

Robert Gewanter, microbiology, '53, retired in 1998 following a long career in the food industry. Among his employers were the Liebmann Brewery, producers of Rheingold Beer, and the National Biscuit Company, now known as Nabisco. Gewanter was active in fields of fermentation and research into yeast development.

Susan Hutchins Routson, M.S., microbiology, '69, served as founding director for Peer Information Center for Teens, Inc., in Richmond, Ind., from Jan. 1986 to May 2013.

Richard Gilpin, Ph.D., microbiology and public health, '70, is president of Richard W. Gilpin, Ph.D., Limited, a Maryland corporation founded in 1981 that includes the GTS Legionella Water Testing Laboratory in Gaithersburg, Md. He is director of the Control of Biohazards course that was started at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md., in 1979. He continues this biosafety training program throughout the U. S. and overseas.

Keith Singletary, microbiology, '72; M.S., microbiology, '77, was named Professor

Emeritus in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign following a research career in molecular carcinogenesis and cancer chemoprevention.

R. Wes Leid, microbiology and public health, '73, retired from academics on Dec. 31, 2007, after 40 years. He lives on a small farm just outside of Dayton, Wash.

Tim Greenamyre, M.D., Ph.D., microbiology, '77, was named the Love Family Professor of Neurology at the University of Pittsburgh in May 2014. He previously held the UPMC Chair in Movement Disorders. Greenamyre is director of the Pittsburgh Institute for Neurodegenerative Diseases and vice chair of neurology; he is also editor in chief of the scientific journal, Neurobiology of Disease, and the web-based clinical resource, MedLink Neurology.

Chris Pierson, M.D., Ph.D., microbiology, '93, is a neuropathologist at Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio.

He was recently promoted to associate professor-clinical at The Ohio State University College of Medicine in Columbus.

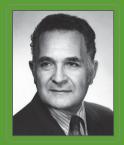
Donna (Molnar) Malaski, zoology and microbiology, '98; M.A., student affairs administration, '00, recently received her Ph.D. in educational leadership (with a higher education administration cognate) from Oakland University in Rochester, Mich.

Serina Mazzoni, human biology and genomics and molecular genetics, '08, recently completed her Ph.D. in human genetics at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Stephanie Kotsiris, genomics and molecular genetics, 'll, will graduate in May 2015 from MSU's College of Osteopathic Medicine with aspirations of entering a family medicine residency.

Angela Detomaso, microbiology and genomics, and molecular genetics, '13, moved to Washington, D.C., and started working as a lab tech at a fertility clinic. She is applying for an internship at the National Institutes of Health to research HIV.

In Memoriam



Sadoff

Harold Lloyd Sadoff, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of microbiology and public health (now microbiology and molecular genetics), died June 5, 2014, at the age of 89 after a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's.

Sadoff earned his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Minnesota, and worked several years as a research chemical engineer for the International Milling Company. He returned to academia at the University of Illinois, receiving his M.S. in bacteriology and his Ph.D. in bacteriology-biochemistry under the mentorship of Professor H. Orin Halvorson. He joined MSU's Department of

Microbiology and Public Health in 1955 as an assistant professor and became a full professor in 1965. During his career, he held two fellowship appointments through the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and was continuously funded by NIH until his retirement in 1987.

His early research focused on the study of bacterial endospore dormancy with emphasis on thermo-resistance of spore enzymes. He later focused on Azotobacter encystment.

Sadoff is survived by his wife, Gertrude, of almost 68 years and four children.

Retirements



Patterson

Professor Ron
Patterson retired in 2014 after
working for the department for 42 years. He joined the department in 1972 and developed a long-standing interest in the structure

of the cell's nucleus. Patterson was an authority on RNA splicing, a critical biochemical process in which non-coding sequences are removed from the initially synthesized polynucleotide transcript to form messenger RNA, which can then be translated into protein.