A Day in Truman’s History

Name Change Legislation

Ten years ago on June 15, 1995, University administrators and Board members, legislators, CBHE representatives, alumni and friends gathered with Gov. Mel Carnahan in his office in Jefferson City, Mo., for the official bill signing of the legislation which changed the University’s name to Truman State University, effective July 1, 1996.

Ten years earlier on June 20, 1985, Gov. John Ashcroft signed legislation effective Jan. 1, 1986, that changed the University mission from a regional university to a statewide public liberal arts and science university.

“Ten years ago this month, Northeast received a new statewide mission as Missouri’s liberal arts and sciences university,” Carnahan said in 1995. “Since that time, the University’s success has exceeded all expectations - bringing great credit to the school and the state of Missouri. On the 10th anniversary of this historic event, I am honored to sign legislation that will give one of the nation’s best public universities a name that complements its statewide mission.”

Thirty-Two Graduates Named Valedictorians

Thirty-two graduates received top honors at Truman’s spring 2005 commencement ceremony May 14 at Stokes Stadium.

Each valedictorian had a perfect 4.0 grade point average for all subjects.

Truman Students Teach Introductory Unit on Missouri to Ray Miller Students, Present Flag to Principal

Truman State University students Laura Tabor, junior English and pre-education double major from West Des Moines, Iowa; Christine McNichols, junior English and pre-education double major from Ballwin, Mo.; Shea Roberts, junior communication disorders and pre-education double major from Platte City, Mo.; and Stefanie Tune, sophomore psychology and pre-education double major from St. Charles, Mo.; presented a Missouri flag to Ray Miller Elementary School Principal Marianne Farr May 24 in front of the elementary school.

The Truman students taught an introductory unit on Missouri concentrating on famous people, landforms and major cities in conjunction with Truman’s Clinical Experiences in Teaching interim class.

As a final activity with the third grade students in the classes of Janet Hanley, Carol Fox and Jeneen Brown, the Truman students treated the third-graders to ice cream cones, which the students learned were introduced at the 1904 St. Louis World’s Fair.

Truman Music Groups Travel Abroad

The Truman State University Cantoria and Brass Ensemble embarked on a two-week tour of Italy and Greece May 18.

Twenty-eight Truman students and three Truman faculty members participated in the tour, which included concert performances as well as visits to museums, churches and other tourist activities.

Each student prepared a presentation on some aspect of the music or culture of Greece and Italy for the class-component of the tour. Some students completed their presentation on campus, while others made their presentation “on site.”

Mark Jennings, assistant professor of music and director of choral activities, led the choir. The Brass Ensemble and Cantoria performed separately and together for the concerts. Jacqueline Collett, associate professor of music, and Greg Jones, professor of music, also performed a soprano and trumpet duet.

The program included works by Palestrina, Schütz, Croce, Scarlatti and Bach, as well as selections of world music and several American folk songs and spirituals.

The group’s itinerary included Lake Garda, Venice, Cremona, Florence, Lucca, Sienna and Jesi in Italy, and Corfu, Delphi, Athens and Corinth in Greece. The tour concluded with a concert at the American College in Athens before they returned home June 1.
Faculty, Students Present at MSHA Convention

Truman faculty and students presented at the Missouri Speech Language Hearing Association (MSHA) Convention that took place April 8-10 in Osage Beach, Mo.

Kathryn Sucher, communication disorders graduate student from Ballwin, Mo., presented “Pacing Board Use to Reduce an Adult with MR and HI’s Rate.”

Rebecca Jones, communication disorders graduate student from Maywood, Mo., presented “Improving Accuracy Judgement for Adult Articulation Client.”

Taran May, communication disorders graduate student from Chillicothe, Mo., presented “Teaching Sign to a Preschooler with Down’s Syndrome.”

Jessica R. Schmidt, senior communication disorders and music double major from Raymore, Mo., presented “Effects of Music and Rhythm on Disfluencies of a 5-Year-Old Child.”

Johanna Conine, communication disorders graduate student from Chillicothe, Mo., presented “Teaching Sign to a Preschooler with Down’s Syndrome.”

Sarah Bailey, communication disorders graduate student from Lenexa, Kan., presented “Teaching Hand-Over-Hand ASL to a Toddler with Down’s Syndrome.”

Jesse Bohlmeyer, communication disorders graduate student from Centralia, Mo., presented “Carryover Effect of Two Treatments on Speech Rate.”

Jennifer L. Smith, communication disorders graduate student from Clarksville, Mo., presented “Effect of Computer-based Biofeedback on /s/ in Isolation.”

Paula Cochran, professor of communication disorders, was the faculty mentor for the poster sessions for Sucher, Jones, May, Conine, Bailey, Bohlmeyer and Smith. Amy F. Wilson, assistant professor of communication disorders, was the faculty mentor for Schmidt’s poster session presentation.

Several students also gave oral presentations at the MSHA 2005 convention.

Sucher presented “Comprehension Deficits in People with DAT Due to Syntactic Complexity.” Wilson was her faculty mentor for this presentation.

Rachel Suddarth, communication disorders graduate student from Kansas City, Mo., presented “Gender and Narration: Are Differences Discernable.”

Stephanie Bertel, communication disorders graduate student from Oakville, Mo., presented “Hand-Over-Hand Versus Modeling: Training ASL to Hearing Infants.”

Bailey presented “Parent Involvement in Early Childhood Assessment.”

Janet Gooch, associate professor and director of communication disorders, was the faculty mentor for Suddarth, Bertel and Bailey.

Faculty members also presented at the MSHA 2005 convention.

Cochran presented “Generating Therapy Materials with your Computer” and “Identifying Candidates for Speech Recognition Use.”

Gooch presented “How to Use Standardized Tests Without Getting Testy.”

Wilson presented “Communication Ability Changes Due to Normal Aging.”

Scholarship Opportunity Available

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is offering an Environmental Education Scholarship Program (EESP) designed to provide scholarships to minority and other underrepresented students pursuing a bachelor’s or master’s degree in an environmental course of study.

Applicants must be current Missouri residents and graduates of an accredited high school. Applicants also must have a cumulative high school grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or if enrolled in college, have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and enrolled as full-time students in a Missouri post-secondary institution.

Qualified candidates must be pursuing a degree in one of the following areas of study: civil, chemical, mechanical, agricultural engineering or environmental engineering; environmental areas such as geology, biology, wildlife management, planning, some aspect of a natural resource management or a closely related field; environmental chemistry or environmental law enforcement.

Applications are available in the Truman State University Financial Aid Office located in McClain Hall 103. Applications are due July 1.

Eighteen Students Receive General Honors

Eighteen students received General Honors May 13. The students who received their medals include (front row left to right) Ryan Walsh, Erica Campbell, Amenyedu Adovor, Sarah Smith and Laura Whitted; (middle row left to right) Mark Swanson, Jeanette Jackson, Virginia Noiker, Jason Weber, Veronica Ory and Abigail Souders; (back row left to right) Sarah Starnes, Joanne Appleby, Steven Jones, Micah Hainline, Christopher Bay, Evan Merrell and Jack Rodemann.
Students Place at 99th Percentile on CAAP and Academic Profile Exams

The following Truman students placed at the 99th percentile on either the Academic Profile or at least one module of the Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) exam during the fall 2004 or spring 2005 semesters.

The Academic Profile is a test of general academic knowledge and skills. The test covers three academic areas - humanities, social sciences and natural sciences - measuring college-level reading, writing, critical thinking and mathematics.

The CAAP consists of five objective test modules - writing, mathematics, reading, critical thinking and science reasoning. Students are randomly assigned to take three of the five modules.

The following students placed at the 99th percentile on the Academic Profile during the spring 2005 testing administration: Amanda Bail, Kristi Baur, Jordan Bergsten, Emily Chadwick, Erin Clark, Shea Cleveland, Jennifer Crawford, John Durham, Lucy Eberhard, Christopher Edwards, Eran Feintuch, Justine Finney, Shaine Griggs, Kristin Harkins, Maryellen Harman, Marek Haruzka, Lara Hause, Rebecca Hoelting, Aaron Hotfelder, Matthew Johnson, Ryan Johnson, Josh Kelly, Rebecca Maddox, Kendra Marner, Katherine Neville, Matthew Seibert, Katie Simonds, Maria Spilker, Danielle Stacy, Paul Strauss, Daniel Tucker, Emily Turner, Kathleen Warrington, Andrew Whelehon, Heidi Willhauck and Stefan Wittenauer.

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Tanya Horvath placed in the 99th percentile on the writing, reading and science modules of the CAAP exam. She was the only student to place at the 99th percentile on three modules.

The following students placed at the 99th percentile on two CAAP exam modules during the spring 2005 semester administration: Jesse Holt, Dennis Trinkle, Julia Redford, Melanie Dunn, Kevin Dyke, Katherine Eusey, Lauren Johnson, Megan Kennedy, Katherine Langston, Kevin Martin, Jennifer Miller, Carla Pepmiller, Kelly Reed, Jonathan Baker, Joseph Donahay, Holly Magdziarz, James Park, Jeffrey Scott, Allison Shaffer and Lacey Sloan.


The following students placed at the 99th percentile on two CAAP exam modules during the fall 2004 semester administration: John Allen, Megan Lenahan, Chad Cooley, Douglas Worley, David Teeters, Oliver Penrose, Kyle Hirschman, Casey Carroll, Dean Dennehy, Erin Murphy, Jennifer Jones, Paul Blessing, Erin Fry, Amanda Cone and Amanda Barr.

The following students placed at the 99th percentile on one CAAP exam module during the fall 2004 semester administration: John Allen, Megan Lenahan, Chad Cooley, Douglas Worley, David Teeters, Oliver Penrose, Kyle Hirschman, Casey Carroll, Dean Dennehy, Erin Murphy, Jennifer Jones, Paul Blessing, Erin Fry, Amanda Cone and Amanda Barr.

The next issue of the Truman Today will be June 20. The Truman Today is printed biweekly during the summer. Submissions for this issue are due by June 15 to kbest@truman.edu.

The Staff Council Spirit Committee will meet to discuss having a Truman entry in Kirksville’s All American Red, White and Blue parade. The parade will take place at 3 p.m., July 4, in downtown Kirksville. The committee will meet at 10 a.m., June 8, at Mainstreet Market. Staff members who are interested in volunteering their time or supplies for the parade entry should attend this meeting. Contact Kimberly Iitus at kitus@truman.edu if you would like to help and cannot attend this meeting.

Summer Food Service Hours

Monday-Friday
Mainstreet Market
8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Jazzman’s Coffee Shop
8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Freshën’s Ice Cream & Smoōthie Shop
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday
closed

During the summer, the Truman Today is a biweekly publication. The next issue will be June 20. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Monday’s publication. Entries should be submitted by sending an e-mail to kbest@truman.edu or by completing a truman today form available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 101. The form may also be accessed online at http://trumantoday.truman.edu/submissionform.pdf. All submissions are subject to editing for clarity and style.
Truman Faculty, Staff Honored at Service Recognition Banquet

In the photo at right are the 2004-2005 retirees honored at the recognition banquet (seated left to right) Deanna Gonnerman, Karen Croarkin, Kathy Rieck, and Mary Giovannini; (standing left to right) Regina Lindhorst, David Bethel, Fontaine Piper, John Erhart and JoAnn Weekley. Not pictured are Robert Cummings, Joan Hunter, Larry Hunter, John Sapko, Judy Sapko and Kenneth Strahm.

In the photo above is the 40 year anniversary honoree Ronald Knight.

In the photo below is the 35 year anniversary honoree Lanny Morley.

In the photo above are the 30 year anniversary honorees (seated left to right) Fred Shaffer, Rebecca McClanahan and Douglas Winicker. Not pictured are Sal Costa and Jerry Mayhew.

In the photo above are the 25 year anniversary honorees (seated left to right) Candy Young, Karen McClaskey, Connie Jacobs, Vinita Dew, Gwen Perrachione and Wayne Bailey; (standing left to right) Dana Delaware, Charles Parks, Susan Shoaff-Ballanger, Elaine DeJovin, Garry Gordon, Seymour Patterson, RaMona Davis and Scott Ellis. Not pictured are Michele Breault, Deborah Frye and David Robbins.

In the photo above are the 20 year anniversary honorees (seated left to right) Joyce Brown, Joyce Burnett, Melody Chambers, Dana Safley and Linda Phillips; (standing left to right) Susan Guffey, Scott Olsen, Von Abbott, Mustafa Sawani and James Harmon. Not pictured are Robert Kelsey, Ralph Miller, Stephen Pollard and Joy Pugh.
In the photo at left are the 15 year anniversary honorees (seated left to right) Kimberly Titus, Mohammad Samiullah, Catherine Poyner, Peter Rolnick and Keith Harrison; (standing left to right) Cynthia Cooper, David Schutter, Carroll Hills, Brenda Higgins, Randy Hagerty, Marsha Cook, David Gillette, Silvia Pites, Barry Poyner, Anne Moody, John Bohac and Diane Janick-Buckner. Not pictured are Alcidean Arias, Brent Buckner, Tim Farley, Suren Fernando, John Ishiyama, Terry Olson, Kevin Potter, Irene Richardson, David Robinson and Rodney Taylor.

In the photo at right are the 10 year anniversary honorees (seated left to right) Evonne Bird, Michael Bird, Brenda Moore, Debbie Maize, Doug Davenport and Eduardo Velasco; (standing left to right) Elisabeth Hooper, Meredith McCannon, Michael McManis, Melody Jennings, Richard Coughlin, Sally West, Chris Lantz, Liz Bradley, Warren Wells, Kathy Williams, Sheila Garlock and Tim Barcus. Not pictured are Marijke Brauning, Jay Bulen, Sally Cook, Julia DeLancey, Janet Gooch, Brenda Killen, Priscilla Riggle, Larry Rogers, Lynn Rose, Sharon Russell, John Sloop and Linda Yager.

In the photo above are the 5 year anniversary honorees (seated left to right) Lena Reardon, Michael Bump, Andrea O’Brien, Deborah Engen, Dereck Daschke, Glen Ketterlinus, Danion Doman and Marjorie McFarland; (first row standing left to right) Pamela Ryan, Vicki Falls, Brenda Wheeler, Pamela Gardner, Jennifer Jesse, Julie Burns, Lana Dowell, Joaquin Maldonado-Class and Donna Combs; (second row standing left to right) Howard Worcester, Phil Jorn, H. Martin Jayne, Dale Blesz, Matthew Beaky, Taner Edis, Charles Hunsaker, David Garth and Jill Graves; (back row left to right) Denise Smith, Sarah Mohler, Hyun-Joo Kim, Scott Alberts, Vern Hall, Upendra Kulkarni, Scott Thatcher, Charles Dormey and Kelly Bryant. Not pictured are Randy Bame, Michael (Scott) Burt, Crista Chappell, Steven Chappell, Tim Deidrick, Marne Fauser, Kenny Gates, David Hudnall, Priya Kambli, Peter Kelly, Michelle Kleine, Andrew Klyukovski, Alexander Koch, Sam Minner, Jana Morton, Colleen Murphy, Marie Orton, Donna Patterson, Toby Peavler, Steven Peeler, Kathleen Powell, Lawrence Scully, Thomas Tegtmeyer, Alex Tetlak, Juan Valencia and Stephen Wynn.