

UT freezes tuition, offers free semester of housing for transfer students

By Jon Strunk

Responding to nationwide concerns that higher education is increasingly unaffordable for students, The University of Toledo recently announced aggressive measures to help ensure a college degree remains accessible.

The measures are:

- Free on-campus housing for spring 2013 for all new transfer students who come to UT for the semester beginning Jan. 7, 2013, and transfer 12 or more credit hours. Students also must enroll full time at UT and take 12 or more credit hours during spring 2013.
- Freezing all undergraduate tuition and fees, including housing, meal plans and general fees, for the 2013-14 academic year.

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Photo by Daniel Miller

IN THE NEWS: Student Government President Paulette Bongratz talked about UT's tuition freeze for undergraduates during a press conference last Friday, saying it was a positive move and showed how the University is working to put students first.

UT Medical Center leaders: Staff lead to positive outcome of hospital survey

By Jon Strunk

UT Medical Center leaders expressed pride and confidence Thursday as Ohio Department of Health evaluators completed a four-day evaluation of the hospital on behalf of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid.

"This was one of the most rigorous external reviews I've experienced, and I can't tell you how proud I am of the way our staff prepared for the visit and performed while evaluators were here," said Dr. Jeffrey P. Gold, chancellor and executive vice president for biosciences and health affairs, and dean of the College of Medicine and Life Sciences.

"I'm grateful to you and I'm proud of you," said UT President Lloyd Jacobs. "The results from these last four days once again show that UTMC is an organization deeply committed to patients and deeply committed

to patient safety. There are some areas the surveyors asked us to address and we will, but once again you showed why this is one of the best hospitals anywhere."

During their four days on campus, site evaluators conducted an exhaustive review, going from unit to unit. Out of the 1,000 standards and millions of patient interactions that occurred during the evaluation, Gold said the list of citations identified by the evaluators was very brief and most items were corrected before the site team left Thursday.

Among the citations were small holes in several firewalls above the ceiling where smoke might have penetrated in case of a fire; a deadbolt lock on a door was removed; new concrete was added to ensure a piece of sidewalk was wheelchair accessible; a light

switch that was required to be five feet off the ground was cited for being four feet off the ground; and one microwave was found to have pieces of food in it.

"Every facility fix requested was completed, documented by photograph, and emailed to the surveyors before they left on Thursday," Gold said. "We are a learning hospital and are always trying to improve. Even though this list of issues is brief, we take them all seriously, and we're working every day to become a stronger institution."

The Ohio Department of Health will forward their comments to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid, which will then send a report to UT Medical Center, Gold said. UTMC will respond to that report, correct

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Runner selected to represent USA at World Road Relay Championship

By Derrick Blyberg

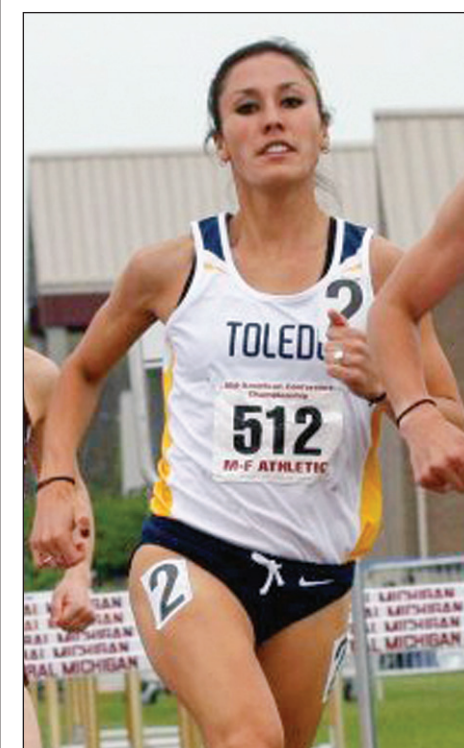
Senior All-American Emma Kertesz will represent the USA at the World Road Relay Championships Friday, Nov. 23, in Chiba, Japan.

She was named to the Ekiden Relay Team following her fourth-place finish with a new personal-record time of 32:51 at the USA 10K Championships in Boston last month.

Kertesz becomes the second Rocket to represent the USA at an international event this year. Last spring, former All-American Ari Fisher, who graduated in May, ran at the North America, Central America and Caribbean Athletic Association Cross Country Championships in Trinidad, helping the USA team win a gold medal.

Former Toledo All-American Briana Shook, a 2004 UT graduate, was the first

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READY TO RUN: Senior All-American Emma Kertesz will represent the USA at the World Road Relay Championships in Japan this month.



Photo by Daniel Miller

ELECTORAL COLLEGE: Avery Robinson, 4, cast her vote for U.S. president during a mock election at Apple Tree Nursery School last Tuesday. Barack Obama won the contest, 26-19; there were five write-in votes for moms and dads, according to Sherry Roush, director of the school.

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- A 25 percent housing discount for current full-time (12 credit hours or more) freshmen living on campus this year who return to live in the residence halls for the 2013-14 academic year as sophomores. Students must have earned a 2.5 GPA or higher and 24 or more earned credit hours.

“Ever since our tuition freeze guarantee in 2007 that led to a statewide, two-year freeze at public universities for the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 academic years, The University of Toledo has led efforts to keep higher education in Ohio

affordable,” UT President Lloyd Jacobs said.

“The world is changing too fast for higher education institutions to make incremental changes and expect to stay relevant to the needs of students and families,” Jacobs said. “We are making transformational moves, and those universities that don’t won’t exist in the next decade. Change is what students and families are looking for as they choose universities.”

UT continues to offer merit and need-based financial aid packages, including a program that uses scholarships to offset out-of-state charges to give academically well-prepared students from Michigan the

ability to attend the University at in-state costs.

Established in 1872, The University of Toledo is home to 21,500 students across 13 colleges and six Ohio campuses. The University offers more than 230 doctoral, professional, graduate and undergraduate programs. Nearly 350 student-athletes comprise 15 Division 1 Rocket athletic teams. UT has earned national and international acclaim for its expertise in solar and advanced renewable energy, environmental sciences, astronomical research, and translational research and biomarkers.

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any errors of fact, and ultimately establish a plan of correction for any items that may remain.

Gold also noted that there are inconsistencies between requirements for the various regulatory bodies that oversee health-care organizations, a fact Gold said he highlighted when speaking with the Ohio Department of Health evaluators.

“For example, the Joint Commission indicates that operating room humidity levels of 20 percent are within accepted norms, while Centers for Medicare and Medicaid guidelines assert it cannot be lower than 35 percent. We were asked to apply for a ‘variance or waiver’ to address areas where regulatory agencies establish conflicting requirements,” Gold said.

“The University of Toledo Medical Center has faced some challenges during the last several months, but what has never wavered is the commitment of every person in this hospital to improve the lives of our patients every day,” said Norma Tomlinson, UTMC interim executive director.

“The surveyors were very impressed with the detailed knowledge of our staff,” Tomlinson said. “It’s been a tough process, but celebrating a positive outcome with colleagues so committed to patients makes it all worth it. We are all ambassadors for UTMC, and this makes us so very proud!”

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Rocket to run on the USA Road Relay Team. The former American record holder helped lead USA to a bronze medal at the Ekiden Relay in Beijing in 2004.

“This is a huge opportunity for Emma,” Toledo Director of Track and Cross Country Kevin Hadsell said. “We took our time this fall and summer to get to another level and it is really paying off. I feel like we saved a lot of hard work for the next semester, as her track seasons could go deep into the summer.”

The Ekiden Relay Championship is held over the course of a marathon as each country sends one mixed team of men and women. Kertesz, who is eligible for the indoor and outdoor track seasons, is the only collegian on the USA team.

Professional runners Chelsea Reilly and Neeley Spence are the other two women selected. The women will run the 5,000-meter legs while the men run the longer legs.

“Anytime we have the chance for our athletes to represent their country while still a student-athlete representing The University of Toledo is special,” Hadsell said. “Emma is really making a nice name for herself, and I am excited to see how this all translates to the indoor and outdoor track seasons.”

Five new Distinguished University Professors named

By Samantha Watson

Five UT faculty members have been recommended to receive the highest rank — Distinguished University Professor.

The honorees were selected from 19 nominations submitted to the Academic Honors Committee. Their appointments are expected to be approved by the UT Board of Trustees Monday, Nov. 19, and will bring the number of Distinguished University Professors to 23.

The new Distinguished University Professors are:

- Dr. Robert M. Blumenthal, professor of medicinal microbiology and immunology in the College of Medicine and Life Sciences. He has been at UT for 31 years and has an international reputation for work



Blumenthal

in the field of global gene regulation in bacteria. In 2008, he presented at a Distinguished Scientist Seminar in the National Institutes of Health Rocky Mountain Lab. He

received The University of Toledo Outstanding Research Award this year, the Dean's Award for Teaching Excellence in 2008, and the Dean's Award for Graduate Student Mentoring in 2005. Blumenthal is a pioneering faculty member in bioinformatics, genomics and proteomics (BGP) and continues to serve as the BPG program director.

- Dr. Charlene M. Czerniak, professor of science education in the Judith Herb College of Education, Health Science and Human Service. She

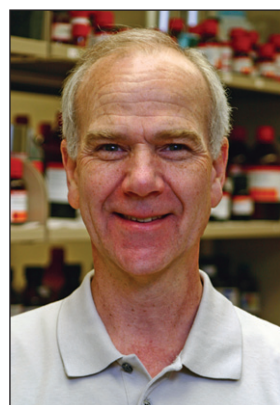


Czerniak

has been at UT for 23 years. To date, she has generated \$30 million in extramural funds from places such as the National Science Foundation. She has presented

more than 50 times nationally and internationally, as well as more than 50 times at state and regional meetings. Czerniak has published approximately 50 papers and nine book chapters, and is editor of several books and journals. She has received the George Mallinson Distinguished Service Award, the Christa McAuliffe Award for Excellence in Teacher Education, the Judith Herb College of Education Research Award and the Distinguished Alumni Award for Service.

- Dr. Paul W. Erhardt, professor of medicinal chemistry in the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. He is director of the



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Center for Drug Design and Development and has been at UT for 18 years. He spent 20 years in industry at Berlex Laboratories. At UT, he received the Outstanding

Research Faculty Award in 2004 and 2006, the Excellence Award for Research in 2009 and 2010, and the Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award in 1995. In addition to being a contributing member of UT service activities, Erhardt travels the world for lectures, presentations and conferences. He has mentored 19 undergraduate and 20 graduate students, as well as 14 postdoctoral fellows and six sabbatical visitors.

- Dr. Carol A. Stepien, professor of ecology in the College of Natural



Stepien

Sciences and Mathematics. A molecular geneticist who focuses on researching fish genetics, Stepien is director of the Lake Erie Center and has been at UT eight years. She

has received the University's Outstanding Research Award in 2008 and the Dion D. Raftopolous Sigma Xi Outstanding Research Award in 2010. Her book, *Molecular Systematics of Fishes*, was printed in 1997 and reprinted in 2002. Stepien serves as an editor for several publications, including *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution*, the *Journal of Great Lakes Research* and *Biological Invasions*. She has mentored 36 undergraduate, seven graduate, eight doctoral, four international graduate, three postdoctoral and 12 high school students.

- Dr. Gretchen E. Tietjen, professor of neurology in the College of



Tietjen

Medicine and Life Sciences. She has been at the University 16 years and has served as chair of the Department of Neurology since 2006. Tietjen also is the founding

director of the Neurology Residency Program, founder and director of the UTMC Stroke Center, and has served as neurology clerkship director. She is listed in the Best Doctors in America and received the Dean's Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2001, the Seymour Solomon Research Award and the Stroke Innovation Award in 2008, and the UT Outstanding Research Award in 2011. She directs the UT Headache Treatment and Research Center and the Stroke Research Center of Northwest Ohio.

These five — along with Dr. Ali Fatemi, Distinguished University Professor of Mechanical, Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering in the College of Engineering and Susan R. Martyn, Distinguished University Professor of Law and the Stoepler Professor of Law and Values in the College of Law, who received the honorary title in April — will be recognized at a reception Monday, Nov. 19, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Libbey Hall.

In memoriam

Karen M. Ackerman, Swanton, a former MCO employee who worked in students grants, died Oct. 28 at age 70.

Willie M. Davis, Toledo, who worked at UT more than three decades, died Oct. 25 at age 65. She joined the staff in 1980 and worked in Athletics for many

years before moving to the Physics and Astronomy Department, where she was a secretary until her retirement in 2011.

Carl D. Everage, Toledo, a custodian in 2008 and 2009, died Oct. 27 at age 51.

Virginia "Jennie" K. Riedy, Columbus, a former nurse at the hospital, died Oct. 23 at age 60.

Edward G. Studer, Perrysburg, died Nov. 2 at age 90. He volunteered as a patient advocate and greeter at MCO.

Faculty bring experiences working with playwright to 'Metamorphoses'

By Angela Riddell

The University of Toledo Department of Theatre and Film production of Mary Zimmerman's "Metamorphoses" will open Friday, Nov. 16, in the UT Center for Performing Arts Center Theatre.

Performances will continue Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 17 and 18, and Wednesday through Sunday, Nov. 26 through Dec. 2. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. except on Sundays, when the show will start at 2 p.m.

A discussion with the director, cast and designers of the show will take place after the opening night performance. Refreshments will be served.

Written and originally directed by Zimmerman, "Metamorphoses" took Broadway by storm in 2002 and won a Tony Award for best direction, as well as a nomination for best play.

Two theatre faculty members, Daniel Thobias and T.J. Gerckens, have worked with Zimmerman on previous productions of "Metamorphoses."

Gerckens, a lecturer specializing in lighting design and cinematography, who is the production manager for the UT performance, has worked extensively with the writer and original director of the play. In fact, he has been working with Zimmerman on the revival of the production now playing in Chicago.

Thobias, assistant professor of theatre who focuses on costume design, worked as a properties artisan on "Metamorphoses" in the Berkeley Repertoire Theatre production, one of the original stagings of the show.

He is the designer of the set for the UT production and is overseeing the costume design process. Student Halah Mohamed is designing the costumes.

Irene Alby, director of the UT production and a theatre lecturer, said she is thrilled to work with gifted faculty who bring impressive work experiences: "To direct this production working with people who worked with Mary Zimmerman is incredible. They have such great insight into the playwright. It has informed my own ideas about the play a great deal."

Set around a pool that is both primordial and metaphorical, "Metamorphoses" is a series of Greco-Roman myths by Ovid, knitted together expertly and poetically by Zimmerman, and crafted into a visually dynamic play.

According to a review from The Wall Street Journal, "Mary Zimmerman's beautiful and deeply humane 'Metamorphoses'... reanimates [Ovid's myths] with a combination of agile storytelling and enthralling stagecraft. Funny one moment, achingly sorrowful the next, 'Metamorphoses' somehow manages both to lift you out of the moment you're living in and speak to it with piercing directness."

Alby said her own direction for the play will utilize "the extraordinary process of pregnancy and the womb and birth as a symbolic microcosm of the universe and all within it as it journeys toward wisdom. Each of the myths in the play explores deeply some important aspect of that journey, a



journey of love and transcendence that each of us is already walking.

"I think the play resonates so well with people, and has for many years, because of its ability to profoundly and spiritually transform its audience," she said. "When people see it, they never forget the beauty and magic of it, and they're never quite the same."

Students in the cast are Lynnette Bates, Davion Brown, Jeffrey Burden II, Pasha Carter, Evan Dailey, Timothy Fox, Alysa Garcia, Jessica Homer, Junfeng Hou, Kori Johnson, Shannon McGee, Andres Medina, Lance Miller, Brittney Penrose, Lydia Sims, Ashley Stephens and Danielle N. White.

Tickets are \$12 for general admission; \$10 for faculty, staff, alumni and seniors; and \$7 for students. They can be purchased online at utoledo.edu/boxoffice, by calling 419.530.2375, or by visiting the Center for Performing Arts Box Office.

Student members of fraternities or sororities who wear their letters or show their membership card at the box office can get a "Go Greek" discount of \$2 off their ticket.

Season flex passes are still available. A season flex pass is 15 percent off the price of four individual tickets purchased separately. The pass provides four tickets that can be used in any combination throughout the season.

Pianist to perform Nov. 18

Pianist Robert Ballinger will give a Faculty Artist Recital Sunday, Nov. 18, at 4 p.m. in the Center for Performing Arts Recital Hall.

The associate lecturer in the UT Department of Music will play Bach's Toccata in c minor, Five Dances from Prokofiev's "Romeo and Juliet," Op.11, and Schumann's Grand Sonata No. 1 in f minor, Op.11.

For more information on the free, public recital, call the UT Department of Music at 419.530.2448.



Ballinger

Music historian to reflect on 'Kind of Blue' masterpiece

By Vicki L. Kroll

Ashley Kahn said he was 14 or 15 when he put the Miles Davis' album *Kind of Blue* on the turntable and dropped the needle on the vintage vinyl for the first time in the mid-1970s.

"I was very much into the sounds that were in the air at the time, like Bruce Springsteen was just starting to happen. By '77, I was deep in Bob Marley, the Talking Heads had just broken. Those were all my heroes. And the guy who actually turned me on to a bunch of those different groups was a high school buddy," the journalist recalled.

"He was over at my place, and he went up to my father's collection, which was just about 20 albums, and ... pulled *Kind of Blue* and he said, 'You know, this is a classic.' And it took the blinders off my eyes and ears, and I put it on and it certainly didn't sound like any sound that I was defining as jazz at that point."

Millions have experienced that musical awakening upon hearing the 1959 masterpiece.

"The depth of the emotion is really what struck me. It wasn't sad; it certainly wasn't happy; it was very mood-setting and deep. You don't forget your first interaction with a classic, and that's exactly what that album is," Kahn said during a call from his home in Fort Lee, N.J.

In 1999, the music producer penned an article for *The New York Times* to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the iconic record. A publisher asked Kahn if could expand that into a book.

Kind of Blue: The Making of the Miles Davis Masterpiece was released in 2001.

"I had known that the album was enduringly popular. I had no idea that it was still selling 5,000 copies and still till this day sells more than contemporary jazz," he said. "And 50 years on, it's a cultural milestone and one of those classics that transcends its time. It feels always modern. The music, when you put it on, it sounds as fresh as yesterday."

The noted music historian and author will discuss *Kind of Blue* Wednesday, Nov. 14, at 7 p.m. in the Center for Performing Arts Recital Hall.

His free, public talk is part of UT's First Look+Listen, a partnership between the First-Year Experience Program and Student Affairs. All freshmen were asked to listen to *Kind of Blue*, and reading groups and events are bringing students and faculty together to consider the work's continuing relevance.

"We wanted to try something new and expand the program from books to music and use the landmark jazz album *Kind of*

Blue that maybe not all students are familiar with, but that in its own way tells the history of American music — born of European and African music traditions — by one of the most influential musicians of the 20th century, Miles Davis," said Jennifer Rockwood, director of the First-Year Experience Program.

The album that runs just over 45 minutes has long-lasting playing power, influencing jazz, rock and classical music. In 2003, the LP was ranked No. 12 on *Rolling Stone's* list of the 500 greatest albums of all time.

Quintessentially cool, Davis was the trumpet-playing maestro that made it happen.

"His appeal, the way he looked, the way he sounded, that trumpet, that eerie sound — that lonely, vulnerable sound of his trumpet is such an amazing singular sound in modern jazz and became popular around the world," Kahn said.

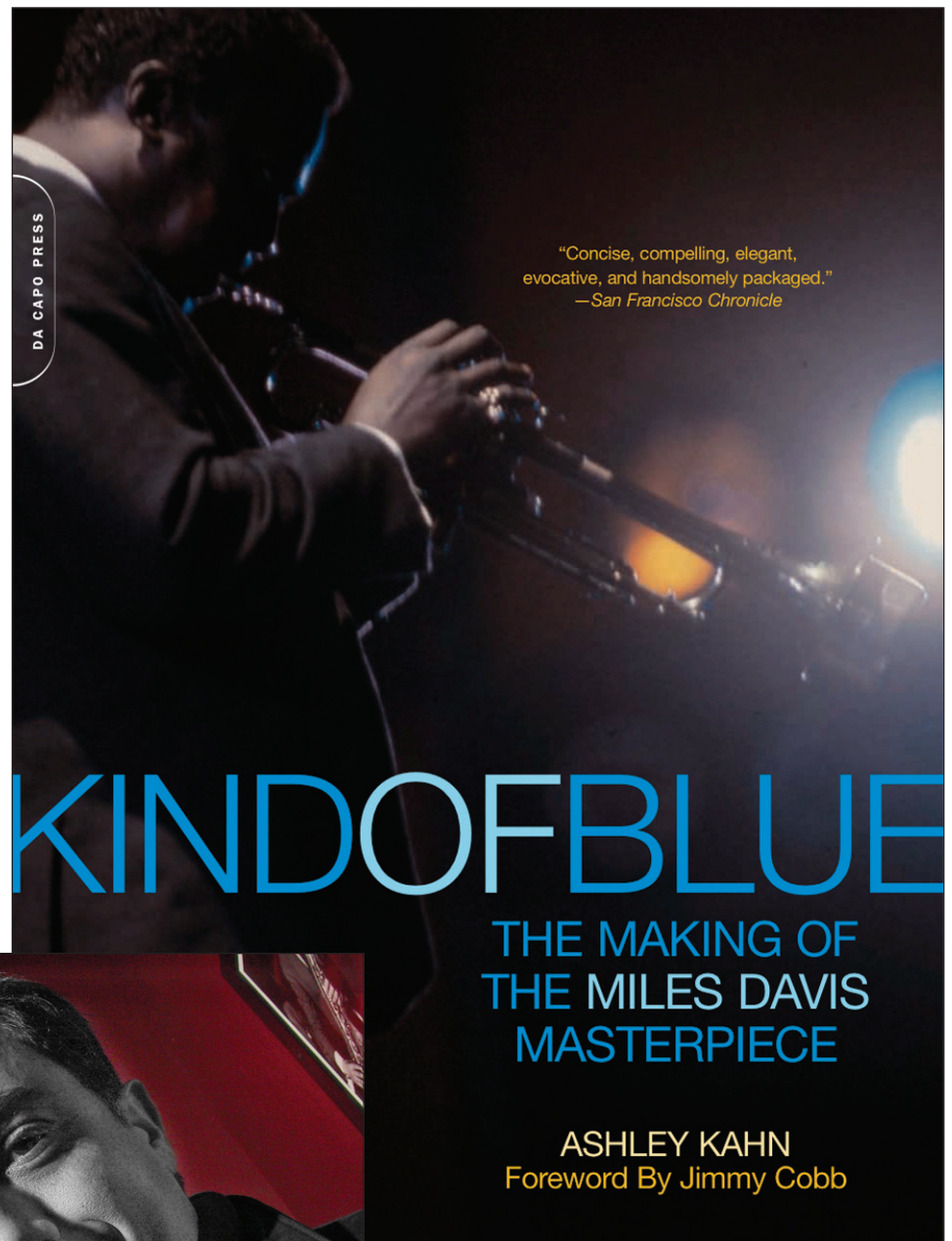
And his ensemble featured John Coltrane on tenor saxophone, Cannonball Adderley on alto sax, Bill Evans on piano, Paul Chambers on bass, and Jimmy Cobb on drums.

"His band was pretty much all the pioneers of modern jazz," Kahn said. "Q-Tip, the hip-hop producer and rapper, his way of describing [the group] is the Justice League of Jazz."

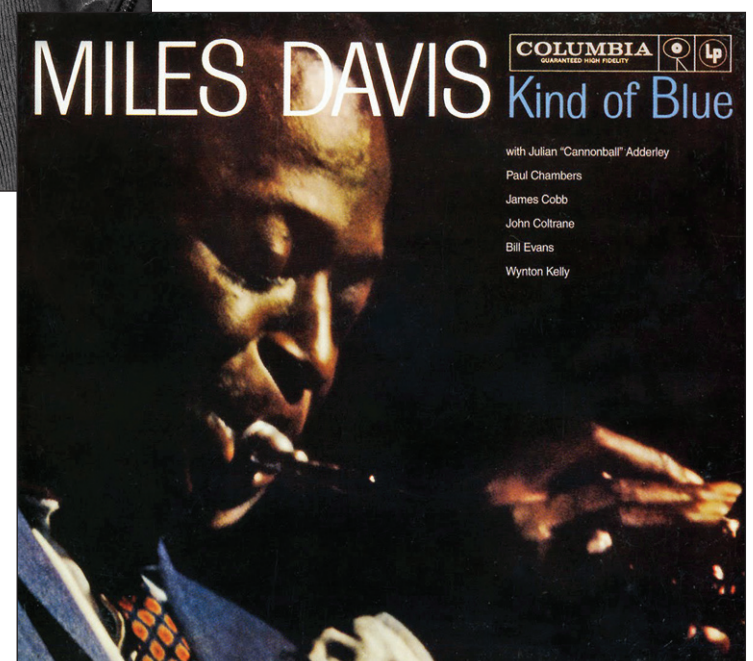
Kahn, a regular commentator on NPR's "Morning Edition," said his 90-minute multimedia presentation will offer a way to understand a great cultural work.

"If you're into hip-hop, if you're into rock, if you're into classical music, if you're into other forms of cultural expression such as painting or theater, this way of looking at one piece of work can be applied to anything," he said. "It's not just the subject itself, it's the way of talking about it, the way of examining it, the way of celebrating it."

"That passion for a great, creative artistic statement is the one thing that I hope everybody will walk away with and be able to apply to whatever it is that is their favorite album or book or play."



Kahn



Center for Family & Privately Held Business to celebrate 20 years of education, service

By Bob Mackowiak

Members and sponsors of The University of Toledo Center for Family & Privately Held Business will hold a 20th anniversary celebration Tuesday, Nov. 13, at the Toledo Hilton.

Established in 1992, the UT Center for Family & Privately Held Business is dedicated to serving the specific needs of family businesses, primarily in northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan. It received its start due to a generous endowment by the Stranahan Foundation and the continual support of family businesses.

“Simply stated, we are a valuable, trustworthy pipeline to the answers and resources these business professionals want and need,” said Debbe Skutch, director of the center. “The fact that we have been successfully doing this for 20 years now is an acknowledgement of that service, and it makes us feel very good about it.”

With more than 130 family businesses today, the center offers membership benefits that include:

- Attendance at events and forums;
- Monthly mini-forums available to member companies only;
- Interaction with family business peers through affinity group participation; and
- Access to local, regional and nationally recognized business experts.

Fourteen companies have been members since the center was established; these include The Andersons, the Appliance Center, Brooks Insurance, Gross Electric, Hart Associates, Kuhlman Corp., Shrader Tire & Oil, and Walt Churchill’s Market.

Current corporate sponsors are Fifth Third Bank; Huntington National Bank; Paramount; Eastman & Smith; Gilmore, Jason & Mahler; Seymour and Associates; Plante Moran Financial Advisors; and Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick.

“We strive to be ever-attentive, ever-responsive to the changing needs of our members,” Skutch said. “Their businesses are not static, but always evolving. They change as the economy changes, as world markets shift, and as dynamics change in their own businesses. We truly believe it is our responsibility to be there with pertinent answers to as many of these issues as we can. We have done that, which is why our members stay with us and new members join us all the time.”

Dr. Thomas Sharkey, interim dean of the UT College of Business and Innovation, said, “Our thanks to our members, all those who have served on the advisory board, and to the sponsoring companies whose financial support helps us fulfill our mission. I would also like to express special recognition and sincere thanks to Debbe Skutch, whose outstanding

leadership throughout the center’s first 20 years is a key reason why so many companies are active, successful and contributing members of the center.

He added, “Furthermore, we are pleased that the center, although directly focused on meeting the needs of businesses, continues to be of immense value to many students at The University of Toledo, through internships, mentoring opportunities, lessons in entrepreneurship and more.”

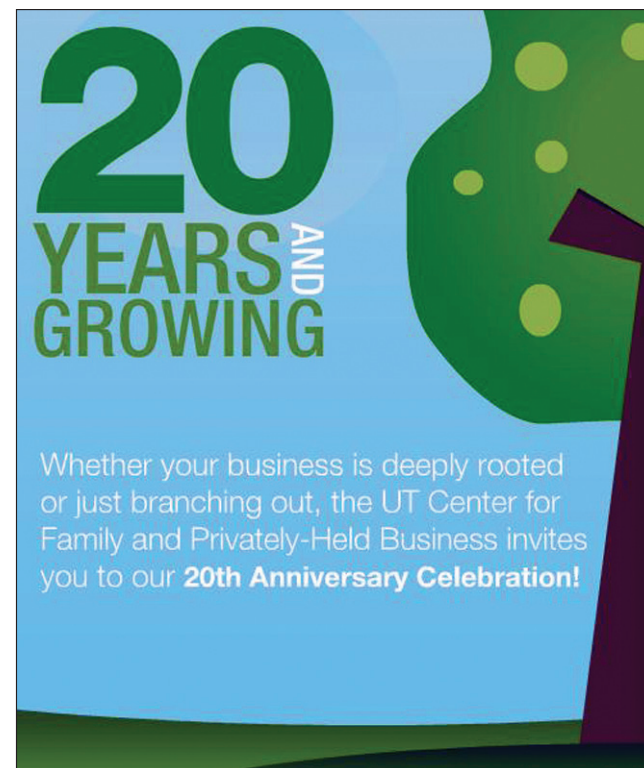
“Over our first two decades of service, we estimate that the information, resources, programs, networking and more has resulted in a positive impact worth millions of dollars to these regional businesses. The viability of our members is the reward we seek, and together we will continue to make a meaningful difference in their future success,” Skutch said.

“I especially want to recognize our founding members who had the vision to see what our business community needed and

the fortitude to nurture the center through its earliest years,” Skutch said.

The 20th anniversary celebration will feature dinner, networking, and a presentation on longevity and innovation from sixth and seventh generations at the 200-year-old family-owned business Crane & Co.

The public is invited to the celebration, although registration is required. To attend or learn more about the center, call 419.530.4058 or visit utfamilybusiness.org.



Sales students claim second place at national competition

By Bob Mackowiak

Students Matt Devenport, Chelsea Drouillard, Sam Otting and Michael Schaffer from the UT College of Business and Innovation Edward H. Schmidt School of Professional Sales won second place in the “Can’t Beat the Experience” National Team Sales Competition held at Indiana University in October.

Twenty-one teams faced off during the annual competition in Bloomington and used their classroom knowledge, experience and personal skills in a selling situation designated to be realistic and relevant in today’s market. The University of Washington took first place.

“The Edward H. Schmidt School of Professional Sales team did a fantastic job,” said Dr. Ellen Bolman Pullins, professor of marketing and director of the center. “We are very proud of the entire team.

“UT’s second-place finish placed us ahead of such programs as the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Penn State University, Michigan State University, the University of Kansas, Bowling Green State University, Indiana University, Syracuse University, the University of Florida, the University of Cincinnati, the University of Arizona, as well as other top sales programs,” she said.

“Additionally, congratulations to Michael Schaffer on his recognition as an MVP for his ability to handle objections and bring in outside health-based research. And thanks and congratulations to the Edward H. Schmidt School of Professional Sales team coach Lora Cramer.”

The mission of the school is to provide high-quality educational programs in sales and related areas, to enhance the world of business practice related to professional sales, and to become a recognized global



SELLING POWER: UT sales students smiled during dinner at the “Can’t Beat the Experience” National Team Sales Competition last month. Taking second place were, from left, Matt Devenport, Michael Schaffer; Coach Lora Cramer; Chelsea Drouillard and Sam Otting.

leader in sales learning, discovery and engagement. The center provides a learning environment that promotes networking op-

portunities and the exchange of ideas about sales issues in an open and professional manner.

Employee wellness screenings to be offered through December

The University of Toledo will host employee wellness screenings for faculty and staff as part of a campus-wide wellness initiative.

“One of the first steps to a healthy lifestyle is learning your own personal numbers, including cholesterol, blood sugar and blood pressure,” Michelle Peterson, UT wellness coordinator, said.

“We are partnering with Human Resources and Talent Development and UT Medical Center to bring this service to all of our faculty and staff. This is an opportunity for our employees to get a snapshot of what is going on inside their bodies,” she said. “Many of us are too busy to take the time for our own personal health and wellness. We want to offer this gift of health during this time of the year, so we can focus on making our health and wellness a priority.”

Screenings will start Wednesday, Nov. 14, and run through Thursday, Dec. 13.

The confidential wellness screenings will include:

- Blood draw: Lipids, total cholesterol and glucose (fasting is recommended);
- Blood pressure;
- Height and weight; and
- Online wellness assessment.

Appointments will be needed to participate in the screenings, which for convenience will be held on three campuses. The screening dates, locations and times will be:

- Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 14 and 15: Plant Operations Room 1000 from 7 to 11 a.m. and from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 27 and 28: Student Union Ingman Room from 7 to 11 a.m. and from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 4 and 5, and Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 12 and 13: YMCA Morse Center, Dowling Hall third floor from 7 to 11 a.m. and from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 11: Scott Park VIP Room from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Appointments will be scheduled every 15 minutes.

Schedule your appointment by contacting employeehealth@utoledo.edu.

Performance to promote awareness of bullying

By Samantha Watson

In the media, bullying is often portrayed as occurring in kindergarten through 12th grade, but studies have shown it doesn't stop after high school — and The University of Toledo is working to raise awareness.

On Thursday, Nov. 15, students, faculty, staff and community members will have the chance to learn about bullying from people who have experienced it firsthand. At 7 p.m. in Memorial Field House Room 2100, students of the PEACE (Protecting Every Abused Child Everywhere) Project will perform choreographed dramas and speak with audience members about their experiences.

The free, public event is hosted by UT's Anti-Bullying Task Force, which is geared toward developing bullying policies, educating students and assisting victims.

“We know that it's not just a K-12 issue,” said Dr. Lisa Pescara-Kovach, UT associate professor of foundations of education and a member of the task force. “It does affect college students as well, so we want to make sure that we can assist in any way that we can.”

The task force was started by Kovach and UT Police Chief Jeff Newton after the tragic suicide of Tyler Clementi, a student at

Rutgers University in New Jersey. Clementi was bullied because he was gay and committed suicide in 2010 at the age of 18.

“It's easy for us to distance ourselves sometimes when we see a case in the media or on the news,” Kovach said. “But to hear victims speak about this to you and with you in person makes it very real.”

This is why the students of the PEACE Project, anywhere from 12 to 22 years old, will team up with UT to raise awareness and let victims know they are not alone. Thursday's presentation is created and performed solely by students in the organization.

“The mission of the PEACE Project is to touch someone else in a very positive way,” said Bill Geha, founder of the project. “The message is that you're not alone. People who are abused or bullied think they're the only ones, and that's not the case. A lot of people have gone through it.”

For more information on the Anti-Bullying Task Force, check out utoledo.edu/tlc/bully. The site's resources include a suicide hotline, videos, definitions of bullying and harassment, an anonymous report form and more.

UT employees may schedule graduate photos

Faculty and staff or members of their families who will graduate from UT in December may contact the University Communications Office if they wish to have a photo taken and published in UT News.

Call Laurie Flowers at 419.530.2002 to schedule an appointment before Friday, Dec. 14.

Photos will appear in an upcoming issue of the paper.

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UT to celebrate International Education Week

By Cathy Zimmer

The Center for International Studies and Programs is celebrating International Education Week, Nov. 12-16.

International Education Week serves as a reminder that university campuses play a special part in shaping global awareness.

UT faculty, staff and students are encouraged to explore the value of education abroad, the richness that international students and faculty bring to the classrooms, and the benefits of all international programs on campus.

“This week is a good opportunity for the campus community to think about being an international leader and to take a few steps into the global environment by attending an International Education Week event,” said Dr. Sammy Spann, assistant provost for international studies and programs.

“This week will be packed full of fun academic opportunities, such as Passport registration day, International Village, the “Crossing Borders” film screening, our first ever international photo contest, and you can even roll your own sushi. And there is more: This week provides the campus community with several opportunities to meet international students and scholars, try international food, and prepare for experiential learning outside the country.”

The convocation speaker for International Education Week will be Dr. Janice Perlman, an independent scholar, who will give a talk titled “The Urbanization Nexus: Mega-Cities/Mega-Change” Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 2 p.m. in the Student Union Auditorium.

The world’s population growth in the coming decades will occur mainly in the cities of Asia, Africa and Latin

America; almost all of that growth will be concentrated in slums and squatter settlements. There are one billion people living off the grid in these communities, a number that will double by the year 2030. This talk will look at the promise and energy of these marginalized people, based on a longitudinal study in the *favelas* of Rio de Janeiro.

Perlman is the founder and president of the Mega-Cities Project, a transnational nonprofit working with a stated goal to “shorten the lag time between innovation and implementation in urban problem-solving.” She will review the principles for linking the local with the global, and the importance of creating urban ecological sustainability.

Following her free, public talk, Perlman will sign books in the Office of Multicultural Student Success, Student Union Room 2500. She is the author of *Favela: Four Decades of Living on the Edge in Rio de Janeiro* (Oxford University Press, 2010) and *The Myth of Marginality* (University of California Press, Berkeley, 1976).

Perlman’s visit is sponsored by the President’s Commission on Global Initiatives and the Center for International Programs and Studies.

Listed by date, other highlights for International Education Week will include:

- **Wednesday, Nov. 14 — Sushi Demonstration**, 11 a.m. to noon, Student Union Trimble Student Lounge. See Chef Jeung from Taruman Sushi in action.
- **You Went Where? Tips From Students Who Went Abroad**, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Student

Union Room 2591. Talk to students and alumni about their travel abroad experiences.

- **Fulbright Program: International Educational Exchange Program**, 3 to 4 p.m., Student Union Room 3020. Fellowship opportunities for students, faculty and staff will be reviewed.
- **Study Abroad Info Session**, 4 to 5 p.m., Snyder Memorial Building Room 1100. Find out how you can travel, experience another culture, and earn college credit.
- **Film Screening, “Crossing Borders,”** 7:30 p.m., Memorial Field House Room 2100. Follow four Moroccan and four American college students as they travel through Morocco and confront implications between Islam and the West. A guided discussion will follow the film.
- **Thursday, Nov. 15 — International Village**, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Student Union Auditorium. International Student Association members will showcase their cultures by serving food and performing. Tickets are \$7.99 for UT students and \$9.99.
- **Peace Corps 101**, noon to 1 p.m., Student Union Room 3018. Learn all about this volunteer opportunity.



Perlman

- **Camp Adventure: Travel the World and Work With Children**, 5 to 6 p.m., Snyder Memorial Building Room 1100. Find out how you can impact the lives of U.S. military children.

- **Friday, Nov. 16 — UT Professors Teaching Abroad**, 10 to 11 a.m., Snyder Memorial Building Room 1100. Thinking about teaching outside of the United States? Hear more from faculty who have done just that.

- **Funding My Abroad Experience**, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Snyder Memorial Building Room 1100. Get the scoop on Center for International Studies and Programs travel grants and other funding sources.

For a complete list International Education Week events, visit utoledo.edu/cisp/iew.