

# Truman *today*

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## ROTC WINS RANGER CHALLENGE

Truman ROTC took first place overall in the Ranger Challenge Competition at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., Oct. 2-3.

Out of nine individual events, Truman won six, competing against the University of Missouri-Columbia, Missouri S&T, Central Missouri, Missouri State, Southern Illinois at Carbondale, Southern Illinois at Edwardsville, Wentworth Military Academy, Washington University, the University of Missouri-St. Louis and St. Louis University.

Truman took four teams to the competition, including three men's teams and one ladies' team. The men's B team and the ladies' team took second place in their respective divisions.

The Ranger Challenge is designed to be a team building exercise. Cadets are placed in demanding mental and physical competitions to enhance leadership skills and develop team morale.

## McClaskey Family Gift Adds to Fundraising Campaign

Mike and Janet (Yeans) McClaskey have achieved distinguished careers, and the couple plans to share their success with future generations of students through a \$1 million estate gift to Truman.

The McClaskey Family Endowment Fund will strengthen the University and provide an annual resource to benefit the teaching and learning environment within the School of Arts and Letters.

Mike and Janet were both raised in northeast Missouri, and the McClaskey family has a deeply-rooted association with the University. Mike's grandmother Beulah (Caldwell) McClaskey attended when the institution was a Normal School, and his mother, Martha (Jones) McClaskey, a 1949 Truman alumna who devoted her life to education, taught English at Truman from 1959-1978. The Martha McClaskey Humanities Scholarship was established in honor of Martha's dedicated service to education. Mike's father, Bill McClaskey, graduated from the University in 1956, and Mike's aunt, Bertha McClaskey, was a 1953 graduate.

Following the example set by his family, Mike earned his Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Education degrees from Truman in

1985. Janet, received a Bachelor of Science in Education degree from Truman in 1984, and they each went on to earn master's degrees from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Over the course of his career, Mike has accumulated more than two decades of experience in the information technology industry, and he now serves as senior vice president and chief information officer for DISH Network. Janet pursued a career teaching English and currently teaches at Metro State College.

By including Truman in their estate plans, Mike and Janet are carrying on the family's legacy of learning as the McClaskey Family Endowment Fund will benefit future generations of students. This gift commitment is part of the "Bright Minds Bright Futures" campaign, Truman's \$30 million fundraising effort. More than \$24.6 million in gifts and future commitments for scholarships, mission enhancement, student enrichment/academic programs, faculty support and athletics have been made to the campaign as of Oct. 16.



Mike and Janet McClaskey

## Herron Selected as New Registrar

Margaret Herron will be the next registrar at Truman and will begin her duties Nov. 1.

Richard Coughlin, interim provost and vice president for academic affairs, made the announcement earlier this month.

Herron is currently an adjunct instructor in American history at the University of Central

Missouri. She has worked as registrar at Johnson County Community College, as well as interim executive director of enrollment management and director of admissions at the University of Central Missouri. Herron has also been in enrollment management and admission positions at Stephens College.

## Elaine Doak Celebration of Life Service

A Reception/Celebration of Life for family, friends and the University community to remember and honor Elaine Doak will take place from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Nov. 3 at the Ruth W. Towne Museum and Visitors Center.

# SAB

Fall Concert

**Jack's Mannequin  
and Relient K**

8 p.m. • Nov. 6  
Pershing Arena

Tickets are on sale now in the SAB Office. They are \$8 for students and \$15 for general admission.

# Orchestra Performs with Classic Rock Band Kansas

The Truman Orchestra performed with classic rock band Kansas Oct. 9 in front of a crowd of 2,500 at the St. Charles Family Arena in St. Charles, Mo.

The concert was part of the band's "2010 Collegiate Symphony Tour," sponsored by D'Addario & Company, Inc., the world's largest musical products accessory manufacturer. Truman was one of only six schools to share the stage with Kansas during this tour.

The Orchestra played a full set with the band, including well-known hits like "Carry On My Wayward Son" and "Dust in the Wind."

As a part of its agreement to participate in the tour, the Truman Music Department will receive \$2,000 in scholarships and \$3,000 in equipment from D'Addario, as well as a percentage of merchandise sales from the night of the concert.

During the show, Avery Bright, a graduate

student in music, had the unique opportunity to perform one-on-one with Kansas violinist David Ragsdale.

"Ragsdale asked us if we had anybody who would be good for [improvising] and we thought Avery would be terrific," said Jay Bulen, chair of the Music Department. "He has a background as a classical player, but he also has a background in fiddling. He got up there and did a great job."

Bulen feels his students benefitted from the concert in many ways, most notably the learning experience of playing in front of a large crowd with such a high caliber of talent.

"Our students got to play for Larry Baird, who did the arrangements for Kansas when they played with the London Symphony," said Bulen. "He's the best in the industry."

Bulen also hopes the University's new contacts with D'Addario will provide students



The Truman Orchestra performs with Kansas in St. Charles, Mo., Oct. 9.



David Via, vice president of sales and marketing for D'Addario (left), presents a donation to the Truman Foundation following the University Orchestra's participation with Kansas' "2010 Collegiate Symphony Tour." The donation will be used to fund music scholarships in the Fall. Accepting the check are Jay Bulen, chair of the Music Department, and Becky Pike, Office of Advancement.

with internship opportunities in the music industry.

Another positive aspect of the concert was the opportunity to network with alumni. Members of the St. Louis Alumni Chapter provided a meal for orchestra students at the Little Hills Restaurant in St. Charles between rehearsals. For many of the Orchestra's 85 members, the event provided an opportunity to play in front of family and friends. Five members are natives of St. Charles, another 27 are from St. Louis County and even more hail from nearby.

Bulen has received nothing but positive feedback concerning the concert.

"The word that comes most often is 'awesome,'" Bulen said. "The concert was terrific. There were several standing ovations and people were very excited."

The Family Arena was the final venue for the Orchestra's three-day recruiting tour, which included stops at Quincy Senior High School, Ladue Horton Watkins High School and Fort Zumwalt East.

## Apply Now for the Missouri Government Internship

The Missouri Government Internship Program offers a unique opportunity for students to intern at the Capitol in Jefferson City, Mo., with a public official, legislator or state agency during the Spring 2011 semester. Interns receive a stipend of \$2,500 and up to 15 hours of credit. Applications are available online at <http://career.truman.edu/Internships/mogovBrochure.asp>. For more information, contact Heidi Templeton at 785.4016 or [heidi@truman.edu](mailto:heidi@truman.edu), or Candy Young at 785.4650 or [cyoung@truman.edu](mailto:cyoung@truman.edu).

## Public Relations Internship Available

The Truman Public Relations Office is now accepting résumés for the full-time spring 2011 internship position.

Interns can receive course credit, a stipend and valuable experience in public relations office duties.

Interns usually take six hours of class in addition to taking six hours of internship credit.

Applicants should have a strong background in writing and editing.

Communication majors are encouraged to apply, with special consideration given to candidates with knowledge of Associated Press Style, experience in desktop publishing and familiarity of InDesign or similar software.

To apply, send a résumé, two writing samples and contact information for two on-campus references to the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 101, no later than Nov. 5. For questions about the internship, contact Travis Miles at [tmiles@truman.edu](mailto:tmiles@truman.edu).

## Students Needed for Conduct Board

The Office of Citizenship and Community Standards (OCCS) is seeking motivated students to serve on the University Conduct Board from January 2011-December 2012. Comprised of faculty, staff and student members, the board hears cases of alleged misconduct to determine whether the behavior of a student or student organization violates the Student Conduct Code and imposes sanctions if necessary. Student members would be expected to serve on the board for various hearings each semester as well as participate in various social justice and civic projects on campus. The application may be found at <http://conduct.truman.edu/ucb%20application.asp> or in the Student Union Building 3100 and is due Nov. 5. Contact [bkral@truman.edu](mailto:bkral@truman.edu) in the Office for Citizenship and Community Standards for additional information.

## NOTABLES

**Carol Cox, professor of health science**, received the Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Education Honorary Advisor of the Year Award at the American School Health Association (ASHA) National Conference in Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 14-16.

**Joaquín Maldonado-Class, associate professor of Spanish**, served as organizer and chair for the panel entitled “Rebeliones y revelaciones en tres escritores hispanoamericanos” and also presented the paper “La curandera se reb(v)ela: estudio de un personaje en dos novelas de Isabel Allende” at the XXIX International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association in Toronto, Canada, Oct. 6-9.

**Carol Marshall, associate professor of Spanish**, presented a paper entitled “Unraveling the Awful Grandmother: the goddess at the crossroads of gender and ethnicity in ‘Caramelo’ and ‘The Moths’” at the XX Congreso Anual de la Asociación Internacional de Literatura y Cultura Femenina Hispánica at The University of Texas at Austin, Oct. 14-16.

**Marc Rice, associate professor of musicology**, has been asked to contribute several articles for the latest edition of the New Grove Dictionary of American Music. This dictionary is the most comprehensive research tool in the field of musicology. Rice will be contributing articles pertaining to jazz in the Midwest, including the history of jazz in Missouri. The dictionary will be published in 2011.

**Megan Temme, a health science major from St. Louis, Mo.**, received the Gamman of the Year Award at the Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Education Honorary Annual Meeting at the American School Health Association (ASHA) National Conference in Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 14-16. Temme also received the 2010 ASHA Student Research Grant Award.

**Truman’s Gamma Rho Chapter of Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Education Honorary** received the Chapter of the Year/Chapter Excellence Award at the American School Health Association National Conference in Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 14-16.

### WHO’S WHO NOMINATIONS

Faculty, staff and administrators are encouraged to nominate students they think are deserving of the Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. This award is available to seniors eligible to graduate in the 2010-2011 academic year who have at least a 2.75 cumulative grade point average. Those wanting to nominate one or more students can submit the names electronically at [http://saffairs.truman.edu/web/form\\_builder2/form\\_builder.asp?testId=142](http://saffairs.truman.edu/web/form_builder2/form_builder.asp?testId=142) by Oct. 29. Student ID numbers are appreciated with the nomination. For more information, contact Brandi Wriedt at 785.5404 ([bkeller@truman.edu](mailto:bkeller@truman.edu)) or Beth Tuttle-Kral at 785.4111 ([bkral@truman.edu](mailto:bkral@truman.edu)).

The Truman Theatre Department Presents:

### FIVE WOMEN WEARING THE SAME DRESS

Fall Lab Show Directed by Senior Amy Lamm  
8 p.m. • Oct. 28-30  
Black Box Theatre in Ophelia Parrish

Five identically dressed bridesmaids with very different pasts find refuge from an over-the-top wedding reception in an upstairs bedroom.

Admission is free but tickets must be reserved in advance.

Box Office hours are Monday – Friday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.  
Call 785.4515 or e-mail [theatreboxoffice@truman.edu](mailto:theatreboxoffice@truman.edu).

## COMPOSING WOMEN:

### TRUMAN’S 16TH ANNUAL WOMEN’S AND GENDER STUDIES CONFERENCE

Oct. 28 • Violette Hall 1000

10:30-11:45 a.m.

*Mothers, whores and revolutionaries: Representations by and of Russian women*

12-1:15 p.m.

*Sexual difference?*

1:30-2:45 p.m.

*Powerful women*

3-4:15 p.m.

*Politics of the visual*

4:30-5:45 p.m.

*International women 1*

Oct. 29 • Violette Hall 1000

9:30-10:20 a.m.

*Female selves*

10:30-11:20 a.m.

*Personal testimony 1*

11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

*Dickinson and others*

12:30-1:20 p.m.

*Myths and stereotypes*

1:30-2:20 p.m.

*International women 2*

2:30-3:20 p.m.

*Ecofeminist readings*

3:30-4:20 p.m.

*Pop music divas*

4:30-5:50 p.m.

*Keynote lecture*

Oct. 30 • Baldwin Hall 231

10:30-11:20 a.m.

*Personal testimony 2*

11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

*The literary letter*

12:30-1:20 p.m.

*At the movies*

1:30-2:20 p.m.

*Fabricating femininity*

Oct. 30 • Violette Hall 1000

3-4:15 p.m.

*Women composers and performers*

4:30-5:45 p.m.

*Politics and composition*

For a full schedule of events,  
visit <http://engling.truman.edu>.

## American School Health Association Presenters

The following members of Truman’s Gamma Rho Chapter of Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Education Honorary presented their research at the American School Health Association (ASHA) National Conference in Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 14-16:

**Megan Temme, Jenna Osseck and Ashley Hartman**  
*Health advocacy: On the radio*

**Megan Temme, Jenna Osseck and Deirdra Frausto**  
*Effect of an educational workshop on heart disease prevention knowledge of employees in rural Northeast Missouri: A pilot study*

**Joan Scacciaferro, Justin McDermott and Jonathan Jones**  
*Students’ perceptions of school learning climate in a juvenile detention educational facility*

**Joan Scacciaferro and Deirdra Frausto**  
*Using photovoice as a participatory needs assessment with youth at a Latino youth action center*

**Cassandra Hester, Jonathan Jones and Rachel Van Cleave**  
*Non-traditional health education lessons targeted to at-risk youth on probation*

**Blair Ballard and Megan Temme**  
*Safe break-driving safely for at-risk teens*

**Justin McDermott, Blair Ballard, Rachel Van Cleave and Beth Antonacci**  
*Teaching health education to at-risk youth in a residential drug rehabilitation setting*

**Jenna Osseck, Ashley Hartman and Rachel Van Cleave**  
*Photovoice assisting youth in a juvenile detention facility in ‘telling their story’*

# NOTES

The Classical and Modern Languages department will sponsor United Nations speaker Igor Shpiniov at 7 p.m. Oct. 26 in the Student Union Building Activities Room. He will discuss the work of interpreters and translators at the U.N. Students of all languages, in particular the six official U.N. languages, are encouraged to attend.

**"Yule be Fit: Eating for the Holidays," a health workshop for faculty and staff**, will take place at 12 p.m. Oct. 27 in the Student Union Building 3201. Learn tips and tricks to ward off the pounds this holiday season.

An American Association of University Professors brownbag lunch forum will take place from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Oct. 27 in the Student Union Building Spanish Room. Bring lunch from Mainstreet. Peter Rolnick will lead a discussion on Gary Jones' article "Universities, the Major Battleground in the Fight for Reason and Capitalism," available at <http://www.aaup.org/AAUP/pubsres/academe/2010/JA/feat/jone.htm>. The article discusses a private foundation that gives money to universities offering specific classes in which Ayn Rand novels are required reading.

Mark Lambert, a senior philosophy and religion major and the winner of the 2010 Midwest American Academy of Religions award for the best undergraduate paper, will present "The Disease of the Damned: Leprosy in Myth and Medicine," for the Folklore Colloquium at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 27 in Ophelia Parrish 2113.

H.A.L.O. will be selling hot chocolate and apple cider on the quad from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 28. Proceeds will go toward a toy drive for children in the Milan community.

The Global Issues Colloquium will continue at 7 p.m. Oct. 28 in Magruder Hall 2001 when Dr. Bill Heffernan of the University of Missouri discusses the global food crisis debate.

The Truman Department of Music, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Sigma Alpha Iota and The Mostly Live Composers Society will host the 2010 New Music Festival Oct. 28-29 in Ophelia Parrish. Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 28 and continue from 1:30-3 p.m. Oct. 29. Contact [wgooch@truman.edu](mailto:wgooch@truman.edu) for more information.

Sigma Alpha will sponsor a haunted corn maze at the University Farm from Oct. 28-31. Hours of operation are: 7-10 p.m. Oct. 28; 8 p.m.-12 a.m. Oct. 29-30; and 1-4 p.m. Oct. 31. General admission is \$5, or \$3 with a Truman ID. Anyone donating a canned food item will receive \$1 off admission on Oct. 28. Kid's Day is Oct. 31 and will feature all of the fun without the fear.

Phi Sigma Pi will sponsor diversity speaker Phillip Milano's presentation "I Can't Believe You asked That!" at 7 p.m. Oct. 28 in Baldwin Hall Auditorium. Admission is free.

The Annual Benefits Fair for Truman employees is scheduled for 8:45 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 29 on the 3rd floor of the Student Union Building. For information on presentations, go to <http://trumantoday.truman.edu/pdf/2011benefits.pdf>.

The Biology Seminar Series will continue with "Why Blood Clotting in Hibernators is Cool" at 12:30 p.m. Oct. 29 in

Magruder Hall 1000. The presentation will be given by Dr. Scott Cooper of the Department of Biology at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

The Truman Observatory will host an open house from 7-9 p.m. Oct. 29 at the University Farm. For details and directions, go to <http://observatory.truman.edu>.

University Swingers will host a Halloween Dance at 7 p.m. Oct. 29 in the Ryle Hall Main Lounge. Dance workshops will take place Oct. 30-31. Go to <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=156360297720948> for more information.

The Candidates Forum, which took place Oct. 9, will be broadcast on the City's Channel 3 on the following dates: 12 p.m. and 7 p.m. Oct. 30 and Oct. 31; 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Nov. 1.

International Idol will start at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 30 in Baldwin Auditorium. Performers include: the Japanese dance group led by Reina Koyano; the ASA drama team led by Bjay Adio; and the SSAS dance/instrumental team led by Wilson Zhang. Additionally, this year's event will feature a surprise.

Truman in Washington information meetings will take place at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 2 and 6 p.m. Nov. 8 in Violette Hall 1010. Find out how to apply for internships in Washington, D.C. For more information, contact [djohnson@truman.edu](mailto:djohnson@truman.edu).

The Physics Colloquium will feature student summer research at 4:30 p.m. Nov. 3 in Magruder Hall 1000. Presentations will include: "High resolution Kelvin probe force microscopy with shielded probes" by Kevin Satzinger; "The Destruction of Biofilms Using Ultrasound Treatment" by Benjamin Rusk; "High Resolution SPR Microscopy Based Microarray" by Even Mirts; and "Reaction Front Pinning by Moving Vortices" by Chad Williamson.

The SAB Coffeehouse will feature a performance by Anthony Snape at 7 p.m. Nov. 3 in the Student Union Building HUB. Free snacks and beverages will be provided.

Phi Sigma Pi's "Dance 'til you drop for Teach for America" will take place from 7-11 p.m. Nov. 5 in the Student Union Building HUB, with registration beginning at 6:30 p.m. Entry is \$10 for teams of 2-4 dancers. The event will feature light refreshments and guest performances from campus dance groups, with prize drawings every hour. Contact [jcr3482@truman.edu](mailto:jcr3482@truman.edu) for more information or to register.

K-Life will host a dodgeball tournament from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 6. Contact [sam4125@truman.edu](mailto:sam4125@truman.edu) for more information.

The 21st Annual Undergraduate Philosophy and Religion Conference will take place from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Nov. 6 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room A.

The Truman Brass Choir will perform a program of heroic music along with the Cantoria Singers, tenor Thomas Hueber and others at 8 p.m. Nov. 8 in the Ophelia Parrish Concert Hall. Included will be a special performance of the Hymn to the Fallen from the film "Saving Private Ryan" along with other heroic and contemplative selections for brass, voices and percussion.

## NEW STUDENT-INITIATED COURSE: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

Spring 2011 Semester  
Two credit hours  
Tuesdays 4:30-6:20 p.m.

The course will address a number of professional development topics for students interested in graduate studies. Tentative course topics include: financial planning; networking and mentoring; professional writing; résumé writing; and interviewing, all with an emphasis on the graduate school experience.

Student Initiators:  
Grace Strube and Maggie Hilliard

For registration information,  
contact Janet Gooch at  
[jquinzer@truman.edu](mailto:jquinzer@truman.edu).



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When you don't know where to go, go to SubjectsPlus at <http://library.truman.edu/subsplus/subjects>.

### WEAR PURPLE, WIN STUFF

Every Friday for the rest of the school year, the Purple Friday committee will randomly draw a faculty/staff member's name and if that person is wearing purple, they will receive a \$10 gift certificate from the Truman Bookstore.