

UT receives major SSOE gift to elevate entrepreneurship in engineering

By Jon Strunk

The University of Toledo College of Engineering has received a substantial multi-year gift from Toledo-based engineering, architectural and construction management firm SSOE Group to further nurture entrepreneurial potential among UT engineering graduates.

“Not only has SSOE greatly contributed to the design and beauty of so many buildings at The University of Toledo, but the firm has long been a great partner of the College of Engineering,” said Dr. Steven LeBlanc, interim dean of the college.

LeBlanc said the gift will go toward supporting UT’s Engineering Technopreneurship Initiative, a specialized training program designed to ensure that engineering graduates develop an

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INVESTING IN THE FUTURE: Dr. Steven LeBlanc, interim dean of the College of Engineering, left, introduced Bob Howell, CEO-elect of the SSOE Group, center; and Tony Damon, CEO and president of SSOE, who announced the Toledo company’s gift to support UT’s Engineering Technopreneurship Initiative.

UT extends partnership with Detroit Red Wings

By Aimee Portala

Since 2010, fans of the Detroit Red Wings may have noticed branding for The University of Toledo throughout Joe Louis Arena.

“After UT merged with the Medical College of Ohio [in 2006], we examined opportunities for enrollment growth,” said Lawrence J. Burns, vice president for external affairs. “We created a scholarship program to make our tuition more affordable for students from southeast Michigan.”

In an attempt to attract students from counties in southeast Michigan, including

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Canaday Center acquires works of nationally syndicated cartoonist and UT alum

The creative work of Peter Hoffman, a nationally syndicated cartoonist who created the “Jeff Cobb” comic strip, has been donated by his family to the Ward M. Canaday Center for Special Collections at The University of Toledo.

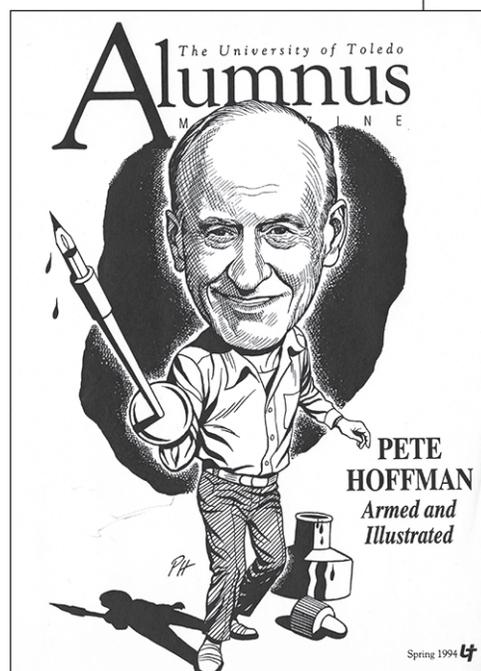
The collection consists of nearly 5,000 drawings by Hoffman and documents more than 20 years of his work.

Hoffman, a UT alumnus, died in 2013 at age 94.

The collection includes Hoffman’s original drawings for the Cobb strip from 1954 to 1978, as well as illustrations he did for another syndicated strip he produced from 1950 to 1978 titled “Why We Say.” This work, which he wrote as well as illustrated, explained the meaning of common words and phrases. Both “Why We Say” and “Jeff Cobb” were syndicated by General Features Corp. and ran in more than 100 newspapers in the United States, Europe, South America and Canada.

Hoffman began drawing as a child while enrolled in Warren School in Toledo. His first

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FROM THE DRAWING BOARD: Pete Hoffman drew a self-portrait, left, for the cover of a 1994 issue of the UT Alumni Magazine. The cartoonist was known for his comic strip, “Jeff Cobb,” above, about an investigative newspaper reporter.

Trustees approve human trafficking institute, review economic development efforts

By Jon Strunk

The University of Toledo Board of Trustees established a new institute to continue UT’s leadership in the fight against human trafficking and heard a rollout of a new branding effort for a piece of the institution’s economic development efforts at its Nov. 17 meeting.

UT Innovation Enterprises will be renamed Rocket Innovations, shift its reporting lines, and reduce its annual operating costs by \$200,000, announced Rhonda Wingfield, University director of budget and planning, and interim CEO for Rocket Innovations.

Assuming the role of interim CEO will be the newly established position of executive director for Rocket Innovations, Wingfield said.

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IN THE ARENA: Lawrence Burns, UT vice president for external affairs, left, posed for a photo with Ryan Carlson, customer relationship manager and marketing analyst for the Detroit Red Wings, center, and Tom Wilson, president and CEO of Olympia Entertainment, at Joe Louis Arena Nov. 21 when they announced the University and the team extended their partnership.

Wayne, Oakland and Macomb, the University searched for recognizable organizations and brands throughout the region.

“The Red Wings are an iconic team with a rich history. They are recognized regionally, nationally and internationally,” Burns said. “The Red Wings are well-respected in the National Hockey League and across the nation.”

UT recently agreed to extend its relationship with the Red Wings for an additional three years.

“With this extension, we are showing that we’re committed to this partnership for the long haul,” Burns said.

Prior to partnering with the Red Wings, UT enrolled approximately 300 new students from Michigan each year. This fall, 782 students from throughout southeast Michigan enrolled at the University.

“UT is close and affordable for out-of-state students, especially those located in southeast Michigan,” Burns said.

Since 2010, UT’s efforts to attract students from southeast Michigan have resulted in partnerships with the Detroit Tigers and the Detroit Lions.

UT also has expanded its reach to northeast Ohio, partnering with the Cleveland Indians and the Cleveland Cavaliers.

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entrepreneurial mindset, whether they would choose to pursue their careers within established organizations or in startups.

“SSOE is pleased to continue our long association with the UT College of Engineering with this multi-year commitment to the University and the Engineering Innovation Fund,” said Tony Damon, CEO and president of SSOE.

Bob Howell, SSOE’s CEO-elect, re-emphasized the company’s continued support of the University, saying, “We have relied on the college to provide us with the professional talent we need to deliver world-class projects for our global clients since Al Samborn, a 1939 UT alumnus, founded the company here in Toledo in 1948. We are confident our contribution will help underwrite the development of young engineering talent with the innovative spirit and skills necessary to continue to produce world-class engineering graduates at UT.”

SSOE’s gift will be used to design, assemble and implement a sustainable framework starting the freshman year while promoting the areas of design, entrepreneurship and technology commercialization. The framework will initially be centered around an enhanced freshman design experience, LeBlanc said.

“SSOE is an international organization headquartered in northwest Ohio, and this leadership gift speaks to its commitment to the future of this community,” said Vern Snyder, UT vice president for institutional advancement.

“I want to thank Tony Damon, Bob Howell and all at SSOE who support The University of Toledo through gifts like this and, just as importantly, through the hiring and career development of UT graduates,” said UT Interim President Nagi Naganathan. “This is an example of how two organizations can work together to elevate innovation and entrepreneurship and caliber of the professional work force in our region to the benefit of the entire community.”

Reporting for duty



Photo by Daniel Miller



UT Police Officer Kevin Zimmerman and his new partner, Quinty, were introduced to the campus and Toledo communities Nov. 18 at a press event, left. At right, Zimmerman and the explosives-detection canine are shown during training in Columbus, where they worked together for five weeks. Quinty, a male Belgian Malinois, received an additional five weeks of training prior to meeting Zimmerman.

Trustees

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The executive director will lead UT's business incubator efforts, oversee its professional entrepreneurs-in-residence, and manage its investment fund. The executive director will report to the vice president for research, Dr. William Messer, with a dotted line to the Rocket Innovations Board of Directors (formerly the UT Innovation Enterprises Board of Directors). The Board of Directors will have a dotted line reporting relationship to the UT president.

Wingfield told trustees that nearly eight years after its initial establishment with \$10 million, the investment fund had just under \$1 million that had not yet been committed. She summarized Rocket Innovations current equity holdings, as well as the economic impact that UT faculty, researchers and students have had on job creation, internships and companies created from faculty technology.

State and local elected officials attended the meeting to speak in support of the trustees' approval of a UT Human Trafficking and Social Justice Institute in the College of Social Justice and Human Service.

Dr. Celia Williamson, UT professor of social work and a national expert in combating human trafficking, will lead the institute. Many of the professionals who are well-situated to recognize and report possible trafficking — teachers and health-care professionals, for example — will be educated on how to spot



Photo by Daniel Miller

MAKING A DIFFERENCE: Dr. Celia Williamson, professor of social work, recommended the establishment of a Human Trafficking and Social Justice Institute during the UT Board of Trustees meeting Nov. 17. State Sen. Edna Brown, State Rep. Teresa Fedor and Lucas County Prosecutor Julia Bates also spoke at the meeting about the importance of forming the institute. Trustees unanimously approved the new institute.

it as part of their UT curriculum, which the institute will organize.

State Sen. Edna Brown, State Rep. Teresa Fedor and Lucas County Prosecutor Julia Bates attended the meeting, praised Williamson and UT for their efforts, and spoke in support of the institute.

Assistant professor receives Discover Award for research

By Cassandra DeYoung

The Ohio Cancer Research Associates recognized Dr. Steve Sucheck, UT associate professor of chemistry, with the Discover Award at the Annual Grand Illusions Sauté in October.

This award honors Sucheck's research in receiving funds from the National Institutes of Health and gaining recognition at the national level.



Sucheck

Sucheck's work was originally funded by the Ohio Cancer Research Associates, an organization that generates cancer awareness and fund seed money for

research projects.

Over the last nine years, Sucheck has been working on two main projects.

The first project may lead to improved treatments for cancer. It involves using protein-carbohydrate interactions to manipulate immune responses. It is believed that anti-cancer treatments can be improved by directing weak tumor antigens to antigen-presenting cells — a critical step in generating an immune-based antitumor effect.

"We have grown this program in collaboration with immunologist Dr. Katherine Wall [professor and chair of the UT Department of Medicinal and Biological Chemistry] and have recently found our vaccine design enhances both the cell-mediated and antibody responses, which are both important for killing cancer cells," Sucheck said. "We are now beginning to synthesize next-generation immunotherapeutics that we believe will offer further advantages."

The second project may lead to therapies to treat tuberculosis. It involves studying enzyme inhibitors in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (*Mtb*), the infectious etiological agent of TB. This work has become increasingly urgent over the years due to the drug-resistant strains of *Mtb* making many cases of TB almost impossible to treat.

"In this program, we have been working closely with biochemist and structural biologist Dr. Donald Ronning [UT associate professor of chemistry], who has been able to solve the X-ray structures of a number of our enzyme inhibitors bound to these enzymes," Sucheck said. "These structural studies will allow us to design improved inhibitors as we move forward."

Together, these two programs have generated \$2.4 million for research funding at The University of Toledo.

Interim President Nagi Naganathan will hold a town hall meeting for faculty, staff and students Wednesday, Dec. 10, at noon in the Student Union South Lounge.

Questions can be asked in person, submitted to townhallquestions@utoledo.edu, sent to @utpresident on Twitter, or posted on UT's Facebook page.

In the spirit of the season, employees who are attending the President's Holiday Reception are asked to bring nonperishable food items and toiletries to benefit the new UT Student Food Pantry.

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published work was a drawing of cowboys and Indians he submitted to the Toledo Times newspaper when he was 4 years old. He took art classes at Scott High School when he was a student there.

At UT, he received a bachelor's degree in advertising and marketing in 1941, and served as art editor for the University's yearbook and staff cartoonist for The Campus Collegian newspaper from 1937 to 1941. While a student, Hoffman met local Toledo cartoonists Allen Saunders and Elmer Woggon, creators of the nationally distributed "Steve Roper" comic strip.

After college, Hoffman worked briefly in the advertising department for Tiedtke's, the popular downtown Toledo department store. He quit that job to join the Army Air Corps, where he served in England during World War II, becoming a captain and winning the Bronze Star. He also illustrated several wartime publications.

When Hoffman returned from the war, he visited Saunders and Woggon, who were impressed with the work he had done in the Army. They hired him to be the ghost illustrator of "Steve Roper," a job Hoffman did from 1945 to 1954.

It was during the time that he was illustrating "Steve Roper" that he started the "Why We Say" strip. He also became interested in developing his own narrative strip, which led to "Jeff Cobb." Cobb was a handsome investigative reporter for the fictional Daily Guardian newspaper. Hoffman not only illustrated the strip, but he researched and wrote each one, which were based loosely on real crimes. In the later years of the strip's publication, Cobb became known for the patch he wore over one eye, the result of an arson investigation that played itself out in the pages of the strip. Because readers reacted well to the change in his appearance and it made Cobb distinctive, Hoffman continued to draw Cobb with the eye patch for the rest of the strip's existence.

In an interview in 1985, Hoffman said he often patterned his cartoon characters after prominent figures of the day such as John L. Lewis, Aristotle Onassis and Bob Hope. The dog in the strip was drawn to resemble Hoffman's own dog, Candy.

The Canaday Center had acquired a small collection of Hoffman's drawings in 1985. "This addition expands greatly the center's

holdings on one of the University's most creative graduates," said Barbara Floyd, director of the center.

"Hoffman's drawings are incredibly detailed. They show such precision and carefulness in execution. They are examples of the high style of graphic illustration when comic strips looked almost like photographs, as compared to today's looser style," Floyd said.

In addition to the syndicated strips, the collection contains some of Hoffman's Toledo advertising work. For many years after his retirement, Hoffman drew illustrations for the UT Alumni Association, including the covers of many of the association's 50-year anniversary reunion booklets. He had a knack for capturing the essence of University personalities in these drawings, and they were popular among the UT alumni. Many of these illustrations also are included in the collection.

The collection was donated to the Canaday Center by Hoffman's niece, Sharyanne Kollin, and his nephew, Paul Hoffman.

"Considering Pete's fondness for The University of Toledo, he would certainly be very pleased knowing that his creative work was being cared for by the Canaday Center," Hoffman and Kollin said.

The collection is being organized, which will take several months due to the quantity of drawings. The collection will be open to researchers after it is processed and a guide is prepared, Floyd said.

The center also plans an exhibit of examples of Hoffman's work for later in 2015.

For more information, contact Floyd at 419.530.2170.



IN INK: Pete Hoffman was known for his "Jeff Cobb" comic strip and for illustrations of his alma mater, The University of Toledo.

Seeing stars



Find out how the jolly old elf uses astronomy to plan his annual trek in the new UT FullDome Studio production of "Santa's Secret Star," which will premiere Friday, Dec. 5, at 7:30 p.m. in Ritter Planetarium. Written in 1988 by Alex Mak, associate director of the planetarium, the new 3D immersive version of the show will continue on Fridays at 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 1 p.m. through Dec. 20. Cost is \$7 for adults; \$5 for children 12 and younger; seniors and UT community members; and free for kids 3 and younger.

Students to sell artwork at holiday sale Dec. 6

By Lindsay Mahaney

Whether it's holiday gifts or decorations for your own home, the student holiday sale will have what you're looking for.

The University of Toledo's Art Student League will host the annual student holiday sale Saturday, Dec. 6, from 5 to 10 p.m. on the sixth and seventh floors of the Secor Building, a Toledo art gallery located at 425 Jefferson Ave.

"It's a chance for the Art Department to get its name out there in the community and for emerging artists to get their own names out there and sell things," said Nikka Geiermann, art student and coordinator of the sale. "It offers experience for what selling things is like in the real world."

Student art of all kinds — ceramics, crafts, knitwear, paintings and more — will be for sale. Geiermann said that prices will vary depending on the type of art.

"We wanted it to be as open as possible — people who do fun, crafty things to fine art," Geiermann said. "So

even if they're a 3D art major, if they do knitting on the side and want to make mittens, they can do that. It gives a variety for people."

The Art Student League is a UT organization that works to enhance the experience for art majors and provide an outlet for all interested in art, both in the major and not.

"This is a good way to show our presence in the community," Geiermann said. "We're in college and making opportunities for ourselves and giving people opportunities to buy great gifts that are local, handmade and show support for the college community."

For more information, contact Geiermann at nikka.geiermann@rockets.utoledo.edu.

The Art Student League Presents:

The Student Holiday Sale
Dec. 6th

Creations by high school artists featured in exhibit

The University of Toledo Department of Art is hosting the "Focus 2014" exhibition, which features the best high school artwork from northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan.

The free, public show runs through Sunday, Dec. 7, in the UT Center for the

Visual Arts Gallery on the Toledo Museum of Art Campus.

Nearly 1,100 works created by high school students from more than 20 schools were juried at Sylvania Southview High School by a panel of artists and instructors. Some 200 pieces were selected for the

"Focus 2014," which is entering its 36th year.

High schools featured in the exhibit are Anthony Wayne, Bedford, Bowling Green, Bowsher, Bryan, Eastwood, Fremont Ross, Maumee, Monroe, Napoleon, Notre Dame Academy, Ottawa Hills, Pike-Delta-York,

Rogers, Springfield, Sylvania Northview, Sylvania Southview, Toledo School for the Arts, Whitmer and Woodmore.

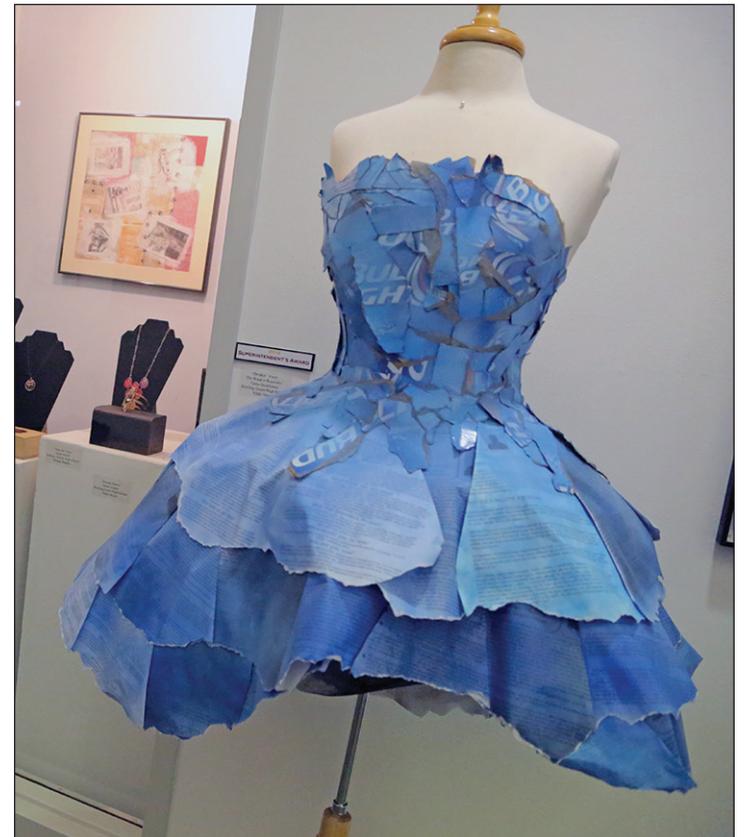
Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.



"Resting" by Jessica Scheuerman, Bedford High School



"Cassie" by Cassie Ilstrup, Whitmer High School



"Drinkin' Away: The Road to Recovery" by Tasha Quaintance, Bowling Green High School



"Van Gogh's Laundry," lint, by Haily Altman, Napoleon High School

Photos by Crystal Hand

UT researchers helping to discover osteoporosis and diabetes treatments

By Samantha Watson

Of Americans 50 and older, osteoporosis affects 55 percent and diabetes 20 percent, at an economic cost of the billions, but one research group may be a step closer to a solution for both.

Dr. Lance A. Stechschulte, a postdoctoral researcher in the laboratory of Dr. Beata Lecka-Czernik, professor in the Department of Orthopedic Surgery and the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology at The University of Toledo, recently won two awards for abstracts he submitted with his colleagues to the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research. The awards allowed him to present his research at the society's annual meeting in September in Houston.

"To me, it's an excellent thing to be able to share my work," he said. "Not only will everybody know what I'm working on, but it allows other colleagues to share their perspectives on my work to advance the projects. It also helps to come up with new ideas."

Lecka-Czernik's research group looks at PPAR γ , a nuclear receptor in the human body that regulates fatty acid storage, glucose metabolism and bone mass. Stechschulte's two abstracts focused on two different proteins that regulate PPAR γ activity — protein phosphatase 5 (PP5) and FK506-binding protein 51 (also called FKBP51).

The findings of his research are that when one of these proteins is missing, the result is higher bone mass, better insulin sensitivity, and reduced adiposity or fatness.

"The idea is that when you decrease PPAR γ activity causing fat development, it increases osteoblast activity, and you have higher bone mass," Stechschulte said.

The lab Stechschulte works in uses knockout mice — genetically engineered mice in which researchers have inactivated or "knocked out" an existing gene by replacing it or disrupting it with an artificial piece of DNA. In this case, the proteins FKBP51 and PP5 have been altered.

These mice were developed by Dr. Edwin Sanchez, UT professor in the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, and Dr. Weinian Shou, professor in the Department of Pediatrics

at the Indiana University School of Medicine.

"The knockout mice, they have almost zero body fat — and this is also seen in the bone marrow," Stechschulte said. "Fat tissue metabolism is linked to bone homeostasis. Fat in the bone may have a negative effect on bone turnover and it may cause decreased bone quality and increased incidence of fractures."

Researchers also have found that the PP5 knockout mice have higher energy expenditures and move around more. The mice without protein FKBP51 have higher energy expenditure and move around less compared to wild-type mice.

"As far as we know, they're perfectly healthy," Stechschulte said. "They're lipid-lean, they are protected from obesity, they have higher bone mass, and they have better insulin and glucose tolerance. These are two interesting models."

Stechschulte said that his research and other similar studies also might have an impact on treatment of diabetes.

"Bone homeostasis is also being connected to the regulation of diabetes as well, as the bone can signal to other tissues," he said. "A lot of the same factors involved in bone regulation also are involved in regulating other tissues — for example, adipose tissue."

Stechschulte began his research in this area as a PhD student at UT in the lab of Sanchez, looking at FKBP51. Now as a postdoctoral fellow, he looks at the effect of FKBP51 and PP5 proteins on bone with Lecka-Czernik.

Both professors are in the Center for Diabetes and Endocrine Research. Stechschulte's research is supported by a grant from the American Diabetes Association awarded to Lecka-Czernik.

Stechschulte plans to continue his research and eventually become a faculty member.



Photo by Daniel Miller

IN THE LAB: Dr. Lance Stechschulte sets up a real-time polymerase chain reaction plate to detect the expression of target genes.

UT community members: Enter business innovation competition

By Bob Mackowiak

University of Toledo students, faculty and staff who have a great business idea may win up to \$10,000 to help make that idea a reality in the fifth annual business innovation competition sponsored by the UT College of Business and Innovation.

Entries are due Friday, Feb. 20.

"The first four years of the business competition were a remarkable success as the College of Business and Innovation received dozens of entries from across 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. Gary Insch, dean of the College of Business and Innovation. "This business competition truly reflects our emphasis on supporting innovation, fostering creative thinking, and nurturing the entrepreneurial environment that is so essential for the economic growth of this region."

Ariss added, "Entrepreneurship is not only for people who want to start a business. Corporate America is also looking for innovative thinking from their employees, so intrapreneurship within the corporate business structure is also important today."

Ariss explained that competition entries must be submitted using Lean Launch Pad concepts, which 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 a 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.

The timeline for the 2015 competition is:

- Those planning to enter the competition need to attend a mandatory workshop session, which will be offered Thursday, Jan. 29, from noon to 1 p.m. in the PNC Entrepreneurship Lab, Savage & Associates Complex for Business Learning and Engagement Room 3100.
- Entries must be submitted by Friday, Feb. 20.
- Finalists will be announced Friday, March 20.
- Finalists will make oral presentations about their business using the business model canvas Tuesday, April 7, between noon and 5:30 p.m. in the PNC Entrepreneurship Lab, Savage & Associates Business Complex Room 3100.
- Winners will be announced Thursday, April 16.

The competition is open to all UT students, faculty and staff, while alumni can

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- There is one free workshop for those planning to enter the competition. It will be offered on **Thursday, January 29, 2015**, from noon to 1:00 p.m. in the PNC Entrepreneurship Lab, room 3100, Savage & Associates Complex for Business Learning and Engagement.
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participate as a member of a team involving current students, faculty or staff.

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

Dec. 3 is deadline to apply for MLK Scholarship

By Cassandra DeYoung

The Office of Student Financial Aid is accepting applications for the 2015 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship.

Undergraduate African Americans who are U.S. citizens and enrolled full time or part time at The University of Toledo are eligible to apply.

The application deadline is Wednesday, Dec. 3, and materials should be submitted

to the Office of Student Financial Aid in Rocket Solution Central, Rocket Hall Room 1200.

Applicants must have a 2014-15 Free Application for Federal Student Aid on file in the Office of Student Financial Aid and completed a minimum of 30 semester hours by the application deadline.

To be considered for this scholarship, a completed application form, along with two letters of recommendation — one from a professor or instructor — and two essays must be submitted.

Selection criteria for the scholarship include grade point average, extracurricular activities, civic or community service, professional goals, financial need as it

relates to all resources available to attend UT, and an interview.

Applications can be found at utoledo.edu/scholarships.

For more information, call the Office of Equity, Diversity and Community Engagement at 419.530.5538.

Associate professor's work screened at Ohio Independent Film Festival

Holly Hey, UT associate professor of film, has directed and edited a short film, "Bread Elegant," that was accepted into the 2014 Ohio Independent Film Festival.

The film was co-produced by Dr. Matt Bereza and Lee Fearnside, who are both faculty members at Tiffin University. It screened in June at the Collaboration and Innovation Across the Food System Conference at the University of Vermont in Burlington.

For the festival, "Bread Elegant" ran Nov. 6-9 at Atlas Cinemas Lakeshore 7 Theater in Euclid, Ohio.

The film demonstrates how to build a small brick oven with fire using found objects, and highlights how art and psychology intersect in the food systems world, as well as how local foods positively affect thought and behavior.

"Through primary research, we have learned that people who consistently consume sound food and nutrition have higher self-esteem, achieve higher in school, and have less aggressive behaviors," Bereza said. "My hope for the movie is to

demonstrate how over-regulated the local food initiative has become and how lay-people can create an adequate response."

The 10-minute film was shot on black-and-white film and has a soundtrack designed and performed by Bereza.

In addition to editing and directing the project, Hey served as the cinematographer. She describes herself as an "undependent" filmmaker and an experimental weaver of media who strives to provoke active relationships between her cinematic art and the diverse audiences that it reaches.

Her work employs a wide range of practice, including single-channel work that is screened within film festivals, micro-cinemas and on public broadcast stations, mixed-media and installation art that is shown in galleries, and live performance and multimedia integration within performance art, and the performing arts of theater and music. She views each practice as an opportunity to intersect or to undermine conventional methods for telling stories via the moving image.

Watch the film at <http://utole.do/breadelegant>.



ON THE SCREEN: "Bread Elegant," which was directed and edited by Holly Hey, UT associate professor of film, was included at the recent Ohio Independent Film Festival.

Alumnus to sign copies of new book

Steve Christie will talk about his new book titled *Not Really "Of" Us: Why Do Children of Christian Parents Abandon the Faith?* Tuesday, Dec. 9, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the Ward M. Canaday Center for Special Collections on the fifth floor of Carlson Library.

A book-signing event will follow his free, public talk.

Christie is a registered nurse who received a bachelor's degree in psychology in 1994 and a master of business

administration degree in management in 2001 from UT.

In the book, Christie discusses why children raised as Christians often leave their faith when they are in their 20s. He explains how parents can help children who are questioning their faith, and how they might help children who already have left their religion re-connect to it.

For more information on the book, see notreallyofus.com.

Film professor screens work in New York

Tammy Kinsey, UT professor of film, showed one of her works, "Cavellini on Ice," in New York City last month.

The film was shown at WhiteBox in New York City as part of the Cavellini Festival, a three-day celebration of the Italian artist held at WhiteBox, Lynch Tham, Richard L. Feigen & Co. Gallery, and the Museum of Modern Art.

Kinsey made the piece with artist and filmmaker Jean Kusina. "Cavellini on Ice" is both a tribute to the late artist as well as a parody of artistic self-promotion.

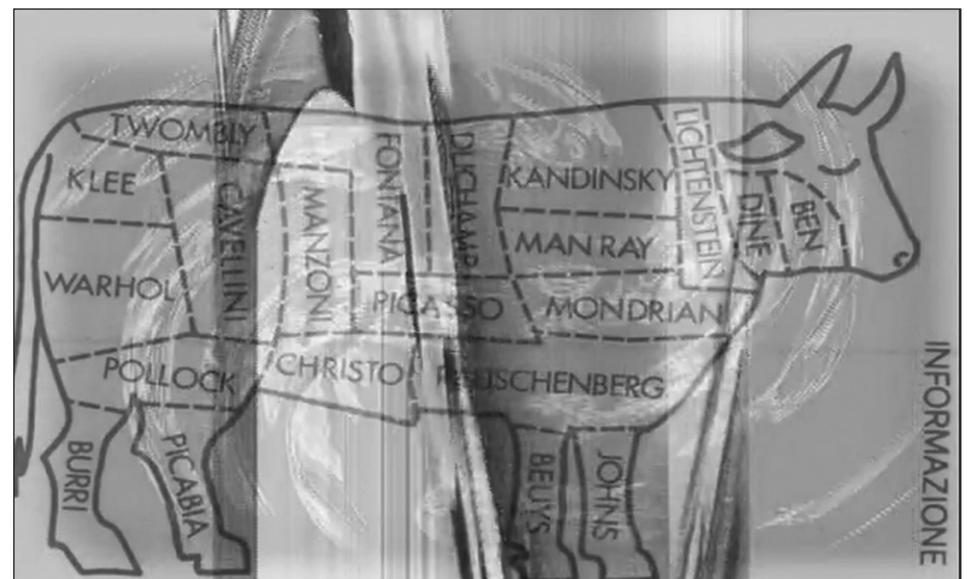
"When Cavellini coined the term 'autostoricizzazione,' which means self-historicization, he embarked on an unmatched journey of self-promotion that has left him much beloved by creative spirits everywhere and in a unique place in

art history," Kinsey said. "Yet on the 100th anniversary of his birth, Cavellini himself might have been surprised by the vast sea of promotional press releases, publicity photos and the barrage of social media that seem to be more about promoting the artist rather than making art matter.

"In a nod to Cavellini, this short, experimental film pokes fun at the shameless self-promotional tactics that artists sometimes employ to try to make a name for themselves," Kinsey said.

In addition to their individual artistic and scholarly productions, Kinsey and Kusina frequently collaborate on works as an artistic partnership, The Kinsinas.

Watch "Cavellini on Ice" at <http://utole.do/cavellini>.



ARTISTIC TRIBUTE: This still is from "Cavellini on Ice," a short by Tammy Kinsey, UT professor of film, and artist and filmmaker Jean Kusina.

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\$55,000 available in grants from Women & Philanthropy

Friday, Feb. 13, is the deadline to submit an application for a grant from Women & Philanthropy at The University of Toledo.

UT staff, faculty and students from all campuses are eligible to apply. Women & Philanthropy grant applications are available at <http://utole.do/16>. To be considered for a grant, applicants must adhere to all of the grant application and guidelines.

The Women & Philanthropy Grants Committee will review and evaluate the applications, and the general membership votes to determine the grant recipient(s). Grant amounts vary from year to year.

For 2015, Women & Philanthropy has allocated \$55,000 to award in grants for UT projects and programs.

Grant recipients are generally announced in May.

The inaugural grant, in the amount of \$15,000, was awarded in 2008 to Carlson Library to commission a glass sculpture by the late artist Thomas McGlaughlin. That sculpture, "A University Woman," is on display in the library concourse and

has become the model for the Women & Philanthropy logo.

Since then, Women & Philanthropy has funded classrooms, an art gallery, locker room enhancements, a "sensory friendly" medical examination room, the hospitality area in the William and Carol Koester Alumni Pavilion, renovations to the Savage Arena Media Room, and computer-based educational computer displays in Ritter Planetarium and the Lake Erie Center, a computer lab in the Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women, and a Student and Family Room in the College of Adult and Lifelong Learning.

In seven years, Women & Philanthropy has gifted \$248,831 in 12 grants to The University of Toledo, according to Chris Spengler, director of advancement in Institutional Advancement, and member of and administrative contact for the organization. Women & Philanthropy is able to give substantial gifts to the University by pooling its members' resources and making monetary awards in the form of grants.

In memoriam

Alfred E. Gabrys, Toledo, a former volunteer with the Satellites Auxiliary, died Nov. 17 at age 83. He was a member of the advisory board and served as the vice president for finances, and also was an ambassador.

Joseph P. Granata, Toledo, who taught engineering courses for a time, died Nov. 22 at age 83.

Frances E. "Fran" (Trumbull) Link, Toledo, a former volunteer with the Satellites Auxiliary, died Nov. 16 at age 89. She was a member of the advisory board and served as recording secretary.

Violet R. Pochadt, Toledo, a secretary in the College of Education from 1974 until her retirement in 1989, died Nov. 19 at age 87.

Dr. Edward R. Savolaine, Westerville, Ohio, a faculty member at MCO for more than two decades, died Nov. 10 at age 76. He was hired as an assistant professor in the Department of Radiology, and was promoted to associate professor in 1980 and professor in 1989. Savolaine received a joint appointment as an associate professor in neurological surgery in 1986 and was promoted to professor in the Department of Neurosciences in 1999. He received tenure in 1994 and was named professor emeritus when he retired in 2000.

Dr. Calman Winegarden, Toledo, a UT faculty member for 27 years, died Nov. 16 at age 95. He joined the University in 1962 as an instructor in the Department of Economics and worked his way up to professor. His research focused on economics and demography. Winegarden was a member of the UT chapter of the American Association of University Professors. When he retired in 1989, he was named research professor emeritus.



Winegarden

Laurene E. Zaporozhetz, Huber Heights, Ohio, a former dean of University Libraries, died Nov. 15 at age 63. She served as dean from 1999 to 2001.

UT merchandise to be featured in Costco holiday sale

This holiday season, The University of Toledo will have officially licensed products available for purchase at Costco, 3405 W. Central Ave.

UT gear and products will be available beginning Friday, Dec. 5, through the week of Dec. 22.

In addition to the in-store presence, UT items also will be included in Costco Connection magazine and on the retailer's Facebook page.

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Main Office
5248 Hill Avenue



World sampler



Jiangli Cao worked on a Chinese bracelet as part of the International Village last month. The event was one of many held during International Education Week.



Michelle Ploeger, international education specialist and coordinator of International Education Week, checked out sweet treats from Al Madinah Al Monawwarah, Saudi Arabia, served up by Mona Alreshidi, center, and Durar Samman at International Village.



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Thursday, December 11, 2014

4-5 p.m.

Collier Building, Room 1000B

The University of Toledo Health Science Campus

Reception to Follow

**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. 19.

Photos will appear in an upcoming issue of the paper:

AIDS Awareness Gala to take place Dec. 5

The African Peoples Association will hold the fifth annual AIDS Awareness Gala Friday, Dec. 5, in the Student Union Auditorium.

For the event, the association is collaborating with Delta Sigma Theta Inc., the Student National Pharmaceutical Association, the Center for International Studies and Programs, the Ryan White Program, Spectrum, the National Society of Black Engineers and the Lucas County Department of Health.

Doors will open at 7 p.m.

The gala with a formal dress code — black, red and white — will feature singing, dancing, giveaways, and poetry by UT students, along with speakers who will discuss the effects of the AIDS and Ebola viruses.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at the Ask Rocky Desk in the Student Union and at the door.

This year, a portion of the ticket sales will be donated to the Doctors Without Borders to help fund Ebola relief in West Africa.

Free HIV testing also will be available during the event.

“This year, the goal is to let everyone know that if we want to eradicate these viruses, we have to be informed and united before we can accomplish anything,” said Victor Aberdeen Jr., UT senior majoring in communication and English, and president of the African Peoples Association.

For more information on the gala, contact Aberdeen at victor.aberdeen@rockets.utoledo.edu or 614.707.8302.

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AWARENESS GALA

December 5th 2014
Student Union Auditorium

Doors open at 7pm

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