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• A poem titled "On Hearing the Chilean Poet Read in Spanish" and a related article by **Dr. Robert G. Cowser**, professor emeritus of English, appear in the January 2008 issue of *Extramuros*, an online journal originating in Valparaiso, Chile. Both items refer to Alicia Welden, who taught in the Department of Modern Foreign Languages from 1989 until 2002. Oliver Welden translated the article and the poem into Spanish.

• **Trevor Ruskowski**, university photographer, received credit in the Dec. 15, 2007, edition of *The Washington Post* for two photos of Skyhawk men's basketball player, Lester Hudson. The story chronicled Hudson's path to UT Martin and his current status as one of the nation's top scorers in men's college basketball.

Applications, ACT scores increase

Applications for summer and fall admission have increased by 25 percent over the same period last year, according to the Office of Admissions. The ACT scores of students applying also increased to an average of 22.68, up from 22.36 last year.

"While not all applications translate into enrollments, we are pleased to have such a significant increase as a clear reflection of student interest in the quality of our academic offerings and campus programming," said Chancellor Rakes. "This is especially meaningful considering the increased academic standards initiated this year."

This is the fifth consecutive year that application numbers have increased. A recent report showed that by Jan. 3, 2008, 1,901 students had applied for admission to UT Martin, up from 1,508 by that date in 2007. Also, there has been a 49 percent increase in housing applications this year.

Students who plan to attend UT Martin and have not applied should note that Feb. 1 is the deadline for scholarship applications.

"The number of applications has increased simply because UT Martin offers features and services students want," said Judy Rayburn, director of the Office of Admissions. "We think students

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Vice chancellor interviews are set

Interviews are slated to begin Jan. 23 with five candidates for the vice chancellor for student affairs post.

The interview process will include meetings with faculty, staff and students and an open forum. The advisory search committee is chaired by Al Hooten, vice chancellor for finance and administration. Three candidates will be recommended to Chancellor Rakes for consideration.

"Dr. Rakes convened the Advisory Search Committee early in the fall, and, as a result, we received an excellent pool of candidates," said Hooten.

The interview schedule is as follows:

• Jan. 23, Dr. Samuel T. Miller, vice president for student affairs, Georgia Southwestern State University, Americus, Ga.;

• Jan. 25, Dr. Diane R. Berty, vice president, student development, East Central University, Ada, Okla.;

• Jan. 30, Dr. Vincent G. June, vice president for student affairs (July 2007), Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, Fla.;

• Jan. 31, Dr. Paul A. Bryant, vice president for student affairs, Eastern Connecticut State University, Willimantic, Conn.; and

• Feb. 1, Dr. Margaret Y. Toston, vice president for student affairs, Central Connecticut State University, New Britain, Conn.

"The committee members were conscientious and thorough in their review of each candidate and in their various reference checks of the candidates," said Hooten. The committee

members include Dr. Mary Lee Hall, College of Education and Behavioral Sciences dean; Dr. Elaine Harriss, graduate studies interim director and Faculty Senate president; Charles Deal, assistant vice chancellor for alumni relations; Gina McClure, Office of Campus Recreation director; Sandra Neel, Office of Student Financial Assistance director; Teresa Woody, Office of Minority Affairs director; Erin Chambers, Student Government Association president; and Erin Smith, student representative.

Steve Vantrease will continue to serve as interim vice chancellor for student affairs until the new vice chancellor is named.

For information, visit www.utm.edu/vcsa_search.php.

Scholarship@UT Martin ready

A new database of research, scholarship and creativity becomes available today. Scholarship@UT Martin provides faculty members a means to disseminate their scholarly and creative output.

The database allows faculty to post full-text files of research papers, creative endeavors and publications. It also will include graduate theses and University Scholar papers, and select items documenting student research projects. Except for official theses and papers, files are available at a faculty member's discretion. The database does not accept book reviews, opinion papers, personal writing,

illustrated lectures or instructional materials.

This resource site is administered and maintained by University Archives and the Paul Meek Library. It is based on EPrints 3, a free, open-archives initiative (OAI)-compliant software package developed and disseminated publicly by students at the University of Southampton. Completed theses are posted by the archives which will use Scholarship@UT Martin as the primary method to publicly distribute theses. However, the official copy will remain as a hard copy in University Archives. Other student

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Martin Luther King Day vigil slated Jan. 15

The Office of Minority Affairs, Black Student Association and NAACP will sponsor a Martin Luther King Day candlelight vigil, at 7 p.m., Jan. 15, in Room 206BC of Boling University Center. Participating will be the Rev. Jolanne Downey, director of the Interfaith Center, and the Rev. Dr. Russell Morrow, director of New Generations Ministry in Union City. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call the Office of Minority Affairs, ext. 7282.

New, updated Web resources are available

Several new and updated features are now available on the Web. At the "Resources" link on the Office of University Relations home page:

- UT Martin Publications, Printing & Style Manual (updated) – This revised manual includes all you need to know to produce official university publications. Also, included are guidelines for using the new athletics graphics package, featuring the revised Captain Skyhawk mascot caricature.

- PowerPoint Template Documents – Need a template for your next PowerPoint presentation? Find the new templates at this link.

At the Welcome Center link on the university home page:

- UT Martin video and 30-second TV commercial – Completed fall semester, these new productions can be viewed through links on the Welcome Center page. (Thanks to the Instructional Technology Center for making these links possible.)

For more details about these and other university informational resources, call the Office of University Relations, ext. 7615.

Web calendar changes effective Feb. 1

As of Feb. 1, the Web Events Calendar, accessible from the homepage, will be managed by Boling University Center Information Center.

Guidelines have been established for what information must be collected in order to maintain the desired service level of the calendar. Campus departments/organizations hosting or facilitating an event must submit event information via Web form or phone to the Information Center in order for the event to be posted on the Web calendar.

The Web form address and reminders about this change in Web Events Calendar administration will be published in upcoming Addendas, campus-l messages and noted at other venues. For more information, call ext. 7000.

ON THE CALENDAR

Jan. 14-20

- Jan. 14 – Classes begin
- Jan. 18 – Last day to add/drop

Monday, Jan. 14

- Classes begin/late registration
- High School Art Exhibition, Gallery, Fine Arts Building

Tuesday, Jan. 15

- Late registration (Jan. 15-18)

Thursday, Jan. 17

- 5:15/7:30 p.m. – Skyhawk women's/men's basketball at Austin Peay

Friday, Jan. 18

- 8:30 a.m. – College Art Day, Gallery, Fine Arts Building
- Classes administratively dropped if no confirmation and/or payment has been made
- End first adjustment period
- Last day to add/drop with no record of enrollment
- Rodeo Boosters Running/Roping Show (Jan. 18-19), Ned McWherter Agricultural Complex

Saturday, Jan. 19

- 4/6 p.m. – Skyhawk women's/men's basketball vs. Murray State

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research and scholarly activity meeting professional academic standards for the field may be considered through the action of a sponsoring faculty member.

Current faculty members are encouraged to post output from their professional work produced before or during their service at UT Martin. Those who have left the university, retirees or others who have moved to other professional opportunities, may no longer post new files but are

encouraged to leave their past work on the site in the interest of scholarship. Participation is strictly voluntary.

For more information, visit <http://scholarship.utm.edu>. Questions or comments about a specific item found on this site should be directed to its author through contact data in its item record. Any general correspondence concerning the repository should be sent to the database editor, Richard Saunders, at scholarship@utm.edu.

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tend to make their decisions based on a school's atmosphere. Students are looking for more personal attention. They are looking at the size of the university and the opportunity to be involved in campus activities." She added, "Students who choose UT Martin like the fact that their classes are going to be smaller and taught by faculty, not graduate students, and they like the fact that they will have access to those faculty members outside of class."

Rayburn said proximity to home, cost of tuition and apartment-style housing also are important considerations when students choose to apply to UT Martin.

"I am pleased to see the continuing interest and value attributed to a UT Martin degree," Rakes added. "Continuation of our ongoing planning involving on- and off-campus initiatives ensures that our students have access to a world-class education."

AAUW to hear 'Get Out, Vote'

The American Association of University Women will meet at 6 p.m., Jan. 24, in Room 111, Boling University Center. The topic is "Get Out and Vote," and there will be a panel discussion of women's issues.

Students are invited and eat for free. RSVP to sbyrd@utm.edu or Dr. Cherry Watts, cwatts@utm.edu.

eTeaching Certificate offered online Jan. 21

Do you want to broaden your skills as an online teacher/developer?

Consider earning the University of Tennessee's eTeaching Certificate as an online instructor.

This in-depth, four-level program goes beyond technical skills. It addresses the unique needs of online learners, shares how to facilitate a course to maximize educational impact and exposes participants to tools and strategies for developing a course and evaluating the learning process, within the constraints and benefits of an online environment.

Participants will design components of their own online course as they progress through the program.

The cost is \$800. UT departmental transfer vouchers are accepted. The next program starts Jan. 21 and is taught entirely online via asynchronous Blackboard. The instruction is geared toward professors/instructors already teaching traditional courses.

Register online at https://anywhere.tennessee.edu/iei/forms/eteaching_registration.asp or call 1-800-670-8657.

See a sample of the latest news clippings featuring UT Martin news at the University Relations Web site:

http://www.utm.edu/departments/univrel/news_clippings/index.php

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