# MAY 2013 NEWSLETTER



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# Message from Janet L. Gooch, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Dean, School of Health Sciences and Education

This will be our final newsletter for the 2012-2013 academic year. Mona and I (mostly Mona because she does all the work) will take a hiatus from this task for the summer months. Summer for me is a time of "high hopes" – hopes of addressing those projects and initiatives that I have been putting off throughout the year. How many times have you heard it said "that's a summer project; I hope to address that this summer; once summer rolls around I'll have more time to think about that". I've already overcommitted my summer and I'm certain I am not alone. This summer I plan to reflect and goal set. I've been Dean now for two years, not so new anymore – time for some serious reflection. Some of the topics that I will be thinking about this summer: the DQP, the Critical Thinking Framework, department five-year reviews, the SHSE research stipends I will offer to collaborative faculty and student projects, the things I've been doing well and not so well, just to name a few. I will spend time brainstorming different ways the departments in our school can assist each other and work more efficiently, create more interdisciplinary connections, and engage in more collaborative thinking and problem solving. I encourage you to connect with me over the summer and share with me your thoughts on these and other issues. I welcome feedback and direction from faculty and staff as the University embarks on several new initiatives. It is a pleasure working with all of you, my sincerest gratitude for all you do. I wish you a most productive and restful summer.

# May 2013 Commencement

Commencement ceremonies for the Truman May Class of 2013 will be held Saturday, May 11. Of the 1,020 graduation candidates, 265 (25%) are from the School of Health Sciences and Education. As of this writing, the Registrar Office lists the following numbers:

The Communication Disorders Department has 49 candidates: 13 for BA and 23 for BS in Communication Disorders and 13 for MA in CMDS.

The Education Department anticipates 59 graduates from the MAE: 6 visual art; 21 elementary; 9 English; 5 exercise science; 1 foreign language; 7 history/social science; 1 mathematics; 3 music; 3 science; 3 special education.

Health and Exercise Sciences has 4 candidates for BS in Athletic Training, 74 for BS in Exercise Science and 43 for BS in Health Science, for a total of 121.

Nursing anticipates 36 graduates with the BS in Nursing.

# Service Recognition

Congratulations to the following, who were honored at the Service Recognition Luncheon, Monday, April 29: Education Department Retirees: Dr. Janice Grow, Dr. John Hoffmann, Dr. Robert Martin, Dr. Scott Olsen; RPDC Retiree: Mr. Darl Davis; 40 Years of Service: Ms. Connie Ikerd, CMDS; 20 Years of Service: Mr. Stephen Hadwiger, Nursing. Ms. Cinda Mitchell, Nursing, Dr. Thomas Trimborn, Music (MAE); 15 Years of Service: Ms. Liz Jorn, Health & Exercise Sciences, Dr. Carol Marshall, Languages (MAE); 10 Year Honoree: Dr. Julie Lochbaum, Education; 5 Year Honorees: Mr. Dean Hansen, Education, Ms. Patricia Hanson, CMDS, Ms. Jill Miller, RPDC, Dr. Carla Smith, Health & Exercise Sciences. Thank you for your service.

# China EFL Internship

Mr. Chi Cheung of Jefferson City recently pledged to donate up to \$10,000.00 annually to provide talented and deserving students the opportunity to participate in CHN 550G, the Truman EFL Internship in China. Students can receive up to \$2,500.00 to participate in the program. To be eligible, students must be accepted as an intern for the Truman EFL Internship in China and must have a financial need. Truman students who participate in this internship teach English at Shuizhai High School and Da Jin Village Elementary School. Interns also serve as authorities on American culture and interact with English faculty at these schools to improve their listening and speaking skills. Students receive 12.0 semester hours of credit for CHN 550G. For details on how to apply for the Cheung Annual Scholarship for the Truman EFL Internship in China, contact Timothy Farley, tfarley@truman.edu

# **Communication Disorders**



Truman CMDS graduate students brought home the coveted first place trophy in the Quest for the Cup at the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention. Ms. Katie Leners, Ms. Amy Sanders, Ms. Audrey Nyi, Ms. Jenna Wise, and Ms. Stephanie Simpson answered every question presented with a perfect score. Truman competed against seven other universities in Missouri who have graduate programs in CMDS.

CMDS faculty and students presented at the Missouri Speech-Language-Hearing Association 54th Annual Meeting and Convention, April 4-7, in Osage Beach. Professional sessions included: Adventures in Geriatrics, Ilene Elmlinger, AuD.; Accent Reduction: Panel Discussion and Sharing of Activities and Resources, Patricia Hanson, M.A., Trinity Davis, BS, Nicole Kwarta, Elise Dunard and Amy Sanders, Truman State University, Margaret Hilliard, M.A., Kirstin Kuchler, M.A., Darby Junior High and Kristi Langendoerfer, M.A., Fulton Public School District. Student presentations included: Early Head Start Language-Enrichment Program, Kelley Koenig and Rachel Pattermann; Benefits of a Study Abroad Experience in Communication Disorders, Ann Marie Neunuebel, Andrea Richards, M.Ed., Janet Gooch, Ph.D., Lindsey Hansen, and Jill Student poster presentations included: Smartpens and iPads: Showcasing Technology in Communication Disorders, Jessica Murfin, Caitlyn Davis, Kayla Tigges, Sarah Walkley, Abby Bockhaus, Kelley Koenig, Amanda Kerr, Rachel Pattermann, Beth Boedeker, and Megan Pattee, Supervisor: Paula Cochran, Ph.D.; Childhood Apraxia of Speech: Cueing Versus Word-Breakdown, Amy Sanders, BA, Supervisor: Paula Cochran, Ph.D.; The Effect of Wordmaker Software (Don Johnston Inc.) on Spelling, Enny Cleaveland-Acklin, BA, Supervisor: Paula Cochran, Ph.D.; Contribution of Rate Reduction Strategy to Artic Therapy, Kelsey Aurand de Razo, BS, Supervisor: Paula Cochran, Ph.D.; The Contribution of Visual Markers on Broadcast Delivery, Bridget Donnelly, BS, Supervisor: Paula Cochran, Ph.D.; Increasing Communication Initiations in a Developmentally Disabled Adult Using PECS, Stephanie Simpson, BS, Supervisor: Paula S. Cochran, Ph.D.; The Effect of MeMoves on Attention During Speech Therapy, Katherine Leners, BA, Supervisor: Paula Cochran, Ph.D.; Books vs. Printed Book: How The Medium Affects Comprehension, Jessica Murfin, BS, Amanda Kerr, BS, and Rachel Pattermann, BA, Supervisor: Janet L. Gooch, Ph.D.; The Relationship Between Idiom Familiarity and Comprehension in College Students, Jamie Duran, BS, Supervisor: Paula Cochran, Ph.D.; The Effects of Visual Cueing On Phonological Working Memory, Megan Pattee and Bridget Leach, Supervisor: Janet Gooch, Ph.D.; The Effects of Intonation-Based Intervention for Non-Native Speakers of English, Kelsey Aurand de Razo, BS and Amy Sanders, BA, Truman State University, Supervisor: Patricia Hanson, M.A.; Infant Hearing: Perspective of Mothers and Physicians, Hannah Farnsworth and Elizabeth Boedeker, Truman State University, Supervisor: Ilene Elmlinger, AuD.; The Effect of Education on Willingness to Use Hearing Protection, Marilyn Hughes, Julie Bangert and Jessica Emmett, Truman State University, Supervisor: Ilene Elmlinger, AuD.; Service Delivery Models Used by Missouri School SLPs, Elaine Boda, DM, Supervisor: Patricia Hanson, M.A.; Physical Activity and the Effect on Client Behavior, Lauren Ruhmann and Kelsey Webster, Supervisor: Janet Gooch, Ph.D.

CMDS student Ms. Myra Milam competed at the National Championship tournament for Lincoln-Douglas debate, where she placed second overall, losing in finals on a 3-2 decision. The final round was the first final round in history in this type of collegiate debate where two women faced each other. This is also the first debate final round that a Truman student has ever been in. Ms. Milam is the National Champion speaker in Lincoln Douglas debate. Debaters are scored on two levels: they are rated based on their speaking abilities and on whether or not they defeated their opponent in terms of argumentation. At this tournament, Myra was only three points away from a perfect score across the board in speaking abilities, something not done in recent history at the national tournament by any debater from any school. This is also the first time in history that a Truman debater has been awarded the title of best speaker in the nation.

New speech-voice-resonance analysis equipment from KayPentax was installed in the CMDS Speech Science lab by Dr. Edgar & Dr. Cochran, with the extensive help of ITS personnel, including Mr. Mike Reichten: two Dell computers, Nasometer, Visi-Pitch, Computerized Speech Lab (CSL) with Voice Disorders Database and Electroglottograph (EGG), resulting in essentially, a new speech science lab.

CMDS faculty will accompany 14 CMDS undergraduate and graduate students, May 12 – 21, to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Participants in the CMDS Study Abroad Program, Communication Disorders Experience in Mexico, will provide consultation, screening, and speech-language enrichment at the Refugio Infantil orphanage/school and the Pastitos de Luz, a day care center serving children with disabilities. Individuals who would like to make donations of small toys, games, and books should contact Ms. Andrea Richards arich@truman.edu.

Congratulations to the following CMDS students: Ms. Elaine Anne Boda, Outstanding Graduate Student in Communication Disorders; Ms. Jessica Lizabeth Murfin, Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Communication Disorders; Ms. Rachel Anne Pattermann, Outstanding Undergraduate Clinician; Ms. Stephanie Jill Simpson, Outstanding Graduate Clinician; Ms. Mariah Nina Richard, William F. Hall Honorary Scholarship; Ms. Morgan Leigh Schmitz, James W. Sparks Memorial Scholarship; Ms. Megan Lin Pattee, Aileen Hall Shoaff/Regina Davison Scholarship; Ms. Leigha Suzanne Hill, M. Barbara Kline Humanitarian Award.

# **Education**



Education Department retirees were honored at a luncheon, Monday April 15, in Violette Hall. Pictured above are Dr. Robert Martin, Dr. Janice Grow, and Dr. Scott Olsen. Not pictured is Dr. John Hoffmann. Faculty, staff, students, and friends from across the university and beyond joined the celebration. The department is losing four distinguished and well respected colleagues representing a combined 121 years of service to the University. They will be greatly missed and we wish them well.

Dr. Paul Yoder will return to teaching full-time in the MAE after having served the past three years as Chair of the Education Department. Thank you for your service, Dr. Yoder.

Dr. Peter Kelly has been elected to a three-year term as Chair of the Education Department and will assume that position in May.

Dr. Lisa Goran and Dr. John Jones will join the Education Department as assistant professors this fall.

Dr. Jeff Gall took his JINS 369 class "Why We Fight: World War I" to the National World War I Museum in Kansas City on April 21. They also visited the General John J. Pershing home in Laclede. Pershing is a Truman alumnus.

Dr. Thomas Trimborn's arrangement for wind ensemble of Aaron Copland's Old American Songs was performed by the University of Michigan Concert Band with Daniel Washington, baritone soloist.

Ms. Bethany Hoekzema, a MAE student currently completing an internship in special education, has been selected for a Fulbright U.S. Student award for 2013-2014 to Greece. Bethany is one of 12 recipients of the FULBRIGHT/HAEF Teaching Fellowship, co-sponsored by Fulbright and the Hellenic American Educational Foundation. Ms. Hoekzema was also named the Truman special education intern of the year.

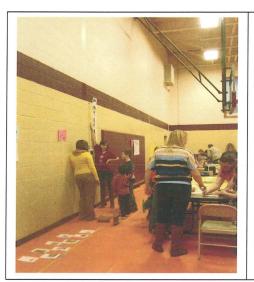
Ms. Cassandra Hunt, a MAE student currently completing an internship in special education, has been selected as one of four Truman State University candidates to attend the 21st Century Leadership Academy housed at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Sponsored by the Sue Shear Institute since 1998, all accepted "Shear Fellows" will have the opportunity to learn and practice their leadership skills, as well as to participate in panel discussions, small group exercises, skill-building workshops, and networking with women leaders. The Sue Shear Institute for Women in Public Life is a non-partisan, non-issue institute focused on making government accessible to all Missouri citizens by encouraging women's full participation in the policy process.

Recipients of the Dr. Kay Clapp Children's Literacy Awards this year are Ms. Rebecca Spegal and Ms. Danielle Ebeling. Ms. Spegal is completing an internship in the Bowling Green Elementary School and Ms. Ebeling is a teacher at the LaPlata R-II Elementary School. The Dr. Kay Clapp Children's Literacy Fund was endowed to honor Dr. Clapp, a professor emeritus in the Department of Education. Dr. Clapp is a powerful proponent of literacy and children's literature. Hundreds of students and practicing teachers have been influenced by her dedication and careful mentoring. The fund provides \$500.00 each to a Master of Arts in Education student and a local teacher to purchase children's literature for their professional practices. The awards will be presented Friday, June 7, at noon, during a ceremony in the Violette Hall second floor commons.



"On Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Jason Luscier led an ornithology field trip for Kindergartners and their families who participated in the Science Club. Our young scientists were very excited to meet a scientist. We met at Thousand Hills and learned how birds change (e.g., color, beaks, adult, young). Dr. Luscier made analogies to tools like a wrench and a hammer to the different kinds of beaks that birds have. The students thoroughly enjoyed examining the bird specimens. We took a hike in the woods and saw where owls roost and woodpeckers had drilled holes in trees. After our hike, Dr. Luscier shared with parents how to create outdoor environments that are inviting to birds. It was a wonderful opportunity to be outside exploring nature and a good time was had by all."

MAE interns participated in the first full-day internship orientation workshop, Friday, April 19, in the Student Union Building. All twenty-eight interns will complete either a fall 2013 or full-year internship experience as a culminating piece of the MAE program. In the past, the event has been a brief meeting with interns to prepare them for their internship experience and provide them with a general overview of paperwork and expectations. This year, Dr. Laura Nickelson, Director of Field Experiences and Ms. Sheila Berkowitz, Certification and Advising Officer, decided to address not only the "nuts and bolts" of the internship, but also a variety of miniworkshops in preparation for the interns' presence in the schools, as well as the job search. Dr. Nickelson coordinated closely with Ms. Jennifer Woodley from the University Career Center to develop the workshop and provide three special mini-workshops including: "Goal Setting and Resume Building," "Dress for Success," and "30 Second Commercial and Networking." Additional topics covered included teacher disposition, the new Missouri Teaching Standards, the new Missouri Model Evaluation System, and certification. Interns also had the opportunity to meet with their university supervisors at the end of the workshop. Dr. Ruth Mach, university supervisor for the St. Louis area attended the event, along with several other faculty members who were able to drop in throughout the day: Dr. Rebecca Dierking-English; Dr. Barbara Price-English; & Dr. Donna Rhinesmith-Elementary Education. The interns were extremely receptive and appreciative for such an informative event and were able to provide input and feedback for future workshops. The orientation will continue to be offered as a full-day workshop with cooperation and collaboration of the University Career Center.







"Math and Science Night at Schuyler Elementary was an opportunity for students, parents, and the rest of the community to be involved in numerous, engaging activities dealing with math or science. The activities were prepared and conducted by Truman State University's Elementary's Management of Instruction Education class taught by Dr. Wendy S. Miner and Dr. Bev Perrachione. Stations included Mad Hops, Elephant Toothpaste, Shape Shifters (Tangrams), Geoboards, Quilted Constructions, The Incredible Journey, How did the Titanic Float?, Science Tricks, Bubble Art, Practical Problems with Pinwheels, Popping Populations, and Water Lilies. At the How did the Titanic Float? station, participants were given a sheet of aluminum foil and were asked to make a boat design. They then added pennies to see how many pennies their boat would hold until it sank. When the boat sank, they drew their design on the station's large sheet of paper with the number of pennies it held. After testing their boats, participants could adapt their boat to something they thought might work better and try again. At the Mad Hops station, participants jumped as far or as high as they could. Then, they measured the length or the height and compared it to other objects (e.g., height of a car) or animals (e.g., average dog and cat jumps). At the Water Lilies station, participants used stencils to draw flowers, colored them, cut them out, and then folded the petals in. Second, they placed them in a tub of water and watched in awe as the flowers expanded. Throughout these different activities, children were able to interact with their parents as well as college students and were encouraged to try the activities at home. This created a fun atmosphere, and even allowed for some healthy competition. It was wonderful to watch the parents/grandparents watch their children learn, and even learn something themselves. I think it was a great experience for Truman's future teachers to be at and learn from too. Math and Science Night is a great event that helps tie the students, family, and community together. I can only hope that this opportunity for everybody continues in the future." Article Submitted by Ms. Michelle Berryman, graduate student MAE-Elementary

Congratulations to the following Education Department students: Ms. Kailey Tyler, Outstanding Student in Counseling; Ms. Frankie Bruning, Outstanding Student in Elementary Education, Mr. Stephen Elford, Outstanding Student in Secondary Education (Music); Ms. Bethany Hoekzema, Outstanding Student in Special Education.

Congratulations to Truman alums Ms. Stacie Sagaser-Moon, third grade teacher at Atlanta, and Mr. Joe Rogers, Social Studies teacher at Kirksville High School, who were named 2013 Outstanding Beginning Teachers by the Missouri Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (MACTE) at the April 25 spring conference. A total of 64 outstanding teachers were recognized for their excellence in serving children during their first two years of service in school districts across Missouri. Present at the awards ceremony was Dr. Tim Wall, MACTE President along with several other members of the MACTE board: Dr. Gale (Hap) Hairston, Director of Educator Preparation at the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and Mr. Stephan Schwartz, one of the top six finalists in the Missouri Teacher of the Year program and first grade teacher in the Valley Park School District. Each recipient was awarded an engraved plaque to display in their classroom.

# Health and Exercise Sciences

Dr. Janice Clark attended the American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (AAHPERD) national convention, April 22 – 26, in Charlotte, NC. She made three presentations and served as a session preside. The presentations included: Clark, J. L., Is Your Health Curriculum CHES-Aligned? (refereed); Lysoby, L., Rehrig, M., & Clark, J. L., CHES/MCHES Report, Results, & Curricula Alignment. (refereed); and Goodwin, B., & Clark, J. L., Get the Big Picture: Concept Mapping in Health Education. (refereed). Dr. Clark was accompanied by four Health Science students Ms. McKenzie Tate, Ms. Vanessa Shaw, Mr. Justin Ryckman, and Ms. Emma Hosman, who competed in the American Association of Health Education (AAHE) Case Study competition. This year the case study topic was Alzheimer's Disease.



Mr. Mason Einspahr, senior health science major, is pictured left accepting a check from Ms. Laura Bates, CSI director and assistant Student Union Building director, for his artwork. Mr. Einspahr received a Student Union Building purchase award for his oil on canvas, "Forest Lake Trail," at the Annual Juried Student Art Show, March 5. The piece will become part of the Student Union Building's permanent student art collection and will be displayed beginning next fall.

Ms. Briana Bonner, junior health science major, has been named a Campus Compact Newman Civic Fellow, one of 181 across 36 states to be recognized. Ms. Bonner regularly volunteers at the People Achieving Connections Together (PACT), a center that provides daily activities for individuals with developmental disabilities. She proposed a student-initiated course, Disability and Community Connect, which prepared students to both volunteer and work in community based programs for disabled individuals.



The Student Public Health Association (SPHA) hosted a screening of the documentary, "Escape Fire: The Fight to Rescue American Health Care," April 16. The film tackled the issue of how to save the broken United States health care system. With the help of a \$350.00 grant from MO-PIP, the movie and pizza were provided for nearly 100 students, faculty, and local Kirksville residents. Ms. Holly Arbuckle, an acupuncturist at Kirksville Family Acupuncture, was the discussion leader, opening and closing the movie screening with thought-provoking questions about the American health care system. "Escape Fire" examined the forces maintaining the status quo in medicine, a medical industry designed for quick fixes rather than prevention, and for-profit health care rather than patient-driven health care. The movie emphasized the need to finding a way out and to find ways to save the United States health care.



Students from ES 506 Advanced Sport Management hosted a family fishing day at Spur Pond. Over 150 people came out for a fun afternoon of fishing and lots of fish were caught. The event received support from the Missouri Department of Conservation which provided fishing poles and goodie bags for kids and the Kirksville Bait Shop donated bait. Other events for kids this semester include Dive in Movie (March), Frisbee Golf (April 27), and the Hershey's Track and Field Meet (May 4). For more information about these events contact the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department, 627-1485 or www.kirksvillecity.com

Ms. Alicia Wodika has accepted a position as temporary assistant professor beginning next fall. Her Ph.D. in health education and recreation from Southern Illinois University is expected in May.

With regret, the HES Department has accepted the resignation of Dr. Joe Visker, effective July 31. We wish him well in his future endeavors.

The Health and Exercises Department was nominated for Department of the Year by Ms. Megan Harris, health sciences major who transferred to Truman in August from another Missouri university. Ms. Harris said that she nominated the department because "HES students have no idea how much better off they are than students attending other public institutions in Missouri." Her statement reflects the ongoing dedication of HES faculty and staff to our students.

Congratulations to the following Health and Exercise Sciences students: Ms. Erin Foster, outstanding undergraduate student in health science; Ms. Megan Purk, outstanding undergraduate student in athletic training; Mr. Bradley Schaefer, outstanding undergraduate student in exercise science. Health Science departmental honors recipients are: Ms. Aubrey Crowley, Ms. Diana Dietl, Ms. Rebecca Gingrich, Mr. Andrew Hill, Ms. Lauren Higgins, Ms. Colleen Schmittgens, and Mr. Mitch Stewart.

Exercise Science departmental honors recipients are: Ms. Megan Chittum, Mr. James Crone, Ms. Katie Dames, Mr. Gregory Daum, Ms. Sophie DeHaven, Ms. Haley Downing, Mr. Joe Emery, Ms. Kathryn Harvey, Ms. Andrea Kobermann, Ms. Melissa Mueller, Mr. Andrew Piotter, Ms. Cassandra Rodden, Ms. Jessica Tomash, and Ms. Christine Ulses.







The Truman team competing in the 2013 American Alliance of Health, Physical Dance Education. Recreation. and (AAHPERD) National Convention American Association of Health Education (AAHE) Case Study Competition placed third in national competition, Friday, April 26, in Charlotte, NC. Dr. Janice Clark is the sponsor for the group. Additionally, team members Mr. Justin McKenzie, Ms. Vanessa Shaw, and Ms. Emma Hosman assisted Dr. Clark in her presentation, "Is Your Health Curriculum CHES-Aligned?"

Pictured left, top, (left to right) Mr. Justin Ryckman, Ms. McKenzie Tate, and Ms. Vanessa Shaw are receiving their award from Dr. Caile Spear, AAHE president.

Left, middle, shows the team with the poster they used as part of their presentation on the problem of Alzheimer's Disease in Mecklenburg County, NC. They were judged on their ability to utilize the Seven Areas of Responsibility for Certified Health Education Specialists (assess, plan, implement, evaluate, administer, serve as a resource, and communicate and advocate for health education) to deal with the problem.

McKenzie, Justin, Vanessa, and Emma are pictured left, bottom, outside the Charlotte Convention Center.

Students applied for positions on the case study team. Ms. Emma Hosman was the alternate. To finance the trip, they applied for funding from MO-PIP, Student Senate, and the Student Public Health Association.

# Nursing

Capstones in Nursing are scheduled on Thursday, May 2. The day begins with posters and refreshments at 9:30 and the keynote address begins at 10:00 a.m. The keynote address will be provided by Gregory Nurrenbern, RN, BSN, MSN, FNP. Gregg will speak about his experiences in the Peace Corps. Special thanks to Ms. Melissa Holcomb, Dr. Teak Nelson, Ms. Pam Melvin, Ms. Kit Hadwiger, Brenda Wheeler, Ph.D.(c), and many faculty/staff in preparing for this special capstone day. Capstones are also sponsored by the Rho Omega Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society of Nursing.

The Nursing Recognition Ceremony is scheduled on Friday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m. in Baldwin Hall. The senior nursing class will be recognized for their many achievements. Dr. Susan Guffey will be the guest speaker.

The Missouri State Board of Nursing will visit the Department of Nursing on May 21, for an expansion survey related to the accelerated BSN program. The department will offer nursing courses for the first ABSN cohort starting on May 28. Two pre-requisite courses and two major courses will be offered for students interested in the ABSN during May-August. Thank you to the faculty and staff for all of their extra work in starting this new program! The department is anticipating approximately 10 students in the first cohort.

Dr. Steve Hadwiger and Ms. Kit Hadwiger are preparing 16 nursing students for the Philippines Study Abroad trip during summer 2013.

Dr. Steve Hadwiger is finishing his sabbatical work in nursing simulation; the Nursing Department looks forward to his return. We would like to express special appreciation to Dr. Teak Nelson, Brenda Wheeler, Ph.D.(c), and Ms. Sharon McGahan who provided additional course instruction during Steve's leave.

Ms. Sarah Delaware is planning to retire (again)! Thanks, Sarah, for your many years of service!

Congratulations to Ms. Cinda Mitchell and Dr. Steve Hadwiger for their anniversaries of 20 years of service to Truman.

Dr. Stephanie Powelson was a team leader for an on-site nursing accreditation visit for the Commission for Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) in April. She accepted an invitation as a team leader for CCNE for October 2013.

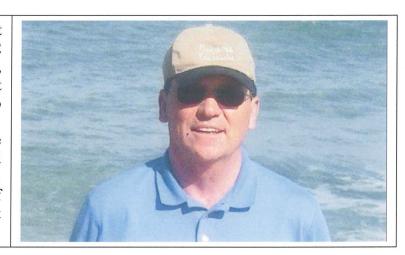
Nursing student Ms. Adrienn Myers was selected as cadet battalion commander during the upcoming year in Military Science.

Ms. Courtney Oxandale will begin a term of service in September with the Peace Corps in the Community Health Education Promotion program in Fiji.

Congratulations to Ms. Laura Knopik, who was named Outstanding Student in Nursing.

# Regional Professional Development Center

Mr. Darl Davis, Regional Professional Development Center Director, will retire this summer after 12 years in the position. Prior to his current position, Mr. Davis was the superintendent of schools at Putnam County R-1 in Unionville. Mr. Davis also worked in the LaPlata R-2 and Scotland County R-1 school districts. He has served on the Missouri State High School Activities Association, Missouri United Insurance School Council, and SuccessLink, Inc. Board of Directors. Darl is a three-time graduate of Truman State University. Congratulations and best wishes on your retirement, Darl.



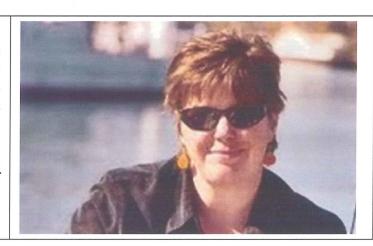
#### Dean's Team



Ms. Kristin Veteto was the speaker for the SHSE Dean's Team Eat, Listen, Learn lunch-time lecture series, Monday, April 8. Her topic was "Music Therapy."

# Fifth Annual Language and Literacy Conference

Ms. Susan Ebbers was the featured speaker at the Fifth Annual Language and Literacy Conference sponsored by the School of Health Sciences and Education Departments of Communication Disorders, Education, and the Regional Professional Development Center, Friday, April 26. Ms. Ebbers' topic was "Morphological Awareness: More than Mere Knowledge," presented to an audience of approximately 130.



# Calendar of Selected Upcoming Events

May 3, Friday – Spring 2013 Semester Last Day of Classes

May 6-10, Monday – Friday – Finals

May 8, Wednesday – Reading Day

May 11, Saturday – Spring Commencement, 2:00 p.m.

May 14, Tuesday – Peter Ewell visit

May 27, Monday – Memorial Day (observed), University Closed

June 24-28, Monday-Friday – Advanced Placement Teacher Summer Institutes (Biology, French Language and Culture, Statistics, and World History)

July 4, Thursday - Independence Day, University Closed

July 15-19, Monday-Friday – Advanced Placement Teacher Summer Institutes (Calculus AB/BC, Chemistry, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, and United States History)

August 12, Monday – New Faculty Contracts Begin

August 14, Wednesday – Faculty Begin Work

August 14, Wednesday – SHSE All-School Meeting, 1:30 p.m., VH 1010

August 17, Saturday – Freshmen Move-in Day/Truman Week Begins

August 22, Thursday - Fall Semester Classes Begin

September 2, Monday – Labor Day, University Closed

For a complete list of events on campus check out the Master Calendar, available on the Truman home page or by clicking <u>calendar.truman.edu</u>. For information about off-campus events, click on the Kirksville tab in TruView or the <u>Kirksville Events</u> tab located on the top of the Master Calendar.