

# Truman today

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## Truman Partners with U.S. Bank

Truman is partnering with U.S. Bank so that the Truman ID card can be used as a U.S. Bank ATM/debit card beginning in August 2007 for individuals who have a U.S. Bank checking account and choose to activate their Truman ID Card. This new functionality requires the University to replace all Truman ID cards in August 2007.

We will be issuing new Truman ID cards to all faculty/staff, emeriti, retirees, and designated guests starting Aug. 6. This will be necessary before any of the benefits of using your Truman ID will be available to you including the library, recreation center, and Sodexo food plans. Old ID cards will no longer be usable at any location or as a valid Truman ID. You must surrender your old ID when getting your new one.

New cards will be available starting Aug. 6, in Kirk Building 112 for faculty/staff, emeriti/retirees and designated guests. We will be accommodating our incoming students Aug. 19-22 with extended hours and expect that you would want to avoid the long lines during these times. We will resume regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. on Aug. 23.

If you have questions concerning the new Truman ID card, please call Kaye Davis, ID coordinator, at 785.4123.

## Truman Receives \$325,000 in Campaign Commitments

Truman State University's inaugural campaign has received a boost of \$325,000 from several recent commitments.

The advance commitments are part of efforts in the leadership gifts phase of the campaign. The \$30 million campaign, approved by Foundation Board of Directors in January, is a major component of Truman's strategic plan and vision to become the nation's premier public liberal arts and sciences university. The campaign will provide greater scholarship resources; generate support for student enrichment and academic programs, athletics, and faculty development.

President Barbara Dixon has made a \$100,000 cash and deferred commitment to benefit multiple priorities in the campaign. Dixon is also serving as a member of the campaign steering committee. Chuck and Colleen Foudree of Lee's Summit, Mo., have also committed to \$100,000 in a cash and deferred arrangement to create their second scholarship fund at Truman. The Colleen Foudree Scholarship is designed to assist students studying at Truman whose spouse is working to help pay tuition. This fund is established to honor Colleen Foudree's work to finance Chuck Foudree's studies at Truman. Chuck Foudree also serves as the campaign chair.

Dwain and Vera Horn of Omaha, Neb., have created a scholarship fund with a cash gift of \$50,000.

The scholarship is designed for Truman students from Dwain Horn's hometown of Moulton, Iowa, and Appanoose and Davis counties in Iowa. Dwain Horn is a member of the Foundation Board and is the 2007 recipient of the President's Leadership Award.

Chuck and Sherri Woods of Florissant, Mo., have established an endowment for the School of Business and Accountancy with a cash pledge of \$25,000. This gift will also be matched equally by Chuck Wood's employer, The Boeing Company, and will fund a program to instill leadership development skills in business students. Chuck Woods is a member of Truman's Foundation Board of Directors and is chair of the Development Committee.

Wilma and Dr. Mark Maddox of Macon, Mo., have pledged \$25,000 to the campaign to create an endowment for Truman's study abroad program. Earnings from the endowment will produce a stipend to assist students with a study abroad experience who might not otherwise be able to participate due to financial considerations. Wilma Maddox is a member of Truman's Board of Governors.

Recruitment of campaign volunteer leadership and the securing of advance leadership gifts will continue for several more months prior to the campaign's public phase.

## Master Plan and Assessment Workshop to Take Place

This year's Master Plan and Assessment Workshop will take place from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. July 24. Registration begins at 8 a.m. in the vicinity of Magruder Hall 2001.

This year's annual workshop theme is "Affirming the Promise: A Bridge to a Third Decade of Excellence in the Liberal Arts." The discussions and presentations scheduled throughout the day will focus on providing insight into conditions and issues we will need to engage in order to implement the new strategic plan and advance the plan's vision for Truman to become America's premier, liberal arts and sciences university.

Those who attend will be provided the final agenda and general University assessment data when they

arrive Tuesday morning. Those in attendance will be asked to take the information they gain from the workshop back to their area and serve as a catalyst for further discussions and actions that support the progress of the University. The information they receive and the topics presented will serve as a preliminary platform for discussions that will be scheduled this coming year.

People are asked to confirm their attendance at the workshop and lunch by noon July 19 by calling 785.4106 or e-mailing vpaa@truman.edu after completing the attendance form so that they can have the appropriate handouts and food available.

## NOTABLES

Jason Miller, associate professor of mathematics, recently had his article "Mathematics in Multi-disciplinary Research-focused Learning Communities" published in

the *Proceeding of the Conference on Promoting Undergraduate Research in Mathematics* by the American Mathematical Society.

## NOTES

The Truman community is invited to a reception for Carlos Di Stefano who is leaving Truman to accept an offer to enter the Ph.D. program in nuclear engineering at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor starting this fall. The reception will be from 3-5 p.m. July 18 in the Kirk Building hallway near room 114.

The registration time for housing for fall early returners is quickly approaching. The process and policy for Early Returners is available online at <http://reslife.truman.edu/services/earlyreturners/>. Early returners must be returning for purposes of employment, athletics, academics or to assist in the coordination of University sponsored Truman Week activities.

The Truman community is invited to a reception for Liz Bradley, Public Relations secretary, who is retiring from Truman at the end of July. The reception will be from 2:30-4:30 p.m. July 31 in the Public Relations office located in McClain Hall 101.

Students looking for a general elective conveniently timed through the lunch hour are still able to enroll

in BSAD 200: Personal Finance. Students will learn the basics of budgeting, saving and investing two days a week during this fall semester course. All majors welcome.

The theatre department will have a production of "Lu Ann Hampton Lavery Oberlander" at 8 p.m. Aug. 2-4 in the James G. Severns Theatre. Admission is free.

The next issue of the *Truman Today* will be a Truman Week special edition published Aug. 20 and distributed to first-year students. The *Truman Today* will resume weekly publication beginning Aug. 28. Submit news items for that issue by Aug. 22 to [kbest@truman.edu](mailto:kbest@truman.edu).

The Center for Student Involvement will host the Activities Fair from noon-4 p.m. Sept. 6 on the Quadrangle. All departmental and student organization tables must be reserved via the registration form available now in the CSI office, located on the third level of the Student Union Building. It is also available on the CSI Web site, <http://csi.truman.edu>. The registration deadline is Aug. 31. Table space is limited. Contact the CSI at 785.4222 for more information.

## Lantz Meets with Sen. Claire McCaskill



Christopher Lantz, health and exercise sciences program department chair and associate professor in health and exercise sciences, (left) meets with Sen. Claire McCaskill (second from left), Jim Herauf, executive director of the Missouri Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (MOAHPERD) (second from right), and Connie Jandor, Missouri and Central District AHPERD Teacher of the Year, (right) in Washington, D.C.

Lantz met with McCaskill regarding the reauthorization of the No Child Left Behind bill and funding for Carol M. White Physical Education Program (PEP) grants.

### Truman State University Academic Calendar - Fall Semester 2007

**Aug. 19** - First-year students move-in day

**Aug. 20-24** - Truman Week

**Aug. 25** - Upper-class students move in

**Aug. 27** - Classes begin

**Sept. 3** - Labor Day holiday (no classes)

**Oct. 13** - Family Day

**Oct. 19** - Midterm break (no classes)

**Oct. 22-26** - Homecoming Week

**Oct. 27** - Homecoming

**Nov. 21-23** - Thanksgiving break

(no classes, offices closed)

**Dec. 7** - Last day of classes

**Dec. 10** - Final exams begin

**Dec. 12** - Reading Day

**Dec. 14** - Final exams end

**Dec. 15** - Commencement

## ON CAMPUS

### 18 WEDNESDAY

3-5 p.m.-Reception for Carlos Di Stefano, Kirk Building; see Notes

### 27 FRIDAY

10 p.m.-Eight-week summer classes end

### 31 TUESDAY

2:30-4:30 p.m.-Reception for Liz Bradley, McClain Hall 101; see Notes

### 3 FRIDAY

10 p.m.-Second five-week graduation classes end

### 19 SUNDAY

8 a.m.-First-year students move in

### Summer Session Hours

#### Pickler Memorial Library

June 4-July 29

Monday-Thursdays

7:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

Friday • 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday • 1-5 p.m.

Sunday • 4-8 p.m.

#### Student Recreation Center

June 4-July 27

Monday-Friday

9 a.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday • 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sunday • Closed

#### Mainstreet Market

Monday-Friday

7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

#### Writing Center

McClain Hall 303

June 4-July 27

Monday-Thursdays

8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

#### August Interim Hours

#### Pickler Memorial Library

July 30-Aug. 2 • 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Aug. 3 • 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Aug. 4-5 • Closed

Aug. 6-10 • 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Aug. 11-12 • Closed

Aug. 13-17 • 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Aug. 18 • Closed

#### Student Recreation Center

July 28-29 • Closed

July 30-Aug. 3 • 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Aug. 4-5 • Closed

Aug. 6-10 • 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Aug. 11-12 • Closed

Aug. 13-17 • 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Aug. 18-19 • Closed

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All submissions are subject to editing for clarity and style.

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