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RSVP for President's Holiday Gathering

President Sharon L. Gaber is inviting faculty and staff to a holiday gathering Thursday, Dec. 12.

Stop by the Savage Arena Grogan Room between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. to celebrate with colleagues.

"It's that special time of the year again, a time to come together and celebrate the many great things happening at The University of Toledo," Gaber said. "It's always nice to see so many of the people who make our institution so outstanding."

RSVPs are requested by Friday, Dec. 6; please reply to the invitation email.

"It's a busy time of the semester, but I hope faculty and staff can take a few minutes to stop by," Gaber said.




President's Holiday Gathering
Thursday, Dec. 12
3:30 to 5:30 p.m.
 SAVAGE ARENA GROGAN ROOM

Donations Sought for Winter Clothing Drive

By Chase M. Foland

The Office of Student Advocacy and Support is holding a winter clothing drive to help keep students warm this winter.

Donations of coats, gloves, sweatshirts and hats will be accepted through the end of the semester, Friday, Dec. 13. Items can be dropped off in Thompson Student Union Room 2521.

"It is important to help students in need as they brave the elements on their way to classes and the surrounding Toledo community," said Ben Weiner, coordinator of student advocacy.

The mission of the Office of Student Advocacy and Support is to empower student success through collaborating with the campus and surrounding community with students' best interest in mind.

The office is committed to serving as a visible resource for personal and academic achievement by providing support for students.

"I hope students will feel comfortable coming by our office if they're in need of winter outerwear," Weiner said. "Our goal is to help as many students as possible be warm and protected from this upcoming winter."

All donations must be in good condition for use.

For more information, contact Weiner at benjamin.weiner@utoledo.edu or 419.530.5923.

Digging in



Photo by Daniel Miller

The University of Toledo and the Ohio State Highway Patrol broke ground Nov. 15 for a new \$6.5 million shared police facility on the southwest corner of Dorr Street and Secor Road. Doing the honors were, from left, Rocky; State Rep. Michael Sheehy; State Rep. Lisa Sobacki; Col. Richard Fambro, superintendent of the Ohio State Highway Patrol; Tom Stickrath, director of the Ohio Department of Public Safety; Dr. Sharon L. Gaber, UToledo president; Jeff Newton, UToledo police chief and director of public safety; Sen. Teresa Fedor; and Dr. Phillip "Flapp" Cockrell, UToledo vice president for student affairs. The Safety Center, which will be located on vacant land owned by the University across the street from campus, is expected to be completed in December 2020.



WINTER COAT DRIVE
 UNTIL DEC 13
 8:15 AM - 5:00 PM
 STUDENT UNION 2521
 OFFICE OF STUDENT ADVOCACY AND SUPPORT

DONATE OR PICK UP WINTER OUTERWEAR!

LOOK FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OF UTOLEDO NEWS DEC. 2

Fellows Named for MAC Leadership Program

Four UToledo faculty members have been selected to participate in the third year of the Mid-American Conference Academic Leadership Development Program.

The program was created to identify, develop, prepare and advance faculty as leaders in the colleges and universities that are members of the Mid-American Conference. Fellows participating in the program have the opportunity to gain valuable knowledge and experience by working closely with select administrators from other colleges and universities in the MAC.

“We are happy The University of Toledo participates in this worthwhile program that helps faculty members reach their leadership potential,” Dr. Amy Thompson, vice provost for faculty affairs and professor of public health, said.

Fellows for the 2019-20 academic year are:

- Dr. Jonathan Bossenbroek, professor of environmental sciences and director of the Office of Competitive Fellowships and Undergraduate Research;
- Dr. Maria Coleman, professor and chair of chemical engineering and associate director of the Polymer Institute;
- Dr. Scott Molitor, professor of bioengineering and senior associate dean for academic affairs in the College of Engineering; and

- Dr. Rebecca Schneider, professor of science and teacher education, and associate dean of graduate studies in the Judith Herb College of Education.

All tenured faculty with experience in administrative leadership and service are eligible to apply for the MAC Academic Leadership Development Program. Candidates submitted a letter of support from their dean, as well as an application and curriculum vitae for consideration.

“Our Fellows will work alongside UToledo leaders to learn from their experience,” Thompson said. “They also will benefit from working with administrators and peers from other MAC institutions.”

All MAC Academic Leadership Development Program Fellows will attend one three-day workshop each semester. Topics to be addressed include budgeting, conflict resolution, accreditation and accountability.

“This program allows our Fellows a chance to prepare for leadership positions while experiencing the challenges and rewards of institutional service,” Thompson said. “This is a great opportunity to advance leadership for our UToledo faculty members.”

Read more about the MAC Academic Leadership Development Program at utoledo.edu/offices/provost/mac-aldp.



Bossenbroek



Coleman



Molitor



Schneider



An Assist for the Community

UToledo Women’s Basketball Head Coach Tricia Cullop and Men’s Basketball Head Coach Tod Kowalczyk told their stories of giving to UToledo Cares last week. The University’s annual charitable campaign benefiting more than 200 regional charities and nonprofits runs through Friday, Dec. 13. Employees and retirees should watch for a weekly email to make a pledge. Gifts of any size are appreciated. Donors will receive a complimentary gift, plus an invitation to a breakfast buffet hosted by President Sharon L. Gaber.

Photo by Joe Bellfy

UToledo Offers Activities During Great American Smokeout

To help raise awareness about the dangers of e-cigarettes and other nicotine use, the University is joining the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout, nationally designated for Thursday, Nov. 21.

All UToledo campus community members are invited to participate in two special activities during the week:

- Tuesday, Nov. 19 – Members of Rocket Wellness, UTMC Pharmacy Services and Recreational Services will provide information on vaping and its associated dangers from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Four Seasons Bistro on Health Science Campus and on Centennial Mall, where Student Affairs will provide golf cart rides to various stops on Main Campus.
- Thursday, Nov. 21 – A panel of experts will answer questions about vaping via Instagram @UToledo; submit questions and watch for answers from 6 to 8 p.m.

Each year through the Great American Smokeout, the American Cancer Society strives to educate individuals about the harmful effects of nicotine and offer guidance on how to quit tobacco use. This year, participating organizations will focus on e-cigarette risks, which have garnered much media attention recently due to young adults becoming critically ill after vaping.

"We want students, faculty and staff to know UToledo genuinely cares about their well-being," said Vicki Riddick, senior wellness officer. "There are many resources available on campus that can support individuals choosing to quit nicotine. These Great American Smokeout activities are part of our efforts to provide them with helpful resources."

UToledo campuses are tobacco-free to promote wellness; therefore, the use of all nicotine-related products – including e-cigarettes, cigarettes, and smokeless and chewing tobacco – are prohibited on University property.

For more information on the Great American Smokeout or resources on how to begin a nicotine-free life, contact vicki.riddick@utoledo.edu or visit cancer.org/healthy/stay-away-from-tobacco/great-american-smokeout.html.



THE DANGERS OF VAPING



The Great American Smokeout Thursday, Nov. 21

Candy Cab

Test your knowledge about vaping, win some candy and get a free ride to your next campus destination between **11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 19.**

Instagram Stories

On **Thursday, Nov. 21, 6 – 8 p.m.**, submit your questions about vaping to an expert panel (@UToledo on Instagram) and watch for the answers in our stories.

FUELING **TOMORROWS**

International Flavor



Students Shaghayegh Jabalameli, left, and Keyvan Safaei stopped by the International Village for some Chinese tea.

Photos by Xinren Yu

Members of the Japanese Student Association — from left, Carol Nassif, Sara Ichino, Ayumi Takahashi, Kodai Kato, Ryo Ichino and Michael Kepner — served the rice dish takikomi gohan at the International Village Nov. 13 in the Thompson Student Union Auditorium. Presented by the International Students Association, the event was part of the Center for International Studies and Programs' celebration of International Education Week.

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AND ROCKET CHORISTERS

Friday, Dec. 6

8 p.m.

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School of Visual
and Performing Arts



Rocket Marching Band to Perform Nov. 22 in Valentine Theatre

By Angela Riddell

The University of Toledo Rocket Marching Band will take its show from the field to the Valentine Theatre. The Sounds of the Stadium concert will be held Friday, Nov. 22, at 8 p.m. at the historic venue located at 410 Adams St. in Toledo.

The Rocket Marching Band will perform music from its 2019 fall season.

Highlights of the program will include the music of Motown, Top 40 hits, car-culture tunes, and traditional UToledo favorites.

Tickets are \$9 each. Discount tickets are available for groups of 10 or more. Tickets are available through the UToledo Center for Performing Arts Box Office at 419.530.ARTS (2787) and online at utoledo.tix.com.

Tickets also are available through the Valentine Theatre Box Office at 419.242.ARTS (2787) and at valentinetheatre.com.

UTOLEDO ROCKET MARCHING BAND

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Paddling and Pondering: Kayaking on the Ottawa River

By Dr. Christopher Martin

It was a perfect Sunday in October for a paddle down the Ottawa River. Dr. Charles Beatty-Medina, professor of history, and I planned to follow the river through Ottawa and then Jermain parks with an expected distance of 2.5 miles. It had rained recently, so the water level was elevated, and the forecast called for partial clouds with temperatures in the mid to low 60s.

We met at the new pedestrian bridge, with its new kayak launch, connecting the East Parking Garage and Savage Arena. Because we had two cars, we were able to drive one to the location where we planned to exit the river and drive the other back to the launch. With a car parked at our expected exit downriver, we could paddle with the current and not worry about paddling back against the current through areas we'd already seen.

We were struck at how quickly the environment transformed. We got on the river with a parking garage to the left and Savage Arena to the right, but within minutes we were fully enclosed within the forested banks of a meandering river and nothing but the sights and sounds of nature surrounding us. We played a game with the various bridges – trying to guess which street we were passing under. Because the view from the river is so different, we were essentially guessing based only on distance we'd paddled and our knowledge of the streets above. Nothing about the habitat along the river was the same.

We spotted a heron as we crossed into Ottawa Park. The heron would take flight as we approached, camp out in a tree downriver – seemingly waiting for us to catch up – then take flight again as we neared. The heron was our guide for a good quarter mile of the trip. Shortly thereafter, we came to our first obstruction – a large tree laying across much of the river. Luckily, there was a gap to the right and to the left where the current was faster, which meant we could 'shoot the chute' over and between the trees limbs.

Less than a mile down river, we heard a rustling in the foliage ahead and spotted several deer out for a stroll. They were as curious about us on the river as we were of them on the land. The deer may have been trying to warn us, because shortly after their sighting, we heard the eerie sound of water moving quickly downhill and over rocks: We'd come upon a rapid.

Charles' Rapid (we named it) was not difficult, but Charles did have an inflatable kayak, which meant a sharp rock could puncture it. We opted to risk it and ran the rapid straight down the middle. Most of the time, the deepest water is in the middle of the rapid, and, thankfully, there was more aerated water nearer the sides, suggesting that rocks are closer to the surface than in the middle – the safer route for a kayak, especially one full of air.

Paddling further east into Ottawa and Jermain parks, we came across logs blocking most or all of the river three or four different times. We later learned trees had fallen naturally and usually are left to stimulate the ecosystem. But unless you can paddle under or over them, you're schlepping your kayak onto the bank, up the mud, and back down to the river on the other side. Our muddy carries over the logs are the ecosystem's gains.



Photo by Dr. Christopher Martin

Dr. Charles Beatty-Medina looked at the Ottawa River in October before climbing into his kayak on campus.



Photo by Dr. Charles Beatty-Medina

Dr. Christopher Martin paddled his kayak last month on the Ottawa River.

When we left our car along the road where we intended to exit the river, we thought we should walk down to the river to study the location so that we would be able to know, on the river, when we were there. A blue empty chip bag we found nearby served as a nice marker, which we tied to a branch on a tree reaching over the water. Once I spotted the bag, I knew our journey had come to an end.

Ottawa and Jermain parks are beautiful from the land, but we encourage you to see them from the perspective of the river, which, in our experience, changes everything. In season, students can borrow a kayak, paddle and a life vest (which you must wear) for free from Recreational Services. We recommend getting out when the spring buds are appearing, summer blooms abound, or fall leaves are ablaze; these sights, especially from the seat of a kayak meandering down the river, take the breath away.

Martin is a visiting associate professor of philosophy and religious studies, and director of the Roger Ray Institute for the Humanities.

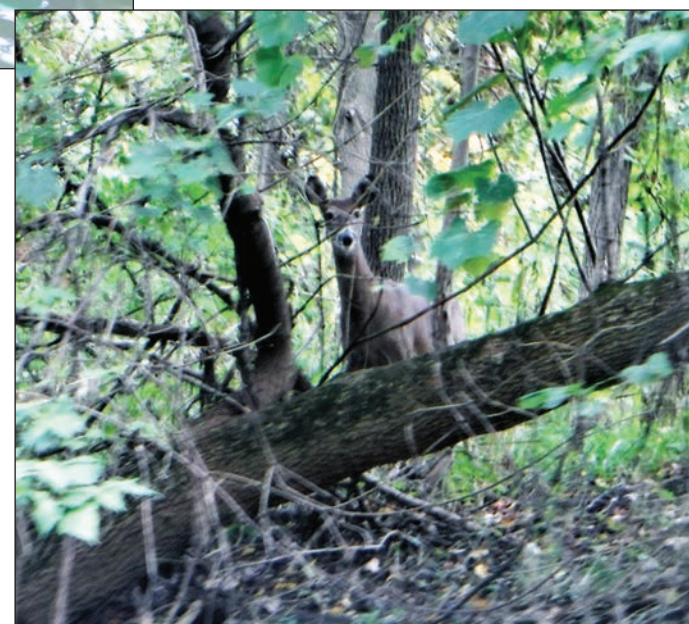


Photo by Dr. Christopher Martin

A deer watched as Dr. Christopher Martin and Dr. Charles Beatty-Medina traveled by kayak on the Ottawa River.

Satellites' Poinsettia Orders Due Nov. 22

It's an annual holiday tradition: The Satellites Auxiliary is holding its poinsettia sale.

The poinsettias range in price from \$6 to \$11 and are available in an array of colors, including red, white, pink, red with white splotches, and blue with gold. The plants vary in size from 4.5 inches to 7.5 inches and by the number of blooms.

Fresh wreaths measuring 14 inches also are available for \$11.

"Poinsettias add such a lovely, elegant touch to the holidays," Lynn Brand, president of the Satellites Auxiliary, said. "We hold this sale as a service to our campuses. We keep our costs low, and the small amount we make goes to scholarship funds."

Poinsettia order forms – which can be found online in the myUT story – must be received by Friday, Nov. 22. Email lynn.brand@utoledo.edu, fax to 419.383.3206, or drop off to Volunteer Services in Dowling Hall Room 75.

Orders will be available for pickup from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3, in the Rocket Hall Lobby and Thursday, Dec. 5, in the Four Seasons Bistro Atrium. All poinsettias will be foiled and sleeved.

Payment is due at the time of pickup; options include cash and checks, as well as payroll deduction on Health Science Campus.

The Satellites Auxiliary is a group designed to promote education, research and service programs; provide support of patient programs in accordance with the needs and approval of administration; conduct fundraising events; and offer volunteer services.

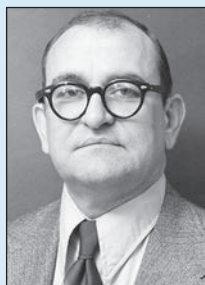
For more information on the annual sale, contact Brand at lynn.brand@utoledo.edu.



Photo by Katlyn Olexa

VOLUNTEER BUDS: Donna Darr, left, and Lynn Brand of the Satellites Auxiliary showed off some poinsettias during the volunteer group's holiday fundraiser last year.

IN MEMORIAM



Wilhoite

Dr. Robert L. "Bob" Wilhoite, Toledo, a faculty member in the College of Education for more than three decades, died Nov. 10 at age 94. He joined the University as an assistant professor of education in 1965, was named an associate professor in 1968, and chair of the Department of Educational Theory and Social Foundations in 1971. Wilhoite received one of the University's Outstanding Teacher Awards in 1972. He was named professor emeritus when he retired in 1997. Prior to entering the education field, the native of Louisville, Ky., was a process engineer with the E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co. Inc. and served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1943 to 1945.

Theresa A. (Grzechowiak) Wisniewski, Toledo, who was a volunteer with the Satellites Auxiliary for 29 years, died Nov. 5 at age 88.

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