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Runner Returns After Battle with Cancer

For many Truman students, "back to school" comes with a series of inconvenient tasks. Moving in, buying books, signing leases and trekking around campus in the triple digit heat can surely lessen the excitement a new semester bring. However, for sophomore agricultural business major Miranda Biddle these are welcome changes that not only signify the return to classes, but a return to normalcy.

To any other person, Biddle seems like an average college student - she enjoys hanging out with her friends, attending class and running cross country and track for Truman, but her friends, professors, teammates and coaches know there is more to her story.

Early in 2013 Biddle was diagnosed with Burkitt's Lymphoma, a cancer of the lymphatic system that affects only around 1,200 people in the United States annually. Biddle was diagnosed after returning from winter break when she noticed that she was having trouble keeping up with her teammates. When she went to doctors she was originally diagnosed with the flu, but Biddle knew that something else was wrong.

"I remember thinking, 'I don't think that's right,'" she said.

After running x-rays and CAT-scans her cancer was diagnosed.

While the news surprised her family, friends and teammates, Biddle felt a sense of relief at finally knowing for certain what was impacting her running. After learning her diagnosis, Biddle's competitive edge came out as she was determined to show cancer "who's boss." She compared her six chemotherapy treatments and 25 rounds of radiation as the hardest running workout of her life.

"I just looked at it as a workout," Biddle said. "Each treatment was a rep, and I had to get through it even though I had to do it again and again and on my final one I told myself, 'Okay, get through this last one and you are all done.'"



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Though the treatments were difficult, Biddle was adamant that she not be treated any differently, especially when it came to schoolwork. Although her treatments required her to return to her home in Aledo, Ill., she remained enrolled and completed her entire class load for the semester. With the help of her professors, she made it work by watching recordings of lectures online and driving back to Kirksville to take tests.

Not only has Biddle, who finished her last treatment Aug. 23, returned to Truman this semester, but she is also preparing to return to training with her teammates. Though less than a month ago she could barely run for five minutes, she is now attending regular practices and hopes to be in shape for competing for the spring track season.

Undergoing the treatments for cancer has made Biddle appreciate the small things in life. Her favorite part of finishing treatments is the freedom she has regained; the freedom to go outside or listen to lectures in person, to run, or even be able to simply move around. She is also excited to enjoy food again.

Her battle with cancer also helped her become a more compassionate person. Biddle describes the connections she made, with not only other people struggling with cancer, but with those who are helping to fight it, as something she is truly grateful to get out of the situation. Biddle hopes to get involved with organizations such as the American Cancer Society in the near future.

For now Biddle is just happy to be back in classes. Though many would consider her luck to be bad, Biddle considers herself blessed. The support she received from everyone she met at Truman, her roommates, teammates, coaches and faculty, helped lift her spirits during the last year and continue to keep her moving forward.

Looking back Biddle said, "Going through all of this made me realize even more, how much of a good decision Truman was."

Truman Recognized as No. 1 Public University in the Midwest Region

For the 17th year in a row, Truman has been recognized as the No. 1 Public University in the Midwest Regional category by U.S. News & World Report.

This recognition comes from the newly released U.S. News & World Report's "Best Colleges 2014" guidebook. Truman is also ranked 10th overall in the Midwest Regional category among both private and public institutions that provide a full range of undergraduate and master's programs.

Other notable entries for Truman in this year's rankings include No. 5 in the "A Strong Commitment to Teaching" section, where the University was one of only six schools in the Midwest Region to be listed.

Additionally, Truman earned the No. 8 spot in the region in the "Great Schools at Great Prices" section. Of the 15 schools listed, Truman was the only public institution.

Truman also shows up in the "A Focus on Student Success" section in the category of "Undergraduate Research/Creative Projects." Truman's research program has garnered national recognition over the years since many students are able to participate in research at the undergraduate level as opposed to waiting until graduate school. Inclusion in this section is based on nominations from college presidents, chief academic officers and deans of admissions. The schools with the most nominations were listed alphabetically.

Among Missouri schools, Truman is the only one to be listed in the Midwest Region for the "A-Plus Schools for B Students" category, which emphasizes schools where "spirit and hard work could make all the difference to admission offices."

U.S. News & World Report bases its regional rankings on peer assessment, graduation and retention rates, graduation rate performance, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources and alumni giving. Complete listings are available at www.usnews.com/colleges.

Truman Welcomes Families to Campus

Truman's annual Family Day is scheduled for Sept. 21 and the campus has a variety of activities planned throughout the weekend for students and their families.

Following tradition, this year's events are designed to provide families with information and entertainment from the University and surrounding Kirksville community.

Friday, Sept. 20, women and men's soccer play Lewis University at the Truman soccer field. A Fireside Friday preview will be from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building.

Saturday, Sept. 21 the day kicks off at 10 a.m. with a Truman Baseball scrimmage. Library tours also run 10 a.m.-noon. At 10:30 a.m. outside of Stokes Stadium, Phi Kappa Tau's 5K run will support the SeriousFun Children's Network. More information and registration are available [here](#). The Truman softball team is scrimmaging William Penn University at 11 a.m. The University Art Gallery Faculty Exhibit runs from noon-4:30 p.m. In the Centennial Hall Courtyard from 1-4 p.m. is the Annual Festival Centennial. The Speech and Hearing Clinic is hosting an open house from 2-4 p.m. in the Health Science Building. The Student Activities Board is hosting a free performance of comedian Mike Bliss at 4 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium. The campus-wide barbeque is from 5-6:30 p.m. on the Student Union Mall (rain site: Student Union Building). Tickets are \$8.50 per person, and students with a meal plan eat for free when they bring their Truman ID. Barbeque tickets can be bought [here](#). At 7 p.m. the Bulldog football team plays William Penn University at Stokes Stadium.

Sunday, Sept. 22 women and men's soccer play the University of Wisconsin-Parkside at the Truman soccer field.

A full detailed schedule of events is available [here](#). For more information, call 660.785.4016.

Nursing Department Receives \$150,000 Grant

The Nursing Department received a Nursing Education Incentive Grant for the maximum amount of \$150,000.

The Education Incentive Grant is awarded to organizations to expand the Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ASBN) program. The funds will help meet increased demand, create market-competitive salary and benefit packages needed to attract and retain highly qualified faculty for didactic and clinical teaching, add at least two clinical/instructional adjunct faculty positions to increase the frequency of nursing course offerings, expand clinical sites and partnerships and increase recruitment efforts for prospective ABSN students.

This is the second time the Nursing Department has received this grant. Truman was one of seven schools in Missouri to receive an Education Incentive Grant. For more information, visit mdhe.mo.gov/NursingGrantRecipients2013.php.

Information Session Scheduled for Missouri Government Internship

An informational meeting about the Missouri Government Internship will take place at 5 p.m. Sept. 25 in the West Campus Suites Multipurpose Room.

The full-time Missouri Government internship offers a hands-on opportunity for students to intern at the Capitol in Jefferson City, Mo., with a public official, legislator or state agency during the Spring 2014 semester. The program provides students an inside look at state government and the political process.

Interns receive a stipend of \$2,500 and up to 15 hours of credit. Duties may vary based on each individual public official, however, typical duties include attending meetings and making reports, communicating with constituents, doing office and computer work, conducting research, assisting with committee hearings, writing speeches, editing printed materials, tracking and summarizing legislation and being on call to help with projects.

Students wishing to participate in the program are required to have a minimum of 60 semester hours of credit, a minimum of two semesters at Truman, a cumulative GPA of 2.75 and divisional approval.

No special coursework is required prior to the internship and all majors are encouraged to apply for the internship. Successful applicants will be of sound character and possess qualities that reflect positively upon themselves and the University.

More information and applications are available online [here](#).

For more information, contact Candy Young at 660.785.4650 or cyoung@truman.edu or Heidi Templeton at 660.785.4016 or heidi@truman.edu.

Assistance Needed on Bird Research Project

Assistant professor of biology Jason Luscier is conducting research on campus and is asking for help from the Truman community.

Luscier, along with one graduate student and 14 undergraduate students, is conducting an ongoing research study about window bird strike mortality on the Truman campus. The team is asking for students, faculty and staff to report sightings of a dead or injured bird near a window on campus.

The second-leading cause of bird mortality in the U.S. is window strikes, following habitat loss. Birds do not perceive windows the same way that humans do because of the reflections, which can be confusing to them. Consequently, the birds fly into the windows, which depending on the speed and angle, may result in injury or death.

College campuses represent areas that have a high concentration of buildings with windows, and Luscier and his research team believe that this may result in higher levels of bird mortality due to window strikes. During the fall migration, the research team hopes to gain insight into this problem on the Truman campus through identification of the number and species of birds injured or killed by windows.

To report a dead or injured bird near a window on campus, contact Luscier at jluscier@truman.edu or at 660.785.4612.



Student Allison Hanna, left, and Jason Luscier survey a bird as part of an ongoing research study.

Announcements

SUB Reservation Office and CSI Closed for Renovations

Sept. 16-18

The Student Union Building Reservation Office and Center for Student Involvement will be closed from 1 p.m. Sept. 16 - 8 a.m. Sept. 18 for renovations.

Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN) Information Session

4:30-5 p.m.

Sept. 18

Health Sciences Building 3205

After completing a bachelor's degree and the specified prerequisite courses, admitted students may finish a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing degree in 15 months of study. For additional information, email nursing@truman.edu or call 660.785.4557. The nursing website includes information about the curriculum at nursing.truman.edu.

Family Day 2013 Events

Friday, Sept. 20

Women's Soccer vs. Lewis University

1 p.m. • Truman Soccer Field

Men's Soccer vs. Lewis University

3:30 p.m. • Truman Soccer Field

Fireside Friday Preview

7-8:30 p.m. • Student Union Building HUB

Music will be provided by Truman students.

Saturday, Sept. 21

Truman Baseball Scrimmage

10 a.m. • Truman Baseball Field

Library Tours

10 a.m.-Noon • Pickler Memorial Library

SeriousFun Phi Tau 5K Run/Walk

10:30 a.m. • Outside Stokes Stadium

Sponsored by Phi Kappa Tau fraternity, proceeds support the SeriousFun Children's Network, which provides positive, recreational experiences to children with serious illnesses. Register online [here](#). For more information, email jmb1718@truman.edu.

University Art Gallery Faculty Exhibit

Noon-4:30 p.m. • University Art Gallery

Annual Festival Centennial

1-4 p.m. • Centennial Hall Courtyard

Speech and Hearing Clinic Open House

2-4 p.m. • Health Science Building

Student Activities Board FREE Entertainment

4 p.m. • Baldwin Auditorium

Recognized as one of the top entertainers in the country, magician-juggler-comedian Mike Bliss has dazzled audiences with his high-energy performances and unique one-of-a-kind illusions for the past 25 years. He has also been featured on Fox's "30 Seconds to Fame" and NBC's "America's Got Talent."

SeriousFun Phi Tau 5K Run/Walk

10:30 a.m.
Sept. 21

Phi Kappa Tau fraternity is sponsoring a 5K Run/Walk on Family Day, Sept. 21, at 10:30 a.m. to benefit the SeriousFun Children's Network. Proceeds from the SeriousFun Phi Tau 5K Run/Walk support the SeriousFun Children's Network, which provides positive, recreational experiences to children with serious illnesses by sending them to summer camps all across the country. Registration for the race is \$15 and includes a t-shirt. Registration is available online [here](#). For more information, email jmb1718@truman.edu.

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5 p.m.
Sept. 25
West Campus Suites Multipurpose Room

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Want to Teach English in China Next Spring?

The deadline for applying for SA CHN 550 EFL Internship in China (12 credit hours) is Sept. 30. Through this internship, students teach English conversation in public schools in rural Guangdong Province. Students also take a one credit hour class, ED 549 EFL Methods - China, prior to departure. For more information, contact Timothy Farley tfarley@truman.edu. Sponsored by the School of Health Sciences and Education.

Barbecue

5-6:30 p.m. • Student Union Mall (rain site: Student Union Building)

Tickets cost \$8.50 and must be purchased in advance. They can be purchased online at store.truman.edu/familyday.*

Please bring a blanket or lawn chairs as seating will be limited.

**If a student has a meal plan, they do NOT have to purchase a meal ticket. Students with a meal plan must bring their Truman ID. Tickets will not be mailed. Tickets may be picked up in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 202.*

Menu: vegan riblets, shredded BBQ chicken, grilled chicken breast sandwich, hamburgers, roasted red potatoes, green beans, potato chips with French onion dip, macaroni salad, fruit salad and zucchini bars with cream cheese icing.

Bulldog Football vs. William Penn University

7 p.m. • Stokes Stadium

General admission tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and those in K-12. Admission is free to Truman students with a Truman ID. Tickets will be available at the ticket windows before the game or can be purchased online at trumanbulldogs.com. For more information, call 660.785.4276.

Sunday, Sept. 22

Women's Soccer vs. University of Wisconsin-Parkside

Noon • Truman Soccer Field

Men's Soccer vs. University of Wisconsin-Parkside

2:30 p.m. • Truman Soccer Field

Extras

Saturday, Sept. 21

Red Barn Arts and Crafts Festival

9 a.m.-4 p.m. • Downtown Kirksville

For more information, visit www.kirksvillearts.com/newsite.

All future updates to the Family Day schedule will be posted at about.truman.edu/family.asp.

Visitor information can be found at about.truman.edu/visit.asp. Call 660.785.4016 with any questions.

To find out more about what Kirksville has to offer, visit kirksville.truman.edu/calendars.asp.

Funds Allotment Council Accepting New Member Applications

The Truman Funds Allotment Council is now accepting new member applications. Applications are due 5 p.m. Sept. 30 on the lower level of the Student Union Building. The Truman Funds Allotment Council is dedicated to the intellectual and social development of students and enhancing their entertainment opportunities. The Council expresses this commitment through the financial support of activities that are organized and sponsored by a variety of organizations that will provide potential benefit to all members of the Student Association and the larger University Community. For more information, contact Yang Li at 660.998.4045 or yl5682@truman.edu.

Scoville Peace Fellowships Available

The Herbert Scoville Jr. Peace Fellowship is a highly competitive national program that provides college and grad school graduates the opportunity to work in Washington, D.C., with one of more than two dozen participating public-interest organizations focusing on international security issues. It lasts from six to nine months and provides a salary, health insurance and travel costs to Washington.

Scoville Fellows may undertake a variety of activities, including research, writing, public education and advocacy in support of the goals of their host organization and may attend coalition meetings, policy briefings and Congressional hearings. Fellows have written articles, blogs, fact sheets, letters to the editor, op-eds and reports, organized talks and conferences, and have been interviewed as experts by the media. Former Scoville Fellows work for: U.S. and international NGOs; the departments of Defense, Energy, State and Treasury; members of Congress, academia and media; and attend graduate school in political science or international relations, following their fellowships.

Scoville Peace Fellowships are open to students of all majors. Complete details are available at www.scoville.org. Application deadline is Oct. 1 for the Spring 2014 fellowship.

Funds Allotment Council Accepting Fund Applications

The Truman Funds Allotment council is accepting fund applications for the Spring 2014 semester. Applications are available at fac.truman.edu and are due by 5 p.m. Oct. 7 in the FAC office, located on the lower level of the Student Union Building. In order to be considered for funding, an organization must have been chartered for one full semester prior to the semester in which funds are requested. For more information, contact Yang Li at 660.998.4045 or at yl5682@truman.edu.

Constitution Day: Sept. 17

Truman will celebrate Constitution Day Sept. 17.
For more information, visit
constitutionday.truman.edu.

Register for the Interdisciplinary Biomedical Research Symposium

**8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Nov. 2
ATSU-KCOM Campus**

Students and residents who wish to be eligible for a cash award associated with their poster need to register by Oct. 8 and indicate their plans to submit an abstract. The deadline to submit an abstract is Oct. 15. All abstracts must be submitted electronically via email to Charity Thomann at cthmann@atsu.edu. Register online at www.atstu.edu/research/events/5thIBRS.htm.

University Conduct Board Hiring Student Affiliate

**Oct. 14
Student Affairs Office**

The Office of Citizenship and Community Standards (OCCS) is seeking one motivated student to serve as a student affiliate on the University Conduct Board. The University Conduct Board hears cases of alleged misconduct to determine whether a student or student organization's behavior violates the Student Conduct Code, and if a violation is found, the imposition of sanctions. The board is comprised of faculty, staff, and student members. The student member will be expected to serve on the board for various hearings each semester as well as participating in various social justice and civic projects on campus. This is a great opportunity for students to serve the university and improve a resume! The application to serve as a Student Member may be found at conduct.truman.edu. Applications are due by 5 p.m. Oct. 14 in the Student Affairs Office, Student Union Building 1110.

Homecoming Events Reminder

If your organization has an event scheduled on campus for Homecoming Week, click [here](#) to add it to the Homecoming schedule. The current schedule is available at homecoming.truman.edu.

Pickler Memorial Library

Book Sale

Starving for tantalizing titles? Then come to the all-you-can-read buffet at the Pickler Memorial Library annual book sale, which will take place Sept. 24-25 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room.

Truman Night

4-8 p.m.
Sept. 24.

You must have your Truman ID to enter.

Public Sale

9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Sept. 25

For further information, contact the Library Dean's office at 660.785.4038.

Fall Festival Volunteer Organizations Needed

**4-6 p.m.
Oct. 26
Rotary Park**

The Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department is looking for organizations that want to partner together for the Children's Fall Festival. For more information, email hdarrah@kirksvillecity.com or call 660.627.1485.

Personal Training F.I.T.T.E. Program

Are you looking for a boost in your exercise routine? Campus Recreation can help. A nationally certified personal trainer will tailor a program to meet your goals while accounting for your health history and exercise preferences. Training sessions are 60 minutes each and may be purchased in a package of 4, 8 or 12 sessions. For more information, including prices, visit recreation.truman.edu/fittepersonaltraining.asp or call Miranda Walton, fitness-wellness director, at 660.785.7739.

Do You Know American Sign Language?

Ray Miller Elementary School in Kirksville is looking for individuals who are proficient in sign language. Students who are interested in working with elementary students for service and/or scholarship hours are encouraged to contact Becky Pike for more information at 660.785.4688 or bpike@truman.edu.

Robert L. Gould Scholastic Award

The Robert L. Gould Scholastic Award is an opportunity for students of all majors to submit a research paper on a specific topic for the chance to win up to \$10,000. For more information, contact Lana Dowell in the School of Business at ldowell@truman.edu.

Health and Exercise Science Volunteers

Students interested in making a health behavior change are encouraged to volunteer as a participant for a Health and Wellness Psychology class. For a semester, volunteers will work with students to make goals and plans for a personal health behavior change. To find out more information about the program or to sign up as a volunteer, email Jennifer Hurst at es363@truman.edu.

Interested in Becoming an Advisor?

The Center for Student Involvement is looking for potential Organization Advisors for the 2013-2014 Academic Year. An advisor is a resource for students and will serve as an advocate for an organization. To find out more about advising or submit an interest form, faculty and staff can go to csi.truman.edu/advisors.asp or contact Shelby Sims, program advisor, at ssims@truman.edu.

Notables

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Erin Shaw, academic advisor in the Center for Academic Excellence, has been awarded the Dr. Barbara K. Townsend Memorial Scholarship at the University of Missouri. The scholarship is to be used to support the successful completion of dissertation research. Shaw's dissertation research on community college transfer student experiences at a four-year university aligned well with the spirit of the award in an area of Townsend's own research. Shaw began her Ph.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis in January 2008. Before Townsend's passing in June 2009, Shaw had the opportunity to serve as her advisee.

Events and Activities

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The Prospective Majors Forum in Philosophy and Religion will take place from 4:30-5:50 p.m. Sept. 17 in McClain Hall 209. Jennifer Jesse, chair of the Philosophy and Religion Department, will present, "Bill Blake in Babylon: A Case Study in the Liberal Arts." For more information, call 660.785.4655.

Truman Student Government will have an informational session at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 17 in the Center for Student Involvement Complex. Students interested in student government can pick up election packets until Sept. 17 on the lower floor of the Student Union Building. Elections will take place Sept. 23-25. For more information, contact Brendan Dabbs at bsd4875@truman.edu.

The Physics Colloquium is 4:30-6 p.m. Sept. 18 in Magruder Hall 1000. William Hayden Smith, of Washington University, will present "The Missing CO₂ and One Way to Find It."

The Global Issues Colloquium begins at 7 p.m. Sept. 19 in Magruder Hall 2001. Wolfgang Hoeschele, professor of geography, will present "The Commons Abundance Network."

Kappa Pi is hosting an origami night 8-9 p.m. Sept. 19 in the Student Union Building Room B. This is a free event open to the public and music will be provided. For more information, contact Stephanie Dunn at smd3865@truman.edu.

Study Abroad Fair will take place from 1-5 p.m. Sept. 19 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. Students will be able to meet with students who have previously studied abroad, as well as faculty and sponsors from partner institutions abroad. Free snacks and refreshments will be provided. Sponsored by the CIEA. For more information, call 660.785.4215.

Fireside Friday is from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Sept. 20 in the Student Union Building HUB. Live music and free food will be provided.

Science and Mathematics Distinguished Speaker Series Presents Chris Mooney from 7:30-8 p.m. Sept. 24 in Magruder Hall 2001. The lecture is titled, "The Psychology Behind the War on Environmental Science."

The University of Missouri Crosby Master's of Business Administration Program will have an information session 6-7:30 p.m. Oct. 2 in the Student Union Building 3302. Dinner will be provided. Learn more at mba.missouri.edu and RSVP to mba@missouri.edu.

The 19th Annual Women and Gender Studies Conference is calling for papers on the topic "Gendered Space & Queer Alternatives." Submissions are due 5 p.m. Nov. 15 to wgstconference@truman.edu in PDF or word document form.

Career Center

Upcoming Events

RubinBrown On-Campus Interviews

Sept. 16
Career Center

WireCo WorldGroup Info Table

Sept. 16
Violette Hall Commons

Boeing Business Systems Data Warehouse Info Table

Sept. 16
Violette Hall-Computer Science

Art Serratelli, Immigration Attorney

6 p.m.
Sept. 17
Student Union Building Conference Room (SUB 3000)

Mueller Prost On-Campus Interviews

Sept. 19
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Deloitte On-Campus Interviews

Sept. 19
Career Center

KPMG On-Campus Interviews

Sept. 20
Career Center

UHY On-Campus Interviews

Sept. 23
Career Center

"Preparing for Law School", UMKC Law School

Sept. 23
5:30-7 p.m.
Baldwin Hall 156

Novogradac and Company, LLC On-Campus Interviews

Sept. 24
Career Center
[Grad School Prep](#) (registration required)

Ernst & Young On-Campus Interviews

Sept. 25
Career Center
[Grad School Prep](#) (registration required)

PWC On-Campus Interviews

Career Center
Sept. 26
[How to Work a Career Fair/Networking](#) (pre-registration recommended)

Career Week Kickoff/Fireside Friday

Sept. 27

Career and Grad School Week

Sept. 30-Oct. 3

Emerson Electric On-Campus Interviews

Oct. 1
Career Center

Total Quality Logistics Info Table

Oct. 1
Violette Hall Commons

Career & Grad School Expo

Oct. 2

Aldi Intern Info Meeting

6:30-7:30 p.m.
Oct. 8
Violette Hall 1010

Scholarship Opportunities

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AES Engineers is committed to continuing its support of higher education by providing scholarships to deserving students. To be eligible the student needs to answer one of the essay questions that they will find online at aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm. A \$500 scholarship will be awarded on the basis of character, as determined by evaluating the essays that are submitted. Deadline for entry is Oct. 4.

CCIS has three scholarship awards available for the Spring 2014 semester in the amount of \$1,000 each. The deadline for nominations is Oct. 14. For more information, visit the Study Abroad office in Kirk Building 114.

Montana State University is sponsoring three scholarship opportunities available for the Spring 2014 semester. A \$500 scholarship is available for study abroad to Morocco at Al-Akhawayn University. The deadline to apply for this scholarship is Oct. 1. Another scholarship is available for \$1,000 to study abroad at Kingston University in England. This deadline is also Oct. 1. The University of Canterbury in New Zealand is offering various scholarship amounts (up to \$2,000). The deadline for this scholarship is Nov. 1. For more information, contact Alyson Roberts at 406.994.7044 or at alyson.roberts@montana.edu.

A-Z Printing has announced a scholarship opportunity for students in the amount of \$1,000. More information about this "Impact a Life" college scholarship may be found at raffleticket.com/raffle-tickets-scholarship.html. Deadline to apply is Dec. 31.

Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, Inc., are offering scholarships for the 2014-2015 academic year. Last year they awarded more than \$10,000 in scholarships to Missouri students. Two students selected by the Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri will be submitted to Central Region as an applicant and to National Garden Clubs Inc. as a Missouri applicant, and will compete for a Central Region and National Scholarship. Scholarship application is available on the website at www.gardenclub.org/scholarships. Deadline to apply is March 1, 2014.

GetDirectTV.org is offering a \$2,500 blogging scholarship to incoming undergraduates at an accredited college or university who write and publish a blog post describing some way television has influenced their post-graduate career aspirations. Interested students can apply at www.getdirecttv.org/tv-scholarship.html. Entries are due no later than 5 p.m. EST on April 30, 2014.