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ON BEHALF OF THE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS,  
YOU ARE CORDIALLY  
INVITED TO A RECEPTION  
AND DINNER HONORING  
PRESIDENT JACK  
MAGRUDER  
JUNE 28, 2003  
RECEPTION  
5 P.M.  
SUB QUIET LOUNGE

DINNER  
6 P.M.  
SUB GEORGIAN ROOM  
\$12 PER PERSON  
Reservations are required.  
Call 785.4016  
to check seating availability.

RECEPTION  
FOR THOSE UNABLE TO  
ATTEND DINNER  
1:30-3:30 P.M.  
JUNE 30  
UNIVERSITY RESIDENCE

FAREWELL RECEPTION  
DEAN VAN GALEN  
*vice president for  
University advancement and  
professor of chemistry*  
3-5 p.m. • June 24  
SUB Alumni Room

He has accepted a position as  
vice president of development  
at the University of West  
Florida.  
R.S.V.P. required.

## President Jack Magruder to be Honored at Retirement Dinner

Retiring Truman President Jack Magruder will be honored at a reception and dinner scheduled for June 28, 2003. The reception will begin at 5 p.m. in the Student Union Building



Quiet Lounge. Dinner will follow at 6 p.m. in the Student Union Building Georgian Room. Cost for the dinner is \$12 per person and reservations are required. To check seating availability, please call 785.4016. For those who are not able to attend the dinner, a reception will be held from 1:30-3:30 p.m., June 30, at the University Residence.

Magruder became the 13th president of Truman State University on July 1, 1994. Magruder began his career at Truman in 1964 as an assistant professor of chemistry. During his 22 years on the faculty, he

achieved the rank of professor before serving as head of the Division of Science from 1986 to 1989. In 1989, Magruder was named acting dean of instruction and was later given the permanent appointment of vice president for academic affairs, the position he held when he was named president.

Magruder received his doctorate in chemistry and science education from the University of Northern Colorado. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry and mathematics from Truman State University and a Master of Arts degree in chemistry and science education from the University of Northern Iowa. He completed additional graduate work at Louisiana State University.

Magruder is married to Sue Brimer Magruder. Sue is a graduate of Truman State University as are their three children, Julie Magruder Lochbaum, Kerry Magruder and Laura Magruder Mann.

## TSUP Publishes Book about Victorian America

The Truman State University Press has announced the release of "Victorian America: A Family Record from the Heartland" by Margaret Baker Graham.

Life in Victorian America is richly detailed in this domestic history of one middle-class family from Missouri. Graham draws from an extensive collection of letters, journals, Bible entries, receipts, newspaper clippings and photographs from 1860 to 1902 to portray the family of boarding house proprietor Margaret Bruin Machette. These letters of Margaret Machette, her four children, and other correspondents focus primarily on familial devotion, deep religious faith, the constancy of work, and a commitment to education in Victorian America. The letters inevitably include ref-

erences to critical points in American history such as Lincoln's assassination, Jesse James' robberies, controversial political elections, and the Civil War, with an emphasis on how war, epidemics, and drought affected the Machette family.

Graham was born in Fulton, Mo. She is a professor of English at Iowa State University.

Teresa Wheeler, manager of publications, designed the book cover and Judith Sharp, production editor at TSUP, designed the book layout.

Truman State University Press publishes about 10 books each year, specializing in early modern studies, regional studies, and poetry. Contact the Truman State University Press at 785.7336 for more information.

## Notables

**Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence and professor of comparative literature**, has had his poem "Return to La Plata, Missouri" scheduled for publication in "Literature: A Portable Anthology" (Bedford/St.Martin's Press, December 2003). He also is this month's featured poet for The Hyper Texts, an online journal. View his page at <http://www.TheHyperTexts.com>. Barnes also has had his poem titled "Skipping" accepted for publication in "Red, White,

and Blues: Poetic Vistas on the Promise of America," to be published by the University of Iowa Press in 2004. Beginning in September 2003 Barnes will be distinguished professor of English at Brigham Young University.

**Betty L. McLane-Iles, professor of French**, has had her poem "Eastward" published in the annual spring issue of the Missouri Writers' Guild, "Well-Versed."

## Notes

**Sodexo will have a picnic on the mall** from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. June 27. The main entrees will be marinated chicken breast for \$5, half pound hamburger for \$4.50 or pork steak for \$5. There will be additional picnics on the mall on July 11 and July 25.

**Pickler Memorial Library and the Student Recreation Center will vary their operating hours for Independence Day.** Pickler Memorial Library will be open from 1-5 p.m. July 4. Regular summer hours will resume July 5. The Student Recreation Center will be closed July 4-6. Regular summer hours will resume July 7. For more information, contact Pickler Memorial Library at 785.4038 and the Student Recreation Center at 785.4847.

**The July Staff Development Program will introduce eRecruiting**, a new way to post student job vacancies online. The presentation is scheduled for 1:30 p.m., July 17, in VH 1000. R.S.V.P. at <http://hr.truman.edu/staffdev> or call Human Resources at 785.4031.

**Graduation applications for graduate students** are due in the Graduate Office, MC 203, by Aug. 1 for December graduation. **The Writing Center, located in MC 303, is open this summer** from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Monday-Friday for consultations on your writing projects. Stop by or call them at 785.4484 for more information or to make an appointment. Walk-ins are always welcome, but appointments are appreciated.

## Scholarship Opportunity Available

A scholarship opportunity is currently available to Truman students.

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is now offering an Environmental Education Scholarship Program (EESP) to minority and underrepresented students pursuing a bachelor or master's degree in an environmental-related field of study.

Applicants must be a Missouri resident and a high school graduate who maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Students must be enrolled (and remain) as a full-time student in a Missouri post-secondary institution with a GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale and also maintain that GPA requirement throughout the duration

of the scholarship. They also must submit three letters of recommendation (one from a counselor, principal or college adviser), a one-page essay explaining why EESP is desired, a listing and summary of school and community activities, transcripts and ACT/SAT scores.

Students studying in areas such as: engineering (chemical, mechanical, agricultural and environmental), environmental (geology, biology, wildlife management, planning, etc.), chemistry or law enforcement (environmental law enforcement) are urged to apply.

Applications must be postmarked by July 1.

During the summer, the *Truman Today* is a biweekly publication. The next issue will be July 7. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Monday's publication. Entries should be submitted by sending an e-mail to [ksvoboda@truman.edu](mailto:ksvoboda@truman.edu) or by completing a *Truman Today* form available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 102. The form also may be accessed online at <http://trumantoday.truman.edu/submissionform.pdf>.

## On Campus

**24 TUESDAY**  
3-5 p.m.-**Dean Van Galen Farewell Reception, SUB Alumni Room**; see Page 1

**27 FRIDAY**  
5:30 p.m.-**First five-week graduate classes end**

**28 SATURDAY**  
1:30 p.m.-**Board of Governors Meeting, SUB Conference Room**  
5 p.m.-**President Jack Magruder's Reception, SUB Quiet Lounge**; see Page 1

6 p.m.-**President Jack Magruder's Retirement Dinner, SUB Georgian Room**; see Page 1

**30 MONDAY**  
7:30 a.m.-**Second five-week graduate classes begin**  
1:30-3:30 p.m.-**President Jack Magruder's Reception, University Residence**; see Page 1

**4 FRIDAY**  
**Independence Day-**  
**No classes, offices closed**

**The Public Relations Office is looking for volunteers to work the gate July 22 for Truman Day at the NEMO Fair.**

Shifts begin at 5:45 a.m. and run for three hours each, ending at 10:30 p.m.

Call 785.4016 or stop by the Public Relations Office to sign up.

Volunteers will receive a free day pass to the fair.