

# PEOPLE

■ **You Han Bae, Ph.D.**, professor of pharmaceuticals and pharmaceutical chemistry in the College of Pharmacy, was elected a Fellow of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists in honor of his scholarly and research contributions to pharmaceutical sciences.

■ **Jeffrey Botkin, M.D., M.P.H.**, professor of pediatrics and medical ethics at the School of Medicine, and U of U associate vice president for research integrity, was appointed last July to a four-year term on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' National Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections, which oversees both biomedical and behavioral research projects.

■ **Penny Brooke, R.N., J.D.**, professor in the College of Nursing, was named last November to a two-year term as a trustee liaison on the American Hospital Association's Committee on Governance Region 8. She also serves as a trustee for Intermountain Healthcare.

■ **Diana I. Brixner, Ph.D.**, associate professor and chair of the Department of Pharmacotherapy at the College of Pharmacy, was elected 2007-08 president of the International Society for Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research (ISPOR) last summer. Brixner, executive director of the college's Pharmacy Outcomes Research Center, previously served on the ISPOR board of directors (see pg. 10).

■ **E. Martin Caravati, M.D., M.P.H.**, professor of surgery (emergency medicine) at the School of Medicine and medical director of the Utah Poison Control Center, was elected last June to a two-year term as secretary-treasurer of the American Academy of Clinical Toxicology.

■ **Susan W. Cochella, M.D., M.P.H.**, assistant professor in the medical school's Department of Family and Preventive Medicine, received the 2005-06 Heather Belsey Award from medical student managers of the Fourth Street Saturday Homeless Clinic. The annual award is given in memory of a late U medical student who exemplified caring and compassion to those she served at the homeless clinic.

■ **Muffy Davis**, development officer for University Health Care's Rehabilitation Center, was honored as a "Woman of Achievement" by Delta Delta Delta at the fraternity's national convention in Los Angeles last July.

■ **Jackie Hinton**, grant writer and project administrator in the medical school's Department of Pediatrics, recently graduated from the National Council for University Research Administrators' (NCURA) Leadership Development Institute. She was one of 10 nominated nationwide to participate in the institute and was recognized at the opening session of the 2006 NCURA annual meeting in Washington, D.C., last November.

■ **Chris M. Ireland, Ph.D.**, professor and chair of the Department of Medicinal Chemistry in the College of Pharmacy, was honored with the University's inaugural Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Scholar Distinguished Mentor Award last fall. He received the college's Distinguished Teaching Award at convocation last May (see pg. 10).

■ **Jay Jacobson, M.D.**, professor of internal medicine and chief of the Division of Medical Ethics and Humanities in the School of Medicine, was "singled out as a positive and caring role model" last fall by U of U medical students who nominated him for the 2006 Association of American Medical Colleges' Humanism in Medicine Award.

■ **Gabrielle Kardon, Ph.D.**, assistant professor in the medical school's Department of Human Genetics, was one of 15 researchers nationwide to be named a 2006 Pew Scholar in the Biomedical Sciences last June. Over the next four years, she will receive \$240,000 from The Pew Charitable Trusts for her research into the development of muscle and muscle connective tissue in the limbs of vertebrate animals.

■ **Maureen R. Keefe, R.N., Ph.D.**, dean of the College of Nursing and presidential endowed professor of nursing, was appointed last October to a four-year term on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice. Keefe holds the Louis H. Peery Endowed Chair.

■ **Sung Wan Kim, Ph.D.**, distinguished professor of pharmaceuticals and pharmaceutical chemistry in the College of Pharmacy, received an honorary doctorate from the University of Twente in The Netherlands in December. Kim is co-director of the U Center for Controlled Chemical Delivery.

■ **Carolyn Larrivee, R.N., M.S.N., C.C.R.N.**, director of critical care, medical-surgical, and education services for University Health Care, received one of two 2006 Excellence in Nursing Leadership Awards from the Utah Organization of Nurse Leaders last September. The award was presented at the Utah Hospitals and Health Systems Association's Fall Leadership Conference at Snowbird, Utah.

■ **Baldomero "Toto" Olivera, Ph.D.**, distinguished professor of biology and an investigator at Huntsman Cancer Institute, was elected to the Institute of Medicine. He is the 30th researcher from the U to be named to the prestigious institute, which inducted 65 new U.S. members and five foreign associates last summer.

■ **Glenn D. Prestwich, Ph.D.**, presidential professor of medicinal chemistry at the College of Pharmacy, was one of seven to receive the 2006 Utah Governor's Medal in Science and Technology at a gala in December (see pg. 10).

■ **Michael Sanguinetti, Ph.D.**, professor of physiology at the School of Medicine and head of the Ion Channel Lab at the Nora Eccles Harrison Cardiovascular Research and Training Institute, was recognized in December as being in the top 1 percent of cited authors in physiology for his research in ion channels. His record includes 13 papers that have been cited 471 times, according to Essential Science Indicators.

■ **R. Scott Ward, Ph.D., P.T.**, professor and chair of the Division of Physical Therapy in the College of Health, was elected to a three-year term as president of the American Physical Therapy Association at its annual conference in Orlando, Fla., last July.

■ **Yihua Bruce Yu, Ph.D.**, assistant professor of pharmaceuticals and pharmaceutical chemistry in the College of Pharmacy, was one of 56 researchers honored with a Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers at a July ceremony in Washington, D.C. The award includes five years of funding (see pg. 10).

■ Two investigators in the medical school's Program in Human Molecular Biology and Genetics—**Anne Moon, M.D., Ph.D.**, associate professor of pediatrics, and **Kang Zhang, M.D., Ph.D.**, associate professor of ophthalmology and visual sciences—were elected last September to the American Society for Clinical Investigation. Election is based on researchers' discoveries and contributions to understanding human biology and disease.

■ Six students in the Division of Physical Therapy's Class of 2007 received the Best Booth Award for their interactive service-learning project, "Careers in Physical Therapy," presented last September at the Expanding Your Horizons in Science, Math & Technology Conference at Utah Valley State University. The students were: **BreeAnn Allred, Kristy Brooks, Yvette Hammonds, JoAnn Stevens, Shelly Thacker Cook,** and **Stephanie Rock.**

■ Seven members of the U of U Health Sciences Center were honored by *Utah Business* magazine as "Health Care Heroes" last September: *Administrative Excellence*—**Randall J Olson, M.D.**, professor and chair of the medical school's Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and executive director, John A. Moran Eye Center; *Lifetime Achievement*—the late **Richard A. Fullmer**, former CEO, University of Utah

Hospitals & Clinics; *Volunteer*—**Herb Russell**, U Hospital; *Innovation in Health Care*—**Glenn D. Prestwich**, Ph.D., presidential professor of medical chemistry, College of Pharmacy (see pg. 10); *Community Outreach*—**Donna Branson**, director of patient and public education, Huntsman Cancer Institute, and **Steve Bott, M.D.**, assistant professor of anesthesiology at the medical school, who led a team of U health-care professionals to help after Hurricane Katrina. **ARUP Laboratories** was recognized for *Corporate Achievement*.

■ Three health sciences employees were honored with U of U 2006 Presidential Staff Awards at a luncheon last summer: **Julia Canfield, R.N.**, surgical services, University Hospital; **Izeta Petrovic**, University Health Care environmental services custodian; and **Louanna Theurer**, administrative assistant in the medical school's Department of Surgery. ▀

## IN MEMORIAM



William S. Weems, M.D.

**William S. Weems, M.D.**, a respected dermatopathologist who served 25 years as adjunct professor of dermatology in the School of Medicine, died July 13, 2006, at his Salt Lake County home. He was 69.

A 1960 graduate of Tulane University Medical School, Weems moved to Salt Lake City in 1963. He practiced pathology at LDS Hospital until 1974, when he completed board certification in dermatopathology. He established a private practice, but had a passion for teaching and was affiliated with the U medical school until last year. He was well-known and respected in both the pathology and dermatology communities, according to his U of U colleagues.

Born Oct. 10, 1936, in Meridian, Miss., he simultaneously earned a bachelor's of science degree and doctor of medicine degree at Tulane. He served an internship in Colorado, where he met Beverly June Arbuthnot. They were married in 1961.

Weems is survived by his wife; children, Stephanie, Michael (KoKo), and Cheryl (Dan) George; grandchildren, Connor and Bailey; brothers, Albert Jr. (Mary) of Mississippi and Sterling (Jane) of Florida; and nieces and nephews.

Donations may be made to Community Nursing Services Hospice in Midvale, Utah.



Paul Scott Nicholes, Ph.D.

**Paul Scott Nicholes, Ph.D.**, professor emeritus of oncological sciences at the School of Medicine, died Dec. 19, 2006, in Salt Lake City. He was 90.

Known to generations of medical students for his microbiology classes, Nicholes was recognized nationally as the developer of a surgical mask still used in many hospitals.

He was born April 28, 1916, in American Fork, Utah, and educated in Arizona. He earned a bachelor's of science degree from Brigham Young University (BYU), where he met and married Lois Jensen in 1941. After receiving a doctorate in microbiology from the University of Cincinnati, Nicholes worked in biological warfare research at Fort Dietrich, Md., during World War II.

In 1952, he joined the U medical school, where he taught for nearly 40 years. He was honored by BYU in 1976 as a distinguished graduate.

Nicholes is survived by his wife; children, Lois Ann (Doug) Horne and David (Kathy) Nicholes; eight grandchildren—Scott (Sara), Jeff (Amber), Sara (Nick Struhs), and Chris Horne; and Dustin, Nathan, Heather, and Kristen Nicholes; one great-grandchild; and extended family members. He was preceded in death by his son, Paul Ray; his parents; and his brother and sister.

Donations may be made to the Paul Ray Nicholes Loan Fund at the University of Utah Health Sciences Development Office. ▀