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Raines to retire as president of the University of Memphis



Shirley C. Raines, president of the University of Memphis, announced today that she will retire from the U of M effective June 30.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the University of Memphis as president. These have been 12 of the most enjoyable, challenging and professionally fulfilling years of my life," Raines said. "The University has a strong foundation for the future, and I am confident in its academic and administrative leadership."

John Morgan, chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents, is expected to name an interim president this week.

"President Raines has made an indelible mark on the university and the entire Memphis community,

and she will be missed," Morgan said.

Raines became the University's 11th president and the first female president when she began the position on July 1, 2001. Previously, she was vice chancellor for academic services and dean of the College of Education at the University of Kentucky. She is the author of 14 books and numerous journal articles, and is widely regarded as an expert in teacher education and early childhood education. Raines is a frequent speaker at community events, as well as Harvard's Institute for Educational Management. For the past six years, she has been a keynote speaker for Harvard's Institute for Presidents and Chancellors. Raines has led the U of M through a period of phenomenal growth. Since her appointment as president, enrollment has grown to more than 22,000 students with the University awarding 4,033 degrees in 2012, the most in its history. Read more at <http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/apr13/raines.php>.

Arif Shakeel will receive Herff College's highest alumni award



Arif Shakeel will be honored as this year's Outstanding Alumnus of the University of Memphis' Herff College of Engineering. Honorees receiving the College's Service Award are Tommy Carls, E. Hunter Harrison, John Ray Jr. and International Paper. The awards banquet will be Tuesday, April 16, at the Holiday Inn at the University of Memphis. The event will begin with a reception at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$35 for Alumni Association members, \$40 for non-members. Persons who want to sponsor a student at the dinner can purchase a student ticket for \$25. A silent auction at the event will raise funds for alumni chapter book scholarships for deserving engineering students.

Shakeel is a director of Western Digital Corporation and its former CEO. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from the U of M in 1977 and his Master of Business Administration degree from Pepperdine University in 1981. He began his career with Western Digital in 1985. Before being named chief executive officer in 2005, he had served the company as product manager, vice president for materials-Asia, senior vice president for worldwide operations, executive vice president and chief operating officer.

For more information, contact Debi Scott at 678-4306. Read more at <http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/apr13/shakeel.htm>.

Leading science journal published research led by Kimbrough Oller

Research led by University of Memphis Professor Kimbrough Oller has been published in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* (PNAS), one of the most prestigious scientific journals in the world. It appears in the publication's current online edition. The research deals with human infant sounds occurring by 3 months of age and with how evaluation of those sounds may reveal deep roots of human language, hinting at a very distant break from our primate relatives. The research was co-authored by Dr. Eugene Buder of the U of M along with former PhD students and colleagues at other institutions. The research was funded by the National Institutes of Health. Read more at <http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/apr13/oller.htm>.

More information about Oller's research is available in volumes he has written and edited, such as

The Emergence of the Speech Capacity (Erlbaum, 2000), *The Evolution of Communication Systems* (MIT Press, 2004), *The Evolution of Communicative Flexibility* (MIT Press, 2008) and in his many articles (see website at <http://umwa.memphis.edu/fcv/viewprofile.php?uuid=koller>).

Green Tip



Register with local databases to find others interested in carpooling to work

The Memphis and Shelby County Health Department Pollution Control maintains a database of individuals who work in the Memphis Urbanized Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Area and have expressed a desire to commute to work via carpool, vanpool, transit or bicycle. Visit <http://www.vride.com> to register.

Students, faculty and staff members can go green and save some green by carpooling. The U of M carpool channel is easy to use and conveniently located within the Spectrum portal. Instructions for using the U of M Carpool Channel: Log into the Spectrum Portal using your UUID and TigerLan/email password. After entering the portal, you will see the "Carpool Information" channel block in the right-hand column under the "Home" tab page. To register or edit a carpool listing: Click the "U of M Carpool Registration/Edit" link and complete the form. To view other listings: Click the "Current U of M Carpool Listings" link. Read more at <http://www.memphis.edu/bluegoesgreen/carpooling.php>.

Announcements



Celebrate the planet at U of M's Earth Day event on April 18

University of Memphis students, faculty, staff and the Memphis community are invited to celebrate the planet at the University of Memphis Earth Day event Thursday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The festivities will take place at the TIGUrS Urban Garden, which is located adjacent to the Elma Roane Fieldhouse. The rain location for the "zero waste" event will be the Michael D. Rose Theatre lobby. Those attending the Earth Day celebration will have the chance to browse information tables featuring sustainability initiatives from on-and off-campus organizations. They also can get an "up close and personal" view of the TIGUrS Garden and participate in the planting of summer crops. There will be Zumba demonstrations, a farmer's market, live music from local artists and prize giveaways, including a bicycle and recycling bins. A butterfly release will take place at noon; anyone interested may release a butterfly. A free lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information about Earth Day, contact Karyl Buddington at kbudding@memphis.edu or 678-2359. Details of the U of M's sustainability efforts are available at www.memphis.edu/bluegoesgreen.

CERI documentary recognized at 2013 national Telly Awards

New Madrid: The Earthquakes of 1811-12 won bronze for outstanding documentary at the national 2013 Telly Awards. The project was sponsored by the West Tennessee Seismic Safety Commission (WTSSC), the University of Memphis Center for Earthquake Research and Information (CERI), the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency and the U.S. Geological Survey. Kip Cole of Pale Moon Media, directed/produced the documentary and Gary Patterson of CERI was executive producer. Eric Bouchoc of AnimMan Studios completed the computer animation. Additional contributors were: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Arkansas Archaeological Survey, the University of Memphis Department of

Earth Sciences, Memphis Riverfront Development Commission, Central U.S. Earthquake Consortium, Reelfoot Lake State Park and Visitors Center, WKNO Public Television in Memphis, the New Madrid Museum (New Madrid MO) and Luther Bradfute. To watch the documentary online, visit <http://vimeo.com/38864818>.

U of M is named one of the 100 most affordable large public colleges in America

The University of Memphis has been named one of the "most affordable large public colleges" in the United States by www.affordablecollegesonline.org. The website, which provides prospective college students and their parents with information about affordable college options, financial aid and cost-saving ideas, gave that designation to only 100 "top quality large public colleges that have an affordable price tag." The website compiled the list from data published by the federal government and the Carnegie Foundation. Schools included on the list are public, non-profit, four-year colleges and universities; other criteria include the student enrollment of the college or university and its tuition (less than \$15,500 per year). The entire list of the designated schools is online at <http://www.affordablecollegesonline.org/campus-colleges/most-affordable-large-public-colleges>. More information about the U of M, including costs and financial aid, is available online at www.memphis.edu. Read more at <http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/apr13/value.htm>.

"Experience Counts" for adults who want to earn a college degree from the U of M

At the University of Memphis, experience isn't just a good teacher; it's more like a professor. The U of M makes it easier for adult learners who want to start or finish earning a degree by allowing them to use previously earned college credit or college-credit-worthy experiences toward a diploma. This provides an affordable way to accelerate not only a student's education, but earnings potential as well. The U of M wants to help make that possible, by means of Experiential Learning Credit (ELC) and previous college credits toward a degree. Information sessions will be held in April and all sessions will run from 5 to 7 p.m. The session dates and locations are: April 16 in Memphis, main U of M campus, Michael D. Rose Theatre lobby; Thursday, April 18 in Jackson, Lambuth Campus, 705 Lambuth Blvd., Varnell-Jones Administration Building, Wisdom Parlor; Tuesday, April 23 in Collierville, Carrier Center, Room 116, 500 Winchester Blvd.; and Thursday, April 25 in Millington, Millington Center, room 132 A, B, and C, 6500 Navy Road. To register for any of these sessions, or for more information call 678-2716 or visit www.memphis.edu/experiencecounts.

Volunteers needed for a study at the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders

The School of Communication Sciences and Disorders is conducting a study on the human hearing system. The study explores a diagnostic test called otoacoustic emissions. This test has helped to revolutionize our understanding of how the human ear processes acoustic information. It is a test specific to the inner ear, or cochlea, considered the human organ of hearing. Investigators are looking for young adults 20 to 30 years old with normal hearing. Research participation supports the goals of the University and is the foundation for the development of diagnostic testing in many fields of study. For more information or to participate, contact 678-5832 or 848-7880.

2013 "Great Colleges to Work For" program surveys due April 15

The University of Memphis is participating in *The Chronicle's* "Great Colleges to Work For" program, a study designed to gather benchmarking data within higher education and to recognize institutions that have built great workplaces. Survey participants were randomly selected. If you were selected and have not completed the survey, please take a moment and complete the survey today. A high response rate helps ensure accurate results and demonstrates the commitment of our workforce. The deadline to complete the survey is April 15. For more information, contact the Office of

Employee Relations and Engagement at emprelations@memphis.edu, 678-3076 or 678-2603.

MemphisCRESH now accepting applications for summer program

High school students interested in participating in the summer MemphisCRESH program (College Research Experience for Students in High School) should submit applications now. Applications for the 2013 program will continue to be accepted until all positions are filled. MemphisCRESH provides the opportunity for rising high school juniors and seniors to acquire first-hand experience of life as a scientist beyond a lecture hall setting. For more information, visit <http://www.memphis.edu/cresh>.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS / More listings at events.memphis.edu

Monday/April 15

Library exhibit: "Impact and Influence: The Church Family of Memphis" (through May 9) - Rotunda of the Ned R. McWherter Library - [More details](#)

Memphis Healthy U event: Desk to 5K training - Meet at Elma Roane Fieldhouse track - 7:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - Contact bbertram@memphis.edu - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Art exhibit: "Time Pools: Accessing the Aquifer" by The League of Imaginary Scientists in collaboration with the U of M (through May 24) - Art Museum - [More details](#)

Baseball: Memphis vs. Ole Miss - AutoZone Park - 6:30 p.m. - Visit gotigersgo.com

Concert: U of M Percussion Ensemble - Communication and Fine Arts Building, room 137 - 7:30 p.m. - Free admission - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Lecture: "Basics of Contracts and the Contract Process on Campus" by Billy Mueller, assistant University counsel, and Ed Antoniak, senior procurement specialist - UC Ballroom - 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. - Free and open to all faculty and staff

E-Learn Memphis lecture: Trey Martindale - Ball Hall, room 320 - 4:30 to 6 p.m. - [More details](#)

Tuesday/April 16

SafeZone certification: Certification sessions

Memphis Healthy U event: Zumba - UC, room 308 - noon to 1 p.m. - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Thursday/April 18

Earth Day: TIGUrS Urban Garden - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Free lunch served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Rain location is Michael D. Rose Theatre - Contact Karyl Buddington at kbudding@memphis.edu or 678-2359

Professional development: "Resolving Conflicts Creatively (Training Buffet)" - UC, room 363 - 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. - [More events](#)

Concert: "Goya and the Guitar: An Evening with Lily Afshar" - UC Theatre - 6 p.m. reception, 6:30 p.m. performance - Free and open to the public - Contact moch@memphis.edu or 678-2520 - [More details](#)

"Great Conversations" dinner: Presented by the College of Arts & Sciences - Memphis Botanic Garden - 6 p.m. reception, 6:30 p.m. dinner - Call 678-1332 - [More details](#)

"Experience Counts" information session: Varnell-Jones Administration Building, Lambuth Campus - 5 to 7 p.m. - Contact 678-2716 - [More details](#)

Book signing: Pamela Denney, author of *Food Lover's Guide to Memphis* - Beneath the clock tower between the University Center and the V. Lane Rawlins Service Court Facility - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Open to the public - Contact padenney@memphis.edu

Memphis Healthy U nutrition seminar: "Energy Drinks

for SafeZone, which educates the entire campus community on concerns relating to GLBTIQ issues - Wilder Tower, room 206 - 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Baseball: Memphis vs. Murray State - FedExPark - 6:30 p.m. - Visit [gotigersgo.com](#)

Men's soccer banquet: 13th annual Tommy Smith Banquet hosted by the men's soccer program - Anfernee 'Penny' Hardaway Athletic Hall of Fame assembly room - 6:30 p.m. social hour, 7:30 p.m. dinner and program - Tickets are \$25 per person and \$300 per table - Contact Richard Mulrooney at 678-5949 or rmulroney@memphis.edu

Softball: Memphis vs. Central Arkansas - Park Avenue Campus - 5 p.m. - Visit [gotigersgo.com](#)

Professional development: "On Point PowerPoint" - Panhellenic Building, room 105 - 1 to 4 p.m. - [More events](#)

"Experience Counts" information session: Michael D. Rose Theatre lobby - 5 to 7 p.m. - Contact 678-2716 - [More details](#)

Herff awards banquet: Awards will be presented to Arif Shakeel, Tommy Carls, E. Hunter Harrison, John Ray Jr. and International Paper - U of M Holiday Inn - 6:30 p.m. reception - 7 p.m. dinner - Call Debi Scott at 678-430

Wednesday/April 17

TIGUrS seminar series: "Sustainable and Edible Landscapes for the Mid-South" by Kalki Winter, eScapes - UC, room 304 - 6 to 7:30 p.m. - Contact Karyl Buddington at kbudding@memphis.edu

Physics seminar: Saikat Talapatra, University of Southern Illinois - Manning Hall, room 201 - 4 p.m. - Contact 678-2410 or milaradji@memphis.edu

Lunch and Learn session: "Etiquette in the Job Search" by Sandra George Tracy, Rhodes College - UC Bluff Room - 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. - Open to all U of M students and alumni - Contact Clay Woemmel at cwoemmel@memphis.edu

Cognitive Science seminar: "Conceptualizing,

and Beverages" - UC, room 342 - noon to 12:45 p.m. - Free and open to the public - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Friday/April 19

Multicultural Festival: "Sustaining Diversity Throughout the Years" - Student Plaza - noon to 2 p.m. - Sponsored by the SGA and Office of Multicultural Affairs - [More events](#)

Free HIV testing: Screenings by trained HIV counselors from Planned Parenthood of the Greater Memphis Region - UC, room 208 - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Call 678-4745 - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Baseball: Memphis vs. Southern Miss - FedExPark - 6:30 p.m. - Visit [gotigersgo.com](#)

Desk to 5K Fun Run: Student Plaza - Registration starts at 6:45 a.m., race at 7 a.m. - No cost to participate - All runners and walkers welcome - Contact amcole@memphis.edu

Chemistry seminar: "Nanoparticle Delivery of Genes and siRNA to Hepatocytes in Vivo" by Leaf Huang, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill - Smith Hall, room 102 - 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. - Contact xhuang4@memphis.edu

Biomedical Engineering seminar: "Under What Conditions Would You Agree to be a Subject in a Human Subjects' Research Protocol?" by Robert Llewellyn, Rhodes College - Engineering Administration, room 203 - 3:30 p.m. - Contact 678-3733 - [More details and upcoming events](#)

Saturday/April 20

Volunteering event: Memphis Serving Memphis edition of Service on Saturday - UC, room 340 - 8:30 a.m. - Free and open to all students, faculty and staff - [More details](#)

Baseball: Memphis vs. Southern Miss - FedExPark - 2 p.m. - Visit [gotigersgo.com](#)

An Evening With David Sedaris: Michael D. Rose Theatre - 8 p.m. - Celebrating the release of *Let's Explore Diabetes With Owls* - [Buy tickets online](#)

Sunday/April 21

Baseball: Memphis vs. Southern Miss - FedExPark - 1 p.m. -

Remembering and Interacting With Natural and Artificial Agents" by Dan Levin - FIT, room 405 - 4 to 5:30 p.m. - [More details and upcoming events](#)

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