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Alumni, friends to be honored at homecoming

Five alumni and friends will be honored during homecoming activities, Oct. 5-11. The awards will be presented at the annual Alumni Awards Banquet, 6 p.m., Oct. 9, in Duncan Ballroom of Boling University Center.

This year's award recipients are:

- Dawn Gabriele, Outstanding Young Alumni Award, given in recognition of outstanding achievement in his/her chosen profession (the recipient must not be more than 40 years of age);

- Bill and Roberta Blankenship, Outstanding Alumni Award, given to an alumnus or alumna in recognition of outstanding achievement in his/her chosen profession;

- Charles and Bettye Moore, Chancellor's Award for University Service, given in recognition of outstanding service to UT Martin.



Dawn Gabriele

Gabriele joined Mirixa Corporation, a privately owned health information and pharmacy-based company, in May 2009, following a 16-year career at Pfizer pharmaceuticals. She is vice president, health plans

and employer services. With a blend of corporate marketing and field sales experience, she was responsible for implementing Pfizer's first fully integrated Hispanic marketing campaign. Her most recent work includes developing the southeast employer and health plan markets while consulting with them to optimize their healthcare costs.

Gabriele, a native of Fulton, Ky., received a bachelor's degree in marketing from UT Martin in 1990 and holds a master's degree in organizational management from Tusculum College. In 1999, she formed the UTM Aspiring Women's Scholarship Endowment in an effort to help mentor women from the university setting to the career setting. To date, 18 scholarships have been awarded. She currently lives in Tampa, Fla., with her husband and is a member of the Junior League of Tampa and the UT Alliance of Women Philanthropists. In her free time, she enjoys traveling with her husband and playing tennis.

The Blankenships, of Sandestin, Fla., attended the University of Tennessee Martin Branch, where they met. Bill earned a bachelor's degree in agriculture. Roberta graduated with a bachelor's degree in home economics. Bill currently is a member of the UT Development Council and the UT Martin Campaign Steering Committee and is a former member of the UT Martin Development Committee. The couple's contributions to

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Bill and Roberta Blankenship



Charles and Bettye Moore

Fall enrollment tops 8,000 for first time

UT Martin has more than 8,000 students for the first time and continues to set all-time enrollment records in seven categories, based on fall 2009 enrollment figures.

A total of 8,101 students are enrolled for the fall semester, an increase from 7,578 recorded for fall 2008.

The fall 2009 total includes all-time record fall enrollments for total headcount, incoming freshmen, undergraduates, dual-enrollment students, transfer students, total credit hours and total full-time equivalent. Public higher education funding is based on fall semester full-time equivalency.

"We are pleased to see this level of continued student interest in our programs," said Chancellor Rakes. "Such enrollment growth is one indicator of support and affirmation concerning the overall quality of the college experience UT Martin provides."

Based on final figures, this fall's enrollment at UT Martin is a 6.9 percent increase over fall 2008. Final figures are compiled by the university's Office of Institutional Research and Planning.

The record enrollment also reflects 1,350 freshmen, the largest freshman class on the UT Martin campus. Fall enrollment indicates that first-time freshmen have an average 3.39 high school grade-point average, up from 3.38 in 2008, and an average ACT score of 22.5, up from 22.4 in 2008.

"Although enrollment growth is exciting, more important is the fact that this entering class is the most academically capable group of new students we have admitted," said Rakes.

Compared to last year's totals, UT Martin has 523 more undergraduates and graduates for a 6.9 percent increase; 81 additional dual-

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Ashley Grimes, Martin freshman, takes advantage of the new book drop at Paul Meek Library.

New curbside book drop makes returns to library easier

With the addition of a drive-up book drop, it is now even easier to use the Paul Meek Library. The library will continue to accept the return of materials at the circulation desk, or the book drop in the foyer, but now patrons will also have the option of using a drive-up depository.

The book drop is located on the curb by the west parking lot, adjacent to the library, and was installed by the Physical Plant. Library customers are asked to separate their materials by print or non-print by placing in the appropriate slot. However, overdue items should be returned to the interior circulation desk. Patrons are also reminded that they can renew items by phone or at the library Web site. For more information, contact Sam Richardson at ext. 7061 or richardson@utm.edu.

ECOS classes vary in October

Fall classes planned by the Office of Extended Campus and Online Studies offer area residents the opportunity to learn and pursue new skills, interests or careers. The courses get under way in October in Martin.

The Pharmacy Technician Program is a 50-hour course that will prepare students to enter the pharmacy field and take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board's exam. The course will be offered from 6-9:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, Oct. 13-Dec. 3. There will be no class on Nov. 26. The cost is \$999 including textbooks and lab supplies.

The Phlebotomy Technician Program is a 90-hour course that prepares professionals to collect blood specimens from clients for the purpose of laboratory analysis. There is no outside externship rotation included with this program. The course will be offered from 6-9:30, Mondays and Wednesdays, Oct. 5-Dec. 16. There will be

no class on Nov. 25. The cost is \$1,599 including textbooks.

To receive an information packet on the Pharmacy or Phlebotomy Technician Program, call UT Martin Office of Extended Campus and Online Studies (ECOS) at ext. 7081.

Digital Photography Part II - Creative Photography and Advanced Skills will be taught by Dr. Tom Gallien, 6:30-9 p.m., Tuesdays, Oct. 6-27. The fee is \$75.

A Concealed Handgun Carry Class, eight-hours, is planned 5-9 p.m., Oct. 29 and 30. The fee is \$75.

Intermediate Excel is planned 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Oct. 27 and 29. The instructor will be Doug Bloodworth, UT Martin analyst and programmer. The fee is \$85.

For more information, call the Office of Extended Campus and Online Studies (ECOS) at ext. 7081. Register online at http://www.utm.edu/departments/ece/courses_nondegree.php.

Percussion duo to perform, Oct. 6

Maraca2 Percussion Duo, Tim Palmer and Jason Huxtable, will perform at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 6, in the Norman Campbell Auditorium in the Holt Humanities Building.

The British percussionists have been praised for their musicality, intensity and technique. Together they have performed at some of the UK's top venues, including Symphony Hall, Royal Northern College of Music and the National Indoor Arena, where they opened the 29th International European Indoor Athletics Championships. They have received standing ovations at the International Percussion Festival in Patagonia, Argentina, and when premiering Jacob ter Veldhuis' double percussion concerto 'Goldrush' in the UK, it was a performance the composer described as "one of the best ever."

For more information, contact Dr. Julie Hill, assistant professor of music, at ext. 7418.

Preview Day Oct. 3

The first of two preview days is set for Oct. 3. Preview days are opportunities for high school students and their families to visit and learn about the university. Each event is designed to enable future college students to become familiar with the Martin campus and to get that all-important first impression of university life. A second day is planned Nov. 21.

Representatives of UT Martin will provide information and answers to students' questions on a variety of topics, including scholarships and financial aid; college and

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Albert will be Sigma Xi speaker on Sept. 29

"Glaciers of the Andes and Greenland in the Context of Climate Change" is the topic of Dr. Todd Albert, assistant professor of geography at the University of Tennessee at Martin, who will make a presentation on Sept. 29. Set for 7 p.m., in the Dougherty Tennessee Room of the Holland McCombs Center, the lecture is open to public, students and faculty with interest in the environment. It will be preceded by refreshments and a social time at 6:30 p.m.

Albert earned his master's degree from Ohio State University and doctorate from Florida State University. He has done extensive work in Greenland and Peru while at the University of Colorado.

Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society, is sponsoring the event. It is an international honor society of scientists and engineers. Members are elected to membership based upon research potential or achievements. There are nearly 65,000 members in approximately 500 chapters in colleges, universities, industry and government. These chapters provide a supportive environment for interdisciplinary research.

For more information, contact Dr. S.K. Airee, president of the Sigma Xi chapter, at ext. 7454.

Van Arsdale focuses on New Madrid seismic zone

Dr. Roy Van Arsdale, professor of geology at the University of Memphis, will speak on "The Past and Possible Future of the New Madrid Seismic Zone" in Watkins Auditorium of Boling University Center. The presentation is slated for 7:30 p.m., Sept. 28. Van Arsdale will appear as part of the Academic Speakers Series sponsored by Honors Programs.

Van Arsdale received a bachelor's degree in geology from Rutgers University, master's degree in geology from the University of Cincinnati and a doctorate in geology from the University of Utah. While pursuing his degrees, he worked as a geologist for several firms, including Standard Oil of California and the Union Carbide Corporation. He has served on the faculties of Eastern Kentucky University, the University of Arkansas, and has served on the faculty of the University of Memphis since 1993.

A specialist in structural geology and geomorphology, Van Arsdale's research centers on active tectonics within plate interiors. In addition to the New Madrid seismic zone, he has conducted research in several other seismic areas, most notably in Arizona,

Oklahoma and southeastern Australia. He is the author of more than 50 refereed journal articles and more than 85 refereed abstract publications, many with an emphasis upon the Mississippi River Valley and the New Madrid seismic zone. His most recent publication, "Adventures Through Deep Time: the Central Mississippi River Valley and its Earthquakes," appeared in the Geological Society of America Special Paper 455 in 2009. As a noted expert on the New Madrid zone, he has participated in several television documentaries, including programs developed by the National Geographic Society Channel and the History Channel.

"Most people think of a tornado when they think of natural hazards that would most likely strike us in our region, but in actuality, earthquakes pose a greater threat because they occur so infrequently that people forget they are in a hazardous region," said Dr. Michael Gibson, UT Martin professor of geology. "When they occur, however, they can strike with far much greater force than a tornado. Dr. Van Arsdale's research has been instrumental in this realization and his outreach crucial to making all citizens more aware of

the risks."

A fellow of the Geological Society of America, Van Arsdale has served as the chairman of the Southeastern Section of the Geological Society of America (2008-09) and has received several awards and honors, including the College of Arts and Sciences Meritorious Faculty Award (2003), the College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Research Award in the Sciences and Mathematics (2005-06), and a Dunavant Professorship (2005-07) from the University of Memphis.

"The New Madrid seismic zone remains one of the most dangerous and active fault lines in the western hemisphere," said Dr. Dan McDonough, honors programs director. "Roy Van Arsdale has devoted a considerable portion of his professional life to the study of the past, present, and predictable future of this crucial geological phenomenon. As the New Madrid zone has such an important potential role in the future of West Tennessee, Dr. Van Arsdale's observations should be of great interest to the campus and local community."

For more information, call ext. 7436.

Service Learning/ Volunteer Fair slated for Oct. 1

Connecting the region's service organizations with student volunteers and faculty seeking potential partnerships will be the focus of a Service Learning and Volunteer Fair, Oct. 1, at the University of Tennessee at Martin. Sponsored by the Department of Behavioral Sciences and the Institute for Civic Engagement, the event is slated for 10 a.m.-2 p.m., in Boling University Center.

The fair is an opportunity for faculty to identify potential community partnerships for service learning or community projects, and students will have an opportunity to talk with representatives of community organizations about possible volunteer service. Community partners participating in the fair are from Martin and the West Tennessee region.

For more information about the fair, contact Dr. Nancy Sonleitner, assistant professor of sociology, at ext. 7523.



On Sept. 18, Mike McIntosh (Cavaliers Drum and Bugle Corps) worked with the UT Martin percussion studio on a session stressing the importance of marketability and diversity in the music industry. McIntosh continued his on-campus interaction with students by conducting an open rehearsal of the UT Martin drumline at the Hardy Graham Stadium. McIntosh's sponsors were Innovative Percussion, Yamaha, Evans, and Zildjian. The percussion studio is under the direction of Dr. Julie Hill, assistant professor of music, and the drumline, Dr. Andy Bliss, lecturer of music.

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Andrew Moubray, of Dresden, recently joined the UT Martin Department of Public Safety as an officer. He is a 2005 UT Martin graduate with a bachelor's degree in Spanish. Previously, he was employed by the Weakley and Obion County sheriff's departments and the Union City Police Department. Moubray, center, is pictured from left, with Al Hooten, vice chancellor for finance and administration; Lt. Steve Sherfield, Scott Robbins, public safety director; and Chancellor Rakes.

REED seminar set for Oct. 6

Learn the ins and outs of starting your own business and the various sources of financing as well as the criteria required to obtain a small business loan at a seminar Oct. 6. Offered by the UT Martin Tennessee Small Business Development Center and the Regional Entrepreneurship and Economic Development Center, there is no fee for the seminar that will be offered from 10 a.m.-noon at the REED Center, 406 S. Lindell St., Martin. Seating is limited.

Instructor will be Sandra Jackson, U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) senior area manager. Register at <http://www.utm.edu/departments/reed/register.php> or by calling 587-7333.

The seminar is funded in part through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Small Business Administration. Additional funding is provided by the Tennessee Board of Regents and the State of Tennessee. All SBA-funded programs are extended to the public on a nondiscriminatory basis. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities will be made if requested at least two weeks in advance. Contact the TSBDC office at 731-587-7333 to make arrangements.

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The Campaign for Tennessee support the UT Martin College of Engineering and Natural Sciences and other UT Martin programs.

After obtaining his UT Martin degree, Bill, a Covington native, was accepted in the Navy Officer Candidate School and, on receiving his commission, was assigned to the Commander In Chief Pacific Fleet Staff. He started his business career with Buckeye, a division of Procter & Gamble. P&G sold the cellulose business in the early 1990s to an investment group that formed Buckeye Technologies, and he was vice president of cotton manufacturing. Roberta is a Memphis native.

The Moores, Sharon natives, reside in Baton Rouge, La. Charles attended UT Martin and earned a bachelor's degree in engineering from UT Knoxville. Both are retired from careers with Boeing, where Charles was a senior specialist with the Apollo Programs and Bettye was the administrative aide for senior management at a number of Boeing locations and corporate headquarters. Charles also served as vice president of corporate engineering at Ethyl/Albemarle and as executive vice president/chief operating officer with Stone and Webster.

He is a member of the UT Development Council and the UT Martin Campaign Steering Committee. Bettye is a member of the UT Martin Development Committee. The Moores' gift to The Campaign for Tennessee established the Charles and Bettye Moore Scholarship Endowment to support UT Knoxville and UT Martin students.

Reserve tickets for the banquet by sending a check for \$20 per person made payable to UT Martin to the Office of Alumni Relations, Alumni Center, 1900 Alumni Way, UT Martin, Martin, TN 38238. For more information, visit www.utm-forever.com.

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enrollment students, a 9.6 percent increase; and 66 more transfer students, a 13.5 percent increase.

UT Martin begins the 2009-10 school year with the announcement that the university continued its top-tier ranking for master's level public universities in the South in the 2010 edition of America's Best Colleges compiled by U.S. News & World Report. Also, it was announced earlier this summer, that UT Martin again earned the designation as one of the best colleges and universities in the Southeast, according to The Princeton Review, 2010 Edition. The New York City-based educational services company selected the school as one of 141 institutions it recommends in its "Best in the Southeast" section on its Web site feature, "2010 Best Colleges: Region by Region."

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housing costs; and the various university academic programs.

Registration for the preview day, Oct. 3, will be from 9-9:30 a.m., in the Boling University Center. Registration will be followed by a welcome and general information session, the university's academic fair, which will take place in the Duncan Ballroom in the university center, academic department visits and campus tours.

For more information call the UT Martin admissions office at ext. 7020.

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CALENDAR

Sept. 28-Oct. 4

Tuesday, Sept. 29

- 6:30 p.m. - Sigma Xi Fall Social and Talk, Tennessee Room, Holland McCombs Center

Thursday, Oct. 1

- 10 a.m. - Service Learning and Volunteer Fair, first floor, Boling University Center

- 2:30 p.m. - Glen Caruba, Latin percussion workshop, Campbell Auditorium, Humanities

- 5 p.m. - Intramural flag football

- 7 p.m. - Skyhawk rodeo, host: Southern Arkansas University (Oct. 1-3)

- 7 p.m. - Skyhawk volleyball @ Murray State

Saturday, Oct. 3

- 1 p.m. - Skyhawk football @ Jacksonville State

Sunday, Oct. 4

- 2 p.m. - Skyhawk soccer vs. Murray State, Skyhawk Soccer Field

- 3 p.m. - Adam Laman, senior euphonium recital, Watkins Auditorium, university center

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