

## Investiture of UT's 16th president Sept. 12

By Jon Strunk

The investiture ceremony formalizing the appointment of Dr. Lloyd Jacobs as the 16th president of The University of Toledo will be held Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 10 a.m. in the Nitschke Hall Auditorium.

Toledo Mayor Carty Finkbeiner and Jim Tuschman, a member of the Ohio Board of Regents and former chair of the UT Board of Trustees, will join Jacobs and offer remarks on the flurry of changes the University has seen over the past 10 months.

The ceremony will highlight a week of events celebrating the new University of Toledo following its July 1 merger with the Medical University of Ohio, the return of students for fall semester and the Sept. 15 home opener for the Rocket football team against Kansas.

"It's a privilege to lead this University during such an exciting time," Jacobs



Jacobs

said. "There is so much promise and anticipation. Ensuring that we build on the foundations of excellence all around and meet our potential is a challenge I'm thoroughly enjoying."

Prior to the merger, Jacobs served as president of MUO, arriving in November 2003. Before that he was chief operating officer of the University of Michigan Health System, one of the largest systems in the country, and senior associate dean for clinical affairs at the University of Michigan Medical School.

Beginning in 1974, he served for 15 years as a vascular surgeon at Wayne State University in Detroit.

## New mission and values finalized

By Tobin J. Klinger

As The University of Toledo gets deeper into the new academic year, a new mission and values statement has been finalized.

The mission statement is:

**The mission of The University of Toledo is to improve the human condition; to advance knowledge through excellence in learning, discovery and engagement; and to serve as a diverse, student-centered public metropolitan research university.**

The core values are:

**I. Compassion, Professionalism and Respect:** Treat every individual with kindness, dignity and care; consider the thoughts and ideas of others inside and outside of the University with a strong commitment to ex-

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## Employee organizing fund-raiser for drug trial to help daughter with fatal disease

By Vicki L. Kroll

Tim and Marla Halko were stunned when their daughter, Kaylee, was diagnosed in 2004 with progeria — a rare, fatal disease characterized by dramatic accelerated aging.

"The first two years, we didn't do anything," Tim said. "Progeria is 100 percent fatal. I told Marla we could just sit here and do nothing, or we can get involved and do as much as we can.

"If the day comes and something happens to Kaylee, I want to be able to look myself in the mirror and know I did everything I could."

The UT accountant in the Accounting Department on the Health Science Campus and his wife are organizing a fund-raising

event, Race for Progeria. The three-mile walk/run will take place Saturday, Sept. 30, at 10:30 a.m. at Monclova Primary School located at the corner of Monclova and Waterville roads. There also will be a silent auction.

All proceeds will go to the Progeria Research Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to discovering treatments and a cure for the disease. Since it was established in 1999, the foundation has funded work that isolated the progeria gene. In July, the foundation launched a campaign to raise \$2 million to fund a clinical drug trial for children with progeria.

"Everything that's raised will go toward the drug trial — that's where we need the

money right now," said Tim, a 1995 UT alumnus.

Kaylee turned 3 July 21 and threw out the first pitch at the Toledo Mud Hens' game.

"She loved it. The crowd loved her. She was dancing on the field," Tim said.

"She really



FIELD DAY: Kaylee and her brother, Timmy, at Fifth Third Field

is just a normal 3-year-old. The only difference is being she has three older brothers — she likes to play with dolls a little bit — but when we asked her what she wanted for her birthday, she asked for a baseball bat. We gave her a tee and a plastic bat and ball. Her favorite thing is to hit the baseball in the backyard. She loves to do everything the boys do right now."

And she holds her own, even though she's small. Kaylee is 3 feet and 1 inch tall and weighs 18 pounds.

It was when she stopped growing around 6 months old that Tim and Marla became concerned.

"At first, doctors thought we weren't

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## UT to celebrate new institution, fall semester with week of festivities

By Jon Strunk

For The University of Toledo, the event-packed week of Sept. 10 will cover the spectrum of emotions. From the solemn ceremony remembering 9-11 to the passion of the Rocket football team's home opener against the Kansas Jayhawks, the week also will include the formal ceremony appointing UT's 16th president, a student-organized barbeque and the announcement of UT's Capital Campaign goal.

The President's Office, University Hall Room 3500, will host an open house for faculty, staff and students from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the week of Sept. 11. For details, call 419.530.2211.

Here are some of the events scheduled for the week:

### Sunday, Sept. 10

- Three-time Nobel Peace Prize nominee Kathy Kelly, a peace activist and author, will deliver the Maryse Mikhail Memorial Lecture at 3 p.m. in the Law Center Auditorium. Kelly will address the situation in Iraq, Lebanon and the Middle East. See story on page 4.

### Monday, Sept. 11

- UT will screen the movie "United 93" in Centennial Mall at 8 p.m. to honor the fifth anniversary of 9-11. The movie will be preceded by "America the Beautiful" playing from the UT bell tower and a moment of silence.

### Tuesday, Sept. 12

- The investiture ceremony formalizing the appointment of Dr. Lloyd Jacobs as UT's 16th president will be held at 10 a.m. in Nitschke Hall Auditorium. Speakers will include Dr. David Adamany, retired president of Temple University, Toledo Mayor Carty Finkbeiner and Jim Tuschman of the Ohio Board of Regents. Amy Steves, president of Main Campus Student Government, will be the emcee, and Simas

Laniauskas, president of the Health Science Campus Student Government, is scheduled to speak. Jacobs suggested strong student participation in the event, which will feature a performance by the UT Music Student Ensemble and international students posting their flags.

### Wednesday, Sept. 13

- A student-organized Backyard Barbecue will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Centennial Mall. The winning T-shirt design to commemorate the week's events will be unveiled and distributed.

- The Judith Herb College of Education will host the Camp Adventure Photo Fest from noon to 6 p.m. in the Student Union Ingman Room for students interested in learning more about the program. Students in Camp Adventure travel to overseas U.S. military bases to help provide education for the children of servicemen and service-women.

### Thursday, Sept. 14

- UT will dedicate the new George Isaac Minimally Invasive Surgical Center at 2 p.m. on the Health Science Campus next to University Medical Center. The University also will formally announce its Capital Campaign, including the amount raised so far and its overall goal.

- Dr. Oliver Sacks, a physician and writer whose four decades of neurological work have inspired books and the Oscar-nominated film, "Awakenings," will speak about "Creativity and the Brain" at 7:30 p.m. in Doermann Theater. See story on page 4.

### Friday, Sept. 15

- The Toledo Rockets will battle the Kansas Jayhawks in the Glass Bowl at 8 p.m. in a game to be televised by ESPN2. Jacobs and his wife, Ola, will host a pre-game party tent for students from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. near Rocket Hall.

## College of Law receives grant to lead study on domestic violence

By Kathleen Amerkhanian

In 2005, 30 percent of homicides in Lucas County resulted from domestic violence, and all of the homicides in Wood County were related to domestic violence.

U.S. Rep. Marcy Kaptur visited UT Tuesday, Aug. 29, to announce the award of a federal grant that will enable the College of Law to devote more resources to reducing the high rate of domestic violence deaths in the region. The College of Law Domestic Violence Clinic will spend the next year supporting a community-wide study of trends and risk factors, looking for solutions to the problem.

"We believe that many of these deaths could have been prevented and many, many more domestic violence fatalities can be prevented in the future," said Gabrielle Davis, director of the Domestic Violence Clinic and a faculty member in the College of Law.

The \$197,446 grant was awarded through the U.S. Department of Justice. Kaptur, a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee, included the funding in the Justice Department's fiscal year 2006 appropriations bill.

Kaptur praised the College of Law's Domestic Violence Clinic and the many community agencies that work to educate the public on resources available for those who need help. She encouraged the media to participate in educating the public as well "so that no person in our community lives in fear."

The College of Law's engagement in the community is a reflection of the University's commitment to public service, said College of Law Dean Douglas Ray.

The dedication to finding solutions to this societal problem fits in with the overall mission of the University "to improve the human condition," said UT President Lloyd Jacobs. He also highlighted the University Medical Center's 24/7 availability to those



Kaptur

seeking help.

Davis observed that domestic violence homicides are not isolated incidents but reverberate throughout a community. Many homicide victims leave behind a family, often with small children. A victim's life has touched other lives through work, school, leisure activities and community interests. "Many are left to grieve," Davis noted.

Davis chairs the Lucas County Domestic Violence Task Force Fatality Review Committee, which will conduct the study of domestic violence fatalities with support from the College of Law. The committee, formed in 2005, is comprised of the Toledo Lucas County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, Family and Child Abuse Prevention Center, YWCA Battered Women's Shelter, Lucas County Domestic Relations Court, Family Services of Northwest Ohio and the UT Social Work Department, with the UT Law Domestic Violence Clinic.

The study will begin in January and culminate in recommendations for policy changes to the Lucas County Board of Commissioners and the Toledo City Council in December 2007.

## College of Law to celebrate centennial anniversary

By Kathleen Amerkhanian

Faculty and staff at The University of Toledo are invited to help the College of Law commemorate the last 100 years on Saturday, Sept. 16.

Highlights of the College of Law's centennial celebration will include a performance by the Capitol Steps, the nationally acclaimed musical and political satire group from Washington, D.C., at 3 p.m. in Doermann Theater. The performance will be followed by a reception in the Law Center

from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. A short program will begin at 5:30 p.m. to recognize guests and to highlight the latest happenings at the College of Law. At 6:30 p.m., join President Lloyd Jacobs and Law Dean Douglas Ray for dessert.

Tickets for the event are \$35 each. RSVPs are requested by Friday, Sept. 8.

Call 419.530.2628 or send an e-mail to [ann.elick@utoledo.edu](mailto:ann.elick@utoledo.edu) to purchase tickets.

## First 'Scholar-President in Residence' to spend two weeks at new UT

By Tobin J. Klinger



Adamany

As Dr. Lloyd Jacobs, president of The University of Toledo, celebrates his investiture, he will be supported in the day's and week's activities by the former president of Temple University.

Dr. David Adamany, who retired as president on June 30 but has continued with the university as the Laura Carnell Professor of Law and Political Science, will visit UT for two weeks, beginning Monday, Sept. 11, as the University marks the fifth anniversary of 9-11 and celebrates the recently merged institution and new president. He will provide the keynote address during the investiture, Tuesday, Sept. 12, at 10 a.m. in

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# Volunteers put people skills to use welcoming University Medical Center patients, visitors

By Jim Winkler

**O**n most days, a select group of University Medical Center volunteers have less than 30 seconds to accomplish their mission — to help people feel at ease as they arrive in the hospital lobby.

They watch visitors walk through the entrance, give directions, find information and get wheelchairs. Most often, they simply smile and say, “Hello, how may I help you?”

For a few seconds, they hope folks forget they’re in a hospital.

Lobby greeters work to create a friendly, caring first impression of UMC for the hundreds of patients, families and visitors who walk through its doors each month, according to Amy Finkbeiner, manager of volunteer services. They direct people to the appropriate clinics, waiting areas and other places while providing extra attention to people who may need it. Greeters are generally found in the lobby on weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

It is the first time ever that UMC has stationed greeters in the lobby to welcome visitors, part of a wide-ranging hospital customer-service initiative directed by Kelli Kuns, UMC director of customer service.

Finkbeiner pointed out that most people coming to a hospital environment

would rather be anywhere else. Just walking through the doors can lead to anxiety. For some, it is their first time at UMC and they are not familiar with the layout of the hospital. Others may need assistance. It’s the job of the greeters to alleviate that apprehension, if even for a few moments.

“We have to recognize that patients probably don’t feel well and may be anxious,” she said. “The greeters try to make their visits as comfortable as possible and provide an embracing, customer-friendly environment as soon as patients walk through our doors.”

The consumer-oriented concept is simple. While most hospitals meet their patients’ basic expectations — sound clinical treatment and care — it’s the quality and kindness of that care that distinguishes individual medical centers. Excellent customer service combined with a caring, attentive attitude helps provide an excellent first impression of a hospital.

Finkbeiner has spent time in the lobby as a greeter and says the program goes far beyond giving directions.

Greeting patients and their family members is an art. Greeters must have the ability to listen and to connect quickly with people,

she said. And they must have a good working knowledge of the hospital and be in good shape because there can be a lot of walking and exercise involved at times.

“To be a greeter, you have to be approachable and likeable, and people must feel comfortable in your presence,” she said.

“You are there to be a sounding board and a source of information,” she said, adding that she found it very gratifying when several patients came back after their appointments just to thank her for her assistance.

The greeters are among 358 active volunteers who are an important piece of the fabric of UMC. They perform a variety of tasks — assist in mailings, provide attention to Emergency Department visitors, stock routine supplies on nursing units, answer the telephone and help visitors at the patient information desk, run errands, register family members in surgery waiting rooms, work in the hospital gift shop, and pass patient meal trays.

From July 2005 through July of this year, volunteers provided more than 55,000 hours of service with a dollar value estimated at \$960,000.



Photo by Daniel Miller

University Medical Center Greeter Samantha Early welcomed people in the lobby.

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feeding her enough,” Tim recalled. “We told them we’ve got three kids and we’ve done everything the same with Kaylee as we did with the boys. We didn’t know why she weighed only 9 pounds.”

Visits to specialists followed. “Everywhere we went they released her with a clean bill of health,” Tim said.

When Kaylee turned 1 and still wasn’t gaining weight, doctors suggested the Halkos take her to the University of Michigan. “As soon as we walked in, the doctor knew right away what was wrong with her,” Tim said.

Difficulty diagnosing progeria isn’t surprising. There are just 12 known cases in the United States, according to the Progeria Research Foundation.

“When she was diagnosed, the doctors pretty much told us to enjoy her for the 13 years or so she’ll live. There’s really nothing you can do,” Tim said.

Kaylee does take a half aspirin three times a week. “Children with progeria die of heart disease, so this has been found to help,” Tim said.

The family also travels once a year to

the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md.

“The NIH is paid for because at the same time they’re doing research on Kaylee and children with progeria, they’re also learning a lot about heart disease and the normal aging process,” Tim said. “One doctor told me it takes a normal person 50, 60 years to develop heart disease; Kaylee’s will come on over the course of two years.”

Tim, Marla and Kaylee have handled things with the help of a built-in support system — Timmy, 8, Brendan, 6, and Jacob, 5.

“It’s only been six months since we told the boys exactly what was going on,” Tim said. “As soon as we explained to them what it was, they’ve been great. They help at all the fund-raisers.”

And the media attention has helped.

“We didn’t want to be on the news all the time, but we want to get the word out about progeria,” Tim said. “Six months ago before we were on the news, we’d go to the



Kaylee and Tim Halko

store and people could tell there’s something wrong with her. Now they know this is Kaylee and she has progeria.”

To sign up for the Race for Progeria or to make a donation to the Progeria Research Foundation, go to [www.sweetkaylee.com](http://www.sweetkaylee.com). To volunteer at the event, contact Tim Halko at 419.383.5179 or [tim.halko@utoledo.edu](mailto:tim.halko@utoledo.edu).

## What is progeria?

**P**rogeria is a rare, fatal genetic condition characterized by premature aging in children. It is caused by a gene mutation.

Signs of progeria include growth failure, loss of body fat and hair, stiff joints, aged-looking skin, hip dislocation, generalized atherosclerosis, heart disease and stroke.

Children with progeria die of heart disease at an average age of 13.

There are 12 confirmed cases in the United States and 43 around the world.

Progeria has a reported incidence of about one in four million to eight million newborns.

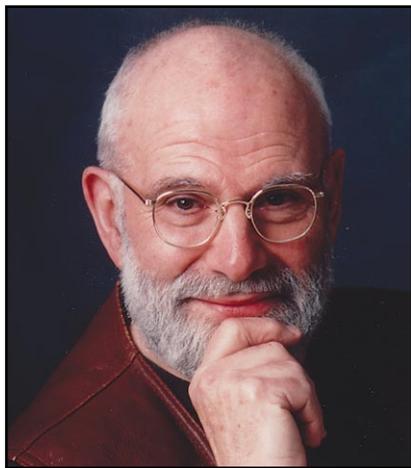
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## 'Awakenings' researcher to speak Sept. 14

By Deanna Woolf

**D**r. Oliver Sacks, whose book and work were adapted for the Oscar-nominated film "Awakenings," will speak about "Creativity and the Brain" Thursday, Sept. 14, at 7:30 p.m. in Doermann Theater on Main Campus.

His lecture is the inaugural presentation of the College of Arts and Sciences' Edward Shapiro Distinguished Lecture Series, named in memory of Dr. Edward Shapiro, a UT economics professor for 22 years who donated more than \$4 million to the college during his lifetime.



Sacks

Sacks is a physician and writer who has worked for four decades to research and probe neurological conditions. His book of case histories, *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat*, has influenced generations of medical students and practitioners through its anecdotes of patients living with Tourette's syndrome, autism, Parkinson's disease, phantom limb syndrome, schizophrenia, retardation and Alzheimer's disease.

Sacks' work in the 1960s with patients who had spent years in frozen states was documented in his book, *Awakenings*, which was later made into a movie starring Robin Williams and Robert DeNiro.

Special showings of "Awakenings" are planned for Sunday, Sept. 10, at 2 and 7 p.m. in Doermann Theater.

For more information on the free, public lecture and film screenings, contact the College of Arts and Sciences at 419.530.2164.

## Peace activist to speak on Middle East, war

By Krista M. Hayes

**K**athy Kelly, peace activist and author, will deliver the sixth annual Maryse Mikhail Memorial Lecture Sunday, Sept. 10, at 3 p.m. in the Law Center Auditorium.

The title of her lecture is "Other Lands Have Dreams." During her presentation, Kelly will address the situation in Iraq, Lebanon and the Middle East in general. More specifically, she will share her experiences during recent trips she has taken to the Middle East, including Northern Iraq, Lebanon, Syria and Jordan.

"As an eye witness with a long and intimate involvement in the region, Kelly has established a relationship with ordinary people and participated in a variety of humane and relief efforts," said Dr. Samir Abu-Absi, chair of the Maryse Mikhail Lecture Committee and UT professor emeritus of English. "Her perspective is one that is free of media spin and of political agendas that assign blame and polarize communities. Her message of compassion and her call for peaceful, nonviolent solutions to difficult problems bring a much-needed voice of hope and reason into our community."

Kelly, a three-time Nobel Peace Prize nominee, has traveled to many parts of the Middle East and has visited Iraq more than

20 times since 1996. She just returned from a visit to Lebanon, where she attempted to assist with the relief efforts following the war.

Aside from contributing numerous articles and essays to various magazines and book collections, Kelly wrote the book, *Other Lands Have Dreams: From Baghdad to Peking Prison* (2005), and co-wrote *War and Peace in the Gulf* (2001). She also has won awards from Pax Christi USA, Newberry Library, Call to Action and Global Exchange International.

The Maryse Mikhail Lecture series at The University of Toledo was established to honor the work and contributions of Mikhail and her involvement in educational, philanthropic and interfaith organizations.

The annual event is made possible



Kelly

through the Maryse Mikhail Endowment Fund, established in 2000 by Ramzy and Maryse Mikhail. "The main purpose of the fund is to support an annual lecture dealing with Arab culture, literature, politics, history, economics and other aspects of life in the Middle East including issues of peace and justice," Abu-Absi said.

For more information on the free, public lecture, contact Abu-Absi at [sabuabs@utnet.utoledo.edu](mailto:sabuabs@utnet.utoledo.edu).

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emplary personal and institutional altruism, accountability, integrity and honor;

**II. Discovery, Learning and Communication:** Vigorously pursue and widely share new knowledge; expand the understanding of existing knowledge; develop the knowledge, skills and competencies of students, faculty, staff and the community while promoting a culture of lifelong learning;

**III. Diversity, Integrity and Teamwork:** Create an environment that values and fosters diversity; earn the trust and commitment of colleagues and the communities served; provide a collaborative and supportive work environment, based upon stewardship and advocacy, that adheres to the highest ethical standard;

**IV. Engagement, Outreach and Service:** Provide services that meet students' and regional needs and where possible exceed expectations; be a global resource and the partner of choice for education, individual development and health care, as well as a center of excellence for cultural, athletic and other events;

**V. Excellence, Focus and Innovation:** Strive, individually and collectively, to achieve the highest level of focus, quality and pride in all endeavors; continuously

improve operations; engage in reflective planning and innovative risk-taking in an environment of academic freedom and responsibility; and

**VI. Wellness, Healing and Safety:** Promote the physical and mental well-being and safety of others, including students, faculty and staff; provide the highest levels of health promotion, disease prevention, treatment and healing possible for those in need within the community and around the world.

"These statements represent a great deal of work from many members of our campus community," said Dr. Lloyd Jacobs, president. "These will give us clear guidance in our decision-making processes, particularly as we move forward with long-term strategic planning and other institutional initiatives."

"This has been a truly collaborative effort," said Dr. Thomas Gutteridge, dean of the College of Business Administration and co-chair of the merger's executive steering group. "We received input from all corners of the institution, with a particular emphasis on faculty."

"Faculty from the Main and Health Science campuses have really embraced the mission and values," said Dr. Lawrence

Elmer, associate professor and medical director of the Center for Neurological Disorders, and chair of the Health Science Campus Faculty Senate. "Much of the discussion focused on the language supporting each value, rather than debating the values themselves. It has been tremendously exciting to see it come together."

"The executive steering group and many others have had numerous in-depth discussions about bringing together the mission and values of our separate institutions," said Dr. Jeffrey Gold, executive vice president and provost for health affairs and dean of the College of Medicine, and co-chair of the executive steering group. "We recognized from the beginning that there were many similarities between the two. Those similarities served as a strong foundation that made the task much easier to accomplish. We are truly proud of the result."

"Efforts to create such statements take considerable time, and rightfully so," said Dr. Carter Wilson, professor of political science and chair of the Main Campus Faculty Senate. "Time is needed to get broad input from the faculty."

# Nutraceuticals show promise in preventing, treating prostate cancer, researchers report

By Jim Winkler

Using sophisticated, three-dimensional, computerized molecular modeling techniques, researchers on The University of Toledo Health Science Campus have identified eight nutraceuticals — substances that are food or a part of food, and medicinal plants and herbs that provide medical or health benefits — that might help in preventing and treating prostate cancer by inhibiting the activity of an enzyme that promotes tumor growth.

Dr. Jerzy Jankun, professor of urology and director of the Urology Research Center, and research colleagues Drs. Steven Selman and Eva Skrzypczak, both professors of urology, and Dr. Jacek Aniola, a postdoctoral fellow at the former Medical University of Ohio from 2001 to 2002, screened more than 1,000 computerized versions of the nutraceuticals' molecular structures from a special database constructed by Jankun.

The researchers gauged the compounds' anticancer potential by "docking" on a computer screen their molecular structure with that of a computerized molecular model of urokinase. Nutraceutical compounds that were a "good fit" with urokinase — that fit much like a key custom designed for an elusive lock — then underwent laboratory tests to determine their anticancer activities. Jankun's simulations provide colorful, striking images on a computer screen of how

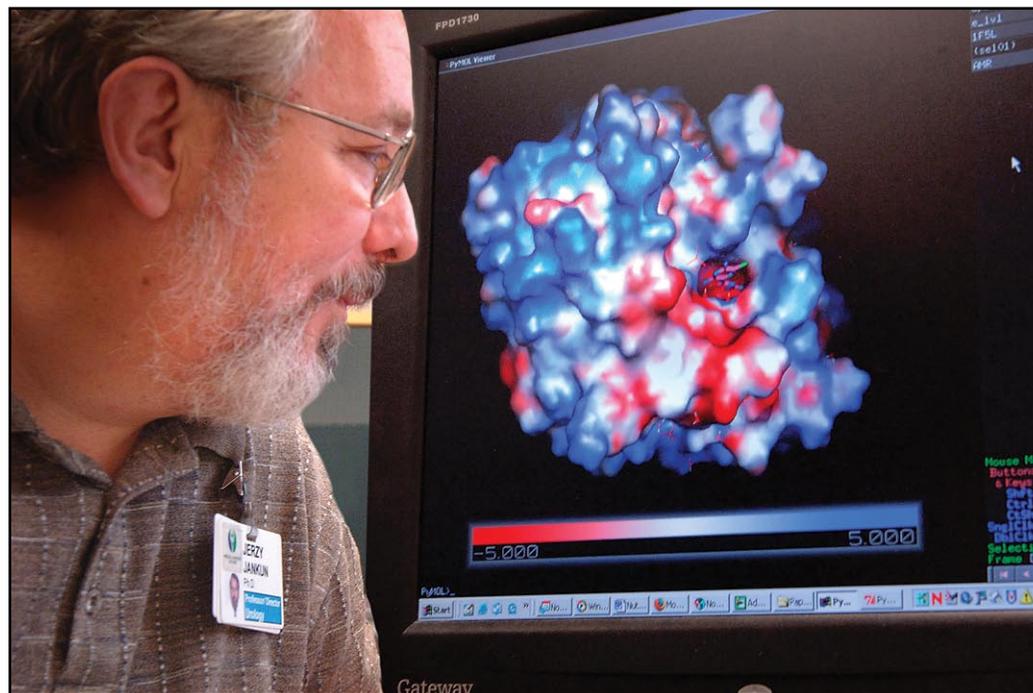


Photo by Jack Meade

Dr. Jerzy Jankun is using sophisticated simulation techniques to identify nutraceuticals that hold promise of blocking the activity of urokinase, an enzyme that has been linked to the development of cancer tumors.

different types of nutraceuticals combine synergistically with urokinase.

Scientists believe urokinase plays an important role in the spreading of prostate cancer through the body. Prostate cancer strikes more than 230,000 U.S. men a year, and more than 30,000 die of it.

The eight nutraceutical compounds that

showed promise were antipain, leupeptin, folic acid, rosmarinic acid, lavendustin A, fisein, myricvetin and tolfenamic acid. They are found in spice, berries, tea, vegetables and fruits.

"We found that compounds selected by computational methods indeed inhibit urokinase and sprout formation," Jankun said.

"Our preliminary findings suggest that nutrients selected by computerized search can inhibit urokinase activity and thus reduce angiogenesis," he said. "A proper diet rich in urokinase-inhibiting nutraceuticals might support the prevention of prostate cancer and be a supportive tool in prostate cancer treatment."

The findings appear in the August issue of the journal *Oncology Reports*.

Jankun has been actively involved in computer-aided analyses of nutraceuticals. On a computer, he can simulate experiments usually performed in the lab, eliminating blind alleys and saving time and money.

"In a dinner, one could find approximately 20,000 different chemicals," Jankun explained. "So it is very difficult to test all of them in the laboratory. We prefer to use a computer to filter them and then test the best fits in the laboratory."

The studies by Jankun and his colleagues come at a time when there is a growing interest in learning more about nutraceutical ingredients such as antioxidants, and as more nutraceuticals are undergoing testing as potential disease fighters.

## Singing the body electronic to wider audience

By Cynthia Nowak

Coming soon to Barnes & Noble university bookstores nationwide: The human body as you've never seen it before — unless you've examined *Anatomy & Physiology Revealed*, the multimedia computer program born at the Center for Creative Instruction on UT's Health Science Campus.

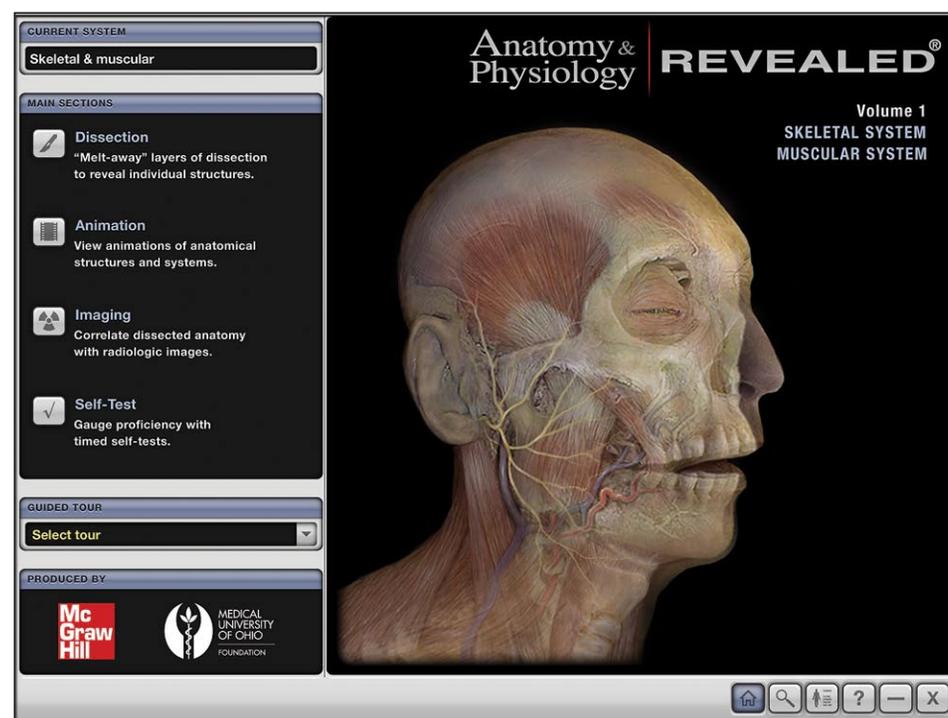
Already a highly successful title for its publishers at McGraw-Hill, *Anatomy & Physiology Revealed* is slated to be carried by Barnes & Noble College Booksellers, a division of the well-known bookstore chain, and by Nebraska Book Co.

When it's stocked by the two textbook giants, the reach of *Anatomy & Physiology Revealed* widens dramatically; Barnes & Noble has bookstores on more than 500 campuses in 44 states, and Nebraska operates nearly 140 such college bookstores. Lynn Kalb-Breithaupt, marketing manager for McGraw-Hill, said, "We've been

working to get bookstores on board for this product, since it sells well across many disciplines."

"The program has a huge potential," said Roy Schneider, manager of medical illustration and a member of the team that created *Anatomy & Physiology Revealed*. "Initially it was aimed at first-year anatomy and physiology students, but now that the bookstores will be stocking the title and displaying it as a stand-alone purchase option, it can be used by students in nursing, medicine, physical and occupational therapy, and massage therapy."

An advertising campaign to create more awareness of the program is in the works, he said, adding, "It's amazing to think that something we've all put our hearts and minds and sweat into creating is going to reach so many more people than we'd imagined. We're all really excited about it."



## UT employee to receive Diamante Award for work with Latino youth

By Stacy Moeller

**A**s a former migrant farm worker, José Treviño is living proof to the value of education.

He graduated from Bowling Green State University with bachelor's and master's degrees in 1985 and 1988, respectively, and joined the UT College of Pharmacy as coordinator of recruitment and retention in 2000.

Every day Treviño tries to help students with their college careers.

He shares his own story with the Latino youth he recruits. And he's

committed to improving the quality of life for Latino youth through his involvement in community programs.

For his efforts, Treviño will be honored at the 17th annual Diamante Awards Friday, Sept. 8, at 6 p.m. in UT's Student Union Auditorium on Main Campus. He will receive the Latino Adult Leadership Award, which recognizes an individual for community service and leadership roles.

The Diamante Awards were created in 1989 by IMAGE of Northwest Ohio, a local Latino advocacy group, to celebrate Latinos' influence on American history, values and culture.

"In my estimation, José is an outstanding candidate for this prestigious award," said Dr. Christine Hinko, professor and associate dean for student affairs for the UT College of Pharmacy. "He not only is an exceptional role model in his position in the



José Treviño, left, met with pharmacy student Roshan Patel to talk about classes.

Photo by Daniel Miller

college, he is also committed to improving the quality of life for Latino youth through his involvement in community programs."

Due to his background, Treviño said he feels very comfortable working with migrant and Spanish-speaking families.

"I can communicate effectively in Spanish, which in turn allows Latino families the ability to better express their needs to me," he said.

Treviño is a highly regarded team member in the College of Pharmacy and has been recognized for his professionalism, enthusiasm, caring, patience and dedication by being nominated for the UT Outstanding Adviser Award in 2004 and 2005.

He is a member and leader of Educators and Community Helping Hispanics Onward (ECHHO) to inform Latino students about college and academic programs. ECHHO is made up of college and universi-

ty admission representatives from Ohio and other states.

"We [ECHHO] target areas where there are large populations of Latino students and encourage Latino youth to attend college," Treviño said. "We give them advice on how to best prepare for college and also share information on financial aid and the application process."

Always trying to be helpful, Treviño said there is an ECHHO scholarship

available to Latino students; applications can be downloaded, completed and submitted for consideration at [www.echho.org](http://www.echho.org).

"I believe that we should give all economically disadvantaged students the same opportunities regardless of culture," he said. "However, the Latino population is now the largest minority group in the USA. It would only make the USA a stronger and more prosperous country by educating its entire population."

Treviño also is a leader of the Latino Youth Summit, which brings more than 600 youth to UT each year.

"I am humbled, but feel very fortunate to be recognized for my efforts," he said. "However, it is the entire College of Pharmacy family at The University of Toledo and its leadership that give me the freedom and support to do what I have to do that has made all this possible."

## Diamante Awards to be held Sept. 8

By Stacy Moeller

**F**or the 17th year the Ohio Latino community will hold the Diamante Awards, an event that celebrates many years of providing scholarship funds and recognizing the contributions of area Latinos.

The event will take place Friday, Sept. 8, at 6 p.m. in The University of Toledo's Student Union Auditorium on Main Campus. Tickets for the event are \$60.

The Diamante Awards were founded in 1989 by IMAGE of Northwest Ohio, a local Latino advocacy group, to celebrate Latinos' influence on American history, values and culture.

Four awards will be given out at the ceremony:

- Latino Adult Leadership Award — José Treviño, UT College of Pharmacy coordinator of recruitment and retention, for commitment to the quality of life for Latino youth;
- Friend of Latino Community Award — Mary Jane Flores, a volunteer nurse, for a mobile clinic traveling to different migrant camps;
- Corporate/Community Agency Award — Sofia Quintero Art and Cultural Center, recognized for its partnership with the Toledo Museum of Art to help interested Latino students succeed in art; and
- Latino Youth Scholarship — Ann Pasquinely for establishing herself as a young leader and dedicated volunteer in Toledo and the Latino community.

For more information or tickets, contact Chasity O'Neill, UT director of development and chair of the Diamante Steering Committee, at 419.383.5056.

## UT cost estimator adding up hits online

By Krista M. Hayes

**T**he hits just keep on coming.

The UT New Student Cost Estimator (<http://www.financialaid.utoledo.edu/estimator>), which became a prominent part of the UT homepage in April, could churn out nearly 40,000 hits this year if current trends continue. Meanwhile, it's earning accolades in the Web community.

The cost estimator is averaging 150 student estimates per day, with about 75 unique estimates each day, according to Don Curtis, senior Web developer.

"We are thrilled by the usage," said Kevin Kucera, associate vice president for

enrollment services. "It's a very unique tool, and the numbers speak for themselves as to the value prospective students and their families see with the estimator."

The estimator also was named the Aug. 11 Link of the Week by Bob Johnson, president of Bob Johnson Consulting, which specializes in strategies for the Web and interactive communications.

"Students and parents have a keen interest in the actual cost of attending colleges, do they not? But how often do they find anything at a college or university Web site that lets them estimate the cost of

attending that school? Just about never," Johnson wrote of the tool.

"What did I learn besides the estimate of net cost? That I'd get a scholarship to cover half the cost of the tuition premium for out-of-state students at this public university," Johnson added.

UT developed a student cost estimator last year in response to research that revealed prospective students and parents often overestimated the actual cost of attending UT. By entering student information, such as high school GPA, ACT score and family income, a student can get a quick

and individualized estimate of the yearly cost of a UT education.

Another key feature is its ability to calculate a student's return on investment based on the amount he or she pays for a degree and the average salary of the occupation the student chooses.

Even at the state level, there has been positive feedback.

"I thought your student cost estimator was an excellent idea. Several members of our staff concur," wrote Owen Daniels, member of the Ohio Board of Regents, in a feedback e-mail.

## Two new construction projects focus on University Hall

By Tobin J. Klinger

The signature building of the Main Campus will be the focus of two new construction projects that will slightly modify the exterior, while preserving its most recognizable feature.

University Hall, completed in 1931, will receive new copper downspouts and gutters, while its bell tower will have the mortar in each joint between its stones examined and repaired.

"University Hall was constructed with an internal gutter system," said John Donegan, senior director of plant operations. "Over the years, that system has deteriorated to the point that we are now experiencing internal leaks. We need to modify things before it leads to any structural problems."

"Working with the Campus Beautification Committee, we have come up with an approach that maintains the integrity of the building's facade, while ensuring the longevity of the structure itself," said Charles Lehnert, associate vice president for facilities and construction.

The bell tower mortar project is ex-

pected to keep the main building entrance off Bancroft Street closed for 60 to 90 days. This will allow crews to complete what is known as 'tuck-pointing.'

"Over the years, changes in weather conditions cause the mortar to crack and weaken," Donegan said. "We'll be re-mortaring to keep the joints strong, without changing the look of the structure."

In addition to the University Hall-specific projects, there will be some digging and other activity between University Hall and Gillham Hall, as crews repair a broken sewer line.

"There is going to be a lot of construction going on in the weeks and months ahead," Lehnert added. "While some of it will be highly visible, like these projects, there will also be a great deal of forward movement behind the scenes, as we select firms to work with us on the expansion of Stranahan Hall, renovation of the Memorial Field House, the new pharmacy building on the Health Science Campus and other important projects. Visitors to campus will see a lot of activity."

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Nitschke Hall Auditorium.

In what is expected to become an annual occurrence, Adamany will provide his perspectives on the new UT, with his thoughts helping senior leadership to set the strategic course of the institution.

"Dr. Adamany is a highly respected member of the academic community," Jacobs said. "It is my hope that through his visit he can provide a fresh perspective on our new institution and help us define this entity we call 'the new UT.'"

During his tenure as president at Temple, the university's student enrollment increased by 17 percent, and undergraduate enrollment rose 33 percent. More than 34,000 students are enrolled at Temple, making it the nation's 28th largest university. One of his noted achievements is the creation of the new general-education curriculum for undergraduates, the first major revision of Temple's core curriculum

in more than 20 years. Starting in 2007, the "gen-ed" curriculum will require students to take 11 special gen-ed courses in eight specific categories: analytical reading and writing; great thinkers; quantitative literacy; science or technology; the arts; human behavior; structures and conduct of society; and race and diversity in America.

During a recent planning conference call, Adamany expressed his excitement. Philosophically, he believes that a campus community should celebrate the excellence in their own backyard and focus less on what others are doing.

"In my experience, faculty, staff and students sometimes tend to look at what they consider to be 'more prestigious' institutions and then don't feel so good about where they are," Adamany said.

During his visit, Adamany will visit with numerous institutional leaders and committees, as well as community leaders.

## In memoriam

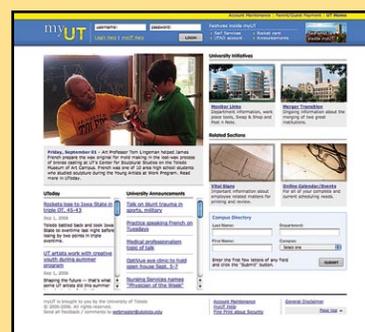
**Chessie P. Jeffries Jr.**, Chicago, UT assistant professor of social work from 1970 to 1974, died Aug. 16 at age 65. He graduated from the University in 1967 with a bachelor's degree in sociology.

**Carl T. Bruno**, Toledo, an instructor at UT's Community and Technical College in the 1970s, died Aug. 30 at age 83. He received a bachelor's degree in education from the University in 1949 and was a member of the UT Alumni Association.



Photo by Daniel Miller

**SO LONG:** Dr. Samir Abu-Absi, left, and Dr. John Boening posed for a photo at their recent retirement party. Each received the designation professor emeritus of English. Abu-Absi joined the English Department as an instructor in 1968. He was promoted to assistant professor in 1972, associate professor in 1976, and professor in 1987. Abu-Absi served as director of the Linguistics Program from 1973 to 1989 and chair of the department from 2000 to 2004. "I plan to catch up on my reading — I have a long list — and do some writing for fun," Abu-Absi said. "My wife, Lucy, and I look forward to spending more time with our children and grandchildren, some of whom live close by and others who live in California, Chicago and Virginia." Boening joined the English Department as an instructor in 1969. He was promoted to assistant professor in 1971, associate professor in 1975 and professor in 1980. Boening served as department chair from 1991 to 1997. "I'd really like to be able to finish some scholarly projects I've been working on for years but have rarely been able to pursue on a full-time basis," Boening said. "I also have stacks of books all over the house that I've been meaning to read. Then there are the simple pleasures — travel with my wife, Sally, walking in the park, and playing with my two cats, Sherlock and Watson."



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# UT majorette wins national competition

By Vicki L. Kroll

It starts with a salute, followed by six spins, a leg-hold, five more spins and a blind catch of the baton — and that's just the first few seconds of UT feature twirler Lauren St. John's routine.

Make that national award-winning routine. The junior majoring in nursing captured the titles of 2006 World Majorette and 2006 Miss Majorette of America Strut Champion at the National Baton Twirling Championships sanctioned by the National Baton Twirling Association and Twirling Unlimited. Competition was held at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind., and the Canton Memorial Civic Center in Canton, Ohio.

"I represented The University of Toledo in competition from July 14th to the 22nd," St. John said. "It was a thrill for me to stand on the platform along with twirlers from Florida State, Penn State, Iowa and the University of South Carolina."

"Lauren is the best college twirler in the United States right now," said Dr. Jason Stumbo, UT director of bands and assistant professor of music. "Her success brings a lot of attention to Toledo."

She competes in the senior division, 19 and older, and can toss the baton 75 feet into

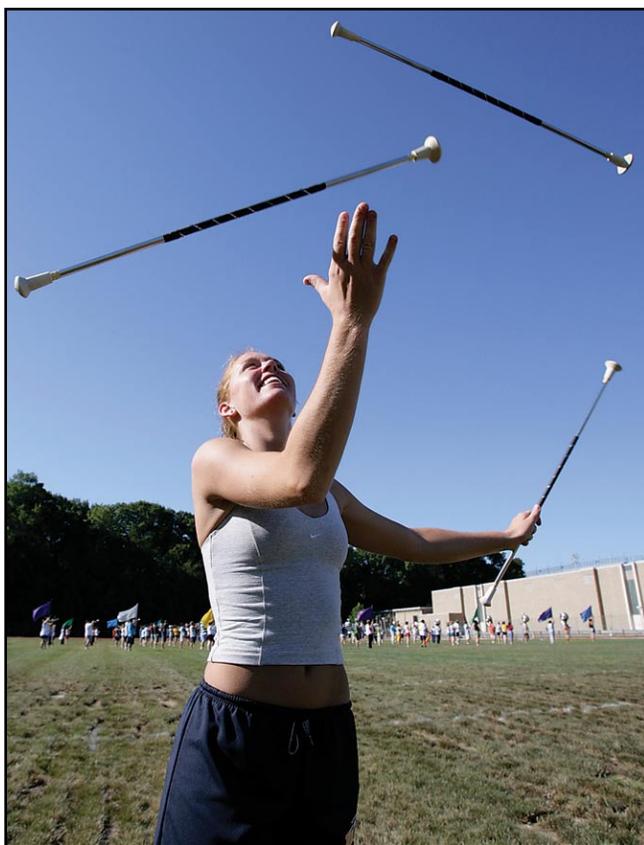


Photo by Daniel Miller

**TOP TWIRLER:** Lauren St. John practiced for the upcoming season.

the air. But don't be impressed by that.

"It's a common misconception that the height of the baton toss equals the difficulty, but difficulty in twirling is what you do under the baton," St. John said. Her

competition routine, which lasts about 2 minutes and 30 seconds, includes vertical and horizontal tosses, as well as roll sections, leaps, lunges, spins and blind catches. And that's with one, two and three batons, thank you.

This isn't the first time the Temperance, Mich., native has been recognized for her skills. She's been the Michigan State Baton Twirling Champion since 1996 and has won the Miss Majorette of Michigan Pageant since 1999. And she's been victorious at national competitions since 2003, when she won the gold medal at the Amateur Athletic Union's Junior Olympics.

It all started 14 years ago.

"I began twirling when I was 6 years old," St. John recalled. "I had a friend, Monica, who was going to a different school after kindergarten. She had just started taking twirling lessons, so my mom thought it'd be a good idea to enroll me for the summer so I could still see Monica."

Even though Monica's dad was transferred to California, St. John kept taking classes at Twirl Michigan in Lambertville.

"I'm so thankful for Twirl Michigan and owner Sue Roach," St. John said. "There, I was taught the basics of baton twirling, introduced to competition, and

after I reached the advanced level was introduced to teachers from around the country that I still take lessons from today."

In addition to working with baton teachers Ann Nita McDonald of Gary, Ind., and Candy Kimball of Camden, Mich., St. John has taken classes with the Toledo Ballet.

"I've taken ballet training for about seven years to help with baton twirling. It helps with strength, technique, gracefulness and balance," she said.

The feature twirler of the UT Marching Band practices a couple hours a day six days a week.

Stumbo said, "She has the best work ethic I've ever seen, and she's such a positive person. I'm really proud of her."

And she's really proud of her school.

"This summer was the first time I had a chance to perform to the music of the Rocket Marching Band," St. John said. "The recording started with the Toledo fanfare and ended with the UT fight song. Looking up into the crowd and seeing people's hands clapping to the fight song — that was great not only for me, but for The University of Toledo. As a result, I hope some good twirlers come to Toledo to work with such an excellent band."

Catch St. John and the UT Marching Band in action when Toledo plays Kansas in the Glass Bowl Friday, Sept. 15, at 8 p.m.



Photo by Daniel Miller

**SPECIAL GUEST:** Judith Herb talked with students at the Judith Herb College of Education's recent welcome picnic. The UT benefactor was in Toledo for two days to meet with administrators, faculty and students. In addition to the guest of honor and namesake of the college, the Rocket Marching Band, the Blue Crew and UT cheerleaders stopped by the picnic. More than 700 hamburgers and hotdogs were served to faculty, students and guests.



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**CAUGHT IN THE RAIN:** A student ran by the Academic House during a shower last month.