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## SANTA'S VILLAGE RETURNS TO UTM DEC. 8-11

The city of Martin and UT Martin will host the 38th annual Santa's Village holiday celebration Dec. 8-11 in the university's Ned Ray McWherter Agricultural Complex. The event is open to the public 6-9 p.m., Dec. 8-9; 11 a.m.-9 p.m., Dec. 10; and 1-5 p.m., Dec. 11.

The event is free to attend;

however, visitors are encouraged to donate \$5 worth of canned foods or an unopened children's toy to benefit local families in need.

Santa's Village will include the traditional forest of lights and Stanley Black & Decker model train display, along with a petting zoo, and carnival rides

provided by Pope's Amusement Rides. Santa will make his annual appearance to visit local children. An arts and crafts vendor fair will also be held during the event.

For more information, contact the City of Martin Parks and Recreation Department at 731-587-6784.

## UT Martin fall commencement set for Dec. 10

UT Martin will hold fall commencement exercises during two in-person ceremonies Saturday, Dec. 10, in the Kathleen and Tom Elam Center. Commencement times are 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., and tickets are not required to attend either ceremony. Doors will open 45 minutes before each event begins.

UT Martin Chancellor Keith Carver will preside over the two ceremonies, and University of Tennessee System President Randy Boyd will provide the commencement address and confer degrees at both events. Students who graduated following the 2022 summer and fall terms will participate. A sign-language interpreter will provide services for the hearing impaired during both commencement events.

The 10 a.m. ceremony will include undergraduate and graduate-degree candidates from the colleges of agriculture and applied sciences, and business and global affairs. The 2 p.m. ceremony will also include both undergraduate and graduate-degree candidates and include the colleges of education, health and behavioral sciences, engineering and natural sciences, and humanities and fine arts. Each ceremony will be livestreamed at [www.facebook.com/utmartin](https://www.facebook.com/utmartin) and [www.utmartin.edu](https://www.utmartin.edu).

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Martin Kiwanis Club & the City of Martin present the 2022 Martin Christmas Parade

*Joy of Christmas!*  
Monday, Dec. 5, 7 p.m.



## YoUTMs

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**Destin Tucker** attended the Tennessee Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers on Nov. 16-18 in Knoxville where she lead the organization and conference as president. She also presented a session called “Building Strategic Partnerships.”

### In Memory

**Jane Chandler**, of Dresden, died Nov. 29. Chandler worked at UT Martin from Sept. 1968 until she retired in Dec. 1997. She worked some in the temporary pool, but much of her university work service was in the Office of Academic Records. You can see the complete obituary [here](#).

### HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

**Dec. 26 – Christmas**  
Holiday Observed

**Dec. 27-30 –**  
Administrative Closing

**Jan. 2, 2023 – New Year's**  
Day observed



**Drs. Angie MacKewn**, professor of psychology, **Lan DePriest**, associate professor of geology, and **Brian Donavant**, professor of criminal justice, published their paper “Metacognitive Knowledge, Regulation, and Study Habits” in Psychology. Their research examines differences in depth of studying and academic success between undergraduate traditional-age students and adults.



**MAYORS' MEETING** – UT Martin had the opportunity to present on the future of higher education at the West Tennessee Mayors' Association meeting Wednesday, Nov. 30, in Jackson. Other speakers included Marianne Dunavant, government relations manager for Blue Oval City/Ford and Anthony Haynes, a UT Martin alumnus and executive director of the Tennessee Municipal League. Pictured are (l,r) Dr. Keith Carver; Ronnie Neil, Mayor of Somerville; Justin Hanson, Tennessee Municipal League; Dunavant; and Haynes.

## Preserving West Tennessee history

The stories that document the people, towns and history of West Tennessee are preserved in repositories across the region. Results of a survey of cultural institutions in the state's West Grand Division will be the focus of a presentation at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 15, at the Martin Public Library. The survey confirmed each agency's status and created an institution-level summary of research collections, staffing, budget and preservation conditions for heritage materials.

**Sam Richardson**, UT Martin archivist and museum curator, and **Dr. Erik Nordberg**, dean of the Paul Meek Library, will provide an overview of the project, funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Much of the detailed work was completed by graduate research assistant, **Elysia Duke**, and four summer student interns.

During the Dec. 15 event, they will share their experiences traveling to more than 100 agencies across 21 counties to gather data, assess the general status of collections and encourage future collaboration.

This event is part of the UTM Research Series and is co-sponsored by the Martin Public Library, the Weakley County Historical and Genealogical Society, the Division of Academic Affairs and the Paul Meek Library. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Nordberg, at 731-881-7070, or **Katie Parr**, director of the Martin Public Library, at 731-587-3148.



**UT PRESIDENT TO SPEAK** – UT System President Randy Boyd (foreground) is pictured in this 2019 file photo seated on the stage during UT Martin fall commencement. Seated next to Boyd is Stuart McWhorter, now commissioner for the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development. Boyd will deliver the commencement address during both fall commencement ceremonies Dec. 10 in the Kathleen and Tom Elam Center.

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[youtube.com/utmartin](https://youtube.com/utmartin). The ceremonies will be archived on YouTube for later viewing.

Receptions for graduates, their families and friends will be held in the Skyhawk Fieldhouse following both

ceremonies. Additional information is available by calling the Office of University Relations at 731-881-7615.

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BASKETBALL  
FOR THEIR 66-  
54 VICTORY  
OVER SEC FOE,  
VANDERBILT





**SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORTS BANKING CAREERS** – Cheyenne Stewart, a UT Martin sophomore from Centerville, is the first recipient of a new scholarship provided by UT Martin's Banking Career Scholarship Program. First Farmers and Merchants Bank, headquartered in Columbia, Tennessee, has partnered with the University of Tennessee at Martin to provide UT Martin College of Business and Global Affairs students with an additional opportunity for scholarship dollars to support preparation for banking careers. Pictured (l, r) are Ben Jones, UT Martin director of development; Traci Crawford, program resource specialist for the Dunagan Chair of Excellence in Banking; Cheyenne Stewart, scholarship recipient; Nathan Fulcher, First Farmers and Merchants Bank personal banker; and John Clark, chair of excellence interim director.



**TRAVELING WITH UTM** – Global Education and Experience day was held recently as part of the U.S. Department of Education's International Week. The event kicked off at 11 a.m. in the University Center foyer. The International Food Fair followed from 12 p.m.–2 p.m. in the hallway outside of the Smith Legislative chamber. The event concluded with an Academic Programs International (API) guided session from 2 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

Read more UT Martin news online at [utm.edu/news](http://utm.edu/news).

## You Tell Me

*Editor's note: The Division of Finance and Administration emailed a list of common policy questions to the university community in September. This is one of the items from that list. The question is added to fit the Addenda format.*

- **Question** – Is there a process for reporting accidents that happen during the course of employment with the university?
- **Answer** – All accidents involving a third party (pedestrian) or their vehicle, while driving a university vehicle, rental, or your own vehicle in the course of your employment, must be reported to the university and to the State of Tennessee within 24 hours. The state will impose a \$1,000 penalty on accidents involving a third party not reported within 24 hours. For more information, please contact Business Services.

Submit your "You Tell Me" questions to [Addenda@utm.edu](mailto:Addenda@utm.edu).

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