

PSA VOICE

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT
Rodney Theis

Rodney is the Deputy Chief of Police for the UT Police Department

How long have you been a Rocket and in what capacity?

I have been a UT Rocket for almost 25 years, beginning as an undergrad, through earning a Master's in Education focusing on Higher Education Administration, and have been employed with UTPD for over 20 years. I started as a patrolman working nights for almost a decade and then spent several years as a Lieutenant on afternoons. I currently serve in the role of Deputy Chief of Police and have since 2011. I have a unique perspective of the campus and have seen UT from many vantage points having worked many years on afternoon and night shifts,

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Thank you to all who attended this year's Holiday Bazaar. We had a great turnout by both vendors and buyers and it was an enjoyable event for all involved. This is indeed a tradition to continue in the future! As for the UT Day of Giving, the PSA progress fund earned $1,290 which includes the anonymous matching donor (Thank you to whomever you are!) and the PSA scholarship fund earned $145. More opportunities to raise funds for the scholarship fund will come at the PSA annual meeting in the spring. As for now, keep warm and enjoy the Holiday Season with family and friends and ***Go Rockets!***



Jamie L. Fager

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November 7 to December 14



UT Community Charitable Campaign ends on December 14th! This year's goal is $125,000 and donations are tax-deductible.

Check your email for link to the pledge form. See the UTC³ website for more info.

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including weekends and holidays.

How would you describe your job?

Every day is a different challenge, no two days are alike. I enjoy all the challenges and am always looking for ways to make our campus one of the most enjoyable and safest campuses around. The best thing about my job is that I get to work with so many great colleagues: UT has many dedicated faculty and staff that are passionate about their jobs. I see UT as one big team, working to make the campus the best we can for the students that choose UT as their home.

What distinguishes UT from other workplaces?

The diversity of environment as it relates to individuals, experiences, and viewpoints make it very unique. We have young students who are working on developing their self-identities and long-time faculty and staff who have spent decades working on our campuses. This range of experiences makes it very interesting and a wonderful place to learn from others' perspectives and experiences .

What resources from UT are your "must-haves" to perform your job?

We are here to serve, and having good people is the most important resource we need, in order for us to do well at our job. It takes individuals who can communicate well, are active listeners, and those who have a true desire to do good and make things better for those that we interact with. Great staff makes all things possible and we are fortunate to have great people within our organization .

What is your favorite thing about UT?

My favorite thing is the vibrancy that occurs in an active learning environment. Our campus is full of so much potential and individuals who have and will make great things happen. Working on a campus environment is a very positive thing and I love being around

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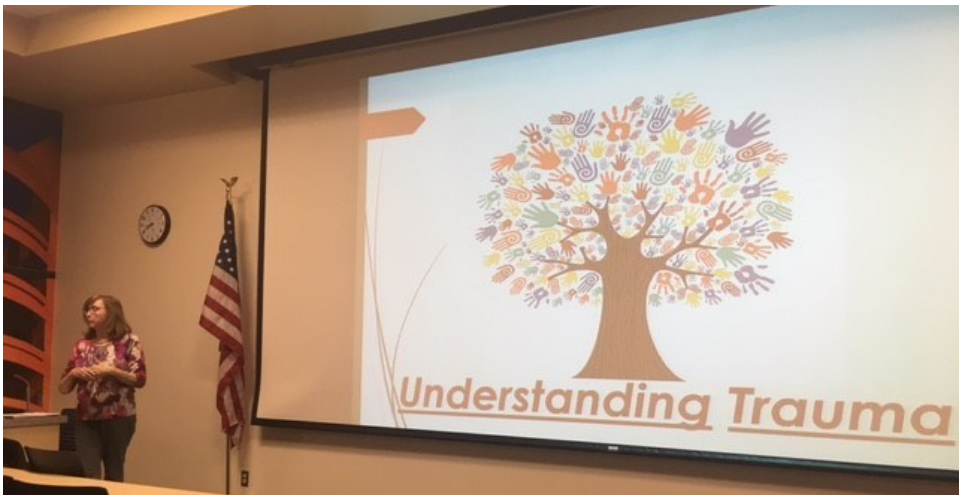
BECOMING TRAUMA-INFORMED VITAL WHEN WORKING WITH OTHERS, ESPECIALLY STUDENTS

Sharon Helle from the Lucas County Trauma-Informed Care Coalition shared information about becoming trauma-informed with staff at the latest professional development workshop, on Tuesday, November 20th. Staff in attendance learned that trauma is fairly common, but how it affects an individual may differ. One way that trauma can be measured is by using the Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) Questionnaire. Sharon also discussed the "4 Rs" of trauma as a way to understand trauma: **Realize** the widespread impact; **Recognize** signs and symptoms; **Respond** effectively with policies and procedures; and **Resist** re-traumatization.



Sharon Helle opens her presentation on understanding trauma: what causes trauma, the types of trauma that exist, as well as the importance of trauma-informed care.



Attendees of the Becoming Trauma Informed: Understanding Trauma workshop learn about the use of the ACE score when evaluating domestic violence risks.

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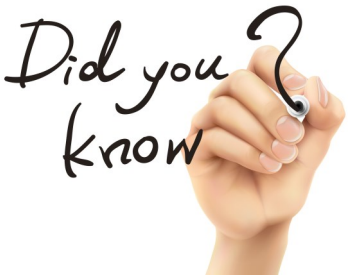
all of our students. There is a lot of pride and energy on campus and it is a special place to come to work every day

Can you tell us something about yourself that most people don't know or would be surprised to learn?

I love to run to decrease stress and stay energized. I did not get involved in long distance running until I ran my first half marathon at the age of forty. Since then I have run several 10k and half marathon races. Next spring I hope to run in my fourth straight Glass City half marathon. As many days as possible I start my day by trying to get in a three to five mile run before heading to campus. Running has been a great outlet for thinking through difficult decisions and thinking through the day ahead



Professional Staff Association has a Facebook page! Like and follow us for announcements, event photos, and occasional fun & motivational posts!

Want to be in the spotlight, or know someone who should? Nominate yourself or a colleague for a Spotlight feature in an upcoming newsletter with our new web nomination form, available on the PSA website.

Questions, concerns, compliments, creative input? Send an email to utpsc@utoledo.edu

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Introduction to Microsoft OneDrive

Tuesday, December 18, 2018
10:00 am in Field House 1060

OneDrive lets you backup, store, and share photos, videos, documents, and more - anywhere, on any device. Collaborate in real-time, share attachments, and save from Word, Excel, PowerPoint and more. Register online and join us to learn more about this powerful tool.

Presented by Lauren Shackleford, Success Coach

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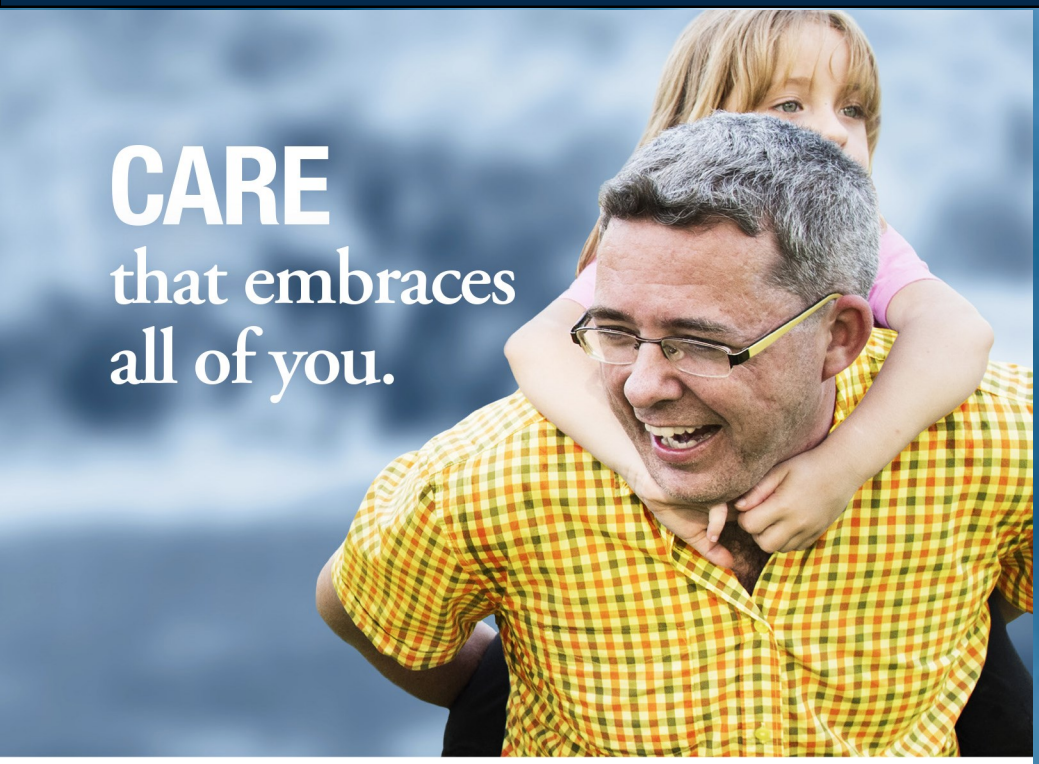

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New PSA Scholarship Process Now Uses Electronic Forms for Application and PSA Recommendation

The PSA Scholarship application is now open, with a new, streamlined process! The scholarship application form, due no later than 5 p.m. Friday, March 15, 2019, is now an electronic form and can be found on the PSA Scholarship page. All application materials must be submitted electronically through this webform, including the name and email address of a PSA member for recommendation. Upon submission of the student's scholarship application form, an email and electronic form to complete for recommendation will be automatically sent to the listed PSA member. This is also a change from years past that we hope will make it easier for busy PSA members taking the time to recommend a student. Both the scholarship and recommendation forms are designed to send automatic confirmation of submission to the student, as well.

Please encourage students to apply for this non-college specific scholarship, which can be used to fund tuition, fees, books, or other educational expenses, and let them know if they can list you as their recommender!

Applicants must be UT students enrolled for a minimum of 6 credit hours with at least sophomore standing (30 earned hours) and a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. In addition to the application form and name of a PSA recommender, students must list 3 personal or professional references, write a 500-word essay, and have a completed FAFSA on file, as financial need is also considered for this award.

The PSA Scholarship Committee will evaluate submitted materials and final candidates will be offered a personal interview opportunity. Award recipients are announced at the PSA Annual Meeting in May. If you have any questions, please contact the scholarship committee chair, Deborah Krohn, by phone at 419.530.2549 or email Deborah.Krohn@utoledo.edu

