UT receives continued accreditation from Higher Learning Commission

By Meghan Cunningham

The University of Toledo has received continued accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

The University received the official action letter confirming the continued accreditation last week, and the comprehensive evaluation report from the site team has been posted on the UT Self-Study website, www.utoledo.edu/accreditation, for the community to review.

The consultant evaluators who visited campus in February noted in their overall observations, “The team felt that the institution is well-run, well-poised and well-placed to handle the challenges posed by the region and to take advantage of opportunities provided by the region.”

“Successful continued accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission is something every member of our University community should take pride in,” UT President Lloyd Jacobs said. “The positive evaluation is a confirmation of all the hard work of every member of the faculty, staff and administration to carry out our mission to improve the human condition.”

The action letter confirming continued accreditation from the commission is the culmination of years of work that included a comprehensive self-study report and a visit from a team of consultant evaluators to the University in February.

The HLC team reviewed UT’s success in meeting five key criteria: Mission and Integrity; Planning for the Future; Student Learning and Effective Teaching; Acquisition, Discovery and Application of Knowledge; and Engagement and Service.

“The HLC consultant evaluators commented that our self-study report was one of the most detailed reports submitted by an institution, which is recognition of the great group of people who worked extremely hard for years to prepare,” said Dr. Dorothea Sawicki, professor of

UT’s 20th Art on the Mall to take place July 29

By Aaron Horn

This year will mark the 20th anniversary of The University of Toledo’s Art on the Mall. The juried event will be held on Centennial Mall Sunday, July 29.

“Art on the Mall has been successful for 20 years because of the support that is received from the wonderfully generous sponsors, the dedicated community and our talented artists,” said Ansley Abrams-Frederick, director of alumni programming in the UT Office of Alumni Relations. “The fact that this show continues to be free and open to the community is a testament to this resounding and continuous support.”

A total of 105 artists specializing in acrylic, glass, jewelry, mixed media, oil, pen and ink, photography, pottery, textiles/ibers/basketry, watercolors and wood will display and sell their works from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Many of the presenting artists are alumni, former or current students, faculty or staff, or parents of UT students.

This year’s extravaganza also will feature food vendors, children’s activities, live pottery demonstrations and musical entertainment.

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Bowling for Soup to headline Music Fest 2012

By Samantha Watson

Bowling for Soup will headline this year’s Music Fest, which also will feature Gloriana, Tyler Hilton, Alexander Zonjic and Jeff Lorber, K’JON, HotSauce, and The Dumb Easies.

Music Fest 2012 is set to take place Friday, Sept. 14, in the grassy area south of the Memorial Field House, adjacent to Centennial Mall.

The free, public event will begin at 3 p.m. with this year’s Local Band Challenge winner, The Dumb Easies, voted on by the Music Fest Facebook community. Thousands voted, and this band was chosen to kick off the event by playing its music — inspired by pop from the past — until 3:45 p.m.

“The Local Band Challenge allowed for the community to have a voice in the musical talent of Music Fest, and we are excited to have The Dumb Easies kick off Music Fest,” said Lawrence J. Burns, UT vice president for external affairs. “The diversity of this year’s talent will attract

a crowd of both student and community members that will come together to generate what we are anticipating to be the largest crowd at Music Fest to date.”

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Now open

Colleen Strayer, general manager of the University Bookstore, cut the ribbon at the grand opening of the new Barnes & Noble in the Gateway Project July 9 and was joined at the celebration by two Blue Crew members and mascots Rocky and Rocksy. The new store houses a full-service Starbucks café and a children’s area. The store is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

As patrons poured in to check out the new Barnes & Noble and University Bookstore, Chad Muetzel pored over his notes, studying for the Medical College Admissions Test.

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Two candidates for provost visit, another scheduled for Tuesday

By Meghan Cunningham

Two external candidates for provost and executive vice president for academic affairs visited campus last week, and a third internal candidate will go through the process this week.

Dr. Carlo Montemagno, dean of the College of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Cincinnati, and Dr. Janine Janosky, vice president at Austen BioInnovation Institute in Akron, were interviewed and held open forums discussing the approaches they would take to leading academic operations on UT’s Main Campus.

Dr. Scott Scarborough, senior vice president and executive director of UT Medical Center, will participate in a forum open to all internal and external constituents Tuesday, July 24, at 2 p.m. in Student Union Room 3018.

Montemagno, who has been with the University of Cincinnati since 2006 when he joined the faculty as a professor of bioengineering, talked about his successes improving the quality of students in his college and building connections with the community.

“As a University, we need reassess the value of our university with regards to our community and make sure we understand that the university is a strategic community partner,” he said. “One of the reasons why I’m here is the leadership that you currently have. It is in line with my vision and beliefs.”

Janosky, who has served as the vice president of Austen BioInnovation Institute since 2010, used the open forum to also talk about her experiences building community around the University of Pittsburgh during her tenure there and efforts to ensure a successful and diverse student and faculty at various organizations.

“With the more mature I become in my life in academia, I see the benefits more and more of having a porous campus,” she said. “It is taking the campus and viewing it as a partner in the community and taking into account the region, the state and beyond.”

Janosky has held several research director positions and was a member of the family medicine and clinical epidemiology faculty at the University of Pittsburgh. In addition, she previously was vice provost for research at Central Michigan University, where she also was a professor of mathematics.

Montemagno, in addition to his role with the University of Cincinnati, has been a member of the faculty at the University of California at Los Angeles and Cornell University, and held posts with Argonne National Laboratory, the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Navy.

Both candidates answered questions from the UT community about their views on shared governance, approaches to student enrollment and retention, and how they would increase global experiences for students.

Montemagno and Janosky also said during their open forums that they were both first-generation college students who valued the role higher education has in offering opportunities to students.

Scarborough, who is the final candidate for the provost position, has been with UT since 2007 when he accepted the position of senior vice president for finance and administration. He joined UT from DePaul University and prior to that, he worked for the University of Texas System for 10 years.

The person selected as UT’s next provost and executive vice president for academic affairs will succeed Dr. William McMillen, who is retiring after 30 years with UT and the former Medical College of Ohio/ Medical University of Ohio.

Feedback about the candidates for provost can be sent to Joel Epstein, executive search consultant with Waverly Partners LLC at jepstein@waverly-partners.com; Susan Palmer, UT trustee and chair of the Provost Advisory Search Committee at spalmer@toledomuseum.org; and UT President Lloyd Jacobs at Lloyd.Jacobs@utoledo.edu.
In memoriam

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Dates to remember

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Expanded hours at Rocket Solution Central

Rocket Solution Central on Main Campus will offer expanded service to assist with issues related to finances, registration and payment. Additional phone service will be available from 9 a.m. to noon during the following Saturdays:

July 28
Aug. 4
Aug. 11
Aug. 18

The Rocket Solution Central lobby also will be open to walk-in students Saturday, Aug. 18, and Sunday, Aug. 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In addition, phones will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday from July 30 to Aug. 17.

Rocket Solution Central can be reached at 419.530.8700.

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microbiology-immunology, associate dean and vice chancellor of graduate health science, and co-chair of UT’s HLC self-study steering committee. “The University was recognized for the things we do well, and the process helped identify areas that could use more attention, which is important for a higher education institution that is always interested in continuous improvement.”

Several of the HLC’s recommendations already are being addressed by the University, such as successful enrollment management with the move of Enrollment Services to the Office of the Provost to focus more on the retention of students.

The commission also recommended more attention to assessment and general education, which UT is addressing with Dr. Penny Poplin Gosetti serving as vice provost for assessment, accreditation and program review, and the newly revised core curriculum that focuses on core competencies.

Accreditation from the HLC is important in terms of institutional and student eligibility to apply for federal grants, loans and research funds; the ability to take certain state licensure exams; tuition assistance for employees and much more.

“Continued accreditation is essential for the University to deliver quality educational programs and provide important opportunities for our students and employees,” Poplin Gosetti said. “It is a great deal of work and it should be, because of the critical importance it has for an institution. The process gives us the opportunity to both evaluate our institution to see what we can do better and sing the praises of what we do well. We have much to be proud of.”

The Higher Learning Commission, founded in 1895, is one of six regional institutional accreditors in the United States. UT has been accredited by the commission since 1922, and the former Medical College of Ohio/University of Ohio had been accredited since 1980.

For more information on the commission, visit ncahlc.org.

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Artist to display his wooden creations at Art on the Mall

By Samantha Watson

In Dave Grabarczyk’s basement, blocks of wood are stacked on one another, waiting to be transformed into beautiful, functional works of art.

For 30 years, he has been displaying his creations at craft and art shows, and this year his woodwork will be showcased at the 20th annual Art on the Mall Sunday, July 29, on Centennial Mall on UT’s Main Campus.

Grabarczyk creates valet and jewelry boxes out of oak, walnut and cedar, with accents of dyed veneer and exotic woods. Bloodwood is one he enjoys, with its vibrant naturally red color, as well as peltogyne, also known as purpleheart, which has a violet hue.

Not only do the boxes feature inlays of colorful woods, some are cut into shapes using a band saw. Some have more drawers than others, and some even have hidden compartments.

Many of the drawers have smaller segments so jewelry can be organized as the user sees fit. Each drawer is lined by flocking — a process that involves attaching tiny fibers to the wood using glue to create a soft interior.

While the band saw boxes have a free-form style, Grabarczyk also creates jewelry and valet boxes that look more traditional but still feature the colorful woods and veneers. All boxes come in different shapes, sizes and designs, and the prices range from $25 to $150.

Grabarczyk hasn’t always crafted boxes; up until last year, he made furniture, including shelves, tables and coat racks. He even created a lot of the wooden furniture in his own home.

He now prefers making jewelry and valet boxes because it allows him to be more creative, and the pieces make for easier transport.

“It’s dangerous — I’ve lost part of my thumb — but it’s fun to do. I enjoy the woodworking,” Grabarczyk said.

Since his retirement in 2010, Grabarczyk has gone to more art and craft shows than usual and hopes to attend as many as possible. This will be his 10th year at Art on the Mall, and he also showcases his work at other craft shows, including the Worthington Arts Festival, Crosby Festival of the Arts, Black Swamp Arts Festival and the Saline Fall Craft Show.

“Doing the art shows is nice because you meet people from all over the country,” he said. “And it’s nice to see all the different art — I really like art.”

Grabarczyk is an alumnus of UT, receiving his bachelor and master of education degrees in 1972 and 1975, respectively, and an education specialist degree in 1978. He worked as an elementary special education teacher with Toledo Public Schools for 33 years.

For almost 30 years, he has been a member of the Toledo Craftsman’s Guild; he is a board member and serves as publicity chair.

To see his work, attend Art on the Mall Sunday, July 29, on UT’s Centennial Mall. The free, public event will take place rain or shine from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and feature original art, as well as live music, food and a children’s art area.

For more information on Grabarczyk’s work, call 419.874.6367 or email him at grabbydave@roadrunner.com.

Art on the Mall

The Blade will sponsor a young artist area in the center of Centennial Mall for children to create their own artwork, receive face paintings, and engage in other activities and games.

The musical groups that will showcase their talents are the Toledo School for the Arts student group, the Urban Jazz Collective, which will perform from 10 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.; the 14th Street Revival, which will take the stage from 1 to 1:45 p.m.; and Glass City Steel, which will play from 2 to 4:45 p.m.

Festival food will include kettle corn from Karen Anne’s Kettle Korn, Greek cuisine from Opa! Gyros, shave ice from Everhart SnoBiz, smoothies from Maui Wowi, elephant ears from K&K Concessions, and German roasted nuts from Let’s Go Nuts.

The presenting sponsors are The Blade and Huntington. The supporting sponsors include Buckeye CableSystem, Toledo 5, Clear Channel Communications, WGTE Public Media, Mail It! and Lesher Printers Inc.

Parking is free; there will be a courtesy cart shuttle running from three lots to Centennial Mall for the convenience of visitors.

For more information on the free, public event, contact Abrams-Frederick at ansley.abrams@utoledo.edu or 419.530.4316.
Delegation from China’s Zhejiang University of Finance and Economics visits UT

By Bob Mackowiak

An administrative delegation of 19 leaders from China’s Zhejiang University of Finance and Economics (ZUFE) visited The University of Toledo for nine days earlier this month.

The July 9-17 visit was sponsored by the UT College of Business and Innovation and the UT Center for International Studies and Programs.

“It is wonderful to host this group of administrators from our counterpart business school in mainland China to share perspectives on student development, the integration of theory and practice, and the tremendous value of collaboration,” said Dr. Thomas Gutteridge, dean of the UT College of Business and Innovation.

An initial agreement that established a framework for program collaborations between ZUFE and UT was signed in 2008. ZUFE has an undergraduate program of management in accounting with a concentration in U.S. accounting on its Hangzhou campus, a curriculum that connects with the master of science in accounting degree program offered by the College of Business and Innovation.

“This agreement also demonstrates the expertise and global impact of the UT College of Business and Innovation faculty and programs,” Gutteridge said. “By partnering with select universities around the world, the UT College of Business and Innovation increasingly impacts the development of tomorrow’s ethical business leaders.”

“We’ve been working very hard at UT, had a very successful visit, and benefited a lot,” said Ping Zhong, commissioner of the Division of Political Administration at ZUFE. “We are so honored to complete the program as scheduled, and we gained greatly from many aspects of the visit. We were impressed by the lecturers at UT, and the exchanges and communications with community businesses. The friendship between the two organizations has been enhanced by this valuable visit.”

ZUFE faculty members have visited the UT College of Business and Innovation in the past to learn more about the academic and business environment of this area, but this was the first visit of an administrative delegation. During the visit, the delegation met with UT faculty and students; observed a Rocket Launch freshman orientation program; participated in a panel discussion about higher education in the United States with several UT administrators; visited the Toledo Museum of Art; and observed and audited business classes.

“I was impressed by the student centeredness in all aspects of the University,” said Li Shentu, a lecturer in the Dongfang School for Special Programs at ZUFE. “Seeing the friendliness of the people in administration and the different colleges was a most pleasant experience, people stepping up to help others, even if they didn’t know them.”

Dr. Xia Wei, deputy director of the Division of Academic Affairs at ZUFE, said she was impressed by “the beautiful campus, the openness of the University, the faculty and the design of the curriculum. The University is people-centered, and the visit was a wonderful experience that the Chinese can learn from.”

“I was impressed by the coordination among departments on campus and how efficient, effective and successful the program was,” noted Yuanmei Huang from the ZUFE Division of International Exchange and Cooperation. “You are educating the students as a whole person, and you can see the outcomes in students who are competent and independent.”

The delegation members experienced both the campus and the community,” said Dr. Aige Guo, director of UT’s Confucius Institute in the Center for International Studies and Programs, who coordinated many aspects of the visit. “It was an opportunity to further collaborate and enhance the partnership between the two institutions. I think it should be inspiring to all of us to see and learn about other cultures.”

Zhejiang University of Finance and Economics was established in 1974 and currently has more than 20,000 students.

UT student recognized as first author of international journal article

By Bob Mackowiak

The International Journal of Technology, Policy and Management has published an article titled “Solar and Wind Energy Portfolios and Real-Time Pricing.”

What is especially interesting about the article is that the first author, Kathryn E. Hoepfl, is not a faculty member, but was a student in the UT Physics and Astronomy Department when she worked on the research.

“It is rare that an undergraduate student can get published in an academic journal,” said co-author Dr. Andrew Solocha, UT associate professor of finance. “This will help immensely with her admission into a good graduate program.”

“Kathryn, whose major is physics, is very mature, hard-working and responsible. She took ownership of this project, and the results of the research were excellent, so we put her as first author for this paper,” Solocha said. “This is a very prestigious journal; I don’t know of any other student who has been recognized as first author, and I am pleased as punch for her.”

Other co-authors of this paper are Dr. Alvin D. Compaan of the UT Department of Physics and Astronomy and Dr. Eldon Johnson of the Central Washington University Department of Finance.

“I was not certain that I was going to be listed as first author until one of the final editing drafts,” Hoepfl said. “The order did not matter to me, though, I was simply excited that the International Journal of Technology, Policy and Management was accepting my work and flattered that Dr. Solocha, Dr. Compaan and Dr. Johnson were willing to go through the process with me. Their help and guidance were superior, and I am lucky to have them as mentors.”

Her research has been focused in the area of distributed electricity generation and renewable energy policy. Her work has been presented at the American Physical Society National Conference and has been funded by the Third Frontier Program of the Ohio Department of Development through Garland Energy Systems and the National Science Foundation’s Research Experiences for Undergraduates grant to the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

This article develops a method to determine the least volatile combination of power output from wind and solar hybrid systems. Hourly data for wind and photovoltaic systems in northwest Ohio to show that a combination of both is more stable and would have higher value to the grid than each individually.

Hoepfl, who received a bachelor’s degree in physics from UT in May, is working at First Solar as a reliability engineer.

“I plan to stay in the solar industry,” she said. “I believe that renewables are key in securing our energy future.”
The UT Raoul Wallenberg Scholar Award is given to those who showcase commitment to and passion for serving others, something that comes naturally for Carolina Wishner, this year’s recipient.

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“Nobody knew where I was until two o’clock in the morning,” Wishner said. “My husband thought I was dead because there were no emails, no phone calls, nothing. I was disconnected from him until I came home.”

Wishner continued to go back every day to help, and on Sept. 16, Wishner and her husband attended the mass memorial service held at Ground Zero. The weight of those few days finally hit Wishner, and she cried on her husband’s shoulder. A picture of this moment was put in The New York Times; Wishner keeps a copy of it in her home.

She left Panama in 2005; in 2006, she moved to Maumee with her husband and daughter, Caroline. In May 2011, she began the master of public health degree program at The University of Toledo, since her medical license is not valid in the United States. She has a dual major in public health administration and public health epidemiology, with a grade point average of 4.0.

Wishner hopes that by earning her degree at UT she will open new windows of opportunities to help others. She wants to continue doing what she loves and believes that by furthering her education here at UT she can do just that.

At age 17, Wishner decided to study medicine at the University of Panama. She had realized the importance of education early in life and worked hard to succeed in school.

While studying at the University of Panama, she was offered a full scholarship to study medicine in the former Soviet Union. In 1986, when the catastrophic explosion occurred at the nuclear power plant in Chernobyl, Wishner was studying at a hospital where many radioactivity victims were transferred.

“We could not eat anything from the ground or drink milk from the cows,” Wishner recalled. “Everybody was running to the store to buy things … it was awful, really awful.”

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Lot 25 now open for Gateway business parking only

By Samantha Watson

Beginning this week, vehicles that park in lot 25 by Rocket Hall may be ticketed unless they are Gateway patrons parked in designated spaces.

Parking in lot 25 will not be available to University of Toledo guests until around mid-August; however, Gateway patrons may park in the green-lined spaces. Rocket Hall visitor and handicap parking is located in lot 27 near Ottawa House.

Faculty, staff and students should continue to park in lot 26 near the Student Medical Center.

Vehicles parked in any space that does not have green lines started receiving warnings Wednesday, July 18. Beginning Monday, July 23, they will be ticketed.

Finishing touches are being put on the lot, which has been repaved and restructured to add 178 parking spaces. Other improvements include pedestrian walkways from Gateway businesses to residence halls on West Rocket Drive; numerous landscaped, curbed islands; a raised concrete crosswalk and drop-off entrance to Rocket Hall; LED parking lights; and a University transit stop at the Gateway Project.

Questions should be directed to Parking Enforcement at 419.530.4100 or ParkingEnforcement@utoledo.edu.
Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry, hero of the 1813 Battle of Lake Erie and famed for his laconic report of victory — “We have met the enemy and they are ours” — was facing a danger beyond even his skills of martial seamanship.

Acid rain.

The damaging pollution had taken the sheen from the memorial statue of Perry that’s long been a landmark of his namesake city. Providentially, Tom Lingeman, UT professor of art, saw the sculpture’s deterioration as an opportunity.

“I’ve wanted the Department of Art to become involved in the conservation of outdoor sculptures for some time, and being that the Perry monument is such an integral community asset, the timing seemed perfect,” Lingeman said.

Working with the city and the Perrysburg Area Arts Council, he offered students in his sculpture class an experience unique at the University.

“We went, we conquered, we washed and waxed,” said Tracey Steils, a 1997 UT art education graduate who’s taking Lingeman’s class to continue her education.

Thanks to Perrysburg’s loan of a forklift and operator, Steils and other students could examine the bronze sculpture before cleaning it with water and a special soap. After drying over the weekend, Perry and the two figures along the monument’s base — a midshipman and a cabin boy — were coated with conservation-grade wax that should protect them for at least a year.

Plans are under way for a yearly conservation visit, Lingeman said.

Heat-wave temperatures this year made the process “a little toasty,” admitted Dee Brown, a UT senior in art. “But it was fun and I learned a lot. In fact, I’ve asked Tom if one or two of my independent sculpture studies over the next year could be a conservation project.”

To expand the art curriculum, Lingeman hopes to create a certificate program in conservation, specializing in outdoor sculpture — which abounds in the area, he noted. His students are gearing up to treat two pieces on the UT Health Science Campus, works of the late sculptor and UT alumna Joe Ann Cousino.

For now, Perry and his companions are noticeably glossier as they protect the junction of Front Street and Louisiana Avenue in downtown Perrysburg. As art education student Dawn Snell said, “It was something to see the sculpture brought back to life once we were finished.”

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K’JON will follow with more R&B from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m.

Flute player Alexander Zonjic and keyboardist Jeff Lorber will play some smooth jazz for an hour beginning at 7:15 p.m.

At 8:30 p.m., Tyler Hilton will perform a few of his indie/pop songs. This jack-of-all-trades is both a singer-songwriter and actor, appearing on popular shows like “One Tree Hill” and in movies like the Johnny Cash biopic, “Walk the Line.”

Gloriana will bring some country music at 9:15 p.m. This Nashville-based band will play music that has been on the Billboard Country charts; their hits include “Wild at Heart” and “(Kissed You) Good Night.”

Bowling for Soup, the American pop punk band known for “1985,” “Girl All the Bad Guys Want,” “Almost,” “Punk Rock 101” and “High School Never Ends,” will headline the show. The group will take the stage at 10:45 p.m. for the grand finale of Music Fest 2012.

The Dumb Easies received the most votes from the Music Fest Facebook community and won the Local Band Challenge to kick off the free, public event Friday, Sept. 14, at 3 p.m. In addition to opening Music Fest, the Bowling Green-based band won $750.
Letter

Dale Carnegie’s How to Win Friends and Influence People is the No. 1 all-time bestselling self-help book. It contains values and maxims that have led millions of people to become happier, more influential and successful in everyday and professional life.

Most recently, the July 9 and 11 AAUP newsletters got me thinking about the section of the book titled “Be a Leader: How to Change People Without Giving Offense or Arousing Resentment.”

These newsletters, like many sent by its select group of contributors, were an attempt to embarrass and humiliate members of the UT community by touting their failures and shortcomings. I have certainly felt embarrassment from reading these articles, which often contain personal and mean-spirited attacks on campus leaders, staff members, other faculty members and even students. However, I do not feel embarrassed for the targets of these newsletters, but for the few writers who have allowed themselves to become so cynical that they would publicly celebrate the misfortunes of the place where they work and call home.

I would like to share Dale Carnegie’s nine suggestions on how to act as an effective leader by criticizing and expressing opinions in a way that will produce a real change:

1. Begin with praise and honest appreciation.
2. Call attention to people’s mistakes indirectly.
3. Talk about your own mistakes before criticizing the other person.
4. Ask questions instead of giving direct orders.
5. Let the other person save face.
6. Praise every improvement.
7. Give the other person a fine reputation to live up to.
8. Use encouragement. Make the fault seem easy to correct.
9. Make the other person happy about doing what you suggest.

Allow me to demonstrate:

Dear AAUP Bulletin writers,

I am proud that my alma mater has an organization where its faculty leaders are dedicated to protecting the academic freedoms and rights of their constituents, but lately the dialogue between “labor and management” has gotten out of hand and it is affecting our community in a negative way. Unfortunately, this kind of debate is not uncommon in today’s world. It is also something that I struggle with, as I have come to regret some things I have said both verbally and electronically that were hurtful to others, but we should not allow our frustrations to get the best of us. I understand what it is like to feel helpless in the face of unwanted changes, but if you truly care about this institution, please consider using more constructive, collaborative and positive means of improving your beloved University. UT deserves it and so do you.

Matthew Rubin
University of Toledo alumnus, MBA student and financial analyst in Auxiliary Administration

UT to host clean energy workshop, interactive trade show

By Samantha Watson

On Saturday, Aug. 18, the Sierra Club and The University of Toledo will present an interactive workshop and trade show in the Student Union on Main Campus from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. to highlight the benefits of clean energy in northwest Ohio.

“The clean energy industry is booming in northwest Ohio, creating jobs, advancing technology, and lifting Ohio’s economy,” said Natalie Fox, conservation program coordinator for the Ohio chapter of the Sierra Club. “The University of Toledo has paired up with the Sierra Club to engage the community, educate neighbors, and help build a sustainable future for northwest Ohio.”

Those who attend this free, public event will be able to ask energy-related questions at roundtable discussions with experts from both the energy efficiency and renewable energy industries. Discussions will include topics such as home energy, energy economics, solar and wind energy in northwest Ohio, and educational opportunities in renewable energy.

Guests also will have the opportunity to take an optional lunch tour of the renewable energy facilities at UT’s Scott Park Campus of Energy and Innovation. Facilities shown will be UT’s solar arrays, wind turbine and solar car charging station.

Refreshments will be served at the event, which will have optional activities for kids.

Both the kids’ activities and lunch tour require RSVPs by Saturday, Aug. 4.

For questions or to RSVP, contact Fox at 740.856.8084.

‘The Relevant University’ to air July 24

By Meghan Cunningham

Tune in to “The Relevant University” Tuesday, July 24, at 7 p.m. on AM 760 WJR. This month, Lawrence J. Burns, UT vice president for external affairs, looks into the trend of more adult students returning to the classroom to accomplish their goals of earning a college degree.

In this month’s episode:
• Dr. Clint Longenecker, UT professor of management and an authority on leadership, talks about education as an important component of success.
• Eric Summons, an organizational psychologist, shares his expertise on workplace productivity.
• Adult college student Blake Russell provides insight into what it’s like to return to campus at age 29.
• And Eric Hoover, a reporter with The Chronicle of Higher Education, discusses the larger national picture on adults returning to the college classroom.

Listen at www.utoledo.edu/therelevantuniversity.

RIVER RESTORATION CONTINUES: This image by www.wild-design.com illustrates the concept design for the work that will be completed this summer on phase I of the river restoration project with the construction of a cut bank feature along the Ottawa River by the Law Center on Main Campus. According to the President’s Commission on the River, this work will include excavation of debris fill, placement of new clean soil, landscaping, seeding and tree planting, and is expected to be finished by mid-August, weather permitting. Future plans are intended to add interpretive signs, pathways and benches at the site. This work is the first step toward the in-stream aquatic habitat improvements and restoration planned for August 2013.
A book written by Dr. Sunday Ubokudom, UT associate professor in the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, has been received well so far, and he hopes to see its popularity grow with the coming school year.

The book, *United States Health Care Policymaking: Ideological, Social and Cultural Differences and Major Influences*, was published in April and is being sold internationally.

Writing the book took Ubokudom two and a half years and was a challenging experience.

“One of the most difficult parts is really putting your ideas together and getting a publisher,” Ubokudom said. “When you get rejected, you have to pick yourself up and keep trying. I think that’s one of the greatest lessons that anybody can learn from a process like this.”

The book discusses health-care policies in the United States such as Medicare, Medicaid, and the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. It also explains how ideological, social and cultural differences affect policymaking not only in America but worldwide.

Although its main focus is on health care in the United States, what happens abroad has a direct effect on the health care of any country. One factor behind this idea, Ubokudom explained, is the spread of epidemics. When a virus such as H1N1 is introduced into a population, it doesn’t take long before it spreads not only throughout that area, but throughout the world.

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This book also discusses some of the determinants of health. For example, the environment a person lives in has a lot to do with his or her health, and climates all over the world can be incredibly different from one another. This affects policymaking on a large scale.

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**Construction project to close main entrance to Block Health Science Building**

The main entrance and loop drive leading to the Paul Block Jr. Health Science Building on The University of Toledo Health Science Campus will close beginning Monday, Aug. 13, through fall 2013 for the construction of the new Interprofessional Immersive Simulation Center.

While the area will be open only for emergencies, both the Health Science Building and Center for Creative Education will be accessible through the Health Education Building from the west or through the connector to the Raymon H. Mulford Library Building and the Howard L. Collier Building from the north and east, respectively.

Closing this part of campus will cause some inconvenience, but it is necessary for the construction crews to begin work on the new Interprofessional Immersive Simulation Center, according to UT officials.

By closing the loop during construction, no parking spaces will be lost in lot 43 south of the Health Science Building.
New inductees added to UT Medical Center’s Emergency Medicine Wall of Honor

A nurse, surgeon and fire chief were recognized last week at the second annual Emergency Medicine Wall of Honor induction ceremony in the Hilton Hotel Grand Ballroom on The University of Toledo’s Health Science Campus.

The new inductees are:

- Barbara J. Hogan, a Mercy St. Vincent Medical Center nurse who spent her career practicing and teaching in the emergency department and the aeromedical and emergency medical services environments. She was a leader in local, state and national EMS and trauma organizations. For her help with creating the foundation for the trauma network in the region and the state, Hogan received awards from the Ohio Nurses Association and the American Trauma Society.

- Dr. John M. Howard, a faculty member at the former Medical College of Ohio from 1973 to 1993 who revolutionized trauma care in both the combat and civilian sectors. The renowned surgeon and educator helped establish an EMS system that was integrated with the northwest Ohio health-care system. His efforts led to the 911 emergency system, mobile intensive care units, and ambulance and air transport after traumatic events. During the Korean War, he and his team began repairing blood vessels in the field, saving lives and limbs. For his work, Howard received the Legion of Merit from President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

- Donald E. McConnaughy, chief of paramedics and fire chief in Maumee. He has dedicated his life to practicing and teaching fire fighting and pre-hospital care. McConnaughy was a member of the Ohio disaster medical assistance team that helped victims of Hurricane Marilyn in 1995. He introduced disaster medicine and management concepts to Maumee.

Hogan and McConnaughy were at the induction ceremony; Laura Hickey, a nurse in the UTMC Emergency Department and the daughter of Howard, who died at age 91 in 2011, accepted the honor for the family.

Plaques for these three individuals will be added to the wall of honor, which is located in the UT Medical Center Emergency Department by the ambulance bay doors.

UT Medical Center offers tours to highlight facilities

By Aaron Horn

UT Medical Center is inviting the public to take tours of its facilities as part of the hospital’s outreach to the community and employers in the Toledo area.

“The University of Toledo Medical Center has transformed itself from being the typical hospital into a healing and wellness center,” said Ioan Duca, service excellence officer for the University. “We want the community to come and experience the remarkable transformation that has taken place.”

UTMC has made a number of recent updates to its facilities; these include the Outpatient Rehabilitation Services area, an in-patient orthopedics wing and the Kobacker Center, as well as the remodeling of the gift shop and the opening of the Four Seasons Bistro.

“We have changed and transformed tremendously,” said Amy Finkbeiner, manager of customer service. “Our job is to reacclimate people who have not been here in a while and educate those who have never visited UTMC.

“Taking a tour before an appointment or being admitted may help patients familiarize themselves and their families with our hospital,” Finkbeiner said.

UTMC also has expanded its ambassador program to create a more comfortable experience. Lynette Hearst, support service specialist, has assembled a group of volunteers who assist patients and their families. This is in addition to the ambassadors who have staffed the Welcome Center for the last year.

“The ambassadors will be at the main entries to greet, engage and escort patients to their destinations,” Hearst said. “The greeting of a warm smile and offer of assistance may ease the apprehension of patients as they enter.”

The 60-minute tours will be conducted every Tuesday, and each will be limited to 10 people.

If you are interested in taking a tour, visit http://utmc.utoledo.edu/tours.
HONORED: UT Vice President and Athletic Director Mike O’Brien, right, received the 2011-12 Under Armour Northeast Region Athletics Director of the Year award from Walker Jones, Under Armour director of sports marketing, on behalf of the National Association of College Directors of Athletics. He was recognized during the association’s convention last month at the James J. Corbett Awards Luncheon in Dallas. Now in his 11th year at UT, O’Brien presided over one of the finest seasons in UT history. A few highlights from this past year include: MAC championships in women’s cross country, women’s swimming and diving, and women’s soccer; 9-4 record in football that included a historic victory over Air Force in the Military Bowl; MAC West co-championship for the women’s basketball team, which advanced to the Elite Eight of the WNIT; first-ever MAC West Division title for the baseball team; Jacoby Trophy as the top women’s athletic program in the Mid-American Conference, the first time in the 30-year history of the trophy that UT took first place; and record grade point average of 3.266 in spring semester for UT student-athletes. O’Brien has been an instrumental force in initiating one of the most ambitious construction schedules in school history. No fewer than five major projects have been completed during his tenure; these include the renovation of Savage Arena and construction of the Fetterman Training Center.

KICKING ABOUT: Soccer professional Dennis Yiadon joined the fun during a match with a few of the children who participated in the 43rd National Youth Sports Program at UT this summer. More than 150 youth ages 10-16 from across the Toledo area came to campus in June for the athletic camp, which provided economically disadvantaged children the chance to attend fitness, recreation and educational programs.

Football to host Eastern Washington in 2013

By Paul Helgren

The University of Toledo will host Eastern Washington in football Sept. 14, 2013. It will be the first meeting between the two schools.

Eastern Washington is an NCAA Division I school competing in the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS). The Eagles were 6-5 in 2011, following a 2010 season when they went 13-2 and defeated Delaware, 20-19, to claim the FCS national championship.

“We are very pleased to add Eastern Washington to our 2013 home football schedule,” said UT Vice President and Athletic Director Mike O’Brien. “The Eagles have one of the premier programs in the FCS, so we are looking forward to hosting them in the Glass Bowl.”

“Eastern Washington is an outstanding FCS program that will provide a definite challenge for our team,” added Head Coach Matt Campbell. “We have a lot of respect for Coach Beau Baldwin and the job he and his staff have done.”

The EWU game completes the 2013 non-conference schedule. The Rockets also will host Navy Oct. 19 and travel to Florida Aug. 31 and Missouri Sept. 7.

Toledo Baseball Dugout Club to hold alumni golf outing Aug. 17

By Brian DeBenedictis

The Toledo Baseball Dugout Club will hold its annual alumni golf outing Friday, Aug. 17. The event will be held at the Bedford Hills Golf Club with a shotgun start beginning at 1 p.m. Individuals may form their own foursome or be placed in one.

The entry fee for the outing is $100 per person (graduated prior to 2008) or $75 (graduated between 2008 to 2012) with all proceeds going to the Rocket baseball program.

The fee includes use of the driving range prior to the event, a participation gift, pre-golf lunch, golf and dinner.

Head Coach Cory Mee is offering opportunities for hole sponsorship for the outing for $100. Anyone can sponsor a hole; this includes individuals, families, businesses and teams.

The 10th-year skipper is asking golfers to RSVP by Friday, Aug. 10.

For more information on the golf outing, call Mee at 419.530.6263.

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