Scrivens Create Student Emergency Fund with $200,000 Campaign Gift

Don and Jolene Scriven of DeKalb, Ill., have established a special endowment fund to provide a helping hand to students facing a medical or family emergency.

The Don and Jolene Scriven Emergency Fund will be created with a $200,000 cash and deferred commitment through Truman’s “Bright Minds Bright Futures” campaign.

Students in good academic standing who demonstrate a financial hardship are eligible to apply for a grant to assist with unforeseen emergencies or crisis. Recipients and the value of each award will be considered and determined by an administrative committee headed by the Vice President of University Advancement. Students who receive grants will not be required to repay any portion of the grant, but will be encouraged to contribute to the principal of the fund as Truman alumni.

When the fund balance reaches $200,000, the administrative committee may also consider interest-bearing emergency loans to full-time faculty members for the purpose of paying moving expenses to the Truman State University community from a distance greater than 500 miles; or for emergency medical expenses incurred by a faculty member or his/her immediate family. The terms and repayment provisions will be determined by the administrative committee.

Don Scriven is a 1950 graduate of Truman and began his teaching career as a Truman economics professor. He later served the state of Missouri in various capacities, including associate director for finance for the Missouri Commission for Higher Education, and resumed his teaching career as professor of accounting systems and director of business computer education at Northern Illinois University.

Jolene Scriven is a 1954 graduate of Truman and served as a professor of management and director of doctoral programs in business at Northern Illinois University. She directed and authored pioneering research to define the components of word processing and office administration, has authored multiple books, and received a distinguished service award for outstanding service to business education.

In 2004, Don and Jolene received The President’s Leadership Award from Truman State University in recognition of significant personal contributions to the University. Don is also a past member of the Truman State University Foundation Board of Directors.

SunGard Commits $25,000 to Truman Campaign

SunGard Higher Education has made a $25,000 commitment to Truman State University’s “Bright Minds Bright Futures” campaign.

The gift will create the SunGard Higher Education Endowed Scholarship, designed for students with financial need, leadership potential and a record of service and involvement in civic, school or church organizations.

When fully endowed, the fund will provide an estimated $1,250 scholarship each year to a deserving student.

SunGard is very appreciative of SunGuard’s scholarship commitment that helps address one of the top priorities in the campaign,” said Mark Gambaiana, vice president for university advancement. “Few gift opportunities have a more direct or immediate impact on the lives of students than providing a financial helping hand in the educational process.”

SunGard Higher Education, headquartered in Maitland, Fla., provides Information Technology management, services and resources to the Truman community.
New Music Festival to Take Place Oct. 25-26

The Truman State University Department of Music, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Sigma Alpha Iota and The Mostly Live Composers Society would like to invite everyone to join them for the 2007 Truman State University New Music Festival, which will take place Oct. 25 and 26.

The festival will feature guest composer Matthew Tommasini, winner of the international 2007 Truman State University-MACRO Composition Competition, who will speak to music classes, work with student composers in a master class, and rehearse with Truman musicians. Tommasini is an internationally recognized award-winning composer.

Two concerts will be presented during the festival. Both concerts will include performances of new music by Tommasini and by Truman faculty and graduate student composers.

Internationally Acclaimed New York Percussion Quartet Comes to Truman

Internationally acclaimed New York percussion quartet, Talujon, will be in residence at Truman State University’s Department of Music, Oct. 26-28. Michael Bump, associate professor of percussion at Truman, and the Truman Percussion Studio will host the quartet as part of a weekend of performances and master classes.

Described by the New York Times as an ensemble possessing an “edgy, unflagging energy,” the Talujon Percussion Quartet has been mesmerizing audiences since 1990. With an annual schedule of more than 60 concerts, including a dozen premieres, Talujon is thoroughly committed to the expansion of the contemporary percussion repertoire as well as the education and diversification of its worldwide audience. Based in New York City, Talujon performs regularly at Alice Tully Hall, Merkin Concert Hall, the Kitchen, and the Knitting Factory. Talujon has appeared in universities and concert halls throughout the U.S., and on such festivals as Taipei’s Lantern Festival, BAM’s Next Wave Festival, Chautauqua, California’s Festival of New American Music, and Bang on a Can. The group has also given master classes/workshops at institutions such as the Juilliard School and New England Conservatory of Music.

Talujon will present a master class for all interested at 2 p.m. Oct. 28 in Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Their concert will follow that evening at 8 p.m. in Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Admission is free. The program will feature Bump as a featured soloist with the quartet on two works. The first will be the world premiere of renowned Missouri composer Raymond Helble’s “Night Music.” This four-movement concerto for timpanist and percussion quartet was commissioned earlier this year by Bump, and made possible in-part through the Missouri Arts Council and Truman State University. The second work, “Studie II: Epiphytic,” was composed a few years ago by Bump, and also for solo timpanist and percussion quartet. It received its premiere at the 1998 Percussive Arts Society International Convention in Orlando, Fla.

This concert will serve as a precursor to a performance the ensemble and Bump will give at the 2007 Percussive Arts Society International Convention, Oct. 31-Nov. 3 in Columbus, Ohio. Bump is serving as host/coordinator for the open day of this year’s international conference, which annually attracts more than 6,000 percussionists. In addition, several of Truman’s music students will also be attending and serving as logistical assistants to the many artists performing.

Talujon’s appearance is made possible in-part through assistance from the Truman State University Foundation. For further information, please contact Bump at 785.4052 or mbump@truman.edu.

School of Business Open House

The School of Business will be hosting an open house from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Oct. 17 in the Violette Hall Upstairs Commons. The open house is for all students who are interested in learning more about a major in accounting or business administration, or a minor in business. Refreshments will be available. For more information, contact Marilyn Romine, business academic adviser, at 785.4268 or mromine@truman.edu.

Organizations Collecting Books for Lending Library

Phi Kappa Phi and the Communication Disorders Association are sponsoring a children’s book drive to create a client and family lending library for the clients of Truman’s Speech and Hearing Clinic.

New and gently used books for children aged 4-10 can be dropped off at one of 10 locations across campus (i.e. McClain Hall 213 and 310, Ophelia Parrish 1101, Magruder Hall 2004, Violette Hall 2300, 2100, Pershing Building 212, and Barnett Hall 223 A and 1st floor, communication mailroom). Picture books and lift-the-flap books up to chapter books written around the fifth grade reading level are welcome.

If you have questions about the drive, please contact Teri Heckert, (Phi Kappa Phi president; theckert@truman.edu) or Janet Gooch (Department Chair, Communication Disorders, jquinzer@truman.edu). To learn more about the services provided by the clinic, please visit their Web site at http://comdis.truman.edu/clinic/default.asp.

Matthew Tommasini

At 7:30 p.m. Oct. 25 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall, Tommasini’s new composition, “And the Tree Grows Again,” will be premiered by Julianna Moore (flute), Michael Bump (percussion) and members of the Truman State University Wind Symphony under the direction of Dan Peterson. This work was co-commissioned by the University’s chapters of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Sigma Alpha Iota. In addition to the premiere, a variety of new instrumental and choral music will be presented by Truman musicians.

From 1:30-3 p.m. Oct. 26 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall, chamber music by Truman composers will be performed. The program will also include instrumental music by guest composer Tommasini.

Tommasini will talk about his music at both concerts. The public is cordially invited to attend these free events. For more information, contact Warren Gooch at wgooch@truman.edu or 785.4429. Other information about Tommasini is available at http://www.matthewtommasini.com.

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Gene Engelhardt, graduate instructor, has been named an Ageless-Remarkable St. Louisian by St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors in St. Louis. St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors will celebrate the integrity, commitment, expertise, vitality and generosity of 26 older adults, 75 years young and greater, whose amazing contributions are reshaping the face of aging in the St. Louis community at its annual “Ageless-Remarkable St. Louisans” gala.

The event will take place Nov. 11 at the Chase Park Plaza’s Khorrasan Ballroom.

Marty Jayne, associate professor of justice systems, will present a paper, “Preventive Detention – Restricting the Freedom to Harm,” at a conference on Terrorism & Justice: The Balance for Civil Liberties hosted by the University of Central Missouri, Feb. 18-20, 2008.

Presentation About the Health Care System in the Philippines to be Held

The Department of Nursing and the Center for International Education Abroad would like to invite the Truman State University community, the Nursing Advisory Council, and the public to attend a presentation about the health care system in the Philippines at 7 p.m. Oct. 24 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room.

This capstone presentation by the senior nursing students who studied abroad last summer in the Philippines will highlight themes of culture, family, acute care, maternal-child health and community health. The students’ experiences involved diverse nursing practice settings.

Kit Hadwiger, the coordinator of the study-abroad program in the Philippines, will present a community assessment completed by the nursing students and faculty in collaboration with students and faculty from West Visayas State University in Iloilo City, Philippines. It is hoped that representatives of West Visayas State University will be attending this capstone presentation also.

The Department of Nursing strongly endorses the cross-cultural and global learning that evolves from study-abroad experiences for nursing students at Truman State University.

Contact Stephen Hadwiger at shadwige@truman.edu for more information.

Telehealth Open House at Truman State University Speech and Hearing Clinic

The Truman State University Speech and Hearing Clinic is hosting an open house to provide information and demonstrations of the Telehealth services available to citizens of Northeast Missouri from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. with a live therapy demonstration from 10:30-11:20 a.m. Oct. 30 in Barnett Hall 1400.

People will be able to see how these services can save patients’ time and money by allowing them to stay in their local communities (Edina, Memphis, Kirksville, Kahoka, etc.) but receive the services they need from medical professionals across the state in a wide range of medical specialties.

This event is open to University staff, faculty, students and the public who are interested in learning about how Telehealth services are used in Northeast Missouri to reduce travel time for obtaining specialized health care. The live speech therapy demonstration will show how Telehealth services are being utilized in the Truman Speech and Hearing Clinic.

Allow 15-20 minutes for a demonstration of the equipment and for your questions to be answered. Refreshments will be provided and parking is available in marked spots behind Barnett Hall.

Contact Carrie Mills at ccm639@truman.edu for more information.

2007-2008 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award

Students may pick up applications for this prestigious award in the Dean of Student Affairs Office, Kirk Building 112.

To qualify, the students should be active in campus and community activities, have a 2.75 cumulative GPA, and be a senior eligible for graduation in December, May or August of the 2007-2008 academic year. Completed student applications need to be returned to the Student Affairs Office by Oct. 26.

For further information, visit http://saffairs.truman.edu, stop by Kirk Building 112, or call 785.4111.
A Special Scholarship Program: AASCU Global Scholars Program Onboard the Scholar Ship

The Scholar Ship is a global educational program for undergraduate and graduate students who want to develop intercultural sensitivity and leadership skills. Each 16-week semester, 600 students embark on a ship, living and studying together with students, faculty, and staff from around the world as they travel the globe. The program includes academic coursework, residually based intercultural programming, and academically integrated field programs.

AASCU is now taking applications for the second voyage in January 2008. AASCU and The Scholar Ship have developed a special scholarship program for AASCU undergraduates. The AASCU Global Scholars Program Onboard the Scholar Ship provides two $5,000 scholarships per voyage to undergraduate students at AASCU institutions. Truman is considered an AASCU institution.

Application forms can be downloaded by going to http://www.thescholarship.com/pdfs/StudentApplicationPrint.pdf. Applicants do not have to pay the $50 application fee indicated on the form because that fee has been waived for AASCU institutions. Also, include a brief essay of no more than 400 words on how you plan to integrate your participation in The Scholar Ship into ongoing internationalization efforts on your home campus.

Submit the completed application and essay along with a transcript and two letters of reference to the Campus Coordinator.

Applications are due to the AASCU office by Oct. 29. Final decisions and campus/student notification will take place in mid-November.

Detailed information on the academic programs, eligibility requirements, funding/scholarship details and application forms for the Scholar Ship is available at http://www.thescholarship.com/home/.