UT adopts Toledo Tuition Guarantee

By Meghan Cunningham

New students to The University of Toledo will be able to pay the same undergraduate tuition from their first day of college through graduation under the new Toledo Tuition Guarantee plan.

The Toledo Tuition Guarantee, approved Dec. 18 by the UT Board of Trustees, establishes a fixed tuition rate for four years to provide price transparency and consistency for families, while also encouraging students to complete their bachelor’s degree in four years.

“I’m glad to be able to offer this price certainty to our students and their families as we continue to strengthen our efforts that encourage students to succeed in their studies, graduate and go on to pursue successful careers,” UT President Sharon L. Gaber said.

“UT for many years has provided an exceptional value to our students with one of the lowest tuition rates among public universities in Ohio,” said Larry Kelley, UT executive vice president for finance and administration, and chief financial officer. “This tuition guarantee plan aligns our commitment to providing a high-quality education at an affordable price with efforts to support student success and raise retention and graduation rates.”

UT’s tuition guarantee plan begins fall semester 2018 for new degree-seeking undergraduate students who enroll at the University for the first time as first-year students or transfer students. It establishes a fixed rate for tuition, the general fee and select miscellaneous fees, such as for library information and career services. On-campus housing and meal plan rates also are guaranteed for four years; however, residence hall space cannot be guaranteed beyond a student’s second year because of

Three-time cancer survivor headlines event about local cancer care

By Sarah A. Velliquette

A three-time cancer survivor and genetic testing advocate who inspired the film, “Decoding Annie Parker,” will share her story at an event to provide information about cancer care in the community.

The University of Toledo College of Medicine and Life Sciences will host “An Evening With Annie Parker” Wednesday, Jan. 24, at the Maumee Indoor Theatre, 601 Conant St.

The event will begin at 4 p.m. with the film screening, followed by a talk from Parker, and will conclude with a panel discussion with experts speaking about genomics, clinical trials, cancer biology and “living the new normal.”

“We are grateful to have Annie Parker join us for this important evening,” said Dr. Christopher Cooper, dean of the College of Medicine and Life Sciences. “Her story is not only compelling, it is inspiring to cancer survivors and their loved ones, and clinical care teams as well.”

Graduation day

UT alumnus and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Michael D. Sallah told 2,067 candidates for degrees that he found his passion for newspaper writing when he was a freshman taking classes at the University. The national investigative reporter for USA Today/ Gannett newspapers received an honorary degree during the Dec. 17 commencement ceremony in Savage Arena.

There were lots of smiles on commencement day last month in Savage Arena. See more graduation photos on p. 14.

Interim leader named permanent vice president for student affairs

By Meghan Cunningham

The University of Toledo’s interim leader of the Division of Student Affairs has been named to the post permanently.

Dr. Phillip “Flapp” Cockrell will serve as vice president for student affairs effective Jan. 1. He had served in the role on an interim basis since June 1.

“Flapp is a passionate leader who is committed to student success and motivating his team to provide the best service possible,” President Sharon L. Gaber said. “I look forward to his continued leadership and the initiatives he will put in place to enhance student life on our campus.”
Trustees approve updates to academic degree programs

By Meghan Cunningham

The University of Toledo has completed its evaluation of duplicative courses and programs requested by the state legislature and is updating its academic offerings in response.

The review of duplicative programs, which was recommended by Gov. John Kasich’s Task Force on Affordability and Efficiency, was completed through consultation with faculty committees, academic departments and college deans. The University’s Affordability and Efficiency Report was approved Dec. 18 by the UT Board of Trustees and will be submitted to the Ohio Department of Higher Education.

Included in the report is the elimination of several undergraduate degree programs, including Athletic Training, International Relations and Affairs, and Business/Commerce.

The Undergraduate Athletic Training Program is being phased out as the discipline is being transitioned nationally into a graduate-level training program by 2022 per its accrediting body, the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education. The UT Board of Trustees approved at the meeting a new UT Master of Athletic Training Degree Program.

The International Relations and Business Commerce programs are being eliminated due to low enrollment, and no current students will be impacted. An American Studies track within the Global Studies Program will replace the eliminated American Studies degree. The Digital Arts Program had not yet been pursued.

In other business, the UT Board of Trustees approved:

- Changing the name of the Department of Foreign Languages to the Department of World Languages and Cultures to more accurately reflect the scope of what is being taught in the program.
- A new Executive Master of Sales Leadership Degree Program to meet an increased interest in the field and in specialized master’s programs in business.
- Tuition rates for high school students who take UT courses through the College Credit Plus Program. Courses delivered on campus will be $140 per credit hour; online courses and those delivered off campus by University faculty will be $80 per credit hour; and courses that are off campus and taught by faculty-credentialed high school teachers will be $41.64 per credit hour.
- The third phase of a campus infrastructure project that will replace older sections of the underground steam, condensate and chilled water lines on Main Campus. The $1.7 million project is funded primarily by bond dollars and is a continuation of infrastructure projects that begin in fiscal year 2010.
- An agreement with the UT Police Patrolman’s Association to adjust wages in the final year of its collective bargaining agreement. The University and the union agreed to a one-time payment of $180 in January, a 1 percent wage increase effective July 1, and the elimination of a sergeant pay range step level.

Students who complete their undergraduate degree within the guarantee period are eligible for a new $500 scholarship toward continuing their education in a UT graduate program if they enroll within three semesters of graduating with their bachelor’s degree.

The Toledo Tuition Guarantee does not impact students already enrolled at UT who will continue under the traditional tuition model.

A collaborative team of administrators, faculty and staff from across the University have worked since April to put together the Toledo Tuition Guarantee plan. The plan has been submitted to the chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education, who approves requests to adopt guarantee programs.

For additional information on the Toledo Tuition Guarantee, visit utoledo.edu/admission/freshman/tuition/guarantee.

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Study buddies

Rachel Lowry, a freshman majoring in business, finished a paper for class with some help from Stitch, a three-month-old Chihuaha-Shih Tzu mix, during exam week in University Hall.

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UT acknowledged again for service to veterans

The University of Toledo provides one of the best online bachelor’s programs, according to new rankings from U.S. News & World Report. UT is ranked 125 out of 357 institutions in the 2018 Best Online Programs ranking, an increase from last year’s place of 142 out of 311 programs.

U.S. News assessed schools based on student engagement, student services and technology, faculty credentials and training, and peer reputation.

“This ranking is recognition of the high-quality distance learning curriculum and the strong support services we provide to our students,” UT Provost Andrew Hsu said. “Recognizing that many prospective students, particularly working professionals returning to the classroom, enjoy the flexibility and convenience of online classes, we will continue to enhance and improve UT’s programs offered online.”

“The best online programs rankings offer adults the information needed to identify programs that best suit their life and career goals,” said Anita Narayan, managing editor of education at U.S. News & World Report. “The top programs not only demonstrate strong academics, but also create learning environments that are particularly well-suited to remote students.”

The UT Judith Herb College of Education also was ranked 107 out of 309 for its online graduate education program. UT’s ranking improved from last year’s 109 out of 278 on that list, which evaluates programs on student engagement, student services and technology, admissions selectivity, faculty credentials and training, and peer reputation.

UT’s College of Education launched this academic year the first online PhD program approved in Ohio. The Curriculum and Instruction: Special Education Doctoral Degree Program is designed for those who specialize in early childhood special education who are looking to take the next step in their careers.

For additional information about the U.S. News rankings, visit usnews.com/education/online-education.
College of Engineering dedicates new Owens-Illinois Conference Room

The University of Toledo dedicated the new Owens-Illinois Conference Room in the College of Engineering last week to celebrate the new meeting space made possible by a gift from the glass manufacturing company to support UT’s engineering and business programs.

The conference room is located in Nitschke Hall Room 4020 and is part of the Mechanical, Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering Department.

“The support of our corporate partners makes it possible for the College of Engineering to provide a first-rate experience to our students,” said Dr. Michael Toole, dean of the College of Engineering. “O-I has been a long-term partner with the College of Engineering, and their leadership support has impacted many of our students throughout the years.”

The new conference room is supported by a $250,000 commitment O-I made in 2015 to support the College of Engineering and the College of Business and Innovation. The new Owens-Illinois Finance Tutoring Lab opened last year in Stranahan Hall.

In addition to the facilities improvements, the gift from O-I provides financial support for key initiatives, including the Engineering Innovation Fund, O-I National Society of Black Engineers Scholarship Fund and O-I Society for Women Engineers Scholarship Fund in the College of Engineering and the O-I Corporate Finance Scholars Tutoring Program in the College of Business and Innovation.

“O-I has been a tremendous friend to the College of Business and Innovation in many ways, such as through their support of our annual student Pacemaker Awards and by providing the first-place prize for the college business plan competition,” said Dr. Hassan HassabElnaby, interim dean of the College of Business and Innovation. “We were pleased and honored to welcome the O-I executive team so that they could see and touch some of these things, and so that we could thank them in person.”

NOW OPEN: Dr. Hassan HassabElnaby, interim dean of the College of Business and Innovation, left, and Dr. Michael Toole, dean of the College of Engineering, held the ribbon for Ludovic Valette, global vice president of research and development at Owens-Illinois Inc., left, and Adam Hafer, manager of the Innovation Center, Global Technologies EH&S, and Perrysburg Properties at Owens-Illinois, to cut Jan. 10 to mark the dedication of the new Owens-Illinois Conference Room in Nitschke Hall. Following the ceremony, UT and O-I officials had lunch in the new space.

Cancer survivor

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disease. Parker has survived breast cancer, ovarian cancer and cancer in her liver. In 1994, she became one of the first women in Canada to be tested for the BRCA1 gene mutation after Dr. Mary-Claire King, a geneticist at the University of California at Berkeley, had discovered the gene is responsible for many breast and ovarian cancers. Parker’s results were positive for the gene. The story was the inspiration for the 2013 film, “Decoding Annie Parker.” Parker also tells her story in her 2014 book, “Annie Parker Decoded.”

The American Cancer Society estimates more than 1.7 million new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States in 2018. The local event is an effort to highlight the different treatments, new research and care options in the area.

“We remain committed to training the next generation of physicians and believe that by continuing to evolve available treatment options and enhancing our education and research, we will be that much closer to finding a cure,” Cooper said.

“An Evening With Annie Parker” is free and open to the public. Those interested in attending are asked to RSVP to hscevents@utoledo.edu or 419.383.6122.
The University of Toledo College of Medicine and Life Sciences’ annual Medicine Ball will raise funds for scholarships and to expand local clinics where students care for patients.

The 2018 Medicine Ball will take place Saturday, Jan. 27, from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Toledo Zoo’s Malawi Room. It is organized by medical students who are involved in Students for Medical Missions, the Community Care Clinic, and the UT chapter of the American Medical Student Association.

“Thanks to the generosity of last year’s donors, we were able to raise enough money to fund scholarships for 14 students,” said Isabella Bartholomew, a UT second-year medical student and president of Students for Medical Missions. “This year we hope to surpass that mark and plan to continue growing our medical services within the community and abroad.”

The event is open to all College of Medicine students and faculty, and will feature a dinner and cash bar.

Tickets are $50 for an individual or $95 for a couple; a student ticket is $35. Tables, which seat 10, also are available for $450. A dancing ticket with entry after 9 p.m. is $10.

Tickets will be on sale daily from noon to 1 p.m. in the Health Education Building lobby.

Tickets also can be purchased via the Venmo app to Lexie Schwann @ lex_schwann by mentioning Med Ball and the number of tickets and number of drink tickets requested (for example, Med Ball #1 ticket, #1 drink ticket).

For questions about tickets, email alexandra.schwann@rockets.utoledo.edu.

Contact Bartholomew for additional information on the event at ibartho@rockets.utoledo.edu.
Football team earned record 3.001 GPA fall semester

By Paul Helgren

The University of Toledo football players had a team grade point average of 3.001 last fall, marking the first time in school history the Rockets have finished above a 3.0 GPA in the fall semester.

The only other time the team achieved a 3.0 GPA was spring semester 2013 when the Rockets earned a 3.027 mark.

“We’re very proud of what our team was able to achieve in the classroom this past semester,” said Head Coach Jason Candle. “To win a MAC Championship and earn a team GPA over a 3.0 in the same semester is a tremendous accomplishment. That says a lot about the character and commitment of our student-athletes.

“I’d also like to thank Ericka Lavender and her staff in Student-Athlete Academic Services for their great support, as well as all the faculty, staff and volunteers who help support our academic efforts,” Candle added.

In addition to a 3.0 GPA, the Rockets landed 13 players on the 2017 Academic All-Mid-American Conference team, while senior wide receiver Cody Thompson was named to the College Sports Information Directors of America Academic All-District Team.

There were 13 Rockets who began the 2017 season having already received their bachelor’s degrees, the third highest total in the country. An additional nine Rockets graduated in December.

Contract extended

The University and Head Football Coach Jason Candle have agreed to a contract extension through the 2023 season. The news was announced Dec. 15. Candle, who was named the Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year in 2017, guided the Rockets to an 11-3 record and a MAC Championship last season. Toledo won the MAC West Division title, its first outright division crown since 1998, with a 7-1 league record. The Rockets went on to defeat Akron, 45-28, in the MAC Championship Game in Detroit Dec. 2. It was Toledo’s first MAC Championship title since 2004. Candle’s career record at Toledo is 21-7. “Jason is unquestionably one of the finest football coaches in the country,” said UT Vice President and Athletic Director Mike O’Brien. “We look forward to his leadership for many years to come.”

“The success of our program is the result of the unified effort of our players, coaches, staff and everyone in Rocket Nation who supports us,” Candle said. “I’m proud to be a Rocket and proud to represent this great University and great city.”

Rockets score school-record 3.290 grade point average fall semester

By Paul Helgren

UT student-athletes earned a combined grade point average of 3.290 in fall semester. It is the highest department semester GPA in school history, eclipsing the previous mark of 3.270 set last spring.

It is also the sixth consecutive semester in which UT student-athletes have earned a semester GPA above 3.2, and the 18th straight semester of at least a 3.1 GPA.

“Once again, we would like to commend our student-athletes for achieving another record-setting semester in the classroom,” Vice President and Athletic Director Mike O’Brien said. “Their consistent level of academic achievement is a point of great pride for them, as well as our entire University. It is a testament to their hard work and dedication, as well as the outstanding support they receive from our Student-Athlete Academic Services staff, our faculty and our coaches. Their dedication really helps make a difference.”

“I would also like to congratulate Head Coach Nicole Hollingsworth and our women’s golf program for recording the highest team GPA for the second straight semester.”

This past semester, 20 Rockets graduated with their degrees.

individually, 38 student-athletes earned president’s list honors with a perfect 4.0 GPA, while nearly 35 percent (130 of 374) earned a spot on the dean’s list by garnering at least a 3.50 GPA, and 71 percent (268 of 374) achieved a 3.0 grade point average or better for fall semester.

“My staff and I continue to be impressed by the individual and team success of our student-athletes,” said Assistant Athletic Director for Academic Services Ericka Lavender. “As the overall reputation and academic standards of The University of Toledo continue to increase, we continue to see our student-athletes rise to the highest level and compete in the classroom with the overall student body.”

Fourteen of UT’s 16 varsity teams had combined GPAs of at least 3.0, and all 16 sports had at least 2.9 GPA. Women’s golf set the pace for the second consecutive semester with a team GPA of 3.776, nearly breaking the school record it set last spring when the Rockets achieved a 3.780 GPA. Women’s volleyball (3.677), women’s cross country (3.619), men’s golf (3.553), women’s soccer (3.538) and women’s tennis (3.519) also were above 3.5 as a team this past fall.

**Toledo 2017 Fall Semester Team GPAs**

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UT Department of Art offers lunchtime workshops

By Angela Riddle

The Department of Art will offer workshops for UT employees and students throughout spring semester on Main and Health Science campuses.

Each workshop is composed of two 45-minute sessions. The cost is $30 per workshop.

The seven workshops that will be offered this semester are:

- Hand sewing — basic hand-stitching techniques, embroidery and cross-stitching.
- Painting — paint on variety of surfaces such as rocks, watercolor book pages, mugs and mini acrylic canvases.
- Upcycling — re-purposing of a variety of objects for T-shirt tote, cookie sheet magnet board, map tile coasters and art.
- Polymer clay — magnets, pendants, earrings and pens.
- Glass — painting on glass, sea glass wind chime, votive holder and alcohol ink pendants.
- Wood burning — line work and shading techniques.

Workshops will begin Monday, Jan. 22. For a complete schedule, visit utoledo.edu/al/svpa/art/galleries/artworkshops.html.

Sessions on Main Campus will take place in the conference room on the first floor of Sullivan Hall, and workshops on Health Science Campus will be held in Collier Building Rooms 2410/2412.

Alissa Cox, an independent artist since 2006, will present the workshops.

Coming from a family of artisans and artists, Cox grew up learning woodcrafts, stained glass, blacksmithing, jewelry craft, quilting and painting. She moved her business, Smoky Grove, to Ohio in 2012 and has exhibited at Columbus Winterfair, the Great Lakes Jazz Festival and the Black Swamp Arts Festival. Cox has taught several workshops in pyrography, sewing and painting.

In addition, a crochet workshop will be held each Friday in Sullivan Hall on Main Campus. Open to crocheters of every skill level — from beginners to pros — this workshop is an opportunity to learn new techniques or get help on a project. Each session is $10 and can be paid at the door. No reservations are required.

Auditions for UT jazz Vocalstra scheduled

Do you like to sing jazz? Audition for the University’s Vocalstra, a vocal jazz ensemble founded by legendary singer Jon Hendricks.

This ensemble performs a variety of repertoire, including jazz standards, blues, vocalese (a genre of jazz singing in which words are set to instrumental recordings), and other contemporary genres.

Auditions will be held Wednesday, Jan. 17, and Monday, Jan. 22, from 4 to 7 p.m. in Center for Performing Arts Room 1017.

Singers should prepare a song, preferably in the jazz style if possible.

Auditions will be held in 10-minute increments. Students of all majors are invited to sign up for a time at docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1cX0p2jLm1Xwy3RuG5Mrjr3vJZSH3Ww5zaMJVFioR-58/edit?usp=sharing.

“We are searching for new, passionate and committed members,” said Dr. Ellie Martin, instructor in the UT Music Department and co-director of Vocalstra.

Students who have a conflict with the audition times or who have questions should contact Martin at lee.martin@utoledo.edu.
Exhibit explores ‘Where Lights Goes’

By Angela Riddel

A three-artist exhibit titled “Where the Light Goes” is on display in the Center for the Visual Arts Gallery on the Toledo Museum of Art Campus.

In its 2nd iteration, “Where the Light Goes” deepens its exploration of contemporary approaches to the photographic image through the examination of its physical properties, the possibilities of its reproduction, its vulnerability, and its uncertainty as an instrument of truth.

On Friday, Feb. 2, Dr. Robin Reisenfeld, curator of works on paper for the Toledo Museum of Art, will moderate a panel discussion featuring the exhibit’s artists: Trisha Holt, Ben Schonberger and Eric Zeigler. Brian Carpenter, UT lecturer of art and gallery director, also will participate in the discussion, which will be held at 6 p.m. in the Toledo Museum of Art Little Theater.

Holt works with printed photographs to dismantle the image plane. Her bodies of work center around the themes of feminist performance art, the history of cinema, and the aesthetics of serial killers. Her work is at the intersection of performance art and large-scale collage that exist as framed photographs, videos and installations.

Schonberger is a visual artist and lecturer of photography at Point Park University in Pittsburgh. Utilizing photography, appropriated imagery, collage, performance and sculpture, his work examines the complexities of identity through long-term social investigations and archive augmentation processes.

Zeigler is a photographer based in Maumee, Ohio. As an associate lecturer in the UT Art Department, Zeigler teaches photography, digital media and tools.

The free, public exhibition will be on display through Friday, Feb. 16. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

For more information on the exhibition, contact Carpenter, at brian.carpenter@utoledo.edu.
‘I Got a Lust for Life’ to reflect impact of African-American Great Migration on region

A one-day public program that begins in Detroit and finishes in Toledo will explore the impact of the African-American Great Migration on literary and musical expression in northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan.

The program, “I Got a Lust for Life: The Unique Words and Sounds of Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan,” will include panel discussions, poetry readings and musical performances on Saturday, Jan. 20, in Detroit at Wayne State University and at the Toledo Lucas County Public Library and Toledo Museum of Art. Buses will shuttle participants between the events in the two cities.

The program will begin in Detroit with a 10 a.m. panel discussion at Wayne State University’s Schaver Music Recital Hall. The panel will include Ben Blackwell, co-founder of Third Man Records and official archivist for the White Stripes; John Gibbs Rockwood, Toledo author of the 2014 book titled “Can I Get a Witness,” which features his photographs of iconic rock, pop, blues and folk musicians performing in the region during the early 1970s through the 2000s; Ramona Collins, Toledo-based popular jazz singer; and Oliver Ragsdale Jr., president of the Carr Center, a community hub for African-American artistic expression in Detroit.

The discussion, which will be moderated by Dr. Kimberly Mack, assistant professor of African-American literature at The University of Toledo, and Dr. Joshua S. Duchan, associate professor of music at Wayne State University, will be followed by a musical performance and question-and-answer session.

“I Got a Lust for Life” then will move to Toledo, where Tyehimba Jess will perform a poetry reading and hold a book signing at 2:30 p.m. in the McMaster Center of the Toledo Lucas County Public Library. Jess is a 2017 Pulitzer Prize-winning poet from Detroit whose work has focused on music, biography and African-American history. He will read from “Olio,” his award-winning collection of poetry that weaves together sonnet, song and narrative to examine the lives of mostly unrecorded, African-American performers from the Civil War to World War I.

The program will conclude with a 6 p.m. panel discussion in the Glass Pavilion of the Toledo Museum of Art with Jess; M.L. Liebler, a Detroit-based, award-winning poet and editor of the anthology titled “Heaven Was Detroit: From Jazz to Hip-Hop and Beyond”; Frances Brockington, associate professor of voice at Wayne State University; and Dr. Ellie Martin, jazz vocalist, Jon Hendricks scholar and UT instructor of music. Mack and Duchan will moderate the discussion, which also will be followed by a musical performance and question-and-answer session.

“I Got a Lust for Life: The Unique Words and Sounds of Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan” is sponsored by the Roger Ray Institute for the Humanities at The University of Toledo, which advocates for and supports the study of human culture — from a great variety of fields — at all levels of learning and scholarship. Additional support for the program is provided by UT, WSU, the Toledo Lucas County Public Library, Toledo.com and the Toledo Museum of Art.

For more information on the event, go to utoledo.edu/al/humanities_institute.
Researchers assess role schools can play in preventing, responding to teen dating violence

A nationwide study of school principals has shown that while the majority had assisted a victim of teen dating violence recently, most of them had never received formal training in this area and their school did not have a specific protocol for dealing with the issue.

The most common approaches of school principals for responding to teen dating violence found are discussed in an article published in Violence and Gender, a peer-reviewed journal from Mary Ann Liebert Inc. publishers.

“Teen dating violence is, unfortunately, a child and adolescent social and health problem,” Dr. Amy Thompson, professor of public health at The University of Toledo, said. “Even if minor, victims of teen dating violence can suffer from major consequences, including depression or suicidal tendencies.”

“This study surveyed school administrators in an effort to help inform better practices and policymaking on dealing with this dangerous issue.”

The article titled “Preventing and Responding to Teen Dating Violence: A National Study of School Principals’ Perspectives and Practices” was co-authored by Thompson; Dr. Jagdish Khubchandani, associate professor of health science at Ball State University, who received a doctorate in health education from UT in 2010; and colleagues from Illinois State University, the University of Houston, the Indiana Area Health Education Center, and the Illinois Education Association.

The researchers provide data related to teen dating violence prevention practices by schools, training to assist victims provided to personnel within the past two years, and the most common ways principals assisted victims of teen dating violence.

“Our No. 1 goal is to help school administrators prevent teen dating violence,” Thompson said. “We also want to help school leaders establish policies for teen dating violence and helping victims.”

“This article is truly an eye-opener. According to the authors, teen dating violence has emerged as a ‘significant child and adolescent social and health problem,’ but school administrators and staff are not equipped to address it,” said Dr. Mary Ellen O’Toole, editor-in-chief of Violence and Gender, and director of the Forensic Sciences Program at George Mason University.

“More training is absolutely essential to address this problem effectively,” O’Toole said. “This first of its kind national study will help principals, teachers and others realize their own deficiencies and develop proper procedures to address an issue that affects our children and adolescents in every school throughout the country.”

Read the article at online.liebertpub.com/doi/full/10.1089/vio.2017.0043.

Psyching up

Dr. Matthew T. Tull, professor of psychology, talked to two students who attended the Get Psyched About Psychology event last month in the Thompson Student Union. Nearly 40 students stopped by to learn more about a career in psychology. “Our faculty and graduate students were excited to meet and to discuss psychology with interested undergraduate students who represent our diverse UT campus,” said Dr. Mojisola F. Tiamiyu, associate professor of psychology, director of the Community Psychology Research Lab, and chair of the Department Diversity Committee. She noted minority and underrepresented students were encouraged to attend the event as they are not proportionately represented in psychology.

“Graduating psychologists from diverse backgrounds that reflect the populations they would be serving in the future is a laudable goal, and if this goal is attained, it’ll be a win-win situation for our university and the society at large,” Tiamiyu said.
Winter weather policy reminder

In the rare event of a major snow or ice storm or other inclement weather that makes it necessary for UT to delay or suspend classes or campus events, the University will announce this information through several communications vehicles:

- **UT Alert text message and email:** Sign up at utalert.utoledo.edu;
- **Web:** utoledo.edu and myut.utoledo.edu;
- **Phone:** 419.530.SNOW (7669);
- **Social media:** Facebook and Twitter; and
- **Local media.**

University’s Community Charitable Campaign surpasses goal

By Christine Wasserman

Thanks to the generous support of hundreds of faculty members, staffers and retirees, The University of Toledo surpassed its $125,000 goal for UTC3 — the University’s annual Community Charitable Campaign that supports more than 220 local nonprofit organizations.

“I’m very proud of our UT community for generously supporting this community campaign,” said President Sharon L. Gaber. “There are many people in need throughout our region, and I’m glad we can assist nonprofits in their support. UT has once again demonstrated its commitment to our mission and serving this community.”

“Coming on the heels of last year’s very successful inaugural Day of Giving, it was really difficult asking faculty and staff to make another contribution — especially just prior to the holidays,” said Dr. Michele Soliz, assistant vice president for student success and inclusion, and the 2017 UTC3 chair. “It was really great to see our campuses come together to help others. We truly are one!”

To thank each person who submitted a UTC3 ePledge form, all contributors have been sent an email inviting them to a breakfast with President Sharon L. Gaber that will be held Tuesday, Jan. 30. A hearty buffet of breakfast foods will be served, followed by drawings for many prizes. Additionally, contributors may pick up their complimentary UTC3 gift — a tumbler with straw — at the breakfast.

If you contributed to UTC3, be sure to respond to your email invitation by Tuesday, Jan. 23, whether you plan to attend the breakfast or not. Your gift will then be made available for you to pick up at the breakfast, or mailed to your office by early February.

Any questions may be sent to UTC3campaign@utoledo.edu.
Registration for spring parking open

Spring parking permits for students and employees are currently open. These may be purchased at myparking.utoledo.edu or through the parking app.

Spring semester parking permits must be purchased by the last day to add or drop classes for the semester, which is Monday, Jan. 22. After that date, vehicles without a parking permit will be ticketed. Jan. 22 also is the deadline to cancel a permit and receive a refund.

“For the convenience of drivers, the University has a free app for iOS and Android devices so you can easily manage your parking account 24/7 from your cell phone or other smart device,” said Sherri Kaspar, manager for public safety services.

Parking Services’ web pages contain all the information you need to purchase a permit and park on campus, including parking procedure details, where you can park with your specific permit type, and frequently asked questions.

“As a reminder, if you need to change the vehicle you drive to campus at any time during the semester, you need to update your license plate number and vehicle information for your permit online before parking that day in order to avoid a ticket,” Kaspar advised.

Citations received for unregistered vehicles may not be appealed if there is no active permit registration on the account. Additionally, violations for “expired meter” and “illegally parked in a reserved space/area” are non-appealable offenses.

Guest permits for family and friends who visit on weekdays are readily available at guestparking.utoledo.edu. All vehicles parked on campus need to have a permit or use metered parking spaces.

Once you review the information at myparking.utoledo.edu, any additional questions may be sent to parking@utoledo.edu, or visit the Transportation Center or call 419.530.1020 during normal business hours.

New bus-tracking app available

Students, faculty and staff can use Transit Services’ new bus-finding app called Passio Go! starting Tuesday, Jan. 16.


“Passio Go! is a full-featured, real-time transit locator system that allows you to track and view all routes at once, navigate to specific stops, see the next bus arriving and details about the stop, as well as receive alerts and provide feedback,” Steve Wise, manager of transit services and motor vehicle operations, said. He encouraged campus community members to download the app and try it out when catching the bus.

“This change in apps is to consolidate our bus finder app and our automated passenger count system, which will reduce operating expenses and increase efficiency for our transit department,” Wise added.

To see schedules for campus shuttles, go to utoledo.edu/facilities/transit.

For questions about the new app, call Wise at 419.530.1026.

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Tickets are half-off for UT employees and retirees; UT students admitted free with ID!

TOLEDO MEN’S BASKETBALL 2017-18 HOME SCHEDULE

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Women's volleyball coach named

By Chris Callan

Jason Oliver, who has more than 20 years of experience as a coach and a player on the court, has been named the head women’s volleyball coach at The University of Toledo.

Oliver comes to UT from Indiana University, where he spent two years as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator for the Hoosiers. Prior to that, he was the head coach at High Point University in North Carolina from 2009 to 2016.

“We are very pleased that Jason Oliver has agreed to lead our women’s volleyball program,” Vice President and Athletic Director Mike O’Brien said. “Jason is a proven winner with a highly successful tenure as a head coach at High Point and impactful stops as an assistant coach at Indiana, Dayton and West Virginia.”

“Jason has all the qualities we desire in a head volleyball coach,” O’Brien said. “His teams have a history of academic success, and he has a track record of recruiting high-end talent. He will be a terrific teacher and leader for our young women.”

“My family and I are ecstatic to be coming to The University of Toledo,” Oliver said. “I want to thank Mike O’Brien, [Senior Associate Athletic Director] Kelly Andrews and [Deputy Director of Athletics] Dave Nottke for giving me the opportunity to be the head women’s volleyball coach. I think this program has huge potential, and I’m excited to roll up my sleeves and get after it. It’s a great move for me and my family, and we’re excited to be a part of a great city like Toledo.”

Oliver’s stint as the head coach at High Point was the most successful in school history. He led the team to a record of 118-103 during his tenure, both the highest win total and winning percentage in program history.

He led the Panthers to a Big South Conference Tournament title and NCAA Tournament appearance in 2010. Oliver helped his student-athletes achieve 17 all-conference honors, two Big South Freshman of the Year awards, and seven all-freshman team honorees.

Off the court, his teams averaged a 3.1 grade point average over seven years, reaching a high of 3.52 in 2015. Two of his former student-athletes were named College Sports Information Directors of America Academic All-Americans, two were named Big South Scholar Athlete of the Year, and eight earned Academic All-Big South distinctions.

Most recently at Indiana, Oliver assisted in leading the Hoosiers to a 21-3 mark in non-conference play over two seasons and coached Jazzmine McDonald to All-Big Ten honors in 2016. As the team’s recruiting coordinator, he helped put together a 2017 class that was ranked in the top 30 by PrepVolleyball. Oliver’s 2018 recruiting class at Indiana was the most highly regarded in program history, with three top 150 players and the 54th best player in the nation.

In Oliver’s three years at the University of Dayton, the Flyers posted an 80-24 record and earned two NCAA Tournament berths. In 2007, Dayton went 33-2 and achieved a No. 12 national ranking from the America Volleyball Coaches Association, advancing to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. Dayton spent 14 weeks in the top 25 and grabbed a national rating percentage index ranking as high as No. 8 in the country. In 2005, the Flyers set school records in kills (2,143), total attacks (5,523) and assists (1,965). During his tenure, Oliver helped train two Atlantic-10 Players of the Year, two Atlantic-10 Setters of the Year and two Atlantic-10 Rookies of the Year, as well as 11 all-conference performers.

During Oliver’s time at West Virginia University, the Mountaineers recorded their single largest win total in 13 years, improving from a 6-21 record during the 2003 season to an 18-13 record in 2004. Oliver coached two Big East All-Conference players, two academic All-Americans and three All-Big East Academic performers.

Oliver played volleyball at George Mason University, where he was a co-captain and starting setter during his senior year. He led the team in assists and digs per game in 1997. Oliver set a school record of 99 assists in a match and tallied 1,638 assists in a season.

The Thousand Oaks, Calif., native received his bachelor’s degree in communications from George Mason in 1998 and a master of science degree in athletic coaching education from West Virginia in 2005.

Oliver and his wife, Kelly, recently had a baby boy, Miles.

Football season tickets on sale

By Paul Helgren

Season tickets for UT’s 2018 football season are on sale.

Fans can receive a reserved seat for all seven Rocket home games and free parking for less than $100.

The defending MAC Champion Rockets have an action-packed 2018 on tap, hosting the nationally ranked Miami (Fla.) Hurricanes, rival Bowling Green Falcons, hosting the nationally ranked Miami (Fla.) Hurricanes, rival Bowling Green Falcons, hosting the nationally ranked Miami (Fla.) Hurricanes, rival Bowling Green Falcons, hosting the nationally ranked Miami (Fla.) Hurricanes, rival Bowling Green Falcons.

The home schedule also includes contests against MAC opponents Ball State, Buffalo and Central Michigan.

The Ultimate Fan Plan is back for 2018. This fan favorite includes free parking, a $20 gift card to Rocky’s Locker, and a $4 concessions voucher for each game — a $289 value for $99.

Also available is the new Rocket Lift-Off: Fans can get season tickets and free parking for $80. This plan does not include the gift card or concession vouchers.

Fans can score the best seats and save the most money with season ticket packages, which include tickets as low as $14 per game.

Season ticket renewal invoices will be mailed to all 2017 season ticket members in early January, but fans also can utilize the UT Ticket Office Online Ticket Central at utrockets.com to renew season tickets or call 419.530.GOLD (4653).

UT faculty, staff and retirees can purchase up to two season tickets at half price (additional at full price); UT students are admitted free with IDs.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 419.530.4653, visit utrockets.com, or stop by the UT Athletic Ticket Office in Savage Arena Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The ticket office also has extended hours during events.
Amy Mosher, daughter of Julie Mosher, chemical supervisor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, graduated with a master of business administration degree. Amy completed her bachelor’s degree in business administration in marketing at The University of Toledo in 2009. This year, she was a member of UT’s 21st Executive MBA cohort. With more than 10 years of marketing experience in the retail industry, Amy plans to utilize her MBA to distinguish herself as a leader in customer relationship management and strategic marketing.

Hayden Henningsen, son of Michelle Hoch-Henningsen, creative director in University Marketing, graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor’s degree in business administration in marketing. They posed for a family photo Dec. 17 with Chris Henningsen, left, and Michael Henningsen, a UT alumnus who received a bachelor of arts degree in communication in 1976. Hayden accepted a marketing position at 2-Scale in Holland, Ohio. The design and production agency specializes in trade shows and large installations. Hayden was a member of the Klar Leadership Academy, Phi Kappa Psi and the Student Wellness Awareness Team.
In memoriam

Genevieve “Ginger” R. Bieniek, Toledo, who worked at MCO from 1980 until her 2007 retirement as administrative assistant in Mulford Library, died Dec. 29 at age 70.

Odessa (Lewis) Brown, Toledo, a cook at the University for 34 years, died Dec. 24 at age 85.

Barbara “Babs” Davies Cubbon, Toledo, died Dec. 27 at age 90. She and her husband, Frank, were longtime benefactors of the University, particularly the College of Law. They established a fund to support the College of Law Moot Courtroom and also started the Frank Cubbon Jr. Scholarship for law students.

Barbara L. Julius DeMars, who volunteered with the Satellites Auxiliary, died Dec. 25 at age 75. She received a bachelor of education degree in mathematics from UT in 1964.

Dr. Ann Lindbloom La Rue, Toledo, an adjunct professor of English in the 1980s and 1990s, died Dec. 18 at age 86. A UT alumna, she received master of arts degrees in English and classics in 1981, and a doctorate in English in 1992. Memorials are suggested to the English Department Fund through the UT Foundation at give2utoledo.edu.

J. Michael Porter, Bluffton, S.C., who was associate vice president for governmental affairs at MCO from 1991 until his retirement in 2001, died Dec. 17 at age 75.

Marilyn J. Redel, Findlay, who was a teacher at the Ada Stephens Early Childhood Demonstration and Research Center during the 1980s, died Dec. 25 at age 70. She received a master of education degree in elementary and early childhood education from UT in 1989.

Dr. Glenda E. Ried, Glen Ellyn, Ill., professor emerita of accounting, died Dec. 27 at age 84. In 1955, the UT alumna received a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting and went on to earn a master of business administration degree in 1961. Ried began teaching accounting at the University as an instructor in 1964, as associate professor in 1966, and as professor in 1974, and to professor in 1980. A registered certified public accountant in Ohio since 1960, she was among the first Toledo-area women to become CPAs. She received the emerita designation when she retired in 1992.

Dr. Robert J. “Doc” Schlembach, Toledo, who worked at the University for more than four decades, died Dec. 16 at age 93. The Defiance, Ohio, native earned a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy from UT in 1949. He returned to his alma mater in 1954 as an assistant professor of pharmacology. Schlembach was promoted to associate professor two years later and was named professor in 1963. He was honored by the Toledo Academy of Pharmacy as Pharmacist of the Year in 1965 and received one of the University’s Outstanding Teacher Awards in 1967. Schlembach was appointed interim dean of the College of Pharmacy in 1975 and named associate dean in 1977. At that time, he started advising all of the college’s first- and second-year students. In 1988, Schlembach received the University’s Outstanding Adviser Award. He was named professor emeritus when he retired in 1989. He continued to teach as a superannuate and served as executive director of alumni affiliate affairs.

Also in 1989, Schlembach was recognized with the Blue T award for outstanding service to the UT Alumni Association. Over the years, Schlembach served on several UT committees, including the Student Orientation Advising Registration Program Committee, International Student Advisory Council, Student Athletic Advisory Council, University Y board of directors and the Athletic Board of Control. In addition, he was the the advisor to Kappa Psi, the pharmaceutical fraternity. An avid Rocket fan, he and his wife, Mary, watched many athletic teams compete over the years on campus and across the country. The Schlembachs also were longtime University benefactors, establishing two scholarships and a leadership fund. Tributes are suggested to the Dr. Robert & Mary Schlembach Leadership Fund through the UT Foundation at give2utoledo.edu.

Dr. Robert E. Shanahan, Sylvania, died Dec. 25 at age 86. He was named a clinical assistant professor of surgery in 1982 and was promoted to clinical associate professor in 1986. His appointment ended in 2003.

Jane E. Smith, Toledo, who was a volunteer with the Satellites Auxiliary, died Dec. 6 at age 94. She was a former member of the organization’s board.

Daniel R. Walch, Toledo, adjunct professor in the College of Engineering, died Dec. 24 at age 65. A UT alumnus, he received a bachelor of science degree in biology in 1973 and a master of science degree in civil engineering in 1980.

Tamela R. (Howe) Worthington, Toledo, a medical assistant at UT Medical Center from 2015 to 2017, died Dec. 7. She was 53.
DO YOU HAVE A GREAT BUSINESS IDEA?

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

THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND INNOVATION AT UT IS PROVIDING PRIZE MONEY OF:

- **1ST**: $10,000 sponsored by O-I
- **2ND**: $5,000 sponsored by Chuck and Ann Hodge Business Plan Competition Fund
- **3RD**: $2,000 sponsored by PNC Bank
- **Honorable Mention**: $500 sponsored by PNC Bank

Innovation

You’ll find the application instructions for this competition utilizing Lean Launch Pad concepts at utoledo.edu/business.

- There is one free workshop for those planning to enter the competition. It will be offered on **Monday, February 5, 2018**, from noon to 1:00 p.m. in the PNC Entrepreneurship Lab, room 3100, Savage & Associates Business Complex.
- Entries must be submitted by **Monday, February 26, 2018**.
- Finalists will be announced on **Friday, March 23, 2018**.
- Finalists will make an oral presentation about their business using the business model canvas** on **Thursday, April 12, 2018**, between noon and 5:30 p.m. in the PNC Entrepreneurship Lab, room 3100, Savage & Associates Business Complex.
- Winners will be announced **Thursday, April 19, 2018**.

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

COBI reserves the right to not provide a particular cash award if no qualified proposal is received. In addition to cash prizes, selected awardees may receive assistance in areas such as intellectual property and business consultation.

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

** For more information, please visit businessmodelgeneration.com/canvas or leancanvas.com