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Electric leader to speak at commencement Dec. 15

By Cynthia Nowak

Michael G. Morris, chairman of American Electric Power (AEP), will address graduates at The University of Toledo's fall commencement Sunday, Dec. 15, at 10 a.m. in Savage Arena.

There are 2,215 candidates for degrees from the summer and fall semesters from 12 of the University's colleges. There are 733 candidates for doctoral, education specialist and master's degrees, as well as graduate certificates, and 1,482 for bachelor's and associate degrees.

In the event severe winter weather requires commencement to be postponed, the ceremony would take place Monday, Dec. 16, at 10 a.m. in Savage Arena.

The ceremony will be webcast live at <http://video.utoledo.edu>.

UT will award Morris an honorary doctor of business administration for leading the charge to update and enlarge the country's electrical grid.

Morris views his role in the business of generating electricity as extending far beyond a job title. Sharing his thoughts earlier this year as one of the participants in the World Trade Center of New Orleans Executive Speaker Series, he said, "I've managed some of the largest utilities in the country — which has been a labor of love for me."

He added, "In a country like America, the generation of electricity is a foundation of life. It's a central part of our history."

His role with American Electric Power — based in Columbus, Ohio, and the largest electricity generating utility in the United States — allows him to lead the company's efforts to develop an advanced interstate high-voltage transmission system designed to combine wholesale regional power delivery with increased reliability. He's also taking the lead in transmission line projects with joint-venture partners in five states, and in innovative carbon capture and storage system projects at a number of AEP coal-powered generating plants.



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Holiday guest

Pianist Jim Brickman will perform during a meet-and-greet Sunday, Dec. 22, from 11 a.m. to noon at the Barnes & Noble University Bookstore at the Gateway. Read more on p. 5.

New Interactive Museum of Anatomy and Pathology teaches future health professionals

By Meghan Cunningham

Seeing in real life a rare myxoma tumor in a heart or enlarged kidneys due to severe polycystic kidney disease cannot compare with medical students learning only from a textbook.

The new Liberato Didio and Peter Goldblatt Interactive Museum of Anatomy and Pathology at The University of Toledo includes these tissue samples among 300 specimens now on display for teaching future health-care professionals.

The museum will open Tuesday, Dec. 10, with a ceremonial ribbon cutting at 10:30 a.m. in the lobby of the Paul Block Health Science Building followed by tours of the museum, which is located downstairs in the basement in room 002 next to the gross anatomy labs.

"This has been my dream for more than 20 years to have a museum for medical students to see up close healthy organs side by side with rare anomalies that they may otherwise never have had the opportunity to view," said Dr. Carlos Baptista, associate



Photo by Daniel Miller

A CLOSER LOOK: This case focuses on the digestive system in the new Liberato Didio and Peter Goldblatt Interactive Museum of Anatomy and Pathology.

professor of neurosciences and museum director.

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YEAR IN REVIEW

President begins process to replace UT leader

In a video posted Friday on the myUT page, President Lloyd Jacobs discussed his plans for moving forward following the announcement by Dr. Jeffrey P. Gold that he has accepted a new opportunity at the University of Nebraska.

In “The President’s Message,” Jacobs thanked Gold, chancellor and executive vice president for biosciences and health affairs, and dean of the College of Medicine and Life Sciences, for his service and informed the campus community that the process to identify new Health Science Campus leadership is under way.

“What’s really important is to understand we need to engage a process that will take a little bit of time in its unfolding,” Jacobs said. “You can be certain I am already deeply in the business of consulting with others. I have spoken over the last couple of days to no fewer than 20 or 25 deans and presidents around the country. We will, of course, keep our commitment to excellence above all.”

The first step with a change in the senior administration is to assess the organizational structure around that person, Jacobs said, followed by the process to fill whatever administrative roles are a product of that reassessment.

“We’re moving almost simultaneously on those two things,” Jacobs said. “I will keep you informed.”

There will be a national search conducted for a dean of the College of Medicine and Life Sciences “committed to excellence, to ambassadorship, to the type



Photo by Anthony Tscherne

Dr. Jeffrey Gold, shown here addressing CampMed students in June, is slated to start his new job at the University of Nebraska in February.

of altruism that is inherently spoken of in our mission statement,” Jacobs said.

In a letter to faculty, staff and students on Health Science Campus, Gold announced Nov. 27 that he accepted the position of chancellor for the University of Nebraska’s medical center.

“I want to thank you all for the work you do to improve the human condition on a daily basis,” Gold wrote. “Higher education and health care are not easy businesses to be in, and policy and demographic trends are unlikely to make things easier any time soon. But they are also undeniably some

of the most personally fulfilling careers, and it is because of all of you that my time in Toledo has been so personally rich and rewarding.”

Gold is slated to begin his new role in Omaha in February.

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He focuses a great deal of his attention on the development of new intelligent distribution power grid technologies that provide higher service quality, reliability and better control of energy usage for consumers.

The expansion and updating of the interstate electrical grid is something that Morris believes to be of particular importance. As he said during an interview with Forbes magazine, “AEP takes very seriously its responsibility to lead the expansion and development of America’s electric energy backbone. Toward that end, AEP is investing millions of dollars and partnering with other utilities in the development of a more robust interstate network to promote electricity grid

reliability and support economic growth. We believe, as do our partners, that development of a ‘transmission superhighway’ is critical to our nation’s growth and security.”

Such efforts have gained Morris accolades from his professional peers and from the national community. He is the 2011 recipient of the United States Energy Award, an honor given annually to an outstanding energy leader in recognition of their leadership initiatives and contributions to the global understanding of energy issues.

Prior to joining AEP in 2004, Morris was chair, president and CEO of Northeast Utilities System and was involved in the formation of ISO-New England, as well as restructuring and retail customer choice in the New England states. Morris also

was CEO and president of Consumers Energy and president of CMS Marketing, Services and Trading. Additionally, he was president of Colorado Interstate Gas Co. and executive vice president of marketing, transportation and gas supply for ANR Pipeline Co., both subsidiaries of El Paso Energy. Morris was the founder and president of ANR Gathering Co., one of the first gas marketing companies in the United States.

Morris is past chair of the Edison Electric Institute and the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations. He also serves on the U.S. Department of Energy’s Electricity Advisory Board, the National Governors Association’s Task Force on Electricity Infrastructure, and the Business Roundtable

(chairing the Business Roundtable’s Sustainable Growth Initiative). He serves as a director of the boards of Alcoa, Battelle and the Hartford Financial Services Group Inc., and was appointed to the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents and the Michigan State University College of Law Board of Trustees.

He has committed his time, experience and consummate consensus-building skills to developing the respect of the electricity-generating industry through corporate and public leadership. Morris has supported the work of the United States Energy Association and the World Energy Council and is recognized internationally as a prominent global energy leader.

Green Data Center provides sustainable power to campus

By Meghan Cunningham

A Green Data Center is fully operational at The University of Toledo with an advanced power system that will help UT reduce its carbon footprint, increase electric reliability, and save energy costs.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held last week for the ReliaFlex Advanced Power System located behind the University Computer Center on Main Campus.

“As The University of Toledo strives to advance alternative energy research and commercialization, it is imperative that we also do what we can to reduce our carbon footprint. This project is an important part of achieving that goal,” UT President Lloyd Jacobs said.

The technology makes the University Computer Center energy independent, ensuring that if there were a blackout, important network services such as email and distance-learning courses would continue uninterrupted. At the same time, the heat generated by this system is recycled to heat the pool in the nearby Student Recreation Center.

The system generates electricity equivalent to the needs of 52 homes while providing cleaner air, the equivalent of removing 287 vehicles from the highway, according to Hussien Shousher, president of GEM Energy, Walbridge, Ohio,

which designed, developed and commercialized the ReliaFlex system using a \$1 million loan from Ohio Third Frontier.

“We are pleased to deliver this exciting and efficient energy project to The University of Toledo, a leader in alternative energy research and commercialization,” Shousher said. “With the support of the state of Ohio and our key partner, Capstone Turbine Corporation, GEM Energy is proud to build such progressive, energy-saving projects in northwest Ohio.”

The power system has been fully operational for three weeks and already has saved \$1,000 with the University’s current historically low energy rates, and officials expect increased savings as rates fluctuate.

The UT Green Data Center is the second of its kind in the nation and the first in Ohio. It includes four C65 Capstone Hybrid Uninterrupted Power System Micro Turbines, a Thermax USA exhaust-fired chilled water module with hot water output, an external battery system for 10 minutes of electricity, and special environmental systems for hot and cold climate operation.



Photo by Daniel Miller

POWERING UP: President Lloyd Jacobs spoke at a ceremony last week to celebrate the Green Data Center, which makes the University Computer Center energy independent and recycles heat generated by the system for the pool in the Student Recreation Center.

The project is supported by the Ohio Third Frontier of the Ohio Development Services Agency, which provides funding to state technology-based companies, universities, nonprofit research institutions and other organizations to create new products, companies, industries and jobs.

“Ohio is investing in technology while creating jobs,” said David Goodman, director of the Ohio Development Services Agency and chair of Ohio Third Frontier Commission. “This collaboration makes us a leader in advanced energy and Toledo a destination for innovation, research and commercialization.”

Increase mandated in student health insurance rates

Students who receive their mandatory health insurance coverage through The University of Toledo will see a fee increase reflected in their student account due to a decision by Medical Mutual Insurance Co., which underwrites UT’s two Student Health Insurance Plans.

According to Dr. Kaye Patten Wallace, senior vice president for the student experience, the company mandated the increase based on tax changes that came about as a result of the 2010 federal Affordable Care Act.

“The increase was not in the University’s contract with Medical Mutual, but the company made the decision,” she said. “While the increase that will appear on the accounts of those students who are affected will be relatively small, under a hundred dollars, obviously no amount is insignificant.”

The current single-student insurance rates for spring/summer 2014 are \$1,372 for plan one and \$1,596 for plan two. The new rates would be \$1,438.79 for plan one (an increase of \$66.79) and \$1,673.69 for plan two (an increase of \$77.69).

The University of Toledo has a health insurance policy that requires domestic students registered for six or more on campus hours and international students registered for one hour or more to maintain health insurance. Students who are covered by another insurance plan may opt to waive UT’s plan. Co-op students and graduate students registered for fewer credit hours may purchase the insurance. In addition, enrolled students may purchase insurance for their dependents.

In memoriam

Belva K. “Bitz” Evangelista, Toledo, a former MCO employee, died Nov. 24 at age 76.

James J. Malone, Sylvania, who was a budget coordinator for the College of Engineering in 1985 and 1986, died Nov. 30 at age 90.

Joann R. “Robbie” Robinson, Holland, a nurse at MCO from 1976 until her retirement in 1993, died Nov. 26 at age 83.

77-year-old female bodybuilder to share her story Dec. 13

Ernestine “Ernie” Shepherd, a 77-year-old world-famous bodybuilder, will visit The University of Toledo to share her inspiring story Friday, Dec. 13.

She will speak at 2 p.m. in the Student Recreation Center Oak Room. A meet-and-greet will follow the free, public talk.

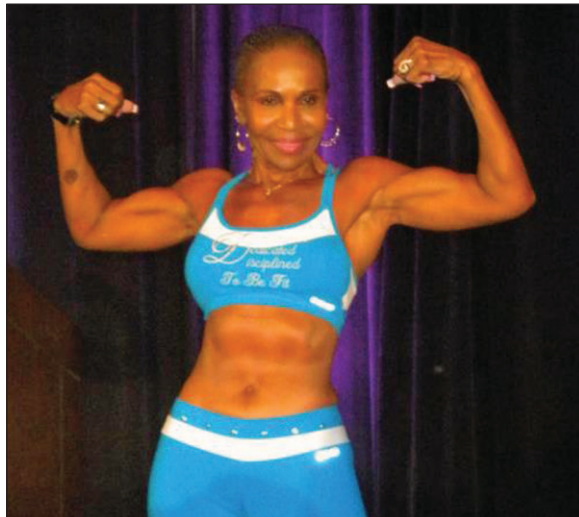
“Ernestine Shepherd, ‘Ernie,’ is a personal trainer, a professional model, a competitive bodybuilder, and happier and more fulfilled than she’s ever been in her life,” Chauncey Whitehead, health and fitness expert who works with her, said. “At 77, she enjoys walking and has run numerous marathons.

“She is always willing to help others achieve a healthier lifestyle,” he said. “Her mantra is ‘determined, dedicated to be fit.’”

The 5-foot-5-inch woman who weighs 130 is a fan of Sylvester Stallone’s “Rocky” movies.

“[Stallone] is my man, and I would love to meet him one day,” she said on her website, ernestineshepherd.net.

Winner of the “World’s Oldest Competitive Female Bodybuilder” from the



Shepherd

Guinness Book of World Records in 2010 and 2011, Shepherd has been featured on “Good Morning America,” “Anderson Cooper 360,” “Inside Edition,” “The Mo’Nique Show” and “Ripley’s Believe it or Not!”

Shepherd’s appearance is sponsored by the Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women and the Student Recreation Center.

For more information on the event, contact Jeffery Witt, program manager with the Eberly Center for Women, at jeffery.witt@utoledo.edu or 419.530.8573.



Photo by Daniel Miller

TRAINING: Ernest Shiffler, a police officer at Owens Community College, right, participated in the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy’s sessions last month on UT’s Main Campus. In this scenario, Shiffler and another officer were dispatched to a domestic dispute/public argument occurring between male and female subjects in a lobby of a school building. The officers used verbal commands to gain control of the situation, interacting in the scenario as they would in real life. About 50 officers from UT, Owens, Bowling Green State University and the Ottawa Hills Police Department took part in the two-day training that featured firearms and driving simulators.

Museum

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Baptista has preserved the tissues donated to the University through a process called plastination, which is a technique that replaces fluids with a plastic resin. Medical students also have been involved with the dissection and preservation of items, and some preserved specimens have been donated to UT.

The tissues are arranged according to function, such as digestion with stomachs, livers and intestines, and control with brain and spinal cord samples. Each specimen is labeled with a corresponding description on tablets positioned in front of the display.

“Hundreds of high school students visit our campus through programs such as Student-to-Student organized by current medical students, and they are fascinated by these organs,” Baptista said. “In the past, we would bring different samples to show them, but now we have a new central location. The museum will serve future medical-care providers, high school students and members of the general public interested in knowing how their bodies work.”

The museum features a “Helical Heart” display showing how the heart beats, which

happens in a twisting motion like wringing a towel rather than a routine muscle contraction. It also includes samples of animal organs for comparative purposes, such as a large cow heart that is four times the size of the average human heart.

The museum is named for Dr. Liberato Didio, the first faculty member of the former Medical College of Ohio and first chair of the Anatomy Department, who created the body donation program, and Dr. Peter Goldblatt, who served as the second chair of pathology and as a professor until his retirement in 2000.

The museum is dedicated “in honor of those individuals who made a very personal



Photo by Daniel Miller

INTERACTIVE LEARNING: Tablets in front of the display cases in the Interactive Museum of Anatomy and Pathology provide detailed descriptions of specimens.

and unselfish gift of their bodies in support of education and research,” Baptista said.

On Tuesday and throughout the week, the museum will be open for visitors to take a tour.

Students will be able to gain access by swiping their ID cards at any time, and others

interested in visiting in the future can make an appointment through the Department of Neurosciences at 419.383.4109.

Visit utoledo.edu/imap for more information.

Submissions sought for 2014 Health Science Campus Artist Showcase

Friday, Dec. 13, is the deadline to apply for consideration to be included in the 2014 Health Science Campus Artist Showcase.

Mulford Library is accepting submissions from faculty, staff and students in the health sciences — nursing, medicine, pharmacy and the health professions — as well as UT Medical Center employees.

Electronic images of artwork should be sent to mulfordartshow@gmail.com, along with a submission form, which can be found with guidelines at <http://utole.do/artistshowcase>.

The ninth annual Health Science Campus Artist Showcase will be on display from Jan. 23 through March 17 on the fourth floor of Mulford Library.

Artist Jennifer Giovannucci will be the guest speaker at a reception, which will take place Friday, Jan. 31, from 4 to 6 p.m.

For more information, contact Jodi Jameson, instructor in the College of Nursing and librarian at Mulford Library, who is a member of the artist showcase committee, at jodi.jameson@utoledo.edu or 419.383.5152.



Photo by Crystal Hand

HIGH-FLYING ART: Students in Professor of Art Deborah Orloff's Professional Practice class boxed up their work for shipping and then tested their packaging skills by tossing the parcels from the balcony of the Center for the Visual Arts on UT's Toledo Museum of Art Campus last week. All of the artwork survived unscathed, according to Orloff. "The students did a great job with the project and seemed to thoroughly enjoy the thrill of throwing their packages off the building," she said.

Pianist to perform at Barnes & Noble Dec. 22

Jim Brickman will bring *The Magic of Christmas* to the Barnes & Noble University Bookstore at the Gateway Sunday, Dec. 22.

The popular pianist will perform some songs, answer a few questions, and sign autographs between 11 a.m. and noon.

Guitarist and songwriter Luke McMaster will accompany Brickman, who is on the road for his 18th holiday tour, which will stop at Stranahan Theater for a 3 p.m. show that day.

"We are so honored and excited to host this event," Colleen Strayer, general manager of the bookstore, said. "It's gratifying to be able to highlight an Ohio native and his talent."

Several of Brickman's discs, including *The Magic of Christmas*, *Joy, Love 2*, *Hymns and Carols of Christmas*, and greatest hits collections, will be for sale during the free, public event.

His latest release, *The Magic of Christmas*, spotlights his sparkling key work on 14 new recordings of seasonal favorites

and includes two new songs penned by the pianist. Johnny Mathis, Megan Hilty and Sandi Patty are guest vocalists on the CD.

"Choosing the name *The Magic of Christmas*, I knew this Christmas collection had to be quite remarkable," Brickman said in a press release. "Songs from legendary hit-makers and stars of today along with the classics mixed in, it's been like a dream working with this incredible musical lineup."

"Knowing that Johnny Mathis chose to record my song 'Sending You a Little Christmas' and features it as the title track of his holiday album has really made this a magical Christmas for me."

A Cleveland native, Brickman is best-known for hits while collaborating with artists: Martina McBride on "Valentine," Collin Raye on "Peace" and "The Gift," Rebecca Lynn Howard for "Simple Things," Jane Krakowski on "You," and Lady Antebellum for "Never Alone."

His weekly radio show, "Your Weekend With Jim Brickman," airs Saturdays from 6 to 10 a.m. on The River 101.5.



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Faculty member to run in honor of UTMC staffer

By Sam Naumann

Dr. Jennifer Smirnof, UT assistant professor of psychiatry, celebrated her 40th birthday by making a commitment to run for her health, but she now also runs for others.

Smirnof is a part of Team in Training, a program administered by the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society that supports individuals participating in major athletic races in exchange for fundraising efforts.

"I started running nearly a year ago for health reasons, but now it is more about helping cancer patients and their families," Smirnof said. "My mission is to help the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society with its mission, which is essentially helping cancer patients live longer, better lives."

When a race is selected, the participant receives full support from professional coaches while he or she trains and fundraises. Racers then choose an honored teammate who serves

as a motivational symbol of strength and keeps participants inspired.

Enter Katie Secory, administrative assistant at UT Medical Center and cancer survivor of almost seven years. Secory and Smirnof met through work and have transitioned from colleagues to teammates.

Secory was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma Oct. 4, 2006, while working as a state-tested nursing assistant, received chemotherapy and radiation treatment from UTMC until she entered remission.

She said she is inspired by the commitment of Smirnof and has begun her own training as a Team in Training athlete.

On Sunday, Feb. 2, Smirnof will run her race, the Rock 'n' Roll Marathon in New Orleans.

She has raised \$650 of her \$3,200 goal so far. Those interested in helping her reach that goal can visit <http://utole.do/teamintraining>.



Photo by Daniel Miller

TEAMMATES: Katie Secory, left, is an honored teammate of Dr. Jennifer Smirnof, who will run the Rock 'n' Roll Marathon in New Orleans in February as part of Team in Training. Secory, a cancer survivor, is a source of inspiration and strength for Smirnof.



Photo by Daniel Miller

WOO-HOO! Rocky gave a high-five to a student at Dorr Street Elementary School last week. The mascot visited the school to celebrate the completion of tutoring sessions provided by junior teaching candidates who took Literacy Assessment and Remediation. The UT students were paired with kindergarten through third-grade students for the semester. The program not only provided free tutoring to the elementary children, it also allowed the UT students to apply their course work to a real situation before student teaching as seniors.



Photo by Daniel Miller

WHAT A KICK! Junior place-kicker Jeremiah Detmer was named Mid-American Conference Special Teams Player of the Year in a vote by the media last week. A total of 11 UT players made All-MAC, the second most in the conference behind Ball State (15). Detmer was one of four Rockets to make first-team All-MAC. Joining him were running back David Fluellen, linebacker Junior Sylvestre and defensive end Jayrone Elliott. Detmer had an amazingly consistent season, connecting on 19 of 20 field goals and 44 of 45 extra points. He made his final 13 field goals of the season and was successful on 36 of his last 37 attempts over the past two seasons. Of his 76 kickoffs, 38 went for touchbacks.

Remembering 2013

January

- Rocky Rocket wins first place in a write-in vote that lands him a spot in the 2013 Capital One Mascot Challenge.
- Provost Scott Scarborough outlines steps to implement the Main Campus strategic plan, which creates new academic units: College of Communication and the Arts, Judith Herb College of Education, College of Social Justice and Human Service, College of Health Sciences, Jesup Scott Honors College, YouCollege, UT World Campus, University Press and University Teaching Center, Student Center for Experiential Learning, School of Green Chemistry and Advanced Renewable Energy, School of Healthcare Business Enterprise and Innovation, University Council, and Commission on Global Initiatives.
- Gradkowski's restaurant opens in the Gateway.
- Student-athletes earn a grade point average of 3.131 for fall semester. It's the eighth consecutive semester the Rockets post a combined GPA of 3.1 or higher.
- The Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center at UT Medical Center holds an open house to showcase its centralized care for patients.
- Graduate student enrollment grows by more than 3 percent for spring semester while overall enrollment is 19,675, down from 20,675 in spring 2012.
- U.S. News & World Report recognizes three colleges as top performers in the nation for students enrolled in online graduate education. The College of Engineering ranks No. 18, the College of Business and Innovation is No. 48, and the Judith Herb College of Education is No. 95.
- Dr. Lakeesha Ransom, who has worked in corporate, not-for-profit, educational and government organizations during her career, is named dean of the Jesup Scott Honors College.
- A UT delegation participates in the World Future Energy Summit in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. It's the fifth straight year the University is at the global event.

February

- UT partners with Detroit-based Digerati to bring Intern in Ohio to campus and to the Buckeye State. The technology uses an algorithm to connect employers and students seeking internships based on applicants' skills and requirements of the position.
- Toledo Assistant Football Coach Tom Manning is named to Rivals.com's Top Recruiters list for Non-Bowl Championship Series schools.
- The College of Business and Innovation is recognized as providing one of the top 200 master's programs worldwide in human resources management by Eduniversal in its 2012-13 ranking of the best 4,000 master's and MBA programs in 30 specifications in 154 countries.
- 16 of the WNIT for the third consecutive season.
- The swimming and diving team ties for third in the nation on the College Swimming Coaches Association of America Division I Scholar All-America Team, after maintaining a team grade point average of 3.55 during fall semester.
- Head Women's Basketball Coach Tricia Cullop is named MAC Coach of the Year, and junior Andola Dortch is the MAC Defensive Player of the Year.
- A total of 164 fourth-year medical students learn where they will train for their residencies at Match Day.
- Elin Suleymanov, the Republic of Azerbaijan ambassador to the United States, visits his alma mater and gives a lecture on "Azerbaijan and U.S. Relations."
- The Crossings is renamed Presidents Hall to honor four past UT presidents: John Worthington Dowd, Philip Curtis Nash, Wilbur Wallace White and Daniel

March

- The women's basketball team wins the Mid-American Conference regular-season title with a 48-38 victory over Eastern Michigan and is ranked No. 25 in the Associated Press media poll. The Rockets go on to advance to the Sweet





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168 hours — to set a new world record for the longest consecutive underwater dive in an enclosed environment.

- M. Johnson. Dowd, White and Nash halls are slated for demolition.
- Assistant Football Coach Scott Isphording is named MAC Recruiter of the Year by Scout/FoxSportsNext.
- The UT Army ROTC Pershing Rifle Troop takes first place at the John J. Pershing Memorial Drill Competition.
- Former Head Men's Basketball Coach Bob Nichols, who led the Rockets for 22 seasons and posted the most victories of any coach in the Mid-American Conference, dies March 30 at age 82.

April

- E.J. Dionne Jr., political pundit and a columnist for The Washington Post, gives the Edward Shapiro Distinguished Lecture.
- Head Women's Basketball Coach Tricia Cullop signs a contract extension that will keep her courtside for Toledo through the 2021-22 season.
- Some 25 members of Dive UT take turns staying submerged in a tote filled with 330 gallons of water for seven days —

- The College of Business and Innovation's undergraduate program is ranked by Bloomberg Businessweek magazine for the first time in Businessweek's Top Undergraduate Business Schools for 2013.
- UT Medical Center celebrates the opening of the Gardner-McMaster Parkinson Center and the new Medical Pavilion. The nearly 6,000-square-foot facility is set to be one of the leading Parkinson centers due to its team-care approach.

May

- Sandra Pianalto, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, and Dr. Jeff Wadsworth, president and CEO of the Batelle Memorial Institute, address 3,041 candidates for degrees at commencement ceremonies.
- The final beam of the Interprofessional Immersive Simulation Center is placed. More than 550 tons of steel are used for the \$36 million, 60,000-square-foot center.

- UT hosts the uHeart Digital Media event; Dave Hunke, former president and publisher of USA Today and now chief strategy officer of Digerati, gives the keynote address.
- Belle and Allen, the peregrine falcons that nest atop University Hall, have three chicks; the UT Fal-Cam goes live at <http://utole.do/falcam>.
- The UT Police Patrolman's Association and the University ratify a new three-year contract that will run through 2015.
- Toledo sophomore Chris Selfridge is honored for his play throughout the 2012-13 season with a spot on the PING All-Midwest Region team.
- Former women's basketball great Kim Knuth is inducted into the Mid-American Conference Hall of Fame.

June

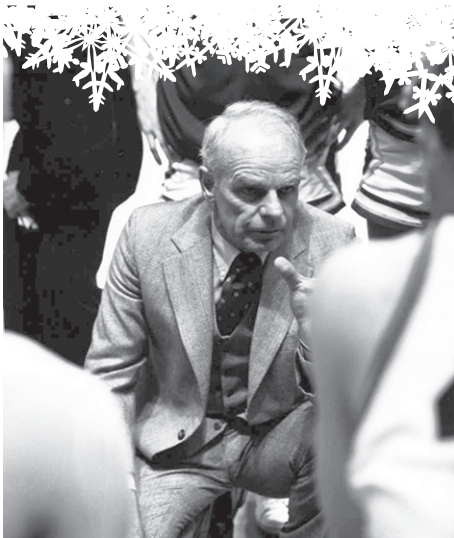
- Dr. Thomas Nasca, chief executive officer of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, addresses more than 200 students who are candidates for degrees at the College of Medicine commencement.
- The U.S. Department of Energy Office of Energy holds its Clean Energy

Manufacturing Initiative — Midwest Summit on campus.

- The UT Board of Trustees approve a fiscal year 2014 budget of \$775.2 million that includes no increases in undergraduate tuition, room and board, or general fees, which the University committed to as part of a pledge to keep higher education affordable.
- Men's Head Basketball Coach Tod Kowalczyk signs a contract extension through the 2018-19 season.
- Dr. Angela Davis, Distinguished Professor Emerita of History and Consciousness at the University of California at Santa Cruz, gives the keynote address at the National Conference on Restorative Justice on Health Science Campus.
- Dr. Mark Chassin, president of the Joint Commission and an internationally known leader in health care and safety, visits Health Science Campus to give a talk.

July

- Joseph Zerbey IV, president and general manager for The Blade, becomes chair of the UT Board of Trustees, and Sharon Speyer, president of the Northwest Ohio





- Region for Huntington National Bank, is vice chair.
- UTMC is named a 2013 “Leader in LGBT Healthcare Equality,” one of 464 medical facilities nationwide to achieve this status on the Health Equality Index sponsored by the Human Rights Campaign.
- Linh Nguyen is named director of the cross country and track and field program.
- Women basketball players Inma Zanguera and Elena de Alfredo help lead the Spanish National Team to its third consecutive U-20 European Championship in Samsun, Turkey.
- For the third straight year, U.S. News & World Report recognizes UT Medical Center as one of the best in the region in six specialties.
- Demolition crews raze Dowd, Nash and White halls.
- More than 10,000 attend the 20th annual Art on the Mall.

August

- UT wins the 2012-13 MAC Institutional Academic Achievement Award for the

- second straight year. Student-athletes post an overall GPA of 3.200.
- The Ottawa River restoration project is completed.
- In a new initiative to increase retention and graduation rates, the first group of success coaches begin providing students with a single point of contact to assist with questions relating to any aspect of the student experience.
- Rocky the Rocket begins competing in this year’s Capital One Mascot Challenge.

September

- Some 8,000 attend Music Fest, with performances by The White Panda, Reel Big Fish, Josh Gracin, The Contours featuring Sylvester Potts, Alexander Zonjic, and The Lonely Friends.



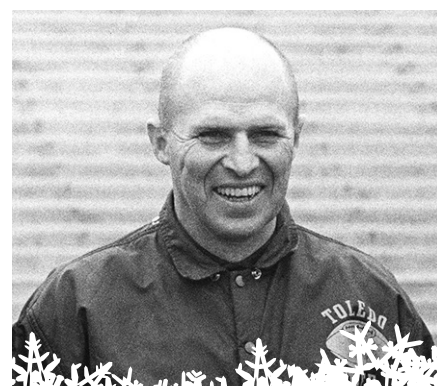
- David Morlock starts his new job as executive vice president for finance and administration.
- President Jacobs gives his seventh annual address to the community and tells more than 350 in Doermann Theater that colleges must become active, permeating presences in their communities and migrate toward the “cloud university” model in order to keep the American dream alive.
- Education innovator Salman Khan, founder of the Khan Academy, launches the Jesup Scott Honors College Distinguished Lecture Series.
- UT external research funding approaches \$55 million in fiscal year 2013, a surge of more than \$6 million, University officials announce. UT researchers receive \$54,749,355 in federal, state and other grants.

October

- Vice President and Director of Athletics Mike O’Brien signs a contract extension through July 2021.
- The University is named one of only 20 percent of colleges in the country to be featured on the 2014 Military Friendly Schools list from GI Jobs magazine.

- The College of Business and Innovation is selected for The Princeton Review’s 2014 guidebook, *The Best 295 Business Schools*, and the College of Law appears in the Princeton’s Review’s *The Best 169 Law Schools*.
- Savage Arena is selected as one of 16 sites for the first and second rounds of the 2014 NCAA Division I Women’s Basketball Championship in March.
- UT receives the 2013 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity magazine.
- The College of Medicine and Life Sciences receives continued accreditation from the Liaison Committee on Medical Education.
- The women’s golf team receives national attention from Golfweek for its 35-stroke victory at the Rocket Classic.
- James R. Findlay, a respected business leader known for his philanthropy and love for UT, passes away Oct. 20 at age 87. The 1948 UT alumnus and his wife, Celia, contributed more than \$1.4 million to the University.
- Opera legend Marilyn Horne visits campus to talk about her career and life in music.





- Football Coach Matt Campbell signs a contract extension that will keep him on the sideline for the Rockets through the 2017 season.

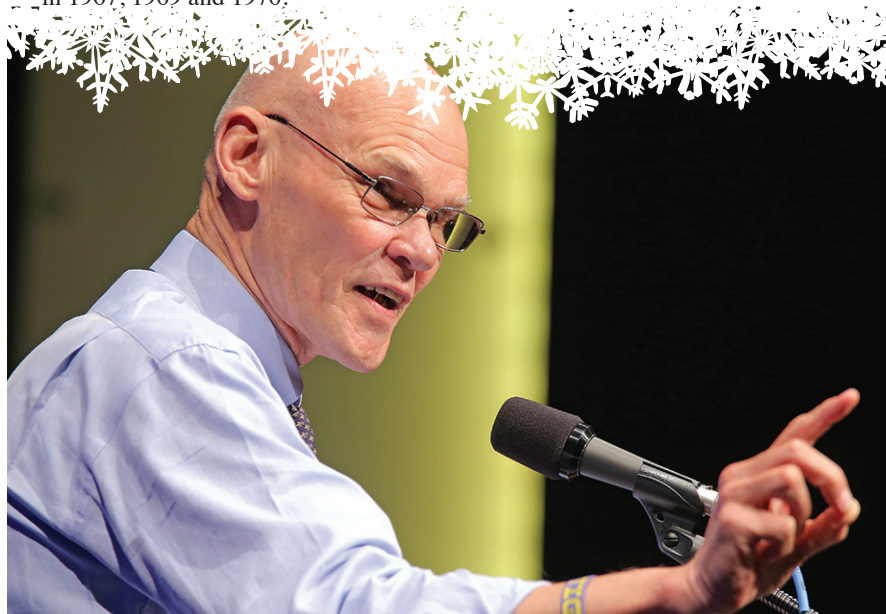
- The women's basketball program earns the top Mid-American Conference ranking and a No. 90 national grouping among recruiting classes for the 2014-15 early signing period, according to the All-Star Girls Basketball Report.

November

- The University partners with Schoolcraft College and in fall 2014 will offer students the opportunity to obtain UT degrees in nursing, criminal justice and health information management in Livonia, Mich.
- The women's volleyball team clinches a share of its first-ever MAC Division title; UT ties with Ball State.
- The men's basketball team rallies for an exciting 95-92 victory over Boston College in Chestnut Hill, Mass.
- Political strategist James Carville gives the second Jesup Scott Honors College Distinguished Lecture in Doermann Theater.
- Frank X. Lauterbur, UT football coach and athletic director from 1963 to 1970, passes away Nov. 20 at age 88. Lauterbur, who had a 48-32-2 record at UT, began the famous 35-0 Rocket streak from 1969 to 1971. His teams won Mid-American Conference titles in 1967, 1969 and 1970.

- The women's soccer team receives the 2012-13 academic award from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. The Rockets posted a 3.58 GPA to tie for sixth among Division I programs.

- Dr. Jeffrey Gold, chancellor and executive vice president for biosciences and health affairs, and dean of the College of Medicine and Life Sciences, accepts an offer from the University of Nebraska to serve as chancellor of the institution's medical center.



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Jefferson Awards honoree serves as role model to students

By Samantha Watson

As a child, Dr. Jeanine Diller was inspired by her parents, her friends and her faith to give to others. As an adult, she is the inspiration for others to do the same.

"I have a strong awareness that I have been given so much and so many people have less," Diller said. "I just like to help distribute resources, energies and talent where they're needed to make people's lives better."

Diller, UT assistant professor of philosophy and director of the Center for Religious Understanding, was named the University's Jefferson Awards September honoree because of her role as a mentor to students, encouraging them to live a life of service.

"Dr. Diller is a mentor and a friend; she instilled in me an honest love for philosophy, religion, and the search for understanding and truth," said Zachary Dehm, a UT alumnus and former student. "She showed me what a responsible academic looks like — an academic who's active in the world and doesn't just sit in an office theorizing."

Through the Center for Religious Understanding, Diller helped organize an after-school program with two goals: to help at-risk youth realize that college is a possi-

bility and to encourage interfaith discussion among the volunteers.

This two-part goal came from a challenge from President Obama for people of all religious perspectives to come together for community service. She and Dr. Sudershan Pasipuleti, UT professor of social work, accepted this challenge and have received help from many to make their goals a reality.

Dehm, who graduated from UT in May and is studying theology at the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry, nominated Diller for the Jefferson Award.

In his nomination, Dehm wrote that Diller "has inspired countless numbers of students to think about the important questions faced in philosophical inquiry and religious pursuit and then encouraged them to do good and build peace in the world through her course work and her example."

"I've found that my role both as a professor and as the center director provide opportunities to work my desire to give back into my courses and into the work of the center," Diller said. "In my courses, I've always been a great believer in service learning and engaged learning. It's one thing to talk about ideas and it's another thing to see them in action."



Photo by Daniel Miller

HONORED: Dr. Jeanine Diller, assistant professor of philosophy and director of the Center for Religious Understanding, received the UT Jefferson Award for September from Lawrence J. Burns, vice president for external affairs, during Inside Toledo in November.

Know an unsung hero who dedicates his or her time to volunteering and community service?

Submit a nomination for the Jefferson Awards at utoledo.edu/jeffersonaward or on Facebook at [facebook.com/utjeffersonawards](https://www.facebook.com/utjeffersonawards).

Spring 2014 deadlines you can't afford to miss!

Dec. 27, 2013 - Due date for Spring 2014 Semester payment

Jan. 6, 2014 - Spring Semester classes begin

Jan. 13, 2014 - Late fees assessed for past due balances

Jan. 20, 2014 - Last day to drop for Spring Semester

If you decide not to attend a class you are registered for, you **MUST** drop it before class begins to avoid financial responsibility. Use the MyUT portal or go to Rocket Solution Central to drop any classes.

Jazzy holiday show



Photos by Daniel Miller

GuitArkestra offered a seasonal jam at the UT Jazz Holiday Concert last week in Doermann Theater.



Gunnar Mossblad, professor of music and director of the Jazz Studies Program, played a saxophone solo during Jon Hendricks' song titled "The Christmas Gift (That Lasts the Whole Year Round)" at the show. The legendary singer is a Distinguished Professor of Jazz.



Photo by Daniel Miller

FESTIVE BLOOMS: Rebecca Holmes, registration specialist in Patient Access, right, handed the poinsettias she wished to purchase to Shirley Monto, volunteer; last week in the Four Seasons Bistro Atrium. The flower sale is a tradition thanks to the Satellites Auxiliary.



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THE BIG MAN IS BACK: Santa Claus (Tom Pellitieri of Toledo Santa LLC) got a hug from Rose Ackerman, assistant director of student services in the Department of Civil Engineering, during the College of Engineering's recent holiday party.

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Monday, Dec. 9 - Wednesday, Dec. 11: 9 a.m. - midnight

Thursday, Dec. 12: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

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- Web: utoledo.edu and myut.utoledo.edu;
- Phone: 419.530.SNOW (7669);
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- Local media.

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Call Laurie Flowers at 419.530.2002 to schedule an appointment before Friday, Dec. 20.

Photos will appear in an upcoming issue of the paper.

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