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Robert Kennedy Jr. to address U of M Law School graduates May 12



Robert F. Kennedy Jr., son of the late U.S. attorney general, will be the commencement speaker for the May 2013 graduating class of the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law at the U of M. The ceremony will begin at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 12, in the Cannon Center in downtown Memphis.

Kennedy is a visionary environmental business leader, lawyer and advocate. A professor of environmental law at Pace University School of Law, he also serves as co-director of the school's Environmental Litigation Clinic. He is senior attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council and chief prosecuting attorney for the Hudson Riverkeeper. He is also president-at-large of the Waterkeeper Alliance, a partner on the CleanTech investment team of Silicon Valley's VantagePoint Capital Ventures, the environmental adviser to Napo Pharmaceuticals and a member of the board of directors of Westinghouse Solar.

For more information, visit www.memphis.edu/law. Read more at <http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/apr13/lawcommencement.htm>.

U of M will honor faculty for teaching, research and advising May 6



The U of M will honor faculty members' contributions to teaching, research and advising during an awards luncheon on May 6 beginning at noon in the UC Fountain View Suite, room 350.

The premier recognition given to a professor is the Willard R. Sparks Eminent Faculty Award. This year's recipient is Dr. Gladius Lewis, professor of mechanical engineering and an international leader in the field of orthopedic biomaterials and implant design. He will receive a crystal obelisk and a \$20,000 cash award.

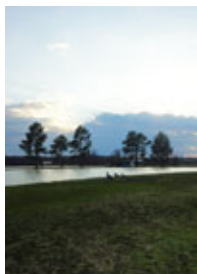
Born in Sierra Leone, West Africa, Lewis earned a BS degree in mechanical engineering from the University of London, England, and a PhD in materials science from the University of Nottingham, England. Before joining the U of M in 1987, Lewis taught at Trent Polytechnic in England, the University of Zambia, the University of Zimbabwe and the University of Alabama at Huntsville. He was promoted to professor in 1993. For information on the other award recipients, visit <http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/may13/lewis.htm>.

Levy family establishes scholarship at Loewenberg School of Nursing

Dr. Janet A. Levy and Ralph Levy III, siblings and children of the late Ralph Levy Jr., have made a significant gift to the Loewenberg School of Nursing at the U of M to support students pursuing the goal of becoming registered nurses. The gift establishes the Ralph Levy Jr. Endowed Scholarship in Nursing, which will be awarded to multiple students from underrepresented populations who attended a public high school in Memphis. Recipients must be and remain in good academic standing with the University and the School of Nursing and demonstrate financial need.

Janet Levy is an assistant research professor and statistical methodologist at Duke University School of Nursing; she has been a practicing statistician and research methodologist for 25 years. Ralph Levy III is an associate with Leahy, Wright and Associates LLC; he has more than 30 years of experience as a trial attorney in the St. Louis area. The scholarship honors their father, the late Ralph Levy Jr., a native Memphian, businessman and amateur golfer. Read more at <http://www.memphis.edu/mediaroom/releases/may13/levy.htm>.

Green Tip



U of M Ecological Research Center improving the community in the "Ecological Age"

The Ecological Research Center (ERC) serves as a research and advisory asset to the regional community, ensuring ecologically-sound planning and development within the urban environment. The Department of Biology established the ERC in 1973 to meet the need for information relating to ecology. The objective was to provide an academic unit within the University that would foster the institution's goal of discovery and dissemination of critical knowledge to the metropolitan

community of Memphis, the people of Tennessee, the Mid-South region and the nation. Additionally, there was a desire to prepare diverse graduate and undergraduate student populations for successful careers in ecology and related fields and, in so doing, contribute to the global need for a workforce qualified to address the world's growing demand for ecological information.

More recently, the Center recognized the growing need for ecological information as it relates to increasing urban environments and addressing problematic issues in such areas. The Center established the Program in Urban Ecology, a multidisciplinary focus which trains a new breed of ecologists through graduate studies and internships. The program represents an opportunity for the University and associated groups to provide a model for others to follow worldwide as the new "Ecological Age" continues to develop. For more information, visit <http://www.memphis.edu/erc>.

Announcements



May 2013 Commencement date changed to May 12

The University of Memphis Commencement ceremonies at the FedExForum have been moved to Sunday, May 12 at noon and 4 p.m. Information for guests attending commencement can be found at http://www.memphis.edu/commencement/gradday/gradday_instructions_guests.php. For more information, contact the Commencement Office at 678-5547 or visit <http://www.memphis.edu/commencement>.

***This Week* will publish bi-weekly during the summer term**

Editions of *This Week* will publish once every two weeks until the fall 2013 semester begins. Deadline for calendar submissions for each email will be the Tuesday prior to each publication date. The next edition will be published May 20.

Spring University of Memphis Magazine distributed

The spring 2013 *University of Memphis Magazine* has been distributed. If you failed to receive a copy, contact Greg Russell at grussll@memphis.edu and we will mail you one.

U of M will offer summer aerospace workshop for teachers

The Basic Aerospace Workshop at the U of M lets local teachers learn more about aviation science during their summer break. Set for June 3-21, the workshop covers aviation and space technology and is open to K-12 teachers and administrators in public and private schools in West Tennessee. It is funded by a grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation. There are eight scholarships available. Tuition is free, and participants earn three hours of undergraduate or graduate credit and two hours of flight instruction at a local airport. Applications are due by May 10. For an application or more information, contact Bonnie Cummings at 678-5356 or bjcmmngs@memphis.edu.

U of M recognized outstanding students at Honors Assembly

U of M honor societies Phi Kappa Phi and Omicron Delta Kappa hosted an Honors Assembly recognizing outstanding students from 12 different areas on April 28. Approximately 150 students received awards, honors and scholarships. Awards were presented from the Herff College of Engineering; the Fogelman College of Business & Economics; the College of Communication and Fine Arts; the University College; the College of Arts & Sciences; the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences; the Loewenberg School of Nursing; the Graduate School; the Departments of Aerospace Studies, Military Science and Naval Science; and the Helen Hardin Honors Program. A

complete list of award recipients is online at <http://www.memphis.edu/commencement/honorsassembly.htm>. For more information, contact Vanessa Muldrow at 678-5547.

U of M offers tuition-service scholarships for graduate students

The U of M is now offering new Presidential Tuition-Service Scholarships for Graduate Students. The scholarships are designed to cover the costs of tuition and fees for six hours of graduate coursework per semester. Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis for one academic year and are contingent upon the students' academic progress and successful completion of a service component. To be eligible, students must be fully admitted to a graduate program, sign a contract (after awarded) agreeing to a particular service component of 75 hours per semester, make satisfactory progress toward degree completion and maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0. For more information, visit http://www.memphis.edu/gradschool/ga_awards_fellowships/pres_tuition_schol.php.

Starbucks opening this fall at the U of M Official Campus Store

One of the biggest names in coffee will bring its signature flavors to the U of M Official Campus Store this fall. The Campus Store will close its current café operation at the end of the spring semester and plans to tentatively unveil its new Starbucks Café in time for back-to-school this fall. "We're always looking for opportunities to enhance the shopping experience and our new Starbucks Café will do just that," said Donna Collier, store manager. "The Café will provide a quality assortment of coffees, teas, sandwiches and more while also serving as a perfect spot for students to study or chat." For the latest on the café construction as well as campus store events and promotions, 'like' the U of M Campus Store's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/umemphisbookstore>.

Japanese cinema every Thursday in May at the Brooks Museum

The Brooks Museum will show a series of Japanese cinema (in Japanese with English subtitles) every Thursday in May at 7 p.m. Prior to each screening, starting at 6:15 p.m., Memphis Martial Arts will give a martial arts demonstration on the plaza outside of the Brooks Museum. Along with the samurai films, there will also be two new Japanese films. On Sunday, May 19 at 2 p.m., there will be a showing of a modern love story called *Like Someone in Love* and on Saturday, May 25 at 2 p.m. will be an anime film called *Summertime*. Admission is \$6 for U of M students, \$8 for general admission. For more information, visit <http://www.brooksmuseum.org/films>.

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

Monday/May 6

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

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](#)

Art exhibit: "Hole: MFA Thesis Exhibition" by M.

Friday/May 10

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](#)

Sunday/May 12

Law School commencement: Guest speaker Robert Kennedy Jr. - Cannon Center - 3 p.m. - [More details](#)

Foster, Jessica Lund, Christine Ruby and Alexandra Pearson (through June 28) - Art & Communication Building - Galleries made possible by Martha and Robert Fogelman - Contact Kimberly Rogers at krogers@memphis.edu

Awards luncheon: Faculty awards presentation - UC Fountain View Suite - noon - [More details](#)

Wednesday/May 8

Book signing: Lecture of *On These Courts: A Miracle Season That Changed A City, A Once-Future Star And A Team Forever* with Anfernee "Penny" Hardaway, Desmond Merriweather and Wayne Drash - Anfernee "Penny" Hardaway Hall of Fame building - 6 to 9 p.m. - Open to the public - Contact 678-2011

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Commencement: Spring Commencement ceremonies - FedExForum - noon and 4 p.m. - Watch a [live stream](#) - [More details](#)

Tuesday/May 14

Baseball: Memphis vs. Austin Peay - FedExPark - 6:30 p.m. - Visit gotigersgo.com

Professional development: "Gung Ho! Teambuilding With Energy" - UC, room 308 - 9 a.m. to noon - [More details and upcoming events](#)