

# Truman *today*

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## BULLDOG PITCHER DRAFTED BY ROYALS

The Kansas City Royals selected Truman pitcher Christian Witt in the 36th round of Major League Baseball's draft June 8.

Witt becomes the first Truman player drafted since the San Diego Padres took outfielder Tony Vandemore in the 25th round in 1999.

A native of Holt, Mo., and graduate of Kearney High School, Witt was an honorable mention all-MIAA pick following a season in which he posted a 2.70 ERA in 36 innings pitched. The hard throwing right hander's first nine appearances were from the bullpen as he allowed just five earned runs in that span before becoming a mainstay in the starting rotation in mid April. Witt earned two MIAA Pitcher of the Week awards and finished the 2011 season with a 4-2 record and 43 strikeouts to just 10 walks.

"Having Christian be selected by a major league team is a dream for any ball player but to have his hometown team take a chance on him is really special," said Dan Davis, head baseball coach. "Christian worked really hard for us as a Bulldog and I know he will take that strong work ethic to wherever the Royals assign him in their system. This is a great day for Truman Baseball and especially Christian and his family."

The last Bulldog pitcher taken in MLB's draft was Al Nipper in 1980.

## Bright Minds Bright Futures Goal to be Celebrated at Dessert Reception July 7

To celebrate the successful conclusion of the "Bright Minds Bright Futures" campaign, the University will host a Dessert Reception at 7 p.m. July 7 on the south end of the Quadrangle.

"Bright Minds Bright Futures" is Truman's first-ever comprehensive campaign. It began in July 2006 with the goal of raising \$30 million in five years. The campaign, which will officially conclude June 30 of this

year, has already exceeded that goal with more

than \$30.5 million in cash, multi-year pledges and new planned gift commitments recorded. Major initiatives of the campaign included student scholarships, student enrichment and academic programs, faculty support, athletics and mission enhancement.

RSVPs are not required but are appreciated. Those planning to attend can call 785.4133 or email [alumnievents@truman.edu](mailto:alumnievents@truman.edu) by July 6. In the event of rain, the Hub in the Student Union Building will serve as the event location.



## Truman Student Interns at United Nations



Sarah El Moumouhi

Sarah El Moumouhi, a senior Middle Eastern studies major and political science minor, has been accepted for a two-month summer internship at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City, in the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General.

El Moumouhi originally learned about this opportunity from an on-campus presentation in October 2010 by Igor Shpiniov from the DGACM at the United Nations. Shpiniov encouraged her to apply for the highly selective

summer language internship, which led to an interview with the DGACM. Her internship will take place from July 5 to Aug. 31.

"Primarily, as an intern, I will be assigned to the Training and Outreach Coordination Team, which is part of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, New York," El Moumouhi said. "Main assignments include providing administrative support for training and outreach, translating portions of the Language Outreach Portal from English into Arabic and/or French, and attending meetings and conferences at the United Nations."

As a student at Truman, El Moumouhi teaches Arabic in the Department of Classical & Modern Languages and works as a peer advisor and mock interviewer in the Career Center. She will graduate in December.

### All-University Meeting

President Paino will host his final All-University Meeting for Fiscal Year 2011 at 10 a.m. June 29 in Violette Hall 1000. President Paino will provide an update on state appropriations and the approved Fiscal Year 2012 budget and salary policies. A webcast of the meeting will be available shortly after the meeting ends.

## M\*A\*S\*H Camp Offers Look at Health Care Field

Middle school students interested in exploring health care careers will have the opportunity for hands-on interaction during the Adair County M\*A\*S\*H Camp taking place July 12-13 on the Truman campus and at Northeast Regional Medical Center.

Activities include: seeing the inside of a hospital radiology department, learning to “scrub in” or “sew up a wound,” climbing in the chopper with emergency medical personnel, learning how to take blood pressure and dissecting organs to find out how they work.

For more information, or to obtain a registration packet for a student, call NEMO AHEC at 877.303.2938 or 665.6404. Space is limited to 30 students entering 6th, 7th or 8th grade in the fall. The first 30 completed registrations will receive a spot in the camp. The next five completed registrations will be placed on the waiting list.

The \$40 registration fee includes meals, activities and a t-shirt. A limited number of scholarships are available to families for whom the registration fee is a considerable hardship.

## Students Compete for \$10,000 Grant

In May, Truman students Rudolf Cesaretti, Racheal Kissee and Brandon Wehmeyer, attended and competed at the international Road to Innovative Social Entrepreneurship - Pakistan conference at the University of Chicago.

Teams from around the world attended the conference in the hopes of having their proposal implemented through the Human Development Foundation with a \$10,000 grant. At the conference teams presented their social entrepreneurship venture to determine which team’s project would be implemented, and also competed in challenges such as marketing and consulting, which counted towards a separate cash prize.

The Truman students’ proposal of establishing a book bank/library in the Hunza Valley in Pakistan placed 5th in the venture challenge and overall the team placed 6th at the conference.

“We may not have won, but we made new friends from all over the world and made contacts who are going to put us in contact with other organizations in Pakistan who may be able to help us implement our proposal even without the grant,” Kissee said. “One way or the other, we want to see this project take off; it may just take longer to raise the funds now.”

The School of Business and the School of Social and Cultural Studies at Truman supported the students’ efforts.

### Pickler Memorial Library

#### In the Gallery

An exhibit introducing summer’s harvest is currently on display in the Library Gallery.

Displays feature composting techniques, organic gardening and food preservation methods including canning, pickling, drying and freezing the summer’s bounty.

### Early Returners to the Residence Halls for Fall Semester

If a University department has a need to bring students back early for the fall semester and the students are already signed up to live in the residence halls, please be sure to contact the Office of Residence Life at 785.4227 or [reslife@truman.edu](mailto:reslife@truman.edu). All information regarding policies for early returners to the residence halls can be found at [reslife.truman.edu/services/earlyreturners/index.asp](http://reslife.truman.edu/services/earlyreturners/index.asp).

### Blood Drive

11 A.M.-4 P.M.  
JUNE 22  
STUDENT UNION BUILDING  
DOWN UNDER

SPONSORED BY  
STAFF COUNCIL

### NEXT ISSUE

THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE  
TRUMAN TODAY WILL BE  
AVAILABLE JULY 5.

### TRUMAN DAY AT THE NEMO FAIR

Truman needs volunteers to work July 18 at the NEMO Fair. Openings are still available for the following shifts:

6-9 a.m.

9 a.m.-Noon

Noon-3 p.m.

3-6 p.m.

6-9 p.m.

9-11 p.m.

Volunteers will receive a free one-day pass to the fair.

Call the Public Relations Office at 785.4016 to sign up or stop by McClain Hall 202.

### SUMMER ORIENTATION THANK YOU CELEBRATION

3:30-4:30 p.m.  
June 23  
Student Union Building  
Down Under

The Office of Admission will host a slideshow from this year’s orientation sessions. Snacks will also be available.

### SRC Holiday Hours

The Student Recreation Center will close at 7 p.m. July 1 for the Independence Day holiday weekend. Regular summer hours will resume July 5.

## Upcoming Truman Golf Tournaments

BULLDOG FOOTBALL  
CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

June 27

St. Louis

Forest Park Golf Course

Contact Gregg Nesbitt at [nesbitt@truman.edu](mailto:nesbitt@truman.edu) or 785.4549 to register.

NORTHEAST MISSOURI ALUMNI CHAPTER:  
SCHOLARSHIP GOLF SCRAMBLE AND  
19TH HOLE SOCIAL HOUR

July 8

Kirkville

Contact the Office of Advancement, 800.452.6678 or 660.785.4133, [alumnievents@truman.edu](mailto:alumnievents@truman.edu) for details.

KANSAS CITY ALUMNI CHAPTER: TRUMAN GOLF  
FORE SCHOLARSHIP 4-PERSON SCRAMBLE

July 16

Lenexa, Kan.

To register, go to [store.truman.edu/alumni/item.asp?itemId=269](http://store.truman.edu/alumni/item.asp?itemId=269). For more information, contact Ryan Shreve at [shreveryan@gmail.com](mailto:shreveryan@gmail.com).