

PSA VOICE

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT
Mary Jo Borden

Mary Jo is the Internship Coordinator for the B.S. in Pharmaceutical Sciences Program in the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

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

After completing my bachelor's degree in University College in 1978, I began working for the American Language Institute (A.L.I.) in its first year of operation. After nine years of managing the conversation partner program and earning my master's degree in counseling, my husband, Larry Connin, and

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MESSAGE FROM THE VICE—CHAIR

May is a busy time for Professional Staff as we close out spring semester and switch gears for summer. We encourage you to take time to participate in the upcoming healthy and family friendly events listed throughout this newsletter. To highlight a few:

- Rocket Recess returns this year to Main Campus May 17th and the Health Science Campus May 25th
- Dash your way to conservation at the Dart Frog Dash May 20th at the Toledo Zoo
- Explore the rainbow with Cosmic Colors at the Ritter Planetarium Fridays through June 30th



More details can be found below. Also, please mark your calendar for the PSA Annual Meeting on Tuesday, May 23rd in the Main Campus Student Union Ingman Room. Lunch will be served and there will be great items to bid on at the popular silent auction! See page 9 for the registration link and contact the Professional Staff Council if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you! . ***Go Rockets!***

Lori DeShetler, PhD

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR FORMER PSC MEMBERS



We are compiling a list of all members who have served on the Professional Staff Council since its inception. If you have served, please let us know by emailing Elissa.Falcone@utoledo.edu





IN THE SPOTLIGHT continued

I left for jobs in Pennsylvania in 1987. We happily returned in 1994 when I joined Career Services to focus on employer relations and career advising for all majors and degree levels.

I joined the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences five years ago to work exclusively with our bachelor's degree program on the Health Science Campus. We are the only college of pharmacy in the nation that offers five distinct majors for undergraduates and we are the only college in the country that offers a bachelor's in cosmetic science and formulation design.

How would you describe your job?

I serve as a one-stop, 'everything career-related' office for our BSPS majors so I need to stay current on issues and trends in the pharmaceutical and biotech industries as well as the career services field. I assist students with resumes, cover letters, interviewing and personal branding with a focus on LinkedIn. I provide workshops on applying to graduate school, securing a competitive internship or interning with our international partners, and the pharmaceutical sciences job search.

What distinguishes UT from other workplaces?

The University and its employees give back to the community in many ways and I am so proud of our student organizations that contribute their time and energy to our community. When I served on the board of the Epilepsy Center, I could always count on student groups for help with our educational and awareness campaigns. Our students in the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences have community projects nearly every day of the week!

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

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AWARD WINNING PSA MEMBERS

Take time to congratulate your fellow PSA members who have recently been honored by their peers and the university for their excellence in serving the UT community at large but especially the students. Most of these awards require that the person be nominated, so please consider the great work your colleagues do in the future and take a few moments to submit a nomination when award time rolls around.

We have also redesigned the PSA Staff Award webpage and encourage you to visit it to read more about the awards, nomination processes, and of course, about the award recipients themselves!

Outstanding Staff Award

Sarah Farkas

Customer Service Liaison—Parking Services

Jon Pawlecki

Director of Student Services—College of Engineering Undergraduate Studies

Diane Hymore Exemplar of Excellence Award

Candace Busdieker

Executive Assistant to Christopher J. Cooper, M.D., Executive VP for Clinical Affairs and Dean of the College of Medicine and Life Sciences

Outstanding Adviser Award

Rose Marie Ackerman

Associate Director of the Department of Student Services—College of Engineering

Lancelot C.A. Thompson Award

Xinren Yu

International Program Coordinator of the Confucius Institute





THE FRANK E. HORTON OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL STAFF ASSOCIATION AWARD

VOTING PERIOD MAY 15 - MAY 19



THE DETAILS

The honoree will be a member of the PSA and will demonstrate exemplary support, advocacy, and service to professional staff at The University of Toledo, including but not limited to: service on UT committees representing professional staff, membership on PSC, and membership on PSA committees.

THE PROCESS

The PSC will identify five (5) nominees for the award and present them to the PSA members who will then select their top candidate through electronic vote.

Award recipient honored at the PSA Annual Meeting, May 23, 2017

http://www.utoledo.edu/org/psa/awards/horton.html

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JOIN TEAM #UTOLEDO DART FROG DASH

Get active! Have a fun day at the zoo with your family and support the Zoo's conservation efforts!

Saturday, May 20, 2017

5K Run/Walk at 8:30 am

Kid's Fun Run at 9:45 am

All participants need to be registered. Your fans and supporters are free for the day!

REGISTER TODAY

The first 75 team members to sign up by May 14th get a Team #UToledo t-shirt!

Questions about Team #UToledo?

Call the Eberly Center for Women 419-530-8570 or email ecwomen@utoledo.edu

To learn more, click here: Toledo Zoo Dart Frog Dash



CATHARINE S. EBERLY CENTER FOR WOMEN
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HEALTHY UT
A healthy U is a healthy UT

IN THE SPOTLIGHT continued

My office is nestled within the college's Office of Student Affairs and I value the support and friendship of this talented staff of administrators, academic advisers and student workers. My professional associations are terrific resources but I also rely on my colleagues across campus in similar roles and offices.

What is your favorite thing about UT?

The Main Campus has gotten more beautiful over time and the Frederic & Mary Wolfe Center on the Health Science Campus is a jewel. If you haven't toured the Interprofessional Immersive Simulation Center, you are missing out on a spectacular facility.

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

My maternal grandfather helped build University Hall during the Great Depression. I am sure my grandfather never imagined that I would think of him every time I walk in that building.

Silver Anniversary Question

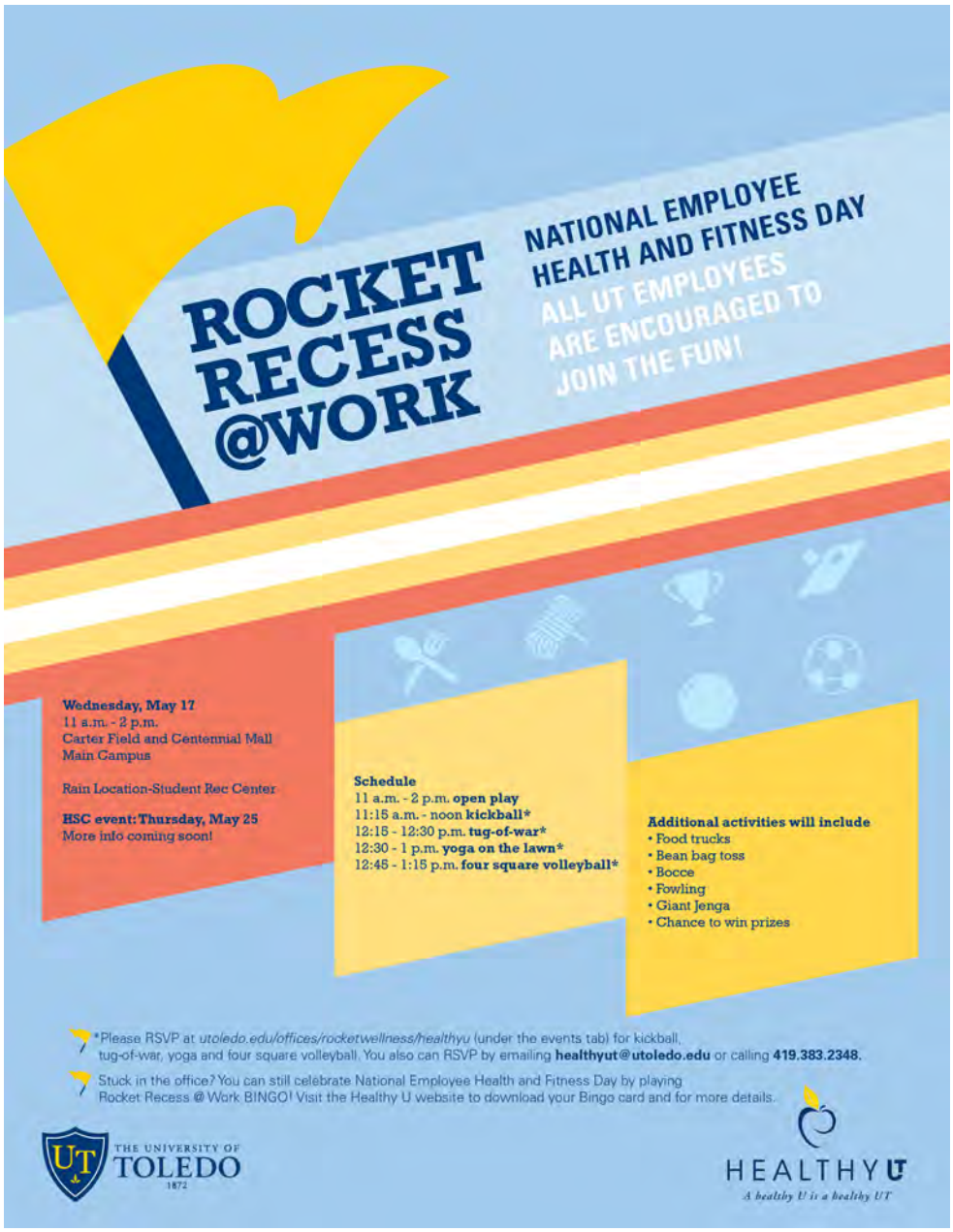
What has made you most proud to be a UT employee for the last 25+ years?

I have worked with a tremendously talented group of people over the years and many fine women have served as mentors, starting with Nancy Lapp, who served as the first foreign student adviser, and Judith Wilkinson, who retired as the director of the Counseling Center. There are so many more that I won't try to name everyone but I will always be grateful for their support and many kindnesses.

ROCKET RECESS @ WORK—NATIONAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND FITNESS DAY

Remember recess? For many, it was their favorite subject! Regain that youthful energy by joining your colleagues for friendly fun, including Bocce, Giant Jenga, Tug-of-War, and more. Food trucks and chance to win prizes will add to the celebration. For more details, including submitting your RSVP, please visit the HealthyU webpage, email healthyut@utoledo.edu, or call 419-383-2348.

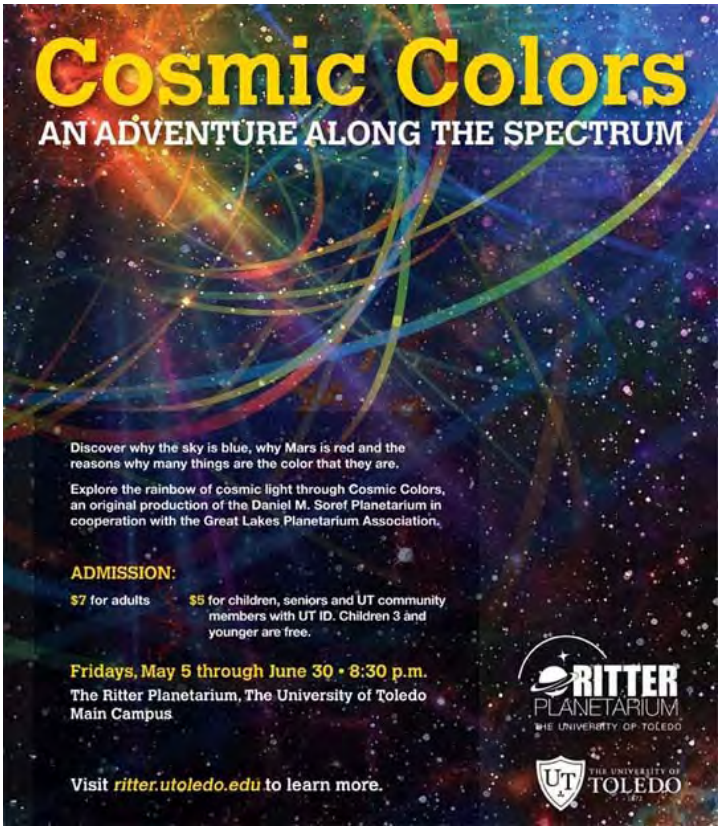
Wednesday, May 17 from 11—2 on Main Campus in Carter Field & Centennial Mall
Thursday, May 25 on Health Science Campus—more info coming soon!



LEADING THE WAY IN DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

On February 24th, over 30 employees, including many PSA members, participated in a four hour "Diversity Train the Trainer" workshop, led by Selina Griswold, the Diversity Education & Training Coordinator in partnership with the Office of Diversity & Inclusion. In March and April, approximately sixteen UT employees, including many PSA members, co-facilitated several three-hour Cultural Competency trainings for students who recently joined a Greek organization. The next step to leading diversity trainings is to sign up for the certificate. Certification requires completing four (4) three-hour workshops and the approval of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion. Upon successful completion, you will be certified to provide diversity training on campus to student and employee groups. **Summer Session Dates: Tuesdays, June 6, 13, 20, 27 from 9—12 in Rocket Hall 1549**. If you want to make a difference, now is the time. Email Jennifer.Pizio@utoledo.edu to register.







Thursday, May 18, from 4—6 pm in the Center for the Visual Arts—Main Gallery. *Free Admission*. Awards reception and exhibition. Students from throughout the region in grades 6-12 competed in the Earth Day Art Contest, presented by The Blade in Education, Taylor Automotive Family, and The University of Toledo Department of Art. Six winning works of art will be displayed. This annual event emphasizes environmental protection: clean water, air and land: defense of forests; and the safeguarding of threatened or endangered animals.

Fridays through June 30 at 8:30 pm, go out of this world at UT's Ritter Planetarium and explore the rainbow of cosmic light. Visit the Ritter webpage to learn more: ritter.utoledo.edu

Have a suggestion for our next newsletter? Ever considered nominating someone for the Spotlight feature? Did you attend a PSA or UT event and have pictures to share? Let us know with a simple email to utpsc@utoledo.edu

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ANONYMOUS FEEDBACK

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LOOKING FOR A FAMILY FRIENDLY ACTIVITY THAT ALSO SUPPORTS MUSICAL EDUCATION?

BeInstrumental, the organization that partners with UT to present the Community Music Program, will host a picnic with refreshments and live music. Lots of children's activities as well, so bring the kids!

Donations are welcome and appreciated. With educational funds decreasing at a record pace, ***BeInstrumental*** exists to ensure that every child has access to a musical education. Donations go towards providing instruments, lessons, and musical mentoring.

Saturday, May 20, 2017

10 am—1 pm

Center for Performing Arts

University of Toledo—Main Campus

For more information, contact Angela Riddel at TheArts@utoledo.edu or call 419-530-2452



PSA SUPPORTS THE EBERLY CENTER'S KATE'S CLOSET WITH CLOTHING DRIVE

The Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women has been a reliable resource for women at the University and in the community since 1978. Specializing in personal and professional development opportunities particularly for those facing transition, the Eberly Center programming has evolved to include the Women's Success Series, computer classes, a film and lecture series, Eberly Adventures and Kate's Closet.

Kate's Closet, added to the Eberly Center offerings in 2013, is a professional clothing closet open to students and community members in need of women's business professional clothing for job interviews, internships and similar events. In a boutique like setting, volunteer consultants give feedback and professional styling tips while clients try on clothing from a selection pulled by staff based on a short questionnaire. Clients can "purchase" 50 points worth of clothing, typically two full outfits, up to four times per year.

The PSA is proud to support the Eberly Center through the PSA Kate's Closet Professional Clothing Drive. You can bring new or gently used professional clothing, accessories, handbags and outerwear to the PSA annual meeting on May 23, 2017.

Kate's Closet is in particular need of:

- **Any clothing size 00-4 and XL or 18 and up**
- **Tailored/fitted blazers and sweaters**
- **Camisoles**
- **Spring jackets**
- **Jewelry**
- **Shoes: size 5-6, 9+, and any boots**
- **Scarves and Hijabs**
- **Dress pant belts**
- **Large professional purses, briefcases, or bags to hold résumés and notepads for interviews**

PSA ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, May 23

Noon-1:30 p.m.
Main Campus, The Lancelot
Thompson Student Union
Ingman Room

Lunch will be provided

Clothing Drive for Kate's Closet

The closet serves as a resource at the Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women to help women find professionals attire.

Plus, Silent Auction & 50/50 Raffle with proceeds to the PSA Scholarship Fund. Cash and checks accepted.

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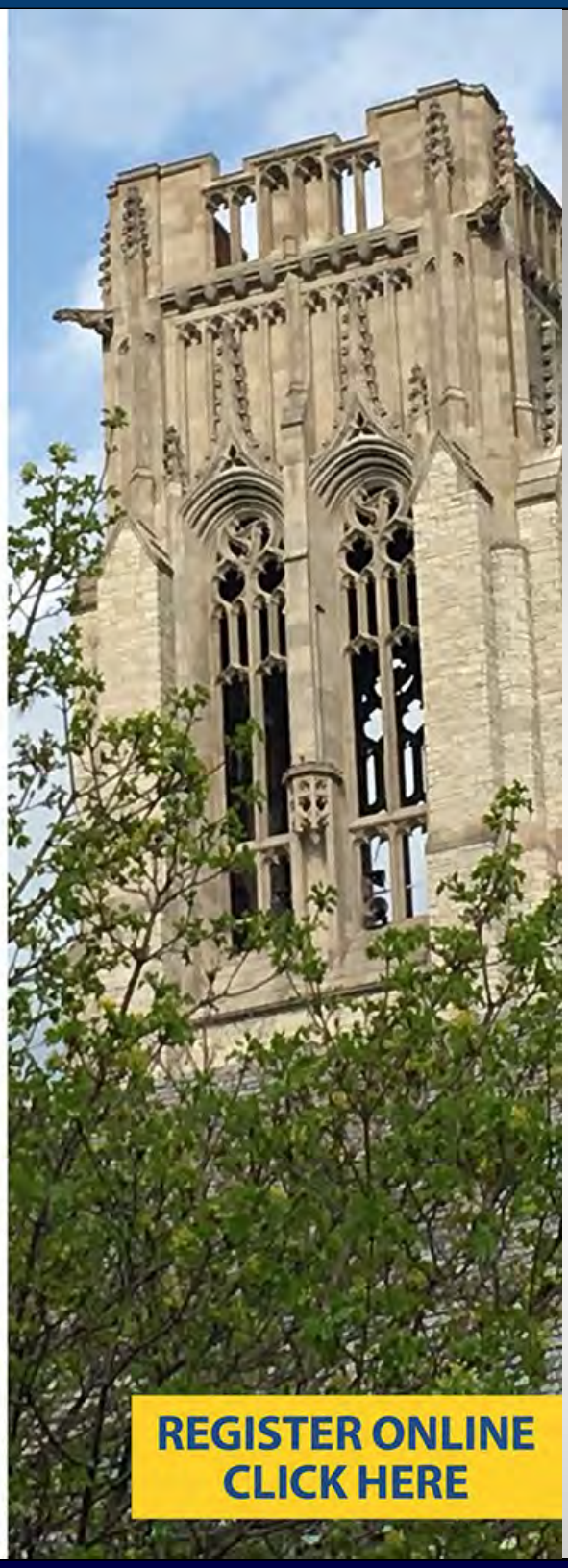

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