Tower Talk

Karen Papadakis, editor

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! This is the time of year when we welcome in the new, and we think about what has happened over the course of the last year.

This has been a year of transitions for all of us. Personally, we may have moved to a new home or welcomed a new grandchild or great-grandchild. We may have taken the trip of a lifetime or fulfilled a wish on our bucket list. Whatever 2016 brought to us, we learned a little and grew a little.

At the University, we have gotten to know our new University president. We've seen changes occur within the University and within the Alumni Office. We have welcomed new members into UTRA and said goodbye to some longtime friends. And we have gotten to know Jacob Sneed (Marcus Sneed's new son).

As The University of Toledo embarks on forming a strategic plan for the future, it is good to see diverse groups come together to develop a direction and improve on what is already a great institution. This is a sign of a vibrant University that is looking to the future.

Socrates said, "The secret to change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new." At the beginning of 2017, I will be appointing a Nominating Committee to develop a slate of officers and members-at-large for UTRA. As I contemplate the end of my term as UTRA



president, I encourage you to consider becoming part of the UTRA board or joining a UTRA committee. By our continued involvement, we will ensure that UTRA stays vibrant and has a role in the future of our University.

Thank you for your support and understanding. If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I also encourage you to get in touch if you would like to get involved. Whether you want to run for office, join a committee or attend an event, thank you for being part of UTRA.

Sincerely, Pam Pullella UTRA president

G-PAPA'S GOT A BRAND NEW BAG!

By Karen Papadakis



George Kertz, past UTRA president and retired UT professor of mathematics, has published a series of children's books. These followed publication of a number of mathematics textbooks. The idea to create children's books started with George telling bedtime stories to his grandchildren. As he thought about new storylines, he decided to write the stories down on paper. His oldest grandchild, Hailey, asked when he would

publish the stories, so at her suggestion, he has published his stories about a delightful character named Fritz.

The books are produced by Tate Publishing and sold on Amazon.com, BarnesandNoble. com and other bookstores nationwide. Look for the titles *Fritz' River* (2015), *Fritz' Friend* and, in the near future, a third book, *Fritz' Puppy*.

STUDENT UNION RENAMED IN MEMORY OF DR. LANCE THOMPSON

By Robert Niedzielski

At a University-wide memorial service for Dr. Lancelot C. A. Thompson held Sept. 19, President Sharon L. Gaber announced that the Student Union would be renamed in his honor. Dr. Thompson, professor emeritus of chemistry and vice president for student affairs for 20 years, died at home Sept. 10 at age 91. He had been in declining health.

Dr. Gaber also announced the formation of the Dr. Lancelot Thompson Student Activities and Diversity Fund to support programming to enhance the student experience and advance diversity and inclusion initiatives. In February 2014, the University honored Dr. Thompson's long service by dedicating and renaming a meeting room in the Student Union the Dr. Lancelot C. A. Thompson Meeting Room.

Lancelot Churchill Adalbert Thompson, a native of Jamaica, was the oldest of six children. He came to the United States in 1949 on a track scholarship to Morgan State University in Baltimore. He was the broad jump titlist at the Penn Relays in 1952, and was inducted into Morgan State's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1975.

He earned his bachelor of science degree in 1952 from Morgan State and a doctorate in chemistry from Wayne State University in 1956. He then returned briefly to Jamaica to teach, and followed that with a post-doctoral fellowship at Pennsylvania State University.

In 1958, Dr. Thompson joined the chemistry faculty at The University of Toledo as the first, full-time African-American faculty member at the University. He was a gifted teacher who was one of the first four recipients of the Outstanding Teacher Award when it was instituted in 1964.

By 1964, Dr. Thompson was on the administrative path as assistant dean in the former College of Arts and Sciences. He continued to teach chemistry, and regularly attended department faculty meetings and served on departmental committees. He then became dean of student services in 1966.

Dr. Thompson was promoted to associate professor in 1962, then to professor in 1967. In 1968, President William S. Carlson asked him to serve in the newly created position of vice president for student affairs. Dr. Thompson responded, "I don't think so. I told him that I had no experience as an administrator."

President Carlson responded, "I don't need one. I need someone who can get along with faculty and students."

So Dr. Thompson said, "OK, as long as I can still teach." He was especially proud of the fact that he continued to teach a chemistry course every year of his tenure as an administrator.

In the student affairs position, Dr. Thompson was responsible for about a dozen areas, including financial aid, international students, the placement office, health services and intramurals and recreation. His emphasis on open communication with students, as well as with faculty and other administrators – especially in the late '60s and early '70s



Naomi Sims Thompson (second from left), the widow of Dr. Lancelot C.A. Thompson, and UT President Sharon L. Gaber (far right) unveiled a photo and plaque as daughter Carol Thompson watched during a dedication ceremony Nov. 7. The Student Union was renamed in honor of the longtime UT professor and administrator who devoted his career to student success.

– helped maintain the relative calm the UT campus experienced during that period. There were demonstrations and sit-ins, but teach-ins, as well, and off-campus police or troops did not set foot on campus. Once, he and student leaders spent the night in Memorial Field House after receiving a tip that students planned to set it on fire, but the attempt did not materialize.

As with chemistry and teaching, he was passionate about students and athletics. He tutored, advised and mentored students, and served as a role model, going back to his early days on campus in 1958, and continuing through his retirement years.

In 1960, without equipment or a budget, Dr. Thompson organized a track team at UT. It later became a varsity sport, so he did the same with soccer. He was a regular attendee at UT athletic events. He also was an avid, excellent golfer, who even in his 70s and 80s often shot scores less than or equal to his age.

Dr. Thompson was active in numerous organizations, including the Toledo section of the American Chemical Society, Downtown Kiwanis and the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. He also was heavily involved in public service. He served, for example, on the Toledo Labor Management Citizens Committee, the Toledo Health Planning Association Board, the American Red Cross' Board of Directors - Toledo chapter, and the Better Business Bureau of Toledo Board of Trustees. He received the Golden Door Award from the International Institute of Toledo for outstanding service to the city of Toledo. He also was recognized by the African-American Legacy Project of Northwest Ohio at its 2012 Legends Celebration. The project was established in 2004 to document and preserve the history of northwest Ohio's African-American community, and celebrating its achievements is a major part of the project's effort. The highlight of the recognition luncheon

was the presentation of a personalized Kente stole to Dr. Thompson. Kente is a ceremonial cloth hand-woven by the Asante people of Ghana, Africa, and worn for important social and religious occasions.

Dr. Thompson retired from UT in 1988. He continued as a superannuate, teaching full-time one term per year, until 1996. He not only taught chemistry, but continued to serve as a tutor and mentor to students. He was a founding member of UTRA, and served as its president (1997-1999). He was a longtime UTRA representative to the Ohio Council of Higher Education Retirees (OCHER), the umbrella group for retirees of Ohio public universities, and chaired OCHER during the 1998-1999 academic year.

Dr. Lance Thompson was a person of principle, a person of integrity. To me, he was a great colleague and a good friend.



Thompson family members posed with alumni members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc.'s Alpha Xi Lambda Chapter and student members of the Epsilon Alpha Chapter in front of the building's new exterior signage, which also was unveiled at the ceremony.

NEWS FROM COLUMBUS

By James Lapp

The STRS Ohio health care program covers nearly 130,000 individuals, and paid \$673 million in benefits during 2015. There is currently no dedicated source of funds for the health care program — STRS no longer allocates 1 percent of the 14 percent employer contribution to the Health Care Fund, as this money is needed to strengthen the pension fund.

Current assumptions indicate it will be about 20-25 years before funding for the STRS pension fund will be strong enough to resume this allocation to the Health Care Fund. STRS has been diligently working to gain an understanding of options for achieving a sustainable health care program. Recently, the organization released results of its survey of both active and retiree members regarding features of coverage that matter most. Among the findings: retirees rate the physician network as critical, while actives rate premiums as their top concern; both groups are willing to reduce hospital or physician networks to prolong the program's solvency; nearly half of all respondents would accept a 20 percent premium increase to extend the program's solvency for five years; and nearly half of active members said they would be willing to delay enrollment until Medicare eligibility to improve the likelihood of lifetime coverage. Decisions regarding the health care program are scheduled in March.

STRS Ohio's total pension fund return for fiscal year 2016 (year ending June 30, 2016) was +0.92 percent. The return beat the total fund benchmark by .25 percent, but is obviously well below the assumed 7.75 percent rate of return. The fiscal year 2016 return compares to a return of +5.45 percent in fiscal year 2015, and +16.83 percent in fiscal year 2014.

Looking at the long term, the STRS 5-year total fund return was 7.66 percent, the 10-year return was 6.06 percent and the

25-year return was 8.01 percent. The value of investment assets as of June 30, 2016 was \$69.9 billion.

During fiscal year 2016, about 2,000 new, full-time, higher education faculty members had the option to choose between STRS Ohio or an alternative retirement plan (ARP). About 57 percent chose STRS, and 43 percent selected an ARP. This rate essentially matches the long-term selection rate for alternative retirement plans of 41 percent since the plans came into law in 1997.

I have written before about House Joint Resolution 6, which was introduced in 2016 to change the Ohio Constitution to prevent state agencies and pension systems from investing in any company that conducts operations in a country designated by the U.S. as a sponsor of terrorism, and would also require state agencies and retirement systems to divest of any holdings in such companies. This measure was strongly opposed by our state retirement systems. Recently, the Ohio Retirement Study Council came forward with a recommendation against HJR 6, and it now appears likely this resolution will fizzle.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

By Kathy Sbrocchi

The Membership Committee is planning a Welcome Reception for 2016 UT/UTHSC retirees to be held sometime this spring. Invitations will be sent closer to the date.

REMEMBERING JAMES K. MANSFIELD, MCOR PAST PRESIDENT

By Augusta Askari

James Kenneth Mansfield, 91, passed away June 30, 2016 in Bowling Green, Ohio. His detailed obituary was published in The (Toledo) Blade July 2. Jim will be remembered and missed by his family and many close friends, especially his best friend, Dr. Carlos Baptista.



Mansfield

Professionally, Jim was a licensed mortician and faculty member of the former Medical College of Ohio's Department of Anatomy, where he was program director and embalmer of body donation. He was honored by the Ohio Funeral Directors Association for 50 years of service as a funeral director. In addition, among his many significant accomplishments, he worked with Dr. Richard Ruppert,

former president of the Medical College of Ohio, and the state governor to oversee Ohio's AIDS Task Force.

After his retirement in 1992, Jim was president of MCO Retirees (MCOR) from 1999-2000. During his tenure, MCOR initiated the ongoing Health Science Campus Retirees Scholarship and published the first MCOR annual report.

Jim was known for his kind, gentle approach to problemsolving. He also was a popular and efficient innovator.

In addition to his professional and academic activities, Jim was a quiet philanthropist. He founded the Bowling Green Breakfast Kiwanis Club and served as its Ohio lieutenant governor. Jim also was an ardent supporter of Toledo's music and art events. He faithfully attended the Toledo Symphony, as well as many other musical functions.

Jim Mansfield was a dedicated, hard worker whose efforts benefited not only MCO and the greater Toledo area, but also society as a whole.

HEALTH SCIENCE CAMPUS SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

By Keith K. Schlender

One of the major goals of Health Science Campus retirees is to recognize outstanding students by providing them scholarship support. Funding for the scholarships comes from three sources: income from the HSC Retiree Scholarship Endowment, fundraising activity such as the hospital shoe sales and contributions from HSC retirees. This year, we are able to grant \$1,000 scholarships in each of the four colleges on the HSC, including graduate studies, medicine and life sciences, nursing, and pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences.

The recipient from the College of Graduate Studies is Sumeet Solanki.

Sumeet is a student in the doctor of philosophy degree program in the biomedical sciences concentration, molecular medicine track. He has been in the laboratory of Dr. Guillermo Vazquez since 2012.

Dr. Guillermo stated, "Sumeet shows a genuine talent for research in general and lab work, in particular, with excellent oral presentation, writing skills and impressive critical thinking ability."

Dr. Guillermo also noted that one of Sumeet's natural inclinations is to help others, and "he is one of the best team players I have seen in my scientific career." His successful performance in the laboratory setting is evidenced by his impressive productivity: six published papers, including two as first author, two second co-authorships, one contribution to a book chapter, and an interesting article in The (Toledo) Blade. In addition, he has given eight presentations (poster and oral) in scientific meetings at local, regional and national levels. Sumeet was the recipient of a pre-doctoral fellowship from the American Heart Association.

Sumeet's commitment to service is apparent from his volunteerism. He was president of GradStairs (2015-2016),

and actively participated in graduate students' activities within the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology. He also has worked tirelessly in helping newly arrived international students transition to their new lives in the U.S. in general, and our campus in particular.

Sumeet also was instrumental in the organization and success of the 2016 World Hypertension Day (May 17, 2016) at The University of Toledo Medical Center. The event brought awareness to local communities, employees and students concerning the impact of high blood pressure on health, its prevention and treatment. Because of these efforts, he was recognized with the Student Service Award at the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology Annual Retreat.

Sumeet hopes to complete his PhD degree in spring 2017. His overall performance both in the laboratory setting and in the classroom (GPA of 3.66) demonstrates he is ideally suited for a career in science and academia.

The recipient of the scholarship in the College of Medicine and Life Sciences is Sami Ibrahim. Sami was exposed to medicine from an early age. His father, a cardiologist, taught him from heart models he brought home, and the younger Ibrahim began exploring his interest in medicine by shadowing physicians in his hometown and at medical centers. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Emory University and came to UT's College of Medicine "hoping to chase my dream of becoming a physician."

Sami has demonstrated outstanding academic performance by achieving all honors grades both his first and second years of medical school. He is active in the Internal Medicine Club, where he coordinated student shadowing opportunities with different nephrologists. Sami has a strong

interest in internal medicine and is considering subspecializing in cardiology or gastroenterology.

Sami's strongest interest outside of medicine is soccer. He says he "absolutely loves the sport" and has been playing it for as long as he can remember. In high school, he made the All-Ohio soccer team for Division III. He believes it helps to stay physically active "during the tough medical school grind," and he enjoys playing soccer with other students, residents and attendings. Last year, he organized a soccer team at Maumee Soccer Centre for medical students interested in playing in a year-long, competitive league.

The recipient of the College of Nursing's scholarship is Mackenzie Bowman. She completed her bachelor's degree in athletic training at Bowling Green State University. She went on to be a graduate assistant athletic trainer, and earned her master's degree in kinesiology at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. She worked for a year as an athletic trainer after graduating, and decided it wasn't the right career path. Her love of health care and fascination with anatomy and pathophysiology led her to explore opportunities in the nursing profession. She chose the College of Nursing's Master of Science Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) graduate entry program at UT. This program is designed for individuals like Mackenzie who have a previous degree in another field, but want to enter the nursing field.

Mackenzie said, "It's extremely tough, but being able to jump right into the program and receive a master's instead of a second bachelor's degree is just such a great opportunity that I am very thankful for."

She is a full-time student in her second year of the CNL program. Her cumulative GPA is 3.4. Mackenzie has been active in the Student Nurses' Association, serving as president last year; she was reelected in the fall. Her goal is to run for a position on the Ohio Nurses' Association board. Additionally, she is secretary of the UT chapter of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement. She has volunteered with new student orientation for the CNL and bachelor of science

nursing students. In addition to her academic and service responsibilities, she works as a nursing assistant at The University of Toledo Medical Center.

The recipient of the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences scholarship is Hannah Saternos.

Hannah was a UT Tower scholar who earned a bachelor of science degree in pharmaceutical sciences, pharmacology and toxicology. She is a student in the master of science in pharmacology program, and serves as a graduate teaching assistant.

Her research is on the role of muscarinic receptors in the cardiovascular system and kidney complications in polycystic kidney disease. She said this project is very challenging and requires highly motivated people with fine skills. Hannah has been able to handle the tasks efficiently. Within the brief period of time she has been on this project, Hannah has made novel discoveries regarding the muscarinic receptors that opened the door for other researchers to explore this exciting area. The quality and quantity of her work is reflected in the four peer-reviewed papers and two abstracts she has coauthored. She also recently had an invited book chapter published.

In addition, her research was featured on the cover of the book entitled "Polycystic Kidney Disease." This is quite an accomplishment for a beginning graduate student. In addition to this collaborative research, Hannah has made good progress on her own thesis research. She presented this work at the American Heart Association Council on Hypertension Scientific meeting, and her poster presentation drew significant attention from worldwide researchers. Her presentation won the onsite poster presentation award from the Council on Hypertension.

Hannah's mentor, Dr. Wissam AbouAlaiwi, noted, "She is a productive and hardworking student who is an original thinker with a high potential for conducting novel research."

Each of these recipients are clearly deserving of the scholarship support we provided. Our goal for the 2017-2018 academic year is to, again, grant four \$1,000 scholarships.

TWO UT STUDENTS AWARDED UTRA SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2016-2017

By Brenda McKinley

Two students have been named the recipients of UTRA scholarships for the 2016-2017 academic year.

Magdalene Nigro has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. She is the granddaughter of the late Bernadine Kozlowski Hill, who was employed on Main Campus. Magdalene is a sophomore enrolled in the College of Health and Human Services as an exercise science major. After undergoing physical therapy in high school, Magdalene realized it was the career path she wanted to follow. She is a physical therapy tech aide at U.S. HealthWorks, and is a member of the physical therapy fraternity Delta Rho Tau.

Krista Yeager has been awarded a \$500 scholarship. She is the daughter of Susan Yeager, who was a senior x-ray technologist at The University of Toledo Medical Center. Krista is a senior enrolled in the College of Health and Human Services as a recreational therapy major. After graduation, she plans to work with veterans or children as a recreational therapist. Currently, she is a supervisor at Kroger in Lambertville, Mich. She completed her pediatric clinical by working with UT's National Youth Sports Program as a group leader for 12 year olds.

Congratulations to these two outstanding young women!

UTRA ANNUAL MEETING





The 2016 annual meeting was held at Belmont Country Club June 15, where a lovely luncheon was enjoyed. University President Sharon L. Gaber joined us as our special guest and speaker. A short business meeting followed, including recognition of outgoing board members and the announcement of new officers and members-at-large.

SIMULATION CENTER TOUR (UTMC)





In July, an interesting and informative tour of the Jacobs Interprofessional Immersive Simulation Center on the HSC was offered. Participants were introduced to a number of teaching areas used to train health care professionals by using simulation models, simulated clinical settings and 3D, virtual, immersive environments to enhance patient care.

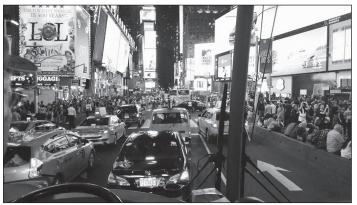
LECTURE SERIES: STRESS, COPING AND HOPE



Janet Miller from the Family Caregiver program at Hospice of Northwest Ohio was our guest lecturer in July. Janet discussed how to be happier by doing simple things that make big differences on your outlook.

NEW YORK CITY BUS TRIP







During a 5-day, 4-night tour of the "Big Apple," we learned about New York City's history and boroughs, and saw many iconic landmarks. We took in sights such as the 9/11 Memorial and Museum, the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, Central Park and Times Square during guided bus and walking tours.

LECTURE SERIES: MONARCH BUTTERLIES (AND RELEASE)







In September, Ryan Walsh, biologist at the Toledo Zoo, gave an interesting talk about monarch butterflies. Attendees learned about their amazing annual migration, the importance of milkweed, how their natural habitat has changed over the years, which has affected their numbers, and much more. The lecture was followed by a monarch release of more than 30 butterflies, which was truly a delight to see.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2017

LUNCH BUNCH 2017

- March 16, The Grape Leaf, 1 p.m.
 909 S. McCord Road, 419.868.9099
- April 20, Claddagh Irish Pub, 1 p.m. Franklin Park Mall, 419.472.1414
- May 18, Uncle John's Pancake House, 10:30 a.m.
 3131 Secor Road, 419.536.9494
- June 15, Rosie's Italian Grille, 1 p.m. 606 N. McCord Road, 419.866.5007
- July 20, Shawn's Irish Tavern, 1 p.m.
 7436 W. Bancroft St., 419.724.7981
- Aug.17, Ferdos, 1 p.m.
 3065 W. Bancroft St., 419.536.9494
- Sept. 21, The Olive Garden, 1 p.m.
 1919 S. Reynolds Road, 419.389.1942
- Oct. 19, Bangkok Kitchen, 1 p.m.
 582 Dussel Drive, 419.897.7777

BREAKFAST GROUP

Our breakfast group meets the first Tuesday of each month at Denny's, 6290 W. Central Ave., at 9:30 a.m.

CARDS AND GAMES

This group meets the second Tuesday of each month from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel at The University of Toledo's restaurant. Ample parking is located in front of the hotel. For additional information, send Sandy Koepke a message at sandra.koepke@utoledo.edu.

UTRA BOOK BUDDIES

The UTRA Book Club meets the first Wednesday of each month from 2-3:30 p.m. in the Radisson Hotel at The University of Toledo's on-site restaurant on the Health Science Campus. There is ample parking in front of the hotel.

On March 1, the book will be Two Years in the French West Indies by Lafcadio Hearn.

Each month, a different member is encouraged to present a book. Our group is welcome to all book lovers! For additional information, contact Kathy Sbrocchi at ksbrocchi@yahoo.com.

WELCOME NEW RETIREES

Sarah Abts * Dr. Kenneth Alexander Dr. Donna Algase * John Alt Linda Ames-Bell* Kevin Amos Glenn Amstutz * Dr. Lawrence Anderson Susan Arbaugh * Margaret Arehart Dr. Charles Armstrong * Dr. Harvard Armus * Dr. Alan Ashby * Sally Atkins-Burnett * John Baer * Kathleen Bagi * Paula Ballmer * Patricia Barrett * David Beekley *

Chase Bradv *

Susan Brewster *

Charlene Burdge

Dr. Richard Buehrer *

Frederick Cerrone Jr. * Jeanne Coates Diana Davidson Laura Doremus Jeffrey Elders Patricia Fisher Pamela Farough Betsv Frase * Joseph Fugere Jody Geldien * Kenneth Georgia * Theresa Grieselding * Dr. David Guip Richard Hanson Virginia Hart * Janice Henderson * Elizabeth Hines * Karen Hodge * Rebecca Holmes Dr. Catherine Hornbeck Dr. James Horner Bridget Irmen Dr. Mohsin Jamali

Marilyn Kayne * Suzanne Kielczewski Sandy Kosmyna Charles Lehnert Keith Lewis Alan Lieski Terri Lombardo Dr. Christopher Lynn Judy Lyons Regina Malaeb Yvonne Materni Dr. Hollis Merrick III Michael Meyers Lynn Mominee Jayne O'Connor Lisa Orzechowski Cindy Puffer Dr. Ram Rachamadugu Bhanu Ragu-Nathan Kathy Rolsten Shawna Rooks Joy Skeel

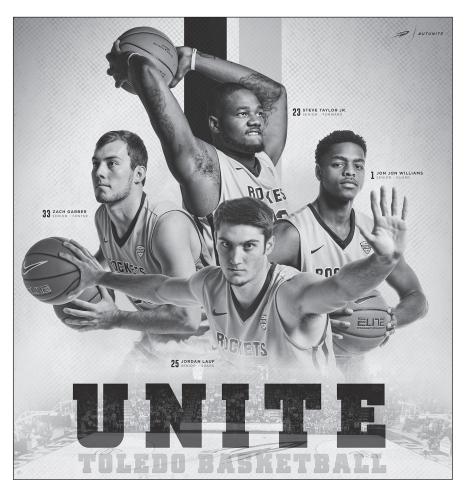
Connie Jelks

Marilyn Stegall
Daniel Steinbock
Sandra Storer
Dr. Constantine Theodosiou
Christopher Thompson
Kathleen Vasquez
Richard Veler *
Nana Wang-Odesky
Linda Whalen
Dr. Phillip White

*Retirees with retirement dates prior to July 1, 2016, who did not receive complimentary, one-year UTRA memberships at the time of their retirements. We are in the process of updating our database and sending out notifications to these retirees.

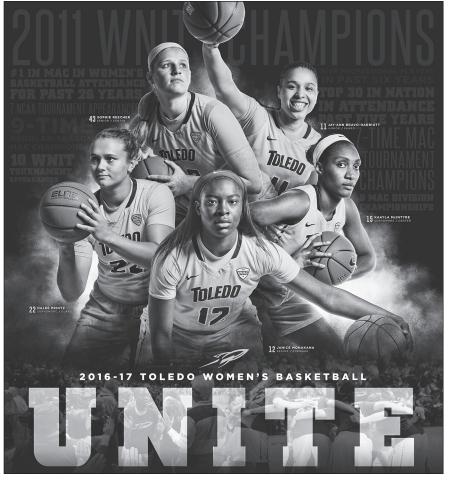
NEW LIFE MEMBER

Richard Martinko



SAT., 2.18	Northern Illinois	DeKalb, IL	3:30 p.m. CT		
TUES., 2.21	Western Michigan	Toledo, OH	7 p.m.		
FRI., 2.24	Central Michigan	Toledo, OH	6 p.m.		
TUES., 2.28	Ball State	Toledo, OH	7 p.m.		
FRI., 3.3	Eastern Michigan	Ypsilanti, MI	7 p.m.		
MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT					
MON., 3.6	Mid-American Conf1st rd. Campus Sites		TBA		
THUR., 3.9	Mid-American ConfQtr. finals Cleveland, OH		TBA		
FRI., 3.10	Mid-American ConfSemifinals Cleveland, OH		TBA		
SAT., 3.11	Mid-American Conf. Cleveland, OH		TBA		

SAT., 2.18	Central Michigan	Mt. Pleasant, MI	1 p.m.		
WED., 2.22	Eastern Michigan	Toledo, OH	7 p.m.		
SAT., 2.25	Western Michigan	Toledo, OH	2 p.m.		
WED., 3.1	Northern Illinois	DeKalb, IL	8 p.m., CT		
SAT., 3.4	Ball State	Muncie, IN	2 p.m.		
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IN MEMORIAM

Kelli G. Andres, Sylvania, former UT employee, died June 12 at age 51.

Charles G. "Chuck" Beaver, Toledo, taught CPR classes at MCO and UT, died Aug. 19 at age 74.

Daryl Blanchard, Toledo, joined UT in 1969 and taught until 2014, professor emeritus of engineering technology, died Sept. 30 at age 82.

Dr. Richard J. Boden Jr.,

Rochester, N.Y., former associate professor of finance, died Oct. 7 at age 57.

Dr. Ray A. Brinker, Marshfield, Wis., and Alexandria, Va., professor of radiology with a joint appointment in surgery when he retired in 2006, died Oct. 1 at age 84.

Kathleen S. (Beczynski) Brooks, Toledo, former UT secretary, died June 28 at age 63.

Churton Budd, Toledo, worked at MCO and UTMC from 1987 to 2015, died Oct. 6 at age 52.

Carol L. Butler, Swanton, former secretary at UT, died July 14 at age 85.

William "Bill" Candelore,

Clermont, Fla., former instructor in the ROTC program, died Sept. 24 at age 88.

James C. Casper, Sylvania, coordinator of teacher placement in the College of Education from 1994 to 2001, died June 18 at age 85.

Dr. John Chrysochoos, Toledo, joined UT in 1967 and retired in 2003, professor emeritus of chemistry, died Oct. 23 at age 82.

Ellen M. Clarke, Toledo, former MCO employee, died Sept. 5.

James L. Clemens, Toledo, former employee with the UT Print Shop and Mail Services, died Aug. 16 at age 76.

John K. Clement, Toledo, died Sept. 4 at age 101. He and his wife, Dorothy, established the Clement Gallery at the Center for the Visual Arts in honor of their daughter, Susanna, who died in 1988.

Marlene J. Corey, Toledo, worked at MCO from 1992 until her retirement as director of worker's compensation in 1998, died Oct. 1 at age 80.

Dr. Charles Creutz, Lambertville, Mich., UT employee for nearly 40 years, professor emeritus of biological sciences, died July 28 at age 77.

Genevieve "Genny" Cullen,

Maumee, volunteered with the Satellites Auxiliary, died June 20 at age 93.

Sharon Cutlip, Toledo, former medical assistant at UTMC, died June 5 at age 56.

James D. Davis, Sylvania, hospital aide at UTMC from 2003 to 2007, died July 31 at age 71.

Dr. Andrew Delbecq, Almeda, Calif., business faculty member in the 1960s, died Oct. 12 at age 80.

David R. Dierks, Toledo, pharmacist at UTMC, joined MCO staff in 2004, died Sept. 10 at age 65.

Dr. Diane J. Dixon, Toledo, former instructor at UT, died June 16 at age 73.

James "Jim" Dyko, Toledo, former associate lecturer in the College of Education from 1998 to 2013, died Sept. 23 at age 69.

Douglas L. Erb, Maumee, former assistant baseball coach, died June 15 at age 69.

Barbara J. Ervin, Sylvania, taught at the Kobacker Center for Toledo Public Schools, died July 8 at age 73.

Therese M. Floro, Toledo, former MCO employee, died Sept. 6 at age 82.

George T. Gill, Toledo, MCO custodial worker, joined staff in 1993, died July 2 at age 61.

Lucille F. "Luci" Gorski,

Perrysburg, member of Women in Philanthropy at UT, died Oct. 8 at age 86.

Judith A. "Judy" Haas, Toledo, former bookkeeper at the UT Bookstore, died June 11 at age 81.

Patricia A. Hite, Canal Fulton, Ohio, former UT employee, died June 11 at age 65.

Bridget A. Hogan, Toledo, MCO/UT food service for three decades beginning in 1981 until her retirement in 2011, died June 3 at age 54.

Edna M. Holt, Toledo, former MCO/MUO/UTMC employee, died June 11 at age 75.

Robert L. "Bob" Homier, Toledo, former instructor who taught accounting, died June 10 at age 70.

Dr. Frank O. Horton III, Toledo, clinical associate professor, MCO Department of Medicine, died Oct. 10 at age 69.

Dr. Thomas O. Karst, Port Clinton, joined MCO faculty in 1973 and retired in 1993, professor emeritus of psychiatry, died Sept. 4 at age 78.

- **Ruth L. (Ott) Klein**, Toledo, Radiology Department at MCO from 1980 until her retirement in 1994, died May 24 at age 84.
- **Larry B. Lewis**, Delta, worked in maintenance from 1988 to 2012, died Aug. 8 at age 64.
- James P. "Jimmy" Limongi, Toledo, former UTMC employee, died May 14 at age 74.
- Mary C. "Katie" (TenEyck) Loch, Toledo, former MCO employee, died Aug. 2 at age 87.
- **Dr. Timothy R. Loeb**, Toledo, taught biology at UT from 1997 to 2002, died May 31 at age 81.
- **Dorothy MacKenzie Price**, a longtime UT benefactor, died July 2 at age 90.
- **Katherine Mae MacKinnon**, Perrysburg, former UT instructor of special education, died July 27 at age 96.
- James K. Mansfield, Bowling Green, former teaching assistant in anatomy at MCO from 1982 to 1992, died June 30 at age 91.
- **Dr. Maureen M. McCorquodale**, Winfield, Ill., associate professor of pediatrics from 1975 to 1989, died Sept. 3 at age 69.
- **Philip C. Meuser**, Toledo, former instructor at UT, died June 21 at 75.
- Connie Jean (Rafferty) Oates, Toledo, worked as an operator at MCO from 1992 to 2001, died Aug. 14 at age 57.
- **D'Arcy Woolson Orde**, Caldwell, Idaho, former employee in the Theatre Department from 1997 to 2002, died May 3 at age 79.
- **David C. Pohlman**, Holland, who was a cook at UT for more than three decades when he retired in 2011, died May 21 at age 67.

- **Dr. Demetrios D. "Spero" Raftopoulos**, Lake Mary, Fla., joined the faculty in 1967, professor
- joined the faculty in 1967, professor emeritus of bioengineering, died June 5 at age 90.
- **Judy L. Rice**, Toledo, joined UT in 2002, custodial worker, died Oct. 26 at age 46.
- **Willie Riggs**, Toledo, worked in UT Maintenance Department from 1986 to 2013, died Aug. 3 at age 76.
- **Dr. Marjorie Romanoff**, longtime UT faculty member, died Aug. 2 at age 92.
- **Dr. David K. Scheer**, Toledo, former community-based volunteer faculty member at MCO, died July 22 at age 97.
- **Fred Lewis Schierloh**, Temperance, Mich., former UT employee, died Oct. 10 at age 72.
- **Dr. Edwyn D. Smith**, Toledo, faculty member in the College of Engineering for 30 years, died June 11 at age 82.
- **Dr. Eric W. Snider Jr.**, Lansing, Mich., taught at UT for 20 years, joined the Department of Philosophy in 1987, died July 26 at age 58.
- **Sandra L. (Rice) Tegtmeier,** Northwood, former employee at MCO and UTMC, died Oct. 17 at age 63.
- **Dr. Lancelot C.A. Thompson**, Toledo, professor emeritus of chemistry and 55-year UT veteran, died Sept. 10 at age 91.
- **Dr. DeForest L. "Woody" Trautman**, Lambertville, Mich., former chief of management Information systems at UT beginning in 1976, died Aug. 18 at age 96.

- **Kathleen J. Voigt**, Monclova, faculty member in Carlson Library for 23 years, professor of library administration when she retired, died May 28 at age 82.
- **Joella Webb**, Toledo, former member of the Satellites Auxiliary, died March 28 at 56.
- **Dr. Phillip A. Whitner**, Perrysburg, worked at his alma mater for 27 years. After receiving his doctorate in 1987 he became a counselor in the UT Counseling Center, and died May 22 at age 80.
- Albert G. "AG" Wright III, Maumee, UT Community and Technical College, professor emeritus, died June 20 at age 92.
- **Patricia L. Yonkee**, Greenwood, S.C., former Human Resources employee at MCO, died June 23 at age 84.
- **Louis M. Zavac**, Toledo, volunteered with the Satellites Auxiliary, died July 12 at age 87.





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