age 89.

Jerry Kelly, Toledo, a custodial worker in the International House, died Dec. 8 at age 67. He had worked at the University since 1995.

Hazel I. Larimer, Sun City West, Ariz., died Dec. 21 at age 87. She and her husband, the late Frank A. Larimer, were members of the Presidents Club, the Heritage Society and the Jesup W. Scott Society. They donated $1 million to UT for the construction of the Larimer Athletic Complex. Guided by Hazel’s strong support of academics, they also established endowed scholarships in the College of Education for elementary education students.

Helen G. (Hineline) Schmakel, who was married to former UT alumni relations director Edward Schmakel for 58 years, died Dec. 23 at age 90. She was co-donor on their gifts to the Tower Club and the Rocket Club, and was a UT employee in the College of Law from 1973 to 1986, retiring as a secretary. She was a lifetime member of the UT Alumni Association.

Haru K. Thompson, Toledo, who worked in the athletics department for more than four decades, died Dec. 17 at age 84. As a student, she was a majorette in the UT Marching Band; she received a bachelor’s degree in business administration in 1943 from the University. Two years later, she returned to her alma mater to work as a senior clerk in athletics, where she stayed until she retired as secretary 3 in 1988. Over the years, Thompson worked for seven athletic directors and 13 head football coaches. In 1998, she was inducted into the Varsity T Hall of Fame for her work in athletics and her UT loyalty. Thompson was a member of the UT Alumni Association and Beta Tau Delta.
The FYI on BMI: Family Obesity Conference Jan. 21

By Deanna Woolf

Learn about Body Mass Index (BMI), healthy food choices and exercise during the Family Obesity Conference: Awareness Assessment and Management, Saturday, Jan. 21.

The free, public event, held in Health and Human Services Multipurpose Room 1711, begins at 8:30 a.m. and is for adults and children 10 and older.

Medical experts will speak at 9 a.m. about the keys of weight loss and maintenance, as well as healthy living choices. Panelists are Dr. Debra Boardley, UT associate professor of public health and rehabilitative services and registered dietician; Jessica Reed, a certified strength and conditioning specialist with ProMedica Health System; and Dr. Guldal Caba, a licensed psychologist and doctor of naturopathic medicine.

From 10:30 a.m. to noon, there will be a screening and wellness fair, where community partners will offer information and free screenings for blood pressure, pulmonary function and BMI.

The event is sponsored by the UT College of Health and Human Services Alumni Affiliate, in partnership with the American Diabetes Association, the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department and the Wellness Center.

To RSVP for the event, call the Alumni Relations Office at Ext. 2586.

Commission on Diversity unveils plan for University

By Deanna Woolf

Without diversity, we will not have academic excellence,” said Dr. Carol Bresnahan, vice provost for academic programs and policies.

That concern has been on the minds of many at the University, prompting President Dan Johnson to form the President’s Commission on Diversity in December 2002 with Dr. Alan Goodridge, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and enrollment, and Dr. Johnnie Early, dean of the College of Pharmacy, as co-chairs. Since then, the commission members have met monthly to hear reports and hold discussions. Now they have issued the Plan for Diversity — recommendations of programs and policies that will make the campus community more diverse and reflective of the metropolitan population.

“This plan is a demanding, ambitious plan,” said Bresnahan, convener of the commission.

“The really good thing is that it shows the University does have a commitment to diversity issues,” said Martino Harmon, interim director of the African-American Student Enrichment Initiatives Office and commission member. “It shows we’re serious about exploring and looking for ways to improve the University.”

Both acknowledged the pace of the commission was not as brisk as hoped. “It took quite a while because the committee proceeded slowly and deliberately. But it had a lot of work to do starting from ground zero” such as defining diversity, Bresnahan explained.

The definition of diversity is one of the commission’s recommendations that has already been implemented. The commission recommended or supported other initiatives, including the Anti-Harassment Policy, the Minority Graduate Fellowship Awards, rotating the day of commencement, Primos, the Women’s Leadership Council and the African-American Student Enrichment Initiatives Office, which Harmon described as a “product in the interest of retaining students of color,” a specific issue the commission wanted to address.

The Plan for Diversity calls on the University community to:

• Create an administration position charged with overseeing diversity;
• Develop more effective student recruitment and retention strategies to more proportionately reflect the metropolitan community;
• Implement domestic partner benefits;
• Diversify the public portraiture at the University;
• Create an annual diversity series;
• Establish diversity training for all employees;
• Develop more effective faculty and staff recruitment and retention strategies to promote diversity; and
• Promote and support research on diversity.

The entire plan, including additional recommendations, can be read at http://www.diversity.utoledo.edu/index.asp?id=115.

Bresnahan explained the subcommittees are prioritizing recommendations before the commission meets Jan. 19. They will decide the order of implementation and will finalize the plan.

While the commission’s work is not yet done, the members already feel they have changed and benefited from the experience. “People started to see the diversity of diversity,” Bresnahan said of the meetings. Harmon said, “I have learned and grown as an individual from being at the table with people from different backgrounds and viewpoints.”

And they hope with the plan being implemented, the UT community will do the same.
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Tressa Baskin, UT senior law enforcement officer, participated in the Expect Respect training in November.

The name ‘Healthy Boundaries’ came with a lot of thought,” Baskin said. “My main focus was on how I will get my participants. I thought if I put ‘Healthy Relationships,’ people would think they did not need anyone to tell them about relationships. With that, I concluded ‘Healthy Boundaries,’ where anyone could wonder what this group is all about.”

Baskin’s discussion group works on building healthy relationships and identifying unhealthy relationships with roommates, family, friends, associates and significant others. The group’s goal is to support people who have or could have experienced unhealthy relationships, explain benefits of healthy relationships, last fall.

“Like most college campuses, The University of Toledo has problems with student relationship issues, and college relationship violence has increased in recent years. These violent acts range from physical, sexual, emotional and mental abuse. Many of these issues are caused by or exacerbated by the traditional college experience.”

That’s what Tressa Baskin, senior law enforcement officer with Campus Police, wrote in her application submitted with her grant proposal for the Intimate Partner Violence Program from the Domestic Violence Prevention Enhancement and Leadership Through Alliances (DELTA) project sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. After receiving the $1,000 grant that is renewable for three years, Baskin started Healthy Boundaries, a discussion group focused on building healthy relationships, and teach characteristics of good and bad relationships.

According to Baskin, some traits of healthy relationships are making decisions together, respecting and valuing each other, being honest with each other, and not expecting the other person to solve all your problems or give you everything you need.

Some characteristics of an unhealthy relationship are feeling ignored or not respected, disagreements that frequently turn into fights, feeling pressured by the other person to do things you feel uncomfortable doing, and the other person insisting on knowing what you are doing, who you are with and where you are, she said.

Baskin also shared some side effects and special challenges of students who have experienced or witnessed violence. "They may have difficulty concentrating, completing assignments, and staying awake or interacting with others,” she said. “They may appear anxious, depressed, angry, withdrawn or have no visible indications at all. In extreme cases, these young adults may become medicated with drugs and alcohol. When a victim attends the same class or lives in the same resident hall as an abuser, he or she may be exposed to intimidation on a constant basis by the abuser and possibly the abuser’s friends. If a victim seems trapped in this situation, she or he may drop out of college or flunk out of college just to escape.”

So how does Healthy Boundaries help? “The group provides a safe place to talk about relationships and to learn new relationship skills,” Baskin said. “The group supports participants who have experienced or could experience an unhealthy relationship. Participants learn that the main objective of a healthy relationship is based on equality and mutual respect. In a healthy relationship, each person’s growth and well-being is nurtured in an environment of personal safety and emotional support. The power in a healthy relationship is balanced. Participants realize that while there may be conflict, there is no fear, no threats and no violence. Ultimately, participants learn that people in healthy relationships actively respect each other’s rights. When individuals are involved in healthy relationships, their grades will increase, attendance to class will increase, morale will increase and, most of all, retention will increase.”

Because of the grant she received from the DELTA project, Baskin was invited to attend the Expect Respect replication training Nov. 28 and 29. The training was led by Barri Rosenbluth, creator of Expect Respect, a school-based program that promotes safe and healthy relationships for youth.

The training taught the 24-week Expect Respect program curriculum. “Barri Rosenbluth emphasized the importance of meeting with participants before they enter the group to do a small entry assessment,” Baskin said. “She emphasized the importance of confidentiality. She also talked about the importance of group members wanting to be there — even if they are referred to the group, they still need to have the option of whether they want to be there or offered a referral to another program. She also talked about the importance of pre- and post-tests and feedback forms. She believes the group should be kept small to be productive. This will allow everyone to give and receive feedback during the groups.”

Healthy Boundaries will take place in the Parks Tower Multipurpose Room at 6:30 p.m. on Sundays Jan. 29, Feb. 12 and 26, March 19, and April 2, 16 and 30, and at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays Jan. 11, 25, Feb. 22, March 15 and 29, and April 12 and 26.

For more information or to register for Healthy Boundaries, contact Baskin at Ext. 4964 or tbsakin@utoledo.edu.

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**UT to induct seven into Varsity T Hall of Fame**

Special by Paul Helgren

Seven former student-athletes will be inducted into The University of Toledo Varsity T Hall of Fame on Friday, Jan. 20, at the Pinnacle, 1771 Indian Wood Circle, Maumee.

Social hour will begin at 6 p.m. and dinner will follow at 7 p.m.

Tickets for the induction dinner are $30 and are available at the Athletic Development Office at Ext. 2510.

The 2006 Varsity T Hall of Fame inductees are:

  Bivins, a linebacker, was named MAC Defensive Player of the year in 1976 and received the Jim Nicholson Award for team MVP the same year. He went on to receive the Nicholson Award for MVP for a second time in 1977. A team co-captain in 1977, Bivins was named second-team All-MAC in 1976 and 1977. He excelled in academics and was named to the Academic All-MAC team in 1976. Bivins led the team in tackles with 186 in 1976 and 180 in 1977, and is Toledo's all-time leader in career tackles with 508.

- **Lisa Donnelly Denstorff**, women's tennis, 1986-1990. Donnelly Denstorff was a four-time All-MAC selection and 1990 MAC Champion at No. 1 singles, the only UT woman to win a MAC singles title. She was named team MVP four consecutive seasons, playing at No. 1 singles and No. 1 doubles in all four of those years. She also won the MAC's Leanne Davidge Sportsmanship Award in 1988. The team captain in her junior and senior years, Donnelly Denstorff earned Academic All-MAC honors in 1990. She comes from a tennis family: Her father was a MAC champion at Western Michigan, while sisters Diane and Tracey played at the collegiate level at Northwestern and Iowa, respectively.

- **Erin Jamieson**, women's swimming, 1992-1996. Jamieson was a two-time recipient of the Ruth Hawkins Heltz Most Valuable Swimmer Award in 1993 and 1996. At one time she held school records in the 50-meter backstroke, 100-meter backstroke, 200-meter backstroke, 200-meter individual medley and 100-meter butterfly. She also set school records as a member of the 200- and 400-meter medley relay teams on numerous occasions. At the MAC Championships, Jamieson placed in the top three in the 100-meter butterfly, 100-meter backstroke and 200-meter backstroke in four consecutive seasons. She was an All-MAC and Academic All-MAC in 1994, 1995 and 1996, and received recognition as a President's Scholar.

- **Henry Patterson**, men's track and field, 1994-97. He was one of the most decorated track and field stars in UT history. A decathlete and high jumper, Patterson was a two-time All-American and four-time All-MAC selection in the high jump. He was named the MAC Outdoor Track Athlete of the Year in 1996 after he set the league record in the high jump. He went on to win the Penn Relays, earn All-America honors in the high jump and was a finalist on the 1996 U.S. Olympic Team. He also was an alternate on the 2000 and 2004 U.S. Olympic teams, and won the U.S. championship in 1999. He stills holds the UT record for the high jump with 7 feet and 4 1/2 inches. As a sophomore, Patterson qualified for the NCAA indoor championships in the high jump, set the UT indoor record and earned first-team Academic All-MAC honors. As a junior, he won the MAC championship and finished ninth at the NCAAAs in the high jump, again earning first-team Academic All-MAC. As a senior, Patterson was fifth at the NCAA indoor championship meet in the high jump and made first-team Academic All-MAC for a third straight season. He competed on the professional track circuit from 1998 to 2005 and finished sixth at the 2005 U.S. Outdoor Championships.

- **Jane Roman**, women's basketball, 1989-1992. Roman played basketball for UT before becoming assistant coach from 1992 to 1997. During that span, she either played or coached on five teams that advanced to the NCAA Tournament. In Roman's three seasons as a player, UT was 75-20 and played in the 1991 and 1992 NCAA Tournaments. As an assistant coach under Bill Fenelly and Mark Ehlen, Roman was part of Rocket squads that went 118-35 and made the NCAA Tournament in 1995, 1996 and 1997. Roman ranks 18th in career scoring at UT (1,029 points), first in free-throw percentage (83.2) and third in three-point field goal percentage (38.6). She averaged 13.5 points in 1990-91 and 12.2 points in 1991-92, helping both teams make it to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. She holds the school record for points scored in an NCAA tournament game with 27 in an 81-80 loss to Connecticut in 1991. Roman received a law degree from the University in 2000 and works in a Toledo law firm. She also does color commentary for UT women's basketball games on BCSN.

- **Wasean Tait**, football, 1993-98. Tait produced the greatest single season as a running back in MAC history, rushing for 2,090 yards and 24 touchdowns in 1995. Tait led Toledo to an 11-0-1 mark and Las Vegas Bowl victory in 1995 and earned second-team All-America honors by UPI and third-team All-America by AP, and was named MAC Player of the Year. Tait rushed for 185 yards and four touchdowns in Toledo's 40-37 win over Nevada, including the game-winner in overtime. Tait was considered to be a high NFL draft pick until a devastating knee injury in the season opener in 1996 put him on the sidelines for two full seasons. He came back in 1998 and led Toledo with 625 yards rushing. Tait also led Toledo in rushing as a freshman with 680 yards and had 917 yards as a sophomore. He is second all-time at UT with 4,338 career yards, first in attempts with 837 and second with 18 100-yard games.

- **Ted Williams**, men's basketball, 1974-1978. He ranks first in UT history in career free-throw percentage (83.9) and 10th in scoring (1,355 points). Williams was co-captain of the Rockets his senior season when he led the team in scoring with 18.3 points per game. He also scored 17.2 points as a junior and 12.2 points as a sophomore. Williams helped lead his team to a 77-28 record in his four seasons at UT, including 21-6 records in his junior and senior years. He was a part of the team that broke Indiana's famous winning streak in the first-ever game at Savage Hall in 1976.
UT Calendar — Jan. 11-24

Wednesday, Jan. 11

“Building Healthy Relationships”
For campus community members who want to learn how to maintain healthy relationships with everyone. Paris Tower Multi-purpose Room. 6:30 p.m. Free. Info: 419.530.8670.

Thursday, Jan. 12

Instructor Signature Required for Registration

Timecards Due

Biological Sciences Lecture
Speaker: Dr. Maria Diakonova. University of Michigan Medical School. Wolfe Hall Room 3246. 11 a.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2265.

Physics and Astronomy Colloquium

Friday, Jan. 13

90 Percent Refund Ends

Law Lecture

Planetaryarium Program
“The Winter Skies Over Toledo.” What can you see in the night sky from northwest Ohio? Find out at this program. 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.

Saturday, Jan. 14

Planetaryarium Program
“Amazing Star-gazing.” Constellations, comets, shooting stars and moons are some of the topics covered in this program designed for children. 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.

Tutor Training Program
Learn how to become a tutor for Gear Up Toledo Students, a program that helps junior high students begin to prepare for college. North Engineering Building Room 225OA. 2:56 p.m. RSVP: 419.530.3517.

Monday, Jan. 16

Martin Luther King Jr. Day — University Closed

MLK Oratorical Competition
Area children in grade and middle schools will compete. Falsche Hall Auditorium. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2065.

MLK Unity Celebration
UT and the city of Toledo will pay tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Event to feature procession of local businesses, faith and community leaders, as well as students from area schools, and performances by 60-member interfaith choir. Savage Hall. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.5317.

RSVP Deadline for AVI Cooking Class
Todd Mishawn, chef with AVI Foodsys Inc., will teach the class in Libbey Hall Monday Jan. 23, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. $25 includes dinner, refreshments, recipe folder and Libbey Hall lunch gift certificate. RSVP: 419.530.8415.

Tuesday, Jan. 17

Review Rescinded Timecards

Interfaith Discussion Program
“Celebrating for the holy in the Prose and Poetry of Anne Dillar.” Speaker: Dr. Linda Smith. UT lecturer in the Honors Program. Corpus Christi University Parish, Noon. $0 donation requested. Info: 419.530.1330, suetters@utep.edu.

Faculty Senate Meeting
Student Union Room 2602. 3 p.m. Info: 419.530.2112.

Girl Scout Astronomy Program
Program designed to help girls, ages 8-18, earn Sky, Search, Badge. Ritter Planetarium and Brooks Observatory. 6:30 p.m. Free. RSVP: 419.530.2650.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

Project Succeed Orientation

Women’s Basketball
UT vs. Central Michigan. Savage Hall. 7 p.m. $9. $4.50 for children 12 and younger; half off for UT employees; free for UT students. Info: 419.530.4231.

Thursday, Jan. 19

Center for Women Brown-Bag Lecture
“Ut Women Photos and Open Mic.” Hosted by Dr. Sharon Barnes, UT assistant professor of interdisciplinary studies. Center for Women, Tucker Hall Room 180. 12:30 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.5317.

State of the University Address
“Together Shaping the Future of The University of Toledo.” Speaker: UT President Dan Johnson will talk about the merger with the Medical University of Ohio-Dorrian Theater. 3:30 p.m. Information to follow address. Free, public. Info: 419.530.2671.

Planetaryarium Program
“Planetary System.” What can you see in the night sky from northwest Ohio? Find out at this program. 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.

Men’s Basketball
UT vs. Ohio University. Savage Hall. 4:30 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.

Boy Scout Astronomy Program
Program designed to help boys earn Astronomy Merit Badge. Ritter Planetarium and Brooks Observatory. 6:30 p.m. $9. RSVP: 419.530.2670.

Women’s Basketball
UT vs. Western Michigan. Savage Hall. 7 p.m. $9. $4.50 for children 12 and younger; half off for UT employees; free for UT students. Info: 419.530.4231.

Camp Adventure Interviews
Interviews for the nonprofit organization that trains students to become camp counselors to work with children of military parents around the world. Dinosol Alarm Center Auditorium, 9 a.m. For UT students. Info: 419.530.2671.

Monday, Jan. 23

60 Percent Refund Ends

Last Day to Add/Drop

HIV Testing
Free and anonymous testing by Substance Abuse Services Inc. Walk-in welcome. Student Medical Center. 1-3:45 p.m. Info: 419.530.3665, 419.523.2724.

Health Insurance Waiver Deadline
Students registered for six or more credit hours will be assessed $50.11 on their accounts unless a waiver is received. Info: 419.530.3665.

Project Succeed Orientation
Program for women in transition following a charge in marital status. Center for Women, Tucker Hall Room 168. 5:30 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.8670.

Understanding Self-Esteem: A Program for Women
Four-week program to assist participants learn how to feel better about themselves. Mondays through Feb. 13. Center for Women, Tucker Hall Room 180. 6:30-8:15 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.8670.

Mayoral Address
Toledo Mayor Carty Finkbeiner will deliver his State of the City Address. Nitschke Hall Auditorium. Tentatively scheduled for 7 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.8212.

Tuesday, Jan. 24

Assessment Training for Women
Eight-week program to help develop assessment skills. Tuesdays through March 21, no class March 7. Center for Women, Tucker Hall Room 180. 5:30-7:30 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.8670.

Computer Tutoring
Learn basic computer skills Tuesdays through Feb. 21. Center for Women, Tucker Hall Room 168. 6-7 p.m. Free, public. Info: 419.530.8670.

Art
“Fourth Dimension” and “Paperworks”

Toledo Friends of Photography National Juried Exhibition
Junior Kathy Vargas, San Antonio artist and photographer, selected 70 images from more than 600 entries for the exhibit. Center for the Visual Arts Gallery on Jan. 13 and runs through Feb. 10. Lectures with Vargas Friday Jan. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the Toledo Museum of Art Little Theater; reception to follow in CVA Gallery. Free, public. Info: 419.530.8570.

FREE FALLING: Sophomore Megan McKinley practices a dive in the Student Recreation Center.

UT News publishes listings for events taking place at the University and for off-campus events that are sponsored by UT groups. Information is due by noon Wednesday Jan. 18, for the Jan. 23 issue. Send information by e-mail to utmarcom@utnet.uchicago.edu, fax to 419-530-4231, or drop in manuscript mail to #999 UT News, Marketing and Communications, University Hall Room 2101. Due to space limitations, some events may be omitted from UT News; the complete calendar can be found online at www.utnewscenter.utoledo.edu.

HIT THE POOL
The UT swimming and diving team will have a meet against Miami University Saturday, Jan. 21, at 1 p.m. in the Student Recreation Center. For more information on the free, public event, call the UT Ticket Office at 419.530.4231.