

UT president, Toledo mayor to kick off Rocket Week at flag-raising ceremony

The University of Toledo President Sharon L. Gaber and Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz will kick off the start of “Rocket Week” with an official proclamation from the mayor and ceremonial raising of the UT flag outside One Government Center on Friday, Aug. 24, at 10 a.m.

Rocket Week is a series of special events the first week of the 2018-19 academic year leading up to the home-opening football game of the defending Mid-American Conference Champion Toledo Rockets. The Rockets will host the Virginia Military Institute in the Glass Bowl on Saturday, Sept. 1, at 7 p.m.

In addition to the location at One Government Center, Rocket flags will be flown at other city buildings and parks. Toledo area businesses and fans are encouraged to fly their University or Rocket flags during the week leading up to the home opener and all season long.

As part of Rocket Week, UT and the city of Toledo also will recognize city employees during the game and pregame festivities.

“We’re ready for another exciting school year and Rocket football season,” Gaber said. “UT is proud to be this city’s university. We also are very proud of our MAC Champions. I want to highly encourage our community to join us in showing their Rocket pride. I look forward to celebrating with Rocket fans and recognizing the dedicated individuals who serve our city.”

“The city of Toledo has an amazing university with an incredible athletics program, and I invite all Toledoans to join me in showing their Rocket pride as we raise the UT flag at One Government Center, city parks and other sites across the city — including my own home,” Kapszukiewicz said. “I want to thank UT for recognizing the hard work city employees do for our community. We

will see you at the game on Sept. 1 and throughout the season.”

Some of the events during Rocket Week include a pep rally on campus Wednesday, Aug. 29, as well as downtown pep rallies on Thursday, Aug. 30, at the

food trucks at Levis Square and on Friday, Aug. 31, in the entertainment district. The Friday night rallies continue a tradition in which the Rocket Marching Band performs at various establishments, marching through

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UT psychiatrist wins Fulbright grant to study child abuse prevention in Netherlands

By Christine Billau

About 540 children are identified as victims of abuse or neglect each year in Lucas County.

“For every substantiated case of physical child abuse in the U.S., approximately 40 more exist that go undetected. It’s heartbreaking,” said Dr. Michele Knox, University of Toledo professor of psychiatry, who has dedicated her life to protecting children and educating parents with alternative methods of discipline.

She recently was awarded her second Fulbright award to visit the Netherlands to find innovative and effective ways to improve child abuse prevention in the United States.

“I am honored to receive this award. It is an opportunity to bring home new ideas and approaches because the Netherlands is among the nations with the lowest rates of child maltreatment deaths,” Knox said. “I will be learning from the people there and benefiting from their expertise, knowledge and success.”

Starting in spring 2019, Knox will spend nearly three weeks at the University of Utrecht, the largest university in the Netherlands.

“This is a big change from my last Fulbright specialist project, which was in northern Portugal,” Knox said. “I was teaching the Portuguese how to

use evidence-based parenting group programs to prevent child abuse.”

The United States, Mexico and Portugal have “exceptionally” high rates of child maltreatment deaths, according to the UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre.

For 16 years, Knox has been a master trainer for the American Psychological Association’s Adults and Children Together (ACT) Raising Safe Kids Program, which trains parents and caregivers in nonviolent discipline, child development, anger management and social problem-solving skills.



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‘Executive Power in the Age of Trump’ topic of law lecture Aug. 30

By Diana Case

Saikrishna B. Prakash, the James Monroe Distinguished Professor of Law and the Paul G. Mahoney Research Professor of Law at the University of Virginia School of Law, will discuss presidential power as part of The University of Toledo College of Law’s Stranahan Lecture series.



Prakash

His lecture, “Executive Power in the Age of Trump,” will be delivered

Thursday, Aug. 30, at noon in the Law Center McQuade Auditorium.

Prakash will speak on the modern presidency and its ability to unilaterally alter the law it is supposed to faithfully execute. He will examine why modern executives claim the ability to alter constitutional and statutory law through the alchemy of repeated transgressions of existing law. He will argue this ability has contributed to President Trump’s dominant role in constitutional and statutory interpretation.

“Professor Prakash is at the heart of the debate over one of the pressing issues of our time — the power of the president,” said Lee J. Strang, John W. Stoepler Professor of Law & Values at the UT College of Law. “He is one of the nation’s most influential executive power scholars, and he is an engaging speaker. Professor Prakash’s lecture will focus on the expansion of presidential power and its implications for the future. His informed perspective is sure to provoke debate and conversation.”

The author of more than 60 articles, Prakash is a leading scholar of constitutional law and legal history. His recent publications include “50 States, 50 Attorneys General and 50 Approaches to the Duty to Defend” (Yale Law Journal, 2015), “The Imbecilic Executive” (Virginia Law Review, 2013), “The Sweeping Domestic War Powers of Congress” (Michigan Law Review, 2015), and *Imperial From the Beginning: The Constitution of the Original Executive* (Yale University Press, 2015).

Prakash teaches constitutional law, foreign relations law and presidential powers. He is a graduate of Stanford University and Yale Law School, and he clerked for Justice Clarence Thomas.

The free, public lecture is part of the Stranahan National Issues Forum and is sponsored by the College of Law and its chapter of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies.

For more information, visit utoledo.edu/law/events/stranahan-lecture.html.

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While in the Netherlands, Knox plans to teach college students and professionals about the ACT program and other topics related to child abuse and well-being.

Knox teaches medical students and residents at UT. She also is a clinical psychologist who specializes in children, adolescents and trauma; child abuse prevention; and parenting.

“Spanking is often the first step in the cycle of child abuse, and it can result in aggressive behavior and delinquency in kids,” Knox said. “I teach alternative methods of discipline for positive parenting solutions, such as the use of timeouts, removal of privileges, and positive reinforcement to reward the child’s good behavior.”

Her current research addresses factors related to harsh and abusive parenting, outcomes of child maltreatment prevention programs, and the efficacy of the Child Advocacy Studies training program for medical students.

Grand reopening



Photos by Daniel Miller

Doing the honors at the Aug. 9 Parks Tower ribbon-cutting celebration were Valerie S. Walston, associate vice president for student services and director of residence life, and Jason Toth, associate vice president for facilities and construction; they were joined by, from left, Patrick J. Kenney, member of the UT Board of Trustees; Dr. Phillip “Flapp” Cockrell, vice president for student affairs; Steven M. Cavanaugh, member of the UT Board of Trustees; President Sharon L. Gaber; Drew Williams, president of Student Government; and David Bishop, retired president and CEO of Matrix Technology and 1973 and 1979 UT alumnus. The largest residence hall on campus reopened after undergoing a \$12 million upgrade. Built in 1971, Parks Tower will house 668 first-year students this academic year. The building features new elevators and plumbing fixtures, as well as a new entry vestibule and reinvented main lobby. The University also added a new fitness center; new furniture for all rooms, program space, quiet zones and kitchenettes. Lounges on each floor also were redesigned. Residents will begin moving in Wednesday, Aug. 22.

Pharmacy dean named to lead college at Florida A&M University

By Meghan Cunningham

Dr. Johnnie Early, dean of the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, has been named dean of the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at Florida A&M University.



Early

and innovative leadership of UT's nationally ranked pharmacy program during his 18 years as dean of the college," UT Provost Andrew Hsu said. "We thank him for his

contributions to The University of Toledo as dean and professor since 2000, and wish him well in his new position at Florida A&M. We will miss his leadership and experience."

"I have deep appreciation for the wonderful faculty, staff, learners and alumni at The University of Toledo who contributed to the growth and development of the College of Pharmacy and myself as a person," Early said. "I am proud of what we have been able to accomplish together. It has been an honor to integrate our program more closely with colleagues on the Health Science Campus to advance the opportunities for pharmacy, medical, nursing and other health professional students to learn with and from each other, while also maintaining the collaboration with the Department of Chemistry on Main Campus. The college has progressed to be a comprehensive and complex unit at one of America's great universities."

Early began his academic career as a faculty member at FAMU and previously served as dean of the College of Pharmacy for six of the 15 years he was at the university. He also served as dean at the Medical University of South Carolina before joining UT.

"While I will miss my friends and colleagues in Toledo, this was an opportunity I couldn't refuse to return to where it started," he said. "I look forward to helping develop FAMU's new baccalaureate program in the pharmaceutical sciences, further enhancing the residency program, and having the opportunity to lead the only pharmacy school that also includes public health."

In addition to facilitating the move of the pharmacy program to Health Science Campus following the merger of UT and the former Medical College of Ohio, Early also presided over the development of the Shimadzu Laboratory for Pharmaceutical Research Excellence and the Pharmaceutical

Care and Outcomes Research Laboratory, as well as the addition of outreach programs with Toledo Early College High School, the Walgreens Pharmacy Practice Camp, and the Shimadzu, Amway Pharmaceutical Science Camp.

Under Early's leadership, student retention and graduation rates in the UT College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences have increased, and PharmD students' pass rates on the state licensure exam have exceeded the national average. Residency training also has grown significantly with newly minted pharmacists in both the UT Medical Center and the Toledo community, as well as significant growth in board-certified practitioners.

A national search will be conducted for a permanent dean of the college with the goal of having that person in place for fall 2019. An interim dean will be selected to lead the college during the transition.

Doctoral student appointed to UT Board of Trustees

By Vicki L. Kroll

Kyle D. Bergen, a third-year student in the UT Doctor of Pharmacy Program, has been appointed to the University's Board of Trustees.



Bergen

His appointment began when it was announced by the governor's office Aug. 7. His term will expire July 1, 2020.

Bergen exudes enthusiasm for the University and all the possibilities it offers.

"UT is a unique campus in terms of the opportunities that are presented to students. Whether it's the ability to pick from an almost endless list of majors, to becoming involved with any of the 300-plus student organizations on campus, to working with excellent faculty both in and outside the classroom, there

are options for every student to gain something from UT," he said. "Having experienced my fair share of these opportunities, I know the impact they can have on students.

"I want to make sure that when the board makes a decision, that the members are fully aware of how the student experience could be affected."

The native of West Chester, Ohio, will serve on the Academic and Student Affairs Committee.

"When you look at the core mission, vision and values of UT, you see that at the center of each one is the student," Bergen said.

"I hope that the University continues to run day to day with its mission, vision and values focused on the student.

"And two years from now, I would like to see the faculty, staff and administrators continue to innovate and improve our University to better serve the extremely diverse group of students here."

This semester, Bergen, who plans to graduate from the Doctor of Pharmacy Program in 2020, will be a drug information teaching assistant in the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences.

"I will help run classes designed to help the first- and second-year pharmacy students practice using the many different sources of information that are available to pharmacists," he said.

In addition, he is a pharmacy intern at Toledo Family Pharmacy.

His involvement on campus stoked his passion for the University. He is an alumnus of Sigma Phi Epsilon who mentors fraternity brothers, and he served as treasurer of Blue Key National Honor Society and as president of the Pre-Professional Organization for Pharmacy. Bergen also has been involved with the Community Care Free Medical Clinic, UT's Big Event, RockeTHON, Relay for Life, Songfest, Colleges Against Cancer, Homecoming, Pharmacy Student Council, and the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Alumni Affiliate Board.

"When I came to Toledo as a freshman, I was not nearly as outgoing, as driven, or as mature as I am now," Bergen said. "By getting involved in organizations, meeting students from different areas with different backgrounds with different majors, and trying new things, I was able to grow."

Bergen joins fellow student trustee Hedyeh Elahinia, who has been working with the board for the last year.

International services merged into single center

The University's international programs and services are all now together within the Center for International Studies and Programs to strengthen support of international students and scholars, and enhance the international learning opportunities provided to students.

The merger of the Office of International Student and Scholar Services in the Division of Student Affairs with the Center for International Studies and Programs in the Office of the Provost was effective Aug. 6.

The one-stop shop will serve international students and scholars, as well as faculty, staff and students who participate in international programs.

Sara Clark, who was appointed director of the Center for International Studies and Programs in the spring, will work closely with the team of the Office of International Student and Scholar Services to ensure a smooth transition.

The center, which assists with education abroad efforts and international partnerships, will continue to be located in Snyder Memorial Building Room 1000.

Semester starts with events to welcome students

The University of Toledo has a slew of events slated to bring together students to start the academic year.

“Our Weeks of Welcome events encourage involvement and success,” Dr. Sammy Spann, associate vice president and dean of students, said. “We want students to make new friends, learn about the University, and meet faculty and staff through their journey to become a successful Rocket.”

Check out some of the events the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership in the Division of Student Affairs has planned to welcome students to campus:

FRIDAY, AUG. 24

- Paint Party, 8 p.m., the Flatlands. Dance! Paint! Make new friends! This event is sponsored by Campus Activities and Programming.

SATURDAY, AUG. 25

- Slip-n-Slide, 11 a.m., hill by Parks Tower. Presented by the Interfraternity Council, the water event is a cool way to learn about Greek life at UT.
- Bonfire, 8 p.m., the Flatlands. The Resident Student Association hosts this annual tradition that includes pizza.

SUNDAY, AUG. 26

- New Student Convocation, 4 p.m., Glass Bowl. Rain location: Savage Arena. UT President Sharon L. Gaber, Vice President for Student Affairs Phillip “Flapp” Cockrell, Provost Andrew Hsu and others will welcome new students and talk about what it means to be a Rocket.
- After-Convocation Barbecue, 5 p.m., the Flatlands.
- Jam Session, 7 p.m., Thompson Student Union Steps. Members of the National Pan-Hellenic Council will step it up to showcase the UT Greek community.

MONDAY, AUG. 27

- Office of Multicultural Student Success Open House, 11 a.m., Thompson Student Union Room 2500. Stop by to learn about the programs and services that support UT’s multicultural students.
- Candy Cab, 11 a.m., Main Campus. Fans of “Cash Cab” take note: You can catch a free ride on campus and have a chance to win prizes. Members of the UT Police Department, UT Medical Center, Title IX Office and Rocket Wellness

will offer golf cart rides and ask health and safety questions.

- Sundae on a Monday with President Gaber, 4 p.m., Centennial Mall. Rain location: Thompson Student Union Trimble Lounge. Be there to meet President Gaber — and for ice cream.

TUESDAY, AUG. 28

- Run. Hide. Fight. Training, 10 a.m., Student Recreation Center Oak Room. UT Police will provide products and resources to help prepare and respond to a violent intruder. Materials for training provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Reserve a seat: utoledo.edu/depts/police/webforms/run-hide-fight.html.
- Candy Cab, 11 a.m., Main Campus.
- Office of Multicultural Student Success Open House, 11 a.m., Thompson Student Union Room 2500.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 29

- Student Involvement and Part-Time Involvement Fair, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Centennial Mall. Rain location: Thompson Student Union Auditorium and Rooms 2582 and 2584. Looking for a job? How about an organization dedicated to something you’re passionate about? There’s something for everyone; stop by and see!
- Office of Multicultural Student Success Open House, 11 a.m., Thompson Student Union Room 2500.
- Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women Ice Cream Social, 2 p.m., Tucker Hall Room 0168. Find out about the center, its services and events.
- Candy Cab, 3 p.m., Main Campus.
- Late Night Breakfast, 9 p.m. to midnight, Thompson Student Union South Dining Hall.

THURSDAY, AUG. 30

- Run. Hide. Fight. Training, 8 a.m., Student Recreation Center Oak Room. Reserve a seat: utoledo.edu/depts/police/webforms/run-hide-fight.html.
- Office of Multicultural Student Success Open House, 11 a.m., Thompson Student Union Room 2500.
- Greek 101, 7 p.m., Thompson Student Union Auditorium. Interested in joining a sorority or fraternity? Stop by and learn about

the expectations, requirements and benefits of Greek life.

FRIDAY, AUG. 31

- Office of Multicultural Student Success Open House, 11 a.m., Thompson Student Union Room 2500.
- Pop in and Plan Your Semester, 1 to 3 p.m., Carlson Library Room 0200. Come in for some popcorn — and help to organize a study schedule for this semester.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 1

- President’s Tailgate, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., lot 25 near Rocket Hall. Students are invited to meet President Gaber. Stop by for free food, music, games and prizes.
- Toledo vs. Virginia Military Institute, 7 p.m., Glass Bowl. Students are admitted free with Rocket ID; faculty and staff can buy tickets half off with ID; go to utrockets.com or call 419.530.GOLD (4653).

TUESDAY, SEPT. 4

- Writer’s Block Buster, noon, Writing Center, Carlson Library Room 0130. Learn tips and tricks for busting through writer’s block.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 5

- Big Event Committee and Service Showcase, 11 a.m., Thompson Student Union Auditorium. Find out about the Big Event, UT’s largest student-run service project.
- Who’s Got the Time? 3 p.m., Thompson Student Union Room 2591. Members of the Center for Success Coaching will offer learning strategies and time management techniques.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 6

- Run. Hide. Fight. Training, 11:30 a.m., Student Recreation Center Oak Room. Reserve a seat: utoledo.edu/depts/police/webforms/run-hide-fight.html.
- Who’s Got the Time? 3 p.m., Thompson Student Union Room 2591. Members of the Center for Success Coaching will offer learning strategies and time management techniques.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 7

- Club Carlson, 7 p.m., Carlson Library. Check out the open house, complete with mini-golf, escape room and more.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 11

- Education Abroad Expo, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Centennial Mall. Learn about international study, internships and service learning, as well as volunteer, teaching and travel opportunities.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 12

- Money Sense, 4 p.m., Carlson Library Room 2024. The Center for Success Coaching will offer strategies to keep tabs on finances.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 13

- Money Sense, 4 p.m., Carlson Library Room 2024.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 14

- Night at the Rec, 10 p.m. to 1 a.m., Student Recreation Center. Stop by for a workout! For more information, go to utreccenter.com.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 15

- UT vs. Miami, noon, Glass Bowl. Students are admitted free with Rocket ID; faculty and staff can buy tickets half off with ID; go to utrockets.com or call 419.530.GOLD (4653).

MONDAY, SEPT. 17

- Personal Safety and Self-Defense, 8 p.m., Student Recreation Center Oak Room. Students, faculty and staff are invited to learn safety tips for school, office, home and public places, as well as self-defense tactics to try in a safe, comfortable setting. Participants should wear light clothing and tennis shoes, and they are advised to stretch and hydrate. Attendees must sign a liability release form to participate in the class.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 18

- Pizza With the UT Police, 11:30 a.m., Centennial Mall. Stop by to meet members of the Office of Public Safety, have a slice of pizza, and play some games.

For a complete list of Weeks of Welcome events, go to utoledo.edu/studentaffairs/welcomeweek.

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New span



Photo by Daniel Miller

President Sharon L. Gaber and Beau Case, dean of University Libraries, walked across the new bridge behind Carlson Library following a ribbon-cutting ceremony to mark the opening of the structure. The new bridge is wider to accommodate more foot traffic and embraces the collegiate Gothic architecture of campus.

Parking lot, road closures planned to manage move-in traffic

Plans are underway to welcome students back to campus. To provide incoming students a better opportunity to build community and have a positive move-in experience during the week of Aug. 20, traffic will be redirected from specific parking lots and roads on Main Campus.

The first students to move on campus starting Tuesday, Aug. 21, will be those who live in Honors Academic Village. UT's residence halls will welcome students from Thursday, Aug. 23, through Saturday, Aug. 25.

"We're asking our UT community to please be patient and careful of pedestrians crossing the roads as students move in to their residence halls," said Sherri Kaspar, manager for parking and transportation.

Students moving in to Honors Academic Village will enter campus from the west entrance on Secor Road and take West Rocket Drive to

the building. The most northern two rows of spaces in lot 13 and Honors Drive will be reserved for move-in Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 21 and 22. Faculty and staff are asked to use Campus Road to access lots 13 and 14 and the west parking garage on these dates.

From Thursday through Saturday, Aug. 23-25, the first two rows in lot 26 will be reserved for students moving in to Academic House and International House. Also, a portion of lot 27B will be dedicated for students moving in to Ottawa House East. Lot 9 will be dedicated to the move-in of Parks Tower.

On Thursday, Aug. 23, lot 8 will be reserved for those moving in to Carter Hall, and lot 27A will be dedicated to students moving in to Ottawa House West Saturday, Aug. 25.

For the complete fall 2018 move-in schedule, visit utoledo.edu/studentaffairs/reslife/movein.html.

In memoriam

Dr. Michael J. "Sonny" Ahern III, Toledo, who taught at the University for nearly 20 years, died July 18 at age 79. He joined the faculty in 1974 as an assistant professor of business education and later moved to the Finance Department in the College of Business. Ahern retired in 1993 and was named professor emeritus.

Dr. Mats A. Fernstrom, Toledo, a biomedical research assistant at MCO/MUO/UT from 1996 until his retirement in 2011, died July 7 at age 71.

Elizabeth A. "Beth" (Vasko) Powers, Oregon, Ohio, a baker with Aramark at the University for 31 years, died Aug. 12. She was 59. A UT alumna, Powers received an associate's degree in food service management technology in 1978.

Deborah Kovac Rump, Maumee, who taught in the College of Law 15 years, died July 30 at age 59. She was an avid UT women's basketball fan, holding season tickets for nearly two decades. Tributes are suggested to the Women's Basketball Progress Fund through the UT Foundation at give2ut.utoledo.edu.

Patricia M. (Nowakowski) Skoczyn, Toledo, who was a secretary at MCO, died Aug. 7 at age 86.

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