Electrical engineering student inspires LinkedIn campaign

By Vicki L. Kroll

Tyrone Jacobs Jr.’s drive to succeed is larger-than-life — like the ginormous image of him on a wall at LinkedIn headquarters in California.

A line from an April post is by his photo: “I will never, and I mean never, stop striving for greatness.”

“I got tagged in a post on LinkedIn. And I clicked on the link and it was me, and I was like, ‘Whoa!” I had to stop. I thought: Is this for real? And I’m looking at it, and it’s for real — a wall, a mural, dedicated in my honor in their headquarters,” the UT junior majoring in electrical engineering said.

“Anybody who works at LinkedIn in California can see me all day — right there when you walk to the café — it’s a huge plastering of me,” he said. “I can’t put what it means into words.”

It all began in March when Jacobs attended the National Society of Black Engineers conference in Boston and interviewed with Boeing Co. In April, he was offered a summer internship with the world’s largest aerospace company and manufacturer of commercial jets.

“I got the offer, and I posted about it on my LinkedIn account,” he recalled.

Heartfelt and candid, the post began: “To be real, statistically, I should be dead or in jail. I’m a young black man that was raised in the hood by a single mother that had to support three other family members along with me. I don’t even know what to say. How did I make it this far in my life when the odds were always against me? I’m so in shock. I came from practically nothing and to get an offer from Boeing for an electromagnetics effects position just absolutely blows me away...

I will never, and I mean never, stop striving for greatness.”

“The post just blew up,” Jacobs said. “It really took off like a rocket. It had 13,000 to 14,000 likes and comments.”

In fact, the post received so much attention that LinkedIn invited Jacobs to visit. He traveled to California last month. The networking company featured the student in a campaign.

Veterans to be recognized at UT’s annual service Nov. 11

By Meghan Cunningham

Two World War II veterans will be recognized during a special ceremony at the annual Veterans Appreciation Breakfast and Resource Fair at The University of Toledo when the community honors veterans and active military for their service.

Army Sgt. Richard Perry, UT professor emeritus, and Pfc. David Schwartz will be awarded the French Legion of Honor, the highest award that can be bestowed by the French government.

The special recognition is part of the 12th annual Veterans Day celebration that will take place Friday, Nov. 11, at 9 a.m. in Savage Arena on UT’s Main Campus. Lucas County Sheriff John Tharp, a Vietnam veteran who received the Bronze Star for his service as a combat medic, will give a keynote address for the appreciation event that includes a breakfast and fair to provide the community access to military-focused resources.

Student Union to be dedicated in honor of longtime University leader

By Meghan Cunningham

The hub of Main Campus will be dedicated Monday in honor of Dr. Lancelot C.A. Thompson, a trailblazing University of Toledo professor and administrator who devoted his career to student success.

A dedication ceremony for the newly renamed Lancelot Thompson Student Union will be held Monday, Nov. 7, at 2:30 p.m. inside the main entrance of the building near the Office of Multicultural Student Success. The event will follow the November meeting of the UT Board of Trustees where they are slated to vote to officially rename the building in his honor.

“As we look forward to continue to strengthen The University of Toledo, it’s important that we take these opportunities to honor our past,” UT President Sharon L. Gaber said. “Dr. Lance Thompson dedicated his life to this great university, and we benefit from the strong foundation he built.”

The president announced during a memorial service in September the University’s intent to rename the building near the Office of Multicultural Student Success. The dedication ceremony will include remarks from Gaber; Dr. Kaye M. Patten,
UTMC recognized as a Level I Trauma Center

By Rebecca Schwan

The University of Toledo Medical Center is again verified as a Level I Trauma Center by the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma confirming UTMC’s continued commitment to providing the highest quality trauma care for seriously injured patients.

The top designation available, Level I Trauma Centers provide the highest level of surgical care with a wide range team of experts and specialized equipment to care for the most severely injured patients.

“UTMC has been a leader in trauma care in our region for two decades and consistently excels in the Level I trauma surveys through the American College of Surgery,” said Dan Barbee, interim chief executive officer of UTMC. “We are proud to provide patients with the best possible care in their most critical time of need, and I extend my gratitude to the trauma team for their continued commitment to excellence.”

Verified trauma centers must meet the essential criteria that ensure trauma care capability and performance as outlined by the American College of Surgeons’ Committee on Trauma in its Resources for Optimal Care for the Injured Patient manual.

The verification follows an on-site peer review and rigorous multidisciplinary assessment by trauma care experts regarding UTMC’s commitment, readiness, resources, policies, patient care and performance improvement to care for trauma patients.

The verification recognizes UTMC as a Level I Trauma Center through Aug. 30, 2019.

Established by the American College of Surgeons in 1987, the Committee on Trauma’s Consultation/Verification Program for Hospitals promotes the development of trauma centers in which participants provide not only the hospital resources necessary for trauma care, but also the entire spectrum of care to address the needs of all injured patients. This spectrum encompasses the pre-hospital phase through the rehabilitation process.

Fluid discussion

Todd Flood, special counsel for the Michigan Department of Attorney General, gave the keynote address at the 16th annual Great Lakes Water Conference Friday in the Law Center McQuade Law Auditorium. The UT College of Law alumnus talked about the lead contamination water crisis in Flint, Mich. The public drinking water supply was the focus of the event titled “Safe Drinking Water: A Tale of Three Cities.” The one-day conference sponsored by the UT College of Law and its Legal Institute of the Great Lakes addressed the diverse drinking water challenges faced by Toledo and Flint, and Waukesha, Wis.

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senior vice president for student affairs; Dr. John Kirchhoff, Distinguished University Professor and chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry; and Dr. Willie McKether, vice president for diversity and inclusion. A portrait and plaque inside the main entrance honoring Thompson will be unveiled, and new signage on the outside of the Student Union will be on display, sharing the new building name with campus.

Thompson, who died Sept. 10 at the age of 91, was professor emeritus of chemistry who served 20 years as the University’s first vice president for student affairs.

He was a trailblazer at UT as the first African-American full-time faculty member at the University in 1958 and the first black faculty member to receive tenure. He went on to become the first African-American vice president.

Thompson was dedicated to students as a classroom teacher receiving one of the University’s first Outstanding Teacher Awards and as an administrator helping to organize UT’s annual Aspiring Minorities Youth Conference, which continues to this day.

To support student activities and diversity efforts through the Dr. Lancelot Thompson Student Activities and Diversity Fund, visit give2ut.utoledo.edu/lance.asp.
Budding entrepreneurs to compete ‘Shark Tank’-style at Pitch & Pour Nov. 10

By Christine Billau

A n app to share African-American-themed comic books and a sensor-enabled fitness armband that allows runners to carry pepper spray or Tasers for personal defense are among the ideas from aspiring business moguls vying for up to $10,000 in cash and prizes in northwest Ohio’s largest entrepreneurial business pitch competition.

Four teams are on deck to pitch their ideas at Pitch & Pour 5.0, which is modeled after the “Shark Tank” TV business show and sponsored by The University of Toledo’s LaunchPad Incubation program.

The annual event will take place Thursday, Nov. 10, from 5 to 8:30 p.m. in the Nitschke Technology Commercialization Complex. Pitches will begin at 6 p.m.

Teams have five minutes and five slides to pitch their business concepts to the region’s investors, venture capitalists, professors and business leaders. Judges will determine the winner or winners.

“We are proud to be providing the opportunity for candidate companies and entrepreneurs to compete in November’s event here at the heart of our region’s startup community,” said Jessica Sattler, director of economic engagement and business development programs at UT.

“We’re looking for high-tech, high-growth, technology-enabled, web-based enterprises that demonstrate innovation and business concepts with the potential to develop into successful companies.”

Investors, students and future entrepreneurs will learn about the companies, their potential, and receive helpful insight from the judges.

“Although the prizes we award our competitors are great, gaining exposure to influencers who can spot successful ventures can often prove more valuable,” Sattler said.

The presenting startup teams at the fifth Pitch & Pour event will be:

• Sport Testing, a laser system paired with a data-collection infrastructure that provides predictive models to identify athletic talent, which could help college athletic recruiters across the country;
• Peep Game Comix, a proposed app that carries nearly 200 African-American-themed comic books, which will be introduced to libraries across the U.S. and in countries such as Nigeria, Kenya and South Africa;
• Zid Zid, a web-based platform designed for children ages 3 to 6, which helps parents expose them to world languages;
• And RunReady, a fitness armband that allows runners to carry personal defense tools without restricting mobility or range of motion.

This year’s judges are Bill McCready, chief technology officer at UT; Stuart Schaefer, a technology entrepreneur, angel investor and National Science Foundation mentor; and Rita DeRaedt, product designer at Google and host of “Technobabble” on BBC.

Admission is free. Attendees need to pre-register online at pitchandpour.com.

Pitch & Pour competitors have the opportunity to be invited to join UT’s LaunchPad Incubation Program, which works to bolster innovation in northwest Ohio by providing access to capital, resources and expertise focused on enhancing community collaboration and communication for entrepreneurial development.

LaunchPad Incubation receives $50,000 from U.S. Small Business Administration

The University of Toledo LaunchPad Incubation Program received a $50,000 award from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) to support small business job creation and growth.

UT is one of 85 winners across the country to receive part of a total of $4.25 million allocated in the 2016 Growth Accelerator Fund Competition by the SBA Office of Investment and Innovation, Office of Native American Affairs and Office of Veterans Business Development, along with the National Institutes of Health, National Science Foundation and U.S. Department of Education.

The University’s LaunchPad Incubation Program works to bolster the region’s technology startup ecosystem by providing access to capital, resources and expertise focused on enhancing community collaboration and communication for entrepreneurial development.

“LaunchPad Incubation is honored to be selected as an SBA Growth Accelerator winner,” said Jessica Sattler, director of economic engagement and business development programs at UT. “This is a highly competitive program, and we are proud to be among the ranks of some of the country’s best incubators and accelerators. This funding will be used to provide LaunchPad clients with intensive investment preparation coaching and help local entrepreneurs and innovators with application and funding processes.”

Since the Growth Accelerator Fund began, nearly 14,500 jobs have been created and/or sustained, more than 3,570 startups have been served, and approximately $855 million in capital has been raised by the startups.

LaunchPad Incubation will report quarterly to the SBA for one year on the number of jobs created, funds raised, startups launched and corporate sponsors obtained for the federal database.

“This prestigious award will enable the LaunchPad Incubation Program to continue to provide intensive entrepreneurial assistance, state-of-the-art facilities and valuable resources to early-stage, technology-based startup companies,” SBA Cleveland District Director Gil Goldberg said. “Northern Ohio is fortunate to have such an outstanding and cutting-edge accelerator located within it, and SBA is pleased to provide the LaunchPad Incubation Program with recognition of its important work.”

More than 100 experts from the private and public sector with entrepreneurial, investment, startup, economic development, capital formation and academic backgrounds judged more than 400 applications.

LaunchPad INCUBATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO

In memoriam

Dr. Richard J. Boden Jr., Rochester, N.Y., a former associate professor of finance, died Oct. 7 at age 57.

Judy L. Rice, Toledo, a custodial worker, died Oct. 26 at age 46. She joined the University in 2002 and also took classes at UT.
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Class to teach benefits of essential oils

By Josephine Schreiber

Plant-based remedies, known as essential oils, are one of nature's most powerful support tools to help heal the human body naturally, according to Renee Schick, manager of Renee’s Survivor Shop at The University of Toledo Medical Center.

On Thursday, Nov. 17, UT’s Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center and the Center for Health and Successful Living will host a free class about how to use essential oils to strengthen your immune system.

Registration will begin at 5:30 p.m., and the class will start at 6 p.m.

Those interested in attending are asked to RSVP by Monday, Nov. 14, to eleanorndanacancercenter@utoledo.edu or call 419.383.5243.

Schick encouraged anyone who is looking to learn more about his or her health choices to RSVP and attend this class.

“The bottom line to wellness is that each of us every day makes choices that affect our health,” Schick said. “We have opportunities to use oils as an integral part of our health.”

Essential oils will be for sale in the Survivor Shop after the class.

The Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center & The Center for Health and Successful Living INVITE YOU TO A FREE PROGRAM

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Thursday, November 17

Registration begins at 5:30 p.m. Program will start promptly at 6 p.m.

Refreshments will be served

The Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center
1325 Conference Dr., Toledo, Ohio 43614
Please RSVP by July 18 to EleanorNDanaCancerCenter@utoledo.edu or call 419.383.5243

Competing for a cause

The Impatient Nursing Directors’ Units at UT Medical Center held a friendly competition to collect donations for the Seagate Food Bank. Surgical Intensive Care Unit 5AB contributed 3,577 food items and was treated to a pizza lunch provided by the other units. A total of 7,654 food items were collected for area families in need. Shown here are members of the winning team, from left, Jean Drenner; staff nurse; Wendy Holley, lead nurse; and Amber Hines, patient care technician.

Preventative measure

Cathy Zimmer, director of academic affairs relations in the Office of the Provost, received a flu shot last month in the Student Union from Ying Xue, a student in the College of Nursing. Free flu shots are being offered to students, employees and volunteers through Wednesday, Nov. 30. A full immunization schedule is available at https://webinfluenzaapp.utoledo.edu.
Activist/artist to visit UT for Native American Heritage Month

Acoma Pueblo poet Sara Marie Ortiz will give the keynote address for The University of Toledo’s celebration of Native American Heritage Month.

She will speak Monday, Nov. 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Union Ingman Room.

Ortiz is the author of a collection of poems, Red Milk, published in 2013. Her works have appeared in Ploughshares and New Poets of the West, as well as a 2011 anthology, Sing: Indigenous Poetry of the Americas.

A filmmaker, she has worked on "Search for the World’s Best Indian Taco" (2010), "Indios Primeros" 2010 and "Made in New Mexico" (2012). She is making a documentary on the life and legacy of her father, poet Simon J. Ortiz.

An indigenous peoples activist and performing artist, Ortiz received a bachelor of arts degree from the Institute of American Indian Arts and a master of fine arts degree from Antioch University Los Angeles. She is an education administrator in Burien, Wash.

Her free, public talk is sponsored by the Office of Excellence and Multicultural Student Success, the Division of Student Affairs, and the Department of English Languages and Literature.

Another event in honor of the month will be a Native American food sampling Monday, Nov. 14, from noon to 2 p.m. in the Student Union Auditorium.

“Celebrating Native American history is important on a national level, as well as having a great deal of significance regionally and locally,” Daniel McGuire, associate director of the Toledo Excel Program, said. “In an effort to address both of these aspects, the food tasting event will allow students an opportunity to sample foods that indigenous people from our area would have eaten, and our keynote speaker, Sara Marie Ortiz, will be sharing her experiences growing up in the Northwest United States.”

For more information on the events, contact McGuire at daniel.mcguire@utoledo.edu.
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the business networking giant’s headquarters in Mountain View, Calif., in April.

“I flew out there for a photo shoot and a video shoot. My video is on the YouTube channel if you type in ‘defying the odds Tyrone Jacobs Jr.’ you’ll see me with my big cheesy smile on the thumbnail of the video,” he said and laughed.

More than 3,500 have viewed that video, and thousands have seen Jacobs on LinkedIn’s wall, which went up during the summer.

“I’m just trying to spread my story to inspire someone,” he said.

It’s a moving tale about a boy born in Chicago who grew up in Toledo.

“My mom talks about that now, how I was always so studious. I was trying to get away from all the negative stuff around me,” he said.

His mom continues to motivate him. “She’s worked so hard over the years, and she’s done what she can with so little,” Jacobs said. “She’s my inspiration. If I can make a better situation for her and the rest of my family, that’s why I’m doing what I’m doing.”

The 2012 graduate of Toledo Technology Academy has impressed many.

“Tyrone sets a great example of what all of our students can achieve. They are ready to take on major roles in industry and start making an impact right away, even before graduation, in Tyrone’s case,” Dr. Nagi Naganathan, dean of the College of Engineering, said. “Tyrone exemplifies the kind of leadership we want our students to embody. I don’t doubt that his perseverance and dedication will pay off in ways he has yet to realize.”

“I think Tyrone’s story is inspiring to anyone,” Dr. Mansoor Alam, professor and chair of the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department, said. “It proves there is light at the end of the tunnel, but only for those who keep on and on — moving forward as Tyrone did.”

As if that wasn’t enough, Jacobs met LinkedIn CEO Jeff Weiner.

“He was very humble, relaxed and cool. He shook my hand, we took a picture, I got to pick his brain for a little bit. He actually said, ‘I remember you, I liked your post.’ He actually likes my posts. I’ve never had a CEO of anything like my posts. I see his name pop up, and I’m just like wow, he genuinely likes my stuff. It’s crazy.”

Back on campus, Jacobs is concentrating on classes. He is president of the UT chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers, and a member of the Roy and Marcia Ames Engineering Leadership Institute, and he is an information technology desktop support assistant in the College of Arts and Letters. Carrying a grade point average above 3.0, Jacobs plans to graduate in fall 2017 with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering and a minor in business administration. He’s applied for another internship with Boeing, this time in California, and hopes to get an offer letter soon.

“I want to use my all for everything that I’m doing right now — school, work, all my leadership on campus — everything I’m doing, I have to give it my 120 percent every day, not complaining, not making excuses, just getting the job done,” he said.

“I want to keep growing, making more moves, and keeping my eyes on the prize, and not stop until I get there.”
The University of Toledo Opera Ensemble will open its season with Franz Lehár’s comedic opera, “The Merry Widow,” Friday, Nov. 11, in Doermann Theater.

Other performance dates are Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 12-13, and Friday through Sunday, Nov. 18-20. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday performances are at 3 p.m.

The story of “The Merry Widow” begins with Baron Popoff of Marsovia who is holding a party in honor of his queen’s birthday at the Parisian embassy. One of his most important guests is a young, attractive and very wealthy widow, Sonjia Glawari. Fearing that a French suitor will win her hand, exporting her and her money out of his country, he devises a plan for her to marry a Marsovian prince, Danilo Danilovich. But the prince is a reluctant suitor and agrees only to keep eager French suitors at bay.

As the baron employs a spy to keep an eye on his plan at work, Sonjia and Danilo begin to fall in love as planned. However, Sonjia soon discovers that the prince is a carousing drunkard who spends entirely too much time with the ladies at a French club. Meanwhile, an amorous Frenchman tempts the baron’s wife with his charms.

“The Merry Widow” is a fun-filled dance of an opera that leads all of its dancers through a series of comedic steps and missteps so that in the end, they all find their way into the arms of the right partners,” said Dr. Denise Ritter Bernadini, UT assistant professor of music and director of the UT Opera Ensemble, who is producing the show.

The cast features Chelsie Cree and Eboné Waweru as Sonjia Glawari; Devon Desmond and Preston Wilson as Prince Danilo; Meridian Prall and Paige Chapman as Natalie; William Floss and Moises Salazar as Vicomte Camille de Jolidon; Steven Smithberger as Baron Popoff; Chy Billings III as Nisch; Brandon Warren and Nate Krebs as Marquis de St. Brioche; Bradley Piri as Marquis de Cascada; Samuel Spencer as Marquis Khadja; Avery Sujkowski as General Novikovich; Mackenzie Payton as Zoza; Anne Valade as Lolo; Danielle Hale as Dodov; Ashley Roark as Jou-Jou; Lindsey Miller as Margot; Kaitlynn McCamey as Frou-Frou; Nennie Edeh as Sylvaine; Robin Smithberger as Duchess Praskovia; Kate Walcher as Olga Novikovich; David Dennis as Count Francios Burgandy; Kathy Dennis as Countess Burgandy; chorus members Linda Hamann, John McSweeny and Mike Vanderpool; and dancers Sam Gandy, Cate Orchard and Nora Light.

Don Bernardini is the staging director for the opera; Nate Leonard is the music director; Steven J. Brown is the choreographer; Irina Zaurov is the costume designer; and Alexis Johnson is the stage manager.

Tickets range from $10 to $15 and are available through the Center for Performing Arts Box Office online at utoledo.tix.com or by calling 419.530.ARTS (2787).

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Nov. 9 deadline for International Education Week Photo Contest submissions

By Cathy Zimmer

The UT community is invited to celebrate International Education Week by entering a photo contest. Photos captured overseas or domestic photos of international events will be accepted. There will be a category for students and a category for faculty and staff. Photos must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9.

“We believe the international photo contest is a great way to engage the UT community in International Education Week and highlight our students and colleagues international experiences,” said Sara Clark, director of global engagement.

Submitting a photo is easy; email a high-quality photo to edubroad@utoledo.edu. Note in the subject line “IEW Photo Contest.” Attach the photo and provide your name, college/department, and the location and date the photo was taken. Students also should share their major and expected graduation year.

“Submitted photos will be displayed in the Student Union Tom Trimble Lounge during International Education Week, Nov. 14-18. The campus community is encouraged to submit a vote for their favorite student and/or faculty or staff photo,” Clark added. “Ballots can be picked up and submitted in the Student Union Ask Rocky Info Desk Room 2525A.”

Winners will win two movie tickets. For more information and details on how to submit photos, visit utoledo.edu/cisp/iew.
Women's golf coach to speak about heart health, childhood obesity Nov. 14

By Steve Easton

UT Head Women's Golf Coach Nicole Hollingsworth will speak at an event in partnership with the American Heart Association of Northwest Ohio Monday, Nov. 14, at 6 p.m.

The free, public talk will take place at McCord Road Christian Church, 4765 North McCord Road in Sylvania.

Hollingsworth will discuss the day when she collapsed in summer 2015 and how losing 73 pounds before that fateful event helped save her life. She also will discuss the epidemic of childhood obesity.

“I gave this same speech at the Dayton American Heart Association Go Red event in early September and have been urged to give it again,” Hollingsworth said. “I have been giving speeches for over a year now about heart disease being the No. 1 killer in women, and this talk had a different effect on me. I think that in our society, we believe we can’t truly make a difference by ourselves, but with these talks I have gained a completely different viewpoint. I’m making a difference, and I’m glad to be able to continue to do this.”

Hollingsworth added, “Educating others about the importance of heart health has become a real passion of mine. I want to let people know what they can do to have a healthy lifestyle. Since I’ve started telling people my story, it has helped many people get motivated in their own lives. Losing weight and eating healthier is what probably saved my life, and I’m happy to share my story.”

Rockets offer ‘triple threat’ ticket special

By Paul Helgren

The University of Toledo is offering a special “triple threat” ticket package that includes a seat for the basketball season home opening doubleheader for the men’s and women’s basketball teams Tuesday, Nov. 15, as well as a ticket to the football team’s final home game Wednesday, Nov. 16, vs. Ball State.

For just $30, fans can see three Rocket home events in the span of 24 hours.

The UT women will open their season vs. Rhode Island Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 5:30 p.m., followed by the men’s season opener vs. Youngstown State at 8 p.m.

The following evening, Wednesday, Nov. 16, the Rockets will host the Cardinals in Senior Night at the Glass Bowl.

“Triple threat” tickets are available in sections 2 or 8 for football, in sections 203-205 for men’s basketball, and in general admission sections for women’s basketball.

For more information or to order the “triple threat” ticket special, visit the UT Athletic Ticket Office at the Sullivan Athletic Complex in Savage Arena, or contact the UT Athletic Ticket Office at 419.530.GOLD (4653).

FROM THE HEART: UT Women’s Head Golf Coach Nicole Hollingsworth gave the keynote address at the Go Red for Women Luncheon last November at Parkway Place in Maumee.
Architectural historian to speak on Toledo glass in mid-century houses

Dr. Katerina Ruedi Ray, professor and director of the School of Art at Bowling Green State University, will present a talk titled “Windows on America: Libbey-Owens-Ford and American National Identity” Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 3:30 pm. in the Ward M. Canaday Center for Special Collections in Carlson Library.

The talk is the third in a series of lectures to accompany the center’s current exhibition, “House and Home: The Intersection of Domestic Architecture and Social History, 1870-1970.” The exhibit can be seen Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through May 5.

Ray is both a trained architect and an architectural historian. She was director of the University of Illinois at Chicago’s School of Architecture from 1997 to 2002. She studied architecture at the Architectural Association, and has master’s and doctoral degrees in architecture from the University College London. She is an international expert on modernism in architecture and its connections to social theory, and is the author of several books on the topic.

She will talk about her extensive research in the Canaday Center’s archives of Libbey-Owens-Ford, a Toledo glass corporation that produced and marketed the “picture window” used extensively in postwar mid-century American homes.

For more information on the free, public talk or the exhibit, call the Canaday Center at 419.530.4480.

All undergrads encouraged to apply by Nov. 21 to present research at showcase next month

By Christine Billau

Undergraduate students who have done research or a creative activity project in the past year are eligible to apply to present their work at the Scholars’ Celebration Undergraduate Research Showcase.

The deadline to apply is Monday, Nov. 21.

“All projects in all majors are welcome to participate independent of their funding source, if any,” said Dr. Thomas Kvale, professor emeritus of physics and director of the Office of Undergraduate Research. “This is a great opportunity for professional development and to showcase the depth and breadth of research that UT students are conducting.”

Research will be presented in a poster format Tuesday, Nov. 29, through Friday, Dec. 9, in Carlson Library.

Provost Andrew Hsu will host a welcome reception Monday, Dec. 5, at 3 p.m. in Carlson Library Room 1005 for the campus community. Students will be on hand to answer questions from other students, faculty and staff about their research.

To apply, download and complete the participation form at utoledo.edu/honors/undergradresearch/research/scholarsCelebrationUGRShowcase.html. Return the form to the Office of Undergraduate Research in Scott Hall Room 0119 or undergraduate.research@utoledo.edu.

For more information, contact the Office of Undergraduate Research at 419.530.2983.

In session

Judge Stephen A. Yarbrough spoke to students after the UT Paralegal Studies Program hosted oral arguments for the Sixth District Court of Appeals for the seventh year in a row. It marked Yarbrough’s last day hearing oral arguments on the bench. His term expires in January. Yarbrough is a UT alumnus.

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Consul General Vincent Floreani from the French Consulate in Chicago will present the honors to the local veterans designating them as models of French civic service. The French Legion of Honor is founded on the principles of rewarding individual merit, universal recognition, and contribution to the public good and is awarded to people who have carried out actions of great value.

“It is important for the community to come together to show appreciation for the men and women who have served our country, and this year we have the great opportunity to welcome a representative of the French government to join us in doing so as they recognize two local World War II veterans with their highest honor,” said Navy Reserve Lt. Haraz N. Ghanbari, director of military and veteran affairs at the University.

Perry served 57 years at UT teaching education courses and holding various administrative positions. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1943 and was honorably discharged in 1946 with the rank of sergeant. He then earned bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees from UT and began his career at his alma mater.

During a ceremony last year at UT, he was presented with the Soldier’s Medal for his bravery during a 1945 explosion of an ammunition trailer in Germany during which he carried injured men to safety and removed unexploded ammunition to protect others. Perry also has received a Purple Heart and two Bronze Stars, including one for valor.

Following the annual appreciation event, UT also will unveil new markers at the UT Veterans Memorial Plaza, an outdoor area that honors individuals and groups who served in the U.S. military. The new Gold Star Memorial and a Blue Star Memorial markers installed at the plaza pay tribute to the Gold Star families whose loved ones paid the ultimate price defending the country and to those Blue Star families who have defended, are defending, or will defend the United States of America.

The University has long been recognized as a military-friendly school for its commitment in providing exceptional assistance and support to the nation’s service members, veterans and their families.

In 2017, UT was again recognized by Military Times in its Best for Vets: Colleges 2017 rankings and by Military Advanced Education & Transition as a top school in its 2017 MAE&T Guide to Colleges & Universities research study.

The Student Veterans of America UT Chapter also will host an American flag retirement ceremony Thursday, Nov. 10, at 11 a.m. on the steps outside the Student Union, where they will share the history of the flag, the proper way to dispose of a flag that is no longer suitable for display, and preside over the retirement of several American flags.

Free parking for the Veterans Appreciation Breakfast and Resource Fair will be available in lots 3, 5 and 6 near Savage Arena. A shuttle also will transport visitors from the event to the Veterans Memorial Plaza.

This year’s event is sponsored by The University of Toledo, Lucas County Commissioners, Lucas County Veteran’s Service Commission, American Red Cross of Northwest Ohio, Columbia Gas and Fifth Third Bank.

‘Simply Give’ to UT Community Charitable Campaign

By Christine Wasserman

This year’s annual University of Toledo Community Charitable Campaign (UTC3) will run from Wednesday, Nov. 9, through Wednesday, Dec. 28. With the theme of “Simply Give,” the campaign is requesting charitable contributions of any amount from UT faculty and staff to support four federations: Community Health Charities, Community Shares of Northwest Ohio, EarthShare Ohio and United Way of Greater Toledo.

These federations represent nearly 220 nonprofit agencies, programs and charitable organizations throughout our region that depend on community support to fulfill their missions. They include everything from the American Red Cross, Easter Seals Northern Ohio, the Black Swamp Conservatory and UTC’s Reach Out and Read program to Mom’s House, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Hospice Organization of Ohio and the Children’s Hunger Alliance.

“Out of respect for everyone’s busy schedule and their household budget, we decided to ‘keep it simple’ this year and ask all faculty and staff to just give whatever amount they can,” said Dr. Kaye M. Patten, senior vice president for student affairs and UTC3’s 2016 chairperson. “UTC3 gives you the opportunity to align your charitable giving with your particular passion to make a positive and lasting impact in our community.”

To encourage strong participation, those who give to UTC3 by Dec. 28 — regardless of the amount — will receive a UT T-shirt, as well as an invitation to an early January University breakfast to celebrate their generosity.

“By asking everyone to ‘simply give,’ we’re relying on faculty and staff to participate at whatever level they deem possible,” Patten said. “Whether you give one dollar or a thousand, it counts toward our UT goal of $125,000. You also become part of the University’s collective effort to fulfill our mission — to improve the human condition. We’re very grateful because every single dollar really helps.”

To Simply Give, watch for emails from Patten beginning Wednesday, Nov. 9, and click on the ePledge form, which enables you to give via check, cash, credit card, payroll deduction or bill. All gifts are tax-deductible.

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University recognized for service to veterans

By Meghan Cunningham

The University of Toledo continues to be recognized as a military-friendly university for the assistance and support provided to service members, veterans and their families.

Military Times announced last week its Best for Vets: Colleges 2017 rankings that evaluate the factors that make colleges and universities a good fit for members of the military and veterans. More than 500 colleges took part in the survey, and the top 175 were featured in the rankings.

“We limit our list to encourage competition, and we genuinely hope this helps raise the bar for veterans on campus,” said Amanda Miller, editor of Best for Vets.

Military Advanced Education & Transition also named UT a top school in its 2017 Guide to Colleges & Universities research study.

“The recognition as a top military-friendly university reflects the University’s commitment to honor the sacrifices of our service members and their families and help them achieve their education goals,” said Navy Reserve Lt. Haraz N. Ghanbari, UT director of military and veteran affairs.

The UT Military Service Center provides accessible educational and degree completion opportunities and a range of customized support services to service members and veterans, including educational benefit processing, mentoring, advocacy and networking. The center also partners closely with veteran service organizations to assist with the transition from military service to the classroom.

For more information, the Military Service Center can be reached at 419.530.VETS (8387) or online at utoledo.edu/military.
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