

# Truman today

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## Alumni to be Honored at Homecoming Events

Homecoming Activities Sept. 29-Oct. 5	
Sept. 29	21st Annual Bulldog Classic Golf Tournament
Apparel Sales, Lip Sync, Ticket Sales, and Penny Wars	10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Kirkville Country Club
10 a.m.-2 p.m. Daily until Oct. 3	
Mainstreet/SUB Mall	Pastries in Paris Cake
Royalty Voting & Scrubopole Scavenger Hunt Begin	10 a.m. SUB Mall Pop Rally
10 a.m.	5:30 p.m. Sokes Stadium Alumni & Friends Celebration/Hall of Fame Banquet
<b>Boy Vowge Kick-Off &amp; Faculty Staff</b>	6:30 p.m. SUB Down Under
5:30 p.m. Baldwin Hall	7 p.m. Essence of Venice A
Up 'til Dawn Pie in the Face	7 p.m. Masquerade Ball & Coronation
Quadrangle-rain site at SUB Georgian Room C	8 p.m. SUB Down Under
Sept. 30	8 p.m. <b>MapQuest Maze</b>
3:5 p.m. Quadrigle	8 p.m. <b>Chase After Harry</b>
Inflight Improw	5K Race
8 p.m. SUB Activities Room	7:30 a.m. registration
Oct. 1	7:30 a.m. race begins
<b>The Amazing Relay Race</b>	Barnett Hall
1-3 p.m. Quadrigle	Alumni Center Open
Scrubopole Scavenger Hunt ends	9 a.m.-6 p.m. SUB Mall
5 p.m. <b>Planes, Trains and Trivia</b>	Parade Around the Town
5:30 p.m. SUB Down Under	9 a.m. Franklin Street
7 p.m. <b>Tantrum Safari Night</b>	"Truman's Adventure"
<b>Tours by Zay Baden</b>	10 a.m.-2 p.m. Red Barn Park
8:30-10:45 p.m. Meet by Kirk Building and Bell Hall	Ribbon Cuttings
Oct. 2	10:30 a.m. Blanton Nasson Brewer
<b>Bacchus &amp; Gamma Car Crash</b>	11 a.m. Student Union
8:30-10:45 p.m. Meet by Kirk Building and Bell Hall	Tailgate Picnic
Oct. 3	11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Red Barn Park
<b>Royalty Voting ends</b>	Anniversary Class Reunions
5 p.m. Football Game	11:15 a.m. SUB
<b>You Are Now Free to Move About the Stage</b>	2 p.m. Announcement of Homecoming competition winners at halftime.
<b>Competition &amp; Awards</b>	7 p.m. Sokes Stadium
7 p.m. Baldwin Auditorium	Alumni Mixer
8:30-9:30 p.m. SUB Mall	Kirkville Arts Center
9 p.m. <b>Alumni Leadership Conference</b>	6 p.m. Step Show
10 a.m.-3 p.m. SUB Mall	Baldwin Auditorium
3 p.m. Baldwin Auditorium	Caswellian Alexandria McHale
	9 p.m. Baldwin Auditorium

Log on to <http://homecoming.truman.edu> and <http://alumni.truman.edu/homecoming.asp> for more information on these events and other events.

Several Truman alumni will be honored at various events during Homecoming 2008.

This year's Alumni of the Year are Lanny and Beth (Fisher) Morley, natives of Green City, Mo. They married in 1961 while attending Truman.

Lanny graduated in 1962 with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics, and Beth graduated in 1963 with a bachelor of science degree in business education. Lanny began his career as a mathematics teacher at Kirkville Jr. High, while Beth worked in an accounting office in Brookfield, Mo. In 1964, Lanny earned his master's degree in mathematics education from Truman.

In 1970, he joined the Truman campus as an assistant professor of mathematics. Twelve years later, he became the division head of mathematics and computer science, and in 1994 he served as acting vice president for Academic Affairs.

After the couple welcomed their first child, Beth became a full-time homemaker and volunteered in various service organizations. All four of the Morleys' children attended Truman. In 2007, Lanny retired as professor emeritus of mathematics and dean emeritus of mathematics and computer science.

The Young Alumna of the Year is Erin Leszczynski, of Alexandria, Va. She works in international relations for the federal government in Washington, D.C.

A Pershing Scholar, Leszczynski graduated from Truman in 2002 with bachelor of science and bachelor of arts degrees in political science. As part of her college experience, Leszczynski studied abroad with the Missouri-London program, interned with Congressman Jerry Hulsbush in Washington, and participated in Missouri's International Business Internship Exchange program in Monterey, Mexico.

In 2004, Leszczynski earned a master's degree in international affairs from Texas A&M University, and she interned with the U.S. Department of State at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations in New York City.

Leszczynski currently serves as vice president of Truman's Mid-Atlantic Alumni Association. She is also a member of Truman's Alumni Chapter Board of Directors, serving as vice chair of the board's Chapter Development Committee.

Ron and Elsie Gaber, G. Ruth (Black) Mach and Wilma (Rayfield) Maddox will each receive the Distinguished Service Award this year.

Ron and Elsie Gaber have served the Kirkville community for more than three decades. Ron currently serves as vice president for Student and Alumni Services for A.T. Still University and is also an associate professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine. Elsie is the associate dean for ATSU's online School of Health Management.

Ron received his specialist degree in education from Truman in 1982, and Elsie earned her education specialist degree from Truman in 1987.

Ron served as the director of Housing and Residence Life for 12 years at Truman. In 1988, he accepted the dean of students position at Kirkville College of Osteopathic

Medicine (KCOM).

Elsie began her career as a vocational specialist with KCOM, and in 1980, she became an academic advisor for Truman. In 1993, she was one of two recipients of the first O'Donnell-Lee Advising Award, which honors outstanding academic advisors at Truman. In 1996, Elsie moved back to ATSU to serve as assistant vice president of institutional support. The Gabers reside in Kirksville and are members of Truman's Northeast Missouri Alumni Chapter and the Pershing Circle.

Ruth (Black) Mach, of St. Louis, has built a reputation as an innovative and effective educator throughout her career. She currently serves as a consultant for the School District of Clayton (Mo.) and director of substitute teacher orientations.

Mach received a bachelor of science in education from Truman and went on to earn a master of education degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia and a doctorate in educational administration from St. Louis University.

She was appointed to the Truman Board of Governors in 1995 and served until April 2007. During her tenure she served as secretary, vice president and president of the Board. Mach is a member of Truman's Kirk Society. She and her husband, the late Stan Mach ('57, '58), have two sons, Steve and David.

Wilma (Rayfield) Maddox of Macon, Mo., graduated magna cum laude from Truman in 1979 earning a bachelor of science degree. A member of the Truman Board of Governors from December 1993 to March 2008, she served as secretary, vice president and president.

Maddox and her husband Mark are members of Truman's Pershing Circle, and in honor of their ongoing connection to the University, the couple established a scholarship in 2007 to encourage students to participate in a study-abroad experience at Truman. Maddox is also a member of the Truman Chapter of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi.

Stan and Doris (Pickens) Bohon ('43), of Kirksville, will serve as Grand Marshals of the University's 2008 Homecoming Parade. A Kirksville native, Stan graduated from Kirksville High School and spent three years as a student at Truman before heading to dental school.

Doris grew up on a farm south of Green City, Mo., graduating from Green City High School in 1939, and she earned a bachelor of science in education with two majors, business education and physical education, from Truman in 1943.

As students at the University, Stan and Doris met in Dr. Selby's typing class. Stan says, "One look at Doris and I knew I had met the woman I wanted to spend the rest of my life with." Doris took more convincing, but says, "I was just playing hard to get!" They were married in December 1944.

Doris served on the University's Foundation Board for six years, and Stan and Doris are members of the Truman Northeast Missouri Alumni Chapter, the John R. Kirk Society and the Pershing Circle. The couple resides in Kirksville and spends the winters in Florida, but they say Kirksville will always be home.



Lanny & Beth Morley



Erin Leszczynski



Ron & Elsie Gaber



Ruth Mach

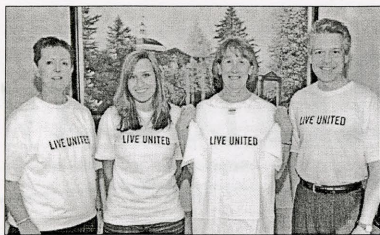


Wilma Maddox



Stan & Doris Bohon

For complete biographies of all honored alumni check out the Truman Today online at <http://newsletter.truman.edu/issue.asp?id=241>.



United Way Co-Chair Debra Kerby (left), along with United Way Student Chair Emily Walker, University President Barbara Dixon, and United Way Co-Chair Brad Chambers, pledge to "Live United," the theme of this year's United Way campaign. After five weeks, the faculty, staff and students have contributed nearly \$43,000, meeting approximately 76 percent of the goal. Contributions make a difference in northeast Missouri. For less than \$1 per week, or \$50 per year, a family of four has groceries for one week in a shelter; less than \$2 per week buys meat products for the food pantry; less than \$5 per week assists a family in restoring their electricity; less than \$10 per week provides three nights in a safehouse for a family of four; and less than \$25 per week provides 300 RSVP volunteers with liability, accident and excess auto insurance while volunteering. For questions regarding the campaign, or to get a replacement form, contact Chambers at [bchamber@truman.edu](mailto:bchamber@truman.edu), or Kerby at [dkerby@truman.edu](mailto:dkerby@truman.edu).

## Career Expo Offers Great Opportunities for Students

The Career Center will sponsor the Career Expo on Oct. 22.

First-year students are encouraged to stop by the Expo to begin networking with employers and gain insights into a career field. Sophomores, juniors and seniors should apply for interview slots and attend

the Expo to discuss internship and employment opportunities with the visiting companies.

Expo 411, from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 15 on the Mall, can help students prepare for the Expo.

Stop by Expo 411 to register for the Expo and to critique your resume, as well as enjoy free food.

## Phi Kappa Phi Seeks Educational Supplies for Head Start

Phi Kappa Phi is sponsoring an educational supplies drive to support the nine Head Start centers in the five-county area served by the Northeast Missouri Community Action Agency.

The Head Start programs receive federal and state support, but the cost of supplies has increased while the funding has remained the same. Head Start programs provide early childhood education

programs and family and child development activities for children who meet the eligibility requirements, including income, age and special needs.

Art and science supplies are needed, such as construction paper, markers, sidewalk chalk, child size paint brushes and scissors, craft items, stickers, glue and magnifying glasses.

Other items needed are puzzles (8-24 pieces), foam blocks, Lego blocks and play

## Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 2008 Announced

John and Melissa Ware, Alec Meinke and Steve Schieppe will be the 2008 inductees of the Truman State Athletics Hall of Fame. The induction will take place during Homecoming weekend Oct. 3-4.

John and Melissa Ware will be honored posthumously for dedicating almost 39 years of service to Truman between the two of them. John passed away in September 2005. Melissa passed away two years later in November 2007.

John was an assistant football coach from 1985-1994, and head coach from 1995-2004. With 54 career wins, John holds the record for third all-time wins at Truman.

Melissa graduated from Truman in 1987 and began working the following year for the University as a full-time Publications Coordinator and Office Manager under Sports Information Director Bill Cable.

Cable retired in 1995, leaving Ware to be named only the second SID in school history. She served in the position until May 2004. Under her direction, the Sports Information Office was the recipient of over 40 national awards for media guides from the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Alec Meinke was a Truman athlete in two sports, football and track, from 1979-1983. As a member of the football team, Meinke was a four-year letter winner and named second team all-MIAA in 1981 and 1982. He was also a member of back-to-back conference championship squads in those years.

In track, Meinke won seven MIAA titles for shot put from 1980-1983. He was a three-year Division II shot put finalist and also qualified for the national meet in the discus in 1983. Meinke currently holds shot put records for indoor at 17.88m and outdoor at 17.69m.

As a member of the Truman men's basketball team, Steve Schieppe holds the records for 300 three-pointers made and is the career leader in field goals made with 652. He finished the 1991 season as the all-time leading scorer in Truman history with 1,796 points, only to be eclipsed by Cory Parker's 1,835 in 2000. Schieppe was named all-conference second team twice in his career and once to the National Basketball Coaches Association all-district second team.

Gerald Burditt was also voted into the Hall, but is unable to attend. He will be inducted at Homecoming 2009.

Phi Kappa Phi faculty vice-president, at [theckerr@truman.edu](mailto:theckerr@truman.edu).

Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest, most selective, all-discipline honor society. More information can be found at <http://www.phikappaphi.org>.

NMCAA serves Adair, Knox, Schuyler, Clark and Scotland counties.

To learn more about their services visit their website at <http://www.nmcaa.org>.

dough. In addition, NMCAA would welcome the donation of personal care items such as diapers, pull-ups and wet wipes.

Donation boxes will be available on campus during Homecoming Week through Fall Break, and members of Phi Kappa Phi will be at the Kirksville Walmart Oct. 5 between 11 a.m.-4p.m.

For questions about the drive, contact Teri Heckert,

## NOTABLES

Betty L. McLane-Iles, professor of French, authored a historical novel, "Dieppe Crossing," which will be published by XLibris Publishing Corporation. Her novel is a fictional memoir set during the Spanish Civil War on through the years of the French Resistance, ending in the 1980s. McLane-Iles also wrote a poem, "The Debt," that was recently awarded first place in the first round of poetry judging for the Senior Poet Laureate of Missouri competition, and was subsequently given "Honor Roll" status. The poem will appear

in the next edition of "Angels Without Wings," a collection of prize-winning poetry of senior poets from all fifty states.

**Fourteen Truman McNair Scholars presented at the 12th Annual MKN McNair Heartland Research Conference in Kansas City, Sept 19-21.** Presentations were a result of summer research interships. The scholars will also present in Violette Hall 1000 Oct. 1. A presentation schedule is listed below and abstracts can be found at <http://mcnair.truman.edu>.

## Debaters Win Awards at William Jewell Contests

Members of the Truman Forensic Union made a strong beginning to the 2008-2009 speech and debate season with several awards at two tournaments held at William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo., Sept. 19-21.

The varsity parliamentary debate team of Mark Buchheit, a junior history major from Carthage, Mo., and Christopher Girouard, a senior communication and political science major from Chesterfield, Mo., participated in the Cardinal Classic Round Robin, an invitation-only competition among 10 of the nation's top individual parliamentary debate teams. Buchheit and Girouard also reached the semifinals of the Georgia Bowman Invitational Sept. 21.

In the junior division of the invitational, Elizabeth Hatting, a freshman political science major from Omaha, Neb., and Stephen Gott, a freshman political science major from Liberty,

Mo., reached the final round. Their teammates, Mehdi Zaidi, a sophomore economics major from Chesterfield, Mo., and Susan Presley, a junior communication major from Kirksville, Mo., reached the quarterfinals of the invitational.

In the Lincoln-Douglas debate division of the tournament, Gott, along with Christian Johns, freshman pre-secondary education major from Carthage, Mo., reached the octafinal round.

The team travels next to Bethel College in North Newton, Kan., for the "Sunflower-Sooner Swing," Oct. 10-12, where the team will roll out its individual speaking events, along with several parliamentary teams. The Truman Forensic Union is open to interested students regardless of major or prior experience. Inquiries should be directed to Kevin Minch, associate professor of communication and the director of forensics, at 785.5677 or [kminch@truman.edu](mailto:kminch@truman.edu).

## YOU'RE INVITED

to the ribbon cutting ceremonies for the newly renovated Blanton Nason Brewer Halls and the Student Union Building.

Oct. 4, 2008

10:30 a.m.

West side of Blanton Nason Brewer

11 a.m.

East side of the Student Union Building

Tours of Blanton Nason Brewer will take place from 11 a.m.-noon.

For more information call 785.4016.

## Voter Registration Forms Now Available

Student Affairs Office  
Information Desk  
Cashier's Window  
Residence Hall Desks  
SERVE Center  
Multicultural Affairs Center

For more information visit <http://conduct.truman.edu> and click on the voter registration link.

The last day to register is Oct. 8

## 16TH ANNUAL MCNAIR RESEARCH PRESENTATION

Oct. 1, 2008 • Violette Hall 1000

### SESSION ONE

9 a.m. • Sammone Kidd

*What Explains Variation of Women's Representation in Sub-Saharan Africa's Parliaments?*

9:20 a.m. • Liza Castillo

*Factors that Influence English Word Learning in Bilingual Children*

9:40 a.m. • Van Le

*Environmental Criticism of the Late Roman Republic in Lucretius' De Rerum Natura*

10 a.m. • Harold Kaid

*How Should Undergraduates Deal with Interpersonal Stress? A Comparison of Catharsis, Guided Relaxation, and Sitting Quietly*

10:20 a.m. • Joshua Hallows

*Narcissism, Empathy, and Prosocial Behavior: An Online Survey*

10:40 a.m. • Amber Jones

*The Conflict of Passing: Hypermasculinity in African American Male Educational Experiences*

11 a.m. • Angela Carter

*Feminist Smut?: A Study of Anaïs Nin's Erotica*

11:20 a.m. • Jacqueline Gonzalez

*BRAVE NEW GIRL: Girls' Life and Answer-Seeking Adolescents*

11:40 a.m. • Joshua Harris

*Religiosity and Attitudes toward Violence in Hispanic Street Gang Members*

### SESSION TWO

2 p.m. • Casey Sharp

*Bread and Circuses: How Red Meat Ballot Initiatives Feed Voter Turnout*

2:20 p.m. • Michele Kaminski

*Race, Identity and Power-Where Art and Popular Culture Unite: George Herriman's Krazy Kat and Philip Guston's Flatlands*

2:40 p.m. • Break

3 p.m. • Jesse Badoe

*Foot-In-The-Door Phenomenon: Its Relationship to Perceived Legitimate Authority*

3:20 p.m. • Sonia Mejia

*College Students' Perceptions of Dialect Influenced English*

3:40 p.m. • Anna Pechenina

*Environmental Degradation and Genocide/Politicide, 1958-2007*

4 p.m. • Gemmicka Piper

*Creating a Space for Expression of Both Black and Female Selves: An Examination of Toni Cade Bambara*

4:20 p.m. • Jeffrey Sanders

*Economic Inequity in Ancient Rome: A Study of the Elite Class and Its Role in Socio-Economic Disparity*

The programs are open for all to attend at their convenience.

## NOTES

The Career Center will host "We Know What You Did Last Summer... Internship Reflections 2008" from 5-6 p.m. Oct. 1 and from 2-3 p.m. Oct. 2 in the Career Center. Free pizza and door prizes will be provided as students make meaning from their summer internships and figure out how to best market themselves in the future. All majors are welcome. For more information or to sign up for the event, e-mail Elizabeth Bauer, Career Coordinator, at [ebauer@truman.edu](mailto:ebauer@truman.edu). Limited seating is available so be sure to contact the Career Center soon.

Foundation Scholarships will be available beginning Oct. 1. To apply, go to <http://secure.truman.edu/isupport-s/> or go to <http://www.truman.edu> and click on Student Life/Money/Foundation Scholarships. The deadline for submitting Foundation Scholarship applications is Nov. 1.

The Career Center and the Alumni Office will host this year's "Career Destinations Networking and Coffee" from 8-9:30 a.m. Oct. 3 in the Student Union Building Down Under. Please dress business casual.

The Truman Alumni Association and Alpha Sigma Gamma will host a Homecoming tailgate picnic from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Oct 4 in Red Barn Park. Everyone is welcome to attend. Tickets are \$7 per person. Residence Hall dining facilities will be closed. Pre-registration is encouraged. To register online or to view the full schedule of Homecoming events, visit <http://alumni.truman.edu/Homecoming2008/Registration.asp>.

Applications for the Funds Allotment Council (FAC) are due at 4:00 p.m. Oct. 8 in the Center for Student Involvement (CSI). The FAC is

### Truman Intramural Recreational Sports Planner

Activity	Division	Deadline	Captains' Meeting	Play Begins
MLB Playoff Pickem	Open	Oct. 3	NA	Oct. 3
Frisbee Golf	Open	Sept. 29-Oct. 3	NA	Play on own
Darts	Open	Oct. 6	NA	Oct. 13
Indoor Soccer	Open/Org/Greek	Oct. 6	Oct. 8	Oct. 13
Co-Rec Indoor Soccer	Open	Oct. 6	Oct. 8	Oct. 13
Billiards	Open	Oct. 13	NA	Oct. 20
Table Tennis	Open/Org/Greek	Oct. 27	NA	Nov. 1
Basketball Pentathlon	Open/Org/Greek	Nov. 3	NA	Nov. 10
Texas Hold'em	Open	Nov. 3	NA	Nov. 10
3 on 3	Open/Org/Greek	Nov. 10	Nov. 13	Nov. 17
Pickle Ball	Open/Org/Greek	Nov. 10	Nov. 13	Nov. 17

All information, rules and registration requirements are online at <http://recreation.truman.edu/intramuralrec.asp>, or contact the Intramural Office at 785.4467.

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## CALENDAR

Check out the Master Calendar, available on the Truman home page and through TruView, for updated daily campus events.

### SPIRIT SHIRTS

Truman Spirit Shirts are on sale for \$5 in the Public Relations Office at 101 McClain Hall. There are a limited number of medium and large shirts available. You may also purchase a Truman drawstring bag for \$5.

### "A Shadow in the Dark"

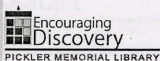
8 p.m.

Oct. 1-4

James G. Severns Theatre  
Ophelia Parrish

Written by Jared Latore, a senior theatre major from O'Fallon, Mo., "A Shadow in the Dark" tells the story of an influential children's author, tormented by forces he will never understand, as he shows a garden of nightmares and heartaches and descends into madness. Due to strong subject matter, this play is not appropriate for children.

Tickets must be reserved in advance by calling the box office at 785.4515, Monday through Friday from 10:30 a.m. -4:30 p.m.



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