

# Addenda

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## Greenway is dedicated

A perfect fall day provided an equally perfect setting for a vision to become a reality Saturday, Nov. 14, as the first phase of the Brian Brown Memorial Greenway was dedicated. The greenway, named for the late Brian Brown, will eventually connect downtown Martin with the city's west side and the UT Martin campus, providing a pedestrian trail for walking and bicycling.

Brown was killed in a July 2000 bicycling accident near Martin. A UT Martin campus recreation staff member at the time of his death, he envisioned a greenway that would provide a safe recreational trail for area residents. After his death, individuals and groups united to realize Brown's dream.

Area residents, elected officials, and Brown family members and friends attended the 10 a.m. event. Dr. Laura Brown, Brian's widow and a UT Martin faculty member, and the couple's children, Boone and Georgia, sat behind the podium situated on a rise just above the paved trail as speakers told about the dedication and persistence that created the greenway. The trail starts at the Highway 431 and Skyhawk Parkway intersection and winds

east through an old railroad bed and university farmland toward the city.

David Belote, Martin city alderman and a personal friend of Brian's, quickly turned the gathering into a celebration of Brown's life and the inspiration he provided to build the greenway. He recalled Brown's personal philosophy of "pray hard, play hard, work hard and love your family," adding, "Brian saw everyone as family." Belote introduced Martin Mayor Randy Brundige who said, "We've persevered many years trying to get this greenway under way, and finally we got a portion of it built. We've still got a portion to go though, and I know with the Greenway Foundation's help, we're going to complete that task in the years to come."

The greenway was originally financed with a \$310,000 grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation Grant, plus \$80,000 in matching funds to be raised by the community. Belote recalled the daunting task and how many individuals and groups stepped forward to raise money, even once bringing a circus to town as a fund-raiser. "Some of the folks that have

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The first phase of the Brian Brown Memorial Greenway was dedicated Nov. 14, where the trail crosses Farm Road north of the UT Martin campus. The greenway, named for the late Brian Brown, will eventually connect downtown Martin with the city's west side and the UT Martin campus, providing a pedestrian trail for walking and bicycling. Chancellor Rakes joins Dr. Laura Brown, Brian's widow and health and human performance faculty member, and the couple's children, Boone and Georgia, after Laura cut a ribbon officially opening the greenway.

## Haltom to sign book, Dec. 3

Bill Haltom, father, husband, lawyer and award-winning writer, will sign copies of his book, "Some Assembly Required," at 4 p.m., Dec. 3 at Paul Meek Library.

On Christmas Eve, the three most terrifying words in the English language are "Some Assembly Required!" In "Some Assembly Required," Haltom

will make the Daddy in your life laugh this Christmas with his latest book. Haltom shares a fatherly perspective on the challenges Daddy faces at Christmas time, including balancing the tree, stringing lights on the roof of the house and helping Santa put together toys that could only be assembled by graduates of the

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## YOUTH

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• Dr. Leslie LaChance's poem "Left," which appeared in the spring 2009 issue of The Apple Valley Review, was recently nominated for a Pushcart Prize. Pushcarts are awarded to works appearing in literary magazines or published by small presses. Dr. Neil Graves' textual study of Richard Wilbur's poem "Praise in Summer" appears in the Summer 2009 issue of The Explicator. LaChance and Graves both teach in the English Department.

Richard Black, HVAC, recently was honored upon his retirement from the university with 10 years of service. Others retiring who were not present included: Carolyn Gresham, Division of Academic Affairs, 29 years; Gary Morgan, Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources/Farm, 23 years; Rebecca Morgan, Office of Housing, 24 years; Connie Parham, Margaret N. Perry Children's Center, 19 years; and Richard Stallings, building services, four years.





Doris Nell Sloan recently received a university service award for 50 years of service. She is pictured with Chancellor Rakes.



Employees who recently received university service awards for 30 years of service were, from left, front row, Shannon Burgin, Wanda Hall and Louise Priest; back row, Bob Peckham, Steve Vantrease and Phil Dane. Not pictured: Richard Griffin.



Employees who recently received university service awards for 25 years of service were, Sandra Brackett and Linda Davis; back row, Bo Parham and Neil Graves. Not pictured: Lesley Martin.



Employees who recently received university service awards for 25 years of service were, from left, front row, Charlene LoVette, Julie Cooper, Susie Nanney, Evy Goddard, Susan Box and Sheryl Frazier; back row, Chris Caldwell, Doug Cook, Terry Lewis and Mike Abney. Not pictured: Trudy Henderson, Annette Moore, Pat Tilley and Susan Waterfield.



Tim Barrington recently received a university service award for 35 years of service. He is pictured with Chancellor Rakes.



Employees who recently received university service awards for 20 years of service were, from left, front row, Brenda Lackey, Annette Wilkerson, Donna Cooper and Dan Pigg; standing Johnie McDonald, Mary Sue Hatchel, Robbie Hillsman, Mary Baker and Glenda Cagle. Not pictured: Lynn Alexander, Hogan Courtney, Bill Davis, Jesse Doster, Ken Fackler, Jim Nance and Rick Thomas.

# 2009 Service Awards



Employees who recently received university service awards for 15 years of service were, from left, front row, Tracey Mires, Virginia Grimes, Jerris Kosta, Stephanie Kolitsch, Cindy Gaylord and Cindy Cooper; back row, John Schommer, Mike McCullough, Paula Gale and Earlene Moore. Not pictured: Debbie Ammons, John Collins, Butch Dowty and Deb Gibson.



Employees who recently received university service awards for 10 years of service were, from left, front row, Katy Crapo, Janis Mayse, Shannon Deal, Cindy Donaldson, Pat Austin, Sharon Robertson, Amy Belew, Linda Luther, Rebecca Baker and Cheryl Branon; back row, Jeff Hoyer, Cahit Erkal, Tim Burcham, Richard Black and Pete Gibson. Not pictured: Ginny Esch, Joseph Estes, Fimi Halkias, Mac Kester, Quentin Klinkefus, Lane Last, Bob LeMaster, Vernon Parker, Debra Rubio, David Sliger, Timothy Williams and Ken Zimmerman.



Employees who recently received university service awards for five years of service, were, from left, front row, Julie Russ, Ang O'Brien, Jennifer Stroh, April Boals, Sandy Neel, Janie Hamilton, Andrew Brown and Josh Kugler; back row, Jeff Luther, Avery Lawson, Michael Freeman, Debi Adcock, Tiffany Franklin, Susan Lemond, James Hamilton, Brian Stubblefield and Tony Warmath. Not pictured: Bart Belew, Doug Bloodworth, Michael Bullington, Brad Burkett, Chrissie Campbell, Kevin Gallimore, Jason James, David Klinkefus, Doretha McCadney, Patrick Reavis, Gordon Sanders, Courtney Sowell, Tammy Stanford, Sarah Sullivan and Linda Wilson.

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been a part of this had to ride elephants to make this happen," he said.

Dr. Tim Johnston, now a Murray State faculty member and past president of the Brian Brown Greenway Foundation, Inc., brought his family to join the celebration. He recalled greenway volunteers experiencing "lots of emotional ups and downs," including the first grant application that was turned down in 2003. He said that greenway volunteers decided, "We need to raise the priority and the visibility of Martin's project. There's a big stack of these applications in Nashville." So, he said they asked a group of bike riders, led by UT Martin chemistry professor Phil Davis, to ride bicycles from Martin to Nashville to personally deliver the second grant application to TDOT officials. This step, combined with the support of many elected officials, resulted in approval of the grant a year later.

Belote closed by thanking the university, the city of Martin, TLM Associates of Jackson and many others for their efforts. He reported 49 businesses and civic groups, plus 134 individuals who have made significant contributions to the project. He also emphasized that more work lies ahead to complete the greenway to downtown Martin. Application for a second grant is due Nov. 1, 2010, plus there's property to be purchased and about \$50,000 in additional funds to be raised. "The challenge is to get to Lindell Street. That's our charge. I hope you're in with us, and let's finish this dream, this vision for Brian Brown," he said.

The event concluded as the crowd moved a short distance to the trail for a ribbon-cutting ceremony where the trail moves east across the university's Farm Road. As Laura Brown cut the ribbon, the greenway officially opened to a grateful community. Fittingly, many in attendance headed east on the trail for an inaugural walk. Brian Brown's spirit was in evidence as the greenway bearing his name officially came to life.

## Haltom

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Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The book is the perfect stocking stuffer for Dad. And while batteries are not included, there is absolutely no assembly required.

Haltom, of Memphis, is the author of three books and has been a newspaper and magazine humor columnist for more than 20 years. He has served as chair of the editorial boards for four magazines, including the ABA Journal, the flagship publication of the American Bar Association. A popular speaker, Haltom has delivered commencement addresses and has been the featured speaker at conventions, banquets and leadership seminars.

## Insurance premium holiday is noted

There will be an insurance premium holiday on health insurance premiums during December and January. This will affect bi-weekly payroll on Dec. 15, 2009, and Jan. 12, 2010. It will also affect monthly payroll on Dec. 24, 2009, and Jan. 31, 2010. All other insurance premiums will be deducted as normal.

CALENDAR

Nov. 23-29

**Monday, Nov. 23**  
- 4 p.m. - Campus Recreation's Turkey Trot  
- 5 p.m. - Visual and Theatre Arts Faculty Art Exhibition, Paul Meek Library (Nov. 23-Dec. 18)  
**Wednesday, Nov. 25**  
- Thanksgiving Holiday (Nov. 25-29)



Dr. Julie Hill, assistant professor of music, and the UT Martin Percussion Ensemble recently performed with acclaimed frame drummer Layne Redmond at a master class held during the Percussive Arts Society International Convention in Indianapolis, Ind. The ensemble members also attended numerous concerts and master classes presented by percussionists from around the world and in every genre imaginable. There were a total of 8000 percussionists in attendance at this international conference. From left to right with their instruments named, are Layne Redmond, riq (Salvador da Bahia, Brazil), Rafael Perreira, pandeiro (Sao Paulo, Brazil), Julie Hill, surdo.

## Trip to Italy in spring has it all

UT Martin will sponsor a travel-study trip to Italy, March 11-22. Italy has it all - popes, painters, poets - wrapped in history, culture and cuisine.

The travel-study group, led by Dr. John Overby and Stan Sieber, will visit Roman ruins, admire Renaissance art in Florence and explore the canals of Venice. They will tour San Marino - the third smallest state in Europe (after the Holy See and Monaco) that claims to be the world's oldest republic. Partici-

pants can also indulge in the more elementary pleasures of enjoying good food and wine, improving one's wardrobe and seeking out "la dolce vita."

For more information, contact Overby, Department of Management, Marketing, Computer Science and Information Systems chair, at ext. 3268; Sieber, professor of history, at ext. 7467; or Center for International Education at ext. 1023.

## PC Awareness is upcoming class

The Office of Extended Campus and Online Studies is offering a Beginner PC class using Microsoft Windows from 9 a.m.-noon, Dec. 15 and 17. The instructor for the course is Doug Bloodworth, UT Martin analyst and programmer. The registration fee is \$85.

Participants will expand their knowledge of using a computer. Students will learn about the desk-

top, taskbar, control panel, administration tools, backups, My Documents folder, task manager, how to change common settings and more. Other topics include browsing the Internet, antivirus and antispyware software, security updates and home networking.

To register, call UT Martin Office of Extended Campus and Online Studies at ext. 7082.

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