

## Business mogul to speak at UT for Black History Month

Dr. William F. Pickard will share his story of being the first person in his family to graduate from college and working to become one of the top businessmen in the country when he visits The University of Toledo for Black History Month.



Pickard

He will speak Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 6 p.m. in Doermann Theatre.

Pickard is chair of Global Automotive Alliance, a co-managing partner of MGM Grand Detroit Casino, CEO of Bearwood Management Co., and co-owner of five newspapers.

“We are excited to have Dr. Pickard as our featured speaker this year,” David Young, UT director of Toledo Excel and Special Projects, said. “He will talk about achieving success despite the odds.”

Pickard’s career started with a McDonald’s franchise in Detroit. In 1989, he founded an automotive manufacturing company, which became Global Automotive Alliance. The holding company for some half dozen businesses has about 1,600 workers and approximately \$500 million in sales. One of the nation’s leading minority-

owned companies, Global Automotive Alliance supplies plastic parts to the top three automakers in the United States.

During his more than 40-year career, Pickard has mentored African-American business owners and published a book, “Millionaire Moves: Seven Proven Principles of Entrepreneurship.”

“I fully embrace the mantra: ‘Each one, reach one, teach one.’ These words get me fired up,” he wrote in the introduction of his 2017 book. “They also explain the purpose of this book. This is my way of saying that whatever I’ve done, you can do it, too.”

The entrepreneur and philanthropist shares his leadership skills on the board of the National Urban League and as a member of the Detroit branch of the NAACP. In 1982, President Ronald Reagan appointed Pickard to be the first chair of the African

## Doctoral student receives American Heart Association fellowship award

By Tyrel Linkhorn

A University of Toledo graduate student has been awarded a highly competitive predoctoral fellowship grant from the American Heart Association.

Hannah Saternos is in her third year of the Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics PhD Program in the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. The two-year, \$53,866 grant, which began Jan. 1, will take her through the completion of her doctoral degree.

Dr. Wissam AbouAlaiwi, associate professor in the Department of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, said Saternos is an exceptionally bright and dedicated student.

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## Snowy day

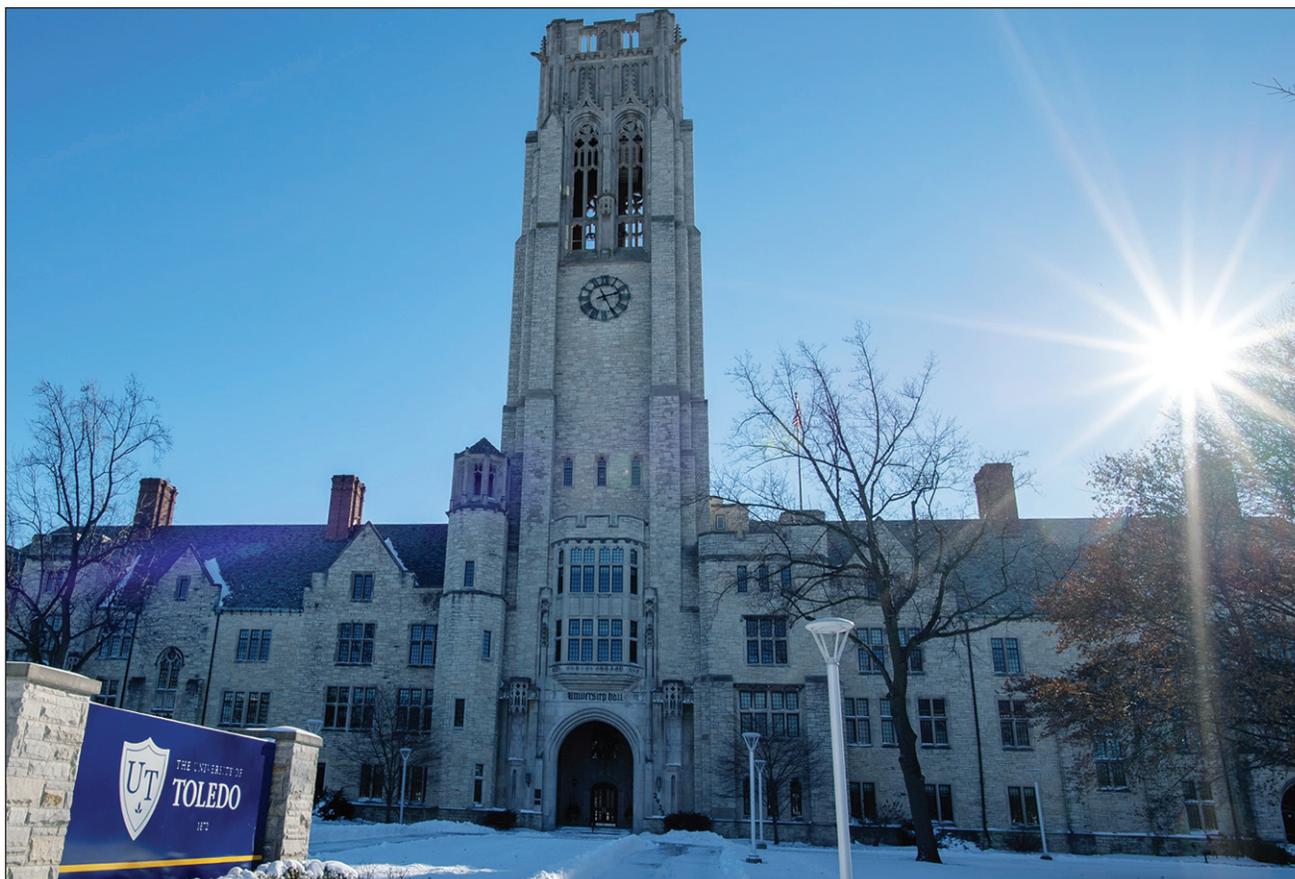


Photo by Mike Henningsen

Photographer Mike Henningsen braved the arctic cold Jan. 21 and took this shot of University Hall.

## New website to be hub of information when severe weather cancels classes

The University of Toledo has launched a new website to serve as an additional tool to communicate information when inclement weather impacts campus operations.

The website, [utoledo.edu/weather](http://utoledo.edu/weather), will provide time-stamped updates to keep the UT and local communities informed during severe weather events that can lead to classes or campus events being delayed or canceled.

UT is a community and a home for many students, so essential campus services continue while the University may delay or cancel classes. The UT Medical Center does not close during severe weather.

In the rare event of a major snow or ice storm that necessitates UT canceling classes, the University will announce this information through the new website as well as through several additional communication vehicles:

- UT Alert text message and email for members of the campus community;
- Web: [utoledo.edu](http://utoledo.edu) and [myut.utoledo.edu](http://myut.utoledo.edu);
- Social media: UT on Facebook and Twitter;
- Phone: 419.530.SNOW (7669); and
- Local media.

## Unity celebration



UT President Sharon L. Gaber, left, applauded for this year's recipients of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarships, from left, Mychael L. Long, Maya Williams, Michael D. Griffin, Nadia C. Shelton, Kibwe M. Rayford and Kajuan E. Willis during the annual unity celebration named for the civil rights leader. About 500 people attended the 18th annual event organized by the University and the city of Toledo Jan. 21 in Savage Arena.



The UT Gospel Choir performed during the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Celebration.

Photos by Michele "Mickey" Ross

## #MeToo Movement to be discussed Feb. 5

By Bailey Sparks

The Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women will host a talk titled "Law and the #MeToo Movement" for Sexual Abuse and Sexual Violence Awareness Week.



Porter

Nicole Porter, associate dean for faculty research and development in the UT College of Law, and professor of law, will speak Tuesday, Feb. 5, at noon in Carlson Library Room 1005.

She will discuss the #MeToo Movement, including the legal aspects and the recent changes in Title IX.

Since the movement gained momentum in November 2017, Porter has been working with law professors across the country to try to increase the public's awareness of the legal issues surrounding #MeToo.

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## Fellowship

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"To bring \$54,000 at the predoctoral level is impressive," AbouAlaiwi said. "Usually students come to the lab, perform their research project, and leave with a decent research experience. For Hannah, it's more like a major career step. She is a student, she's taking care of her research — but she's also training other students, organizing the lab, ordering supplies, and writing grants. She has a very promising future in this field."

Saternos' grant application scored in the top 11th percentile, with one reviewer noting she is already "arguably equal to an early to mid-stage postdoctoral fellow in scientific and networking skills."

The American Heart Association funds 100 to 130 predoctoral fellowships annually.

Originally from the Pittsburgh area, Saternos received both her bachelor's and master's degrees from The University of Toledo. She joined AbouAlaiwi's lab in 2014 and has since published eight research papers.

The primary focus of Saternos' work is on cilia, hair-like antenna structures that extend from human cells, and the potential

role they may play in blood pressure and polycystic kidney disease. She was the first to discover that cilia contain a certain family of receptors and is now investigating whether it might be possible to link and target the receptors as a treatment for those conditions.

AbouAlaiwi said other researchers already have clinically tested drugs that target those receptors elsewhere in the body for treating other disorders.

"If these drugs have proven to be beneficial for polycystic kidney disease or hypertension, you will save a lot of time during the clinical trial periods as you do not have to go through all the safety testing procedure again. Those steps have already been done," he said. "I think that's what drew the attention of the American Heart Association to fund this project because it's a novel idea and it could have an impact on cardiovascular disease in the future."

There is currently no effective cure or treatment for polycystic kidney disease, a genetic disorder that causes fluid-filled cysts to grow in the kidneys and elsewhere. Ultimately, it can lead to kidney failure.



Saternos and AbouAlaiwi

Photo by Daniel Miller

AbouAlaiwi and Saternos each received grants from the American Heart Association in 2016 to support their work.

Saternos sees her fellowship award as validation that she's on track for meeting her professional goal of being a research professor in cardiovascular therapeutics.

"I'm naturally curious, and I instantly fell in love with the research project and

the lab. Every day I'm excited to be here," she said. "I've always wanted to have my own lab, and getting this award encourages me that dream is realistic. I want to find something I'm passionate about and continue to jump down these rabbit holes. I'm never going to work a day in my life. I genuinely love this."

## Outstanding Teacher, Advisor Award nominations due Feb. 17

**D**o you know an outstanding teacher or advisor at The University of Toledo?

The deadline to nominate someone for the 2019 Outstanding Teacher Award and the 2019 Outstanding Advisor Award is 11:59 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17.

The Outstanding Teacher Award recognizes outstanding UT faculty members who have made a positive impact by inspiring, motivating and challenging their students.

A maximum of six full-time UT faculty members will receive the award — a \$1,500 cash stipend and a certificate of recognition.

All full-time faculty at the University are eligible for the award, with the exception of past recipients. Winners will be selected by the Outstanding Teacher Committee based on an evaluation of nominations submitted by students, faculty and alumni.

The Outstanding Advisor Award is for academic advisors who have gone above and beyond to help empower their students.

Nominees should demonstrate strong interpersonal skills; educate and

empower students to make informed academic decisions; prioritize their commitments to maximize academic success; and be knowledgeable of UT policies and resources.

There will be two recipients of the Outstanding Advisor Award, each receiving \$1,500. Any full-time advisor is eligible, with the exception of previous award recipients.

Students, alumni, faculty and staff are encouraged to submit nominations.

The online nomination forms for both awards may be found on the Office of the Provost website at [utoledo.edu/offices/provost/awards](http://utoledo.edu/offices/provost/awards).

Past recipients of the awards are not eligible; lists of winners are online with the nomination forms.

Winners of these honors will be recognized at the UT Outstanding Awards Reception Tuesday, April 16, at 5:30 p.m. in the Thompson Student Union Auditorium.

At that event, the University also will recognize recipients of the Outstanding Research and Scholarship Award and the Edith Rathbun Outreach and Engagement Award, as well as Distinguished University Lecturers and Distinguished University Professors.

## New report highlights commitment to community engagement

By Meghan Cunningham

**T**he University of Toledo has released its initial annual engagement report to highlight the impact UT has on the community through the efforts of students, faculty, staff and alumni.

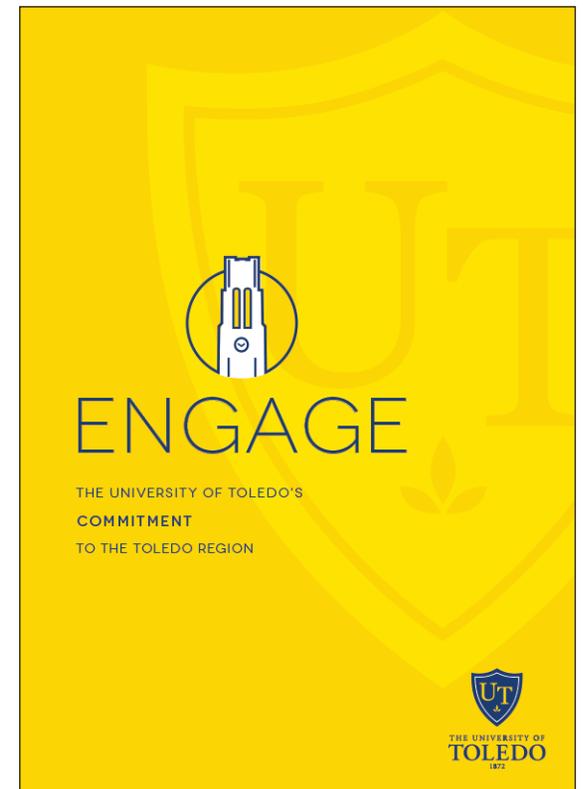
The report is the first of an annual effort to document the University's community engagement activities as part of an initiative launched last academic year to enhance opportunities for partnership and collaboration.

"UT takes great pride in being a public research university that serves the community," UT President Sharon L. Gaber said. "Since our founding, we've been committed to public service, and we remain focused on our goal to effect positive change in the community, the state, the nation and the world."

The 2018 Annual Report on The University of Toledo's Community Engagement, available on the Community Engagement website at [utoledo.edu/engagement](http://utoledo.edu/engagement), organizes UT's engagement activities through the lenses of talent development, innovation and place.

In the area of talent development, the University took a look at its academic and experiential learning programs that prepare students with the strong educational foundation needed to succeed in the workplace. At the same time, UT provides area businesses with a strong pool of interns and employees to help advance their operations. One example of UT's impact — 78 percent of the 2017 College of Business and Innovation graduates found employment in the northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan communities.

UT's business incubation efforts are highlighted in the innovation section, noting that since the inception of the LaunchPad incubation program in 2014, there have been more than 250 entrepreneurs served, nearly 250 jobs created, and nearly \$30,000,000 in sales revenue and professional investment in the region.



Lastly, the report looks at the University's role in improving the quality of life in the place it calls home. The CommunityCare Clinic run by students in the UT College of Medicine and Life Sciences served nearly 5,000 patients last year, and all UT students collectively performed nearly 40,000 hours of community service, volunteering their time beyond the hours they give back through student teaching, clinicals and unpaid internships.

"UT faculty, students, staff and alumni have so much to be proud of when reflecting on the strong, positive impact we have on our community and the many ways we connect with and enrich the lives of our neighbors," said Margie Traband, senior director of community engagement. "This new annual report is one way we celebrate the University's role in the region and look for ways to continue to enhance our efforts."

## University to name first Student Employee of the Year; nominations needed

By Bailey Sparks

**T**he University of Toledo Career Services is launching a Student Employee of the Year award for 2018-19.

The guidelines for the Student Employee of the Year selection have been established by the National Student Employment Association and the Midwest Association of Student Employment Administrators.

According to Career Services, the honoree will be a student who, in her or his work role, exemplifies reliability, quality of work, initiative, professionalism, and uniqueness of contribution. Nominees will be evaluated based on those criteria.

The UT Student Employee of the Year winner will automatically be entered to contend for the state title, with the possibility of advancing to regionals and nationals.

"The University employs a workforce of 3,000 students that do a lot for their school, and a lot of them are putting their education to use," said Joshua Vail, student employment specialist for Career Services. "This is just one way we'd like to give back and show a little recognition for them. We will also host a reception for all of the students who were nominated, along with the supervisors who nominated them."

Supervisors should submit their nominations forms via email by 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14. The nomination form and a complete list of requirements can be found at [utoledo.edu/success/career/student-employee-award](http://utoledo.edu/success/career/student-employee-award).

Visit the Career Services' website at [utoledo.edu/success/career](http://utoledo.edu/success/career) for more information.

## UT students volunteer 18,500 hours during fall semester

**S**tudents at The University of Toledo spent more than 18,500 hours volunteering during fall semester through student organizations and athletic teams.

UT students give back to the community through activities such as tutoring, mentoring at-risk youth, serving meals to individuals who are homeless, assisting at animal shelters, collecting

items to donate to nonprofit agencies, and beautifying neighborhoods.

The service hours are in addition to the hours students give back through student teaching, clinicals and internships. During fall semester, 2,168 undergraduate students were out in the community, learning through hands-on experiences in their academic programs for more than 380,000 hours.

## Business plan competition accepting entries

Wednesday, Feb. 20, is the deadline for UT students and employees to enter the ninth annual business plan competition sponsored by the UT College of Business and Innovation.

The top prize: \$10,000 to help make that business idea a reality.

“We are looking forward to seeing the creative array of entries from all campuses,” said Dr. Sonny Ariss, professor and chair of management. “This business plan competition has been growing for eight years, and we expect that success to continue.”

“This annual competition is a marquee event for the University and the College of Business and Innovation,” Dr. Anne L. Balazs, dean of the UT College of Business and Innovation, said. “I am excited to be part of this competition that supports innovation, rewards creative thinking, and encourages entrepreneurs.”

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 again ready to offer guidance to help 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 (sponsored by Owens-Illinois Inc.);
- Second place: \$5,000 (sponsored by the William and Paula Fall Business Plan Award Fund); and
- Third place: \$2,000 (sponsored by PNC Bank).

The timeline for the 2019 competition is:

- Those planning to enter the competition are invited to attend a question-and-answer session Wednesday, Feb. 6, from noon to 1 p.m. in the PNC Entrepreneurship Lab, located in Savage & Associates Business Complex Room 3100.
- Entries must be submitted by Wednesday, Feb. 20.
- Finalists will be announced Wednesday, March 20.
- Finalists will make an oral presentation about their business using the business model canvas Friday, April 12, between noon and 5:30 p.m. in the PNC Entrepreneurship Lab in Savage & Associates Business Complex Room 3100.
- Winners will be announced Friday, April 19.

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

To register or for more information, go to [utoledo.edu/business](http://utoledo.edu/business).

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

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See [utoledo.edu/business](http://utoledo.edu/business) for application instructions using Lean Launch Pad concepts.

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This competition reflects UT's belief in innovative thinking and is intended to advance a creative culture of growth in all areas of the University. UT College of Business and Innovation is conducting the business model/plan competition.

COBI reserves the right to withhold a cash award if no qualified proposal is received. In addition to cash prizes, awardees may receive assistance in areas such as intellectual property and business consultation.

\*Alumni can participate as a member of a team involving current UT faculty, staff or students.

\*\* For more information, please visit [businessmodelgeneration.com/canvas](http://businessmodelgeneration.com/canvas) or [leancanvas.com](http://leancanvas.com).

# Saturday Morning Science returns with blue light, shipwrecks, gene-editing and glass

By Christine Billau

**S**aturday Morning Science is back for 2019 at The University of Toledo with five programs to give the community the opportunity to learn about hot topics in modern science.

The free, public talks, which are presented by the UT College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, kick off Saturday, Feb. 2, at 10 a.m. in Memorial Field House Room 2100 with “Regional Water Resources Management: A Great Lakes Perspective,” presented by Dr. Andrew Gronewold, associate professor in the School for Environment and Sustainability at the University of Michigan.

“We’re excited to bring in speakers who will discuss issues of great importance to the city of Toledo, such as the intersection of science and art in glassmaking and the past and future of Lake Erie,” Dr. John Bellizzi, UT associate professor of chemistry and biochemistry, and co-director of Saturday Morning Science, said. “We are also fortunate to have experts discuss topics that have generated a lot of media coverage, including gene-editing technology in the wake of reports that a Chinese scientist edited the genomes of two babies, and blue light research carried out here at UT showing how digital devices may be damaging to your eyes.”

Listed by date, additional programs and speakers will be:

- Feb. 16: “And There Was Light” by Dr. Ajith Karunaratne, assistant professor in the UT Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.
- Feb. 23: “Archaeology and Shipwrecks” by Carrie Sowden, archaeological director of the National Museum of the Great Lakes.
- March 16: “Gene Editing with CRISPR/Cas9” by Dr. Ron Conlon, associate professor in the Department of Genetics and Genome Sciences at Case Western Reserve University.
- April 27: “Glass Is a Verb, Just Like You” by Dr. Jane Cook, chief scientist at the Corning Museum of Glass.

All talks begin at 10 a.m. and include complimentary light refreshments donated by Barry’s Bagels and Costco Wholesale Corp. The program is funded by the Office of the Dean of the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics.

For more information about the upcoming events, visit the Saturday Morning Science program’s Facebook page at [facebook.com/SaturdayMorningScience](https://facebook.com/SaturdayMorningScience).

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**Free, light breakfast is provided prior to each program,  
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Free parking is available in Lot 13 and the West Ramp Parking Garage.  
See map at [utoledo.edu/campus/directions/pdfs/Main-Campus-Map.pdf](http://utoledo.edu/campus/directions/pdfs/Main-Campus-Map.pdf).

Stream archived presentations at [knowledgestream.org](http://knowledgestream.org), courtesy of WGTE.

Organizers: Dr. John Bellizzi and Dr. Joseph Schmidt  
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## Theatre department to present 'The Pillowman'

By Angela Riddel

The University of Toledo Department of Theatre and Film will present Martin McDonagh's Tony Award-winning play titled "The Pillowman" Friday through Sunday, Feb. 1-3 and 8-10, in the Center for Performing Arts Center Theatre.

Friday and Saturday performances will be at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday shows are at 2 p.m.

In "The Pillowman," Katurian, a fiction writer abused as a child, churns out bizarre novels with violent plot twists that raise the suspicions of the police when his stories align a little too closely with a recent string of child murders. During his interrogation, Katurian reveals the horrid childhood experiences that informed his craft.

Quincy Joyner, assistant lecturer of theatre, is directing the production.

"There are brutal moments in this play. That's how Martin McDonagh writes. But he dares us to look past the surface of the story's characters," Joyner said. "There are moments of humor and intellect in the writer who writes about horrific things, in the police officers who want the world to be a safer place, in the younger brother who has a childhood filled with dreadful experiences. It is a play that challenges the audience as much as it entertains."

The cast features Hanna Gerlica, a junior majoring in pharmacy, as Mother; Bryan Harkins, a senior majoring in

theatre, as Tupolski; Becca Lustic, a junior majoring in theatre, as Michal; Abbey Mulinix, a student at Wildwood Environmental Academy, as Little Jesus Girl; Grace Mulinix, a freshman majoring in theatre, as Katurian; Faith Murphy, a junior majoring in theatre, as Ariel; Justin Petty, a sophomore majoring in theatre, as Father; and Christian Soto, a freshman majoring in theatre, as Pillow Boy/Brother.

Members of the design team are Dr. Edmund Lingan, professor and chair of theatre and film, producer; Scott Hunt, UT alumnus and faculty member, composer; Kristin Ellert, set designer; Daniel Thobias, associate professor of theatre, costume designer; Stephen Sakowski, assistant professor of theatre, lighting designer; Ryan Peters-Hieber, a senior majoring in theatre design technology, sound designer; Kevin Upham, a senior majoring in theatre, stage manager; and Logan Fleming, a sophomore majoring in theatre, assistant stage manager.

Tickets are \$10 for students; \$12 for UT faculty, staff and alumni, and military members and seniors; and \$18 for the general public. Call 419.530.ARTS (2787) or go to the School of Visual and Performing Arts' website at [utoledo.tix.com](http://utoledo.tix.com). Tickets also will be available at the door.



With echoes of Stoppard, Kafka, and the Brothers Grimm, the Tony Award-nominated play, **THE PILLOWMAN**, centers on a writer in an unnamed totalitarian state who is being interrogated about the gruesome content of his short stories and their similarities to a series of child murders. (Serious subject matter, not suitable for all ages.)

**THE PILLOWMAN**  
Written by Martin McDonagh  
Directed by Quincy Joyner

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## New HR platform to deploy Feb. 14, training available now

On Thursday, Feb. 14, The University of Toledo will launch a new online applicant hiring system called Cornerstone. This new system is more intuitive, efficient, and will help make the recruitment and hiring process more user-friendly.

Cornerstone will be used for all new hire and internal position changes.

Extended time for applicants to apply: As Human Resources prepares for the conversion to Cornerstone, PeopleAdmin will remain active. Human Resources will continue to post new job vacancies while still allowing applicants to apply to currently posted and open positions through Thursday, Feb. 14.

"We're very pleased to offer this new system to everyone who manages their department's hiring process," said Wendy Davis, associate vice president and chief human resources officer. "Additionally, our new Cornerstone webpages will better engage job seekers, which is important in attracting the best talent to the University."

Please note the following:

- Blackout dates are no longer necessary — HR will post new job vacancy requests in PeopleAdmin through Feb. 14. Any job vacancy requests sent to HR in the last few weeks will be posted and made available online through PeopleAdmin.
- Applicants can still apply — Applicants will still be able to apply

for all currently open faculty and staff vacancies in PeopleAdmin through Thursday, Feb. 14.

- New position control number requests — New position control number requests can be processed via a web form located on the UT HR website at [utoledo.edu/depts/hr/employment/newpcnrequest.html](http://utoledo.edu/depts/hr/employment/newpcnrequest.html).
- Cornerstone launch date and time — HR will launch Cornerstone Thursday, Feb. 14, around noon.

Human Resources is offering a series of Cornerstone computer-based training sessions for applicant recruitment and onboarding in order to enhance users' learning experience. Business managers, department administrators, administrative support staff and hiring managers are encouraged to sign up to attend a session titled Introduction to Cornerstone.

Sessions are being held on Health Science Campus and Main Campus. To register, visit the Human Resources' website at [utoledo.edu/depts/hr](http://utoledo.edu/depts/hr) to view dates, times and session locations, then complete and submit the form to reserve a seat.

Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and is limited due to the number of computers available in each training session. Additional training dates will be added as needed.

## #MeToo

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"There are many misunderstandings and misconceptions about sexual harassment and sexual assault. One of my goals is to help clear up some of the confusion," Porter said. "I think conversations like this one are difficult, but very important."

She plans to talk about the difference between sexual harassment and sexual assault, and how Title VII of the Civil

Rights Act of 1964 addresses sexual harassment in the workplace.

Porter also will address the quickly changing law surrounding Title IX, which applies to educational institutions, and some of the myths surrounding sexual assault and sexual harassment.

To register and for more information, call the Eberly Center at 419.530.8570.

## In memoriam

**Rebeckah (Rebecca) McGraw**, Toledo, who worked at MCO for nearly a decade, died Jan. 21 at age 67. She was an aide at the daycare center and later a dialysis technician during the 1970s and 1980s. McGraw received an associate degree in mental health technology from UT in 2016.

**Robert D. Stutz**, Toledo, died Jan. 19 at age 81. In 1961, he received a bachelor's degree in business administration majoring in accounting. He returned to his alma mater as an instructor and taught accounting.

## Toledo to hold annual 'Rockets for the Cure' Feb. 2

By Brian DeBenedictis

Toledo will hold its 13th annual "Rockets for the Cure," presented by Kroger, Saturday, Feb. 2, as UT entertains archrival Bowling Green at 2 p.m. in Savage Arena.

The Mid-American Conference cross-division showdown will help benefit the Susan G. Komen for the Cure of Northwest Ohio, The University of Toledo Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center, and the UT Center for Health and Successful Living.

Fans are encouraged to wear pink in support of cancer research.

The goal of "Rockets for the Cure" is to provide cancer education to the community, give encouragement to the survivors fighting now and their families, celebrate the survivors who have won the fight, remember the ones who were less fortunate, and pack

Savage Arena with 5,000 or more Rocket fans in pink.

UT is offering free admission to the rivalry game to all breast cancer survivors and those living with metastatic breast cancer. To claim a free ticket, stop by the UT Ticket Office in Savage Arena, call 419.530.GOLD (4653), or visit the "Rockets for the Cure" ticket website at [toledorockets.typeform.com/to/L9yODu](http://toledorockets.typeform.com/to/L9yODu).

In addition, commemorative "Rockets for the Cure" T-shirts can be purchased for \$8 at the Toledo Rockets' special event website at [ticketreturn.com/prod2/BuyNew.asp?EventID=277778#.XEIBF1VKiUI](http://ticketreturn.com/prod2/BuyNew.asp?EventID=277778#.XEIBF1VKiUI).

From when the doors open at 12:30 p.m. until the end of halftime, fans can take part in the silent auction on the West

### Dollars raised from "Rockets For the Cure" under Head Coach Tricia Cullop

2010 — \$11,393	2015 — \$14,893*
2011 — \$14,366	2016 — \$11,016*
2012 — \$18,010	2017 — \$10,488*
2013 — \$19,845	2018 — \$12,315*
2014 — \$13,582	

\*Total also includes funds raised for the UT Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center and the UT Center for Health and Successful Living

Concourse. All proceeds from the silent auction will benefit Susan G. Komen for the Cure of Northwest Ohio, the UT Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center, and the UT Center for Health and Successful Living.

Toledo will once again wear special pink uniforms for the game. Guest emcee Chrys Peterson and the Rockets will hold a live jersey auction immediately following the contest. All proceeds from the live auction will benefit Susan G. Komen Northwest Ohio and the UT Eleanor N. Dana Cancer Center.

Last season, the Rockets raised \$12,315 for cancer research, marking the

ninth straight season they collected at least \$10,000. In addition, four of the uniforms that were auctioned off went for at least \$900, including a high of \$1,200 for senior Mikaela Boyd's jersey.

For tickets, go to the Toledo Rockets website at [utrockets.com](http://utrockets.com), call 419.530.GOLD (4653), or stop by the UT Athletic Ticket Office in Savage Arena. UT employees and retirees may purchase tickets at half-price; UT students are admitted free with ID.



## Deadline Jan. 31 to enroll, waive student health insurance

The deadline for students to enroll or waive coverage in the Student Health Insurance Plan is Thursday, Jan. 31.

The Student Health Insurance Plan, which is now administered by Payer Fusion LLC, offers three plan options — Gold, Silver and Bronze — to students interested in purchasing personal insurance coverage. Each plan also has the option to add coverage for spouses and dependents.

Students can enroll in the UT-provided insurance plan via the online enrollment tool in the myUT portal. Students need to click on the Health Insurance — Enroll, Change or Waive link under the My Registration Steps section and select the spring 2019 semester.

Students who are required to have insurance are enrolled automatically in the Student Health Insurance Plan. While those students do not need to enroll for personal

coverage, they would need to follow the enrollment steps to add coverage for family members by the Jan. 31 deadline.

Students who are mandated to have health insurance coverage include international students holding J-1 visas, student-athletes, and students enrolled in health-care academic programs. For those mandated students who already have comparable health insurance coverage, they have the option to waive the UT-provided plan by following the steps in the same Health Insurance — Enroll, Change or Waive link in the myUT portal. The waiver deadline also is Jan. 31.

A new website also has been created to provide additional information about the Student Health Insurance Plan. It is available at [utoledo.edu/depts/hr/benefits/student/undergraduate-plans.html](http://utoledo.edu/depts/hr/benefits/student/undergraduate-plans.html).

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Development Foundation, and President George Bush tapped him to serve on the National Advisory Committee on Trade Policy Negotiations in 1990.

Pickard received a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University, a master's degree from the University of Michigan, and a doctorate from Ohio State University.

In addition to Pickard's talk, the University will celebrate this year's theme, "Embracing Our Power — Honoring Our History," with several events during Black History Month.

Listed by date, events will include:

- Tuesday, Feb. 5 — Black Student Union Comedy Show, 7 p.m., Thompson Student Union Ingman Room.
- Wednesday, Feb. 6 — Jerome Jenkins, former basketball coach at California State University at Sacramento, will give a talk, "The War Within," at 6:30 p.m. in Thompson Student Union Room 2592.
- Thursday, Feb. 7 — Black History Month Film Series: "Moonlight," 7:30 p.m., Center for Performing Arts Room 1039.
- Monday, Feb. 11 — Step Afrika! will perform at 7 p.m. in the Thompson Student Union Auditorium. The dance company dedicated to the African-American tradition of stepping tours around the globe.
- Thursday, Feb. 14 — Black History Month Film Series: "Creed," 7:30 p.m., Center for Performing Arts Room 1039.
- Thursday, Feb. 21 — Black History Month Film Series: "Pariah," 7:30 p.m., Center for Performing Arts Room 1039.
- Friday, Feb. 22 — Black Student Union Fashion Show, 6 p.m., Thompson Student Union Auditorium. Ticket price to be announced.
- Monday, Feb. 25 — "Black GirlZ Rock," 6 p.m., Thompson Student Union Ingman Room. The National Pan-Hellenic Council will honor women on campus who have made an impact on UT students.
- Thursday, Feb. 28 — Black History Month Film Series: "Get Out," 7:30 p.m., Center for Performing Arts Room 1039.

All events are free unless otherwise noted.

For more information on UT's events for Black History Month, contact Young at [david.young@utoledo.edu](mailto:david.young@utoledo.edu) or 419.530.3815.



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