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Rep. Chuck Graham to Present Address at Truman's Summer Commencement

"The Miss Firecracker Contest"

*a play by
Beth Henley*



8 p.m.

Aug. 2, 3 & 4

*Baldwin Hall
Little Theatre*

Free admission.

Rep. Chuck Graham, in his third term as a member of the Missouri House of Representatives, will be the speaker for Truman's summer commencement ceremony at 6:30 p.m., Aug. 4, on the Quad. Graham is a nationally renowned public speaker who travels throughout the state and nation, motivating people to get involved with their communities. He has the distinction of being the first wheelchair user ever elected to the Missouri House of Representatives.

Rep. Graham, a Democrat from Columbia, serves on the Board of Directors for Missouri Protection and Advocacy Services as well as the Governor's Personal Independence Commission, the Governor's Council on Disability, and on the Missouri Supreme Court's Committee on the Courts and the



Disabled. He also serves as chair for the Missouri Assistive Technology Council.

Prior to being elected as a state official, Graham worked as the Missouri Coordinator for the ADA Project at the University of Missouri-Columbia. He was responsible for providing training and technical assistance to business, state and local governments and people with disabilities across the state.

Graham is a 1987 graduate of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he earned his bachelor of science degree in journalism. As an undergraduate, he received the Harold Scharper Service award and the George Huff award for proficiency in scholarship and athletics.

In 2000, Graham was named Legislator of the Year by the Disabled Citizens Alliance for Independence and was presented the Human Rights and Diversity Award from the University of Missouri. In 1998 he was honored, along with actor Christopher Reeve, by Gateway to a Cure for the work he has done to improve opportunities for people with disabilities.

Truman Volunteers Assist at NEMO Fair

A number of Truman faculty, staff and student workers once again volunteered to assist the NEMO Fair Committee by working at the gates for one day of the fair.

Those who worked this year included the following: Elaine Scudder, Dona Bailey, Teresa Lorey, Connie Thomas, Gwen Perrachione, John Perrachione, Kristin Sollars, Keri Smith, Melody Chambers, Charles Hunsaker, Paula McCartney, Barb Clark, Jack Magruder, Joyce Brown, Jill Harlan, Traci Hill, Peter Hough, Susan Guffey, Holly Christy, Julie

Treasure, Heidi Templeton, Linda Gordon, Denise Watson, Stephanie Chipman, Wayne Chipman, Lana Dowell, Amanda Jones, Tricia Brown, Carrie Catlett, Kevin White, Nancy Majewski, Sylvia Macauley, Tim Barcus, Casey Morse, Paul Detweiler, Gordon Gregory, Marc Becker,

Winston Vanderhoof, Daisy Rearick, Sachiho Takabatche, Krista Romportl, Erika Hernandez, Maureen Slaughter, Diane Henebry, Becky Henebry, Shannon Wise, Reon Sines, Jeremiah Finn, Phil Worley, Amanda White and Betsy White.

Notables

Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence and professor of comparative literature, has been appointed to the Literature Committee of the Missouri Arts Council. The committee is responsible for recommending funding levels for organizations that apply for MAC grants in literature.

John Ishiyama, associate professor of political science, and Ryan Kennedy, spring 2001 graduate in political science from Excelsior Springs, Mo., had their article "Superpresidentialism and Political Party Development in Russia, Ukraine, Armenia and Kyrgyzstan" accepted for publication in *Europe-Asia Studies* (a journal formerly titled *Soviet Studies*). In addition, Ishiyama had his article "Party Organization and the Political Success of the Communist Successor Parties" accepted for publication in the journal *Social Science Quarterly*.

Patrick Lecaque, director of the Center for International Education Abroad and professor of French, recently assisted in securing an \$80,000 grant for the 2001-2002 year from the Annette Kade Charitable Trust. The grant will provide \$72,000 in scholarships for Truman students studying in France and for French students from Truman's partner institutions who will

study at Truman next year.

Steve Schnurbusch, an accounting major from Perryville, Mo., placed first in the Accounting Principles competition at the Phi Beta Lambda National Conference in Orlando, Fla. At the same conference, **Kris Kueker, a business major also from Perryville**, placed sixth in the nation in the Business Law academic competition. Both students completed an hour-long examination of the respective subject matter and their national ranks were based upon the scores received on those examinations.

Michael Redding, senior business major from Lake Zurich, Ill., and **Sophie McKay, sophomore math/theatre major from Montreal, Quebec**, represented Truman at the NCAA Foundation Leadership Conference. Redding is a running back on the football team and McKay is a swimmer.

Erin Smith, sophomore political science major from Bettendorf, Iowa, was crowned Miss Iowa 2001 at the Adler Theater in Davenport, Iowa, in June. She is also the reigning Miss Mississippi Valley Fair queen and will advance to the Miss America Pageant in September in Atlantic City, N.J. Her talent was piano and her issue platform was children's literacy.

Spring Graduates Earn President's Recognition Award

The President's Recognition Award is given annually to graduating seniors who have achieved the 97th percentile or above on the required nationally normed senior exam prescribed by faculty in the respective major field. The honor, which was initiated in 1998, is also listed in the recipient's transcripts.

Spring 2001 graduates receiving the honor included Adam Aderton, Lori Anderson, Erica Asher, John Ayres, Sarah Barnard, Rachel Beckett, Todd Birkenhotz, Rebecca Byers, Jennifer Cole, Erin DeSutter, Jeremy Driskill, Paul Fagyal, Grant Farmer.

Kyle Fieleke, Jeremiah Finn, Matthew Franker, Chad Froelker, Jason Greene, Laurie Griego, John Haney, Angelia Harrelson, Jeremy Haupt, Abby Heckman, David Hedrick, Joshua Highley, Jason

Hubbard, Jessica Johnkoski, Timothy Jones, Kirk Kasicki, Ryan Kennedy, Ryan Koonce, Phillip Kopf.

Heather Mackie, Suzanne Maddy, Ross Martin, Timothy Martin, Elizabeth McCracken, Dustin McMahon, Kyle McQuisten, Kevin McWilliams, Shane Mecham, Brian Meyer, Chris Moran, Michelle Morrison.

Mary Niehoff, Maureen Pardo, Eric Reuther, Craig Rich, Christopher Ross, Jamie Rost, Jason Savage, Kurt Schafers, Jason Scherfenberg, Andrew Schultz, Erica Scranton, Elizabeth Shivelbine, Derek Smith, John Sparks, Lia Starnier, Lauren Svoboda, Jennifer Swain, Janelle Tufts.

Darin Wagner, Seth Westby, David Westmeyer, Donald Wray, Michelle Wray, Elizabeth Young and Leah Zoumaras.

Energy Tip

To help conserve energy, in areas with window air conditioners, please turn them off over night, and before weekends and holidays. If your unit has a timer, please set it to be off during the unoccupied periods. These units require a lot of electricity.

Notes

Lunch will be served through Aug. 3 from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. in Ryle Hall Cafeteria while Mainstreet Market is undergoing renovations. All you can eat and drink for \$3.50. Mainstreet Market will be closed through Aug. 11.

Lt. Gov. Joe Maxwell will facilitate an information session on the Missouri Prescription Drug Task Force from 10 a.m. until noon, Aug. 2, in the KCOM Mehegan Classroom. Everyone from the Truman community is invited to attend.

Your eyes are not playing tricks on you!

On August 6, Truman's newly created homepage will be live. Truman's homepage and top level pages are traditionally reviewed and updated during the summer months.