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Want to lose weight and keep it off?

The Office of Extended Campus and Online Studies is offering a non-degree, online course: Lose Weight and Keep It Off.

Do you want to lose weight and keep it off? In this course, you'll discover how to establish a healthy approach to successful weight loss and weight maintenance for a lifetime. You'll master how to set and achieve weight-loss and weight-maintenance goals that make sense for you. You'll also receive practical tips you can use immediately to develop healthier eating and exercise habits. The instructor is Donna Acosta, a registered dietitian and nutrition educator. Her clinical expertise is in weight management, diabetes nutrition care and cardiac rehabilitation management. Registration fee is \$95.

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Mid-South Ag Finance Conference, Aug. 5

David Kohl, internationally known speaker to farmers, lenders and agribusiness audiences will be the featured presenter at the eighth annual Mid-South Ag Finance Conference. The conference will be held on the campus from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Aug. 5. Dr. Kohl has been a presenter during each of the last seven sessions and has provided the growing audiences with practical information.

"As one of the world's leading ag economists who serves on policy boards and manages his own farming operation, Dr. Kohl provides lenders and producers with the most up-to-date and practical information available," said Dr. Thomas Payne, Dunagan Chair of Excellence in Banking. In addition to conducting more than 5,000 workshops and seminars, Kohl was a leader in establishing national and international standards for reporting and analysis of agricultural producers' financial information.

Speakers include Carl Babler. Babler has principal interest in First Capitol Ag with offices in Iowa, Illinois and California, where he serves as consultant and senior hedge specialist. He also is

managing partner of Lafayette Acre, Inc., with farms in Wisconsin and Texas. He coauthored "Six Step Grain Hedge Plan," now a nationally recognized guidebook for grain producers. Babler will focus his comments on emerging carbon policy legislation and its potential impact on farmers - a critically timely subject.

"This year's sessions are specifically designed to provide the most relevant and up-to-date information for lenders and ag producers," said Joe Brasher, of First State Bank, in Sharon. Sessions are "Around the Corner and Down the Road: A Practical Guide for Interpreting Economic Change," "Credit and Risk Management for the Producer/Lender Team," "Commodity Prices, Government Policies and Global Forces: Preparing for the (Un)Perfect Storm" and "Best Practices in Risk Management for the Producer/Lender Team."

The Mid-South Ag Finance Conference is appropriate for ag lenders, farmers and other farm-related business owners. Members of the total management team, including spouses and

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• Dr. Cahit Erkal, professor of physics, co-authored a paper with Drs. Aydin Cecen and Richard Baillie of Michigan State University, titled "Normal heartbeats are nonchaotic, nonlinear, and multifractal: New evidence from semiparametric and parametric tests." The article appeared in the latest issue of Chaos: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Nonlinear Science.

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See world with travel-study options

From Egypt to the Amazon, London to Japan, Paris to Washington, D.C., the University of Tennessee at Martin Center for International Education will offer 18 travel-study programs in 2010.

Trips begin in January with a travel-study program to the Amazon, Jan. 2-12. Dr. Sue Byrd, professor of family and consumer sciences, Dr. Bradley Ray, assistant professor of fisheries, and Scott Pun, lecturer of health and human performance, will lead the trip. Also in January is a travel-study trip to Egypt.

Set for Jan. 4-16, this trip will be led by Dr. Mahmoud Haddad, professor of finance.

A list of other trip dates, destinations and department faculty leaders includes: February-Los Angeles/Southwest, Dr. Donna Anderson, assistant professor of criminal justice; March-Italy-Venice/Florence/Rome, Stan Sieber, professor of history, and Dr. John Overby, Department of Management, Marketing, Computer Science and Information Systems

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First UT Martin women's basketball coach, Nadine Gearin, dies

The first head coach of UT Martin women's basketball team, Nadine Gearin, died Sunday afternoon at VanAyer Nursing Home in Martin after a long illness. Gearin was 73. She coached the UT Martin Lady Pacers basketball team from 1969-78. One of Gearin's former players was Pat Head Summitt (1971-74).

"Nadine has not been able to talk or recognize anyone since June 2," said Bettye Giles, the former UT Martin women's athletics director. "I guess it is true what they say about

people rallying when they hear someone they know."

Giles and friends have been putting Summitt on a speaker phone every day, but it wasn't until Sunday that Gearin recognized the Lady Vols head coach.



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"She laughed, and I mean belly laughed yesterday while they talked," Giles said. "It was the first time she recognized us and Pat. She just had a good time."

Just like any good coach, Summitt was able to get Gearin to rally. Gearin died just a few hours later.

"I heard her voice, and she sounded so good and upbeat," Summitt said. "She was full of life, and she never lost her spirit. That's the

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way I want to remember her.”

To Summitt, Gearin was more than a coach. “She was a great friend, who cared about her players. Over the years she would watch some of the games and call me a few times, I supposed, with a coaching tip or two,” Summitt said.

“The main thing is I don’t want her to suffer anymore,” Summitt said.

Gearin also coached the women’s volleyball team from 1969-73 and the UT Martin badminton club from 1968-70. She served the university for 40 years, officially retiring June 30, 1997. She was inducted into the UT Martin Athletics Hall of Fame in 1988.

Gearin’s basketball teams won the 1970-71 Tennessee College Women’s Sports Federation and won three Western Division titles. Her 1971-72 team posted the most wins in Lady Pacer history and also became the only basketball team in school history to advance to the national championship tournament. Gearin sported an overall basketball coaching record of 104-86.

When Kiwanis International allowed women to join its organization, Gearin was one of the first two women inducted into the local chapter in March of 1988. She was the adviser for the local Kiwanis’ Aktion Club.

“Ms. Nadine was a very hard worker whether it was Kiwanis or athletics,” said Steve Lemond, the treasurer of the Martin Kiwanis Club. “She had a real interest in working with the adults in our Aktion Club. She would help with any project that we had if her schedule allowed her to do so. She will be greatly missed.”

Services for Gearin were July 16, at Williams Funeral Home in Greenfield. Burial was in Mount Hermon Cemetery in Greenfield. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Gearin Endowment Scholarship at UT Martin and the Martin Kiwanis Aktion Club.

Gearin was preceded in death by her parents, Jack and Viola Gearin. She is survived by Christie Capps Shull, a friend of the family.

“Happiness is like perfume: You can’t give it away without getting a little on yourself. Thanks, Coach Gearin, for sharing,” said Julia White Brundige, one of Gearin’s former basketball and volleyball players. “You will be missed by all of your former players.”

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chair; March-London/Orléans, Dr. Tom Payne, Department of Accounting, Finance, Economics and Political Science interim chair; March-Nashville to Natchez, Miss., Anna Clark, instructor of English; March 10-22-London/Paris, Ruby Black, professor of nursing, and Linda Luther, assistant professor of nursing; March-Mexico, Dr. Joey Mehlhorn, professor of agricultural economics, and Andrew Brown, International Initiatives assistant director; May 17-30-London/Ireland, Dr. Dan McDonough, professor of history, and Dr. Lionel Crews, assistant professor of physics; May-Germany, Dr. Chuck Hammond, assistant professor of German; May-Oregon, Scott Pun, lecturer of health and human performance; May 22-June 2-Paris/Normandy, Dr. Lucia Florido, associate professor of French; May-Hawaii, Mike Sudzum, university travel consultant and Lorrie Jackson, Center for International Education administrative services assistant; May-Washington, D.C., Darrell Simmons, Department of Public Safety police lieutenant; May/June-Benelux Tour, Sieber and Dr. Phil Young, professor of finance; May/June-Germany, the Czech Republic and Poland (Holocaust), Dr. Alice-Catherine Carls, professor of history; June-Japan, Kyoko Hammond, lecturer of Japanese; July-Switzerland/Austria/Germany, Sieber.

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other business partners, should also attend. The registration fee is \$150 for lenders, \$75 for farmers, and \$25 for spouses and students. Registration information is available by calling 731-881-7324, or visiting the Web site, www.utm.edu/agconference. Space is limited so registration is requested by Aug. 1.

The Mid-South Ag Finance Conference is made possible through the support of the Tennessee Farm Bureau, CoBank, Grafton Ag Management and the UT Martin Dunagan Chair of Excellence in Banking.

Use Web calendar

To assist everyone with planning for the upcoming year, submissions of events to the University’s Web Calendar are requested as soon as information is available.

Visit www.utm.edu/infocenter to complete a short form and submit event information.

If there are multiple postings with the same contact details, email to John Abel, university center assistant director, at jabel@utm.edu, rather than posting each one in the Web form. For more information, call ext. 7000.

CALENDAR

July 27-Aug. 9

Friday, Aug. 7

- Entire summer and second half of summer courses end (finals will be given on the last schedule day of class)

Sick leave bank totals told

The Sick Leave Bank reported 245 members for the period ending June 30, 2009. There were five terminations and nine requests for hours during the period with seven granted. The beginning and ending balances for the period were 6,910.56 and 6,399.56, respectively.

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- **Dr. Michael Gibson**, professor of geology, co-authored a presentation with James E. Barrick (Texas Tech University), Mark A. Kleffner (Ohio State University), F. Nicole Peavey (Texas Tech), and Haraldur R. Karlsson (Texas Tech) given in Sardinia, Italy, at the “Time & Life in the Silurian” International Symposium. The paper is titled “The Lau Primo-Secundo Oceanic Event and Mid-Ludfordian Isotope Excursion (Ludlow, Silurian) in southern Laurentia.” The abstract was published in *Rediconti della Societa Paleontologica Italiana*, vol. 3, no. 3, 2009, pages 267-268.

- The Seoul Journal of Business has recently informed **Drs. Michael Park**, associate professor of marketing, **John Overby**, professor of management, and **Young-Hyuck Joo**, associate professor of marketing, Hansung University, Seoul, Korea, that their research article, “Organizing For Developing Radically Innovative Product: Application of ‘Quantum Evolution Theory in Bioecology’” published in December 2008, was chosen by the Editorial Board as the “Top Research Paper of the Year.”

Business help offered

Get one-on-one business consulting from Ron Acree, Tennessee Small Business Development Center (TSBDC) consultant, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Aug. 13, at the REED Center, 406 Lindell St. Contact the center at 731-587-REED (7333).

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