



Jess and Kerry Mann with their two daughters

DIGITAL ENTERPRISE MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST PROGRAM

# MEMORY AND HOPE

SCHOLARSHIP HONOURS LATE BROTHER

With Jess and Kerry Mann's decision to establish the Randeep Grewal Memorial Scholarship at U of T Mississauga, they have finally found a way to honour Jess'

younger brother, who died in 1996, and to open up career opportunities for young graduates. The Manns' \$20,000 endowed scholarship is the first in the undergraduate Digital

Enterprise Management specialist program. The memorial scholarship will be awarded annually, starting in September 2008.

"Randeep," says Jess, "was my window into what the next generation was thinking and feeling. He sparked a keen interest in me in youth. I've missed that."

ART HISTORY

# AN ARTFUL LIFE

BEQUEST BEARS WITNESS TO PASSION FOR TEACHING

Annie Smith, a University of Toronto Mississauga professor emeritus in art and art history, is living proof that the old adage—those who can't, teach—is bunk.

Smith can, and does, teach passionately in the program she was instrumental in founding at U of T Mississauga in 1971. Her love for the Art and Art History Program has also led her to make a bequest in her will, a \$200,000 commitment

that will support students and the program well into the future.

Smith is a renowned visual artist, author and proponent of experiential learning. She transformed the original U of T Mississauga art and art history program (now housed in the Annie Smith Arts Centre at the Sheridan Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning) from one directed solely at art teachers, to one that also focuses on studio art for future artists.

In 1999, Smith herself was honoured when faculty and alumni endowed the Annie Smith Scholarship at U of T Mississauga, awarded

annually to a second-year student of high academic standing who also enhances the experience of fellow Art and Art History students. What Smith said then of the scholarship surely applies to her generous bequest: "The (gift) is a tribute to my colleagues, the program and all those who are involved in it: strong, wonderful people, outstanding students and devoted faculty."

In yet another first, Smith was also central to establishing the joint U of T Mississauga-Sheridan College cross-disciplinary program, which began in 2001 and was officially launched in U of T Mississauga's new Communication,

The fact that Kerry owns his own IT company in Mississauga, and that Jess, a U of T Mississauga commerce graduate, helped people upgrade their technical skills while serving as a career counselor with the Peel Board of Education, also influenced the couple's decision. Now a managing director of operations at the Scotiabank Group, Jess recalls the day about a year ago when a student, seeking funds on behalf of U of T Mississauga, helped clinch the Manns' decision. "That initial conversation led me back to UTM after 15 years."

Jess was struck by the virtual renaissance of the campus, by the flexibility and scope of the business program, the quality of the new facilities and the "layers of technology" that support the student experience—from the library to the gym to the classroom. The visit confirmed that the Mann family had made the right choice.

"It's easy to lose hope after the death of a loved one," Jess adds. "But my brother's death reframed my outlook on life. He was also a UTM student, and the Randeep Grewal Memorial Scholarship signals hope for those who come after." LISA BOYES

Culture and Technology building.

When it comes to experiential learning in her personal life, Smith has applied both her art and her wit to "bearing up with cancer," and to writing a book of the same name, in 2005, from the perspective of a small white bear. The book, originally intended to help women (sale proceeds go to the National Ovarian Cancer Association), has found a wider audience among children, she notes.

Teaching, learning, doing and contributing—all with her signature bear drawings "bearing" witness to what she gets up to...for Annie Smith, her life is an art. LISA BOYES

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BREAKFAST SPEAKERS' SERIES  
Professor Len Brooks, Director, Master of Management & Professional Accounting Program, U of T Mississauga

**OCT. 19, 2007**

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE RECREATION, ATHLETICS AND WELLNESS CENTRE  
East meets West Hockey Classic—U of T Mississauga and U of T Scarborough hockey teams face off, followed by a Mississauga St. Mike's Majors hockey game

**OCT. 29 TO NOV. 3, 2007**

ART AFTER DARK—A campus celebration of art and culture

**NOV. 9, 2007**

FALL CAMPUS DAY

**DEC. 4, 2007**

HIGH TEA FOR THE ASSOCIATES OF ERINDALE, LISLEHURST

**JAN. 16, 2008**

BREAKFAST SPEAKERS' SERIES

**JAN. 24, 2008**

NEW YEAR'S SKATE—A post-New Year's fete bringing together faculty, staff, students, alumni and their families

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ART FESTIVAL—A tradition providing an outlet for artistic expression for students within the U of T Mississauga community.

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U OF T MISSISSAUGA ALUMNI  
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CLOSING CEREMONIES

# BULLETIN BOARD

**MILESTONES**

> **Ralph Pirozzo**, a 1972 U of T Mississauga graduate who lives in Australia, recently celebrated the publication of the second edition of his book, *Improving Thinking in the Classroom*.

**BIRTHS**

> **Hana Tariq**, who graduated from U of T Mississauga in 2004, and her husband Hashmat Khan had a baby girl, Noor Iman Khan, on Dec. 19, 2006. Tariq is currently in her final year at Osgoode Hall Law School.

**DEATHS**

> **Robert (Bob) Hortop**, a longstanding member of the Associates of Erindale College, passed away in January 2007. He is remembered as an incredible volunteer who was absolutely selfless in his time for the Associates.

> **Susan Tait**, one of the original members of the Associates of Erindale College, passed away in February 2007, at the age of 87. Born in Rutherglen, Scotland, Tait was a Sunday School teacher for 25 years at St. Andrew's Memorial Presbyterian Church in Port Credit.

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