The University of Toledo College of Pharmacy has a rich and distinguished history of producing leaders and contributing to advances in pharmacy and the pharmaceutical sciences. The college is proud of that legacy and now has the unique opportunity to become physically integrated into a world-class academic health care environment. As more colleges of pharmacy appear throughout the state and the region, the UT College of Pharmacy must remain on the leading edge of change. The college’s 2010 expansion to the health science campus is a reflection of the commitment to meet the pharmaceutical needs of society, advance pharmaceutical knowledge through research, and serve the profession and the community.

Beginning in 2010, the College of Pharmacy will have a strong presence in both Wolfe Hall on the main campus and in the new building which will be constructed in a central location on the health science campus. The additional space will allow the college to accommodate its enrollment of nearly 1,500 students, a number that has almost doubled since 2001. Even more important than the physical expansion of the college is the tremendous opportunity this growth will afford students. Students in the pharmaceutical sciences can look forward to new and advanced laboratories with equipment that allows them to explore the latest techniques and research practices. Student pharmacists will have a jump start on collaborative health care that will prepare them for modern pharmacy practice. Dr. Steve Martin, chair of pharmacy practice, says, “The more that we can influence health care that’s delivered here in our own institution, the more we’re going to influence care that’s delivered across the region; and that’s where we want our pharmacy students to be.”

Students agree that the expansion will be a great benefit to them as future pharmacists and scientists. According to P1 student Elaine Boateng, “The future
Dear Fellow Alumni and Friends:

The theme of this issue is the “Future of Pharmacy” which includes changes in the practice and direction of the profession as well as the College’s planned expansion to the university’s health science campus. The practice of pharmacy has changed dramatically since my graduation in 1971. Clinical interventions such as pharmacokinetic dosing, therapeutic substitution, routine rounding with physician and other health care teams, immunization programs and consult agreements with physicians were done infrequently or were yet to be defined. Today, all of these areas are routine.

Communication of health and medication information is as important as the drug product itself. Interaction with patients and other health care professionals leads to enhanced treatments and outcomes of both acute and chronic illnesses.

These examples are not revelations to any of us who have been part of both the evolutionary as well as the revolutionary changes in the practice of pharmacy. But to our students, these are areas which must be taught and fostered through both didactic as well as precepted education. The expansion of the UT Pharmacy program to the health science campus will position our P1-P4 students in close proximity to the other medical professional students. Shared classroom educational experiences are on the horizon. Numerous community, long-term care and institutional practice sites will be maintained to transfer “book knowledge” into reality.

Thanks to all pharmacists, especially UT alumni, who volunteer their time and expertise to mentor and precept our students to be future practitioners. Your efforts are appreciated by patients every day who reap the rewards of being better informed and appropriately dosed and treated with medications.

In November, the Alumni Affiliate sponsored a medication safety program which focused on the patient as the center of our efforts. Four of our fellow alumni served as an expert panel in the various areas of practice, community, hospital, long term care, and home intravenous care to supplement our alumni served as an expert panel in the various areas of practice, community, hospital, long term care, and home intravenous care to supplement our keynoter speaker. Thank you to these individuals who shared their knowledge and experience with us. We will continue to offer continuing education, so please forward any ideas to us for future programming.

I hope to see you at our upcoming events!

Sincerely,

Philip Miller '71, '88
College of Pharmacy Alumni Affiliate President

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Forging Ahead

When Michael Klingshirn arrived on UT’s campus in 2003, he was pretty sure he knew what his future would look like. He would be in school for six years, and then he would work as a community pharmacist.

Life, however, had different plans for Mike. Instead of studying pharmacy, he was selected for the BS in Pharmaceutical Sciences program and began working on a degree in Pharmacy Administration. His interest in business and health care came together in this major. After graduating, Mike went to Ghana to visit his fiancée, and he found a new interest in managing diseases. Seeing the people drinking unsanitary water from public wells made him think about different ways of preventing the spread of diseases and helping those who are less well off, and he decided to pursue graduate study in epidemiology. As he looked for graduate programs and jobs in epidemiology, listings for jobs with the Air Force kept popping up.

Mike, or 2nd Lieutenant Klingshirn, as he is now known, is enjoying Tampa, where he is at USF on one of the two annually-awarded Edward Herbert Armed Forces Health Scholarships. Now he is facing another tough choice: in which lab will he conduct his research? The Department of Defense, drug discovery lab and malaria research lab are all vying for his attention. “There’s a lot of stuff in the military in the health related fields, it’s not what you would expect it to be. I would encourage anyone to look into it. It’s a great job.”

While the rigorous Master of Public Health curriculum keeps him busy, Mike has still found time to play rugby for the Tampa Krewe and has high hopes for the team. He is a member of the Infectious Disease Association, Global Health

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

I hope this edition of Extracts & Graduates finds you well. With so many changes taking place in our world, the College of Pharmacy is moving steadily forward, working to achieve our educational mission and continue the great legacy of the college. Despite the difficult economic climate, the College of Pharmacy continues to work hard on our mission to educate future pharmacists, pharmaceutical scientists and healthcare professionals.

Plants and assessments to modify the Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences (BSPS) and Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) curricula are nearly complete. The curriculum changes include modifying summer course requirements, increasing elective hours, and changing the order in which courses are taken. The sequence of classes will provide more therapeutics instruction, self care and applied drug information earlier in the curriculum, along with modifications in the research methods and drug literature evaluation courses. The changes in the curriculum will allow more effective delivery of the early experiential courses that are now required for PharmD students.

The partnerships with companies and academic institutions abroad continue to flourish. Three students from the BSPS program traveled to Hungary last year to work in academic and corporate placements. Edward Skovak worked with Vinta Drug, a pharmaceutical research company in Budapest, and Brittany Schlacc and Katherine Koch both performed their research at the University of Szeged in Pharmaceutics and Medicinal Chemistry. We are looking forward to an even more exciting year in 2009 with new BSPS partnerships at the University of America in Lebanon and the Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara.

Our exchange agreement with the Faculty of Pharmacy at The University of Szeged resulted in eight-week learning experiences for three students. PhD students Adrienne Gál and Judit Hajagos-Toth conducted research in college laboratories and pharmacy study. Gabriella Marutha was assigned to the Student Health Center Pharmacy and the UT Health Science Campus Department of Pharmacy Services.

In addition to all this excitement, the college’s annual giving campaign has begun. This year’s campaign highlights new funds that significantly enhance the student experience. Working to achieve our educational mission and continue the great legacy of the college. Despite the difficult economic climate, the College of Pharmacy continues to work hard on our mission to educate future pharmacists.

Your College of Pharmacy is off to a great start in 2009, and we hope that our alumni and friends will join us at our many events and activities as we advance the FUTURE of PHARMACY.

Warm regards,

Johnnie L. Early, II, RPh, PhD
Dean and Professor, UT College of Pharmacy

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The support of our alumni is paramount to the success of our students. Through the generous giving of our alumni and supporters, more than 125 merit and need based scholarships were awarded last year through our pharmacy endowments, reflecting more than $108,000 in scholarship support for our students.

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Student features continued

The American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) held its full Midyear Regional Meeting (MRM) in Cincinnati, OH. 16 UT students in the Doctor of Pharmacy program participated in the Region 4 MRM, passing three resolutions for proposals to improve pharmaceutical care in the region. UT P1 student Scarlett Lynn was elected MRM-Coordinator for the 2009 MRM. The meeting was slated to be held in Detroit, MI next fall; however, Scarlett was able to convince the committee to hold the meeting in Toledo. Scarlett will attend training for this role in Washington, DC.

Steven Lombardo, a second year pre-pharmacy undergraduate student, won the Sigma Xi Research Symposium Award for his presentation at the Sigma Xi Student Research Symposium held at UT. His award-winning work was conducted with Dr Katherine Wall. Steven won with the best undergraduate research poster.

At the January AZO Regional Convention in Clearwater, Florida, P4 student Jared Stroud received the Jay L. Pollock Undergraduate Award for Alpha Zeta Omega. This national award is the highest honor that an undergraduate member of the fraternity can receive. Jared joins the company of other recent UT graduates who were honored with this award, Andrea Pallotta (2007) and Audrey Peters (2003).

Dr. Chris Hinko, Jared Stroud, Dr. Diane Cappelletty and Dr. Early.

Five pharmacy students graduated with departmental honors in 2008; four conducted Honors research in medicinal and biological chemistry laboratories and one in pharmacology. A large number of undergraduate students are continuing to pursue honors research and attend honors sections of pharmacy courses.

Students from the class of 2008 are off to a great start in their careers in pharmacy and the pharmaceutical sciences. A post-graduation survey indicated that BSpS graduates from the class of 2008 overwhelmingly chose to pursue graduate study. The students who have chosen to enter the workforce have been hired either before graduation or less than one month following graduation in companies where their skills are most needed. They include: Charles River Laboratories, Ben Venue Laboratories, Forrest Pharmaceuticals, Pharmacy Systems, Wil Research, Walgreens, CVS, and the Pharmacy Counters.

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Many PharmD graduates have selected the community pharmacy setting to begin their careers. The AACP Graduate Survey completed by the PharmD class of 2008 demonstrated the following placement results. Some students gave more than one response.

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Dr. Vince Mauro has been appointed Vice Chair of Clinical Affairs in the Department of Pharmacy Practice, effective September 1, 2008. The responsibilities of the Vice Chair for Clinical Affairs include coordinating patient care activities of faculty and residents at UT facilities, collaborating with UTMC pharmacy staff on delivery of patient care from pharmacy practice faculty and residents and mentorship, training, and ongoing assessment of clinical activities.

Dr. Diane M. Cappelletty, associate professor of Pharmacy Practice, was elected President of the Society of Infectious Diseases Pharmacists. The Society of Infectious Diseases Pharmacists (SIDP) is an association of health professionals that is comprised of pharmacists and other allied health care professionals who are concerned with aspects of antimicrobial use in settings that include clinical patient care, research, teaching, the pharmaceutical industry, and government.

Dr. Cappelletty’s research interests focus on infections in all patient populations, pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of antimicrobials, and resistance to antimicrobials. She co-directs the Infectious Disease Research Laboratory, which is a research and teaching laboratory that is involved in all aspects of microbiologic and infectious disease research.

Faculty Notes

Signed, Sealed, Delivered

(L-R) Drs. Gayle Kamm, Todd Gundrum, Basirat Sanuth, Johnnie Early, and Steve Martin

Three College of Pharmacy faculty members — Drs. Todd Gundrum, Gayle Kamm, and Basirat Sanuth — have earned pharmacotherapy certifications.

Dr. Gundrum is a UT Medical Center clinical pharmacist; Dr. Kamm, a pharmacy practice lecturer; and Dr. Sanuth, a pharmacy resident. The trio had to meet rigorous eligibility requirements to sit for the 200-question examination.

Twelve UT College of Pharmacy faculty members have now earned certification as pharmacotherapy specialists according to Dr. Steven J. Martin, chair of the College of Pharmacy’s Department of Pharmacy Practice.

“I’m delighted that Dr. Gundrum, Kamm and Sanuth have earned certification,” said Dr. Martin. "Today, pharmacists are playing a much more active role in caring for patients, and pharmacists with specialty certification bring an advanced level of knowledge, education, experience, skill and expertise to the bedside. Hospitals and medical centers appreciate that because it improves patient-care efficacy and safety.”

Twenty-one PharmD students, one PhD student, and two faculty members were initiated into the Beta Eta chapter of Rho Chi Society, The Academic Honor Society in Pharmacy, in December 2008. The top 20% of each PharmD class is eligible for initiation when they enter the F3 year of studies. Graduate students at the master’s and PhD levels are eligible for membership if they have completed 50% of the coursework for their respective programs and demonstrate an excellent academic history. After the completion of three or more years of service at The University of Toledo, faculty members who have consistently shown attributes of great teaching in lectures or laboratories may be initiated.

Reap the benefits of joining the UT Alumni Association this year. In addition to helping you to keep in touch with other alumni, your $35 annual contribution does so much to help the college’s Alumni Affiliate to offer alumni programs such as Continuing Education sessions and other events in your area. For more information, visit http://www.utoledo.edu/alumni.
Collaboration: The Way Forward

Collaboration is the direction of change in pharmacy, and the College of Pharmacy is on the leading edge.

Dr. Curtis Black, ’74, professor of clinical pharmacy, says that his sabbatical leave for the fall 2008 and spring 2009 semesters will allow him to focus on establishing “a resource center for the development and dissemination of strategies that will support and result in the delivery of innovative and integrative pharmaceutical care services.” As the practice of pharmacy moves in the direction of patient care, it is imperative that pharmacists identify and use health care resources that will positively impact patient outcomes. Dr. Black is working with the Ohio Pharmacists Association (OPA) to assess personnel activities, workplace characteristics and workflow efficiencies in order to determine best practices. He intends to educate patients and practitioners, examine successful patient care models and policies, and help pharmacists to meet the new goals of the profession.

According to OPA, “this full time commitment will allow Dr. Black to focus his energies on working with the Association to address the challenges to advance pharmacy services in Ohio. OPA believes that “this effort is the first such partnership between a state pharmacy association and a college of pharmacy wherein a professor will become ‘faculty-in-residence’ at the Association offices for a year.”

(Source: Ohio Pharmacist, September 2008)

Dr. Sharrel Pinto, assistant professor of pharmacy practice and director of the Pharmaceutical Care Outcomes Research (PCOR), was selected to lead a research round table for the American Pharmacists Association Annual Conference in April 2009. This is a discipline-specific research roundtable, and individuals are selected based on their research innovation and leadership in the field. Dr. Pinto’s table will focus on the topic of building collaborative research relationships in the community.

Dr. Pinto, in conjunction with the Pharmaceutical Care Outcomes Research lab, has been recognized for her work before. A study by Drs. Pinto, Monica Holiday-Goodman, and Curt Black, “Identifying Factors That Affect Patients’ Willingness to Pay for Inhaled Insulin,” was accepted for presentation at the International Society for Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research 11th Annual European Congress in Athens, Greece. The UT researchers competed with PhRMA, academia and federal agencies from around the world for this honor.

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Research Milestone

Dr. Paul Erhardt (front row, third from right) and the Center for Drug Design and Development are making some remarkable advances in research. CD3 collaborated with Tulane University to gather samples of cyst root infected soybean plants in fall 2008. The team hopes to identify a unique anticancer natural product that can be produced from soybeans. The research team plans to have this compound tested in humans by late-2010.

In Memoriam

Rose Lenga, RPh ’38, passed away on October 28th, 2008. Rose, aged 93, was the College of Pharmacy’s oldest living alum.

Gerald Zlotnik, RPh ’59, passed away October 28, 2008 at the age of 71. Jerry’s daughter Jodie Turosky is a 1981 UTCP alum.

Jerry Zlotnik enjoys a UT football game in August 2008.
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Sandy (Close) Estrada, PharmD ’00, is the Infectious Diseases Coordinator at Lee Memorial Health System in Fort Myers, Florida.

Richard Dudley, PhD ’00, is now an Assistant Professor in Medicinal Chemistry at the University of Findlay.

James S. Kalus, PharmD, ’00, BCPS, is an Assistant Professor in Pharmacy Practice at Wayne State University’s Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences and a Pharmacy Clinical Specialist in Cardiology at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.

Nadine Shehab, PharmD ’02, published an article entitled “Emergency Department Visits for Antibiotic-Associated Adverse Events” in the Infectious Diseases Society of America’s September 15, 2008 publication of Clinical Infectious Diseases. Dr. Shehab works with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Brian Coehrs, PharmD ’03, was featured in the September 2008 issue of Pharmacy Today, a publication of the American Pharmacists Association, for his MTM work with his pharmacy in Toledo.

Dr. Rajesh Vadlapatla, MS ’03, is an assistant professor at Pacific University School of Pharmacy in Hillsboro, OR.

Dustin Zeigler, PharmD ’04, is a Pharmacy Practice lecturer at The University of Toledo College of Pharmacy. Dr. Zeigler is working with the antimicrobial stewardship program, a collaborative project between the College of Pharmacy and the UT Medical Center.

Janice Marsteller, PharmD ’05, M.S.A., CPA, is serving on the Cedars University School of Pharmacy Advisory Council.

Semere Tedla, PharmD ’07, is pursuing medical school after a year of practicing in-patient pharmacy.

Emily Britton, PharmD ’06, is a Pharmacy Practice Resident at Hamot Medical Center in Erie, PA.

Ashley Newland, PharmD ’06, is a PGY1 resident at Lahey Clinic Medical Center in Burlington, MA.

Chneyce Barker, BSPS ’05, MSP ’07, is Special Projects Coordinator for the Cleveland Clinic. Initially she will be exclusively focused on coordinating the current IV Smart Pump evaluation and selection process for the entire health system. She reports to the Director of Patient Medication Safety & Accreditation Services.

Anthony Campagna, BSPS ’07, has taken a position with NAMSA (North American Science Associates) in Northwood, OH. He works as a technician in the toxicology department’s standard testing group and hopes to transfer to a study director position within the next year. He is also working towards a Bachelor in Nursing at Owens Community College and plans to start teaching part-time at Owens as well. Anthony was also engaged in March 2008.

Michael Klingshim, BSPS ’07, received a two-year MPH epidemiology scholarship from the U.S. Air Force. He was sworn in by his brother, a naval officer, in 2008, and he is attending the University of South Florida as a Air Force Medical Officer.

Nirdesh Gupta, PhD ’08, is now a Technology Transfer Specialist in the Office of Research Advancement and Administration at the Children’s Hospital, Los Angeles.

CSI: Toledo

The College of Pharmacy hosted the first annual CSI: Toledo event for high school juniors. 24 area students interested in science, biology, chemistry and, of course, pharmacy were invited to solve a poisoning mystery and save a patient during this free, interactive event. CSI: Toledo introduced students to careers in the pharmaceutical sciences, including pharmacology and toxicology, while familiarizing students with the B.S. in Pharmaceutical Sciences (BSPS) program at UT, one of only 21 in the nation.

This was the first BSPS-only recruitment event hosted by the College of Pharmacy.

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Pharmacy Camp at The University of Toledo College of Pharmacy has become a much-anticipated tradition for the college. The camp, held annually since 2001, has now grown to include two sessions on UT’s main campus and one session on the campus of Ursuline College in the Cleveland area. The three-night, four-day camp has been a remarkable experience for pharmacy campers who shadow local pharmacists and learn how pharmacists participate in patient care.

Thanks to a $42,500 gift from the Walgreens, the College of Pharmacy’s annual pharmacy summer camp for high school seniors will continue for the next five years. 40 high school juniors who are competitively selected for each camp session see the main and health science campuses and interact with UT pharmacy faculty and staff. The Cleveland-area camp is associated with the Ursuline College/University of Toledo Pharmacy Partnership that allows students interested in a BS in Pharmaceutical Sciences or Doctor of Pharmacy degree to take the first two years of the pre-professional pharmacy curriculum at Ursuline, with pharmacy-specific classes taught by UT pharmacy faculty. The UT College of Pharmacy is working with Ursuline College to attract students to pharmacy careers.

“The pharmacy camp is one of the most important educational initiatives of the college,” said College of Pharmacy Dean Johnnie Early II. “Students gain a broad view of pharmacy and many leave saying pharmacy is a career they’d like to one day pursue. Walgreens has been one of the college’s most generous supporters, and we can’t thank them enough for their generous gift.”

Pharmacy campers learn about the importance of monitoring blood glucose levels in treating diabetes.