

**Faculty, Staff and Student Awards & Honours
Governing Council Meeting Oct. 30**

Richard Alway, president of the University of St. Michael's College, has been appointed by Prime Minister Stephen Harper to an unprecedented third five-year term as chair of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada. The board advises the government on the commemoration of nationally significant aspects of Canadian history and is responsible for the burgundy commemorative plaques familiar to visitors to historic places across the country. Under his tenure as chair, the government has also begun to commemorate important events outside Canada such as the Dieppe Raid, the Liberation of the Netherlands and the Battle of Vimy Ridge.

Carmen Bryson, research and financial administrator in the research and graduate office at U of T Mississauga, has been named the winner of the Staff Service Award, established to recognize service to UTM that exceeds job parameters; **Angela Lange** of biology and **Bruce Schneider** of psychology are co-recipients of the Research Excellence Award, given in recognition of excellence in research at UTM; and **Vedran Lovic**, a teaching assistant in psychology, is the winner of the Teaching Excellence for TAs, recognizing publicly the contributions teaching assistants make towards the achievement of excellence in undergraduate education, while **Arnold Rosenbloom**, a senior lecturer in mathematical and computational sciences, is the recipient of the Teaching Excellence Award for faculty, recognizing excellence in undergraduate teaching at UTM. A reception will be held in the fall to honour all award winners.

Jagish Butany of laboratory medicine and pathobiology is the recipient of a Canadian Association of Physicians of Indian Heritage Medal of Science, awarded to individuals who have made an exceptional and outstanding contribution to the advancement of health care in Canada. Butany received the medal during the association's conference Aug. 10 and 11 in Vancouver.

Liang Hwsuan Chen, a lecturer in the Department of Management at U of T Scarborough, is the winner of one of two Alice L. Beeman Research Awards in Communication and Marketing for Educational Advancement, given by the U.S.-based Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) to encourage research in communication and marketing for education. Chen won in the doctoral thesis category for Choosing Canadian Graduate Schools From Afar: East Asian Students' Perspectives and accepted the award in July at the CASE annual summit.

Miranda Cheng, director of the international student exchange office, is one of two winners of the Canadian Bureau for International Education's International Service Award, recognizing outstanding service to international education within her or his institution or organization. Cheng is cited as having played a key role in "increasing U of T's -- and indeed Canada's -- visibility in international education circles around the world." She will receive the award Nov. 25 during the bureau's conference in Ottawa.

Ian Clark of the School of Public Policy and Governance is this year's winner, with co-author David Trick, of the J.E. Hodgetts Award of the Institute of Public Administration of Canada. Created in 1992, the annual award is given for the best article in English appearing in the journal *Canadian Public Administration*. The article was entitled Advising for Impact: Lessons From the Rae Review on the Use of Special Purpose Advisory Commissions. Clark received the award Aug. 28 during the institute's national conference in Winnipeg.

Laura Cook, a lecturer in physical therapy, is the winner of an Outstanding Presentation Certificate during the World Physical Therapy Association Congress, held in Vancouver June 2 to 6. Cook received the certificate for the abstract entitled Utilizing Geographic Information Systems in the Assessment of Capacity and Demand for Community Rehabilitation Services. Professor **Cheryl Cott** of physical therapy and Emily Borsey, a geography student from Ryerson University, were her co-investigators.

Neeru Gupta and **Yeni Yucel**, leaders in glaucoma research, were winners of an Association of International Glaucoma Societies award, recognizing the best papers on glaucoma that stimulate further quality research, awareness of new development and a rewarding breakthrough and innovative research published during 2006. The two were recognized for their paper published in the journal *Archives of Ophthalmology* during the World Glaucoma Congress July 18 to 21, held in Singapore.

Elizabeth Harney of humanities at U of T Scarborough and of fine art at the St. George campus is the winner of the Arnold Rubin Outstanding Book Award from the Arts Council of the African Studies Association, awarded every three years for the best book in African art history. Harney received the award during the triennial symposium on African art March 28 to April 1 at the University of Florida for *Senghor's Shadow: Art, Politics and the Avant-Garde in Senegal, 1960-1995*.

Robert Josse of medicine is the winner of the Distinguished Service Award of the Canadian Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism, given to a senior member of the society who has made a significant contribution to the society and the discipline of endocrinology in one or more of the following areas: research, education or clinical service. Josse received the award during the annual meeting Oct. 24 to 27 in Vancouver.

Shashi Kant of forestry is the winner of the Canadian Institute of Forestry's 2007 Canadian Forestry Scientific Achievement Award in recognition of his many accomplishments in his professional life and career and dedication and contributions to forest science and research in Canada. Kant was publicly recognized with the award at the institute's awards luncheon Aug. 20 in the Great Hall at Hart House during the Forests in Settled Landscapes conference.

Mohamed Khedr of the Faculty of Medicine's computing support division is the winner of silver and bronze medals in the ninth World Masters Judo Championship, held in Sao Paulo, Brazil, June 18 to 24. Khedr won the silver in the men's open weight category and the bronze in the men's under 90 kg. With more than 18 years of cumulative experience,

he has competed at top-level international judo tournaments in many countries, including taking a bronze medal in last year's championship, held in Tours, France.

Susan Lieff of psychiatry has been selected to receive the 2007 Association of Chairs of Psychiatry of Canada Award for Excellence in Education, established to highlight the importance of education in Canadian universities by rewarding annually exceptional contributions to education in psychiatry. Lieff will receive the award, recognizing among her many contributions her outstanding leadership in the faculty's scholars program, during the annual meeting of the Canadian Psychiatric Association Nov. 9 to 12 in Toronto.

Roger Martin, dean of the Rotman School of Management, has been named by BusinessWeek.com as one of 10 B-School All-Stars who are revolutionizing business education. The only non-American and current business school dean to make the list, Martin was cited for pioneering a business philosophy that is oriented around design and integrative thinking, a theory that "to succeed, corporate managers should become flexible problem-solvers, not sophisticated numbers-crunchers." The 10 were announced in an Aug. 22 article -- Powerful Profs.

Roderick McInnes of pediatrics received an honorary doctor of laws degree from Dalhousie University during convocation ceremonies for dentistry and medicine May 25. An alumnus of Dalhousie and McGill universities, McInnes was honoured for his contribution to our understanding of human genetics, particularly inherited causes of blindness.

David Mock, dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, has been elected president of the Association of Canadian Faculties of Dentistry effective June 16, the day of the association's annual general meeting during the biennial conference. The objectives of the association are to promote excellence in university-based dental teaching, research and management through seminars, continuing education courses, symposia and conferences, to attract financial support for university-based programs and plan and work together with government agencies, related associations and other interested parties to advance university-based dental education.

Melvyn Petersiel of obstetrics and gynecology is the recipient of the Ontario Regional Award of Excellence from the Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada. The award is given in recognition of a lifelong devotion to obstetrics and gynecology, an outstanding dedication to community and the provision of optimal women's health through leadership, advocacy, collaboration, outreach and education. The award was presented June 25 at the annual clinical meeting.

Carol Percy of English has had an asteroid named after her; carolpercy is independent of mairepercy and johnpercy, named for her parents, both U of T faculty members. The honour is especially pertinent because her doctoral thesis was a study of the language in James Cook's 1768-71 *Endeavour* journal and how it was "corrected" for publication. Cook was an astronomer, navigator, explorer and captain of the *Endeavour* on its

expedition to observe the 1769 Transit of Venus from Tahiti but he had little formal education.

Gordon Richardson, KPMG Professor of Accounting, is the recipient of the Canadian Academic Accounting Association's 2007 Haim Falk Award for distinguished contribution to accounting thought, given in recognition of a significant contribution to scholarly thinking and research in Canada through a body of work that has clearly contributed to the advancement of accounting thought. Richardson received the prize June 1 during the association's annual conference in Halifax.

Jeffrey Rosenthal of statistics is this year's winner of the Committee of Presidents of Statistical Societies' Presidents' Award, the most prestigious honour bestowed by COPSS. Established in 1976, the award is given annually to a statistician under the age of 40 in recognition of outstanding contributions to the profession. Rosenthal received the award Aug. 1 during the joint statistical meetings in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Barry Sessle of the Faculty of Dentistry was inducted as president of the Canadian Pain Society during the society's annual meeting in Ottawa in May. He is the first dentist or dental academic to assume leadership of the 750-member society in its 32-year history. During his two-year term as president, Sessle will focus on the society's role in enhancing interprofessional education in pain and its management and in raising awareness of pain and its socioeconomic costs to Canada.

Brian Stock of English is the winner of the International Feltrinelli Prize, awarded by the president of Italy July 6 at a ceremony in the Palazzo Corsini, Rome, in the presence of the Canadian ambassador to Italy, the Canadian ambassador to the Holy See and the president of the Italian Academy. The idea behind the International Feltrinelli Prizes, awarded annually since 1950, was to provide an Italian equivalent of the Nobel Prizes in fields not covered by the Nobel Prizes. Each year a winner is chosen in a different area such as history, music and the arts. Stock was awarded the prize for the combined fields of history and literature and is the first Canadian to receive it.

Daniel Schugurensky of OISE/UT and two of his former doctoral students, Fiona Duguid and Karsten Mundel, were selected by the member services committee of the National Association of Housing Cooperatives to receive the Author of the Year Award for their article Learning From Each Other: Housing Cooperative Members' Acquisition of Skills, Knowledge, Attitudes and Values that appeared in the 2005-2006 *Cooperative Housing Journal*. The award was presented during a ceremony Sept. 27 in Miami, Fla.

Frances Shepherd of medicine is the winner of the prestigious Scientific Award of the International Association for the Study of Lung Cancer, given to an IASLC scientist for lifetime scientific contribution in thoracic malignancy research and for contributions to the organization's development. The award, presented during the 12th World Conference on Lung Cancer Sept. 2 to 6 in Seoul, South Korea, recognizes Shepherd's longstanding leadership in the development and implementation of innovative therapies in lung cancer

and in bringing together basic and clinical researchers to build one of the world's foremost groups of translational researchers in lung cancer .

Therese Stukel of health policy, management and evaluation was named a fellow of the American Statistical Association at the Joint Statistical Meetings in Salt Lake City, Utah, July 31. The honorary title of fellow recognizes members who have made outstanding contributions in statistical work. Given annually, the number of recipients is limited to no more than one-third of one per cent of the ASA membership. Studkel was recognized for, among other accomplishments, developing innovative statistical methods in health services research and cancer epidemiology and for major contributions to reorganizing health service delivery in Ontario.

Marilyn Van Norman, a former director of student services and the Career Centre, is the recipient of the Life-Time Membership Award of the Canadian Association of Career Educators and Employers (CACEE). The award will enable Van Norman, a singularly deserving longstanding member, to continue her affiliation with CACEE. Van Norman, an active member and volunteer in the association, received the award in June at the national conference in Kingston, Ont.

Mladen Vranic of physiology has been selected to receive the inaugural Lifetime Achievement Award of the clinical and scientific section of the Canadian Diabetes Association. Vranic received the award, acknowledging Canadian achievement for a lifetime of commitment to research excellence, Oct. 27 during the association's professional conference in Vancouver.

Duminda Wijeyesunderan, a lecturer in anesthesia, has been selected to receive the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario's 2007 Rick Gallop Award, recognizing research excellence and encouraging innovation in the field of cardiovascular and cerebrovascular science. Each year, holders of the five highest rated grants-in-aid are invited to submit a proposal for an innovative research study. The highest rated proposal is awarded the Rick Gallop Award. Wijeyesunderan will receive the award Nov. 23 during the foundation's annual general meeting.

Pui-Yuen Wong of laboratory medicine and pathobiology is the winner of the 2007 Carl Jolliff Award for lifetime achievement in clinical or diagnostic immunology. Instituted in 2006 by the clinical and diagnostic immunology division of the American Association of Clinical Chemistry, the award is given in recognition of outstanding contributions in service or education in the area of immunology or immunodiagnostics. Wong received the prize during the association's meeting July 15 to 19 in San Diego, Calif.

Stanley Zlotkin of pediatrics is one of four Canadians elected an Ashoka Fellow. Ashoka is a global association that identifies and supports the world's leading social entrepreneurs; fellows are recognized to have innovative solutions to social programs and the potential to change patterns across society. Zlotkin is creating a worldwide distribution system of culturally adaptable, affordable, easy to use and effective vitamin

and mineral supplements called Sprinkles to fight infant and child vitamin and mineral deficiencies.

Order of Canada

Two of U of T's eminent faculty members -- U of T's former interim president and a woman who brought the joy of music to thousands of children -- are among the 71 distinguished Canadians appointed to the Order of Canada, this country's highest honour for lifetime achievement.

The appointments of **Frank Iacobucci**, interim president in 2004-2005, and **Professor Emeritus Doreen Hall** were announced June 29 by Governor-General Michaëlle Jean.

Iacobucci, well-known for his considerable contributions to the advancement of education, law and jurisprudence in Canada, was named a companion, the order's highest designation. Appointed a member of the order, Hall, a music educator and violinist, introduced the teaching method of German composer Carl Orff, "music for children," to North America while she was teaching at the Royal Conservatory of Music of Toronto.

Royal Society of Canada Medals

The Royal Society of Canada has awarded two faculty members prestigious medals for achievement in their fields.

Professor **John Challis** of physiology was awarded the McLaughlin Medal, recognizing important research of sustained excellence in medical science. Professor **Gregory Scholes** of chemistry was named winner of the Rutherford Memorial Medal in Chemistry, given for outstanding research in physics and in chemistry .

Royal Society of Canada Fellows

The Royal Society of Canada, this country's oldest and most prestigious scholarly organization, has elected 78 new fellows to its ranks and 12 of them come from the University of Toronto.

Named to the Academy of the Arts and Humanities are Professors **James Brown** of philosophy, an expert in thought experiments in the natural sciences, visual reasoning in mathematics and various issues involving the relation between science and society; and **Ian Lancashire of English**, Canada's pioneer and premier theorist and practitioner of humanities computing.

Joining the Academy of Social Sciences are Professors **Gary Crawford** of anthropology at U of T Mississauga, a leader in the investigation of human-plant interaction in prehistory; **Kenneth Leithwood** of OISE/UT, who has made a sustained contribution over almost three decades to the study and understanding of leadership, school organization and educational reform; **Peter Singer** of bioethics, an internationally recognized bioethicist and expert in science policy and global health; and **Barry Wellman** of sociology, who ranks among the world's foundational leaders in social network analysis.

Named to the Academy of Science are Professors **John Mylopoulos** of computer science, who pioneered the use of conceptual modelling within the three separate computer science fields of artificial intelligence, data management and software engineering; **Paul Young** of civil engineering, a pioneer in rock mechanics and

geophysics; **Theodore Shepherd** of physics, the leading Canadian atmospheric dynamicist of his generation; **Lisa Jeffrey** of computer and mathematical sciences at U of T Scarborough, who has made fundamental contributions to symplectic geometry, module spaces and mathematical physics; **Eugenia Kumacheva** of chemistry, known for her contributions in the field of complex fluids, polymer science and materials chemistry; and **Peter Martin** of astronomy and astrophysics, who is internationally recognized as a major world figure in studies of the physics and chemistry of the interstellar medium.

Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) and Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education (CCAE)

It's awards season again and with it come the results of two major communications competitions, with U of T winning a collection of gold, silver and bronze medals.

idea&s, the arts and science review, led the way on the international scene, winning the gold medal in the special interest magazines category in the U.S.-based Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) circle of excellence program, perhaps advancement's most prestigious awards program.

The review also won a bronze in the visual design in print category for the autumn 2006 issue. Winners received their awards this summer.

On the home front, the **University of Toronto Magazine** brought home two gold medals in the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education (CCAE) 2007 prix d'excellence program, recognizing outstanding achievements in alumni affairs, public affairs, development and overall institutional advancement -- one in the best writing/article (English language) category, the other for best photograph. Also to be congratulated on winning CCAE gold is **Trinity** magazine for best magazine under \$100,000.

The arts and science review, *idea&s*, won silver for best magazine while **Edge**, published by the office of the vice-president (research) and associate provost, garnered bronze for best magazine under \$100,000. The **University of Toronto Magazine** won bronze for best photograph.

Winners received their prizes June 4 at the prix d'excellence luncheon during the CCAE annual conference in Charlottetown.

The **Communication, Culture and Technology Building** at U of T Mississauga, designed by Saucier + Perrotte Architects, is the winner of the Award of Excellence in the institutional projects category of the Quebec Order of Architects Awards of Excellence. A number of festivities are taking place this fall in each of the winning locations to celebrate the architecture and present the awards to winners. For almost 30 years the order has organized the Architecture Awards of Excellence, a competition whose aim is to enhance the value of architectural achievement that best represents the excellence of work being done by Quebec architects.

Student Awards

Sara Cohen-Gelfand, a medical student in the class of 2007, is the winner of College of Family Physicians of Canada Leadership Award for medical students for 2007 for

outstanding leadership in the discipline of family medicine. Cohen-Gelfand was invited to receive the award during the Family Medicine Forum in Winnipeg Oct. 11 to 13.

Abbas Panju is the Tri-University (University of Toronto, McMaster University and the University of Western Ontario) Resident Research Day in Geriatric Medicine winner, awarded for his presentation Relationship Between Fatigue and Cytokine Levels in Patients Age 50+ With Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML). Abbas won over fierce competition from nine other presenters from the three universities June 27.

Bechara Sabb, a PhD candidate in molecular and medical genetics, is the inaugural recipient of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research Synapse Award -- graduate student/post-doctoral fellow. The award, worth \$50,000, recognizes the efforts of a graduate student or post-doctoral fellow who has made exceptional efforts to promote health research among Canada's high school students.

Ferhan Siddiqi, a medical student in the class of 2008, was selected to receive a College of Family Physicians of Canada Medical Student Scholarship for the year 2007 for outstanding leadership in the discipline of family medicine. Siddiqi was invited to receive the award during the Medicine Forum in Winnipeg Oct. 11 to 13.

Trudeau Scholars

While one young researcher is investigating the perils of the waste picking industry and the other the whys, whens and wherefores of coroners' investigations, they do have one thing in common -- they are among the 15 outstanding Canadian PhD students to be named Trudeau Scholars.

As Trudeau Scholars, **Myles Leslie** and **Kate Parizeau** are each being awarded \$150,000 from the Pierre Elliot Trudeau Foundation to support their research. And above and beyond the prize money, they receive individual mentoring from highly accomplished professionals in their fields of study and become part of a strong network of policy researchers and practitioners.

Leslie, a PhD candidate in criminology, is examining the ways in which coroners and their co-investigators determine which deaths require investigation, public inquest or remedial legislation and the risks surrounding those decisions. Parizeau's doctoral research in geography, environment and health investigates the multiple vulnerabilities experienced by informal recyclers in Buenos Aires, workers who separate recyclable and reusable materials from curbside waste.

Varsity Blues

The Varsity Blues women's tennis team won its fourth provincial women's tennis championship in a row Oct. 13 at the York University's Rexall Centre. Toronto all-star **Natalia Lech** came up aces yet again to lift the third-ranked Varsity Blues team to a 4-3 victory over the No. 1 Montreal Carabins. Lech, undefeated in singles the past two years, won a singles and doubles match in the final. It was the second upset in a row for the Blues, who beat the No. 2 Lions 4-3 in a semi-final after fighting off five match points.