UT will offer degrees at Schoolcraft College through new partnership

By Meghan Cunningham

The University of Toledo is extending its reach into Michigan through a unique partnership that will help students in the Detroit area obtain a four-year degree from UT in their neighborhood.

The new Schoolcraft to U partnership between UT and Schoolcraft College was announced Thursday at the college’s main campus in Livonia, Mich., where beginning in fall 2014, students will be able to obtain UT degrees in nursing, criminal justice and health information management.

“For several years, The University of Toledo has been committed to blurring the line between Michigan and Ohio to provide access to high-quality UT degree programs to Michigan students,” UT President Lloyd Jacob said. “Coupled with our marketing efforts and creative scholarship models, this partnership with Schoolcraft College is symbolic of that commitment by seamlessly allowing Schoolcraft students to continue their academic careers and achieve the dream of a four-year degree.”

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Political strategist James Carville to speak at UT Nov. 18

By Jon Straus

One of the best-known American political consultants will visit The University of Toledo Monday, Nov. 18, at 7 p.m. as the inaugural Jesup Scott Honors College Lecture Series continues in the newly renovated Doermann Theater in University Hall.

James Carville is perhaps best noted for his role helping elect William Jefferson Clinton to the U.S. presidency in 1992 and has been a frequent political commentator on cable news.

“We’re incredibly excited by the opportunity to hear from Mr. Carville about a fascinating career as well as the political possibilities he sees for the nation,” said Dr. Scott Scarborough, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs.

A professor of practice at Tulane University in New Orleans, Carville has a long list of electoral triumphs on his record. He has helped lead successful gubernatorial and Senate races as well as guiding former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak to victory in 1999.

Carville is married to high-profile Republican strategist Mary Matalin; together the couple wrote All’s Fair: Love, War, and Running for President. He also has written 40 More Years: How the Democrats Will Rule the Next Generation (2009) and his most recent New York Times best-seller, It’s the Middle Class, Stupid!, co-authored with Stan Greenberg, with whom he

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UT alumna/leading dermatologist to visit mall Nov. 16

By Kevin Bucher

Come out and meet a leading dermatologist who received her medical degree from The University of Toledo; she will be at Sephora in the Westfield Franklin Park Mall Saturday, Nov. 16.

Dr. Audrey Kunin, a native Toledoan, board-certified dermatologist and founder of DERMAdoctor, will offer complimentary skin consultations from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the mall.

“I am thrilled to return to my hometown and offer my services, knowledge and expertise in the world of skin care at Sephora to my fellow Ohioans,” Kunin, a 1985 graduate of the former Medical College of Ohio, said.

The DERMAdoctor skin-care products were developed to provide a series of non-irritating, effective and pleasing treatments that blend skin rejuvenation with problem-solving remedies.

Kunin and her products have been featured in various publications, including The Wall Street Journal, The Chicago Tribune, WebMD and Newsweek.

She is a frequent guest on “The Dr. Oz Show,” as well as a blogger for DoctorOz.com.

She also has been featured as an expert dermatologist on QVC, the Discovery Network’s “Dr. Know” and “Fox & Friends” on Fox News.

Kunin is medical director of Kunin Cosmetic Dermatology and assistant clinical instructor of dermatology at the University of Kansas School of Medicine.

To book a one-on-one appointment in advance, call 419.471.0707; for more information, visit dermadoctor.com.

UT Community Charitable Campaign continues toward $150,000 goal

By Kim Goodin

More than 300 employees have pledged donations to this year’s University of Toledo Community Charitable Campaign (UTC3) as it heads into the homestretch.

With about $75,000 in pledges committed, Mike O’Brien, vice president and director of athletics and this year’s UTC3 chair, said there’s plenty of room to grow toward the campaign goal of $150,000.

“We’re looking forward to a lively last few weeks of the campaign as many of our donations come in toward the end,” O’Brien said. “With the hectic schedules we lead as a bustling university, it’s easy to let this slip through the cracks. Our employees’ participation is vital to the success of this campaign, so please look for the UTC3 emails if you haven’t yet contributed.”

“Every member of our campus community donates just a small amount, we’ll exceed our goal by thousands,” he continued. “Whether you target specific causes or a general organization, UTC3’s giving options are sure to meet your preferences. We do so many things as separate departments to help our

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Middle East scholar to speak on ‘Youth Movements and the Arab Revolutions’

Dr. Juan Cole, internationally renowned expert on the Middle East, will deliver the 13th annual Maryse and Ramzy Mikhail Memorial Lecture Sunday, Nov. 17, at 3:30 p.m. in the Driscoll Alumni Center Auditorium.

The title of his free, public lecture is ‘Youth Movements and the Arab Revolutions.’

Cole is the Richard P. Mitchell Collegiate Professor of History at the University of Michigan. For three decades, he has sought to put the relationship of the West and the Muslim world in historical context. His most recent book is Engaging the Muslim World (Palgrave Macmillan, 2009), and he also authored Napoleon’s Egypt: Invading the Middle East (Palgrave Macmillan, 2007).

He has been a regular guest on the PBS “NewsHour,” and also has appeared on “Nightline,” “The Today Show,” “Charlie Rose,” “Anderson Cooper 360,” “Countdown With Keith Olbermann,” “The Rachel Maddow Show,” “The Colbert Report,” “Democracy Now!” and many other programs.

Cole has written widely about Egypt, Iran, Iraq and South Asia. He has commented extensively on al-Qaeda and the Taliban, the Iraq War, the politics of Pakistan and Afghanistan, and Iranian domestic struggles and foreign affairs. He has a regular column at Truthdig and hosts a popular blog, Informed Comment, focused on Middle East affairs (juancole.com).

He continues to study and write about contemporary Islamic movements, whether mainstream or radical, Sunni and Salafi or Shiite. Cole commands Arabic, Persian and Urdu; reads some Turkish; and knows both Middle Eastern and South Asian Islam. He lived in various parts of the Muslim world for nearly 10 years and continues to travel widely there.

The Mikhail Lecture is made possible through the Maryse and Ramzy Mikhail Endowment Fund, established in 2000 by the Mikhail family.

“The purpose of the Mikhail Fund is to support an annual lecture dealing with Arab culture, literature, history, politics, economics or other broadly defined aspects of life in the Middle East,” said Dr. Jamie Barlowe, dean of the College of Languages, Literature and Social Sciences.

“The college is very excited about this year’s program as it addresses some timely issues related to current events in the Middle East.”

The lecture is co-sponsored by the UT College of Languages, Literature and Social Sciences with WGTE as media sponsor and support from the UT College of Law International Law Society.

For more information on the lecture, visit mikhaillecture.wordpress.com or email mikhaillecture@gmail.com.

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founded Democracy Corps, an independent polling nonprofit organization.

Carville is the second of four guests who will speak during the 2013-14 academic year as part of the Honors College Distinguished Lecture Series. Still to come will be business strategy expert Richard Rumelt Monday, Jan. 13, and Arizona State University President Michael Crow Monday, March 10.

In September, UT heard from education innovator Salman Khan, founder of Khan Academy.

All lectures will take place at 7 p.m. in Doermann Theater, and speakers will take audience questions.

Visit utoledo.edu/honorslecture to order tickets and learn more about the speakers.

“A distinguished lecture series sponsored at the university-wide level is something that top-tier universities provide to their students and to their communities, and UT is proud to offer the same for Toledo and northwest Ohio,” Scarborough said.

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The Schoolcraft to U programs will be housed in a 110,000-square-foot building on the Livonia campus, located on Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile roads, that will be designed to look and feel like UT’s campus classrooms. Students will be able to take UT programs in that building or online to complete their degree without leaving Livonia.

The University will provide scholarships to cover the out-of-state surcharge for Schoolcraft to U participants who, as UT students, can enjoy all of the student life opportunities such as attending Rocket athletic games for free. The program will coordinate student courses at Schoolcraft and on to UT to ensure a seamless transfer.

The Schoolcraft to U program also includes Wayne State University in midtown Detroit, which will offer engineering and business courses.

“Schoolcraft College is much more focused on helping its students earn a bachelor’s degree and beyond,” Schoolcraft College President Conway A. Jeffress said. “We selected Wayne State and The University of Toledo because we believe they have the programs that give our students their best chance of earning a degree and bettering their lives. We wanted to offer our students these highly employable degree programs without having to leave Livonia.”

The Schoolcraft to U partnership is part of UT’s efforts to attract students in southeast Michigan. The University has put its name out in the region through partnerships with the Detroit Tigers, Detroit Red Wings, WJR AM 760 and more. Those efforts have increased enrollment from students in the region by about 70 percent in the past six years.

“TOledo is only an hour away, but the perception is that it is much farther because we are in Ohio. Our marketing partnerships and this innovative Schoolcraft to U partnership are erasing that state-line barrier,” said Lawrence J. Burns, UT vice president for external affairs. “UT is committed to becoming a regional and global university to increase access to high-quality higher education, and this partnership with Schoolcraft will help do that.”

For additional information about the Schoolcraft to U partnership, visit schoolcraft.edu/ctou.
Pope Francis’ leadership style focus of annual Catholic lecture
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Since his election earlier this year, Pope Francis has been in the media on an almost constant basis, and for good reason, according to Dr. Peter Feldmeier, UT Thomas and Margaret Murray and James J. Bacik Professor of Catholic Studies.

Pope Francis, or Jorge Mario Bergoglio, was born in Argentina and became pope after the resignation of Pope Benedict XVI — something that hadn’t happened for almost 600 years. Francis also is the first Jesuit pope, the first pope from the Americas, and the first from the Southern Hemisphere.

But more than being a few firsts as far as popes go, Pope Francis has a style of leadership that is different from many of his predecessors, Feldmeier said.

“The big news that’s not just going around the Catholic church but around society right now is this new pope and the kind of energy that he’s inspiring and the direction of the church that he thinks needs to happen,” Feldmeier said.

Feldmeier will discuss the pope and his style in detail when he delivers the Murray/Bacik Lecture in Catholic Studies titled “Pope Francis and the Future of Catholicism.”

The free, public event, which is part of the UT Center for Religious Understanding’s fall lecture series, will be Wednesday, Nov. 13, 7 p.m. in Student Union Room 2592.

“I think people really want to know about him,” Feldmeier said. “He’s a culturally important person with a message that would feel relevant to anybody — Christians, non-Christians, Catholics and non-Catholics.”

A half-hour is set aside for questions after the hourlong lecture.

For more information on the Center for Religious Understanding, visit utoledo.edu/liss/philosophy/cfru.
Deinstitutionalization, anti-prison activism topic of Nov. 18 talk

By Kevin Bucher

Dr. Liat Ben-Moshe, UT assistant professor of disability studies, will give a talk discussing the activism behind abolishing the prison system in the United States as well as institutions for people labeled intellectually disabled.

The free, public event will take place Monday, Nov. 18, at 3:30 p.m. in the Canaday Center in Carlson Library.

Her talk is titled “Abolition Politics: Deinstitutionalization and Anti-Prison Activism in the U.S.” She will connect the activism behind closing down institutions for people known as intellectually disabled, as well as psychiatric hospitals and prisons.

Ben-Moshe believes attempting to reform prisons and institutions does not work and that a new approach is needed.

“We don’t need to reform these places; we don’t need to make them prettier or have more education programs; we need to close them down,” Ben-Moshe said. “More radical approaches need to be taken as opposed to specific narrow approaches to issues of crime and disability.”

The talk is targeted to people who don’t really know anything about these fields, she added. One goal is to let people know what is happening in this country in terms of incarceration and institutionalization and also to educate them about the resilience of the activism around it.

Ben-Moshe began teaching at UT in August. Previously, she taught at the University of Illinois in Chicago. She obtained her doctorate from Syracuse University.

She said she came to UT because it is one of the few universities in the nation that has a disability studies program.


“I think it’s really important for people at The University of Toledo to understand how unique it is to have an opportunity to study with people who do this work because it doesn’t exist at all on most college campuses,” Ben-Moshe said.

For more information, contact the Disability Studies Program at 419.530.7244.
NY fringe theater hit ‘Out to Lunch’ to be staged by UT Department of Theatre and Film

By Angela Riddel

The University of Toledo Department of Theatre and Film will present Joseph Langham’s “Out to Lunch” Friday through Sunday, Nov. 15-17, and Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 21-24, in the Center for Performing Arts Center Theatre.

Dr. Edmund Lingan, associate professor and interim chair of the UT Department of Theatre and Film, will direct the production.

When it opened in New York in 2002, Martin Denton reviewed the play for NYtheatre.com: “... absolutely deserves to be seen. It’s a fancy, wildly subversive, brazenly political, dada feast; think ‘Laugh In’ … I don’t know — Jerry Springer? ‘Out to Lunch’ is smart and shameless and sassy and inventive and raw and anarchic and disorganized.”

Lingan, who performed one of the lead roles in the extended New York run of “Out to Lunch,” has reasons to return to this play as a director at the University.

According to Lingan, “Out to Lunch” was first produced as part of the New York International Fringe Festival Aug. 9, 2002.

On the surface, this play is a ludicrous, madcap romp of a farce that tells the story of two “camper” customers in a restaurant who just refuse to leave and the hopeless efforts of the restaurant staff to drive them away, he said.

The play is loaded with physical comedy, comic song and crazy dance. It is set in a vividly colored, cartoonish world, in which some people have plastic hair, the restaurant manager longs to dance the ballet, and the waitress threatens to kill her annoying customers with a butter knife.

But there is more to this play than its farcical surface. It opened in New York City less than one year after Sept. 11, 2001.

“For all its comic elements, the play takes a concerned look at the madness and violence that seemed to impose itself on the U.S. around that time,” Lingan said.

“With a brief moment of comic nudity and a ludicrous depiction of violence, ‘Out to Lunch’ ponders the obsession with Internet porn, the distance between human beings that sometimes results from and feeds into cyber-communication, and the harsh motivations behind mass murder.

“It’s a screwball comedy written from the standpoint of a playwright who was freshly jaded by unprecedented violence. Nevertheless, ‘Out to Lunch’ does not fail to delight, invoke snickers and induce belly laughs. That paradox is what made me want to direct it. And that paradox is what will please and entertain Toledo audiences.”

Tickets are $12 for general admission; $10 for faculty, staff, alumni and seniors; and $5 for students. They can be purchased online at utoledo.edu/boxoffice, by calling 419.530.2375, or by visiting the Center for Performing Arts Box Office.

ON THE MENU: Dr. Edmund Lingan, UT associate professor and interim chair of theatre and film, shown here, will direct the UT production of “Out to Lunch.”

SISTERS CELEBRATE: Members of the Toledo Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., seated from left, Dr. Temeaka Gray, Robin Stone and Tiffany Bromfield, and standing from left, Ambershaun Byrd, Natasha Wedley and Pascha Jackson, recently had lunch at Gradkowski’s at the Gateway. Attending various events to celebrate the sorority’s 100-year anniversary, the women realized they had even more in common: working at the University. Gray is an assistant professor of nursing; Stone is director of TRIO student support services; Bromfield is hall director of Presidents Hall; Byrd is assistant director of TRIO student support services; Wedley is a consultant in Human Resources and Talent Development; and Jackson is a hospital counselor at the Kobacker Center. Ronata Bryant, hub director at Pickett Elementary School in the College of Social Justice and Human Service, arrived at the restaurant after the photo was taken. And a few sorority members who work at UT were not able to attend the get-together: Tamika Dobbins, interim dean for the student experience in Student Affairs; Jovonne Foster, manager of data support services in Quality Management; Sheree Madison-Emery, academic adviser in the College of Social Justice and Human Service; and Angela Siner, instructor in anthropology.

Photo by Crystal Hand
‘Warning Signs’ exhibition shows artist’s range, creativity

An exhibition of work by Tom Lingeman, UT professor of art, called “Warning Signs” will be held at the Secor Building, 425 Jefferson Ave., in Toledo.

The exhibition in the first floor Secor Gallery will open Saturday, Nov. 16, and run through Saturday, Dec. 14.

An opening reception with the artist will run from 4 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16. The Lori Lefevre Trio will perform at the event.

The opening reception for “Warning Signs” runs with and is included in the Arts Commission’s Holiday Loop. The show will feature Lingeman’s new sculpture, paintings and drawings, as well as a digital video loop titled “a walk in the park.”

“Almost all of the work in the show ‘Warning Signs’ has never been shown before and much of it, for me, is experimental,” Lingeman said. “I’ve made super-8 movies eons ago, but never an HD loop, like ‘a walk in the park’ that was ‘digitally appropriated’ in New York City.

“I’m also working with animal forms for the first time, inspired by my little dog, Tallie, and I’m infusing this work with many other elements unfamiliar to me,” he said. “This entire new body of work feels to me as if it might have been made by at least three artists.”

Lingeman has been teaching sculpture, design and drawing in the UT Department of Art since 1979.

He has shown his work in solo exhibitions at the Camara de Comercio in Toledo, Spain, and at the Glasgow School of Art in Glasgow, Scotland, as well as in national venues. Lingeman has permanent works of art in stainless steel and bronze inside the Juvenile Justice Center in Toledo, at Olander Park in Sylvania, and at The University of Toledo. In addition, he produced a work with glass artist M.E. Graham that is installed at the James Care Comprehensive Breast Center at Ohio State University in Columbus.

Lingeman received a bachelor of science degree from Ball State University in 1976 and a master of fine arts degree from Southern Illinois University in 1979.

He and his wife, Karen Roderick-Lingeman, UT senior lecturer in art, are represented by Hudson Gallery, 5645 Main St., Sylvania.

“Warning Signs” can be seen Tuesday through Saturday from 5 to 10 p.m.

For more information on the free, public exhibit, contact Lingeman at thomas.lingeman@utoledo.edu.

Works by area high school art teachers to be in spotlight

The Northwest Ohio High School Art Teachers Invitational Exhibition will open with a reception Friday, Nov. 15, at 6 p.m. in the Center for the Visual Arts Gallery on the UT Toledo Museum of Art Campus.

Creations by art teachers from 12 area high schools will be showcased in the exhibit. The show will include drawings, paintings, ceramics, photography, bookmaking and more.

Teachers and schools represented in the exhibition are:

• Wendy Murphy, Anthony Wayne High School;
• Brent Douge, Bedford High School;
• Lauren Smith, Eastwood High School;
• Katie Delay, Four County Career Center;
• Eric Robertson, Pike-Delta-York High School;
• Kristin Kowalski, Maumee Valley Country Day School;
• Kristin Johnson and Steve Wipfli, Ottawa Hills High School;
• Ann TenEyck, Rogers High School;
• Ellen Loeffler-Kalinoski and Rachel Ellis, St. Ursula Academy;
• Melinda Wagner Arrigo, Sylvania Southview High School;
• Patty Kehoe, Waite High School; and
• Matt Squib, Charley Drake and Lorna Lefevre Johnson, Whitmer High School.

The free, public exhibit will be on display through Saturday, Dec. 14. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

For more information, visit the UT Department of Art at utoledo.edu/cvpa/art.
Business innovation competition for UT community to start; informational workshop set for Nov. 14

By Bob Mackowiak

If you have a great business idea, you may win up to $10,000 to help make your concept become a reality in the fourth annual business innovation competition sponsored by The University of Toledo College of Business and Innovation.

The competition is open to all UT students, faculty and staff, while alumni can participate as a member of a team involving current students, faculty or staff.

“The first three years of the business competition were a remarkable success as we received dozens of entries from across the UT campuses,” said Dr. Sonny Ariss, professor and chair of the Management Department. “We are expecting another tremendous array of entries this year and trust the contest will continue to advance a creative culture of growth in all areas of the University.”

“The spirit of entrepreneurship is critically important to the ongoing success of every university and every community,” noted Dr. Thomas Sharkey, interim dean of the College of Business and Innovation. “That is why the college has stepped forward to be the sole sponsor of this event, providing all of the prize money.

“We strive to live up to our name, which incorporates both business and innovation,” Sharkey added. “The college is increasingly recognized on both national and international levels for providing a premier business education and for helping our students obtain internships while here and jobs upon graduation. This business competition truly reflects our emphasis on supporting innovation, fostering creative thinking, and nurturing the entrepreneurial environment that is so essential for the life and growth of this region.”

Ariss added, “Entrepreneurship within the corporate business structure, known as intrapreneurship, is also important today because corporate America is looking for innovative thinking from their employees.”

Ariss explained that competition entries must be submitted using Lean Launch Pad concepts that enable people to develop their business model upon nine basic building blocks: customer segments, value propositions, channels, customer relationships, revenue streams, key resources, key activities, key partnerships and cost structure.

“The College of Business and Innovation is ready to offer guidance to help these teams effectively implement their plans, emerge beyond the University, create jobs, and enhance area economic growth,” Ariss said.

There is no cost to enter the competition. Registration must be completed online. Winners must prove that they have formed an LLC or S Corp in order to receive the financial award.

The UT College of Business and Innovation is providing the following prize money:
- First place: $10,000;
- Second place: $5,000;
- Third place: $2,000; and
- Honorable mention: $500.

Those planning to enter the 2014 competition need to attend one of the two mandatory workshop sessions that will be offered, the first one on Thursday, Nov. 14, and the second one Tuesday, Jan. 28, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Savage & Associates Complex for Business Learning and Engagement PNC Entrepreneurship Lab Room 3100. Entries must be submitted by Friday, Feb. 21.

Finalists will be announced Friday, March 21.

Finalists will make an oral presentation about their business using the business model canvas Tuesday, April 8, between noon and 5:30 p.m. in the Savage & Associates Complex for Business Learning and Engagement PNC Entrepreneurship Lab Room 3100. Winners will be announced Tuesday, April 15.

To register or for more information, go to utoledo.edu/business.

Do You Have A Great Business Idea?

The University of Toledo faculty, staff, students and alumni are invited to participate in a business innovation competition detailing your unique business idea.

The College of Business and Innovation at UT is providing prize money of:
- First Place: $10,000
- Second Place: $5,000
- Third Place: $2,000
- Honorable Mention: $500

You’ll find the application instructions for this competition utilizing Lean Launch Pad concepts at utoledo.edu/business

- There is a mandatory workshop for those planning to enter the competition. It will be offered on Thursday, November 14, 2013 and again on Tuesday, January 28, 2014 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the PNC Entrepreneurship Lab, room 3100, Savage & Associates Complex for Business Learning and Engagement.
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- Winners will be announced April 15, 2014.
Honor society collecting blankets for area homeless

By Khyara Harris

The UT Mortar Board Honor Society will host its annual Wrap Up Toledo event to gather new or gently used blankets and donations for homeless shelters in the community.

At the event Saturday, Nov. 16, in the Health Education Center, 25 student organizations will race to build the best forts out of donated blankets and PVC pipes starting at 11:30 a.m. with judging to take place around 2:45 p.m., said Lindsey Hahn, UT student and member of the Mortar Board Honor Society.

Tricia Cullop, UT women’s basketball coach, will serve as the keynote speaker for the event and present a trophy to the winning student organization.

“All blankets will be donated to a range of homeless shelters within the community, including Western Avenue Ministries, Family House, St. Paul’s Community Center, Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission, Bethany House, Helping Hands of St. Louis and the Toledo YWCA,” Hahn said.

Donations can be made through wrapupamerica.org.

The Blade will donate 50 cents for each 99-cent, one-year subscription for students to the digital eBlade purchased at theblade.com/utdeal.

Papa John’s Pizza also is a sponsor offering free pizza vouchers for every two blankets or $5 donated to Wrap Up Toledo at its Dorr Street location.

Student to share how Smartpen technology can enhance educational experience at Nov. 13 event

By Samantha Watson

For some students, listening to the instructor while simultaneously taking notes in class can be a daunting task, but Audra Rec found a way to accomplish it using technology.

A Monroe, Mich., native and sophomore studying nursing at The University of Toledo, Rec uses a Livescribe Smartpen that her mother gave her when she graduated high school.

“I’ve been using the Livescribe Smartpen for more than three years,” said Rec, who has a learning disability. “I don’t know how I would pass school if I didn’t have it, and I think it’s an awesome tool that everyone should know about.”

The pen does more than write — it can record and play audio and record handwriting, uploading that information to a computer. Newer versions of the pen allow transfer of notes and audio through Wi-Fi and Bluetooth to tablets and other devices.

Rec believes the technology could benefit other students and is sharing her experiences at a public event Wednesday, Nov. 13, at 5:30 p.m. in Rocket Hall Room 1530. She will explain the basic uses of the pen and how it has helped her in college.

“The most helpful thing to me is that I can pay attention in class and then go back and listen again and interpret what’s being said,” she noted.

Rec works in the UT Office of Academic Access, where she explains the pen’s uses to other students. The office offers the pens for students to use and they also are for sale at the Barnes & Noble University Bookstore.

The Office of Academic Access also provides other services to students with disabilities: proctors for tests, note-takers for classes, adaptive software and more. Visit utoledo.edu/success/academicaccess.

Students turn out lights in BlackoUT energy saving competition

By Kevin Bucher

Students are helping conserve energy by participating in the BlackoUT competition throughout November.

Residence halls are competing to see which one can reduce energy usage the most from November of last year. The winning hall will receive a plaque that will hang in the building until the next energy competition in the spring.

“BlackoUT is a great way to bring attention to the massive amount of energy we consume globally and more specifically at UT,” said Brooke Mason, interim sustainability specialist.

Students are conserving energy by turning off lights when leaving rooms, unplugging electronics when not in use, and switching to energy-saving light bulbs. Mason also suggested washing only full loads of laundry and taking shorter showers, as well as adjusting thermostats before going to sleep or leaving for the day.

The competition is a partnership between the Sustainability Energy Efficiency and Design initiative, Facilities and Construction, and the Office of Residence Life.

For more information, visit http://utoledo.edu/blackout or email brooke.mason@utoledo.edu or erin.baker2@utoledo.edu.
University Women’s Commission seeks members

It’s simple: The more members the University Women’s Commission has, the more scholarships it can offer.

“All of our membership proceeds go to scholarships for women here at The University of Toledo,” said Kelly Andrews, senior associate athletics director/senior woman administrator in Intercollegiate Athletics, who is chair of the commission. “These deserving women are our priority, and our goal is to help as many of them as possible.”

Members of the campus community are invited to join the University Women’s Commission.

Annual membership costs $25 for UT employees and $10 for students, and is tax-deductible. Join or renew your membership by sending a check payable to the University Women’s Commission to Shari Grayczyk, mail stop 140, or go to utoledo.edu/commissions/uwc/membership.html.

Since 1981, the commission has made significant changes at UT; these include recognizing 145 outstanding women, establishing Apple Tree Nursery School, and providing scholarships to undergraduate women. The main goal of the commission is to support women at UT and help them flourish professionally.

For more information, contact Andrews at 419.530.2810 or kelly.andrews@utoledo.edu.

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Thank you to our partners: The University of Toledo College of Medicine and Life Sciences, Office of Student Diversity Recruitment & Retention, and HSC Student Affairs and Career Advising.
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to emails received from the campaign. By entering a supplied user code and a password, users view a variety of organizations and match their giving preferences with organizations that reflect their charitable passions.

Paper pledges may be turned in to the following UTC3 representatives as well:

- Donna Braswell, Wolfe Building Room 1235L, Main Campus, or send to mail stop 601, or
- Vicki Riddick, Dowling Hall Room 3347, Health Science Campus, or send to mail stop 1084.

To receive a paper pledge, call 419.383.6406 or email vicki.riddick@utoledo.edu.

The UT community also can donate to causes not specifically listed, such as UT’s organ donation program or autism center, by indicating the program in the online donation process.

Those who donate more than $75 will be guests of honor during a celebratory event Thursday, Dec. 12, at 8:30 a.m. in the Savage Arena Joe Grogan Room. Prizes, including UT clothing, gift certificates for businesses on and off campus, athletic tickets and more will be distributed during the event, which also will include breakfast and an unveiling of UT’s final donation total. O’Brien and UT mascots Rocky and Rocksy will attend as well.

UT employees may schedule graduate photos

Faculty and staff or members of their families who will graduate from UT in December may contact the University Communications Office if they wish to have a photo taken and published in UT News.

Call Laurie Flowers at 419.530.2002 to schedule an appointment before Friday, Dec. 20.

Photos will appear in an upcoming issue of the paper.
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