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## Business consulting services available

Ron Acree, a consultant of the Tennessee Small Business Development Center (TSBDC), will be available in July at the University of Tennessee at Martin Regional Entrepreneurship and Economic Development (REED) Center in Martin.

He will offer consulting services to local businesses and prospective entrepreneurs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 12 and 1-6 p.m. July 19.

This is an opportunity for existing business owners to get advice on marketing, customer service or cash flow issues. Budding entrepreneurs may receive advice on developing a business plan, marketing and record keeping. Acree is familiar with state and national resources that are available for businesses.

The UT Martin REED Center is a service of the Horace and Sara Dunagan Chair of Excellence in Banking and the Tom E. Hendrix Chair of Free Enterprise.

The REED Center, located at 406 Lindell St. in Martin, also offers consulting by appointment any time, any day. The consultations are one-on-one, confidential and free. Appointments may be made by contacting the REED Center at (731) 587-REED (7333).

For additional services offered by the REED Center, visit the Web site [www.utm.edu/reed](http://www.utm.edu/reed).

## Excel course offered online

The University of Tennessee at Martin has partnered with online course provider, Education To Go, to offer Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007.

The latest release of this application brings with it a retooled interface that makes the program faster and more responsive to the user's needs.

In the new online course, "Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007," instructor Craig Power guides both novice and veteran Excel users through the most important features.

Power's students learn how to navigate the 2007 interface and take advantage of Excel's new features. They'll get first-hand experience with a variety of formulas and functions, and they'll have plenty of opportunities to graph, sort, filter and format their data. They'll create time-saving macros and learn how to customize the toolbar for their own needs.

The course includes a classroom that is open day and night. Students can interact with the instructor and fellow students in Web-based discussion areas, where they can ask as many course-related questions as they'd like. A response is usually promised within one business day and often arrives sooner.

Students can take "Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007" from the convenience of home or office and at any time. For more information about this course, visit the Web site [www.utm.edu/departments/ecce/onlinecourses.php](http://www.utm.edu/departments/ecce/onlinecourses.php).



**REPRESENTS OC** — Obion County Central High School student Katie Donaldson was among some of Tennessee's best and brightest high school juniors and seniors who recently attended the five-week long Governor's School for the Humanities (GSH) at the University of Tennessee at Martin. UT Martin has hosted the GSH program since 1985 and this was the fourth year students were able to earn college credit.

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### UT Martin offers summer orientation

Summer Orientation and Registration is a program at the University of Tennessee Martin. Students meet with academic advisers and register for classes; tour the campus and residence halls; receive information about student activities, housing and financial aid; and hear detailed information about First-Year Initiative (an orientation for freshmen the week before classes).

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### Local high school grad active at UT Martin



Hudgings

Bethany Hudgings, graduate of Jackson Central-Merry High School, serves on the UTM SOAR staff. The University of Tennessee Martin summer orientation program informs incoming freshmen and their parents about what to expect in the upcoming years. She is the daughter of Ricky and Tonya Hudgings.

# UTM SOAR to help UT Martin students to prepare for fall semester

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Additional concurrent sessions also are scheduled for students and parents with topics including student activities, Greek life, housing and meal plans.

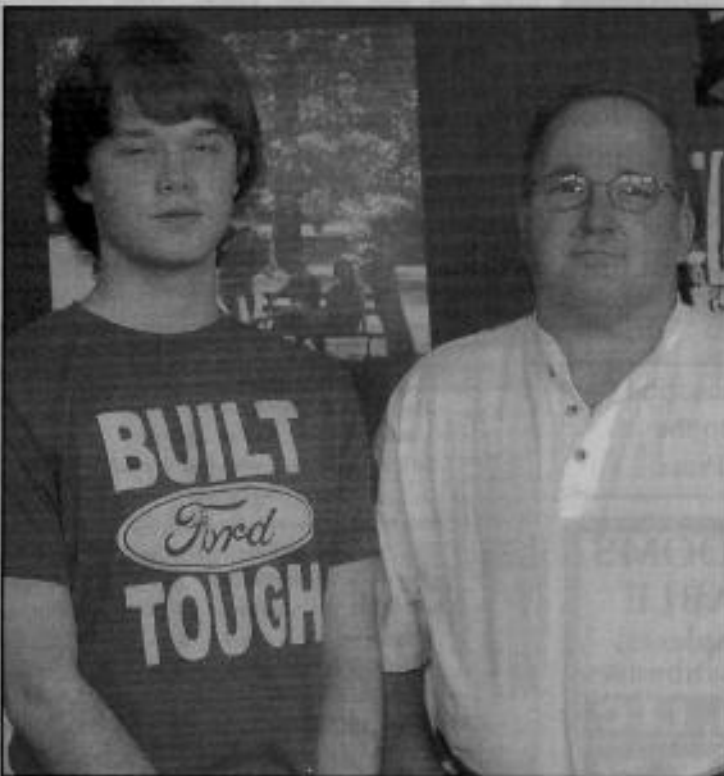
Administrative offices will be open and students and parents will get additional time to tour

the campus and visit with UT Martin personnel in housing, admissions and financial aid.

In order to attend S.O.A.R., students must have applied for admission and received a tentative or final acceptance letter. Advance S.O.A.R. registration is required.

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**LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT GETS A JUMP ON UT MARTIN FALL REGISTRATION** — James Kyle Chappel, of Martin, recently attended Summer Orientation and Registration (S.O.A.R.) at the University of Tennessee at Martin. A Westview High School graduate, he will attend UT Martin in the fall. With Chappel is his father, Randy. Students met with academic advisers and registered for classes; toured the campus and residence halls; received information about student activities, housing and financial aid; and heard detailed information about First-Year Initiative (an orientation for freshmen the week before classes). Students should attend both S.O.A.R. and First-Year Initiative to get the jump on fall semester. The final S.O.A.R. date has been scheduled for Friday and Saturday, July 20 and 21. Check-in is set for 3 p.m., at Boling University Center. For more information about S.O.A.R., call the UT Martin Office of Admissions at 881-7020 or (800) 829-UTM1.



**LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GET A JUMP ON UT MARTIN FALL REGISTRATION** — Laura Vaughn, second from left, of Martin, and Morgan Jones, second from right, of Greenfield, recently attended Summer Orientation and Registration (S.O.A.R.) at the University of Tennessee at Martin. Vaughn, a Westview High School graduate, and Jones, a Greenfield High School graduate, will attend UT Martin in the fall. With Vaughn is her mother, Mylinda, and with Jones is her mother, Dania. Students met with academic advisers and registered for classes; toured the campus and residence halls; received information about student activities, housing and financial aid; and heard detailed information about First-Year Initiative (an orientation for freshmen the week before classes). Students should attend both S.O.A.R. and First-Year Initiative to get the jump on fall semester. The final S.O.A.R. date has been scheduled for Friday and Saturday, July 20 and 21. Check-in is set for 3 p.m., at Boling University Center. For more information about S.O.A.R., call the UT Martin Office of Admissions at 881-7020 or (800) 829-UTM1.

