

NASA flight director for International Space Station to speak Feb. 8

By Christine Billau

An alumnus of The University of Toledo and NASA flight director for the International Space Station at Johnson Space Center's Mission Control in Houston will return to his alma mater as part of UT's continuing celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Ritter Astrophysics Research Center.

Dr. Robert Dempsey, who received a master's degree and PhD in physics from UT in 1987 and 1991, will speak at the University about guiding human space flights and astronomical exploration Thursday, Feb. 8, at 6 p.m. in the Driscoll Alumni Center Auditorium.

The free, public event is titled "Houston, We Have a Problem — When



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University, AAA to kick off series of free, public seminars on autonomous vehicles Feb. 7

By Christine Billau

As vehicles equipped with self-driving technologies are poised to become the future of transportation, The University of Toledo College of Engineering and AAA Northwest Ohio are teaming up to host a series of free, public talks to educate consumers about how smart cars will impact the world.

The first seminar in the bimonthly series to help drivers be informed, prepared and comfortable with the shift in mobility will be Wednesday, Feb. 7, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Lois and Norman Nitschke Auditorium. General Motors will have an autonomous vehicle on site.

Speakers will include Dave Hobbs, field service training instructor for Delphi Products and Service Solutions, and Greg Brannon, director of automotive engineering and industry relations for AAA. Both speakers will participate in a panel discussion featuring UT engineering researchers Dr. Eddie Chou, Dr. Ahmad Javaid and Dr. Jared Oluoch.

"The biggest impact of autonomous vehicles in the near future will be a significant reduction in the number of traffic crashes, therefore saving thousands of lives each year," said Chou, professor of civil engineering and director of the Transportation Systems Research Laboratory at UT. "It will fundamentally change transportation mobility and how people travel."

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A promotional graphic for a seminar. The top half features a woman in a white lab coat sitting in a futuristic car, gesturing with her hands. The text "Technology Takes the Wheel" is overlaid in large white letters. Below this, it says "2018 BI-MONTHLY SEMINARS ON AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES". The bottom half is a yellow box with the text "KICKOFF SEMINAR Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2018 • 3-5 p.m." and "Nitschke Auditorium on UT's Main Campus (1600 N. Westwood Ave.), with reception to follow in adjacent Brady Center". Logos for The University of Toledo College of Engineering and AAA are at the bottom.

Stronger student retention increases spring enrollment

By Meghan Cunningham

More students are enrolled at The University of Toledo this spring semester thanks to increased efforts to support student success.

The total enrollment for spring semester 2018 is 19,236 students, according to official 15-day census numbers. There were 19,221 students enrolled in spring semester 2017.

Spring enrollment reflects an improved undergraduate fall-to-spring-semester retention rate of 90.6 percent for the current 2017-18 academic year. It was 89.3 percent for 2016-17 and 89.1 percent for the 2015-16 academic year.

"Student success is the reason we are here," UT President Sharon L. Gaber said. "All of us at the University, from the academic colleges to the student affairs staff, are focused on supporting our students in and out of the classroom. I am proud those efforts are having a positive impact on

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Alumni Association, UT Foundation launch new websites

By Laurie B. Davis

The University of Toledo Alumni Association and UT Foundation are kicking off 2018 with newly redesigned websites that are more closely tied to the University brand.

The new websites aim to improve the user experience through simpler navigation, better-organized information, more photography and videos, and new ways to stay informed and connected to UT. The sites have been built on the same platform as the University’s website, allowing for more sharing of relevant content between sites.

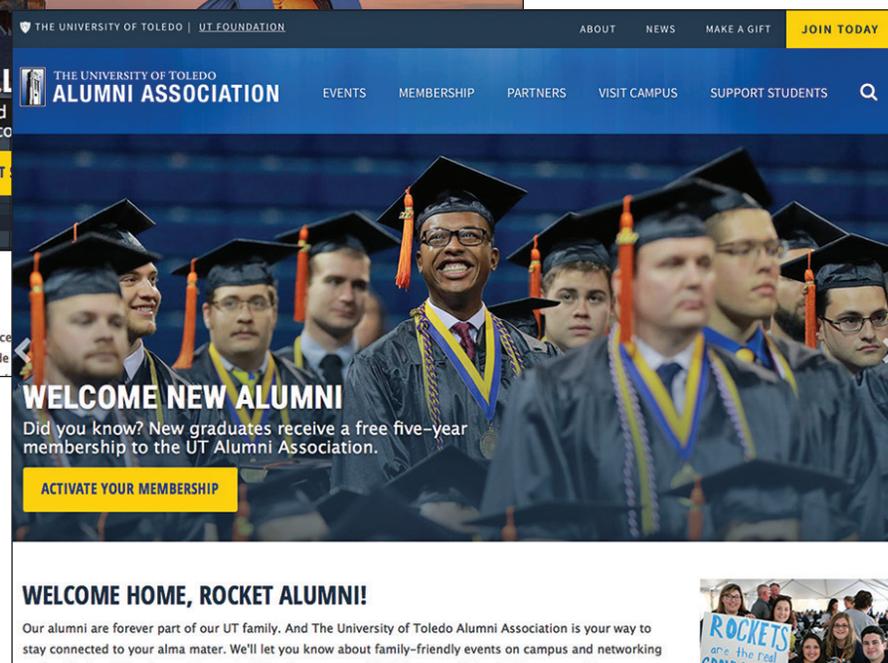
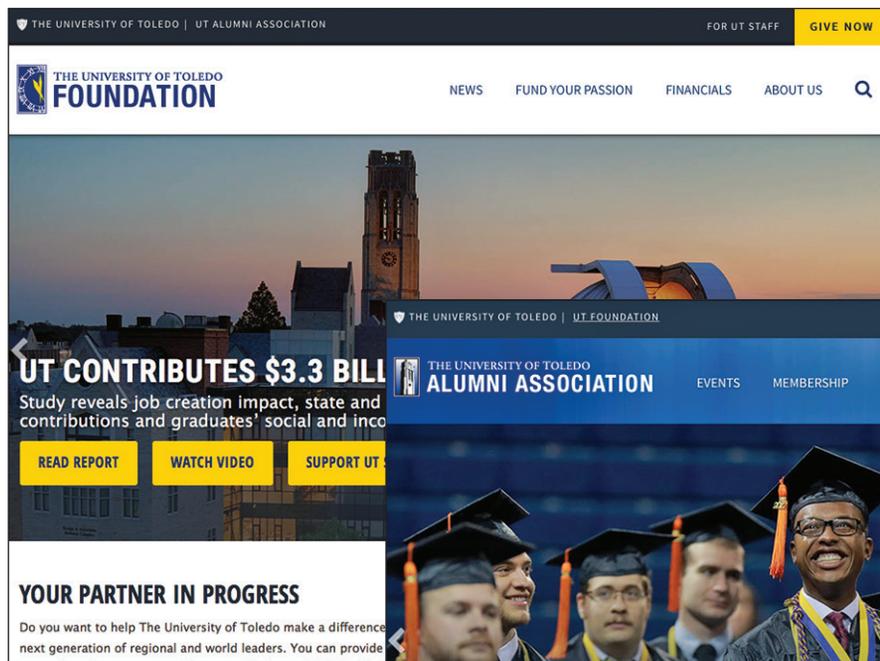
Research to develop the new websites began last summer, when users were surveyed about their expectations and online experiences. A cross-functional team from Marketing and Communications, the UT Foundation, UT Alumni Association, and Information Technology worked together using those responses to revamp both sites.

“The new University of Toledo Foundation website offers our generous donors a better web experience,” said Brenda Lee, president of the UT

Foundation. “We wanted to provide a streamlined donation process and easily accessible and well-organized financial information.”

“We also wanted to tell more stories about the donors who support UT through their gifts,” she added. “Now we have a platform to do that.”

The UT Foundation website continues to provide annual reports, financial statements and investment performance reviews.



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Making a difference



Photos by Daniel Miller

Steven Klar, a 1971 UT business alum, took a bag of rice to seal from his son, Ashton, at the Feed My Starving Children program Jan. 27 in the Health Education Building. They were two of the 854 volunteers who produced 173,000 meals that will feed 472 children for one year. UT’s participation in the mobile pack event was sponsored by the College of Business and Innovation Klar Leadership Academy, which was founded in 2015 with support from the New York City builder and real estate developer.

Longtime UT benefactor and 1979 business alum Ed Kinsey, left, handed a bag of rice to be weighed to Dr. Hassan HassabElnaby, interim dean of the College of Business and Innovation, at the mobile pack Jan. 27. A total of \$40,000 was raised for the event, according to Dr. Clint Longenecker, Distinguished University Professor and director of the Center for Leadership and Organizational Excellence. The Kinsey Family Foundation was a primary sponsor of this year’s event.

Staff Leadership Development Program to improve careers, UT's future

By Christine Wasserman

The University of Toledo has launched its inaugural class of the UT Staff Leadership Development Program to cultivate high-potential emerging leaders who, in the years ahead, may assume leadership roles, as well as grow in their current positions.

"In alignment with UT's strategic plan to foster a culture of excellence for our faculty and staff, we've launched this program to provide a more formal process for career development for employees at all levels throughout the University," said President Sharon L. Gaber.

"The program is designed to assist participants with honing leadership skills, as well as to expose them to cross-campus networking and dialogue with many current leaders," stated Wendy Davis, associate vice president for human resources and talent development.

"A selection committee chose this first class based on their leadership potential and selected individuals from across all

campuses, as well as from many different job categories throughout the organization," Davis explained. "In addition to experienced UT faculty and leaders who guide class discussions, this diversity helps to ensure participants are exposed to many different perspectives on any given topic."

The program, which launched in October 2017 and concludes in October 2018 with a capstone project, requires members to spend approximately three hours each month discussing topics such as fiscal responsibilities; human resources policies and procedures; health-care operations; student recruitment and enrollment management; creating a culture of customer service; ethical leadership; career success; and legal issues in higher education.

"These individuals also are required to complete summer reading assignments on various leadership topics," said Carrie Herr, director for the Center for Continuous Improvement, who was instrumental in

developing the curriculum. "I see much potential in this first class. The skills they hone over the next several months should have a significant impact on UT throughout the next decade and beyond."

The cohort selected for the inaugural class of UT's Staff Leadership Development Program are Cristina Alvarado, College of Medicine and Life Sciences; Stefanie Bias, Neurosciences; Stacey Jo Brown, Legal Affairs; Candace Busdiecker, College of Medicine and Life Sciences; Lori DeShetler, Judith Herb College of Education; Josh Dittman, Intercollegiate Athletics; Kelly Donovan, Controller's Office; Shelly Drouillard, Career Services; Jamie Fager, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics; Beth Gerasimiak, Office of the Provost; Melissa Hansen, Medical Education; Heather Huntley, Office of the Provost; Angelica Johnson, College of Arts and Letters; Deirdre Jones, Edward H. Schmidt School of Professional Sales in the College of Business and Innovation; Vickie

Kuntz, Engineering Career Development Center in the College of Engineering; Sara Lockett, Purchasing/Finance; Elliott Nickeson, Registrar's Office; Daniel Perry, Facilities and Construction; Tiffany Preston-Whitman, University College; Jason Rahe, Division of Technology and Advanced Solutions; Staci Sturdivant, College of Health and Human Services; Craig Turner, College of Business and Innovation; and Matthew Wise, Division of Technology and Advanced Solutions.

"It is wonderful to see the University focus so many resources on developing the next generation of leadership in higher education," said Dr. Jenell L. S. Wittmer, associate professor of management, who facilitates sessions on communication with diverse groups and emotional intelligence. "The participants bring their work experiences into the classroom, and they are learning from each other. This program is a perfect example of the positive transformation underway at UT."

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Things Go Wrong on the International Space Station."

"We all have contingency plans, but what do you do when something goes wrong in space?" said Dr. Jillian Bornak, associate lecturer in the Department of Physics and Astronomy, and chair of the UT Astronomy 50th Anniversary Committee. "If you enjoyed watching 'Apollo 13,' 'The Martian' or 'Gravity,' you will appreciate the window Dr. Dempsey will give into being the flight director of the space station."

Dempsey worked for Computer Sciences Corp. as a resident astronomer on the Hubble Space Telescope from 1992 to 1997, and for United Space Alliance as a command and data handling flight controller from 1997 to 2003. He joined NASA in

2003 as a communications and tracking officer for the International Space Station.

"We are especially excited because Dr. Dempsey is one of our own: He is an alum of The University of Toledo's Department of Physics and Astronomy," Bornak said. "I hope everyone joins us as we continue our yearlong celebration of the golden anniversary of Ritter and our astronomy program."

The next event in honor of Ritter's 50th anniversary will be Thursday, Feb. 22, at 6:30 p.m. in Wolfe Hall Room 1205. It will feature Dr. Ken Sembach, director of the Space Telescope Science Institute, which handles the Hubble Space Telescope and James Webb Space Telescope that is expected to be launched next year.

Enrollment

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our retention rates and will be reflected in our graduation rates in the future."

Included in the spring enrollment are 14,860 undergraduate students and 4,376

graduate and professional students. There were 14,858 undergraduates and 4,363 graduate and professional students enrolled in spring 2017.

Autonomous vehicles

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An autonomous vehicle will be on display for students to view inside the Nitschke Technology Commercialization Complex in the Brady Engineering Innovation Center from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

"Autonomous cars have the potential to reduce traffic congestion, provide infotainment services to road users, and reduce carbon emissions," said Oluoch, UT assistant professor of computer science and engineering technology. "While this is a promising technology, it also is a double-edged sword. Security concerns and job losses are emerging as some of the primary challenges of autonomous-vehicle technology. This seminar series is the first among many to highlight the technology behind autonomous cars and the promise it holds for the future."

Register for the free, public seminar online at utoledo.edu/engineering/webforms/technologytakesthewheelform.html.

The next event in the series will be Friday, April 13, and focus on the topic of autonomous vehicles and cybersecurity.

American drivers are beginning to embrace self-driving vehicles, with male

and millennial drivers most accepting of the new automotive technology, according to a new AAA study, which can be read at newsroom.aaa.com/2018/01/americans-willing-ride-fully-self-driving-cars.

The annual survey reveals that 63 percent of U.S. drivers report feeling afraid to ride in a fully self-driving vehicle, a decrease from 78 percent in early 2017. Millennial and male drivers are the most trusting of autonomous technologies, with only half of those drivers reporting they would be afraid to ride in a self-driving car.

"Americans are starting to feel more comfortable with the idea of self-driving vehicles," Brannon said. "Compared to just a year ago, AAA found that 20 million more U.S. drivers would trust a self-driving vehicle to take them for a ride."

The new survey results come as state officials take steps to move the conversation on autonomous vehicles forward in Ohio. The Ohio House Transportation and Public Safety Committee began hearings on the development of the new technology last year.

IT migrating all UT faculty and staff to Office 365

By Christine Wasserman

The University of Toledo is working to migrate all faculty and staff to Microsoft Office 365, a cloud-based service.

Work is underway on Health Science Campus and is scheduled to be completed by the end of February, with Main Campus and the rest of the University migration set to begin during the first week of March. Students were migrated to Office 365 in 2015.

“The reason we’re moving all UT mailbox users to Office 365 is that it offers much more storage space for users, increasing mailbox size up to 100 gigabytes and business storage capacity to one terabyte,” stated Bill McCreary, vice president and chief information officer/ chief technology officer. “Additionally, the University will avoid the ongoing costs of hardware updates and issues, as we reduce the number of servers running this environment.”

“In practical terms, this means you will no longer get into ‘email jail,’ where you’re frozen out of email because you

have too many messages in your mailbox,” noted Dominic D’Emilio, senior director of network services and technology support.

“Since it’s cloud-based, Office 365 also will better support strategic priorities, such as research collaboration, because large documents can readily be shared,” D’Emilio added. “And it will improve our security and electronic forensics discovery infrastructure.”

Information technology is sending all users an email notification approximately one week prior to migration work being completed in their department. For helpful information, frequently asked questions, and a complete list of departments and their tentative migration dates, visit utoledo.edu/it/office365.

“Once migration to Office 365 occurs, users should not see any difference when using their mailbox, calendar or other applications, such as Word or Excel,” advised Jason Rahe, senior collaboration systems administrator. “Everything will pretty much look and operate the same.

“Once migration is completed, though, the user will receive a pop-up message from Outlook that states, ‘Your administrator has made a change that requires you to restart Outlook.’ When that occurs, users need to restart Outlook,” Rahe said. “Also, Skype for Business and Lync users will need to exit those applications before restarting Outlook.”

“Before a migration date is scheduled for a particular department, users should contact IT at office365migrationquestions@utoledo.edu if they have a shared departmental mailbox, routinely share their mailbox or calendar with other users, or if they have voice-mail accounts they use for special groups or for their own department,” said Dianne DeVault, associate account administrator. “This will enable us to better coordinate our schedule so this work can be completed at the same time as the migration.”

Once users are migrated to Office 365, they may need to resync their mobile devices to their Office 365 email



account. Step-by-step instructions are available on the Office 365 site at utoledo.edu/it/office365/configuring-ut-email-for-smartphone-and-tablet-device.html.

More information about UT’s migration to Office 365 is available at utoledo.edu/it/office365. If you still have questions after reviewing this information, contact the IT Help Desk at 419.530.2400 or send questions to office365migrationquestions@utoledo.edu.

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Dan Saevig, associate vice president for alumni and annual engagement, said the redesigned Alumni Association website speaks to the entire UT alumni community.

“We’ve created a website that encourages our graduates to engage with the University in a variety of ways,” he said. “In addition to providing opportunities to join the association and register for events, we are going to be sharing more stories about our notable alumni. We want to bring that Rocket spirit to life.”

A new “Visit Campus” section on the Alumni Association website highlights what’s new on campus with information on how to rent the William and Carol Koester Alumni Pavilion. Another new section of the site shows alumni how they can support students through their donations to scholarships.

Because the University heard through the survey responses how much alumni love Rocket athletics, information about upcoming games, as well as parking and hotel information, are now on the website.

Art on the Mall and Homecoming, the Alumni Association’s signature annual events, also both have their own pages due to their popularity.

Visit the UT Alumni Association website at toledoalumni.org and the UT Foundation site at utfoundation.org.

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UTC3 donors celebrate at breakfast

By Christine Wasserman

Nearly 130 UT faculty, staff and retirees celebrated their pledges to the 2017 University of Toledo Community Charitable Campaign (UTC3) at a breakfast held in their honor Jan. 30 in Savage Arena.

Pledges from 663 donors totaled \$128,934, which will assist nearly 220 nonprofit organizations throughout the region this year.

President Sharon L. Gaber thanked donors for demonstrating their commitment to the community, as well as setting an example for UT students. “They witness through us the importance of giving back and aligning their passion with a purpose,” she said. “I’m really pleased that we

exceeded our campaign goal once again this year. What a tremendous show of support!”

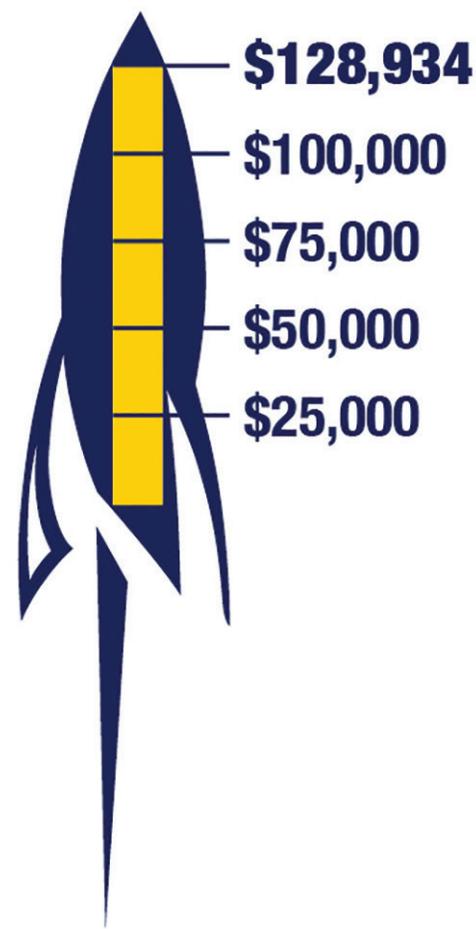
“It was difficult to ask our campus community to donate to this campaign so near the holidays,” noted Dr. Michele Soliz, UTC3 chairperson and assistant vice president for student success and inclusion. “Yet, hundreds of individuals stepped up to show their concern for community members in need, and that’s always heartwarming. It makes me very proud to be part of this incredible organization.”

In addition to the generous buffet, UTC3 donors were offered the chance to win several prize drawings at the breakfast, as well as a complimentary gift — a UTC3 tumbler with straw.

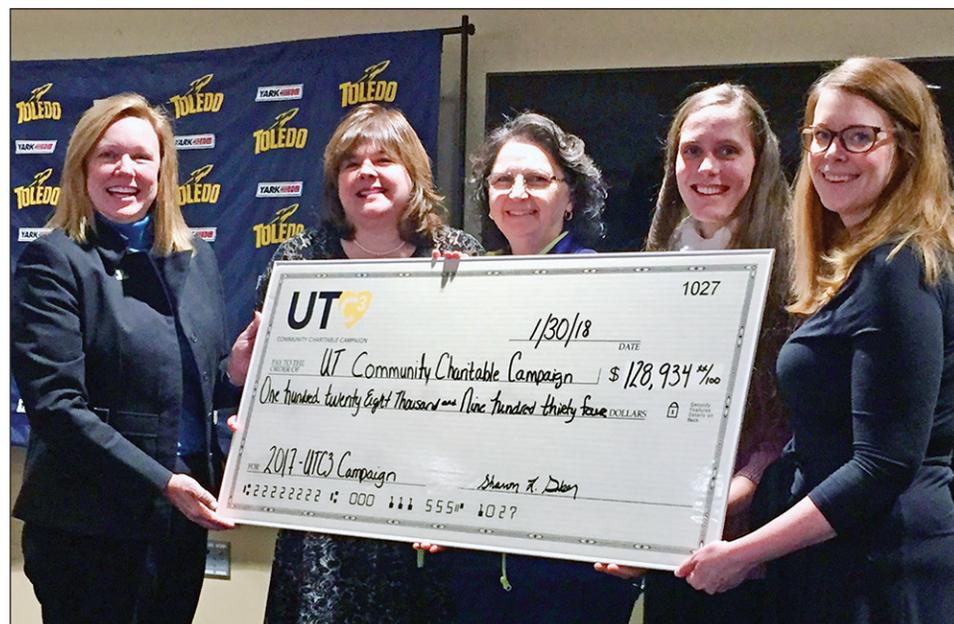
Individuals who made a UTC3 pledge but could not attend the breakfast will receive their complimentary gift through interoffice mail within the next two weeks, if they responded to the breakfast email invitation and provided their UT mailing address.

If you have questions about the campaign or were unable to pick up your free gift at the breakfast, contact UTC3campaign@utoledo.edu and be sure to include your name and UT mailing address.

Photos from the Jan. 30 breakfast are posted at utoledo.edu/utc3.



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A check for \$128,934 was presented at the UT Community Charitable Campaign breakfast. Posing for the photo were, from left, UT President Sharon L. Gaber, Dr. Michele Soliz, Pam Pulella of Community Shares of Northwest Ohio, Brooke Roman-Hidas from Earth Share of Ohio, and Kelly Sullivan of the United Way.



At the breakfast, Danielle Stamper, interim program coordinator in the Office of Multicultural Student Success, won a Toledo football helmet autographed by Coach Jason Candle.



Photos by Christine Wasserman

Holly Monsos, professor of theatre and associate dean of the School of Visual and Performing Arts, and James A. Molnar, web and digital media specialist in the College of Medicine and Life Sciences, were among some 130 who attended the UTC3 breakfast Jan. 30 in Savage Arena.

Calculated drama: Genius behind ‘Proof’ explored

By Angela Riddell

There’s still time to factor in a performance of the UT Department of Theatre and Film’s production of “Proof” Friday through Sunday, Feb. 9-11, in the Center for Performing Arts Center Theatre.



Foss

Performance times are Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.

Written by David Auburn, the play has won a Pulitzer Prize and a Tony Award.

The UT production is directed by Dr. Matt Foss, who joined the department as an assistant professor of theatre in August. The play marks his first production at the University.

Foss said he is excited about the future of UT’s theatre program.

“The growing conversation of how we want to contribute to the excellent storytelling in our city and region, and through things like the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival or our

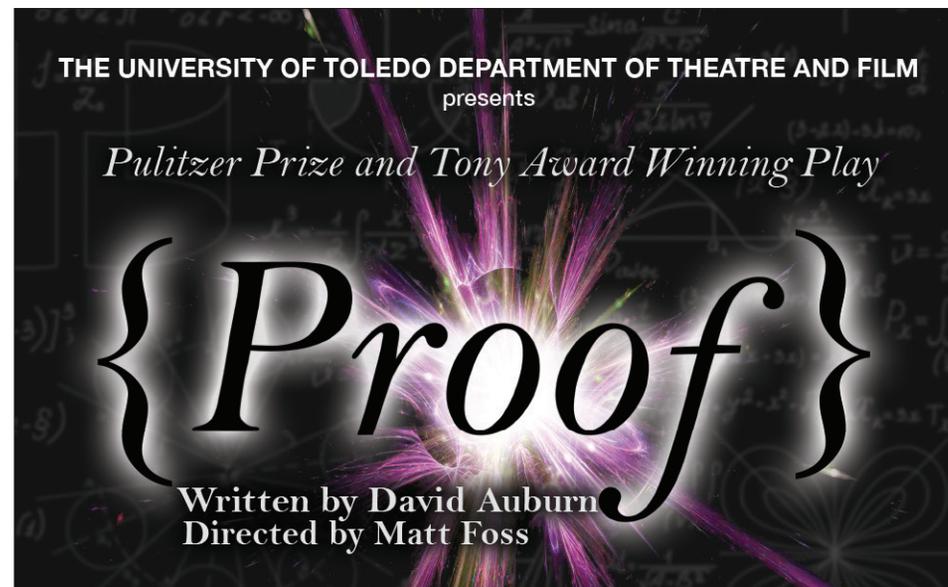
study abroad trips to Italy and the Moscow Art Theatre, are incredibly exciting,” he said. “With ‘Proof,’ we were lucky to have collaborators from across the community: a local professional actor, as well as a high school student committed and interested in the theatre, working hand in hand with our UT students. I think it is a really exciting time for UT theatre, and I’m grateful to be a part of it.”

Foss is familiar with the setting for “Proof.”

“I cut my teeth in Chicago and was there when this play first came on the scene. I remember walking through the streets and bookstores and around the neighborhood where the play is set,” he said. “I used a piece from the play for auditions when I was working as a professional actor in the city.”

He added there is good reason why this play has been so celebrated.

“The play has been popular since its premiere and winning the Pulitzer in 2001. It is an interesting moment to revisit it. The young woman at the heart of the play is navigating a difficult time. Her beloved, but troubled father has just passed, and she is facing the possibility of what parts of him will be a part of her life — will it be his mathematical genius or his issues with mental illness, or a confusing mix of both,” Foss said. “When a revolutionary mathematical proof is discovered, the people who know this young lady the most



automatically assume it is the work of her father, and when she reveals she is the author, the people who love her the most struggle to believe she is capable of such an accomplishment.”

Foss lauded the quality of the faculty teaching artists and earnest students who make up the production’s ensemble in the department.

“This play is a great catalyst to some exciting stories we will share and make in the future, and I’m hopeful as I start to put down roots here in Toledo, I can continue to meet, engage and both support and collaborate with the community of excellent

storytellers and theatre makers here in our city.”

“Proof” cast members are Aneesah S. Taalib-Deen, a freshman majoring in theatre, as Catherine; Sarena Jackson, a senior theatre major, as Claire; Austin Rambo, a junior majoring in theatre and film with a minor in communications, as Harold Dobbs; and Bill Quinlan, a local professional actor, as Robert.

Tickets are \$8 for students; \$10 for UT faculty, staff and alumni, and military members and seniors; and \$15 for the general public. Call 419.530.ARTS (2787) or order online at utoledo.tix.com. Tickets also will be available at the door.

Making a connection



Photos by Mike Henningsen

Gabe Salazar shared his story about turning his life around — leaving a gang and becoming the first person in his family to go to college — at the 34th Annual Conference for Aspiring Minority Youth in the Thompson Student Union Auditorium. The dynamic speaker told area high school students and seventh- and eighth-graders to never stop believing in themselves and to dream big. Sponsored by Toledo Excel and the UT Joint Committee, the theme of the Jan. 27 event was “Focus on the Future: Anticipating and Overcoming Obstacles.”

Law professor authors book on Toledo congressman's influence on 13th Amendment

By Kirsten M. Winek

After five years of research and writing, Rebecca Zietlow, Charles W. Fornoff Professor of Law and Values at the UT College of Law, completed her book, "The Forgotten Emancipator: James Mitchell Ashley and the Ideological Origins of Reconstruction."



Zietlow

Edited by leading legal historian Chris Tomlins, the book was published by Cambridge University Press in November.

For more than 15 years, Zietlow has been researching Reconstruction-era American history. Due to her interest and scholarship, she helped form the 13th Amendment Project, a group of scholars and practitioners who examine the history and promise of this amendment. Despite the fact that the 13th Amendment abolished slavery, there is relatively little legal scholarship about it. This is surprising considering that the amendment, she argues, also provides protections for workers and additional support for civil rights action by the federal government.

Zietlow's book examines both this critical amendment and historical period through the work of James Mitchell Ashley. Ashley, a lawyer from Toledo, was a major leader in the Reconstruction-era Congress, serving Toledo as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives and helping to

found the Republican Party. He was the first person to propose amending the U.S. Constitution to end slavery and worked alongside Abraham Lincoln to secure passage of the 13th Amendment in the U.S. House of Representatives. Ashley thought beyond the abolition of slavery, promulgating ideas such as voting rights for blacks, civil rights, and protections for non-slave workers, including groups such as industrial workers in the North and Chinese railroad laborers.

Despite this legacy, many constitutional law scholars are unfamiliar with Ashley as little has been written about him. Southern historians painted him as a carpetbagger intent on taking advantage of the South after its loss in the Civil War. He also left Congress clouded in controversy due to his relentless and unwavering pursuit of both Reconstruction-era ideals and the impeachment of President Andrew Johnson.

To Zietlow, Ashley's work is still relevant today. She notes the continuing need to protect minorities and workers as evidenced by eroding civil rights, dwindling worker autonomy, and requiring covenants not to compete even for low-wage workers.

Ashley also deserves recognition because of the pivotal role he played in transforming the Constitution and government.

"He helped change our government from one based on slavery to one that abolished slavery and created individual rights," Zietlow said.

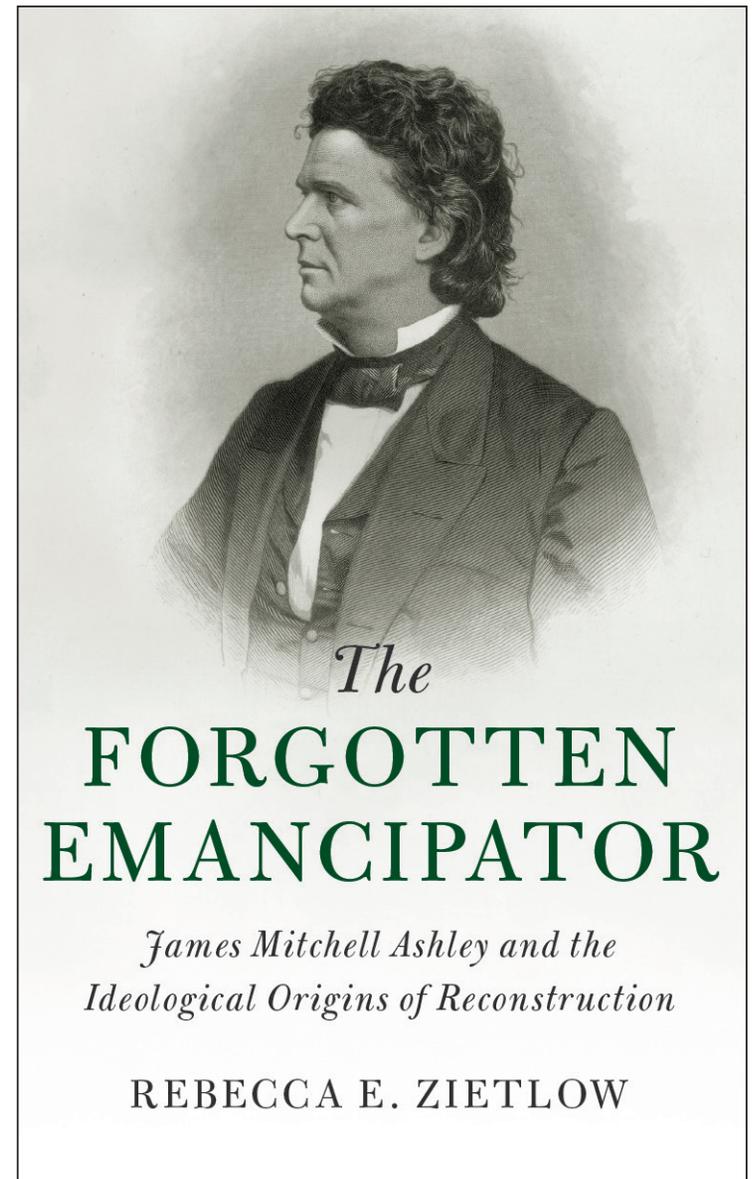
Ashley's legacy still lives on in Toledo. Many local attorneys and judges are familiar with the James M. Ashley and Thomas W. L. Ashley U.S. Courthouse, which houses the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio in downtown Toledo. Thomas "Ludd" Ashley was James Ashley's grandson who served Toledo in the U.S. House of Representatives for two

decades. Ashley's final resting place is the Woodlawn Cemetery, just a few miles from the courthouse that bears his name. In 2006, when the UT College of Law hosted its annual Law Review Symposium on James Ashley and the Reconstruction, several Ashley family members attended the event along with U.S. Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur.

"Professor Zietlow is one of the nation's leading scholars of the Reconstruction Era, and her new book is a great contribution to the literature on the 13th Amendment," UT Law Dean D. Benjamin Barros said. "By reminding us of the role and worldview of Congressman James M. Ashley, Professor Zietlow enriches our understanding of an important historical era and provides important context to contemporary issues of equality."

"Professor Zietlow's scholarship has consistently advanced our understanding of

the 13th Amendment and Reconstruction," said Kara Bruce, associate dean for faculty research and development, and professor in the College of Law. "This book is a capstone of that impressive body of work and a valuable contribution to Toledo history."



Rebecca Zietlow will talk about her new book, "The Forgotten Emancipator: James Mitchell Ashley and the Ideological Origins of Reconstruction," Thursday, March 22, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Law Center McQuade Auditorium.

Forming new bonds



More than 150 people attended the Conferences for Undergraduate Women in Physics at The University of Toledo Jan. 12-14; it was one of a dozen simultaneous events across the country sponsored by the American Physical Society to inspire undergraduate students studying physics by connecting them with peers and mentors. Students participated in an astronomy night at the Ritter Planetarium and Observatory as part of the three-day conference. Students came from Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and western Pennsylvania to participate in panel discussions about graduate school and careers in physics; workshops on women in the profession; and student research.



Eberly Center celebrates 40th year with celebrity wait night

By Ashley Diel

Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz, UT Provost Andrew Hsu, Toledo City Councilwoman Cecelia Adams and other local luminaries will help serve and support the 10th Annual Celebrity Wait Night Thursday, Feb. 8, from 6 to 9 p.m. at Parkway Place, 2592 Parkway Plaza, Maumee.

The event is hosted by the Catharine S. Eberly Center for Women and will include a dinner served by local Toledo celebrities, a silent auction and live entertainment.

Last year, more than 400 people attended, but this year the event is sold-out with more than 530 guests expected to attend.

"This night is so vitally important to our students who are receiving scholarships and to our programming meant to empower women," said Dr. Shanda Gore, UT associate vice president for the Catherine S. Eberly Center for Women. "Guests can expect to see our scholarship recipients, experience live entertainment, and celebrate our 40th anniversary, making the center one of the oldest in the country. We do hope no one forgets to tip their waiter!"

The dinner will raise money for scholarships, as well as several of the center's programs and services, including its signature Women's Success Series and Kate's Closet, a professional women's clothing closet providing complimentary professional attire to UT students and clients of the center.

Some silent auction items that will be available for attendees to bid on include a 2.5-hour private cruise for 22 on an 80-foot yacht complete with captain; a three-day stay at a condo in Michigan; and a framed watercolor painting created at the event by award-winning artist and 1979 UT alumnus Aaron Bivins.

"We want supporters to come out to have fun, but we also want them to know how their money is positively impacting deserving students and the clients that need our programming," Gore said.

For more information about the event or the Eberly Center, call 419.530.8570 or visit utoledo.edu/centers/eberly.

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Outstanding Teacher, Adviser Award nominations due Feb. 18

By Cathy Zimmer

Do you know an outstanding teacher or adviser at The University of Toledo?

The deadline to nominate someone for the 2018 Outstanding Teacher Award and the 2018 Outstanding Adviser Award is 11:59 p.m. Sunday, Feb 18.

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. Each award consists of 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 Adviser Award is for academic advisers 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 Adviser Award, each receiving \$1,500.

Any full-time adviser 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 at 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 awards will be recognized at the UT Outstanding Awards Reception Thursday, April 19, at 5:30 p.m. in the Radisson's Mahogany Room on Health Science Campus.

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.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS. TWO AWARDS.

Outstanding Teacher | Outstanding Academic Adviser

*Deadline:
Sunday, February 18*

Join President Sharon L. Gaber and Provost Andrew T. Hsu in honoring up to six Outstanding Teachers and two Outstanding Academic Advisers.

Do you know an outstanding TEACHER or ADVISER at The University of Toledo?

Submit your nomination today! The content of your supporting statement weighs heavily in the evaluation of candidates. Support your nomination with specific examples that demonstrate your nominee's ability as an outstanding teacher or adviser.

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Do you know an outstanding teacher at The University of Toledo who:

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- Brings out the best in you?

Nominate your Outstanding Teacher at utoledo.edu/offices/provost/outstandingteacher.

Outstanding Adviser Award

Do you know an outstanding adviser at The University of Toledo who:

- Has awesome interpersonal skills?
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- Helps you prioritize so you can achieve your goals?
- Points you to the right resources when you have questions?

Nominate your Outstanding Adviser at utoledo.edu/offices/provost/adviser_award.



The deadline for nominations is **Sunday, February 18, at 11:59 p.m.**
Previous recipients are not eligible.

Criminal Justice and Legal Studies Career Fair Feb. 8

Representatives from more than 100 federal, state and local agencies will be on campus for the fifth annual Criminal Justice and Legal Studies Career Fair Thursday, Feb. 8.

The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Thompson Student Union Auditorium.

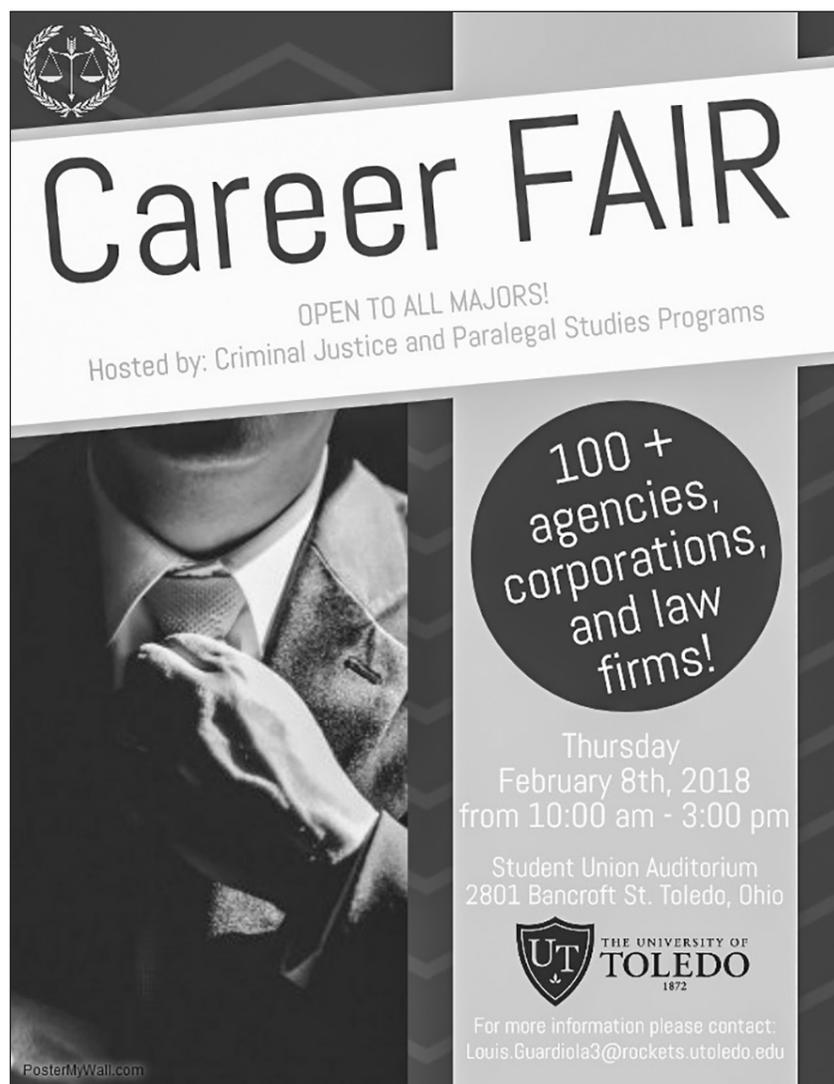
Undergraduate and graduate students of all majors are invited to attend to meet potential employers, including the FBI; police departments throughout Ohio and Michigan; the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency; Marshall & Melhorn LLC; Lucas County Metropolitan Housing Authority; Shumaker, Loop &

Kendrick; Lucas County Prosecutor's Office; Marathon Petroleum Co.; and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

Students should dress professionally and bring resumés.

"This is a great opportunity for students to network," Andrew "Mick" Dier, director and associate lecturer in the UT Criminal Justice Program, said. "More than 50 UT students found jobs or internships last year through this fair."

For more information about the Criminal Justice and Legal Studies Career Fair, contact Dier at andrew.dier@utoledo.edu.



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In memoriam

Judith A. (Weaver) Givens, South Bend, Ind., who was an assistant in Development at MCO, died Jan. 12 at age 67.

Charlotte (Kotecki) Michalak, Lambertville, Mich., who worked at UT several years as an administrative assistant before retiring in 2003, died Jan. 24 at age 74.

Wanted: Nominations for Rathbun Outreach and Engagement Excellence Award

Thursday, March 1, is the deadline for nominations for the Edith Rathbun Outreach and Engagement Excellence Award.

Take a few minutes to recognize a deserving colleague who has distinguished himself or herself through exceptional community outreach and excellence in community-engaged scholarship, whether in research, teaching or professional service.

Each recipient of the Edith Rathbun Outreach and Engagement Excellence Award will receive a \$750 award. Two awardees will be chosen.

The Rathbun Excellence Award was endowed through a generous and growing gift from Edith Rathbun and further gifts from campus and community donors. It recognizes outstanding outreach and engagement scholarship in any field, discipline or area at The University of Toledo. Full-time faculty members in all colleges are eligible to receive the award.

The one-page nomination form is available at utoledo.edu/offices/provost/rathbunaward. Completed nominations may be emailed to Marcie Ferguson at marcie.ferguson@utoledo.edu, sent through campus mail to the attention of Marcie Ferguson in the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at MS 218, or faxed to 419.530.6015.

Winners will be recognized at the UT Outstanding Awards Reception Thursday, April 19, at 5:30 p.m. in the Radisson's Mahogany Room on Health Science Campus.

The selection committee is composed of faculty members who served on the Scholarship of Engagement subcommittee of UT's former Council on Outreach and Engagement.

For more information, contact Ferguson at marcie.ferguson@utoledo.edu or 419.530.1415.

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Rocket football to hold signing day event Feb. 7

By Paul Helgren

The University of Toledo football coaching staff will host a special presentation of its 2018 recruiting class Wednesday, Feb. 7, beginning at 4 p.m. in Savage Arena.

Doors will open at 3:30 p.m. for the free event, which will be streamed live on ESPN3. Fans may park for free in lot 4 (enter off Douglas Road).

Head Coach Jason Candle and the coaching staff will review their 2018 recruiting class and show video highlights of each signee at the event.

Feb. 7 is the first day of the second signing period in which high school seniors are allowed to sign national letters of intent.

The Rockets announced the signing of 18 recruits during the early signing period Dec. 20.

The Rockets will open the 2018 season at home vs. VMI Saturday, Sept. 1. The seven-game home slate also features games with Miami (Fla.) and Bowling Green.

For season ticket information, call 419.530.GOLD (4653).

Craft Beer Night set for Feb. 13 men's basketball game

By Steve Easton

The University will host its second annual UT Craft Beer Night at Savage Arena before the men's basketball game vs. Ohio Tuesday, Feb. 13.

Treu House of Munch will feature 12 of its most popular craft beers in the Fetterman Practice Gym beginning at 5:30 p.m. Tipoff for the basketball game is at 7 p.m.

Cost for the event is \$35 and includes a game ticket, 12 three-ounce beer samples, and delicious appetizers. Tickets to the event are \$25 for fans who have already purchased their game tickets. The cost for designated drivers is \$25 and includes game ticket and appetizers with soft drinks.

This event is only for fans 21 and older.

All attendees will be required to show a valid photo ID upon entry. No refunds or exchanges

will be provided for failure to provide ID or failure to attend.

Attendees can redeem their event voucher at the door of the Fetterman Gym from 5:30 to 7 p.m. for access to the pregame event.

The beer lineup, which is subject to change:

- Breckenridge Brewery — Avalanche;
- Elysian Brewing — Space Dust;
- Kona Brewing Co. — Big Wave;
- Latitude 42 — Red Beard;
- Maumee Bay Brewing — Glasshopper IPA and #fakejuice;
- Platform Beer Co. — New Cleveland;
- Saugatuck Brewing Co. — Oak Wizard;
- Sweetwater — Going Coastal;

- 10 Barrel Brewing — Pray for Snow;
- Uncle John's — Apple Cherry; and

- Wild Ohio Brewing — Blood Orange.

To order tickets for Craft Beer Night, call 419.530.GOLD (4653), go online at utrockets.com, or stop by the UT Ticket Office at Savage Arena.



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UT alumna and former White House and U.S. Department of State official Shamila N. Chaudhary will discuss the role of the United States in the world and the connection to the social and economic landscapes of life within the U.S. She'll also address transformations under way in American identity and culture as they relate to politics, the humanities, law and international affairs.

The 1999 graduate in English literature and women's studies of UT's former College of Arts and Sciences is an expert in foreign policy, national security, counterterrorism, South Asian issues and U.S.-Pakistan relations.

Chaudhary was Pakistan director of the U.S. National Security Council from April 2010 to July 2011 and senior adviser in the U.S. Department of State in 2009. Her work has been featured in *The Washington Post*, the BBC and the *Daily Beast*.

Currently, she is senior adviser to the dean of the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, D.C.

**This event is free
and open to the public.**

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