Music Fest to serve up rock, reggae, jazz, Motown

By Jon Strunk

Music fans of all ages and geographies are invited to attend Music Fest 2010, The University of Toledo’s free inaugural event, from 3 to 10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2, across from the Memorial Field House on UT’s Main Campus.

The event will kick off with a performance by local student rock band MAS FiNA. Other bands to perform will be reggae group Universal Xpression, jazz artist Alexander Zonjic with Thornetta Davis and the Motor City Horns, and Motown legend Martha Reeves and the Vandellas. Ending the evening with a bang will be alternative rock band We the Kings followed by a fireworks show. UT’s student radio station WXUT will entertain between sets.

Formed in 2003 in Bradenton, Fla., We the Kings named itself after King Middle School, which the band members all attended. The quartet’s self-titled debut came out in 2007, and the group released its second disc, Smile Kid, in 2009. The band’s song, “We’ll Be a Dream” featuring Demi Lovato, has made the Billboard Hot 100 chart.

In addition to the music, a pep rally is scheduled for the football team at 5:30 p.m. The team, along with Head Football Coach Tim Beckman, UT cheerleaders, the Rocket Marching Band, and Rocky the Rocket, will help psyche up fans to beat the Arizona Wildcats.

Students to receive USA Today in electronic format

By Tobin J. Klinger

The next time University of Toledo students check their Rockets e-mail accounts, they will have access to one of the nation’s most popular newspapers in a convenient electronic format.

With the beginning of the new academic year, UT is partnering with USA Today as part of the publication’s Collegiate Readership Program to deliver the e-edition each weekday, while again making print copies available in some locations.

“This program builds on the success of our partnership with The Blade to deliver a Rocket edition of Toledo’s daily newspaper to our students,” said Lawrence J. Burns, vice president for external affairs and interim vice president for equity and diversity. “Through that partnership, we have been able to keep our students informed about the community in which they live, but also of the latest happenings across the region.

“By joining forces with USA Today, we are bolstering the program in such a way that our students will stay better informed about the world around them,” Burns added. “It is our hope that this will not only help to increase their enjoyment of the Toledo area, but will also help to keep them a more informed citizenry.”
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Wildcats in the Glass Bowl Friday, Sept. 3, at 8 p.m.

Food vendors selling gyros, pizza, burgers, hot dogs, pitas and hummus, funnel cakes and elephant ears will be on hand as well.

“We haven’t had a pep rally in years,” said Amelia Acuna, assistant director in the Office of Undergraduate Admission and leader of the Culture Ambassadors program committee that led the event’s planning. “We really want to get students pumped for the football game and make sure no one heads home for Labor Day and misses a Rocket win.”

Music Fest 2010 was organized in part to encourage students to stay on campus Labor Day weekend and fill the stadium to cheer on the football team, as the Rockets will play before a national ESPN audience, Acuna said.

“This collection of musicians truly offers something for every musical taste in the community,” said Alexander Zonjic, artistic director of Music Fest 2010. “Whether you come for the day or just stay for a couple of acts, this will be a great celebration of music, and you can’t beat the price!”

Music Fest marks the second concert organized by the Culture Ambassadors, a group put together by Lawrence J. Burns, UT vice president for external affairs and interim vice president for equity and diversity. A Mother’s Day brunch and jazz concert with Zonjic took place last spring.

“There are so many positive things happening on this campus every day and, especially during tough times, it’s important to not let challenges overwhelm so many of the things we should be celebrating,” Burns said. “And with students coming back to class and an exciting football season on the horizon, we have a lot to celebrate.”

“We want Music Fest to become an annual event for people to look forward to,” Acuna added.

Along with The University of Toledo Culture Ambassadors, this event is sponsored by The Blade, Campus Activities and Programming, WXUT, Verizon, the Division of External Affairs, the Division of Student Affairs, and the Student Alumni Association.

The schedule will be:
3 p.m. 
MAS FiNA
4:30 p.m.
Universal Xpression
5:30 p.m.
Pep Rally for UT Football Team
6 p.m.
Alexander Zonjic with Thorneeta Davis and the Motor City Horns
7:30 p.m.
Martha Reeves and the Vandellas
9 p.m.
We the Kings
10 p.m.
Fireworks

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Printed copies of USA Today will be made available in limited quantities in Carlson Library, Gillham Hall, University Hall, the Health Science and Human Service Building, Memorial Field House, Rocket Hall, Stranahan Hall and the Student Recreation Center, and on Health Science Campus. Students will need to swipe their Rocket Card to access the papers.

A similar program with USA Today existed in 2008 following a vote by the student body to offer a daily newspaper to students. That program was followed by the launch of the eBlade program in 2009.

“This effort is a perfect match with the mission of The University of Toledo,” Burns noted. “It provides access to information in a format that fits in perfectly with our desire to ‘go green.’”

Go to usatodaycollege.com for more information on the USA Today program. The eBlade can be accessed via the myUT page at myUT.toledo.edu.

Emergency phones, Night Watch added to Health Science Campus

By Meghan Cunningham

The University of Toledo has extended some of its safety and security services to Health Science Campus.

A total of seven Code Blue emergency phones were installed on the campus this summer in high-traffic areas, including near the entrance to UT Medical Center and outside the Health Education Building. When activated, the phones provide an almost instantaneous link to the police communication center, where the dispatcher immediately knows the caller’s location.

“The Health Science Campus did have some emergency call boxes, but we thought that the locations were not in the most accessible places and they could use an upgrade to the University standards,” UT Police Chief Jeff Newton said.

The phones can be used for non-emergencies, too, such as to request an escort, report a suspicious person or circumstance, obtain access to a building or room, or ask for motorist assistance.

UT also is extending its Night Watch escort service to Health Science Campus. Previously, a security officer would provide an escort when requested, but the wait could be long if the officer was busy with another duty, Newton said.

Night Watch offers two-person teams of escorts equipped with two-way radios to keep in contact with a police dispatcher as they accompany a person to any parking lot or campus building.

The escort service operates from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 7 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. To request a Night Watch escort, call 419.530.3024 and a team will be sent to your location.

In the beginning, Night Watch will remain based on Main Campus and will travel to Health Science Campus when there are requests. That could change depending on where the greatest numbers of calls are, said UT Police Capt. Julie Rightnowar. Most Night Watch customers are students at the library who need a ride back to their residence halls.

The addition of both the emergency phones and escort service to Health Science Campus are a result of UT Police working with student groups and listening to their requests.

This is one of seven new emergency phones installed on Health Science Campus.
Campus upgrades ready for start of academic year

By Meghan Cunningham

A larger, updated Starbucks in the Student Union is one of a number of campus upgrades students, faculty and staff can expect for the new school year.

The renovated coffee shop will be more efficient with two cash registers and offer hot food options.

There also is more space in the walkway as the counter has been pushed back a few feet, and there is more room for the baristas behind the counter to complete orders because the kitchen has been moved off to the side.

“We heard our customers and wanted to make it a better experience for them,” said Joy Gramling, director of Auxiliary Services.

The Starbucks had been closed since July 8 for renovations, but Subway offered select Starbucks coffee during the interim.

That renovation project is just one of a number that Auxiliary Services worked on during the summer to better serve students, faculty and staff.

Also in the Student Union, the food court area has upgraded furniture with new tables, chairs and stools.

At the request of students, iCrave Pizza @ The Crossings has been renovated into more of a convenience store that will have a grill and extended menu, including pizza, sandwiches and other options.

A new Palatte Café at Ottawa East replaced Einstein Bros. Bagels with café offerings of soups, sandwiches and salads.

And a separate door directly to the Carter Hall POD, Provisions On Demand, will offer easier access to that store.

“We work to continually upgrade our services to provide students with the best options,” Gramling said. “It’s been a busy summer, but we look forward to offering these additional services to our campus community.”

With the renovation of Rocket Hall, some of the aspects of Auxiliary Services have a new home.

Rocket Hall Room 1917 is now the place for MyPICs, which stands for meal plans, parking, IDs and cellular. The office will be open from 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday, and from 8:15 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday. Rocket Wireless also is scheduled to be open on select Saturdays.

The administrative offices for Auxiliary Services are now in Rocket Hall Room 1610.

Regional bank president appointed new UT trustee

By Jon Strunk

Ohio Gov. Ted Strickland recently appointed Huntington Bank Northwest Ohio Region President Sharon Speyer to The University of Toledo Board of Trustees.

“Sharon will add tremendous value to the board,” said UT President Lloyd Jacobs. “As a graduate of our law school, she has been active in the Alumni Association and the College of Law Dean’s Advisory boards. As the regional president of Huntington, she also knows our northwestern Ohio communities and can guide UT as it continues its outreach to those areas.”

Speyer, who will serve a nine-year term on the board, earned her bachelor’s degree in international studies at Ohio State University.

“Sharon’s Toledo roots, vast business experience, and extensive relationships in the community will bring a fresh perspective to our board,” said Board Chair William Fall. “We are looking forward to her active participation in the future growth of the University.”

“The University has and continues to play a vital role in the economic development of our community. Its collaboration with the business community will continue to be critical as we address the challenges that face us,” Speyer said. “I am honored to have the opportunity to participate in that endeavor.”

Speyer replaces Olivia Summons and Cynthia Thompson, who rotated off the board in June after completing their terms. Following the merger of UT and the former Medical University of Ohio, state law calls for a single trustee to replace two departing trustees to eventually return the board to a total of nine members.

President to host barbecue, tailgate events

By Christian Stewart

UT President Lloyd Jacobs invites students, faculty and staff to mingle with him at two events and get the school year off to a great start.

He will host the President’s Backyard Barbecue Wednesday, Aug. 25, and the annual President’s Tailgate Friday, Sept. 3.

“This is a tremendously exciting time of year when we welcome back our returning students, faculty and staff, and greet new members of our University family,” Jacobs said. “Events such as these help get our school year off to a positive start and promote a culture of engagement where students and faculty are involved and build those important connections for success.”

The President’s Barbecue will take place during the Student Activities Fair from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday in Centennial Mall on Main Campus.

Students can grab a free hot dog, meet Jacobs, and find out about the more than 200 student organizations at the University.

And just before the Rockets take on the Arizona Wildcats at 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3, the President’s Tailgate Party will get everyone ready for the game. Stop by between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. outside Rocket Hall.

The president and his wife, Ola, will be there to meet and interact with students in the tent. There will be free eats — hot dogs, hamburgers and veggie burgers — plus music by a DJ. The Student Recreation Center’s intramural staff will run a trivia game, giving away candy and prizes to the winners.

The Rocket Marching Band and cheerleaders also will make an appearance, and students will have the opportunity to make posters and put on spirit tattoos before heading over to the Glass Bowl for the game.
Business students host website, MyCollegeStuff.net, open store to save classmates money

While some students purchase their textbooks from the University Bookstore, view apartments through Craigslist, and buy their furniture off e-Bay, Dane Theisen and Josh Marvin, UT seniors majoring in international business and marketing, are providing another option.

After noticing the struggle students went through to sell back their books, Theisen and Marvin created and launched MyCollegeStuff.net to offer another outlet for those selling and buying various goods.

While gaining sponsorship through Campus Village Communities, College Ruled, Olde Towne Campus Square and Taylor Kia, the pair has been able to offer students the opportunity to buy and sell textbooks, furniture, cars and electronics, as well as trade information about area apartments and jobs.

“We created MyCollegeStuff.net to revolutionize the way college students save money in all aspects of their college career. We provide them with a way to connect with their peers,” Marvin said.

According to the website, MyCollegeStuff.net is “more than just a place to sell your stuff”; it is also a marketing space for student organizations and campus events.

Theisen credits his mother for sparking his interest in business.

“As a kid, I always wanted to own a business or to become a CEO of a large corporation. When I was 13, my mom passed away but my ambition and determination did not die. I just wanted to do something good with my life to make her proud,” Theisen said.

Last week, they launched a new hub, For Students By Students, located at the old Campus Village clubhouse, 1500 College Drive in Toledo.

“The MyCollegeStuff hub will provide a controlled environment where students can exchange their goods with other students,” Thiesen said.

“Stuff also can be left at our location, and we will try to sell it for you.”

For more information, contact Theisen or Marvin at 517.920.1009 and 419.944.4160, respectively, or visit their blog at www.mycollegestuffnet.blogspot.com.

University Libraries holding seminars to help faculty better use library resources

By Christian Stewart

The University of Toledo’s librarians want faculty to feel comfortable using the campus libraries.

To help, University Libraries is hosting “Connection Sessions” this fall. These 30-minute seminars will teach how library resources and services can support the work of faculty members.

“We want to empower faculty to use the library more for their research and teaching,” said Jodi Jameson, an instructor and nursing librarian on Health Science Campus. “As librarians, we do in-class instruction and see assignments that sometimes don’t make the best use of library resources. We want faculty to design assignments that take full advantage of library resources while meeting their class objectives.”

The sessions, which will run from September through December, will be held from noon to 12:30 p.m. at both Carlson Library on Main Campus and Mulford Library on Health Science Campus.

Sessions will be held monthly on the first Wednesday for Main Campus and the first Thursday for Health Science Campus. Dates and topics will be:

• Sept. 1 (Carlson) and Sept. 2 (Mulford) — Designing Effective Library Assignments: Tips to Create Library Assignments That Utilize the Libraries’ Many Resources.
• Oct. 6 (Carlson) and Oct. 7 (Mulford) — Accessing Full-Text Articles: Training on How to Access Articles From Library Research Databases and Online Journal Collections.
• Nov. 3 (Carlson) and Nov. 4 (Mulford) — Using OhioLINK and Interlibrary Loan: Instruction on Requesting Books and Articles From Other Libraries Across the State or Around the World.
• Dec. 1 (Carlson) and Dec. 2 (Mulford) — Using EndNote: Training on the Use of the Free Download That Assists in Formatting Manuscripts and Citations.

These sessions will benefit any faculty member or health-care staff member who wants to make the most of their library experiences, Jameson said.

“There’s a lot of information out there and it can be intimidating if you don’t use the library every week,” she added. “These sessions will show how the library can save you time and frustration when it comes to doing research.”

This is the first year the library is offering these sessions for faculty. If successful, more sessions could be offered next year.

For more information, visit www.utoledo.edu/library/info/news.html or call Carlson Library at 419.530.2324 or Mulford Library at 419.383.4218.
The University of Toledo Department of Art will host a series of events exploring the relationships between light and landscape as a catalyst for works of art.

The series will include a group exhibition of invited artists, artists’ lectures, and a workshop for UT art students.

Works by Sage Dawson, Ivan Fortushniak and Charles Matson Lume are on display in the Center for the Visual Arts Gallery on the University’s Toledo Museum of Art Campus through Sunday, Oct. 3. “The Light and Landscape Group Exhibition” can be seen Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

In her new body of work, “Excavations,” Dawson constructs large-scale, mixed-media prints to “map” urban sites and territories in an unexpected light. She is an adjunct faculty member at Missouri State University and Drury University in Springfield, Mo.

Fortushniak said, “My work investigates the corrosion of historical landscape paintings and our manipulation of the environment through traditional and contemporary painting.” The assistant professor of painting at Indiana University of Pennsylvania added, “Every painting provides an opportunity to create a unique impression of our environment while informing the viewer about a turbulent past.”

Lume will create a site-specific installation in the Center for the Visual Arts to engage its unique play of light. He is an associate professor of art at the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Lume will give a lecture Thursday, Sept. 2, at 7 p.m., and Dawson will give a lecture Friday, Sept. 24, at 6 p.m. in the Center for the Visual Arts Haigh Auditorium. Receptions will follow both talks.

For more information on the free, public exhibition or lectures, go to www.utoledo.edu/as/art.
Students receive new parking permits, faculty retain last year’s passes

By Meghan Cunningham

Parking passes hanging from the rearview mirrors of students’ vehicles at The University of Toledo have a new look, while employees, with the exception of part-time faculty, will retain their passes from the year before.

The student parking passes have been redesigned to make them easily distinguishable and environmentally friendlier. They are larger with more visible type and a rectangle shape made of a thinner, more flexible plastic.

Also new this year, employees will receive stickers to update the expiration date in the lower right corner of their existing passes.

Both of these changes are more efficient and “green” practices, said Joy Gramling, director of Auxiliary Services.

“The changes are an attempt to be more responsible with our resources and efficient with our delivery process,” Gramling said. There was a significant increase in the number of students who registered online this year over previous years, she added.

In an effort to be proactive, both employees and students were encouraged to register for their parking permits this summer before the start of the school year.

Students who registered for their permits prior to Aug. 1 received a new pass in the mail the week of Aug. 9. Employees who updated their parking pass information online by Aug. 12 will receive a new expiration sticker through campus mail the week of Aug. 23.

The first week of classes, students will have an opportunity to purchase their parking pass if they didn’t order it prior to Aug. 1. During that week, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, a table will be set up in the lobby of Rocket Hall to address parking issues. On Thursday, however, the hours change to accommodate students on Health Science Campus. Students can go to Rocket Hall on Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to noon or they can come to Health Science Campus from 1 to 5 p.m. in front of the bookstore to purchase parking passes.

Auxiliary Services will not have the stickers to update employee passes until Monday, Aug. 30. Staff will need to go to Rocket Hall Room 1917 Aug. 30 and 31 to purchase or receive their parking pass sticker and apply it to their permits before they expire Sept. 1.

All student parking permit fees will be applied to their account, so an ID is needed to receive passes. Employees who requested their permits online by Aug. 12 will have the fee deducted from their pay beginning in October. Employees who request their permit Aug. 30 and 31 will need to bring a check with them.

Parking passes will be issued based on the individual’s primary role at the University. All students will receive one of the five student parking passes. Graduate assistants may opt to upgrade their permits to a part-time employee parking permit.

Parking Enforcement reminds everyone that a parking pass is required when on campus. Visitor permits are available in Rocket Hall Room 1917 Monday through Friday from 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. and after hours from Campus Police. Rocket Patrol monitors all parking meters 24 hours, and permits are not accepted at the meters.

Parking Enforcement gives the following tips for parking on campus:

- Observe parking garage counters before entering a ramp.
- Utilize Lot 4 south of Savage Arena and Lot 18 near the Student Recreation Center and University Computer Center.
- Arrive on campus with ample time to walk to class or to take the bus.
- Walking to class will add to a healthy lifestyle.
- Ride a bicycle and use the bike pad next to the West Parking Garage.
- Be familiar with the transit bus schedule at www.utoledo.edu/facilities/transit/campusroutes.html.
- Review parking rules and regulations at www.utoledo.edu/parking/parkingenforcement/regulations.html.

Grounds Services with UT Facilities and Construction also has been preparing over the summer for the new school year. Improvements were made to both the east and west parking ramps, parking lots were resailed, and the lots, traffic lanes and pedestrian crosswalks were restriped. Crews also repaved sections of West Campus Drive and replaced faded signs.
Rockets ready to host Arizona Sept. 3

By Paul Helgren

Be bold and wear gold in the Glass Bowl! See you at the game when Toledo takes on the Arizona Wildcats Friday, Sept. 3. Kickoff will be at 8 p.m.

“The Arizona game is a huge game for our program, our University and our community,” said Head Coach Tim Beckman.

The game will be televised on ESPN. It will be the first time a school from the Pacific-10 Conference will visit a Mid-American Conference (MAC) school in football.

“We’re looking forward to hosting Arizona on national TV in the opening weekend of college football, as well as playing programs from around the country like Boise State, Purdue and Wyoming,” Beckman said. “I also think it’s a big plus that we could have as many as four regular season games on national TV.”

In addition to Arizona, the home schedule highlights include a Homecoming match-up vs. Wyoming Saturday, Oct. 2, and a battle with rival Bowling Green Wednesday, Nov. 17 (ESPN2 or ESPNU). Big non-conference games on the road include Purdue Sept. 25 and Boise State Oct. 9.

“Seven schools on our schedule played in bowl games last year, so it is clearly one of the most difficult schedules in the history of our program,” Beckman said. “But I know our players and coaches are excited for the challenge. The non-conference schedule will really give us a chance to measure our progress as a football team.”

The bowl teams on Toledo’s schedule are Boise State (14-0 in 2009), Arizona (8-5), Wyoming (7-6), Central Michigan (12-2), Ohio (9-5), Northern Illinois (7-6) and Bowling Green (7-6).

Toledo, coming off a 5-7 season in Beckman’s first year as head coach, was picked to finish in fourth place in the MAC West Division this year.

The Rockets return 14 starters from last year’s squad, but need to fill the quarterback and running back slots. Sophomore Austin Dantin and junior Morgan Williams are the leading candidates at those two spots but are being challenged in the preseason. Senior linebacker Archie Donald leads a defense that returns six starters.

Sophomore Eric Page recently was named to the 2010 watch lists for the Biletnikoff Award, which is presented annually in December to the nation’s top college receiver, and the inaugural Paul Hornung Award, which will honor the most versatile player in college football. Page led all freshman receivers in the country last year with 82 receptions and 1,159 receiving yards.

Students with a valid ID are admitted free to all home games. Half-price tickets are available for faculty and staff; call 419.530.GOLD (4653).

NOW RECEIVING: Eric Page led all freshman receivers in the country last year with 82 receptions and 1,159 receiving yards. He was named second-team All-MAC and first-team Freshman All-America by Phil Steele and College Football News.

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| Sat. | Sept. 11 | at Ohio*                        | 7 p.m.
| Sat. | Sept. 18 | at Western Michigan*            | 7 p.m.
| Sat. | Sept. 25 | at Purdue                       | TBA   |
| Sat. | Oct. 2  | WYOMING (Homecoming)           | 7 p.m.
| Sat. | Oct. 9  | at Boise State                  | 6 p.m. (MT)
| Sat. | Oct. 16 | KENT STATE*                     | 7 p.m.
| Sat. | Oct. 23 | BALL STATE*                     | 7 p.m.
| Sat. | Oct. 30 | at Eastern Michigan*            | 4 p.m.
| Tue. | Nov. 9  | at Northern Illinois* (ESPN2)   | 6 p.m. (CT)
| Wed. | Nov. 17 | BOWLING GREEN* (ESPN2/ESPNU) TBA |
| Fri. | Nov. 26 | CENTRAL MICHIGAN* (ESPN2/360) TBA|
| Fri. | Dec. 3  | MAC Championship Game# (ESPN2)  | TBA   |

HOME GAMES IN BOLD CAPS, ALL TIMES LISTED ARE SITE TIMES.
* Mid-American Conference Game, # West Division champion vs. East Division champion, Ford Field, Detroit, Schedule Subject to Change