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Homecoming 2009 Schedule

**All Week Long
Apparel Sales, Lip
Sync Ticket Sales
and Penny Wars**
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Mainstreet/SUB
Mall

**Oct. 5
Royalty Voting
Begins**
10 a.m.

**The Adventure
Begins Kick-Off
and Faculty/Staff
Coronation**
6 p.m.

**Oct. 6
Marvel Carnival**
1-4 p.m. • Quad

**Why So Serious?
Improv**
8:30 p.m. • SUB
Georgian Rooms

**Oct. 7
Give 'Em Shell,
Paint it Well!
Sidewalk Painting**
8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Outside Pershing

**Up 'til Dawn
Letter-writing
Campaign**
2-9 p.m. • SUB
Activities Room

**Royalty Voting
Ends**
5 p.m.

Trivia Night
5:6:30 p.m. • SUB
Down Under

Women's Volleyball
7 p.m. • Pershing

**Encounters with
Lincoln Through
the Arts**
7 p.m.
Ophelia Parrish

**Dark Knight
Campus Tours with
Zac Burden**
9 p.m. • Kirk

**Oct. 8
Women's Soccer**
2 p.m. • Soccer Park

Men's Soccer
3 p.m. • Soccer Park

**KryptonICE Cake
Decorating**
3 p.m.

**Sync Your Powers
Lip Sync and
Coronation**
7 p.m. • Baldwin

**Oct. 9
22nd Annual
Bulldog Classic
Golf Tournament**
10:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
Kirksville Country
Club

Free Picnic
5 p.m.
Red Barn Park

**Pump It Up Pep
Rally**
6 p.m.
Stokes Stadium

**Alumni
and Friends
Celebration/Hall
of Fame Banquet**
6 p.m. • SUB
Georgian Room

**Sugar and Spice
but Nothing
Nice Powder Puff
Football Game**
6:45 p.m.
Stokes Stadium

**Ebony Essence:
A Black or White
Affair**
8-11 p.m.
SUB Down Under

**Oct. 10
Faster than a
Speeding Bullet
5K Race**
8 a.m.

**Parade Your
Powers**
9 a.m.

Ribbon Cutting
10:30 a.m.
Ruth W. Towne
Museum and
Visitors Center

Tailgate Picnic
11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Red Barn Park

**Anniversary Class
Reunions**
11:15 a.m. • SUB

**Student Senate
Reception**
1 p.m. • SUB
Senate Office

**Pre-game
Activities**
1:30 p.m.

Football Game
2 p.m.
Stokes Stadium

**Comedian
Theo Von**
6 p.m. • Baldwin

Step Show
8 p.m. • Baldwin

**Oct. 11
Unique Ensemble
Gospel Choir
Concert**
1 p.m. • SUB
Activities Room

**Wind Symphony
Concert conducted
by Dan Peterson**
2 p.m. • Baldwin

*For a complete
listing of all
Homecoming 2009
activities, visit
<http://homecoming.truman.edu>.

Alumni to be Honored at Homecoming Events

The Alumnus of the Year award will be presented to Dr. Greg A. Gerhardt. As one of the nation's foremost researchers on Parkinson's disease, Gerhardt attributes much of his success to his educational experience at Truman.

Gerhardt received his Bachelor of Science in chemistry, graduating magna cum laude from Truman in 1979. He received additional training in chemistry and neuroscience at the University of Kansas where he earned his Ph.D. with honors in 1983. He received training as a postdoctoral fellow from 1983-1985 in pharmacology and psychiatry at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center in Denver. Gerhardt remained at the University of Colorado from 1985-1999 where he rose through the ranks to professor of psychiatry, pharmacology and The Neuroscience Training Program.

Since 1999, Gerhardt has served as director of the Morris K. Udall Parkinson's Disease Research Center of Excellence at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in Lexington, one of 15 NIH funded centers for the development of new treatments for Parkinson's disease. He is also the director of the Center for Microelectrode Technology.

In 2008 Gerhardt committed \$1 million, through his estate, to create the Greg A. and Paulette C. Danielle-Gerhardt Endowed Professorship at Truman to commemorate his late wife, Paulette.

Stacey (George) Sifton and Scott Sifton will be recognized as the 2009 Young Alumni of the Year. Both attorneys in St. Louis, Stacey serves as in-house counsel for Edward Jones, and Scott works as a partner at Husch Blackwell Sanders LLP.

Stacey graduated from Truman in 2000 with a Bachelor of Arts in business administration, and Scott earned a Bachelor of Science in political science in 1996. While attending Truman, both Stacey and Scott served as Student Senate President, and each was named to the Omicron Delta Kappa Student Hall of Fame. As part of her college experience, Stacey studied abroad in Cholet, France, and also sang with both the Franklin Street Singers and Cantoria. While on campus, Scott worked as a peer academic counselor and helped establish the Truman chapter of the Beta Theta Pi social fraternity.

Stacey earned her juris doctorate at the University of Kansas in 2003. Scott received his from the University of Michigan in 1999. Both interned with the Missouri Office of Attorney General while in law school. Stacey currently serves as president of Truman's St. Louis Alumni Chapter and as a member of Truman's Alumni Association Board of Directors. Their son, Stephen, was born in January 2009.

Kathy Rieck will be honored with the 2009 Distinguished Service Award.

A north Missouri native, Rieck was born in Marceline and grew up in Macon. Her mother also attended Truman. She has three degrees from Truman: Bachelor of Science in education in business education (1973); Master of Arts in secondary school administration (1976); and Bachelor of Science in accounting (1981). She also earned her Certified Public Accountant certificate in 1981. Shortly after graduating in May of 1973, she began working for University President Charles McClain, with plans to stay for a year or two. Little did she know that her career at Truman would span 32 years.

Rieck often acted as the first point of contact between

the President's Office and external constituents. She served on numerous campus-wide committees, including those responsible for institutional accreditation, long-range planning, information technology, athletics and major administrative searches.

In 1985, when the University's mission was changed to be the statewide public liberal arts and sciences university, Rieck was named Executive Assistant to the President-Admissions. She was charged with upgrading admission standards, setting qualitative and quantitative admission goals for the "new" university, and modifying policies and processes to be in line with those of a highly selective institution. She developed successful student recruitment and retention strategies, which resulted in dramatic increases in the size and ability of the student body.

Rieck was named Dean of Admission and Records in 1988. Her expanded responsibilities included enrollment management, freshman and transfer student recruitment and enrollment, and supervision of the Admissions, Registrar's, Financial Aid and International Student offices.

When Jack Magruder became President of the University, he asked Rieck to serve in the dual role of Dean of Admission and Records, and Executive Assistant to the President. She continued in both positions throughout his presidency.

In 2003, she was named Vice President for University Advancement. Rieck retired from the University in 2005. She is a member of the "Bright Minds, Bright Futures" regional campaign committee for northeast Missouri.

Larry Moore and Ruth Ann (Winter) Moore will serve as Grand Marshals of the 2009 Homecoming Parade.

A Baring, Mo., native, Larry anchors the award-winning 5 p.m., 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. news for KMBC-TV in Kansas City, Mo. He received a Bachelor of Science in education from Truman in

1967, and while attending the University, he was a reporter and weekend editor for the Kirksville Daily Express newspaper. He earned a master's degree in television news from the University of Missouri School of Journalism.

Ruth, originally from St. Louis, received a Bachelor of Science in education from Truman in 1968. At that time, Walter Ryle was serving as President of the University, and as a student, Ruth worked in the President's Office.

Before becoming a television news reporter, Larry was editor and reporter for two Missouri daily newspapers and United Press International. He began working at KMBC as a reporter in 1968 and rose through the ranks to become primary news anchor in 1972. The American Cancer Society presented Larry, who is a cancer survivor, with the prestigious Ambassador of Hope Courage Award for the cancer educational campaign he conducted on television and in the community by sharing his personal struggle.

Ruth is currently on medical leave from her position as the community relations coordinator for Webster University. She also earned a Master of Arts in teaching from Webster University.

The Moores, well known for their generosity and community involvement, make their home in Kansas City where they own Celebrity Farms, a breeding and training operation of Missouri Fox Trotting horses. They have three daughters and two sons.

For more in-depth biographies on all of the nominees go to <http://alumni.truman.edu/Homecoming2009/Honorees.asp>.



Greg A. Gerhardt



Kathy Rieck



Stacey & Scott Sifton



Larry & Ruth Ann Moore

Homecoming Tailgate

All alumni, students, faculty, staff and community members are invited.

11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Oct. 10
Red Barn Park

Rain site is Pershing Arena
\$7 or meal transfer

All dining halls
WILL BE CLOSED.

Four attendees will win
\$50 Sodexo Bonus Bucks.

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Athletics to Induct Hall of Fame Members

The 1998-99 Men's Basketball team and Gerald Burditt will be inducted into the Truman Athletics Hall of Fame Oct. 9.

The 1998-99 Men's Bulldog Basketball team advanced to the NCAA Final Four that season after winning their final eight conference regular season games, three conference tournament games (with two wins coming in the final seconds) and sweeping through the South Central regional tournament.

Members of the squad, coached by regional coach of the year Jack Schrader and assisted by John Sloop were: All-American Cory Parker, Academic All-American Jason Reinberg, Brian Brown, Jason Ramthun, Andy Guethle, Mike Peterson, Jason Ward, Chris Foulk, Spencer

Douglas, AJ Crum, Kyle Eagan, Moni Fearn, Dusty Bruner, Donnie Daggett, Peter Aydt and Dan Mailath.

Gerald Burditt was the second leading scorer for a Bulldog Basketball team that captured the MIAA championship and advanced to the NCAA small college quarterfinals in 1959-60. Burditt earned first-team all-MIAA honors, averaging 15.1 points per game.

The Bulldogs won the conference championship that season and won 13 of their last 14 games after starting with a 4-3 record.

Burditt was previously a two-time second-team MIAA pick under head coach Boyd King and was named to the "Who's Who in Small College Basketball" following the 1959-60 season.

Truman Forensics Continues Early Season Success with Wins in Kentucky

Members of the Truman Forensics Union continued a trend of success as they headed to Bowling Green, Ky., for two tournaments hosted by Western Kentucky University and Ohio University.

During the first half of the swing tournament, sophomore Christian Johns (Carthage, Mo.) beat out 39 other competitors to reign as tournament champion in Lincoln-Douglas debate. Other highlights from this half of the swing included a third place finish in Poetry Interpretation from freshman Samantha Jones (Wheaton, Ill.), which qualified her for the national tournament at the end of the season.

In addition, other recognition included a qualification for sophomore Mel Kapitan, who received fourth in Poetry; a fourth place finish in Prose Interpretation and seventh place in Impromptu Speaking from sophomore Andrew Grojean (Blue Springs, Mo.); a fourth place finish in Extemporaneous Speaking and fifth place in Impromptu for freshman Jessica Petrie (Belleville,

Ill.); and Octofinal finishes in Lincoln-Douglas by sophomore Elizabeth Hatting (Omaha, Neb.) and juniors Sarah Backhaus (Liberty, Mo.) and Dylan Clark (St. Louis, Mo.).

Truman's Lincoln-Douglas squad beat students from Kentucky, Ohio, Missouri and more to take a third place debate sweepstakes award.

During the second tournament, Truman's individual event competitors clinched a fourth place sweepstakes trophy.

In Dramatic Duo, sophomores Erin Williamson (Kansas City, Mo.) and Darius Taylor (Zion, Ill.) earned another national qualification by placing fourth. Samantha Jones repeated her third place finish in Poetry, while Jessica Petrie repeated her fourth place finish in Extemporaneous. Andrew Grojean rounded out the success of this half of the swing when he placed seventh in After Dinner Speaking.

Anyone interested in competing in forensics should contact Kristi Scholten, director of forensics, at kscholten@truman.edu.

IT Services Provides Phone Bills Online

As part of Truman's efforts to improve the efficiency of University operations and mindfulness of the environment, the ITS Web Team now provides phone bills online.

Previously, detailed phone bills were printed, collated and distributed monthly to office controllers in stacks of paper. Beginning in September, the controllers for each office and department can now review billing information

online for both current and previous phone bills through a password-protected site at <http://phones.truman.edu/bills>.

The online system includes an option to export the data to Excel files so they can be distributed via e-mail or further analyzed electronically.

The Truman ITS Web Team custom-built the system for the University during the last four months.



Career Expo Schedule

Oct. 12
Expo 411
11 a.m.-4 p.m.
Mall

Expo Crash Course
6-7:30 p.m.

Sign up at <http://pdi.truman.edu>

Oct. 13

Deadline to upload résumé and apply for interview pre-selection on eRecruiting at <http://truman.experience.com> (Additional slots may be available at Expo)

Oct. 20
**Employer Mock
Interviews**

Sign up and drop off your résumé in the Career Center

Oct. 21

Career Expo
11 a.m.-4 p.m.
Student Union Building
Register at
<http://career.truman.edu>

Oct. 22
Employer Interviews
8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Student Union Building

NOTABLES

Taner Edis, associate professor of physics, presented "Between Nasr and Ateş: What Understanding of Evolution do Science Educators Want?" at a conference on "Darwin and Evolution in the Muslim World" at Hampshire College in Massachusetts Oct. 2-3.

Michael Goggin, associate professor of physics, and collaborators at the University of Queensland, recently had their paper "Complementarity

in variable strength quantum nondemolition measurements," selected by the Institute of Physics (IoP) for inclusion in "IoP Select." "IoP Select" is a special collection of journal articles, chosen by the editors of IoP journals based on one or more of the following criteria: substantial advances or significant breakthroughs; a high degree of novelty; and/or significant impact on future research. "IoP Select" can be found online at <http://www.iop.org/Select/>.

Golden Leadership Award Nominations Under Way

The Center for Student Involvement (CSI) welcomes all faculty and staff to nominate student leaders on campus for the Golden Leadership Award (GLA) for the month of October.

This award recognizes the hard work, leadership skills and dedication of Truman student leaders. The Golden Leadership Award is based upon four categories of leadership: leadership and work experience; campus involvement, academic achievement; and community involvement.

The award strives to honor student leaders through a nomination, application and selection process.

The nomination form can be picked up in the

CSI or completed online at <http://csi.truman.edu>. The nomination deadline is Oct. 14 at 5 p.m. The CSI is located on the first floor of the Student Union Building.

Awards will be presented at the Leadership Recognition Program Banquet April 14, 2010. All of the nominees, nominators and Golden Leadership Award recipients will be invited to the banquet.

The CSI hopes advisers will recognize Truman students and organizations for their dedication to the campus by nominating them for a GLA.

Please direct questions and concerns to Amanda Rhodes in the CSI. Call 660.785.4222, or e-mail her at csilead@truman.edu.

FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR THE SPRING 2010 SEMESTER

The Truman State University Foundation has announced that scholarship applications for Truman students in the Spring 2010 semester are now available.

Students may fill out and submit applications online. The applications are due by midnight Nov. 1. To learn more, go to <http://www.truman.edu> and click on Student Life/Money/Foundation Scholarships or visit <https://secure.truman.edu/isupport-s/>.

The current application period is for Foundation Scholarships that have not yet been awarded for 2009-2010. Applications for the majority of Foundation Scholarships will be available in February for the 2010-2011 academic year.

Applications are also now available in the Center for International Education Office (CIE), located in Kirk Building 114, for the Truman State University Foundation Study Abroad Scholarships for the summer of 2010. Ten \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded for summer, faculty-led Truman study abroad programs based on financial need, statement of purpose and academic achievement. These applications are due in the CIE office by 12 p.m. Jan. 29, 2010, and recipients will be notified by the end of February.

Since its creation in 1980, the Truman State University Foundation has provided an opportunity for thousands of alumni and friends to make an investment in students. The mission of the Foundation and Office of Advancement is to support the goals and activities of the University by nurturing viable relationships with external constituencies, obtaining financial support and serving as prudent financial stewards of the Foundation's resources.

You are cordially invited

Dr. Ruth W. Towne Museum and Visitors Center Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

10:30 a.m. • Oct. 10.

For more information, call
785-4016.

Truman in Washington Program Internship Panel Discussion

Students should attend to find out more about internship opportunities in the Washington, D.C. area. The discussion will take place beginning at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 6 in Ophelia Parrish 2113. Featured panelists will include a representative from the Washington Center and several Truman students who have recently completed internships. For more information contact Diane Tobin Johnson at djohnson@truman.edu or at 785.7852.

A World Premiere Production of

COLUMBINUS

by the United States Theatre Project

8-10 p.m.

Oct. 7-10

**Ophelia Parrish
Severns Theatre
Free Admisson**

Written by Stephen Karam and PJ Paparelli. Dramaturgy by Patricia Hersch. Conceived by PJ Paparelli. Produced by arrangements with Dramatic Publishing Company of Woodstock, Ill.

Sponsored by the Truman Theatre Department.

UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN UPDATE

At the end of the second week of Truman's United Way campaign, faculty, staff, students and retirees contributed nearly \$24,000, which means contributions have reached approximately 42 percent of the \$56,000 goal. If you have not yet returned your pledge form, there is still time to do so. Also, if you have misplaced your pledge form and are in need of a replacement, contact Joe Hamilton at hamilton@truman.edu or Deb Kerby at dkerby@truman.edu.

MISSOURI GOVERNMENT INTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

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 2010 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>. The internship is open to all majors. For more information, contact Heidi Templeton at 785.4016 or at heidi@truman.edu, or contact Candy Young at 785.4650 or at cyoung@truman.edu.

NOTES

The Center for Teaching and Learning's Weekly Lunch Series will take place at 12:30 p.m. Oct. 7 in the Student Union Building Spanish Room and will focus on "Teaching with the Flu."

The next Physics Colloquium will feature Tom Cravens from the Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Kansas at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 7 in Violette Hall 1000. Cravens will present, "The Cassini-Huygens Mission to the Saturn System: Recent Results." For more information visit <http://physics.truman.edu/colloquia/mainstage.asp>.

Student Senate will host a forum at 7 p.m. Oct. 7 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room on an upcoming resolution proposed to encourage a smoking ban on campus.

Thomas Trimbora, professor of music, will present "Encounters with Lincoln Through the Arts" during a faculty forum at 7 p.m. Oct. 7 in Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Admission is free.

Expo 411 will take place from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 12 on the Student Union Building Mall. Career Center staff will be available to critique resumes. Registration for Career Expo and Mock Interview sign-ups are also available, as well as tips on appropriate dress and how to work a career fair. Free popcorn and soda. Visit <http://career.truman.edu> for more information. Rain site is the Violette Hall Commons.

The University Master Calendar, located on the Truman home page, has complete list of on-campus events.

Students Experience Nursing in the Philippines

Truman nursing students who traveled to the Philippines last summer will present a program, "Transcultural Experience in the Philippines to the communities of Kirksville and Truman State University" at 7 p.m. Oct. 6 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room.

Ten nursing students from Truman traveled to the Philippines from May 29-June 20. The students prepared for the trip through classes last spring about cultural immersion and communicable diseases. During a week-long stay in Metro Manila, the students participated in maternal and nursery care at the non-profit government facility, José Reyes Memorial Medical Center. At the center, students worked with mothers and infants who generally could not afford health care. They developed competencies in the assessment of birthing mothers and newborns and in cross-cultural communication. From Manila, they traveled south to the central province of Iloilo City where the students enrolled in a transcultural nursing program at West Visayas State University.

Clinical experiences during this program included home visits, a pediatric unit, the social hygiene clinic, a leprosarium and Asilo de Molo (a nursing home in the Philippines).



Nursing students and faculty stop for a picture under a sign welcoming them. Pictured, back row, left to right, are Kit Hadwiger, Ashley Swain, Jess Evelsizer, Kelsey Mason, Emily Reinart, Karen Wollberg and Lizzie Brink. Front row, left to right, are Jennifer Jackson, Ashley Sternquist, Alyssa Lewellen and Emily Schroeder.

Nursing students from West Visayas State University facilitated communication and cultural accommodation for the Truman nursing students during clinical experiences.

The public is welcome to attend the presentation, and refreshments will be served.

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges

Students may pick up applications for the 2009-2010 award in the Dean of Student Affairs Office, located in the Student Union Building 3100. To qualify, students should be active on campus and in the community, have a 2.75 GPA and be a senior eligible for graduation in December, May or August of the 2009-10 academic year. Completed student applications must be returned to the Student Affairs Office by Oct. 19. For more information visit <http://saffairs.truman.edu> or call 785.4111.



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Homecoming Apparel On Sale

The Homecoming Committee will sell apparel on the following dates, at the following locations:

Oct. 6

CSI • 8-10 a.m.
On the Quad at Marvel Carnival
10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Oct. 7

CSI • 8-10 a.m.
Mall • 10-2 p.m.

Oct. 8

CSI • 8-10 a.m.
Mall • 10-2 p.m.

Oct. 9

CSI • 8-10 a.m.
Mall • 10-2 p.m.

Oct. 10

Stokes Stadium • 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Rain site for Mall sales is the Student Union Building Main Hallway.

GLAMOUR MAGAZINE 2010 TOP 10 COLLEGE WOMEN COMPETITION

Deadline for entries is Dec. 1.

The electronic application for the 2010 competition can be found at <http://www.glamour.com/about/top-10-college-women>. Please direct any questions regarding the competition to atttcw@glamour.com.

Fall Mid-Term Break Special Hours at the Student Recreation Center

Oct. 14
6:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

Oct. 15
11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Oct. 16
11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Oct. 17
11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Oct. 18
4 p.m.-7 p.m.