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FIFTH ANNUAL FACULTY & STAFF FAVORITE BOOK SERIES

Ryle North Residential College requests submissions for the Fifth Annual Faculty and Staff Favorite Book Series, inaugurated to promote a discussion and appreciation of reading.

In a few lines, explain why you would recommend a book to a friend, colleague or student. The book may be inspirational or just plain fun to read.

Choices will be advertised via notices on cafeteria tables, newspaper advertisements and the spring show in Pickler Memorial Library.

Please send submissions to Christopher Gregory, Ryle Hall 225.

Jim Sears Leadership Scholarship To Assist Truman Students



Gov. Mel Carnahan signed a bill on June 26 that honors the late Jim Sears, representative from the first legislative district from 1994-1996. The bill establishes 10 \$1,000 leadership scholarships at his alma mater, Truman State University. He received a bachelor's degree in 1982.

Beginning this fall, the Jim Sears Leadership Scholarship will be awarded to entering Truman freshmen who have shown a strong record of leadership or community service from throughout Missouri's congressional districts. Truman will match the state's contribution by providing funds to renew the scholarship for each recipient through the senior year.

Sears, who was reelected as the unconstituted Democratic incumbent in November 1996, was killed in a car accident on Nov. 27, 1996. The Memphis, Mo., native represented Schuyler, Scotland, Knox, Lewis and Clark counties.



Pictured above are Speaker of the House Steve Gaw, Rep. Don Summers, Rep. Ted Farnen, Gov. Mel Carnahan, Rep. Karl DeMarce, Debbie Sears, Kelsey Sears, Rodney Sears, Ruthie Sears, Rep. Robert Clayton, Wilma Maddox, president of Truman's Board of Governors, and President Jack Magruder.

The state of Missouri seeks to honor the late Jim Sears, state representative from the first legislative district, by establishing a leadership scholarship at Truman State University.

The first Sears scholars are Sara Bessinger of Raytown, Drew Donovan of Sikeston, Jason Drinen of Herculaneum, Amy Highley of Webb City, Erica Hubbard of St. Louis, Thomas O'Brien of Florissant, Vanessa Pierson of Clinton, Mitchell Prather of Memphis, Elizabeth Schumann of Centralia and Jaclyn York of Lancaster.

New Imprint To Publish Winners Of T. S. Eliot Prize And More

Thomas Jefferson University Press at Truman State University is pleased to announce the formation of New Odyssey Press, an imprint which will publish winners of the T. S. Eliot Prize for Poetry as well as other titles in poetry.

The first book to be published bearing the New Odyssey imprint is William Baer's *The Unfortunates*, winner of the 1997 T. S. Eliot Prize. In addition to publishing winners of the T. S. Eliot Prize, New Odyssey will publish a series of poetry books, selected works of poetry criticism, and a journal of poetry and poetry reviews titled *New Odyssey Review*. New Odyssey will also inherit previous titles in poetry published by Thomas Jefferson University Press, including *The Burning of Los Angeles*, by Samuel Maio, and *Kangaroo Paws*, by David Ray, two-time winner of the William Carlos Williams Award.

New Odyssey Press welcomes unsolicited book-length manuscripts of original poetry, translations, or criticism accompanied by a cover letter and SASE. For the *New Odyssey Review*, submit no more than

10 poems accompanied by a cover letter and SASE. Submissions of photography and other artwork are also welcome. Reporting time varies. New Odyssey Press will select for publication only the best creative and critical works in poetry (including translations), works worthy of leading the American poetic tradition into the next millennium with vision, sincerity, and integrity. Interested authors, artists, or photographers who want more information should contact Timothy Rolands with the Thomas Jefferson University Press.

Thomas Jefferson University Press was established at Truman State University in 1986. The press has published more than 60 trade and scholarly titles in the humanities and social sciences, including important series and serials like *Sixteenth Century Essays and Studies*, the *Peter Martyr Library*, *Mediterranean Studies* and the *Bethsaida Excavations Project*.



Thomas Jefferson University Press has announced the publication of *The Unfortunates* by William Baer, winner of the 1997 T. S. Eliot Prize for Poetry. The New Odyssey Press, which was recently formed as a division of the Thomas Jefferson University Press, will publish winners of the T. S. Eliot Prize for Poetry as well as other titles in poetry.

Notes

Homecoming apparel is still available in the CAOC. T-shirts cost \$5; sweatshirts, \$10.

The Take Five Gamesroom is open for the summer. Enjoy newly surfaced pool tables and new video games, including Tetris, AirBusters and JakBot. Take Five is open daily at 9 a.m., Student Union lower level.

A volunteer tutor is needed for a mature woman with reading deficiencies. The outgoing individual must be able to tutor between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. For more information, contact Charlotte at 627.4480.

Volunteers are needed to assist with directing and parking cars during the NEMO Fair, July 21-26. Interested persons should contact David Parish at 785.2355 or 665.8897.

Volunteers are needed to work with children at a local organization, noon-3 p.m. Activities include planning outdoor activities, field trips and some supervising of children, ages five and up. Individuals should be creative, outgoing and enjoy children of all ages. Interested individuals should contact Miles Kelly at 665.5437 for more information.

Truman Today is published weekly on Mondays. Deadline for entries is 3 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Monday's publication. Entries should be submitted on the *Truman Today* forms available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 202. Activities listed in *Truman Today* are open to the public.

Notables

Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence and professor of comparative literature, has a poem, "Bequest: Coat to the Pompidou," appearing in the summer issue of *Rattle*, a Los Angeles magazine. Barnes is the subject of a long essay in *Native American Writers of the United States* (Dictionary of Literary Biography, Volume 175), published this spring by Gale Research.

Christopher Lantz, assistant professor of health and exercise science, had his article "Factors Influencing the Home Field Advantage in Sports: A Literature Review" published in the spring 1997 issue of the *IAHPERD Journal*.

Miles Lovelace, professor of education and associate vice president for academic affairs, in early June served on a national panel of readers to select from 1,336 nominations the Sallie Mae First Class Teacher Awards, which honors the outstanding first-year teacher in each of the 50 states.

On Campus

JULY

15 TUESDAY
noon-1 p.m.—**How to De-Stress Your Family Vacation,** a Wellness Luncheon Program, SUB Spanish Room. RSVP to Human Resources at 785-4031.

18 FRIDAY
11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m.—**Barbecue on the Mall**