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## Missouri Teacher of the Year to Speak at Commencement

University alumna Jamie Manker will be the winter commencement speaker at 11 a.m. Dec. 14.

Jamie (Smith) Manker is the reigning Missouri Teacher of the Year. A social studies teacher and department chair at Rockwood Summit High School in Fenton, Mo., she has taught courses in U.S. government, psychology and the American West, as well as world history and advanced-placement world history.



*Jamie Manker*

The mission of the Missouri Teacher of the Year Program is to honor, promote and celebrate excellence in the teaching profession. Each district in Missouri is eligible to submit an application for a teacher on staff for consideration. Recipients must be highly respected by students, parents, colleagues and the community. The Missouri Teacher of the Year serves as a spokesperson and representative for the more than 70,000 teachers in the state. Only 44 individuals have been named a Missouri Teacher of the Year since the state began participating in the national awards program in 1957. Boeing and Monsanto are corporate sponsors for the program, and SMART Technologies serves as a supporting partner.

In the classroom, Manker strives to empower her students, then pushes them to achieve goals they may not have thought possible. Community service is also a key component of her teaching philosophy, as she provides her students with avenues to participate in various outreach programs, whether it is volunteering at Ronald McDonald House, working at school improvement events or serving as tutors for younger children.

Manker earned her Bachelor of Science degree in history from Truman in 1998 and remained on campus to add a Master of Arts in Education in 2000. She has spent her entire professional career in the Rockwood School District at Rockwood Summit High School. As the Missouri Teacher of the Year, she is eligible for the National Teacher of the Year award, which will be announced in March.

Manker lives in Maryland Heights, Mo., with her husband and fellow Truman alumnus Terrance ('97) and their two children, Kyle, age seven, and Tyler, age five.

## 2014 Missouri Government Interns



*The Spring 2014 Missouri Government Interns will spend the semester in Jefferson City, Mo., earning up to 15 hours of college credit while working with either a legislator, public official or state agency. Pictured, back row, left to right: University President Troy Paino, Jessica Hamilton, Bradley Craigmyle, George Allan, Jr., Dylan Kriegshauser, George Peters, Margaux Meyer and Candy Young. Front row, left to right: Rachel Likert, Deanna Barger, Paul Davis, Katie Walker and UmmeKulsoon Arif.*

## KTRM Featured on mtvU's College Radio Countdown

KTRM, the University's student-run radio, was featured last week on mtvU's College radio countdown with a video that aired the week of Dec. 3-6.

The College Radio Countdown features the best in college radio across the country. Each station can submit a one-minute video and a top 10 list of songs that exemplify the station. KTRM's list and video are available online [here](#).

KTRM 88.7 The Edge is Truman's only student-run radio station, home to more than 120 students in 35 different majors, and winners of the 2013-2013 Intercollegiate Broadcasting System's awards for Best Station Manager and Best Program Director. The Edge is available online and on the Truman State app on iPhone and Android.

## Announcements

### Celebration Reception

**1-3 p.m.  
Dec. 11**

**Student Union Building Activities Room**

The Office of Advancement invites you to a Celebration Reception to honor Michele Breault, Bruce Coggins, Werner Sublette and James Tichenor from the School of Social and Cultural Studies to celebrate their careers at the University. The reception will be 1-3 p.m. Dec. 11 in the Activities Room of the Student Union Building. University President Troy Paino will make opening remarks, and refreshments will be served.

## Finals Week and Interim Hours at the Rec

**Dec. 9-11**  
9 a.m.-11 p.m.

**Dec. 12-13**  
9 a.m.-7 p.m.

**Dec. 14-15**  
Closed

**Dec. 16-20**  
11 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Dec. 21-Jan. 5**  
Closed

**Jan. 6-10**  
11 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Jan. 11**  
Closed

**Jan. 12**  
1-7 p.m.

## Finals Week Hours in the SUB

**Dec. 9-12**  
7 a.m.-12 a.m.

**Dec. 13**  
7 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Dec. 14**  
8 a.m.-5 p.m.

## Shuttle to La Plata Train Station

The Department of Public Safety will be providing a shuttle service on the following dates from the LaPlata train station. Cost is \$10 for a reservation to be held. Payment is due by 12 p.m. Dec. 13 in the DPS Office in the General Services Building. DPS will be open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, contact Joyce Cook at 660.785.4177.

**Departure**  
9 a.m.  
Dec. 14  
Meet at the DPS Office

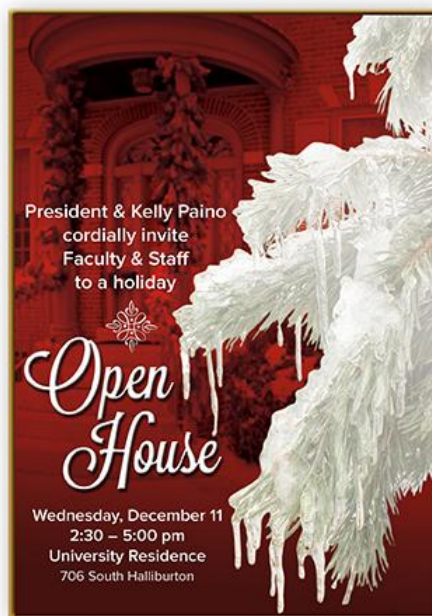
**Return**  
Jan. 12  
Evening pending  
Bus will pick up in La Plata at the Amtrak station for return to the DPS Office

## Military Science Campus Appreciation Day

**10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.**  
**Dec. 11**  
**Barnett Hall 2218**

The campus is invited to the Campus Appreciation Day for fellowship and food at the Military Science Department. Food will be provided.

## Faculty and Staff Open House



## Community Dinner



## Community Christmas Dinner

December 21

5:00 p.m. meal served

6:00 p.m. festivities begin

Student Union Building  
Franklin Street  
Truman State University  
Kirksville, Missouri

*Join us in a festive evening of food and fun as we fellowship with others. The dinner is intended for EVERYONE. Those that do have a family or those people who do not have a family, old and young, the rich and poor and for the entire surrounding communities.*

Monetary Donations and gifts are needed  
Please contact a committee member today

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Monetary Donations can be mailed to  
Community Christmas Dinner, 1821 B. South Baltimore, Kirksville, MO 63501  
or dropped off at Alliant Bank 201 South Baltimore, Kirksville, MO

## Fighting Poverty in Adair County Class

Health 374-04  
Fighting Poverty in Adair County

A one credit hour course is being offered for the spring 2014 semester by The SERVE Center in partnership with the Department of Health Science.

This student-initiated course will consist of approximately 30 hours of service with an additional 10 hours of meal discussions, meetings and planning sessions. To enroll, send an email request to [serve@truman.edu](mailto:serve@truman.edu) for a copy of the syllabus and course application. For more information, contact Geoffrey Havens at [serve@truman.edu](mailto:serve@truman.edu) or at 660.785.7222.

## Pickler Memorial Library

Encouraging Discovery

Enjoy your winter break!

Check out the new titles in our popular reading section or choose an audiobook for your trip home. The library has more than 1,600 audiobook titles to choose from that are renewable online.

## Dinner in an American Home

6 p.m.  
Jan. 11

Help new Truman international students feel at home in Kirksville by inviting them to dinner during New Student Orientation. Students that want to host a dinner should include a vegetarian entrée, have a house within a 10-minute drive of Truman's campus, and plan for groups of six to eight students. For more information or to sign up, email Annie Connor at [aconnor@truman.edu](mailto:aconnor@truman.edu) by Dec. 9.

## MLK Collegiate Challenge

All Day  
Jan. 20

The Multicultural Affairs Center and the SERVE Center are looking for 250 Truman students, faculty and staff to spend Jan. 20, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, completing service projects across Kirksville. To sign up, visit [truservice.truman.edu](http://truservice.truman.edu).

## Notables

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**Steve Allen, professor of business administration, and Paul Fellows, associate professor of business administration,** had their paper entitled, "Critical Thinking in Operations Management Pedagogy Using Simulation Techniques" accepted for publication in the next issue of "Operations Management Education Review."

**The Academic Competition Team** won the Kansas State mirror of DRAGOON competition Nov. 9 with an 8-0 record. The winning team was comprised of **Jacob O'Rourke** and **Nick Vellios**. O'Rourke finished first individually and Vellios placed third individually in scoring. Statistics can be found [here](#).

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**The Residence Hall Association will host its 23rd annual Box Fort Building Contest** from 6-8:30 p.m. Dec. 10 in the Kirk Gym.

**The Stargazers Astronomy Club will host an open house** from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Dec. 10 at the observatory, located at the University Farm. Students will have the opportunity to view and learn about constellations, planets and more.

**An information session for next summer's "Experience the Middle East" study abroad course** will take place at 4 p.m. Dec. 11 in McClain Hall 212. Exploring ancient and contemporary cultures in Jordan, Israel, Jerusalem and the West Bank, plus two weeks of archaeological work at the ancient biblical site of Bethsaida, will form the itinerary of next summer's MDST 300 experience. For further information, contact Mark Appold at [mappold@truman.edu](mailto:mappold@truman.edu).