

# Truman *today*

A weekly newsletter for students, faculty and staff

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## Truman Day at the NEMO Fair

Truman needs volunteers to work July 19 at the NEMO Fair. Shifts are still available for the following times:

6-9 a.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 101.

## Gardner Named Residence Life Director

John Gardner was recently selected as the new director of Residence Life.

Since fall 2009, Gardner has been serving as the interim director after starting at Truman in the summer of 2008 as assistant director of Residence Life.

Gardner earned a master's degree in higher education from Iowa State University and a bachelor's degree in history from Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Ore.

He has been working with higher education students in various capacities for the last 10

years, first as a resident assistant at Lewis & Clark College, followed by three years as a hall director at Northwest Missouri State University and two years as a graduate assistant for multicultural student affairs at Iowa State University.

As the director, Gardner is responsible for the overall operations of Residence Life, including personnel, budget, facilities, programming and policies among other duties.

Truman has an on-campus living capacity of approximately 2,700 students, roughly half of the total student body.

## Medical Leave Bank Open Enrollment Available Until June 30

Medical Leave Bank open enrollment for staff is currently under way and will be available through June 30.

The purpose of this program is to provide additional paid medical leave for staff who have exhausted their accrued medical and vacation leave benefits as the result of their own catastrophic illness or the need to care for a spouse, child or parent suffering from a catastrophic illness. It was established in 2007 as the result of a resolution passed by the Board of Governors.

Open enrollment for this program takes place annually from June 1-30.

Employee eligibility requirements include the following: must be a non-faculty employee who earns medical and vacation leave; must have been employed at the University for a period of one year or more; must have worked 1,250 hours or more during the previous 12 months; and will have a minimum of 10 medical leave days and five vacation days after the initial donation made to the Bank.

Employees must be an active member of the Bank to apply to use the program. Further details regarding the program may be found at [http://hr.truman.edu/programs/mlb/MLB\\_procedures.pdf](http://hr.truman.edu/programs/mlb/MLB_procedures.pdf).

Membership in the Bank begins with an employee's contribution of at least one day of leave (medical or vacation) during an Open Enrollment period and continues from year-to-year with the annual donation of leave until the member submits a revocation form or until a member's termination of employment, retirement, death or failure to donate a leave day during the Open Enrollment period for the next fiscal year.

Additional donations of leave time to the Bank may be made at any time however, donations occurring outside of the Open Enrollment period do not qualify the employee for membership.

To enroll, employees should log in to TruView and select the "Staff" tab. Employees may check their eligibility status by clicking on the "Medical Leave Bank

Enrollment Eligibility Checklist." Once eligibility is confirmed, employees may contribute medical or vacation leave to the Bank. The maximum annual donation of leave time that can be made by any eligible employee is 40 hours of medical or vacation leave.

For additional questions regarding this program, contact Human Resources at 785.4031.



**SAVE THE DATE**

THE INSTALLATION OF  
**DR. TROY D. PAINO**  
TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY'S  
SIXTEENTH PRESIDENT  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2010, 2:30 P.M.

**TRUMAN**  
STATE UNIVERSITY

*Celebrating Community*

## Speech-Language-Hearing Association Research Presenters

The following students presented their research at the annual convention of the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association in April 2010:

**Megan Safley** "Conversational Prompt Cards for Severe Dysfluencies"

**Brittany O'Saben** "Effectiveness of a computer program on the phoneme /z/"

**Sara Hines** "Decreasing Inappropriate Loudness Using Visual Biofeedback"

**Susan Eberly** "Musical Activities for Phonological Awareness Skills"

**Kaycee Lukach** "Reinforcing Conversational Repair with Token Reinforcement"

**Cara Stanley** "Improving Sound-Symbol Knowledge in Aphasia"

**Katie Sloan** "Visual Bio-feedback to Increase Loudness in an ESL Child"

**Katie Nevins** "Building Pronoun Use in Structured and Unstructured Activities"

**Laura Winkelman** "Using a Stop-Watch Incentive for Oral Reading Fluency"

**Katie Joyner** "Using Visual Biofeedback to Reinforce Easy Onset in an Adult Fluency Client"

**Amy Wegscheid** "Using Gesture Cues to Establish Speech Sounds"

**Lauren Mosley and Danielle Hagemann** "iPod Usage and Its Effects Upon Hearing"

**Angie McGinnis** "Effect of MIT on Production of Functional Phrases"

**Jade Hicks** "The Dialect is Just a Difference: Speech-Language Pathologists and Issues Assessing African American Vernacular English"

**Susan Cheung and Laura Greaver** "Music Performance Majors' Perceptions Of Their Hearing"

**Kimberly Abts and Samantha Weatherford** "Survey of School-based SLP Oral Peripheral Exam Practices"

# Spring 2010 Honors Scholar Graduates

Eleven students graduated as Honors Scholars this May.

The candidates were recognized at the Honors Scholar medal ceremony May 7 in the Student Union Building.

More than 200 Truman students have graduated as Honors Scholars since 1994. To become an Honors Scholar, students must complete five approved courses, with at least one from each of the four areas of mathematics, science, social science and humanities with a grade point average of at least 3.5 in those courses and an overall cumulative grade point average of at least 3.5. Only grades of "A" and "B" may count toward the five Honors Scholar courses and students who complete a single



First row (left to right): Anne Woodruff, Amanda Olp, Jessica Ponder, Kelly Merritt and Loren Dunham. Second row (left to right): David Taylor, Nicholas Wilsey, Andrew McCall, Grant Berry, Jacob Sanning and Tyson Koenig. Not pictured: Jacob Schrum.

undergraduate major may not satisfy Honors Scholar requirements with any course within their major. For more information, visit the Honors Scholar webpage at <http://honors.truman.edu>.

## Nurses Honored at 9th Annual Capstones

State Representative Rebecca McClanahan was named the NEMO Nurse of the Year during the 9th Annual Capstones of Nursing at Truman April 29.

Truman's Department of Nursing co-sponsored the event with Rho Omega Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society in order to promote nursing scholarship. Alumna Kathy Holloway presented the keynote address, "The Impact of Death Upon Nursing Professionals."

Kelly Freeland, family nurse practitioner for Northeast Missouri Health Council and Crown Clinic, was named the Acute Care Preceptor of the Year.

North Shelby school nurse Edie Finke, BSN, RN, was named the Community Health Preceptor of the Year.



State Representative Rebecca McClanahan (left) accepts the NEMO Nurse of the Year award from Shirley Riley, President of Rho Omega Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society.

## HOST FAMILIES WANTED

Taiwan at Truman is looking for host families for Father's Day weekend, June 18-20. Seventeen high school aged Taiwanese girls need families to house them and introduce them to American culture.

This will be a great intercultural opportunity for the students to experience an American lifestyle. Host families will also have the chance to learn of Taiwanese culture within their homes.

Interested families should contact Jessica Wehner at [jtw8854@truman.edu](mailto:jtw8854@truman.edu) or at 573.883.0272.

## NOTABLES

**Erin Goggin** was named the Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Russian during the 2010 Academic Honor Awards, which took place May 7 in the Georgian Room of the Student Union Building.

**Diane Tobin Johnson**, associate professor of communication and liaison for the Truman in Washington Program, along with **Brent Foster**, a communication major and May 2010 graduate, were featured in a webinar entitled "Engaging

Learners Through Internships" as part of the Academic Leadership Webinar Series hosted by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. They joined Dr. George D. Kuh, director of the Center for Postsecondary Research at Indiana University, and Dr. Joseph Johnston, senior vice president for the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars. Representatives from Richard Stockton College of New Jersey also participated in the webinar.

## Kiwanis Club of Kirksville Supports Area Students with Funds from Farmers Market

The Kiwanis Club of Kirksville is using proceeds from its annual Farmers Market to assist area students in pursuit of an agriculture degree at Truman.

Dahn Kemp of Clarence, Mo., was recently selected to receive the Kiwanis Farmers Market Annual Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.

Kemp, a freshman at Truman, is the son of Rick and Sharri Kemp and a graduate of North Shelby High School. He is a member of the University football team and serves as the historian for the Collegiate Farm Bureau.

In addition to school, Kemp currently manages

one farm on his own and another with his father. He has been renting land since he was a sophomore in high school, and wants to own his own farm someday. After graduation he plans to return home and work with his family's Angus cattle.

To be eligible for the Kiwanis Farmers Market Annual Scholarship, a student must meet the following criteria: majoring in agriculture; active involvement in service while in college; have a minimum grade point average of 3.0; and demonstrate participation and leadership in school and community activities.



The Northeast Missouri, Kansas City and Mid-Missouri alumni chapters invite you to the annual matchup between the:

### ROYALS & CARDINALS

June 26

Kauffman Stadium

Tailgate 10:30 a.m.

Lot N - Pole 42

Game time 1:10 p.m.

Cost is \$28 per person and includes game ticket and tailgate with Zarda BBQ!

Socialize with Truman alumni and friends, and enjoy one of the great rivalries in baseball. Purchase tickets online at <http://store.truman.edu/alumni/item.asp?itemId=231> or call the Office of Advancement at 800.452.6678 or 785.4133.

### RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

11 a.m.-4 p.m.

June 23

Student Union Building  
Down Under

To make an appointment and keep your wait shorter, sign up at <http://www.redcrossblood.org>.

Sponsored by the Truman State University Staff Council.

### Tennis Courts to be Closed

The Truman Tennis Courts are expected to be closed in July and August while the courts are resurfaced and the fence is replaced.

### Bob Carlson Bulldog Basketball Alumni, Family and Friends Golf Classic

Four Person Scramble  
July 23

Kirksville Country Club

12 p.m. shotgun start

Registration starts at 11 a.m. \$90 individual entry fee includes: golf, cart, range balls, all food and refreshments, gift package and much more!

Contact Jack Schrader at [schrader@truman.edu](mailto:schrader@truman.edu) or 785.4171 for more information.

Registration or notification of participation requested by July 19. Individual entry is encouraged. Make checks payable to Truman State University—Carlson Golf.

### Faculty Research Presenters

The following faculty in Communication Disorders presented their research at the annual convention of the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association in April 2010:

"First Steps and Truman State: A Collaborative Model for SLP Services"

**Janet Gooch**  
**Kim Fitzgerald**  
**Cara Stanley**  
**Andrea Richards**

"Fostering Speech/ Language Development Through Preschool Teacher Training"

**Sheila Garlock**  
**Angela McGinnis**

"Introduction to Clinic Materials Course"

**Kimberly Fitzgerald**  
**Janet Gooch**

"A PHAT [Psychologically Humane Assessment and Treatment] Approach To The Autism Spectrum"

**Merlin Taylor**

"How to Prepare for and Pass the Praxis Exam"

**Janet Gooch**

"Audiology for Speech-Language Pathologists"

**Ilene Ashbaugh**

"Telehealth in a University Speech and Hearing Clinic"

**Paula Cochran**  
**Susan Eberly**  
**Melissa Passe**  
**Sheila Garlock**  
**Andrea Richards**

Multiple Communication Disorders Truman alumni also presented at the annual convention of the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association in April 2010.

### NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of the Truman Today will be available online June 28 and in print June 29. All submissions should be made by June 23 to [tmiles@truman.edu](mailto:tmiles@truman.edu).

# Fulbright Program Accepting Applications for 2011-2012

The Institute of International Education, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, is pleased to announce the launch of the 2011-2012 Fulbright U.S. Student Program competition.

For more than 60 years, the federal government-sponsored Fulbright U.S. Student Program has provided future American leaders with an unparalleled opportunity to study, conduct research and teach in other countries. Fulbright grants aim to increase mutual understanding among nations through educational and cultural exchange while serving as a catalyst for long-term leadership development.

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program awards more than 1,500 grants annually and currently operates in more than 140 countries worldwide. Fulbright English Teaching Assistantships are now available to more than 50 countries. Fulbright grants provide funding for round-trip travel, maintenance for one academic year, health and accident coverage and may also provide full or partial tuition.

Applicants to the Fulbright U.S. Student Program must be U.S. citizens at the time of application and hold a bachelor's degree or the equivalent by the beginning of the grant. In the creative and performing arts, four years of professional training and/or experience meets the basic eligibility requirement. Professional applicants lacking a degree but with extensive professional study and/or experience in the field in which they wish to pursue a project may also be considered.

The Fulbright U.S. Student Program does not require applicants to be currently enrolled in a college or university. Applications from young professionals interested in an international experience are also encouraged.

For more information, interested individuals should visit the Fulbright U.S. Student Program website at <http://www.us.fulbrightonline.org>. Students currently enrolled at Truman should contact campus Fulbright Program Adviser Maria C. Di Stefano at [mdistefa@truman.edu](mailto:mdistefa@truman.edu) for more information. Applications must be submitted electronically by Sept. 21, 2010.

Since its inception in 1946, the Fulbright Program has provided more than 300,000 participants worldwide with the opportunity to study, teach and conduct research, exchange ideas and contribute to finding solutions to shared international concerns. In the past 64 years, more than 114,000 students, scholars and teachers from the United States have benefited from the Fulbright experience.

The Fulbright Program is a program of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the United States Department of State. Financial support is provided by an annual appropriation from the United States Congress to the Department of State and by the participating foreign governments and host institutions in the United States and abroad. The Presidentially-appointed J. William Fulbright Scholarship Board formulates policy guidelines and makes the final selection of all grantees.

The Institute of International Education administers and coordinates the Fulbright U.S. Student Program on behalf of the U.S. Department of State, including the annual competition for grants.

## Communication Disorders Research Presenters

The following undergraduate and graduate students made presentations at the Annual Student Research Conference in April 2010:

### Jade N. Hicks

"The Dialect is Just a Difference: Speech-Language Pathologists and Issues Assessing African American Vernacular English"  
Janet Gooch, faculty mentor

### Samantha L. Weatherford and Kimberly P. Abts

"Missouri School Speech-Language Pathologists' Opinions and Practices about Oral Peripheral Examinations"  
Paula Cochran and Janet Gooch, faculty mentors.

### Katie N. Oppelt, Margaret D. Hilliard, Lauren M. Williams, Grace E. Strube and Tricia K. Hurt

"Multimedia Clinical Resources: Matching a Child's Level of Symbolic Understanding in Speech-Language Therapy"  
Paula Cochran, faculty mentor

### Ann M. Filla

"A Survey of Speech Implementers in the State of Missouri"  
Janet Gooch, faculty mentor

### Laura A. Greaver and Susan Cheung

"The Effect of Noise on the Hearing Sensitivities of Music Students"  
Ilene Ashbaugh, faculty mentor



**Looking for a good book to read this summer?**

Check out a best seller from the Library's Popular Reading collection (formally called Browsing). The Popular Reading collection has been moved to the west side of the gallery to make way for the Library café coming soon.

## SMART Classroom Orientation

Instructors using SMART Classrooms this fall will need to complete orientation this summer.

The Learning Technologies Team has scheduled several summer SMART Classroom Orientation sessions for July and August. These sessions will provide fundamental tools to help be successful in a SMART Classroom. A more advanced session for those who wish to learn some of the additional capabilities of a SMART Classroom is also being offered. Plans are being made to provide individual one-hour "play dates" in the multi-media lab before classes start. These play date time slots will appear soon on registration page at <http://eventmanager.truman.edu/generallist.asp?Department=Learning%20Technologies>.

### BASIC SMART CLASSROOM ORIENTATION

July 7  
July 15  
July 21  
July 30  
Aug. 19

### ADVANCED SMART CLASSROOM ORIENTATION

Aug. 20

The Learning Technologies Team has also scheduled some additional sessions that will cover lecture capture should instructors wish to record their courses, Blackboard instruction, educational pedagogy for the incoming class and much more. Session details and times will be added to the registration page within the next week. Dates for these additional sessions:

### EDUCATIONAL PEDAGOGY FOR TODAY'S TRUMAN STUDENT

July 6  
July 20  
July 29

### TEACHING WITH TECHNOLOGY

July 8  
July 14  
July 16  
July 22  
July 29

For more information visit the Learning Technologies website at <http://lt.truman.edu>.