Rockets in hog heaven

Running back Marc Remy carried the ball nine times for 33 yards as the Toledo Rockets upset the No. 18 Arkansas Razorbacks, 16-12, in front of a crowd of 49,591 Saturday in War Memorial Stadium in Little Rock. Junior wide receiver Corey Jones, right, celebrated his five-yard touchdown with wide receiver Alonzo Russell during the first quarter of the game. It was UT’s first win over a Southeastern Conference team and the first time the Rockets defeated a Top 25 non-conference opponent on the road.

Rocket to a Cure with The University of Toledo

By Samantha Watson

One in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime, and many of those diagnosed won’t have the same access to health-care resources and support.

That’s why The University of Toledo is joining the fight and participating in the 22nd annual Komen Northwest Ohio Toledo Race for the Cure Sunday, Sept. 27.

The team, Rocket to a Cure, will be led by Dr. Sharon L. Gaber, UT president, and Sharon Speyer, chair of the UT Board of Trustees.

This cause is close to Gaber and Speyer; both women are breast cancer survivors.

“As a cancer survivor, I am exceedingly grateful for those that came before me to raise money and awareness toward breast cancer research,” Speyer said. “When learning about my diagnosis, my first reaction was shock and fear. However, once I learned about the medical advancements, I had hope.”

To join UT’s team or make a donation, visit utole.do/cure.

Registration is $30 per adult and $20 per youth.

Participants will receive a T-shirt and a specially designed hat in addition to making a difference in breast cancer care, support and research.

UT also will offer two shuttle buses to the event for students. Buses will leave at 8:15 a.m. from the Main Campus bus loop and travel to Monroe Street and N. Superior Street downtown and return to Main Campus around noon.

“Whether you’re a cancer survivor yourself, know someone who’s been touched by this terrible disease, or would like to join our team in memory of a loved one, we’d be honored to have you run or walk with us,” Gaber said.

UT Police Department adds mobile phone app, body cameras to force

By Samantha Watson

It’s the start of another school year and The University of Toledo Police Department is ready to keep campus safe with the help of new equipment and officers.

A new smartphone safety application and body cameras for each patrolling officer have joined the force for the 2015-16 academic year.

The Rave Guardian smartphone app, which is free for all UT students, faculty and staff, has several features, including a safety timer and panic button to immediately call campus or local police in an emergency; it’s like putting the code blue emergency phones on campus right in your pocket. It also includes a unique safety-monitoring feature that allows trusted friends or ”guardians” to receive texts or email alerts along with the GPS location of the phone in an emergency. Crime tips also can be sent directly to campus police through the application.

Student-created safety profiles in the application can provide details such as medical information directly to campus safety officials so that they can better respond to your emergency situation.

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While UT student retention increases, enrollment dips for fall

By Jon Strunk

University of Toledo undergraduate retention increased nearly 2 percentage points while total enrollment dipped, according to official 15-day census numbers released by UT last week.

“Our first-year to second-year undergraduate retention number is higher than it has been in more than a decade. Once we get our students enrolled, more of them than ever are receiving the resources they need to succeed and earn a degree,” said President Sharon L. Gaber, thanking the faculty and staff who create the environment achieving higher graduation rates,” she said.

In fall 2015, UT enrolled 20,325 students. At the same time last year, the University’s enrollment was 20,626. The majority of the decrease came among graduate students, which dropped from 4,536 in 2014 to 4,257 this year.

“The University of Toledo is committed to increasing scholarship and externally funded research,” Gaber said. “While this is critical to recruiting and retaining top faculty, it also plays an essential role in graduate student recruitment. Refocusing UT’s efforts in this area is critical financially, but also as we seek to advance our reputation on the national stage. Research thrives at great universities.”

In the past months, The University of Toledo has engaged enrollment consultant Ruffalo Noel Levitz as it continues its efforts to increase student populations across the institution.

“Student recruitment and academic success are the responsibility of every UT faculty and staff member,” Gaber said. “We all play an important role creating the culture that we are asking students to join. UT offers students far-reaching educational opportunities, and it is up to every one of us to communicate that message.”

Rocket Wheels set to cruise on campus

By Cassandra DeYoung

This week, The University of Toledo will introduce a new bike share program for students called Rocket Wheels, which is sponsored by the Office of the Provost.

“There are a lot of different benefits to having this program,” said Diana Watts, transit service coordinator in the UT Department of Transit Services. “It reduces the carbon footprint on campus, which is one of UT’s initiatives, and it provides health and wellness, and allows students to get closer to their destination than they can with a vehicle.”

An official ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place at Rocket Hall later in September.

Students can check out bikes on Main Campus near Rocket Hall by the horse sculptures, near the south entrance of Palmer Hall, and on the northeast side of the West Parking Garage. Bikes must be returned to the same location from where they were checked out.

Registration is free and is available to all UT students in good standing.

To register, visit utoledo.edu/rocket-wheels. Processing may take up to 48 hours.

“The bike carousals will look like a vending machine with keys inside,” Watts said. “A student who is registered can swipe their UT card to get the bike. A student who is not registered can swipe and their card will be processed. Processing may take up to 48 hours.

“Clearly, we are disappointed by the decrease in enrollment, and we have a lot of work ahead of us to reverse this trend and grow the number of students taking UT courses,” Gaber said.

In addition to enrollment increases, one of Gaber’s primary goals is to boost retention and graduation rates. The state of Ohio’s subsidy formula for higher education is now based on course and degree completion rather than the number of students enrolled.

“Increased retention is key to ultimately achieving higher graduation rates,” she said.

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Tee time

Toledo Head Golf Coach Jamie Broce will be one of 10 players to represent Team USA in the PGA Cup this weekend. Broce and Team USA will compete against Great Britain and Ireland for the Llandudno International Trophy Friday through Sunday, Sept. 18-20, at the CordeValle Golf Club in San Martin, Calif. He was named to the team after the PGA Professional National Championship at the Philadelphia Cricket Club in July. Broce is entering his fourth season as Toledo’s head men’s golf coach. He has guided the Rockets to a top-three finish at the Mid-American Conference Championships in each of his three years and four team tournament titles.

Correction

One word was omitted from the title of Dr. Clinton O. Longenecker’s talk in a story about the inauguration and related events last week. The Distinguished University Professor Lecture is titled “Career Success and Survival in the 21st Century — The Power of Slowing Down, Thinking and Acting With Intent.” It will take place Monday, Sept. 21, at 11 a.m. in Doerrmann Theater.

The wrong location for this year’s Banned Books Vigil was printed last week in a story calling for donations for the event. It will take place Thursday, Oct. 1, at 9 a.m. on the fifth floor of Carlson Library.
NEWS

UT hosts Ohio Development Services Agency seminar for minority-owned businesses

The University of Toledo hosted a seminar last week for minority-owned businesses in the area to meet with state officials and the local minority business assistance center to discuss how minority-owned businesses can obtain business opportunities with the state.

For the first time, the state recently announced it exceeded its goal of 15 percent by purchasing 19 percent of all goods and services from certified Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) businesses. The most recent report shows $228.5 million was spent with minority-owned businesses across the state, up from $165 million in 2014.

“We are extremely excited about this year’s success, and we intend to continue the momentum moving forward,” said Kenyatta Chandler, interim chief of the Minority Business Development Division at the Ohio Development Services Agency. “By encouraging minority-owned businesses to do work with the state, we ultimately grow a more diverse work force.”

“The key to the success of the MBE program is having a strong and diverse pool of talented, MBE-certified businesses that are ready, willing and able to help state agencies meet their program needs,” said Greg Williams, deputy director and state equal employment opportunity coordinator of the Department of Administrative Services.

Minority Business Assistance Centers are strategically placed across the state to help business owners with certification and any other assistance needed to start or grow a business.

Toledo’s center is housed in the UT Minority Business Development Center.

“We hope the continued focus and growth of the MBE program will allow the Minority Business Assistance Center to help even more businesses in northwest Ohio do business with state agencies and access the capital and bonds needed to grow and expand their business,” said Portia Ash, director of the Toledo Minority Business Assistance Center.

A total of 560 first-year health science students admitted to their professional programs gathered Aug. 28 to begin their interprofessional approach to patient care program. Among the participants were, from left, Colin Krebs, Lauren Linker and Sarah Koenig. The program includes 48 groups with 12 students in each group. Students are represented from 10 different degree programs from five colleges across the University. The goal is for students to know the functions of various health-care professions so they can begin to understand the importance of team health care and take this concept into the professional world, according to Carol Hasbrouck, director of the School for the Advancement of Interprofessional Education and Improvement of Human Performance.

Seeking social justice

Baldemar Velasquez, president and founder of the Farm Labor Organizing Committee, gave one of the keynote addresses at the 12th Annual Human Trafficking and Social Justice Conference, which was held last week in the Student Union. Velasquez, a former member of the UT Board of Trustees, was one of many speakers who discussed ways to put an end to human trafficking. Sponsored by The University of Toledo’s Human Trafficking and Social Justice Institute and the Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition, the conference annually brings together researchers, practitioners and others to educate attendees on human trafficking and build the foundation for future collaborative research, advocacy and program development.

In memoriam

Ruby Carr, Toledo, who was a hospital aide at MCO from 1968 until her retirement in 1993, died Sept. 7 at age 86.

Richard G. LaValley, Sylvania, a UT alumnus and benefactor who gave the University more than $2 million, died Sept. 4 at age 86. He received a bachelor’s degree in business administration with a major in accounting in 1951 and a law degree in 1953 from the University. From 1962 to 1965, LaValley taught a tax course at his alma mater. He was a former president of the UT College of Law Alumni Association. In 1998, the Richard G. LaValley Sr. Law Library in the College of Law was dedicated in his honor; he and his family pledged $1 million toward the development of electronic and technological resources for the law library. In addition, he established the Richard G. LaValley Sr. Scholarship Fund.

John J. McGowan, Perrysburg, a former UT business instructor, died Sept. 2 at age 87. He received a bachelor of arts degree from the University in 1950.
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Chinese Harmonies with a Taste of Hunan performance scheduled for Sept. 21

By Cathy Zimmer

The campus community is invited to join the UT Confucius Institute to celebrate the Chinese Moon Festival Monday, Sept. 21, with a performance by Hunan Normal University Troupe from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Student Union Auditorium.

Hunan Normal University Troupe will visit eight Confucius Institutes in Michigan, Ohio and Tennessee. With the theme “Harmonious Chinese Art and Unique Hunan Style,” these shows are part of the global performances at Confucius Institutes.

With harmony at the core, the troupe is to introduce such ideas in traditional Chinese culture as “balance and beneficence” and “union of man and nature.”

Most of the performers are university students who are eager to learn about America and help promote China-U.S. friendships. The troupe members will tell stories of China through singing and dancing.

“This event is free and will feature a variety of performances you won’t see anywhere else,” said Xinren Yu, international programs coordinator in the Confucius Institute. “Chinese Harmonies with a Taste of Hunan is a performance troupe from Changsha, China. There also will be refreshments and prizes for attendees.”

The Moon Festival is a popular harvest event celebrated by Chinese people. The festival is held on the 15th day of the eighth month in the Chinese calendar. It is called Mid-Autumn Festival or Moon Festival because of the celebration’s association with the full moon on this night, as well as the traditions of moon worship and moon gazing.

The festival consists of three fundamental meanings that are closely tied to one another: gathering, such as family and friends coming together; thanksgiving, to give thanks for the harvest; and praying such as for babies, a spouse or other family members for a good future.

The Confucius Institute at The University of Toledo is committed to serving the region of northwest Ohio by providing education in Chinese language and culture; developing and enhancing China-related scholarly research/discovery, academic programs, and educational/training programs that support business outreach/engagement; and offering opportunities for cultural exchanges between China and the United States.

The institute is part of the Center for International Studies and Programs, which is committed to the belief that effective cross-cultural interaction leads to global understanding and ultimately to a more rewarding human experience and to a better, more peaceful world.

Learn more about the Center for International Studies and Programs at utoledo.edu/cisp.

Team challenge

Sophomore basketball guard Stuckey Mosley was pulled by his teammates from the boat after crawling in ice water at Olander Park in Sylvania last Thursday. Players also worked together to balance boats on paddles during another exercise. The men’s and women’s basketball programs spent time last week working with former Navy SEAL John McGuire and his SEAL Team Physical Training organization. During the training, the teams were put through a variety of physical and mental endurance drills that placed extreme importance on communication and leadership.
A spot for relaxation and reflection at The University of Toledo Medical Center was rejuvenated this summer.

UTMC redid the landscaping and replaced the monument at the Dorothy and Ashel Bryan Academic Commons, which is located between the Eleanor N. Dana Center and the Radisson Hotel.

Howard Newman, UT associate vice president for development, said the cosmetic improvements revitalized the garden area, which is frequented by patients, visitors and UTMC staff.

“We have always been so appreciative of the Bryans and their generosity, so we wanted to make sure that their namesake was well-maintained and represented the intent of their donation.”

David Bryan’s family started the Bryan Commons more than 20 years ago. His late father, Ashel, was on the Medical College of Ohio Board of Trustees and the Medical University of Ohio Foundation Board of Trustees.

“It was my father’s idea because he knew that families of patients might stay in the hotel and want to go out to the garden area after a long and stressful day at the hospital,” Bryan said. “He thought there ought to be a peaceful place to go and spend quiet time given their situation.”

Bryan said his father worked with the hospital and designers to make sure the area, which includes a small water fountain, was beautiful and soothing.

“I am very happy with the improvements. I think this is an example of my parents’ philanthropy, and it shows that they were thoughtful about their philanthropy,” Bryan said.

“Every year, there are about 225,000 new diagnoses of prostate cancer. It is the second most common cancer death in men next to lung cancer and leads to upward of 30,000 deaths a year.

Jain said any man older than 55 who is in good health should be screened every other year. Men outside of that age range should discuss it with their physicians.

PSA is a protein produced by cells of the prostate gland. The PSA test measures the level of PSA in a man’s blood.

“If you have a first-degree relative with prostate cancer, that increases your risk of being diagnosed with prostate cancer,” Jain said. “That seems to be the only real proven risk factor, other than age. As you age, your risk of developing prostate cancer increases.”

Jain said prostate cancer is curable with a decrease in deaths in the past 10 years because of screening and early treatment.

“There is no way to prevent it, although healthy living is going to be what is best for you,” Jain said. “Do what is right for your heart, do what is right for your lungs. Let us worry about the prostate.”

Even though men are sometimes sensitive when it comes to talking about their genitals, Jain said this is no excuse to avoid getting a routine screening.

The reality is it is a part of your body just like your heart is a part of your body,” he said. “We have to open the door and break down some of the barriers to discussing these type of topics.”

The Tie One On Cancer Awareness Lecture Series will continue this fall. Upcoming Thursday lectures will be:

- **Oct. 15** — Dr. Iman Mohamed, UT professor and chief of the Division of Urologic Oncology, will discuss lymphedema.
- **Nov. 19** — Dr. James Willey, lung cancer expert and UT professor of medicine, will present information on lung cancer.

Each person who attends the lecture will be entered into a drawing for tickets to an upcoming sporting event or a gift certificate for spa services.

To reserve a spot, email christopher.kosinski@utoledo.edu.
Artwork created with unconventional materials featured in exhibition

The exhibition titled “Ready to Hand/Present at Hand” was inspired by German philosopher Martin Heidegger’s description of various attitudes toward things and objects that exist in the world: “The nearest kind of association is not mere perceptual cognition, but, rather, a handling, using, and taking care of things which has its own kind of knowledge.”

Each artist included in this exhibition has developed a creative practice that privileges handmade, hand-constructed works and design over production by technology, according to Brian Carpenter, lecturer of art and gallery director.

By using unconventional materials in construction, the resulting artworks speak to knowledge of a specific material’s unique properties as well as to the idea of self and the maker’s intimate interaction with the creation of an object, he said.

Artists Taryn Cassella, Jack Craig, Mark Dineen, Christopher Schanck and Thing Thing have works on display in the Center for the Visual Arts Main Gallery on UT’s Toledo Museum of Art Campus.

The free, public exhibit can be seen through Saturday, Oct. 3. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

An opening reception for the exhibit will be held Thursday, Sept. 17, from 6 to 9 p.m. when the Center for the Visual Arts will be a stop on the Arts Commission of Greater Toledo 3rd Thursday Gallery Loop. For more information on the gallery loop, go to http://utole.do/loop.

For more information on the exhibit, contact Carpenter at brian.carpenter@utoledo.edu.

IT’S SO UNUSUAL: Workers in the studio of artist Christopher Schanck use unconventional materials.

Artist explores dementia

In two intriguing works, artist Diane Ramos grapples with the feelings of loss and disconnection she experienced when her grandmother developed dementia. Ramos shares how difficult it was to “process the loss of my grandmother while she was still physically present.”

She added, “This experience created an internally conflicting situation in which I felt both desperate to maintain the connection I had with my grandmother, but also a self-preservation need to detach myself from the circumstances.”

Her works, which are on display in the first-floor corridor of the Center for the Visual Arts on UT’s Toledo Museum of Art Campus, make that dichotomy visually evident.

Ramos is a visiting guest artist of the Concepts in Studio, Art and Theory course taught by Brian Carpenter, lecturer of art and gallery director.

Her work will be on display through fall semester. The Center for the Visual Arts is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Photographs and memories

“It’s SO UNUSUAL” is one photograph by guest artist Zachariah Szabo that is on display in the Center for the Visual Arts Clement Gallery on UT’s Toledo Museum of Art Campus. In this exhibit, Szabo remembers his mother who died from cancer. When he was a child, his mother made clothes and costumes for him. Though he has long outgrown the original outfits, he revisits the clothing as a tangible way to reconnect with her. The free, public exhibit can be seen daily from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Szabo’s photographs also can be seen when the Center for the Visual Arts is a stop on the Arts Commission of Greater Toledo 3rd Thursday Gallery Loop Sept. 17. For more information on the gallery loop, go to http://utole.do/loop.

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Supporting your Rockets

UT President Sharon L. Gaber spoke at the Downtown Coaches Association luncheon last week. She talked about how athletics play a pivotal role in strengthening the University’s national profile, as well as how sports can affect student recruitment and fundraising. In addition, she noted the all-star performance of student-athletes in the classroom. Toledo Football Coach Matt Campbell also discussed the Rockets’ first game, which was called due to severe weather. The cost of the Downtown Coaches Association’s weekly lunch is $14, and anyone interested in Rocket athletics is encouraged to attend. Annual membership dues are $40 for those who choose to join the organization. For more information or to join the Downtown Coaches Association, contact Julia Kudla at 419.530.5087 or julia.kudla@utoledo.edu.

Naturalization ceremony to be held Sept. 17 at UT

The University of Toledo will celebrate Constitution Day with a naturalization ceremony Thursday, Sept. 17, in the Law Center McQuade Law Auditorium from 11 a.m. to noon.

During the ceremony, 50 people will be sworn in as U.S. citizens by Federal District Judge Jack Zhouhary of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.

“This is an important milestone. It’s like a graduation, since the process takes a long time,” said Diane Miller, associate vice president of federal relations in the UT Office of Government Relations. “It’s this big celebration of reaching the end and accomplishing the goal of becoming a U.S. citizen.”

Immigrants, who are 18 and older, are eligible to become a U.S. citizen and qualify for naturalization after being a permanent resident for a minimum of five years. Those married to a U.S. citizen and meet all the other eligibility requirements can apply after being a permanent resident for a minimum of three years.

“Most everyone in this country is an immigrant or a child, grandchild or great-grandchild of immigrants, so it is a natural way to celebrate the history of our country, which is this melting pot,” Miller said.

The event’s featured speaker will be Kolet Buenavides, a third-year student in UT’s College of Law, who was naturalized as a U.S. citizen last year. She was born and raised in the Philippines and immigrated to the United States after completing the fifth grade.

“Anyone who is available should walk over to the law school to watch the event,” Miller said. “This will be an hour well spent. If anyone is unable to come to our yearly ceremony, the court does hold naturalization ceremonies several times a year.”

The UT Concert Chorale will perform “The Star-Spangled Banner” at the event. “We’ve had students do solos or duets before during the event, but we’re really excited to have a choir perform this year,” Miller said.

The event is sponsored by the Office of Government Relations and the Center for International Studies and Programs.

For more information on becoming a naturalized citizen, visit uscis.gov/citizenship.

For more information on the naturalization ceremony, contact Lisa Byers, executive secretary in the UT Office of Government Relations, at lisa.byers@utoledo.edu.
UT Health neurologist to host headache conference

By Brandi Barhite

Suffering from a headache is one of the most common ailments for people in the United States, leading health-care providers to strive to stay on top of the latest in headache medicine.

Headache education will be furthered at the inaugural North Central Headache Society Conference, “Advances in Headache Medicine,” Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Hilton Garden in Perrysburg.

“Headaches are the No. 1 reason for referrals to neurologists, and it is one of the most common complaints in the emergency room,” said Dr. Gretchen Tietjen, University of Toledo professor and chair of neurology and director of the UT Medical Center Stroke Program.

Tietjen, the host of the conference, will be among 11 headache experts from five of the states composing the North Central Headache Society — Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Kentucky and New York. About 100 physicians are expected to attend to further their knowledge and better treat patients.

“More than 70 percent of Americans seek medical attention for headaches at some point in their lives, and nearly 5 percent of the population have a near daily headache,” Tietjen said. “Headache disorders account for 9 percent of lost labor in the United States. This is an important topic to address because physicians from all specialties will encounter patients who have disabling headache complaints.”

The treatment of headaches and migraines can include medications, injections, supplements, lifestyle changes and behavioral therapies. Emerging treatments including neuromodulation and monoclonal antibodies will be discussed at the conference.

“Neuromodulation therapies involve electrical or magnetic stimulation,” Tietjen said. “Some devices are portable and offer benefit when used 20 minutes per day. Others are implantable and activated via remote control. For many headache sufferers, these may provide great benefit.”

Tietjen said monoclonal antibodies are another promising treatment option under investigation. The antibodies target calcitonin gene-related peptide (CGRP) or its receptor. CGRP is elevated during migraine attacks and believed to provoke throbbing headache.

While the latest technologies hold a promise of relief for headache sufferers, Tietjen said the use of stress-reduction techniques are still an important part of her recommendations.

“Deep breathing, progressive muscle relaxation and guided imagery are all ways that headaches can be minimized,” she said. “When it comes to headache and migraine relief, all evidence-based options should be considered.”

For more information, go to http://utole.do/fx.

UT Police

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“Nearly everyone on campus carries a smartphone, so UTPD is embracing this technology to communicate directly with our community and provide a convenient way to easily reach us,” UT Police Chief Jeff Newton said. “Rave Guardian is going to be much easier and simpler to use because it’s all wrapped up into one smartphone application.”

Through the one Rave Guardian app, UTPD has consolidated services that used to be separate — the LifeLine Response EDU smartphone app and the Text-a-Tip service that required a smart code. Rave also is the vendor the University now will use to send UT alert text messages in the case of an emergency.

Download Rave Guardian from your app store and sign up for UT Alert at utalert.utoldeo.edu.

The University of Toledo Police Department also recently has deployed body cameras. All UT officers in the field responding to calls will be equipped with body cameras.

“I think it’s a win-win,” Newton said. “The community and the officer both benefit when you have a camera that doesn’t have a slant, it doesn’t have a perspective. It just records what happens.”

UTPD also updated its alternative vehicle fleet by purchasing two new ATVs and a golf cart to patrol hard-to-reach areas of campus, specifically during special events.

This also is the first full academic year that Quinty, an explosive-detection K9, is part of the department. The male Belgian Malinois with explosive-detection training joined the force last year as a resource to respond to any bomb threats in the northwest Ohio region as well as to proactively sweep areas before UT and nearby events, including the recent Republican presidential primary debate held at Quicken Loans Arena in Cleveland.

Along with Quinty, UTPD currently has 36 officers, including Austin Gunn who started July 6 and Courtney Strancsak who started Aug. 31.

To contact UTPD in case of an emergency on campus, call 419.530.2600. For non-emergency situations, call 419.530.2601. For off-campus emergencies, dial 911. Follow campus safety news on social media by following UTPD on Facebook and Twitter.
Facilities master planning begins, broader discussions planned for October

By Jon Strunk

Conversations are beginning on campus regarding the facilities master planning process and will pick up speed later this fall to engage students, faculty, staff, alumni, supporters and community members as UT works toward its first comprehensive master plan since the 2006 merger with the Medical University of Ohio.

Jason Toth, associate vice president for facilities and construction, who is coordinating the effort with planning consultant Smithgroup JJR, said discussions with campus constituents will be key to the success of the planning process.

“In the last few weeks, we’ve begun conversations that included members of the senior leadership and faculty leaders. We’ve also conducted several focus groups with students,” Toth said.

These initial conversations will be used to help develop a more comprehensive survey that will be distributed to students later this month asking questions related to all aspects of student life — academics, campus dining, recreation and entertainment.

Smithgroup will be back on campus for broader campus conversations in mid-October.

“The end goal is to develop a strategy that will guide our space needs regarding academics, research, health care, student life, athletics and other campus operations for the University we plan to be in the decades to come,” Toth said.

Rocket Wheels

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his or her Rocket ID into the machine and select a key to a bike to use. The machine’s door will open, and the student can grab the key selected and after shutting the door, he or she can proceed to where the bikes are locked, unlock the selected bike, and go.”

Bikes can be checked out for four-hour intervals Monday through Friday and eight-hour intervals Saturday and Sunday. A $10 hourly fee will be issued if the bikes are not returned within the given time or after operating hours.

Rocket Wheels will be available from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. during fall, spring and summer semesters. Availability will change to 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. from December through March and will be dependent on weather conditions.

“This is another way for students to get around campus without worrying about parking and will give students who don’t have a car on campus more freedom to visit spots that they wouldn’t normally walk to but could ride a bike,” Watts said. “Our buses have bike racks so students are able to take a bus to a certain point and ride the bike further.”

For more information, email bikeshare@utoledo.edu or call UT Transit Services at 419.530.1026.

 UT, Belle Tire team up to honor military personnel during football season

The University of Toledo and Belle Tire will recognize outstanding military personnel and their families prior to each Rocket home football game this season.

The active-duty military member or veteran will accompany the team captains on the field for the pre-game coin toss.

UT and Belle Tire will select seven nominees, one for each home game. Family and friends are encouraged to nominate their military heroes for recognition with the “Captain of the Game” link on the Belle Tire Toledo Facebook page at facebook.com/BelleTireToledo throughout the season.

In addition to taking the field with the Toledo football captains, the military member of the game will receive recognition on the Glass Bowl video board and over the public address system. The honorary captain also will receive tickets to the game for his or her family, sideline passes, and a special prize package from Belle Tire.

For more information on how to submit a nomination, visit the Belle Tire Toledo Facebook page or call Rocket Sports Properties at 419.530.2912.

By Michael Scholze
Using the force

Hanna Sill played corn hole as Casey Orr watched to see where her toss would land. The two students were among many who stopped by the Judith Herb College of Education’s Back 2 School Bash, which was held earlier this month in front of Gillham Hall.

Fun in the sun

Students Richard Masropian, left, Jacob Bruns and Kaylie Hallett-Szymanski caught some rays and chatted during lunch on Centennial Mall.

Photobomb

Tony Gibson, custodial worker; snuck in the shot as George Hayes Jr., electrician journeyman, 2, Lynn Gowing, white collar director of the Communications Workers of America Local 4319 and UT retiree, seated, and Nancy Ellis, blue collar unit director and custodial worker; smiled for the camera at the union’s Labor Day picnic. The event for union members and their families and friends was held in the Nederhouser Community Hall at Olander Park in Sylvania after the Labor Day Parade in downtown Toledo.

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The University of Toledo will celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, with several events that will spotlight the culture.

“I am very excited about the opportunity to celebrate another Hispanic Heritage Month,” said David Young, director of the Office of Excellence and Multicultural Student Success. “It is another opportunity to learn, grow, and experience the richness of the culture. It is my hope that students and the entire UT community take advantage of the diverse programming this month.”

Listed by date, the events facilitated through the UT Office of Excellence and Multicultural Student Success and Latino Student Union include:

- **Monday, Sept. 14** — Works by artist Arsinio Velasquez will go on display in the case in the Student Union Trimble South Lounge.

- **Tuesday, Sept. 15** — Street Fair Kickoff, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Centennial Mall. Yvonne, known for performing with the Tejano band Fuego, will sing. In addition, El Corazon de Mexico Ballet Folklorico will demonstrate cultural dances. There’ll be free food, games, health screenings and informational tables.

- **Monday, Sept. 21** — Spanish Tutorial, 8 to 10 p.m., location to be announced.

- **Thursday, Sept. 24** — Latino Idol, 8 to 10 p.m., location to be announced. The Latino Student Union will hold its annual competition where contestants sing in Spanish. The event is open to all.

- **Tuesday, Sept. 29** — Cocina Latina, 6 to 9 p.m., location to be announced. The Latino Student Union will demonstrate how to prepare Hispanic dishes.

- **Tuesday, Oct. 13** — Movie Night, 8:30 p.m., location to be announced. “Cesar Chavez” will be shown.

- **Thursday, Oct. 15** — Panel With a Purpose, 6 p.m., Student Union Room 2584. “The Role of Latinos” will be the topic of discussion.

For more information, go to utoledo.edu/studentaffairs/oemss.

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