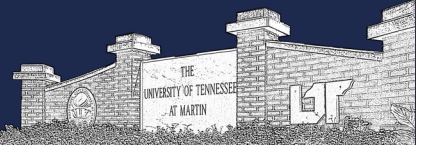


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## FALL SEMESTER UNDERWAY



**MOVE-IN MANIA** – First-year students and their parents spent the morning moving into campus residence halls as part of Move-In Mania, Thursday Aug. 18. Students are assisted by community groups and student organizations who gather to help them as they move into their residence halls. This annual event, which is part of Welcome Weekend, marks the first major welcome new students receive as they adjust to their new home.

## UT Martin University Outreach offers free ACT prep

The UT Martin Office of University Outreach has partnered with the Tennessee Department of Education to offer free virtual ACT workshops and classes throughout the fall.

The ACT Success Tactics

Workshop will teach students test-taking strategies for Math, Science Reasoning, English and Reading. These courses are designed to give students an overview of the challenges that each section addresses and

provide educational methods to solve them.

The two-hour sessions will be conducted via Zoom.

- Math and Science Reasoning: Aug. 23 and 30; Sept. 3, 7, 9, 13, 19 and 24; Oct. 1, 2 and 15

- English and Reading: Aug. 25; Sept. 1, 3, 8, 9, 14, 21 and 24; Oct. 1, 2 and 15

University Outreach is also offering ACT Mastery Classes,

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# YoUTMs

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**Dr. Sean Walker**, professor of behavioral management and interim department chair, was featured in WalletHub commenting on a recent study about “States Whose Unemployment Claims Are Recovering the Quickest.” You can find the story [here](#). WalletHub, based in Washington, D.C., is a financial website that offers information such as credit-improvement advice and personalized savings alerts. The site’s business-related features are supplemented with information from subject-matter experts.



**Dr. Saman Sargolzaei**, assistant professor of engineering, recently published an editorial article titled “Editorial: Deep learning for neurological disorders in children” in *Frontiers in Computational Neuroscience*. You can find the editorial [here](#).



**Erica Bell**, director of Regional Centers and Online Programs, and **Texas Culver**, Ed Studies Lecturer/Regional Centers Education Coordinator, recently presented “Pathway to Education - Growing Future TN Educators through Dual Enrollment” at the 2022 Institute for TN CTE Educators on July 20 in Chattanooga.



**Dr. Ben Le**, assistant professor of accounting, recently presented a paper titled “How Does the NOx Budget Trading Program Affect Working Capital Management of Manufacturers” at the American Accounting Association’s annual meeting. The paper is a joint work with **Dr. Paula Moore**. You can find the paper [here](#).

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In Memory



**Karen Gunter**, who worked at the UT Martin from December 1990 until her retirement in December 2014, died Thursday, Aug. 18. Karen lived in South Fulton and many might remember her best for her service in the Office of Research, Grants and Contracts. She held a bachelor's degree in home economics and an MBA, both from UT Martin. Services were held Monday, Aug. 22, in the Hornbeak Funeral Chapel in South Fulton. More information can be found [here](#).



## WELCOME BACK

The annual Fall Faculty Meeting was held at 10 a.m., Aug. 17, in Watkins Auditorium and streamed live for those unable to attend in person. **Dr. Clinton Smith**, Department of Educational Studies chair and faculty senate president, presided and opened by introducing **Chancellor Keith Carver**. A series of introductions followed, including new faculty member who are teaching for the university beginning this fall. Carver returned to offer his annual opening address to the university and recalled the university's journey from COVID though several highlights that have positioned UT Martin for the coming academic year. "Folks, I think our best days are ahead of us, and I'm so excited about the future," he told the audience. **Dr. Philip Acree Cavalier**, provost and senior vice chancellor for academic affairs, provided an overview the UTM Strategic Plan Refresh that will be presented to the UT Board of Trustees fall meeting Oct. 27-28 in Martin. The 2022 Fall Faculty Meeting can be viewed in its entirety [here](#).



**PML OPEN HOUSE** – As a kick-off to Student Appreciation week, the Paul Meek Library will hold its annual open house from 3-5 p.m., Monday, Sept. 12. This year's theme will be "Colors of the World" and the event will include a mini organization fair. Individuals, departments and student organizations interested in reserving a table should contact Patricia Sanders at [psander9@utm.edu](mailto:psander9@utm.edu).



# GOOD FOOD

The latest issue of Our Tennessee is out and it contains a feature story about a UT Martin chemistry graduate who is finding ways to reduce the severity of food allergies. Physical copies are mailed to all departments on campus, and you can see the stories online at [our.tennessee.edu](http://our.tennessee.edu).



**BOOK REPAIR WORKSHOP** – While the Paul Meek Library continues to adjust its balance of print and digital resources, maintaining its existing print collections is a constant challenge. Rhodes college recently hosted a group of library faculty and staff for a book repair workshop. They learned techniques for simple book repairs, creating tip-ins and cover pages, to more extensive repairs to damaged spines and re-casing entire books. Staff have begun implementing these practices, which help reduce replacement costs for heavily used monographs.



**MAYOR OF THE YEAR** – Martin Mayor Randy Brundige was named the 2022 Mayor of the Year by the Tennessee Municipal League. Brundige is currently in his fifth term and has led many improvements in the city that benefit the university. He is a strong supporter of the city and university’s Town and Gown Association and offers regular updates at the meetings. Brundige, pictured at the May meeting of the association at the Dunagan Alumni Center, is a UT Martin alum and WestStar Leadership Program graduate.

## IRB and IACUC fall schedules announced

The UT Martin Institutional Review Board (IRB) for the Protection of Human Subjects in Research will hold its regularly scheduled meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 4 p.m. in room 104 of the Hall-Moody Administration Building. Meeting dates for fall 2022 are as follows: Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2 and Dec. 7. Applications for full IRB review must be received by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at least 10 full working days prior to the regularly scheduled meeting to be reviewed. The IRB Committee will not meet if no applications are received to be reviewed. Applications for IRB review and accompanying

instructions are available [here](#). The UT Martin Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) will hold its regularly scheduled meetings on the first Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. in room 104 of the Hall-Moody Administration Building. Meeting dates for fall 2022 are as follows: Sept. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 3 and Dec. 8. Proposed protocols must be received by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at least 10 full working days prior to the regularly scheduled meeting to be reviewed. The IACUC will not meet if no applications are received to be reviewed. Applications and instructions for IACUC review are available [here](#).

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which provide more in-depth ACT prep instruction. Students will be able to take a practice exam and learn strategies not taught in the success-tactics workshop. The Mastery Class consists of four class meetings in a one-week period, and students are expected to attend all sessions.

All classes are offered from 5-7 p.m.

- Sept. 26-29
- Oct. 10-13
- Nov. 28-Dec. 1

A new addition to this year’s workshop is ACT Deep Dive: Exploring Geometry and Algebra In-Depth. This course includes a comprehensive review of geometry and algebra problems covered on the exam.

These classes are also offered from 5-7 p.m.

- Sept. 6
- Oct. 3
- Oct. 17
- Dec. 5

UT Martin adjunct faculty member and author **Alex Beene** will teach the courses. He currently serves as a lead instructor for the Tennessee Audit Education in three counties and primarily works with rising high school juniors and seniors needing academic help with major standardized testing.

Participants will need access to a computer with a secure internet connection and video/audio function.

To register and for more information, visit [utm.edu/actprep](http://utm.edu/actprep).





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**AWARD WINNERS** – The Office of University Relations earned four silver awards in the annual Communications Awards competition sponsored by the Tennessee College Public Relations Association. TCPRA is the independent umbrella organization for all public relations professionals in public and private Tennessee colleges and universities. Winners were announced during the TCPRA Annual Conference held July 28-29 in Gatlinburg. The office earned silver awards for admissions banners, a T-shirt illustration for the Parsons Center, the 2020 Chancellor's Annual Report, and content produced in support of the Wildwood Farm commitment announcement in June 2021.

## You Tell Me

- **Question** – Are there plans to renovate the Clement Courtyard and, if so, what changes are anticipated. If a renovation happens, what date will the work begin and when will the project be completed?
- **Answer** – Funds will be requested in the future for a Clement Phase III Project that does include upgrades and related work in the courtyard. However, that funding request and the subsequent work are several years away. In the meantime, some basic improvements to the space will be made as funding and time to do this work are available in line with other scheduled projects.

Submit your questions anonymously to the Suggestion Box link at [www.utm.edu/suggestionbox](http://www.utm.edu/suggestionbox).

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