

Truman today

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TRUMAN DAY AT THE NEMO FAIR

Truman needs volunteers to work July 18 at the NEMO Fair. Openings are still available for the following shifts:

6-9 a.m.

9 a.m.-Noon

Noon-3 p.m.

3-6 p.m.

6-9 p.m.

9-11 p.m.

Volunteers will receive a free one-day pass to the fair. Call the Public Relations Office at 785.4016 to sign up or stop by McClain Hall 101.

NEXT ISSUE

THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE TRUMAN TODAY WILL BE AVAILABLE JUNE 17.

Truman Campaign Tops \$30 Million Goal

As announced by President Troy D. Paino at commencement ceremonies May 7, Truman State University has surpassed its \$30 million goal in its "Bright Minds Bright Futures" fundraising campaign.

The five-year effort, Truman's first-ever comprehensive campaign, began July 1, 2006, and featured several major initiatives, including student scholarships, student enrichment and academic programs, faculty support, athletics and mission enhancement.

As of May 31, 2011, a total of \$30,413,412 has been generated in cash, multi-year pledges and new planned gift commitments toward the campaign. Nearly \$13.9 million has been raised for student scholarships, a centerpiece of the campaign. In addition, \$8.25 million has been raised for student enrichment and academic programs, impacting areas such as study abroad, library enhancements, lectureships, student undergraduate research, programs to benefit the schools and departments, cultural programs and internships.

The campaign concludes June 30, 2011, and

efforts to close additional gifts are continuing. Final campaign figures and other points of distinction will be released this summer.

"I am deeply grateful to the thousands of alumni and friends who have responded so generously to our call for support," President Paino said. "Over 18,000 gifts have been received, including more than 12,000 from alumni, to the campaign over the past five years.

"It was essential for Truman to meet the goal during its inaugural comprehensive campaign," continued President Paino. "We have established a solid base for future campaign efforts as private gift support will increasingly

be an important component of securing Truman's vitality in the years ahead."

Chuck Foudree, retired vice president and chief financial officer for Harmon Industries in Kansas City, served as campaign chair and led a corps of more than 100 volunteers.

"The devotion and impact of our volunteers on the Bright Minds Bright Futures campaign is inestimable," President Paino said.



Gooch Selected as Dean of Health Sciences and Education

Janet Gooch, professor and chair of Communication Disorders, has been appointed Dean of the School of Health Sciences and Education.

Gooch follows Sam Minner who earlier this year was named the provost and vice president for academic affairs at Radford University in Virginia. Her appointment was announced May 12 by

Richard Coughlin, interim provost and vice president for academic affairs.

A member of the Truman faculty since 1995, Gooch has a bachelor's, master's and Ph.D. in speech pathology from the University of Kansas, Kent State University and Case Western Reserve University respectively. She has served as the chair of Communication Disorders since 2004, and

was the interim director of the Ronald E. McNair Program for 2008-2009.

In 2008, Gooch was the recipient of a Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship and was also named the Outstanding Undergraduate Research Mentor. In 2003 she received the William O'Donnell Lee Advising Award.

Gooch will begin her position as dean July 1.

HONORS SCHOLAR GRADUATES

Eighteen students were recognized as Honors Scholar graduates for Spring 2011. Honors Scholar medals were awarded at a pre-commencement ceremony May 6. Truman's Honors Scholar Program offers outstanding students the opportunity to select rigorous courses in the liberal arts and sciences component of their degree programs. The honor is awarded to graduating seniors who have completed five approved courses, with at least one from each of the four areas of mathematics, natural science, social science and humanities. They must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.5 in those courses and an overall grade point average of 3.5. Spring 2011 Honors Scholar graduates were:

Amanda Backs

Jeff Boschen

Brett Collins

Emily Fassi

Annie Froeschner

Kazuyuki Hashimoto

Elizabeth Hatting

Stephanie Hulse

Gregory Lambert

Michael McKenzie

Kara Mohs

Margaret Mudd

Kylie Raithe

Emily Richens

Kevin Schmitt

Lindsey Tauer

Charles Tomlinson

Ashley Tucker

Bequest Establishes Major Scholarship



Alice White

Truman will receive a bequest in excess of \$500,000 from the estate of the late Marjorie Alice White of Monroe City, Mo.

The substantial gift will create the Samuel A. Jeffries and Alice White Scholarship fund at Truman and become one of the largest scholarship programs

established through the University's Foundation.

Recipients of the scholarship will demonstrate and maintain a 3.0 grade point average and produce evidence of good citizenship, extra-curricular activity participation and leadership. Scholarship awards will be equivalent to one-half of the cost of tuition, room and board for Missouri students at Truman, or approximately \$7,000. The awards will be renewable for a period of four years, provided that academic and citizenship standards are maintained. When fully endowed, the fund will support scholarships for at least three Missouri students attending Truman annually.

"We are very grateful to Alice White for her

foresight and generosity in establishing this significant scholarship program at Truman," said University President Troy D. Paino. "Generations of Missouri students will receive the gift of a Truman education as a result of this bequest. Alice was an educator and advocate of lifelong learning, and her legacy will continue through this scholarship program."

Born in Lewis County, Mo., Alice White was educated in country schools and graduated from Durham High School. She attended the University from 1939 to 1941 and then began teaching in one-room rural schools in northern Missouri. Following a teaching stint in Zephyrhills, Fla., Alice returned to Missouri and completed her teaching career at Louisiana, Mo. She moved to Monroe City in retirement and enjoyed hunting, fishing and collecting antiques. She was remembered as a strict but fair teacher who earned the respect of her students and greatly influenced the lives of many schoolchildren.

Her scholarship is also named for Samuel Jeffries, the son of Samuel and Adele Jeffries, lifelong friends of White, who was tragically killed in a bicycle accident many years ago.

The gift is part of Truman State University's \$30 million "Bright Minds Bright Futures" campaign.

Nurses Recognized at Annual Ceremony



Nursing Department students in the class of 2011 received their nursing pin at a pre-commencement ceremony May 6 on campus. The pinning ceremony recognizes the graduating seniors' successful completion of a rigorous academic and professional program. First row (left to right): Pam Gardner, associate professor of nursing, Theresa Hasting, Emily Shaw, Ashmita Karki, Stephanie Bedford, Sarah Koch, Kathryn Leakey, Katie Hamilton, Shradha Pandey, Jessica Reynolds, Duyen Van and Pam Melvin, assistant professor of nursing. Second row: Danielle Dilday, Megan Mielke, Danielle Brewster, Jamie Boschert, Katie Hansen, Kathleen Hagenhoff, Meghan McKendry, Elizabeth Miller, Cassandra Henning, Rebecca Betting and Laura Groebel. Third row: Devon Mills, Holly Cooper, Allison Dunard, Alex Sievert, Mary Allemang, Alyssa Scott, Jessamyn Phillips, Lindsey Bramer, Karrie Evens and Jacqueline Ross. Fourth row: Clinton Narayan, Chelsy Shaul, Ashley Schroth, Kimberly Dodd, Julie Dusheke, Jennifer Moberly, Rebekah Weicken, Grace Lowe and Amber Wates. Not pictured: Rachel Cope.

Spring Class Includes 39 Valedictorians



Truman recognized 39 students as valedictorians during spring commencement ceremonies May 7. First row (left to right): Melinda Gross, Hannah Dumey, Stephanie Hulsey, Laura Greaver, Dana Bruzvoort, Danielle Brewster, Peter Ruberton, Holly Fling and Laura Groehl. Second row: Jaycie Vos, Madison March, Krystal Foster, Ann Bruno, Kayla Burch, Kelly Durst, Trisha Myers, Sean Geary and Leah Reimnitz. Third row: Amy Yeagle, Jennifer Riebold, Tanya Sylvester, Angela Scheperle, Amanda Brehm, Amanda Nehrkorn, Kristin Siegler, McKayla Beattie and Sara Clark. Fourth row: Ryan Harker, Katherine Judd, Joseph Rogers, John Kimbrough, Igor Korenfeld, Jacqueline Boos, Kimberly Dodd, Desiree Raygor and Lauren Greenspan.

NOTABLES

Tom Capuano, professor of foreign language, received word that his 1995 paleographic edition of Gabriel Alonso de Herrera's *Obra de agricultura* (1513) was chosen by the Royal Spanish Academy as one of the base texts for the corpus of its *Nuevo diccionario histórico de la lengua española* project. The initial transcription from which this edition was created was carried out by undergraduate researchers Amy S. Carder ('94), J. Scott England ('95), and Lisa A. Torres ('93).

Laura Hill, an accounting and business administration major, was named the "LEAP Student of the Month" for April 2011. LEAP, which stands for Lead and Enhance the Accounting Profession, was created by the Missouri Society of CPAs in 2001 to raise awareness, build understanding and change perceptions about the CPA profession. Hill will

enter Truman's Master of Accountancy program in the fall and serve as a graduate teaching research assistant. Her professors nominated her for this award.

Betty McLane-Iles, professor of French, was recently appointed to the Kirksville Planning and Zoning Commission. McLane-Iles appointment was approved at the Council's May 2 meeting. Her term will last until June 2013.

Calli Price, a justice systems student, recently had her review of the book "Cybercrime: An Introduction to an Emerging Phenomenon" published in the *International Journal of Cyber Criminology* (vol. 4; iss. 1). The book outlines the growing threat of cybercrime, electronic fraud and online deviancy.

TRUMAN LISTED ON HIGHER EDUCATION HONOR ROLL

Truman has been included on the 2010 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll.

Launched in 2006, the Honor Roll recognizes colleges and universities nationwide that support innovative and effective community service and service-learning progress. This is the third consecutive year Truman has applied for, and been accepted to, the Honor Roll.

Baillie Cloyd, program advisor in the Center for Student Involvement, and Liz Kroeger, the SERVE Center student coordinator, prepared Truman's application using information gathered from service-learning course projects, Service-Learning Advantage student organization initiatives and Truman volunteer information. The service-learning projects cited for the Honor Roll included: the Big Event, to emphasize student volunteerism on campus through 1,600 students and 200 service sites; ECON 498: Microfinance and Millennium Development Goals, which conducted a feasibility study on starting a micro-credit program in Kirksville, to emphasize academic service-learning; and the Bicycle Composting Program "Rot Riders," to highlight an entirely student-initiated and led service-learning project. Truman reported more than 73,000 hours of academic and co-curricular community service and service-learning during 2009-2010.

The Honor Roll is a program of the Corporation for National and Community Service. For more information, visit www.nationalservice.gov. To view the complete honor roll, go to www.learnandserve.gov/pdf/2011_hr_awardees.pdf.

Bulldog Football Classic Golf Tournament

June 27 • Forest Park Golf Course • St. Louis



11:30 a.m. Registration
1 p.m. Shotgun Start
5:30 p.m. Dinner/Awards

Cost is \$125 per person. For more information, contact Gregg Nesbitt at nesbitt@truman.edu or 785.4549.



Taste of Truman Summer Program Offers Alumni and Friends "Mini College" Experience

Students of all ages are being welcomed to the Truman campus again this June as part of the second annual "Taste of Truman" – an event designed to give participants a little taste of the high caliber classes offered by the University.

The weekend features 12 short classes from some of Truman's most respected and honored faculty. In addition, participants can enjoy organized activities at University facilities, a themed banquet and lots of informal and organized social time, with complimentary meals throughout.

Originally envisioned as a "mini college" experience for returning alumni, organizers of the event have opened Taste of Truman to anyone in the community.

"Many colleges and universities hold events like these for alumni each year," said Kevin Minch, director of the Truman Institute, "but we wanted to build an event that would be of interest to more than just alumni. We think the events we have planned will have really broad appeal and we hope people in the community will join us."

Participants can elect two, three-hour extended courses and four, 90-minute short courses that interest them from a list of subjects. Topics range from the basics of digital photography and the rhetoric of food to the music of the "Silk Road" and 13th century Venetian art. For students with more eclectic tastes, the weekend also features a course on hypnosis and a class that addresses navigation by the stars.

"There's a little in here for everyone who wants to learn something new... and maybe a little off-beat," Minch said.

For the benefit of K-12 teachers seeking

continuing education credit, a special themed "track" has been created around topics related to Marco Polo's legendary journey from Venice to China. For only \$25, teachers can earn one graduate credit and receive supplemental training about creating interdisciplinary linkages between a wide range of topics.

Participants will also be treated to a range of fun activities, including: "Stars and S'mores," a bonfire and night of stargazing at the University Observatory; a guided tour of campus history and architecture; a hands-on experience in Pickler Memorial Library's Special Collections; and a guided visit to the Ruth Warner Towne Museum and Visitor's Center, among other opportunities.

Saturday evening will be capped-off with an outdoor banquet – "Dinner and a Yurt" – casting the theme of Marco Polo's travels in food with dishes representing the regions of Europe, the Middle East and Asia.

"Last year's Taste of Truman was a blast," Minch said. "We got so much positive feedback. We even had a couple get engaged while they were here. We won't make any guarantees about romance, but we will guarantee that people will learn a lot and have fun."

Taste of Truman will take place June 24-26. Participation costs \$150 and is inclusive of all classes and meals. Additional options, including graduate credit and guest meal tickets are also available. Out-of-town guests are welcome and may elect to stay on campus or in one of several local hotels offering a special rate for participants.

For more information on the program, or to register, visit the Taste of Truman website at institute.truman.edu/taste.asp.

BLOOD DRIVE

11 A.M.-4 P.M.

JUNE 22

STUDENT UNION BUILDING
DOWN UNDER

SPONSORED BY
STAFF COUNCIL

Pickler Memorial Library

Summer Hours
Through Aug. 5

Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.–8 p.m.

Friday 7:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

Saturday 1 p.m.–5 p.m.

Sunday 4 p.m.–8 p.m.

CLOSED July 4

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS DEAN CANDIDATE FORUMS

Truman faculty, staff, and students are invited to attend forums with the two candidates.

Debra Kerby

11-11:45 a.m. June 13
Violette Hall 1408

Katherine Jackson

11-11:45 a.m. June 14
Violette Hall 1412

Feedback forms are available at secure.truman.edu/positionlisting-s/department/login.asp?page=positionlisting-s/department/index.asp%3F. Feedback forms also will be provided at each forum. Feedback may be submitted at the forum, to the Provost's Office, or online prior to 5 p.m. June 15.

Student Recreation Center Summer Hours

June 6-July 29

Monday-Friday 9 a.m.–7 p.m.

Saturday 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

Sunday closed

Closed July 2-4 for
Independence Day holiday

TRUMAN SUMMER AT-A-GLANCE

JUNE

June 7-Summer Orientation

June 10-Summer Orientation

June 14-Summer Orientation

June 16-Summer Orientation

June 17-18-Tentative Board of

Governors Meeting

June 20-Summer Orientation

June 24-Summer Orientation

June 24-26-Taste of Truman

JULY

July 1-First Five-Week Summer
Classes End

July 4-Independence Day
(no classes, offices closed)

July 5-Second Five-Week
Summer Classes Begin

July 29-Eight-Week Summer
Classes End

July 30-August Interim Begins

AUGUST

Aug. 5-Second Five-Week
Classes End

Aug. 6-Tentative Board of
Governors Meeting

Aug. 19-August Interim Ends

Aug. 19-Summer Orientation

Aug. 20-Freshmen Move-In

Aug. 20-24-Truman Week

Aug. 25-First Day of Classes

M*A*S*H CAMP FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN HEALTH CARE CAREERS

The Adair County M*A*S*H Camp will take place July 12-13 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on the campuses of Truman State University and Northeast Regional Medical Center. The camp is intended for middle school students who have an interest in exploring health care careers. A limited number of scholarships are available to families for whom the registration fee is a considerable hardship. For more information, or to obtain a registration packet, call NEMO AHEC at 877.303.2938 or 665.6404.