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• **Dr. Bonnie Daniel** and **Patty Flowers** of the Office of Research, Grants and Contracts, each presented a paper at the recent Mid-South Educational Research Association annual meeting in Knoxville. Daniel presented "Physics Content for Elementary and Middle Teachers: Factors for Successful Professional Development." Flowers presented "A Comparison of Long-term Teacher Professional Development Programs." Both papers reported on aspects of grant-funded teacher professional development programs delivered by UT Martin over the last few years.

• **Dr. Glenda Rakes**, professor of education, co-authored a paper with **Dr. Karee Dunn**, of The University of Arkansas, titled "I think I can: An analysis of the influence of teacher efficacy on learner-centered beliefs." The article appears in the latest issue of the National Forum of

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West is re-elected to grants center board

Dr. Joan K. West, director of the Office of Research, Grants and Contracts, recently was re-elected to the Grants Resource Center (GRC) Advisory Board in Washington, D.C. Serving a two-year term on the board, West joins eight other advisory board members from U.S. colleges and universities in supporting the GRC, a component of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU).



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AASCU represents more than 400 public colleges, universities and systems of higher education throughout the U.S. and its territories. The GRC supports the realization of institutional goals and program development initiatives through timely and detailed information on funding opportunities, personalized support to meet specific campus needs and promotion of networking among spon-

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Katelin Turner, of Union City, second from left, was crowned 2009 Miss UT Martin at the annual Miss University of Tennessee at Martin/Miss Tennessee Soybean Festival Pageant, Saturday night, at the Harriet Fulton Theatre. Angela Kee, of Humboldt, left, was first runner-up, and Courtney Cockrill, of McMoresville, right, was second runner-up. Jordan Cole, of Martin, second from right, 2008 Miss UT Martin, crowned Turner.



Miss Tennessee Soybean Festival crowned – Hannah-Wade Powell, of Alamo, second from left, won the 2009 Miss Tennessee Soybean Festival title at the annual Miss University of Tennessee at Martin/Miss Tennessee Soybean Festival Pageant, Saturday night, at the Harriet Fulton Theatre. First runner-up was Amber-Rose Haywood, of Nashville, left; and second runner-up was Jennifer McCullough, of Brighton, right. Powell was crowned by Elizabeth Looney, of Eads, second from right, 2008 Miss Tennessee Soybean Festival.

'Helpers' make event happen

Santa's Village will celebrate its 24th year of operation, Dec. 11-14, and continues to provide donations of food and toys to agencies that distribute the proceeds to area residents who need them. The holiday fantasyland, which provides the sights, sounds and fun of Christmas, is staged each year at the Ned McWherter Agricultural Complex.

Slated for 6-9 p.m., Dec. 11-12; 11 a.m.-9 p.m., Dec. 13; and 1-5 p.m., Dec. 14, the event will carry out the "Christmas Around the World" theme in scenes from holiday festivities in 10 different countries. Also featured will be a giant Christmas tree, wagon rides on Friday through Sunday, MTD model train display, children's inflatables and 54 shopping booths. Twenty hours of continuous entertainment, highlighting regional talent, and a petting farm, will add to the festivities. Opening ceremony is set for 6 p.m., Dec. 11. Admission is a suggested donation of \$5 worth of nonperishable foods and/or toys.

Service agencies receiving food and toys collected at Santa's Village this year include: Northwest Tennessee Economic Development Council, Obion County American Red Cross, We Care Ministries, Santa's Helpers, Chimes for Charity and the Department of Children's Services.

Co-sponsors for the event are Martin Parks and Recreation, the C.E. Weldon Public Library and UT Martin. Additional confirmed sponsors of the event include: University Plaza, Hamilton-Ryker, First State, MTD Products, Tyson Foods,

Volunteer Community Hospital and Southern Source.

"This is a worthwhile program. It helps a lot of people, not just in Weakley County, but also in surrounding areas," said Brian Moore, director of Martin Department of Parks and Recreation, which coordinates the event each year.

In the previous 23 years, Santa's Village has collected \$774,969 worth of food and toys and attracted 200,710 visitors to the community event. Last year, the value of the donations reached \$60,685 and 12,837 people attended.

Moore expressed thanks to sponsors and volunteers, who contribute time and money to the annual event, and the service agencies that use the bounty of food and toys from Santa's Village to benefit families in the region at holiday time and, in some cases, throughout the year. "I know a lot of the time, we get the credit, but other departments of the city, including public works, the police department, and the fire department - have all done things to make this happen. It's the same thing with the university," said Moore. He stated other agencies and people in the community also take part in making the program a success.

At the annual kickoff luncheon, Martin Mayor Randy Brundige and Chancellor Rakes spoke about the country's economic times, but Brundige added, "Santa's Village is going to be a bright spot in children's lives at Christmastime."

For more information, contact Martin Parks and Recreation Department at 587-6784.

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sored programs professionals.

West is one of two representatives of public, four-year institutions of higher education with a full-time enrollment between 5,000 and 10,000 students. In her capacity as director, West is UT Martin's chief research officer. Since her arrival at the university, external funding has increased from \$2.6 million per year to almost \$8 million annually, and indirect cost recovery has increased an average of 400 percent.

She is an adjunct graduate lecturer in the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences and has served on several UT System committees and task forces. In 2004, she was awarded the Outstanding Administrative Award by the Office of Extended Campus and Continuing Education for her contributions to the university. West has authored and/or co-authored numerous papers and made presentations at state and national conferences and workshops. She is a member of the National Council of University Research Administrators, American Educational Research Association and Mid-South Educational Research Association. She also served on the Carl Perkins Child Advocacy Group advisory board for Weakley and Obion counties from 2004 to 2008.

"These are exciting and challenging times in the world of grant-seeking," said West. "We do not secure external funding alone. Being a member of the GRC Advisory Board has and will continue to provide me opportunities to develop a stronger collegiality with research officers and sponsored programs directors from all the AASCU-member institutions. This opportunity will continue to allow me to mentor others who may be just starting their careers in the external funding environment."

Someone will win registration to 'Seven Habits of Highly Effective People Workshop'

The office of ECCE will reward one lucky person with the opportunity to attend the "Seven Habits of Highly Effective People Workshop" free (a \$249 value). The workshop is planned on campus, 8:30 a.m. -4:30 p.m., May 12-14. To qualify, the 32 hours of in-service training (January-December, 2008) recommended by HR Policy 128 must have been completed. All training must be submitted by Jan. 9.

Would you like to be effective in both your work and personal life? Do you wish you could get better results from

the hours in your days and spend more time focusing on the most important and meaningful things? Dr. Stephen Covey, author and creator of the Seven Habits program, was recognized by TIME magazine as one of 25 Most Influential Americans. Covey spent decades observing highly effective people and discovered that they have several habits in common. This interactive experience is led by certified Covey instructor, Stefani Mundy. The \$249 fee covers materials.

Contact ext. 7940 for information.

AAUW has holiday event on Dec. 8

The American Association of University Women will meet at 7 p.m., Dec. 8, at The White House in Troy for a holiday dinner and meeting.

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

Martin Choral Society to present Handel's Messiah on Nov. 30

The Martin Choral Society, under the direction of Dr. Mark Simmons, assistant professor of music and director of choral activities, will make its return to the concert stage at 3 p.m., Nov. 30 in the Harriet Fulton Theatre of the Fine Arts Building.

The group will perform the Christmas portion of Handel's "Messiah" with chamber orchestra and soloists from the voice faculty of UT Martin, as well as singers from Union University and Southeast Missouri State University.

"We encourage everyone to come out and take part in this wonderful seasonal work that will help to set the tone for a joyous holiday time of year," said Simmons.

Tickets can be purchased at the door or reserved by calling Sherry Adams at ext. 7402 or by email at sadams@utm.edu. General admission is \$10.

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ECCE December training announced

The Office of ECCE plans several courses in December. Included are the following:

- Intermediate Excel, 9 a.m.-noon, Dec. 2-3, Presentation Room, Crisp Hall, 6.0 HR 128 training credit, instructor, Doug Bloodworth, IT Administrator II;
- Word 2007: Simple Solutions for Complex Documents (Webinar), 2-3:15 p.m., Dec. 3, Room 206, Gooch Hall, 1.25 HR 128 training credit;
- Open lab, computer-based training (pick a topic), 1-5 p.m., Dec. 10, Presentation Room, Crisp Hall, HR 128 training credit (dependent on topic selected);
- Getting the Most Out of Outlook 2007 (Webinar), 10-11:15 a.m., Dec. 11, Room 206, Gooch Hall, 1.25 HR 128 training credit;
- Beginning-Intermediate Powerpoint, 9 a.m.-noon, Dec. 16-17, Presentation Room, Crisp Hall, 6.0 HR 128 training credit, instructor, Doug Bloodworth, IT Administrator II; and
- Managing Stress in the Workplace for Employees, 2:30-4 p.m., Dec. 16, Room 206, Gooch Hall, 1.5 HR 128 training credit.

To register, call ECCE at ext. 7940 or e-mail Karen Slinger at kslinger@utm.edu.

Tanaka is visiting professor from Hirosaki

Kazutaka Tanaka, professor of English at Hirosaki University in Japan, is on campus participating in an ongoing visiting professor exchange program. UT Martin and Hirosaki University have maintained a sister-university relationship for more than 20 years.

Tanaka is a graduate of Tsukuba University with a master of arts in English literature. After graduating, Tanaka taught as an assistant professor at Tsukuba until 1990, when he began teaching at Hirosaki University in the Humanities Department. He now teaches both English literature and English language. Tanaka's primary area of interest is Shakespeare and other Renaissance writers.

While at UT Martin, Tanaka has been doing research on Shakespearean and Renaissance drama and giving a series of presentations on his work to Department of English faculty and students.

"I want to teach English language as effectively as possible," said Tanaka. "I want my students to be very good at speaking, reading and writing the English language, and I want to communicate the excellence of Shakespeare's drama to Japanese students." Tanaka admitted that

this is not an easy task and added, "The language of Shakespeare is difficult for Japanese students to understand, so it's necessary for them to use a special dictionary of Shakespearean language and vocabulary to understand the meaning of the words."

Tanaka made a presentation during International Education Week in late November on teaching English using Shakespeare. He has written more than 20 articles on Shakespeare and other Renaissance writers and has two books to his credit: "A Japanese Translation of Robert Alter's The Pleasures of Reading in an Ideological Age" and "A Japanese Translation of Erwin Chargaff's Serious Questions: An ABC of Skeptical Reflections."

Tanaka is here with his wife, Yumi; daughter, Shiori; and son, Yuta; through the end of fall semester.



TANAKA



A new collection facility was opened at the former National Guard Armory on Moody Street, and a lot of materials were recycled at the most recent recycling day, spearheaded by UTM Recycles!. Among those taking part were Joe Tucker, custodial services recycling employee, above; and Penny Moser and Dr. Mike McCullough, above right. Other participants are pictured at the recycling center as Dennis Kosta, center, supervisor of custodial services, cuts the ribbon officially opening the facility.





UT Martin McNairy County Center/Selmer students are pictured with donations for the Loaves and Fishes program. Students donated more than 1,300 cans and nonperishable items for the local Loaves and Fishes program. Loaves and Fishes is operated by the local ministerial association to distribute food to local citizens in need.

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- Three faculty members from the Department of English attended the recent South Central Modern Language Association meeting in San Antonio, Texas. **Jenna Wright**, assistant professor, read an excerpt from her short story "Face It" at the Regional Fiction Writers session and chaired the Literature and Politics session. **Dr. Heidi Huse**, assistant professor, presented her paper "Something to Write About: Preparing Students to Write Well by Knowing Well" at the session on first-year English and composition studies. Finally, **Dr. Lynn Alexander**, professor and chair, presented her paper "Breaking the Bonds: Alcott and Blake on Women and Work" at the Politics and Literature session and chaired the South Central American Dialect Society's session.

- **Dr. Bob Peckham**, professor of French, delivered the plenary address, "Foreign Languages at the Core of Success: An Advocacy User's Guide," at the recent annual convention of the Vermont Foreign Language Association, in Middlebury. His French-language group, "Au Coeur du Vent," presented a concert/sing-along, "Chantons Francophone," for attendees of the recent 41st annual Tennessee Foreign Language Teaching Association Conference in Cool Springs.

'Guide to Speakers, Sources' is updated

Do you need a speaker for a club or service organization meeting? The UT Martin "Guide to Speakers and Sources" is an online guide to speakers and topics. This guide is designed to acquaint the public with the wide range of human resources available at UT Martin. A variety of groups may find this guide useful in the selection of speakers or experts for various projects and/or meetings.

The guide, at <http://www.utm.edu/departments/univrel/resources.php>, is prepared in alphabetical order by general topic and divided into subtopics. For assistance in making contacts with the speakers and sources, or for assistance in finding campus experts for topics not listed, call the Office of University Relations at ext. 7615.

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CALENDAR

Nov. 24-Nov. 30

Monday, Nov. 24

4 p.m. - Campus Recreation's Turkey Trot, Elam Center

7 p.m. - Skyhawk women's basketball vs. SIU Edwardsville, Elam Center

7:30 pm - Cara Thomas, senior saxophone recital, Harriet Fulton Theatre, Fine Arts Building

Tuesday, Nov. 25

7 p.m. - Skyhawk men's basketball vs. Arkansas State, Elam Center

Wednesday, Nov. 26

- Thanksgiving Holiday (Nov. 26-30)

Friday, Nov. 28

5:30 p.m. - Skyhawk men's basketball at University of Southern California

6 p.m. - Skyhawk women's basketball vs. Xavier, National City Xavier Invitational

Sunday, Nov. 30

11 a.m. - Skyhawk women's basketball vs. Winthrop, National City Xavier Invitational

3 p.m. - Martin Choral Society Concert, Harriet Fulton Theatre

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