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A man and a woman are dancing on a checkered floor. The man is wearing a dark tuxedo with a white shirt and a dark bow tie. The woman is wearing a long, light-colored, sleeveless dress with a V-neckline. They are both smiling and looking at each other. The background is a checkered floor with a pattern of squares and rectangles.

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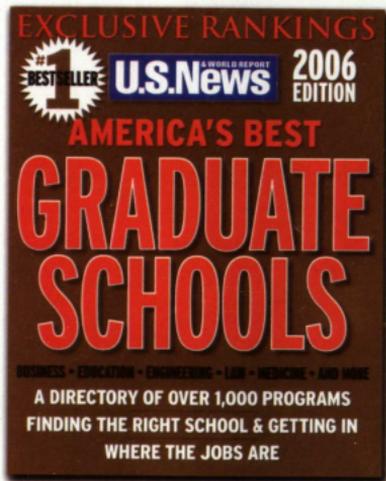
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U.S. News ranks school programs among nation's best

University of Missouri Health Care programs earned high rankings in the new *U.S. News & World Report* list of "Best Graduate Schools." The programs were again led by the School of Medicine's Department of Family and Community Medicine, which ranked second in the nation. The department has ranked in the top three in its category for more than a decade.

"We're very pleased to be recognized as a leader in family medicine education, patient care and research," said Harold Williamson, MD, chair of family and community medicine. "Having dedicated faculty, a clear mission and an institution that supports what we do has helped us realize this accomplishment."

Another top ranking was awarded to MU's rural medicine program. Deans and faculty members from more than 140 medical schools ranked MU's program third in the country.

The University's Rural Track Program offers medical students the opportunity to receive a portion of their education in rural communities.

"Rural medicine was one of the original missions of the University of Missouri School of Medicine," said Weldon Webb, director of rural programs. "We reaffirmed our commitment to the program 11 years ago with the creation of the MU Rural Track Program, and it has been very successful because of the dedication of our faculty and staff."

MU's Health Services Administration master's degree program ranked 16th, and MU ranked 17th among schools emphasizing primary care. The School of Medicine has consistently earned top-20 rankings in both categories.

MU's School of Health Professions ranked 40th for its physical therapy program and 62nd for its speech-language pathology program. The MU Sinclair School of Nursing ranked 53rd.



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Show your stripes

How many ways are there to show Tiger pride?
Plenty. Take this stretch vehicle, complete with
humongous ears that must be a drag on
mileage. Ablaze in black and gold, it's a gas
to all passers-by.

On a smaller scale,
I have a black and
gold MU sweater with
logos on the front,
logos on the back and
logos on the sleeves.
When I wear it, I'm a walking
billboard for Mizzou. For
that I have my mother-

in-law, Maxine Frerking
Worley, BA '48, of Laurie, Mo., to thank. She found it for me several years back.

On the cover, legendary Coach Norm and wife Virginia Stewart are true-blue
Mizzou. Norm, whose career of 32 years netted a 634-333 record, is more than a
former basketball coach. He and his sweetheart of 50 years have become Mizzou
ambassadors, hosting University events across the country. Norm and Virginia also
will host this year's Homecoming as grand marshals of the parade. In MIZZOU's
special section, check out Page 46 for their story, written by Dale Smith, BJ '88,
and a football season preview by Chris Blose, MA '04, on Page 50. There also are
those who show their support a bit more quietly by contributing large — and small
— gifts to the For All We Call Mizzou campaign. For an update on what that's doing
for the University, see the story on Page 38 by Sona Pai, BA, BJ '99.

Then there are the Brian Frappiers of the world. Can you imagine digging
through the innards of animal corpses? It's all for a good cause. Frappier meticu-
lously teaches anatomy to veterinary medicine students. It's a stinky job, but he's
passionate about it. See the story on Page 24 by Dawn Klingensmith, BA, BJ '97.

Talk about passionate. Some Mizzou students widen their worlds by traveling
abroad to learn. Meet seven of them in stories by journalism master's student Mary
Beth Constant on Page 16. And then there's photojournalism master's student
Adam Masloski, a Minnesota transplant who challenged himself to photograph
places at MU that most of you probably have never seen. Take a peek on Page 30.

How do you show your Tiger pride? As students head back to school, alumni
have a chance to show them what Mizzou spirit is all about. Let them hear it
and see it. — Karen Flandermeier Worley, BJ '73

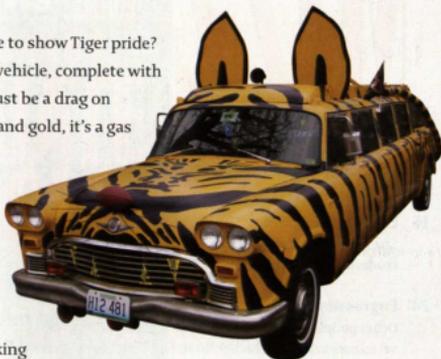


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and then Stripe My Ride. Write us if you know who owns this ride.

Two of your favorite things

Lately, feedback from MIZZOU readers has focused most on two eternally popular topics: sports and food. Our Summer 2005 feature on club sports brought phone calls, letters and e-mails, some thanking us for featuring these often-overlooked athletes and others pointing out athletes we ourselves overlooked (see below). Former MU basketball player Julie Helm-Chapman, BS BA '99, wanted to know how to get a Mizzou cycling jersey to wear in triathlons, so we put her in touch with cycling team president Brady Beckham, who says he received other requests, too. We hope the jerseys serve them well.

But our readers seem just as interested in chowing down as in keeping fit. Letters keep coming about our story on Columbia restaurants, "Everybody's Gotta Eat," in the Spring 2005 issue. Readers also have responded to the letters we published in our Summer 2005 issue about that story.

Thanks for writing, and keep reading.

MIZZOU magazine staff



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Starting in 1900, Clark W. Hetherington played a role in shaping Mizzou sports and recreation, from pushing to build Rothwell Gymnasium to establishing a physical education program.

The house that Clark built

I took personal interest in two of your articles ["Tug of Conscience" and "Serving the Student Body," Summer 2005]. The principal link to the University of Missouri in each article is Professor Clark W. Hetherington. Hetherington was the topic of my master's thesis, *Contributions of Clark W. Hetherington to P.E. at Missouri, in 1970*.

The "Tug of Conscience" article states that Hetherington was at the 1904 Olympics in St. Louis to lead the officiating of the tug of war. That was only a minor role. He also delivered 10 lectures on "Divergent Effects of Uniform Physical Training on Different Individuals." His knowledge and ideas about physical training made him one of the leading authorities in the field in the early 1900s. His findings and results came from tests he administered to MU students. Regarding the article on the new Student Recreation Complex that expanded on Rothwell Gymnasium, Hetherington was instrumental in building that \$65,000 gym.

Upon his arrival in 1900, the only gymnasium for physical education was located in the basement of an administration building and was cramped, damp and poorly ventilated. He wanted to build a gymnasium that would include room for indoor games, office space, baths and dressing rooms, and the main gymnasium floor. The design and layout of Rothwell, opened in 1905 and complete in 1907, came from his drawings.

In his 10 years at MU, Hetherington focused on cleaning up professionalism, established a physical education program that was one of the first to offer a bachelor's degree in physical education, created the first statewide playground movement and was involved in numerous groundbreaking endeavors and accomplishments.

Thanks for awakening so many good memories. I look forward to seeing the new recreation complex.

Jerry H. Bauer, BS Ed '68, M Ed '70
Plantation, Fla.

Sports clubbin'

Although I was pleased to see your article on club sports at MU, "Alternative Athletics," in the Summer 2005 issue of MIZZOU magazine, I was disappointed that there was no mention of the ice hockey team. When I was an undergraduate student at MU, I served as the manager for the men's ice hockey team (1996-99). The experiences I had while with the team formed some of my best MU memories.

The team is still around today; they play at the Washington Park Ice Arena in Jefferson City. These athletes are just as dedicated to their sport as their counterparts highlighted in your article. They are very talented as well; the team was just upgraded to the Gold Division of the Mid-America Collegiate Hockey Association. People interested in learning more about the team can access the Web site at: students.missouri.edu/~muohockey.

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Mizzou medical memories

The story about Dr. Hugh Stephenson in the Summer 2005 issue brought to mind that my two brothers studied with him as medical students. Dr. G. Gayle Stephens attended MU in the late 1940s, when the school was a two-year medical school. Gayle transferred to Northwestern Medical School in Evanston, Ill., and graduated with honors. My other brother, Dr. Charles G. Stephens, was a member of the first graduating class of the MU four-year medical school and, I believe, assisted Dr. Stephenson in some of his research. As for me, I took my master's degree at MU in August 1957 and later completed my doctorate at Washington University in St. Louis.

The University of Missouri was key in our education, for which we are thankful.

W. Richard Stephens, M Ed '57
Greenville, Ill.



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More on Mizzou food

You can't imagine the surprise and pleasure I received in reading the articles in *Mizzou Mail* [Summer 2005] about dear old Mrs. Gaebler and her famous greeting, "Have you et yet, dearie?" I heard this sweet lady offer it many times when I worked there as a waiter in 1940-41 (pre-med). And here is the clincher that perhaps your two contributors may have forgotten: Mrs. Gaebler claimed to have graduated from Washington University in St. Louis with

— are you ready for this? — an English degree! We who worked there chuckled over that heartily. Charlie Fisk's orchestra played at Gaeb's every afternoon, and yes, you could sip a 10-cent Coke and dance with your Stephens "Suzie." Many years later, my wife and I had dinner at the Blackstone Hotel in Chicago, where Charlie Fisk's orchestra was playing. During the intermission, Charlie came and sat at our table, and the first thing he asked me was, "Have you et yet, dearie?"
Jack G. Williams, Arts '41
St. Louis

A tip of the *toque blanche* (chef's hat) to John Beahler for his well-prepared and well-presented feast of an article ["Everybody's Gotta Eat," Spring 2005] on Columbia eateries, then and now. I was always more fond of the apple fritters than the doughnuts, but at least he immortalized The Bakery in print. Other establishments that could have been mentioned include Harvest Moon, Taco Tico, Bobby Buford's, Green Pepper Pizza, Katy Station, Mug's Up (home of the Zip Burger), Los Bandidos, Malachi's and Kai Min. The



Photo by Shawna Milne

Readers reminisce about buying bottles of Coke for 10 cents and snacking on apple fritters.

Matterhorn (a seven-scoop, three-topping, mountain-sized sundae from Baskin-Robbins) may have given way to a Shake's concrete, but Columbians have never had to live by bread alone.

Ken Fattmann, BS Ed '82
Columbia

My former company, Restaurant Equipment & Supply Co. Inc., built many of the restaurants named in the "Everybody's Gotta Eat" article (and subsequently tore some of them down as they changed hands over the years).

Gaebler's Black and Gold, mentioned in the article, became The Italian Village in 1956. (I owned it for two years: 1958-59.) The number of pizzas and the half barrels of beer sold there helped put MU on the list of party schools in America.

Then there were The Stables and Andy's Corner, not much good food but lots of beer. Or The Den on Cherry Street, where students ate, drank and danced to a jukebox. Another would be Collins on Ash

between Eighth Street and Ninth Street.

For high-end places there was Hathman House, along with another one south of the city about where Wal-Mart is now. Students from all schools took their parents and best dates to these places.

I also have two sons who graduated in hotel and restaurant management at Missouri. They both worked for me during their high school and college years. We could all name more places that do or do not now exist!

Merle G. Wright, BA '58
Ajjic, Jalisco, Mexico

The prowess of Coach Al

Today, as I read the Mizzou Mail section of your Summer 2005 issue, I discovered that former football Head Coach Al Onofrio had passed away late last year.

Coach Al, who devoted almost 20 years of his life to Missouri football, began his career in Columbia as an assistant to Dan Devine during a time when Missouri regained its position as a national power. Certainly Onofrio's widely acknowledged prowess as a defensive coach contributed to the success enjoyed during the Devine era.

When Coach Devine departed for the NFL, Onofrio succeeded him. No one at the time could have predicted the six-year roller coaster ride that would ensue. It almost became a standard for Missouri to suffer a heartbreaking loss, only to rebound with an incredible upset victory against a nationally ranked power the following week.

During his six seasons as head coach, his teams defeated Nebraska three times, twice on Nebraska's turf. Other highly ranked teams that fell victim to Missouri during the Onofrio years included Auburn, Alabama, Baylor, Arizona State, Notre Dame, USC and Ohio State.

In 1975, the Tigers put Missouri in the national spotlight, if only briefly, with a nationally televised Monday night drubbing of second-ranked Alabama. It was perhaps

the greatest performance ever put on by a Missouri team.

That victory resulted from an innovative defensive scheme, contrived by Coach Onofrio, which caught the Crimson Tide off guard and completely stifled their highly rated wishbone offense. I believe that game will be regarded as Coach Al's finest hour.

Steven S. Meyer, BS BA '76
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90	11.3%



Woman of worth

After a grueling six-month process that included writing and revising more than a dozen essays, filling out a lengthy application and answering pointed questions in a high-pressure interview, Annie Morrison emerged as one of 75 winners nationwide of the prestigious Truman Scholarship in 2005. Winners are accomplished college students pointing their lives toward careers in public service. The honor comes with national recognition and \$30,000 to spend toward graduate school and other service-oriented training.

Morrison, a junior majoring in English and biology, plans to attend medical school in fall 2006. She aims to help people one at a time as a physician and to shape public policy regarding health care.

The West Plains, Mo., native already has made a difference in the lives of young women in Columbia by founding Women of Worth (WOW). One part of the program pairs female college students with middle school girls who might not consider going to college. She believes that, through these relationships as well as education and community-service activities, the young



Photo by Rob Hill

Junior Annie Morrison is one of 75 students nationwide to win the 2005 Truman Scholarship.

teenagers can come to see a college education as not only desirable but also possible.

WOW's efforts are paying off, Morrison says. She cites follow-up research with the girls showing increased feelings of empowerment and self-esteem, stronger intention to go to college, and better school attendance and grades.

One of WOW's biggest successes came this year as the organization began training the middle school students to think of themselves as role models for even younger girls. "It's an empowering idea," Morrison says. "These are girls trying on adulthood for the first time. It pushes them to live to their own potential."

Lauding the land grant

John Campbell has no truck with the traditional English system of education, in which the wealthiest 10 percent go to college, and everyone else is consigned to a vocational-technical track. No, Campbell, BS '55, MS '56, PhD '60, believes in the land-grant system, of which MU is a part. "In a democracy, I think everybody ought to have a chance to go to a first-class university," says Campbell, who taught dairy science at MU for 20 years before going to work at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and then to Oklahoma State University, where he became president.

Campbell has written a book called *Reclaiming a Lost Heritage: Land-Grant and Other Higher Education Initiatives for the Twenty-first Century*, and this fall he is teaching a course on the topic in the MU Honors College.

"If you're born into a family with an income in the upper quartile, you are four times more likely to go to college than those in the lower quartile. That scares me," Campbell says. "People in that lower quartile have just as much a right to a good education as anybody else."

Campbell says the land-grant combination of educating the masses, conducting research and spreading the fruits of that



research into the community has been key to the nation's development. Ever the populist, he goes so far as to propose that even students with mediocre scores in high school be admitted to land-grant universities if they maintain a C average for three probationary semesters: "Like Abraham Lincoln said, 'God must've loved the average person; he sure made a lot of them.'"

Medicinal messages

When trying to communicate important health messages — the importance of mammograms in detecting breast cancer, for example — how much information is too much? How long before the response slips from a healthy fear that causes action into an overwhelming fear that causes withdrawal?

Those are some of the many questions



Photo by Dan White

researchers at MU's Health Communication Research Center (HCRC) are working to answer. Founded in 2003, the center's main objective is to improve the way people get potentially lifesaving information. "Behind all this is, 'How do we get better?'" says Glen T. Cameron, advertising professor and center co-director. If communicators get better, the public's health gets better, too.

The center pulls together core journalism and nursing researchers with those from medicine, health professions, biochemistry, health policy, agriculture and other units to examine health communications with a varied toolbox of techniques. Cameron and collaborators, for example, study how best to write press releases that promote cancer prevention and treatment to African Americans, a group with lower detection rates and higher mortality rates than other demographic groups. The researchers are

Author John Campbell considers the land-grant system the pinnacle of U.S. higher education policy. A spire of Memorial Union is shown above.

examining whether tailoring those releases with local facts or stories might increase their odds of landing in a newspaper.

Another project includes biophysiological measurements — looking at facial expressions, heart rate and so on — to determine how people react to messages about health. With the resulting information, communicators could learn how to get those messages out most effectively. HCRC research covers a range of health issues, too, from cancer to arthritis to teen smoking.

Cameron says HCRC work might help lay the foundation for a future school of public health at MU, something he says would further improve how Missourians get their health information. For more information about the HCRC, visit hcr.missouri.edu.

Briefly



- The MU community will gather at 3 p.m. Sept. 16 in Jesse Hall for Celebrate Mizzou!, a convocation with Chancellor Brady Deaton to highlight the achievements of Missouri's flagship university and look to the future. Afterward, the MU Alumni Association will sponsor an ice cream social south of Jesse Hall. The event is free and open to the public.
- MU's new provost is Brian Foster, former provost and executive vice president for academic affairs at the University of New Mexico. Carolyn Herrington is the new dean of the College of Education. Previously she was an associate dean and faculty member at Florida State University.
- The American Association of Medical Colleges ranked MU's Department of Biochemistry sixth among biochemistry departments at public medical schools and 18th among biochemistry departments at all medical schools.
- More MU accountancy students passed the CPA examination than students at any other school in the country in 2003, the latest year for which results are available.
- Allen Blueborn, professor of management, will give the second annual 21st Century Corps of Discovery Lecture at 4 p.m. Oct. 20 in Cornell Hall's Bush Auditorium. Blueborn, a pioneer in the study of time, will present "All Times Are Not the Same: Time and Its Impact on Human Life."
- *Communication Quarterly* has ranked the Department of Communication fourth in the nation for research activity over the past five years. MU has honored the department as the outstanding department in graduate education.

Forensics fraud patrol



Vairam Arunachalam

Every day, somebody commits fraud at work. It can be something simple, such as stealing office supplies, or something bigger, such as faking financial statements or skimming money off the top.

Enter the fraud patrol. Because of such incidents, law enforcement agencies and companies need accounting experts who can look at the elements of financial fraud in the same way a homicide detective examines a crime scene. Vairam Arunachalam, professor of accountancy, has joined the ranks of these experts by training and testing to become a certified fraud examiner (CFE).

"Forensic accounting deals with understanding the nature of the crime and how it was committed, analyzing the evidence, and constructing a timeline and case for prosecuting the criminal," Arunachalam says.

Part of the process is understanding the fraud triangle: the opportunity to commit fraud, the pressure to do so (financial problems or negative feelings for the company, for example), and the rationalization of it (They didn't promote me!). Other necessary skills include being able to interview suspects and analyze the books for abnormalities. Arunachalam tested his skills this summer as a faculty resident with PricewaterhouseCoopers' forensics and investigations group.

Seeing this as a potential career path for students, Arunachalam started a course in forensic accounting in winter semester 2005. His course complements another on fraud examination taught by Tom Howard, another professor and CFE.

These courses have practical applications students can take with them. Arunachalam says: "This is real world stuff we're talking about. I hate to say this, but fraud's only going to get worse."

The color of nano

The tried-and-true benchmark for describing very small things — the thickness of a human hair — is a measure so large that it's all but meaningless in the work of physicist Shubhra Gangopadhyay. "The nanostructures I create are perhaps one-billionth the width of a hair," says the LaPierre Chair and Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering. For the technically minded, one nanometer equals 10^{-9} meters. At this almost infinitesimally small scale, she says, materials don't behave or even look as expected. In nanoscale, gold looks red.

But small things are yielding big advances. For instance, Gangopadhyay has created a nanoporous film that is extremely efficient at combining oxidizer and fuel to make powerful explosions cheaply. The U.S. Army is interested in the film for detonators. Gangopadhyay also hopes the energy the film can create someday will produce power for pursuits as peaceful as flipping on a porch light. She also is working on a microchip-sized pump to move nanosized material into position for spectroscopic analysis. Machines that researchers currently use for this are the size of three-drawer file cabinets and cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. Gangopadhyay's version would fit in a shoebox and cost far less.

She requires costly lab space and equipment to fabricate such things. Since coming to MU a year ago, Gangopadhyay has assembled about half of what she needs to create the nanoscale and microscale devices she has in mind and to conduct research toward more advances. For instance, her work requires special equipment to keep her labs almost completely free of dust. "Particles of dust are larger than the structures we are creating, and they can ruin our work," she says.

Nanoscale gold might confusingly appear red, but the whole field is looking like greenbacks. Gangopadhyay envisions that her graduate students will create potentially marketable inventions — such as nanoscale and microscale systems for



medical diagnostics and chemical and biological sensing — and then start companies to see them through into consumers' hands.

The simpler life

When overtime is just part of the job, breakfast comes individually wrapped for the morning commute, and multitasking is mandatory, many Americans find themselves scrambling for what has become a precious commodity: time.

"There are people out there who want to get off the treadmill of work-and-spend and focus on their values," says Mary Grigsby, who teaches rural sociology at MU.

Grigsby, who received a 2005 William T. Kemper Fellowship for Teaching Excellence, studied the growing Voluntary Simplicity Movement for her 2004 book *Buying Time and Getting By*, which grew from her doctoral dissertation at MU. Part self-help program



Photo by Steve Morse

Rural sociologist Mary Grigsby studied people who choose smaller homes and smaller-scaled lives.

and part financial-planning strategy, the movement began to take hold in the late 1980s among mostly middle-class Americans striving to work less, consume less and get more out of life. For her research, Grigsby observed support groups, called simplicity circles, and interviewed participants, known as simple livers.

"I found people who were motivated by the desire to link their daily behavior to deeply held values such as concern for the environment and social justice," Grigsby says. "By working less, they made more time for family, volunteering, creative pursuits and other activities that fulfilled them in a way that waged work had not."

Simple livers might learn to grow their own food, sew their own clothes and live on a fraction of the typical middle-class income, but they aren't the type to just

drop out of the rat race and head for the hills. Rather, they often are affluent and college educated, and they prepare to leave the world of the workweek by eliminating debt and making smart investments. In many cases they have paid off their homes, and they support their new, simpler lives with savings, income from property and investments, odd jobs, and freelance work. "Adopting voluntary simplicity requires having experienced having 'enough,'" Grigsby says. "They have the advantage to choose to be downwardly mobile."

The cat's meow

If cats do indeed have nine lives, then a Mizzou feline named Cinnamon might be helping to share that longevity with humans. Cinnamon, a 2-year-old Abyssinian cat at MU's College of Veterinary Medicine, is the genetic model for an international effort to map the cat genome.

Scientists already have decoded the genetic maps of humans, dogs, rats, mice and chickens. Now, using a vial of Cinnamon's blood, researchers will tackle the feline genome. By knowing the function of each gene, scientists can better understand genetic diseases that cause blindness, cancer and other ailments.

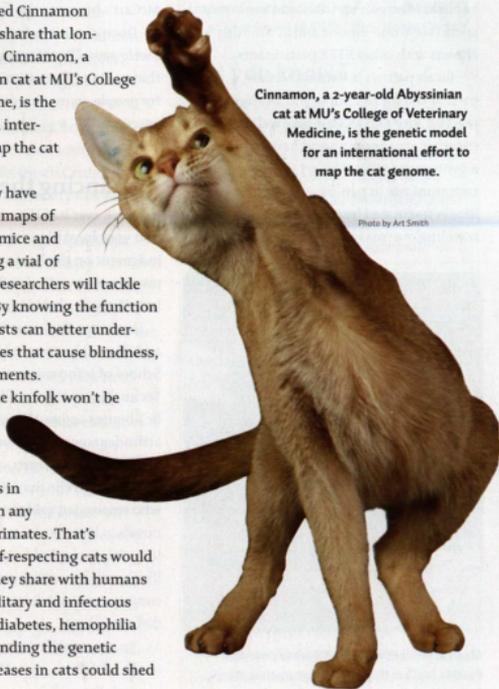
Cinnamon's feline kinfolk won't be the only beneficiaries of that knowledge. Cats are closer to humans in genetic makeup than any animal other than primates. That's closer than most self-respecting cats would care to admit, but they share with humans more than 200 hereditary and infectious diseases, including diabetes, hemophilia and lupus. Understanding the genetic trigger for those diseases in cats could shed light on cures for humans.

Cinnamon landed on the international stage because of her genetic purity: Her lineage can be traced back for decades. The Abyssinian breed, which originated in Egypt, is thought to be the first breed of domesticated cat and the closest to the original wild species.

She belongs to a colony of cats at MU that Kristina Narfstrom, the Ruth M. Kraeuchi Missouri Professor of Veterinary Ophthalmology, uses to study a hereditary eye disease called retinitis pigmentosa. The disease causes blindness in humans, and Narfstrom says it could be caused by one of as many as 50 different genes.

Cinnamon, a 2-year-old Abyssinian cat at MU's College of Veterinary Medicine, is the genetic model for an international effort to map the cat genome.

Photo by Art Smith



One STEP forward

Medical schools are famously good at teaching students facts and decision-making skills, says Steven Zweig, professor of family and community medicine. But even though aspiring physicians will spend decades working closely with patients through their momentous and difficult times, most med schools have just as famously forgotten to teach students how to foster strong relationships with patients.

Zweig says this is particularly important with elderly patients, who might be very sick and confused by the time they need hospital care. So, he and others created the Senior Teacher Education Partnership (STEP), in which medical students, such as Nikki Rice, pair up with local seniors to spend time one-on-one and at monthly luncheons with other STEP participants.

Rice's partner is Pauline McCart, a 92-year-old former nurse and anatomy teacher. Rice and McCart take walks together, go shopping and have attended a gymnastics meet. McCart is deaf, so they communicate in part by writing notes. Rice is fascinated by McCart's stories about traveling overseas during World War II and



Medical student Nikki Rice spends time with Pauline McCart through a program that pairs future physicians with local elders.

taking care of prisoners of war. Later McCart enrolled in medical school and then left because of the demands of married life.

McCart also has taught Rice about chronic illness from the patient's point of view. "It's one thing to be a physician prescribing an exercise program," Rice says, "but I've actually taken her to exercise class and have observed how her walking and balance improved."

Surveys of STEP students suggest the program increases their interest in caring for elders, and Zweig has anecdotal evidence to back that up. For instance, when McCart missed one of the monthly meetings, Zweig noticed Rice's concern and how she quickly made plans to call relatives and visit McCart's house to check on her.

Doctors can't befriend all their patients, Zweig says. "But if we can help them gain that sense of commitment toward caring for people, in my mind we have been successful."

Romancing the librarian

If you've ever had the nagging suspicion that your local librarian is silently passing judgment on the books you check out, you might not be entirely off the mark, particularly if you're checking out a romance novel.

Assistant Professor Denice Adkins and Clinical Instructor Linda Esser of the School of Information Science and Learning Technologies surveyed librarians at public libraries across Missouri about their attitudes toward romance novels and the people who read them.

Although the majority of librarians who responded said they read romance novels at least occasionally, many, particularly those who hold a master's degree in library science, still regard the genre with condescension. Adkins and Esser find this disheartening.

"In my experience, any reading is good reading," Adkins says. "There are times in people's lives when we want escapism, and



there are times when we want something more challenging."

Adkins believes some librarians might be unaware of how the romance genre has changed dramatically over the past few decades. She says many romance novels now feature older, more assertive heroines with careers and fulfilling lives apart from their partners.

Although other genres, such as science fiction, have gained wider acceptance and respect, romance still occupies the literary ghetto. "Readers have been looked at as



Photo illustration by Steve Morse

In a recent survey, MU researchers Denise Adkins and Linda Esser found that many Missouri librarians have little love for romance novels.

women who are not very smart, not very capable, somehow less than, and yet the genre persists in having very high circulation," Esser says. She believes librarians have a responsibility to support rather than constrain or belittle those readers' love of romance novels.

"Readers do not come in one size and one shape," she says. "If they did, we wouldn't have so many books."

MU breaks ground on swine resource center

On May 4, MU officials, U.S. Sen. Kit Bond and others broke ground on a facility that will soon be the world's only clearing-house for swine and their genetic material. Researchers from around the globe who are working to solve health issues in both humans and animals will benefit from this new resource.

Many of their anatomic and physiologic characteristics make swine ideal models for studying human illnesses such as diabetes and heart disease. Research at MU also has helped advance the possibility of using pig organs for transplantation into humans in need of lifesaving procedures.

The National Institutes of Health awarded the University nearly \$10 million in research and construction grants for the 15,000-square-foot building and costs associated with it. Research at the new National Swine Research and Resource Center, which will be located southeast of the Animal Sciences Research Center, will be closely tied to the University's other life sciences research.

At the groundbreaking, Chancellor Brady Deaton praised MU faculty members who are well-known in this field: "That we are able to break ground on this facility today is a testament to the outstanding scientists and their research, which sets MU apart from its peer institutions. This facility provides critical support for cutting-edge research across disciplines that will improve human and animal health and fundamental knowledge around the world."

Faculty researchers at the center will continue their work developing transgenic pigs; detecting agents that cause disease; and improving cryopreservation, the process of freezing cells at very low temperatures for future research. Undergraduates and graduate students will work with researchers across multiple disciplines to develop these and other projects.



Photo by Adam Masloski

Undergraduate Njabulo Ngwenyama works on an experiment at MU's Life Sciences Center.

Did you know?

Mizzou is a heavy hitter in life sciences.

- MU was No. 1 in the country in 2004 in new plant genomics awards from the National Science Foundation (NSF) and is consistently in the top 25 of all universities in life sciences funding from NSF.
- MU's life sciences research expenditures for 2004 were \$165 million.
- The University has 745 life sciences faculty researchers.
- MU discoveries have spawned 14 spin-off companies.
- MU has the National Institutes of Health's (NIH) only national center for developing and distributing rat genetic models and will soon house the NIH's only center for swine genetic models.
- MU has one of the NIH's major cancer-imaging centers and produces or has invented several radiopharmaceutical drugs for diagnosing and treating cancer. MU's leadership comes in part from having the most powerful research nuclear reactor of any university in the country.
- The USDA ranked MU's animal reproductive biology program No. 1 in the country.

Pedaling awareness

When people ask junior Chris Vomund what he did during summer vacation, he'll have a better answer than most: I rode 4,200 miles on my bike in 10 weeks, coast to coast, across mountains and rivers and through the Deep South in the heat of August.

Vomund made the trip as part of Journey of Hope, a charity ride held annually by his fraternity, Pi Kappa Phi, as part of the fraternity's Push America group.

"The ride is about raising money and awareness for people with disabilities," Vomund says. "I get the summer of my life in the end, but it's not about that."

Vomund and brothers from around the country spent their days on the road and their afternoons, evenings and nonriding days holding events to meet people with disabilities. They were even able to get valuable one-on-one time by taking groups to amusement parks and a zoo.

"It's really nice for Chris, when he gets



Photo by Rob Hill

Chris Vomund, right, spent his summer on a saddle as he biked across the country for charity. Mike Wallace worked on the support crew for the ride.

done with a ride, to see smiling faces who know he's doing it for them," says senior Mike Wallace, a fraternity brother who was a support crew member for the ride. He raised \$2,500, and Vomund raised \$5,000.

Serious as the charity aspect is, Vomund's decision to ride brought up some brotherly teasing. He didn't start training as early as he'd hoped, and fraternity members took bets on where he would fall off the bike from exhaustion. One even joked that it would be in Oakland, Calif., right across a bridge from the starting point in San Francisco.

Fortunately, that didn't happen. Vomund and other riders averaged about 75 to 90 miles per day and raised more than \$450,000 cash plus \$200,000 in in-kind donations.

Seat belt statutes

Why do people wear seat belts? Aside from habit and safety considerations, the rule of law may be an important factor.

Lilliard Richardson, an associate professor at the Truman School of Public Affairs, studied seat belt usage and enforcement in all 50 states. Although 49 states have laws mandating use of seat belts, only 21, plus the District of Columbia, have primary enforcement laws. Those allow police officers to stop motorists for violating the law; under secondary enforcement, an officer may cite motorists only if they already have been stopped for another violation.

Richardson's analysis, which covered data from 1991 to 2002, shows that seat belt usage is 9.1 percentage points higher in states with primary enforcement, even when taking into account other possible factors such as age, gender and police budgets. States that shifted enforcement from secondary to primary saw an immediate, dramatic effect. For example, in July 2004 Tennessee became the most recent state to introduce a primary law; seat belt usage jumped from 68.5 percent in 2003 to 72.4 percent in 2004.

Richardson's analysis shows the effects of higher seat belt usage, too. "Seat belts

don't prevent accidents, but once the accident happens, they make you safer," he says. Using data from previous studies, Richardson predicts that a switch from secondary to primary enforcement in Missouri would lower fatalities by 5.9 percent and injuries by 4.9 percent.

Furthermore, people might be endangering more than their own lives when they don't buckle up. Using estimates of traffic injury costs from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Richardson calculates the high price of traffic injuries in terms of medical, legal, rehabilitation and workplace costs. He predicts, for example, that a switch from secondary to primary enforcement in Missouri could save up to \$133 million per year.

Note from the underground

In the early 1980s, fledgling band R.E.M. played at fledgling club The Blue Note for a grand total of 28 people. Things change.

R.E.M. has since become one of the world's biggest bands (and if you were one of those 28 people, count yourself lucky). Richard King, co-founder and owner of The Blue Note, is celebrating the club's 25th anniversary. He has turned it into a Midwest mainstay for national touring bands and regional acts alike. And co-founder Phil Costello, Educ '82, has moved on to handle promotions for Eric Clapton, Neil Young, Green Day and other household rock names.

The club's beginnings in 1980 were much more humble. King and Costello were roommates with a love of music and a penchant for throwing parties. When the chance came to buy the original club on the Business Loop (in 1990, the club relocated to the old Varsity Theatre at 17 N. Ninth St.), the two scrambled to borrow money from family, friends, the guys at Booche's — you name it.

The going was tough as the two learned the business. They would do great with a popular blues act such as Koko Taylor one night and then lose their shirts on some



Urban immigrants

The prognosis was bleak in the 1980s for Missouri's ailing rural economy. Once-prosperous family farms went belly up. College-educated young people fled rural Missouri for jobs in booming East and West Coast economies. Mom and pop businesses on Main Street tanked, and rural manufacturing mainstays, such as shoe and clothing factories, hemorrhaged jobs to low-wage workers overseas. But that was then; 20 years later, an explosion in international trade and information technology is contributing to another dramatic change in rural Missouri.

"For all practical purposes, rural Missouri has become a suburb," says Daryl Hobbs, professor emeritus of rural sociology and extension senior associate with MU's Office of Social and Economic Data Analysis.

Missouri's population grew by 260,000 during the 1990s, and many of those new residents chose the quality of life they found in open country. The state's rural population grew by 13 percent in the '90s compared with an 8 percent growth within city limits.

Although Missouri is second only to Texas in its number of farms, Hobbs says the numbers can be misleading. Census officials in 1997 changed the definition of a farm to include any rural place with the potential to produce and sell at least \$1,000 in agricultural products each year. Almost 85 percent of the state's 106,000 farms have gross sales of less than \$50,000 a year. After subtracting overhead costs, that's hardly enough to keep the wolf from the door.

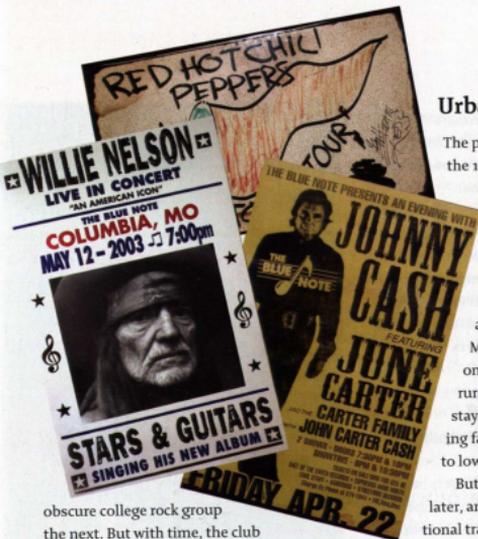
"The significance is that Missouri farms are as much or more places to live as they are places to make a living," Hobbs says. "There's a lot of rural land in Missouri, but not that many farmers." More rural residents are relying on jobs off the farm, he says, and computers plug them into online job options in the global marketplace. Hobbs says Missouri's economy is more diverse than ever, which means people are less restricted in where they can work and live.

But agriculture is still important. "Missouri agricultural commodity sales remain at about the same level they have been for some time, but there is more concentration," Hobbs says. For instance, there are hog megafarms in counties near the Iowa line, huge grain operations in the Bootheel and the Missouri River bottoms, and a burgeoning poultry industry in southwest Missouri.



As rural Missouri becomes more like the suburbs, corn rows mix with rows of houses.

Photo by Steve Morse



obscurer college rock group the next. But with time, the club became a tour stop for bands that would go on to stardom and grow as the club did: R.E.M., The Replacements, the Red Hot Chili Peppers and so on.

"Once people realized what we were doing, we started getting touring acts," King says. "They were like, 'Oh, Columbia, Mo. College town.' It's a no-brainer, really."

King and Costello served new music to the college crowd they thought was underserved. They balanced that with blues acts Columbia residents enjoyed. Costello left for a career in the record industry in 1986, but King has continued to build The Blue Note into a club that consistently draws bands that skip Kansas City and St. Louis.

The club and its crowds have seen their fair share of memorable musical moments. Johnny Cash's performances in the mid-1990s are the stuff of local legend. Alternative country troubadours Uncle Tupelo played one of their last shows there. The list goes on; only the names change as generations of Mizzou students flock to hear their favorite bands.

"I had no idea what was coming," Costello says. "That's probably the beauty of it. It was just, 'Let's open up a music club so we can see the bands that we like.'"

Blasting the competition

Members of MU's shooting team aim high — especially if they're shooting trap, in which the targets fly upward.

This year, the team hit its targets, literally and figuratively, by hunting down a third-place finish overall at the Association of College Unions International Clay Target Championships in April. Competing in international and American skeet, international and American trap, and five-stand events, the team finished behind only Lindenwood University and Texas A&M, both of which recruit and offer scholarships, unlike MU.

Four shooters — Travis Dye, Tyler Schwab, Brian Thompson and Lindsey Hollin — earned individual championships, and the team placed in the top three in five different categories. It's the team's best finish, up from 9th and 10th the past two years.

"I think it's impressive that we can perform on the level with these fully funded school teams," says doctoral student Deke Alkire, who also competed in the 1990s as an undergraduate. He and others would like to see the sport reach the NCAA level.

The team makes its home at Cedar Creek Rod and Gun Club, which serves as a gathering spot and practice range. That's fine with owners Ralph Gates, BS '69, and wife Mary Ann, BA '68, M Ed '88, both shooters themselves. "A lot of these kids are just farm boys who've always shot, and that's why I'm



Photo by Chris Bower

Deke Alkire takes a shot as Travis Dye, Cody Stokes and Jake Frink wait for their turn. MU's shooting team finished third in the nation in 2005.

so proud of them," Mary Ann says. "A lot of the teams who do really well at nationals have more Olympic-type shooters, although some of ours have earned that."

Team members range from the recreational level to seriously competitive. Some are firing in the Olympic direction. Hollin is a member of the U.S. Olympic development team and competed in July in the U.S. Olympic selection match, and Dye and Schwab hope to do the same in October.

The boys of spring

Going into the ninth inning of their June 5 NCAA Regional game against Cal State-Fullerton, Mizzou's baseball Tigers had a 6-5 lead. They also had a confidence-inspiring record of 38-0 when leading as they entered the ninth inning. But things don't always turn out as planned.

"Now we're 38-1," Coach Tim Jamieson says, referring to what turned into a season-ending loss. Jamieson can joke through disappointment for many reasons. First, Cal State-Fullerton was a top-five team, and his team played tight with them until the end. Second, the Tigers (40-23) won more games this season than any time since 1991 and ended up ranked No. 21, the highest finish under Jamieson.

"We accomplished a lot," Jamieson says, "and I think we gained a lot of national respect." That means getting the Missouri name out there for recruiting, adding an intimidation factor for future opponents and boosting the profile of Missouri players.

In the latter category, right-handed pitcher Max Scherzer earned the title of Big 12 Pitcher of the Year and All-America honors. In addition, he and Mizzou outfielder Hunter Mense were invited to try out for Team USA baseball, meaning they're among the best the country has to offer. Both made the team and got to spend the summer playing against the best other countries have to offer, and Jamieson was named an assistant coach.



He and the Tigers hope to earn even more respect next season. Two leading pitchers, Scherzer and Nathan Culp, will return, as will eight of the top 10 positional players.

Raising the par

Women's golf Coach Stephanie Priesmeyer and her team thought they might have been setting their goals too low in the seasons before this past one. They had qualified for NCAA Central Regional, and then they had set the goal of making the top eight to qualify for the NCAA Championships.



Photo by Adam Maslowski

Infielder Trevor Helms throws to first base for a double play against the University of Kansas.

The trouble is, if you miss that goal, you don't go to nationals, as was the case in 2004. This year was different, Priesmeyer says: "The attitude was, 'Let's not think we need to be in the top eight to make nationals. Let's go in with the attitude that we can win regionals.'"

Her plan paid off. The team finished a strong third and earned an invitation to its first-ever NCAA Championships and an eventual 16th-place finish nationally.

Priesmeyer was named NCAA Central Region Coach of the Year (after winning Big 12 Coach of the Year in 2004), and she has helped her team win six tournament championships and place in the top three in tournaments 24 times during her four-year tenure. "People see that and think, 'They've got to be doing something right,'" she says.

Two Tiger golfers earned All-America honorable mentions: junior Denise Knaebel, who shot the best round of any team member at the NCAA Championships in Bend, Ore., and tied for 34th place, and Maria Ohlsson, a senior who tied for 68th. Knaebel and Ohlsson also both made first-team All-Big 12.

Long shots follow through

During the fall 2004 season, if you had told members of MU's men's golf team they'd be 20th in the nation by the end of spring 2005, they might not have believed you. They were struggling to adjust to a new coach, Mark Leroux, and had finished below the top 10 in their first three tournaments. Postseason possibilities seemed a long way off.

Things turned around when the team learned that Colorado, ranked right above them in the pecking order for NCAA bids, had weaknesses caused by ineligibility and injury. "Everyone's eyes get bigger," Leroux says. "We're thinking, 'OK, you know what? We can make postseason play.'"

Leroux's golfers did just that, overtaking Colorado and qualifying for Regionals, an accomplishment in itself, then making it to their first NCAA Championship tournament in 19 years. Along the way, they won the Belmont Invitational in Tennessee and broke 11 school and tournament records in the process. They won again at the Boilermaker Invitational at Purdue, which included four teams in the top 50.

The Tigers entered the Big 12 Tournament seeded 9th and came out placing third. In addition to their 20th place finish in the NCAA, Shawn Jasper placed 16th individually.

Scoreboard



82: Number of home runs MU softball players hit in the 2005 season, the most ever for the program. Outfielder Micaela Minner smacked home 17 of them to set a new school record.

3: The magic number for MU track and field. The team had three All-Americans at the NCAA Outdoor Championships: decathlete Hans Uldal, shot-putter Conrad Woolsey and 800-meter runner Ashley Patten. Uldal finished No. 3 in the decathlon for his third All-America honor.

66.7: Percentage of Border Showdowns MU has won versus Kansas (two of three). The contest is based on a tally of points in all intercollegiate sports for the two schools, from head-to-head games to tournaments. The Tigers beat the Jayhawks 22.5 to 17.5 for 2004-05.

0: Number of Lithuanians on the Mizzou men's basketball team. After only two seasons at MU, Linas Kleiza was picked in the first round of the 2005 NBA draft.

3: Number of MU baseball players to get drafted on the first day of the major league draft. Outfielder James Boone went to the Pittsburgh Pirates in the third round, pitcher Andrew Johnston to the Colorado Rockies in the ninth, and pitcher Doug Mathis to the Texas Rangers in the 13th.

10: All-America mentions for the Mizzou men's lacrosse club team. The team had one first-team player, one second-team, three honorable mentions and five Academic All-Americans.

1: Divisional ranking for the women's lacrosse team. Five players (all freshmen) made the all-division team, including MVP Jenny Lueders.

Encounter Culture

Studying abroad makes
all the world a classroom
for MU students.

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When MU student Sarah Te Slaa stepped off the plane in Dakar, Senegal, she knew none of the countless people bustling around her. "The first two nights there, I was so scared," she says. "You don't have any connections. You don't look like anyone else. You learn how important it is to keep an open mind."

Studying abroad puts students face to face with new people, new perspectives, new customs and often a new language. Lynn Aguado, a study abroad coordinator at MU's International Center, compares the eye-opening experience to that of a freshman acclimating to college life — just far more intense.

"It's not the European tour of the past," she says. Today's study abroad programs emphasize cultural immersion. They challenge students to confront and adjust their assumptions about the world. Living in another country also gives students the intercultural skills they need to bridge communication gaps in a global economy.

The cost of studying abroad varies dramatically. Some programs can be expensive, particularly those in cities that have a high cost of living such as Tokyo and London, but many programs are comparable in cost to a semester on campus. In most cases, students' normal financial aid and scholarships apply to the cost of foreign study programs, and some special scholarships are available just for students studying abroad.

Participation in study abroad programs across the United States increased by 127 percent between 1993 and 2003. At MU, participation increased nearly fourfold. Based on 2003–04 data, the International Center estimates that 17 percent of MU undergraduates study abroad during their college careers. In that year alone, 701 students studied in another country. Chancellor Brady Deaton has set a goal to triple that number, increasing participation to 2,103 students annually, which would make MU one of the largest sponsors of international study in the nation.

Much of that increase will come from students majoring in subjects not traditionally associated with study abroad. Aguado says the International Center encourages students from all majors to study abroad: "Whatever field students are in, we can find a program to fit their needs."

Those who have studied abroad know how difficult yet rewarding the experience can be. Take Bridget Harrison, who spent a semester in Spain. "Part of the reason the experience was so great," she says, "was that it wasn't a piece of cake."



Sarah Te Slaa

Destination: Dakar, Senegal, winter 2004

Hometown: Denver

Majors: journalism and French

Life in western Africa wasn't easy for Sarah Te Slaa, but that was the way she wanted it. Studying French in France was too ordinary, too obvious, for an aspiring foreign correspondent. Studying French in Senegal, a predominantly Muslim nation that became independent from France in 1960, was a deliciously unusual choice.

"I wanted to try something totally new, and west Africa seemed like more of a challenge," says Te Slaa, who graduated in May.

Te Slaa enrolled in a program with the Council on International Educational Exchange. She spent most of the semester in Dakar, the capital of Senegal, where she studied French with other American students. She also learned enough Wolof, the most commonly used native language, to bargain with merchants and taxi drivers, but even with those communication skills, exploring the city could be nerve-racking.

"We got a lot of unwanted attention," she says. "People don't see blond hair very often."

The families with whom students boarded helped make life in Dakar easier. On one occasion, a friend's Muslim host family (Te Slaa's own host family was Christian) invited her to join them in celebrating Tabaski, a feast held to commemorate God sending a ram for Abraham to sacrifice in his son's stead. (According to Islamic tradition, the child whom God spared was Ishmael, ancestor of the prophet Muhammad.)

The men of the family sacrificed five sheep for the festivities and honored Te Slaa and their other guests by serving the young women a portion of the liver, a privilege Te Slaa didn't particularly want but accepted nonetheless. The family used every piece of the sacrificial sheep. One-third went to family, one-third to neighbors and one-third to charity. Te Slaa's hosts also invited her to return to partake of sheep's-brain soup. "But that," Te Slaa says, "I declined."



As part of her studies, Sarah Te Slaa left the modern city of Dakar, Senegal, and spent a week living in a rural village. There she learned to prepare millet for dinner and to cope with the extraordinarily high temperatures, which sometimes rose to more than 120 degrees Fahrenheit.



Nate Chandler

**Destination: Paris, France,
winter 2004**

Hometown: Springfield, Ill.

Major: business

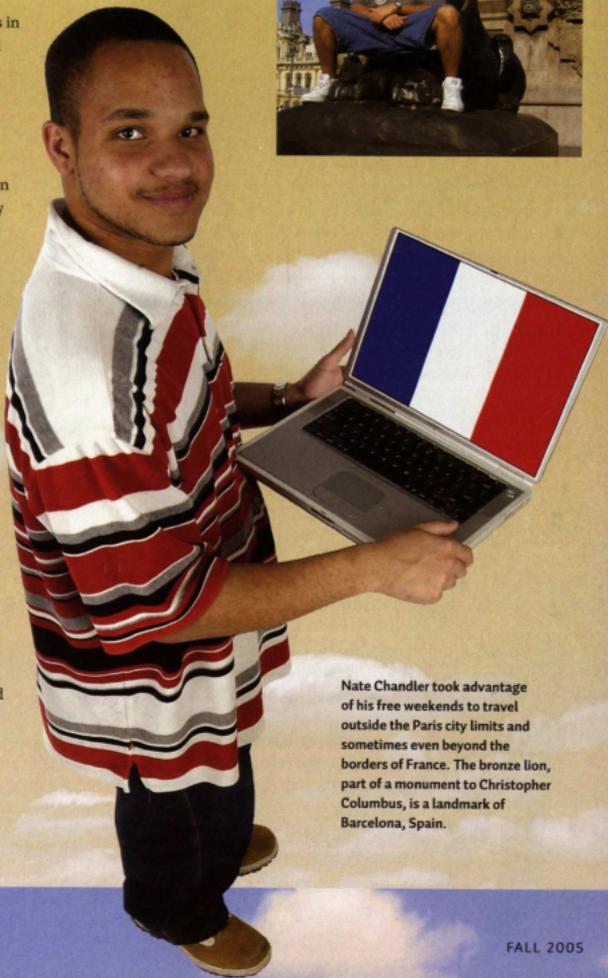
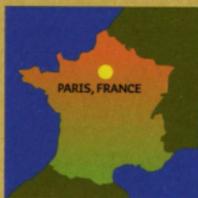
Nate Chandler enrolled in the Business and European Integration Program at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques in Paris for one major reason: "It fit exactly what I wanted to do."

Envisioning a career in international marketing, he eagerly plunged into courses on international finance, the European Union and French. One assignment in his marketing class was to help plan and promote an exhibition of photographs taken by a group of Rwandan children to benefit the Imbabazi Orphanage where they live. The project had a profound impact on Chandler, though not in the way he had expected: It made him reconsider his career plans.

"Being involved with the Rwanda Project, it made me want to see if I could make a difference," he says quietly. Suddenly marketing didn't seem like enough.

Chandler now is looking into foreign policy and plans to apply for a Department of State internship at an embassy after he graduates. His time abroad already has given him some experience in diplomacy. Classmates often confronted him — one of the few Americans in a class of students from all over the world — about U.S. policies with which they disagreed. "You will get flak about politics," he says with a shrug, "but you don't have to agree with everything they say."

Chandler's patient, easygoing temperament and willingness to listen to others' opinions seems to have challenged some stereotypes. Smiling, he recalls how one young woman from Colombia told him he had changed her perception of Americans. "I'm proud of that," he says.



Nate Chandler took advantage of his free weekends to travel outside the Paris city limits and sometimes even beyond the borders of France. The bronze lion, part of a monument to Christopher Columbus, is a landmark of Barcelona, Spain.

Bridget Harrison

Destination: Alicante, Spain,
winter 2004

Hometown: Wichita, Kan.

Majors: Spanish and biological sciences

Culture shock hit Bridget Harrison hard during her semester at the University of Alicante. Driven and hyperorganized, the May 2005 graduate is the sort of person who gets up at 4:30 in the morning to work part time as a phlebotomist and manages to cram regular volunteer work into a schedule already packed with difficult courses and applications to medical school. Harrison likes being busy.

Most Spaniards, she quickly learned, enjoy a more relaxed pace of life. She had rented a room from Eva, a local professional woman in her 30s, for more than a month before she realized Eva was more than a decade older than she. "She was just so laid-back that she seemed younger," Harrison says.

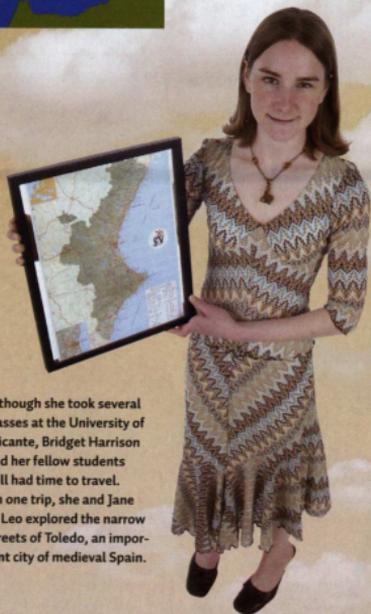
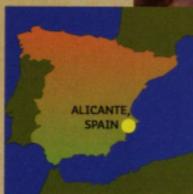
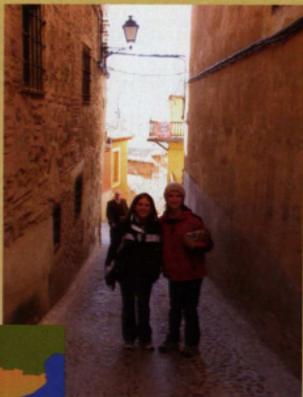
Harrison knows that the Spanish culture's emphasis on family life is one reason for the more deliberate pace of life. The afternoon siesta, for example, allows people to close businesses and enjoy a meal at home with relatives. Without the benefit of a Spanish family, though, Harrison often spent the time frustrated by her inability to shop for groceries, visit the library or check her e-mail at an Internet café.

As for Eva, she was mystified by Harrison's oh-so-American obsession with fitness. "She did not understand why I would go running," Harrison says. "She thought that was really weird."

But despite the odd-couple culture clash, Harrison describes her apartment-mate as a good match. Eva even invited Harrison along to enjoy Sunday dinner with her extended family. Harrison still marvels over the number of courses at the leisurely family feast.

Harrison enjoyed another local tradition, too: a weeklong festival in June known as Las Hogueras de San Juan. To celebrate, people construct enormous structures from wood and papier-mâché, "10 times bigger than what we make for Homecoming." These structures are found all around the city and invariably surrounded by live music, open-air cafés and jovial crowds. At week's end, they are burnt to the ground in a spectacular inferno, usually under the fire department's supervision.

Harrison says she couldn't have spent Las Hogueras de San Juan holed up in a library, even if she had wanted to: "You can't be inside. The music's playing all day long."



Although she took several classes at the University of Alicante, Bridget Harrison and her fellow students still had time to travel. On one trip, she and Jane Di Leo explored the narrow streets of Toledo, an important city of medieval Spain.

Neesann Puangsuwan

Destination: Beijing, China, summer 2004

Hometown: Caruthersville, Mo.

Major: biological sciences

Neesann Puangsuwan traveled to China in search of family — not individual people but roots. Her maternal grandparents had fled their native country for Thailand in the 1930s when Japanese forces invaded the Chinese mainland. The family later immigrated to the United States, and Puangsuwan, who grew up in Missouri, usually identifies herself as Thai-American. She chose to study in China to learn more about that part of her heritage.

"It was a personal journey for me," she says. "I wanted to see China before it became completely westernized."

Puangsuwan, who graduated in May, studied Mandarin and the urbanization of Beijing at Bei Wai Foreign Studies University. She lived in a dorm with other American students, but when they traveled to Chengde to visit the Great Wall, she had the opportunity to board with a Chinese family.

Living for a few days with that family was one of the highlights of Puangsuwan's time abroad. She became quite fond of the family's only child, a 13-year-old girl named Hao Chi, and she cherished the tight bonds she saw between the family's three generations.

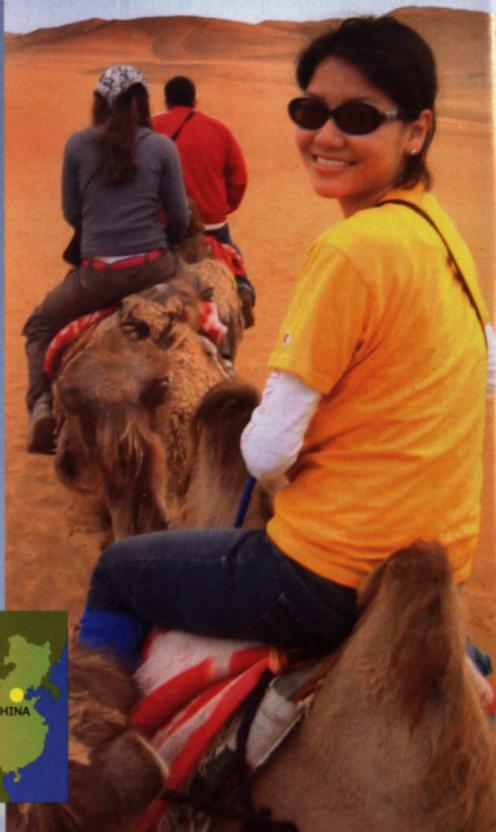
"It's so family-oriented there," she says, recalling how schoolchildren have long lunch breaks so they can return home to eat with their parents and grandparents.

Neither Puangsuwan's Mandarin nor her host family's English was

strong enough for extensive conversation, but they managed to communicate well enough with a Chinese-English dictionary and a sketchpad. Puangsuwan, who entered medical school at MU in August, thinks that ability to bypass language barriers will help her someday when she treats patients who don't speak English.

"When you study abroad and really meet the other people, you gain such an appreciation for diversity," she says. Puangsuwan loved much of Chinese culture, particularly the intergenerational households and respect for older people, but the Communism-imposed restrictions she saw made her more appreciative of the freedoms of American life she might previously have taken for granted.

"If you could just integrate the good from both cultures ..." she muses as she pores over photographs from her trip.



Neesann Puangsuwan and her classmates took many field trips, both within Beijing and as far beyond it as Inner Mongolia, where she got a taste of nomadic life on the back of camel. In Xian, a city of great cultural and historical importance to China, she bought several decorative scrolls and other traditional artwork, including a stamp carved with her Chinese name.

Jennifer Bell

Destination: Florence, Italy, summer 2003

Hometown: Kennett, Mo.

Major: business

Jennifer Bell and her friends were in trouble. They had spent the day hiking along the steep, narrow road connecting the five cliffside villages of Cinque Terra, Italy, and now they were exhausted and unable to find a hotel room for the night. The women were preparing to sleep on the beach when they ran into another group of young Americans and gratefully accepted their new friends' cheerful offer to let them crash in their room.

Bell laughs as she describes that adventure-packed day. "We felt like we were exploring," she says.

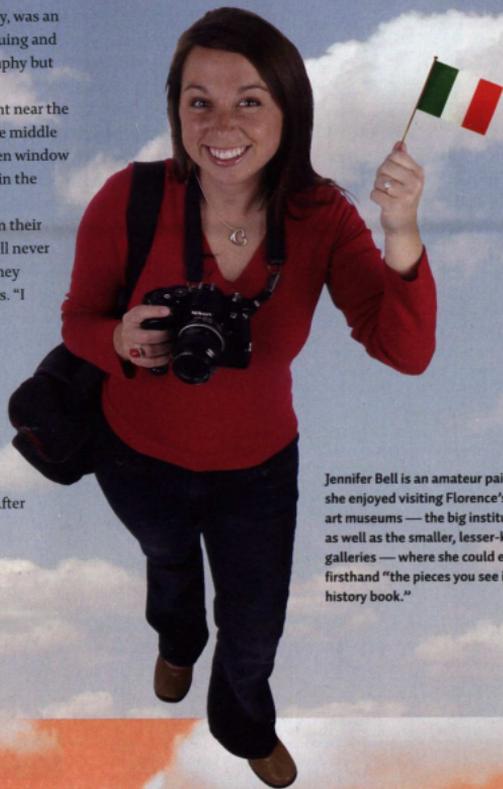
In a way, the entire month Bell spent in Florence, Italy, was an exploration. Through MU Direct, the University's continuing and distance education program, she was studying photography but learning about much more.

Bell, who graduated in May, lived in a small apartment near the Mercato Centrale with several friends. "It was right in the middle of where people actually live," she says, recalling the open window shutters, street musicians and clothes hanging outside in the piazza behind their building.

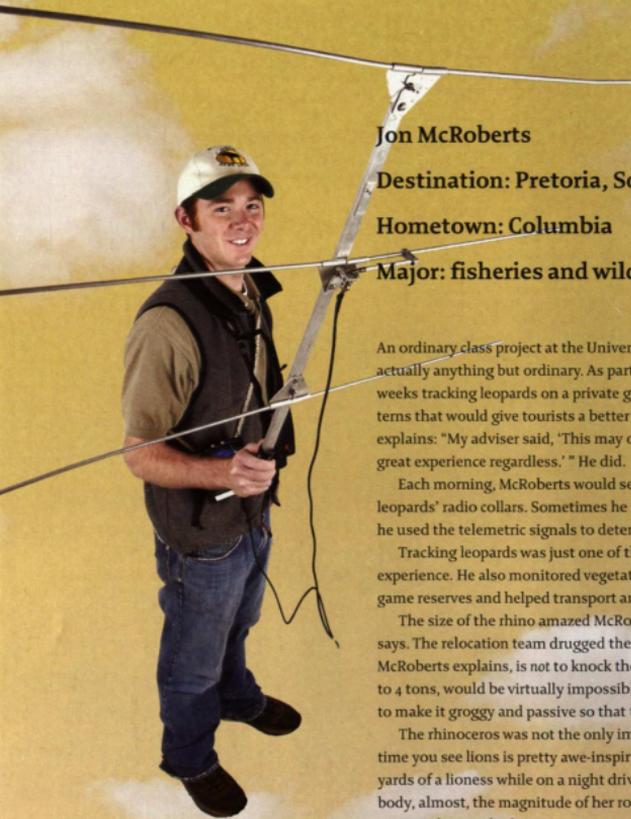
The women walked through the Mercato every day on their way to class and got to know some of the merchants. Bell never quite got used to the haggling, but she loved the food they could buy there. "We would get fresh-cut pasta," she says. "I didn't even realize pasta doesn't come hard!"

Bell learned to love pesto and wine, and she and her friends made it a point to visit every pastry shop in Florence. They also traveled throughout Italy, visiting Rome, Pompeii, Sorrento, the Amalfi coast, Venice and, of course, Cinque Terra.

Traveling empowered Bell. "I felt like I learned a lot about just being responsible and confident," she says. "We mastered the train system, which was a big thing. After that, we felt like we could tackle everything."



Jennifer Bell is an amateur painter, so she enjoyed visiting Florence's many art museums — the big institutions as well as the smaller, lesser-known galleries — where she could experience firsthand "the pieces you see in an art history book."



Jon McRoberts

Destination: Pretoria, South Africa, winter 2004

Hometown: Columbia

Major: fisheries and wildlife

An ordinary class project at the University of Pretoria's Centre for Wildlife Management is actually anything but ordinary. As part of his studies there, Jon McRoberts spent several weeks tracking leopards on a private game reserve. The reserve's owners hoped to find patterns that would give tourists a better chance of spotting the elusive animals, McRoberts explains: "My adviser said, 'This may or may not work,' — it didn't — 'but you'll get some great experience regardless.'" He did.

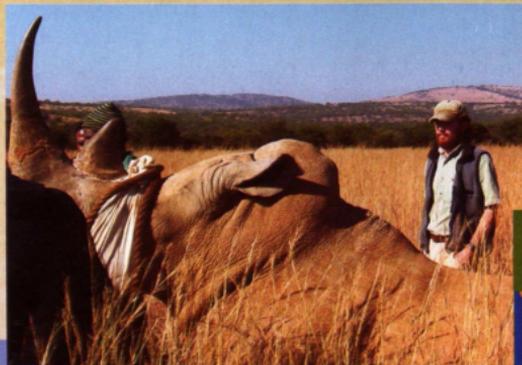
Each morning, McRoberts would set out on his own to catch signals emitted from the leopards' radio collars. Sometimes he found them, sometimes he didn't, but when he did, he used the telemetric signals to determine the big cats' locations and plot them on a map.

Tracking leopards was just one of the projects that gave McRoberts incredible hands-on experience. He also monitored vegetation in the Kalahari Desert, analyzed water quality on game reserves and helped transport an adult rhinoceros from one reserve to another.

The size of the rhino amazed McRoberts: "It's so big that you think it's an elephant," he says. The relocation team drugged the animal with a dart shot from a helicopter. The key, McRoberts explains, is not to knock the animal out. An unconscious rhino, which can weigh 3 to 4 tons, would be virtually impossible to move. The team drugged the animal only enough to make it groggy and passive so that they could safely herd it onto a waiting truck.

The rhinoceros was not the only impressive animal McRoberts encountered. "The first time you see lions is pretty awe-inspiring," he says, recalling how he came within a few short yards of a lioness while on a night drive through Kruger National Park. "It shook your whole body, almost, the magnitude of her roar."

McRoberts, who hopes to go to graduate school and work in international wildlife policy, didn't leave South Africa as scheduled. "I liked it so much that I stayed on longer," he says. "If I didn't have class in the fall, I'd probably still be there."



The Centre for Wildlife Management, where Jon McRoberts studied, offers outreach services to the people of South Africa. On one occasion, he helped transport a rhinoceros, drugged and blindfolded into submission, from one private game reserve to another. He also got hands-on experience tracking animals with radio telemetry. The antenna picked up signals from an animal's collar, and the attached equipment beeped to let him know just how close he was to the beast.



Paul Oberle

Destination: Tokyo, Japan, summer 2004

Hometown: St. Louis

Major: mechanical engineering

Paul Oberle took his first taekwon-do class when he was 11 years old, and he was hooked. He understood that learning martial arts entails more than mastering a few high, spinning kicks.

"It's appealing to me because it's a good form of exercise," he says, "but really it's a good way of centering yourself, too — physical and mental exercise."

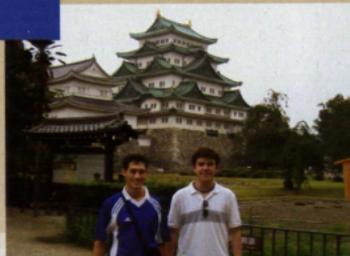
Over time, Oberle's interest in the Korean art of taekwon-do extended to martial arts from other Asian countries and eventually to Asian languages and cultures. He studied Japanese at MU and pushed for the chance to study in Tokyo at Sophia University. His courses included Japanese and Japanese business management, which he believes will be useful to him as he embarks on a career in engineering.

But Oberle, who graduated in May, didn't study in Japan just to add a line to his résumé. He loved Tokyo and tried to explore as much of the enormous city (population: 12 million) as he could. "The people of Japan are so interesting," he says. "You start to figure things out the more exposure you have, but it takes time. I spent a lot of time walking around, getting lost and finding myself again." Still, as a young white man, he knew he stuck out: "You learn what it feels like to be a minority. I think that's excellent for anyone to go through."

The highlight of Oberle's time abroad, though, was his opportunity to study the martial art of ninjitsu with Masaaki Hatsumi, an internationally known grandmaster, now an old man but still as skilled as ever. Training in ninjitsu took Oberle back to his first days studying taekwon-do. "I learned again what it feels like to be a beginner," he says. "When you study a new form, a new style, you're always a beginner." ■



Paul Oberle had the opportunity to study the martial arts, specifically ninjitsu, while he was a student in Japan. He couldn't afford a true katana, the sword traditionally wielded by practitioners of ninjitsu, but the *ninja-to* — with its sharp blade, full tang and significantly lower price — suited his purposes well. He also traveled, visiting Nagoya Castle, for example, with master's student Nathan Stewart.



Engrossing Anatomy

Other people might shy away from cow intestines, but veterinary anatomy teacher Brian Frappier makes animal innards interesting.





Story by Dawn Klingensmith
Photos by Rob Hill

In their first year of training at MU's College of Veterinary Medicine, students learn one of the dirty little secrets of their chosen field: Formaldehyde, pumped into dissection animals to prevent decay, doesn't always do its job. The chemical is failing on a Wednesday afternoon in the college's gross-anatomy lab, where 68 students, divided into small groups and assigned to a horse or cow, dissect the animals' hindquarters. The instructor, Associate Clinical Professor Brian Frappier, moves from group to group helping students literally put their fingers on the pelvic nerves and arteries he discussed in the previous day's lecture.



"See that nerve there?" asks Frappier, wrist-deep in the largest and smelliest specimen. "That's the middle hemorrhoidal plexus running alongside the rectum." His words carry a sense of discovery, and his excitement, more than anything, distracts from the stench.

"To teach [gross anatomy], you have to really, really like it," he says later. "It's dirty, and the animals have an odor. If I didn't like it, that attitude would rub off on students in a hurry, and we'd all be miserable."

The odor isn't the only off-putting aspect of the course. Between gross anatomy and microscopic anatomy, which Frappier also teaches, first-year veterinary students must memorize thousands of body parts for not just one but several species. Although a rare few find the course work fascinating, none find it easy. Frappier flunks more students than any other vet med faculty member.

It would not be surprising, then, if Frappier — simply on account of his association with the subject matter — were unpopular. On the contrary, students sing his praises in end-of-semester evaluations and, along with Frappier's professional peers, lavish him with honors. In 17 years at MU, he has won a total of 17 teaching awards, including the prestigious William T. Kemper Fellowship for Teaching Excellence, which comes with a \$10,000 prize.

Getting it right

Frappier, unlike formaldehyde, always does his job — and then some. Between lectures and labs, Frappier spends 24 hours a week with his students, not counting one-on-one and group tutorials.

He hasn't logged the number of additional hours he spends preparing lectures and writing and grading exams, which he

Eight overhead monitors in the microscopic anatomy lab display images of placental tissue, which students also view on desktop monitors and through microscopes. Frappier helps Tom Millis identify vascular networks discussed in a lecture earlier.

does at the expense of sleep; he seldom goes to bed before 1 or 2 a.m. Most vet med exams are computerized, but Frappier grades his by hand. "I can spend hours grading one set of exams because I never mark something wrong without a thorough explanation," he says.

The evaluation process works both ways. He offers extra credit to students who spot

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inaccuracies in his handouts, and he tweaks and tailors his teaching based on their suggestions.

No student is made to feel stupid for posing a question. Frequently, Frappier prefaces his answers with an "Oh!" that sounds delighted and congratulatory, as if the interlocutor were uncommonly clever to think of asking the question in the first place. He has a knack for tailoring his explanations to each student. His patience seems infinite.

"He'll sit there with people for two hours until they get it," says veterinary student Jeremy Blumhorst, who, after a rocky start, successfully completed Frappier's courses. "You can tell that he cares whether we succeed or not. He does whatever he can to help us go on and become professionals."

Perhaps his patience stems from parenthood. Frappier is a husband and father of four, including 10-year-old twins who were born with a congenital eye defect and therefore require personal aides in the



Lindsey Vansandt studies the skeletal structure of a chicken. Below, a classmate examines the finer points of a feather. The gross-anatomy dissection lab focuses primarily on the horse and cow, but students also learn the macroscopic structure of the pig, sheep, goat and other domesticated animals.





classroom. "I certainly realize that everyone can't learn things in the same time frame," he says.

An accidental anatomist

It helps, too, that Frappier hasn't forgotten what it's like to be young and uncertain. Growing up in the small town of Clio, Mich., he hadn't the foggiest notion he could ever become one of the most decorated teachers at an esteemed veterinary school. His love of animals was the only early indicator.

His father was a part-time farmer, and Frappier pitched in to raise turkeys,

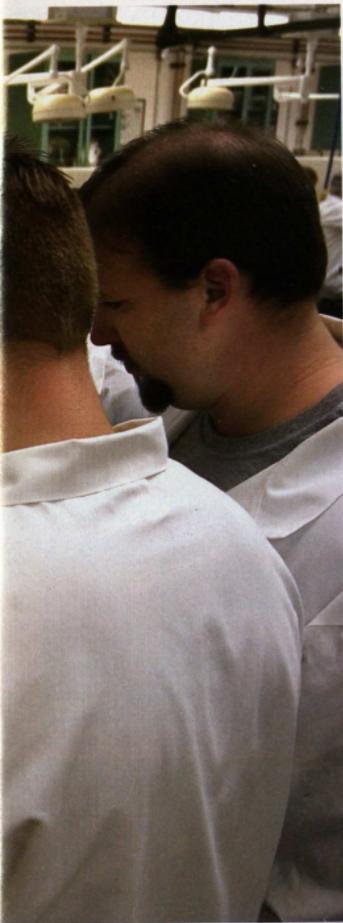
pheasants, peafowl and chickens. But farming alone couldn't keep the family fed.

"Like everyone else in the southern half of Michigan, my father worked for the auto industry," Frappier says. Every male role model he encountered did the same. "So I always kind of assumed that's what I'd end up doing, even though I really didn't want to. I didn't even take the SAT."

He avoided that fate with the help of his mother, who pointed him to community college. He transferred to Michigan State University and, after earning a degree in poultry science, decided to study veterinary

medicine. An anomalous student, he loved anatomy from the start. He liked the discipline's inherent order and the possibility for surprise within that order. A cow is unique on the inside, just as it is on the outside. "As my students quickly find out, almost none of them are just like the book," he says. "There's a lot of variability among animals of the same species."

After graduation and two years of private practice, he enrolled at Ohio State University to pursue a doctorate in veterinary anatomy. To satisfy his degree requirements, he taught several courses, including micro-



During the last laboratory session before the final exam, Frappier discusses what remains of the semester's various dissections. Parts of horses, pigs, cows, fowl, reptiles and other animals are on display for students to review.

with the occasional research project requiring an anatomist's expertise, Frappier's job has evolved into full-time instruction. Consequently, he is not likely to get tenure. Yet he does collect a bonus of sorts at the end of each semester when cards and letters from grateful students come pouring in.

His numerous awards are icing. Invariably, nominators praise his effective

'When I lose the desire to try to do better, that's when I'll know it's time for me to quit.'

use of visual aids and technology in the classroom, but Frappier says his success as a teacher boils down to strict adherence to old-fashioned principles, including clearly defined course objectives, attention to detail and a commitment to work as hard as the students.

"The things that I'm calling for are exactly the opposite of what's going on in education today," he says. "Everyone's moving toward less structure and ways of grading that aren't too tough or that make it difficult or impossible to fail a student.

"I think that's a disservice to students. I've found that if you're clear what the expectations are, you can keep raising the bar, and students are better off for it."

Emphasizing relevance is another of Frappier's guiding principles. When lecturing on abdominal nerves in cows, for

On the day that students meet in the dissection lab for the final time, Kevin Leszczynski's white coat becomes a wearable yearbook.

example, he'll invite a clinician from MU's veterinary hospital to explain how those same nerves must be anesthetized prior to emergency Caesarean sections and stomach surgeries.

For the most part, though, anatomy's "relevance and significance to what students will be doing later on, including diagnosis and surgery, is obvious to them," Frappier says. Moreover, the dissection lab teaches practical skills such as working with scalpels and handling body tissues while wearing latex gloves, which is tricky. "So even though my students might not be particularly interested in anatomy — and the vast, vast majority of them aren't — they have an appreciation for it anyway."

And they have an appreciation for their teacher, to whom they consistently give near-perfect scores on student evaluations, says Professor M. Harold Laughlin, chair of the veterinary biomedical sciences department. "This is striking because the students know him to be one of the most demanding instructors. Dr. Frappier is tough but excellent."

Despite his near-perfect evaluations, Frappier insists that there's room for improvement. "When I lose the desire to try to do better, that's when I'll know it's time for me to quit," he says. "I take my responsibilities seriously. Almost every day when I go back to my office, I ask myself, 'Did I give them the kind of effort that I'd want for my own kids?' If I can say 'Yes,' I've done my job." ■

scopic, neural and gross anatomy. "I wasn't particularly interested in teaching until I started doing that degree and saw what an impact a passionate, well-prepared teacher could make," he says. He'd found his calling.

Pedagogical principles

When Frappier came to MU in 1988, he expected to spend as much time researching, which he also enjoys, as teaching. But over the years, as other faculty left or retired, Frappier took over their teaching duties. Although he helps edit the widely used *Textbook of Veterinary Histology* and pitches in



Sneak Peek

Story and photos
by Adam Masloski

When a visitor to campus stops someone to ask for directions, the reply, prefaced by a finger pointed skyward, often begins with the words, "See that dome? That's Jesse Hall." The University's architectural landmarks — such as Jesse Hall, the Columns and Memorial Union — are almost impossible to miss. They anchor us in space. But many other important campus locales are seldom-seen. They might be off the beaten path, off-limits or available to only a select few.

Still, such places have as much to do with the University's environment as do the beloved landmarks. In the School of Medicine, for instance, students hone their knowledge of the human body by working in a gross-anatomy lab. At Ellis Library, researchers peruse collections of rare books, including a leaf from a Gutenberg Bible. In the kitchen of the new Plaza 900 dining hall, cooks prepare for the lunch rush.

In the following pages, sneak a peek behind the scenes at Mizzou.



For whom the bells toll

Few people have glimpsed the upper interiors of the Memorial Union tower, which houses the clockwork and five bells that can be heard on the hour across campus. A narrow spiral staircase leads from a room on the third floor to the next level, where the harmoniously pitched bells hang near two sheds containing the clockwork that makes them sound. Workers began constructing the clock tower in 1922, and in 1926 the University dedicated it to MU students killed in World War I. Their names are etched into the tower's stone archway. The names of students killed in other wars and conflicts appear on plaques elsewhere in the building.





Get the scoop

Need some cool satisfaction on a hot day? Stop by Buck's Ice Cream in Eckles Hall for a scoop of Tiger Stripe ice cream. You'll see the creamy yellow confection striped with dark chocolate, but what you won't see is the adjacent facility where staff and faculty not only can make ice cream at the rate of 30 gallons an hour but also conduct sophisticated research on frozen desserts.

Extra! Extra!

The Columbia Missourian's very own print shop in the basement of Neff Hall Annex prints both the paper and its many inserts six times a week. Press operators load huge spools of paper on the press, which spreads red, yellow, blue and black ink as it spins out the day's news. Meanwhile, others in the shop rush to keep up with bundling and stacking the output. Although J-School students don't actually print the paper, for decades they've reported and written for the *Missourian*, which helped build the school's reputation as one of the best hands-on programs in its field.

A noble gift

In the School of Medicine's gross-anatomy lab, medical students gain valuable knowledge of the human body as they carefully dissect and study cadavers. The cadavers have been donated to the University, and every part of each body is saved, cremated and buried. All involved treat the people, who have nobly donated their bodies to science, with the considerable respect they deserve.



We've got milk

Ever since J.C. Penney's gift established the Foremost Dairy Research Center in the early 1950s at 9601 W. Highway 40, it has been a working laboratory for students studying animal science and veterinary medicine. Students learn farm management practices, such as how to observe vaccination protocols, manage animal reproduction, raise young stock and formulate diets for dairy cattle. Students and workers milk about half of the 400-head herd daily.

No business like show business

Although thousands of people attend performances in Jesse Hall auditorium every year, few see the work that occurs backstage to set up such events. Before a big performance, as many as 30 stagehands labor frantically to unload trucks just outside the stage door and work with the performers to see that everything is in place for a seamless production. The performers might be the stars of the show, but the stagehands make their performances possible.





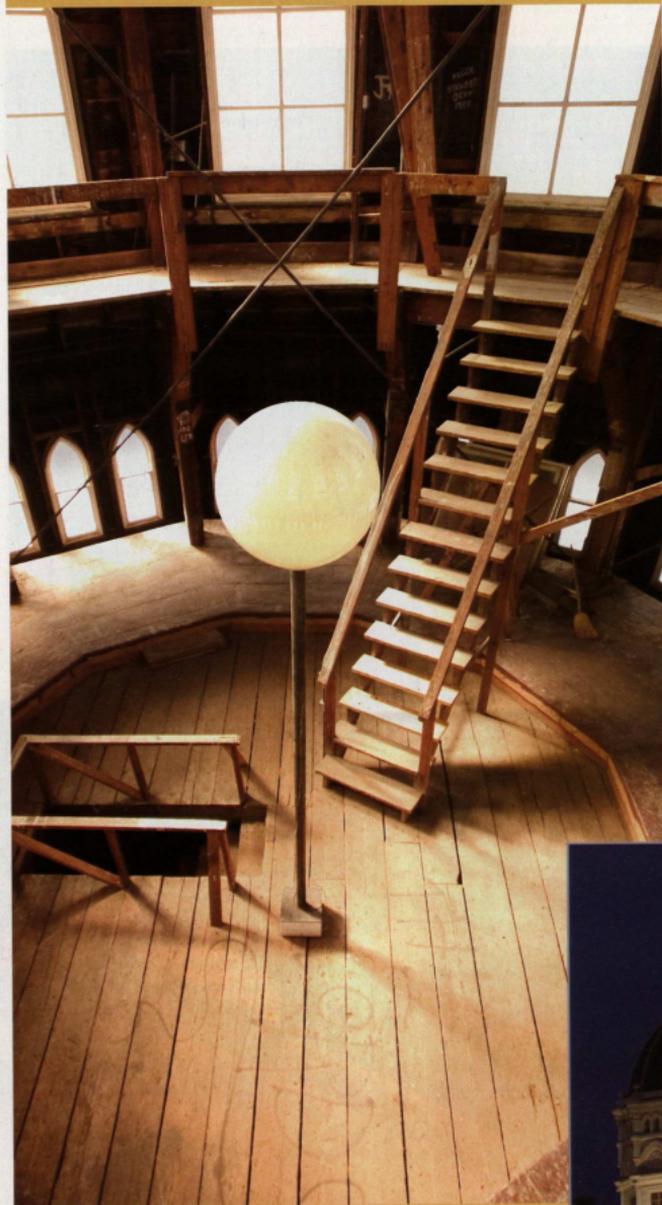
On hold

Most people hope they never have to see this room at 901 Virginia Ave. It is one of the campus police station's two holding cells, stark and empty except for a stainless steel toilet and a built-in bench. Campus police hold suspects in the cells during processing.

Take these broken wings

At the Raptor Rehabilitation Project at the east end of campus, veterinary medical students and community volunteers care for injured birds. Raptors include hawks, eagles, owls, falcons and other birds that capture live prey. Students and volunteers work to rehabilitate the birds and educate the public about them. Late stages of rehab include stints in large flight cages, where birds rebuild their strength and the skills they'll need for life in the wild. The program releases 36 percent of its patients back to the wild, a rate well above the national average. However, not all of the birds can make it on their own. Eight of them have become the stars of presentations that educate the public at local events.





Names inside the dome

If a crane could lift the dome off of Jesse Hall and set it on the ground, the dome would be taller than the rest of the building. Inside the dome are four levels connected by ladders and wooden stairs. A trap door rigged with an alarm leads through the top of the administration building's ceiling to the dark and musty first level. The second level is the largest, and a 400-watt, high-pressure sodium lamp illuminates it at night. At each succeeding level, more and more names are etched and painted on the walls in a kind of sanctioned graffiti that preserves the names of members of honorary societies that go back nearly a hundred years.





Chow time

The newest food-service setting on campus, Plaza 900, provides hungry students with lots of dining options. In April, an average of nearly 1,600 people a day ate at the facility, located at 900 Virginia Ave. Out front there's a display cooking area, but the back kitchen is where it all comes together as cooks labor to prepare breakfasts, lunches and dinners. They huddle over pots, pour batter and construct sandwiches, all to feed the energy needs of students and other patrons.



Boon to the bookish

On the fourth floor of Ellis Library, the special and rare book collections total nearly 75,000 volumes, including original books dating as far back as the eighth century. Patrons can see and read some special books, including a leaf from the Gutenberg Bible and a copy of Galileo Galilei's *Dialogo*. The area also houses a comic art collection. The special collections started as a group of rare books in the library director's office and became a division within MU Libraries in 1962. Now the library accepts additions to the collection through donations. Patrons present photo identification and fill out a call slip, then wait for an attendant to fetch requested books, most of which must remain in the room.





ICUs are for pets, too

The Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital's intensive care unit (ICU) for small animals is open 24/7 in Clydesdale Hall to look after pets. Students and staff at the unit care for an average of 13 animals a day. Just as in an ICU for people, that means plenty of high-tech machinery and one-on-one care. In some cases, staff play tapes of pet owners' voices to soothe animals who are nervous or upset. III



Inspired Invest



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Story by Sona Pai

For All We Call Mizzou, the University's most ambitious campaign to date, is already making a difference. Here's what's happening now.

Right now, a student who could have chosen an out-of-state school attends MU because of a scholarship. A professor who was recruited by other top universities conducts groundbreaking research at MU because of an endowed faculty position. An academic program gains national prestige because of extra resources from a private gift. A facility provides the latest technology to a new generation of students thanks to the generosity of alumni and other donors.

"Private giving is part of a new way of looking at the compact of higher education with the broader society," says Chancellor Brady Deaton. "Our supporters aren't just giving to particular individuals or departments. They are giving to a whole concept of how we build a future society."

Since the For All We Call Mizzou campaign began in 1999, private supporters have given \$570.99 million to the University. They've given to increase access for students in need and to enhance faculty research. They've given to renovate existing facilities and to

In October 2004, Chancellor Brady Deaton took the helm of the University and its historic For All We Call Mizzou campaign. "This campaign illustrates how highly our alumni and others value the work the University does at all levels," he says. "It has elevated the aspirations of this campus and instilled a sense of confidence that is unparalleled."

Photos by Dan White; inset photo by Rob Hill



build new ones. They've given in honor of family members and mentors. They've given, as many alumni donors say, to give something back to MU.

For the state's premier land-grant institution and its only public member of the Association of American Universities, this infusion of private funds will improve teaching, invigorate research and increase service to the state, the nation and the world. As Deaton and others continue to seek state funds for what the University needs to survive, private gifts provide the extra edge that enables it to thrive.

"Our donors are saying, 'What can we do to address the most critical needs of our society through higher education?'" Deaton says. "They want to be part of creating an institution that will have the highest impact on students and the quality of life for others. Our campaign has brought out the best in us and in those who support us. It's truly inspiring."

At the April 29 announcement of his own \$8.5 million gift for autism research, national campaign co-chair William S. Thompson Jr., BS CIE '68, challenged the University to make the most of his gift, and he says the response so far has been encouraging. (See "Gifts to watch," Page 41.)

"We want to make a difference," Thompson says. "We consider this gift to be a major investment that we will monitor and measure for results. If the University and faculty can make that happen, it will be a wonderful gift, and that's a fantastic feeling."

As the For All We Call Mizzou campaign approaches its goal of \$600 million by Dec. 31, 2005, the seeds planted by private gifts are already beginning to bear fruit across campus. Here's a look at what's happening now and a look at what's ahead.

Paul Dale envisions a comprehensive program to diagnose and treat breast cancer patients in a matter of days. "That's especially beneficial for rural patients who might decide against radiation because of the expense and inconvenience of traveling for treatment," he says.

Conquering cancer

Typically, when a woman discovers a lump in her breast, she must then embark on a series of appointments for diagnoses and treatment that can take weeks or even months. Dr. Paul Dale, chair of surgical oncology and the Margaret P. Mulligan Distinguished Faculty Scholar in Breast Cancer Research at MU's Ellis Fischel Cancer Center, envisions a way to simplify the process.

"I want to create a program that provides a complete, holistic approach to a woman who has breast complaints," Dale says. "A woman could walk in, get help navigating through the maze of treatment, and get through the process in a matter of days rather than weeks."

Gathering breast health professionals in one place is only part of Dale's plan. He's currently collaborating with biomedical engineering researchers on a study designed to detect cancer cells earlier with laser technology. He's also working with other

medical faculty to find ways to destroy cancer cells with radiation delivered internally, directly to the cancer cells, rather than the often debilitating external radiation treatments breast cancer patients currently endure.

"Right now, radiation therapy requires treatments every day, five days a week for six weeks or more," Dale says. "We can reduce that to just five days of targeted therapy."

With support from an endowment established by Margaret P. Mulligan of Columbia, Dale is also looking for connections between breast cancer and heart disease. Mulligan has pledged an additional estate gift to support plans for a comprehensive breast health program, which Dale says will create more opportunities to apply basic research to his clinical work.

"This is translational research at its finest," Dale says. "Who knows what could be sitting on this campus right now that could help our patients a year from now?"



Photo by Paul Hill

Gifts to watch

Many supporters find areas in which they want to make a difference and target their gifts accordingly. These gifts will bring new people, new programs and new promise to MU, and they also will encourage support from corporations, foundations, and state and federal agencies. Here are a few to follow:

- William S. Thompson Jr., BS CIE '68, and his wife, Nancy, HE '67, gave \$8.5 million to establish the Thompson Family Center for Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disorders. The center will bring together experts from medicine, health professions, education, human environmental sciences and public affairs to conduct interdisciplinary research and provide a range of services to families of children with autism.
- Mary Nell Porter, BS BA '69, of Columbia, who died April 15, gave an estate gift of \$1 million for MU's planned performing arts center. The center represents the first phase of a larger arts village that will eventually include performance and academic space for fine arts and theater students.
- Harold Hook, BS BA '53, M Acc '54, DL '83, and his wife, Joanne, BS Ed '55, gave \$2 million to establish the Joanne Hunt Hook Dean's Chair in Educational Renewal and the Hook Center for Educational Leadership and District Renewal in the College of Education. Their gifts support efforts to transform public education and improve student performance.
- Roger Vasey, BS BA '58, and his wife, Sandy, of Greenwich, Conn., and Naples, Fla., gave an additional \$1 million to the Vasey Academy, a program the couple established in 1997 to introduce minority students to business. The new gift will fund the program for the next 12 years and expand the annual enrollment capacity from 30 to 60 students.
- Gordon E. Crosby Jr., Bus '41, DHL '00, who died Dec. 16, 2004, and his wife, Chessie, of Fort Myers, Fla., gave \$10 million to enhance and expand the master's of business

administration program, now named for him. The gift has provided support for numerous initiatives, ranging from recruiting faculty to implementing new curriculum.

- Thomas Lafferre, BS ME '56, and his wife, Nell, Arts '55, gave \$7.5 million to renovate Engineering Building East, which is now named Thomas and Nell Lafferre Hall. The gift will improve about 92,000 square feet of space in the building, which is home to most engineering courses. Gifts of \$1 million each from SBC and AmerenUE will fund new equipment and courses in the college.
- An anonymous donor gave \$270,000 to create the MU Intergenerational Daycare Program in the School of Health Professions. The gift will bring together children and older adults for care and research.
- Al McQuinn, BS Ag '54, and his wife, Mary Agnes, of Naples, Fla., gave a \$5 million challenge gift to encourage others to contribute to the College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources. At the dean's discretion, funds from the McQuinn Fund for Academic Excellence will be used to match future gifts.
- Former curator and faculty member Dr. Hugh E. Stephenson Jr., BA, BS MED '43, and his wife, Sally, of Columbia gave \$2 million to establish the Hugh E. and Sarah D. Stephenson Endowed Deanship in the School of Medicine. Funds from the gift will provide extra resources to Dean William Crist as he recruits nationally known faculty and generates support for a new Health Sciences Research and Education Center at MU.
- Pfizer Animal Health gave \$76,000 to create the MU Pfizer Veterinary Dentistry Laboratory in the College of Veterinary Medicine and make dentistry a more significant component of the veterinary curriculum. Faculty member Richard Meadows is one of a handful of veterinarians in the country who teach animal dentistry.

By the numbers

As of June 30, 2005, the For All We Call Mizzou campaign has raised 95.17 percent of its \$600 million goal for a total of \$570.99 million from more than 256,000 gifts. Here's how the numbers break down:

\$236.74 million from alumni
 \$89.18 million from friends
 \$28.52 million from faculty, staff and retirees
 \$78.56 million from corporations
 \$29.68 million from foundations
 \$108.31 million from other sources

385 new scholarships
 63 new endowed faculty positions

437 planned gifts, totaling pledges of \$174.74 million

76 gifts of more than \$1 million, adding up to \$227.12 million

237,964 gifts of less than \$1,000, adding up to \$31.9 million

\$157.83 million in the form of expendable gifts
 \$320.77 million in the form of endowment support

\$92.3 million in the form of private grants

\$239.5 million in gifts and pledges from Missourians

12 cents: approximate cost to the University for each dollar raised

FOR ALL WE CALL MIZZOU

Campaign Progress (in millions)	Goal (in millions)
Students \$129.97	\$115
Faculty \$50.68	\$97
Programs \$192.2	\$154
Facilities \$105.84	\$134
Private Grants \$92.3	\$100
TOTAL \$570.99	\$600

Data as of June 30, 2005

Better beef: It's what's for dinner

In April 2004, the University announced a gift of 17 megabytes of data and about 6,000 tiny plastic tubes that could turn out to be a treasure trove for cattle producers and a gastronomic gold mine for beef lovers. The gift, from the David W. Gust family, owners of the Circle A Ranch in Iberia, Mo., includes extensive animal pedigree, feeding and growth records and DNA samples from each animal in a herd of approximately 6,000 Angus cattle. In the hands of Jerry Taylor, professor and Wurdack Endowed Chair for Animal Genomics, the gift could lead to more efficient production at cattle ranches and better beef on the dinner table.

"This is a resource I believe no other university in the world can match," Taylor says.

Taylor's research involves cross-referencing the genetic information in the DNA sample for one individual animal with data about that animal's size, feed intake, growth and the eventual yield and quality of meat. Over time, Taylor hopes to discover genetic clues to desirable meat traits such as marbling and tenderness.

"This information could show us which animals will be better for top quality steaks and which will be better for lower-grade uses, and cattle producers can then feed the animals accordingly," Taylor says. "I think it will have a huge and immediate impact."

One student at a time

DJ Kemp, a freshman from Wellsville, Mo., began looking for the right university when he was a freshman in high school. A high-achieving student, he was attracted by the prestige of the Ivy League. After several class trips to explore programs at MU, he also began to consider the major public research university he found right in his own state.

"I was impressed that MU was big enough to offer so many options but still felt comfortable, like the homey place I was looking for," Kemp says.

As a high school senior, Kemp received acceptance letters from MU and private standouts such as Duke University. In the end, his decision came down to financial aid. Duke offered him an aid package that still would have required significant additional funds to pay the bills. MU offered him the new Brazeal Honors College Endowed Diversity Scholarship, which provides \$12,500 annually to cover the cost of tuition, books and housing; an annual stipend of up to \$2,500 to participate in the Honors College Discovery Fellows program, which pairs students with faculty mentors for research projects; and an additional \$6,000 to study abroad during the student's junior year. Kemp begins course work at MU this fall. He plans to major in biomedical engineering.

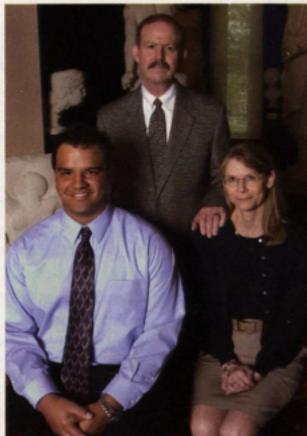


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Freshman DJ Kemp, left, came to MU thanks to a scholarship established by James and Catherine Brazeal. "I can't thank them enough for what they are doing for me," Kemp says.

James Brazeal, BA '67, MBA '69, and his wife, Catherine, of Leawood, Kan., created the scholarship. James Brazeal says that his relationships with professors and other students in the MU Honors College played a major role in his own intellectual development. He believes that, by attracting top-flight students from underrepresented groups, the new scholarship will help the University better reflect the diversity of the broader society.

"I am a businessman, and I like to see tangible results," Brazeal says. "If our support helps bring students like DJ to the University, the examples they set might in turn attract an even more diverse student population to MU. That would be personally gratifying, and perhaps it would also help other students appreciate the value of diversity as they prepare for their lives after college."

By studying Angus cattle DNA samples stored in tiny plastic tubes and corresponding data, genomics researcher Jerry Taylor hopes to make cattle ranching more efficient and improve the quality of meat at the market.



Photo by Glenn Moore



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Associate Professor Craig Kluever, right, helps Brandon McMillen on an undergraduate research project in fluid power. MU is one of just a few universities in the nation with strong programs in this field.

Ready to go with the flow

Under pressure, a fluid — which can be either liquid or gas — becomes a powerful force. Think of the way pressurized steam can power an entire locomotive. When controlled and manipulated with pumps, pistons and valves, fluid provides enough force to operate earth-moving equipment, move flaps on the wings of an airplane for navigation, and control a car's power steering and antilock brakes.

"Fluid power can generate tremendous amounts of effort with very small packages," says Noah Manning, James C. Dowell Associate Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering. "If we can improve the existing technology, we can create devices more powerful and more efficient than devices powered by electricity."

Manning holds 10 U.S. patents for innovations in fluid power, four of which pertain to research he has conducted at MU. He says that historically, industry took the lead in developing new technology, but now, as the market becomes more competitive,

corporations are looking to research universities for advances. In the College of Engineering's fluid power program, Manning and other faculty experts guide students who create research prototypes using sophisticated pneumatic and hydraulic equipment. In recent years, private gifts have helped bolster the growing program.

After a gift from Randy Rolf, BS ME '64, MS '65, and his wife, Sandy, BA '65, of Vero Beach, Fla., helped establish the Randolph and Sandra Rolf Fluid Power Laboratory in the college, the New York-based Festo Corp. gave an additional \$250,000 to the laboratory and encouraged the National Fluid Power Association to contribute \$50,000. Additional support came from retired Caterpillar Inc. CEO Glen A. Barton, BS CIE '61, of Peoria, Ill., who established an endowed professorship in fluid power.

"With our central location and this kind of support, MU is strategically positioned to become the largest fluid power research organization in the country," Manning says.

Small gifts add up

Million-dollar gifts capture the headlines, but smaller gifts add up to big benefits. Since the For All We Call Mizzou campaign began, 237,964 gifts of less than \$1,000 have added up to \$31.9 million in support for MU. Here's what some of them have accomplished:

- Arshad Husain, director of MU's International Center for Psychosocial Trauma, received donations from a variety of sources to pay for travel to Indonesia and Sri Lanka, where he and his team of mental health professionals trained several hundred volunteers to work with children traumatized by the Dec. 26 tsunami.

- To support the Missouri Historic Costume and Textile Collection in the College of Human Environmental Sciences, 10 local and alumni artists decorated mannequins that were auctioned at a March 5 event called Mannequin Magic. The auction raised \$24,123.

- The Sinclair School of Nursing's Take a Seat program has generated nearly \$10,000 to renovate the school's auditorium one seat at a time. Each new seat costs \$250 and bears a plaque with the donor's name.

- The Student Bar Association in the School of Law hosted the inaugural Timothy J. Heinsz 5K Run/Walk in May in honor of the former law dean, who died unexpectedly in July 2004. The event raised nearly \$6,000 for the Law School Foundation.

- The late Stanley Botner helped build MU's public administration degree program and mentored many of its graduate students. Former student James "Denny" Shelton, MPA '77, of Plano, Texas, gave a lead gift of \$50,000 to establish an endowed scholarship fund in the Truman School of Public Affairs in Botner's honor. Other alumni have contributed nearly \$30,000 in gifts to the fund, which the school hopes will reach a total of \$200,000.

For more information about the For All We Call Mizzou campaign, visit www.formizzou.missouri.edu.

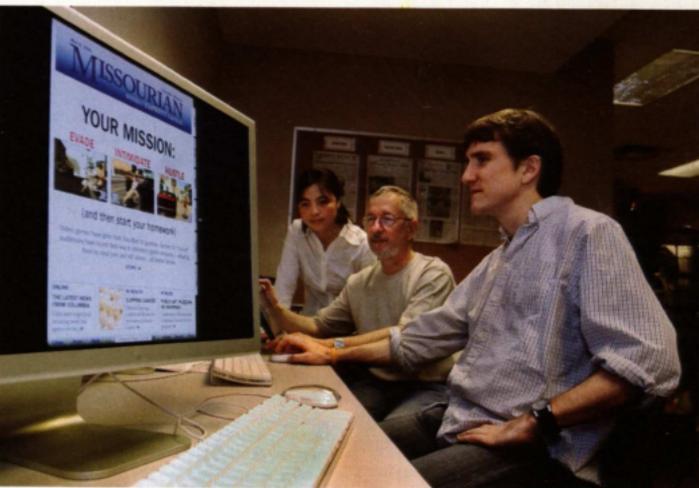


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Roger Fidler, center, and graduate students Wan Xu and Brendan Watson completed a field test of the electronic newspaper EmPRINT earlier this year. Because of the success of that test, the *Columbia Missourian* will offer EmPRINT editions twice a week beginning in September.

The paperless paper

In 1981, Roger Fidler had a vision. A pioneer in electronic journalism, Fidler predicted that by the early 21st century, people would get daily news from interactive digital newspapers that they could read comfortably on portable computer displays. This year, as the first visiting fellow of MU's new Donald W. Reynolds Journalism Institute, Fidler created EmPRINT, the first version of an idea more than two decades in the making.

EmPRINT is a digital print edition of the *Columbia Missourian*, and it's designed to combine the best of print and Web capabilities to make the online reading experience a pleasurable one.

"Typically, Web readership is quick, focused and direct," Fidler says. "EmPRINT provides a more leisurely reading experience, exposing you to things you didn't know you were interested in."

On personal computers, readers can download EmPRINT to read offline and

"turn" complete pages with a click rather than scrolling through a blur of words. Video clips, music files and links to more information enhance news, feature stories and advertisements. In July, *Editor and Publisher* included the *Missourian* in its annual newspaper awards for "10 That Do It Right" for its innovative use of EmPRINT. Beginning in September, alumni and other readers can download EmPRINT at www.columbiamissourian.com/emprint.

Fidler recently was named the director of technology initiatives for the Reynolds Institute, established by a \$31 million gift from the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation and designed to focus on innovation and the study of journalism in democratic societies. After a Sept. 1 groundbreaking ceremony, the institute will begin to take shape on the northeast corner of Francis Quadrangle. Reynolds, BJ '27, led the successful Donrey Media Group and died in 1993. ■

The gift of leadership

Dedicated volunteers have led MU's most successful campaign to date. They are:

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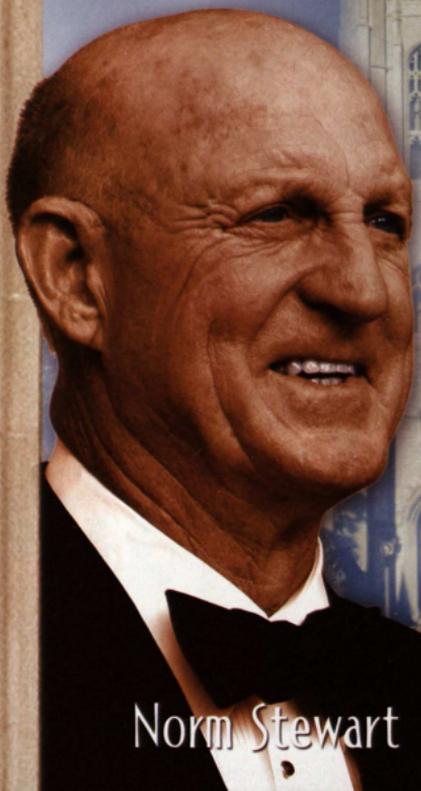
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MIZZOU HOMECOMING 2005
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The Storybook Stewarts

Story by Dale Smith



Norm Stewart



Virginia Stewart

HOW THIS YEAR'S HOMECOMING GRAND MARSHALS GOT TOGETHER, MADE IT OVER THE BUMPY SPOTS AND CRAFTED THEIR OWN HOLLYWOOD ENDING

The story of how Norm and Virginia Stewart met and fell in love would make a great Rodgers and Hammerstein musical. In our hypothetical movie version set at Mizzou in 1954, we tap the stars of *Oklahoma* fame, Gordon MacRae and Shirley Jones, for the lead roles. He's a cocky jock. She's a popular girl and a fine student.

One night the lovely Virginia catches Norm's eye. It happens when, as part of her campaign to become Showme queen, she and others from her dorm perform a skit for audiences all over campus. On that fateful evening, the group performs in the athletics department's cafeteria, where Norm is having dinner.

First he glimpses her across the crowded room. Then it's show time. In the skit—a mini star vehicle for Virginia—she sings a song written for the skit that begins, "It's up to you..." As the backlit Virginia sends out her tune, close-ups of Norm show him as first intrigued, next beguiled and finally smitten. He walks wistfully back to his dorm that night bouncing his basketball and whistling all the way.

The next day, Norm is walking (on air) to Memorial Union. Inexplicably, his gaze zooms in on the word *Union* on the sign. He's wondering what his new fascination with *Union* means when he sees Virginia up ahead talking with friends. Moving quickly, Norm positions himself nearby but out of sight. When she leaves the group, he steals up behind her, summons all his courage and, as

the orchestra swells, starts singing her song: "It's up to you..."

Virginia whirls around to find Norm. But is she charmed? Not in the least. She is secretly insecure about her singing, so his approach puts her on the defensive. "How rude," she thinks to herself. "Who is this guy?"

And so begins an occasionally rocky but always tuneful road to romance.

OK, so that's the Rodgers and Hammerstein version. But it's also the way it really happened, with just a handful of showbiz details thrown in for effect. Norm, BS Ed '56, M Ed '60, and Virginia, Arts '56, eventually fell in love and married, and he became a national sports figure during his 32-year career as Tiger basketball coach. He racked up an overall record of 634-333 and won eight Big 8 Conference championships, but that's getting ahead of the love story.

Back in the fall of 1954, Virginia went on to win the title of Showme queen. Norm also was riding high, having pitched for the Mizzou baseball team that won the College World Series the previous spring. Throughout the school year, the pair dated now and then, though not exclusively.

Over the summer, they wrote letters to one another as Norm traveled with a semi-pro baseball team that included the likes of baseball greats Ron Perranoski and Dick Howser. He was in great company professionally, but on his way back to

Columbia at the end of the summer, he was looking for a different sort of companionship. He stopped to visit Virginia in her hometown, Kansas City, Mo.

There were more dates that fall, but they continued to date other people as well until after Homecoming 1955. That was the year Virginia reigned as Homecoming queen. Their relationship worked out well in the end, but there was a bump or two early on, Norm says.

He recalls the tiff that ensued when he told Virginia he wouldn't be taking her to a big dance: "I would not go to the Christmas formal because we had a game the next night, and I was committed to what I was doing in my athletics. She said to me, 'Other players will be at the formal,' and I said, 'Well, then maybe you should date one of them.'"

Virginia knew all about commitment. As Homecoming queen, she took on substantial public relations duties for the University that previous queens had not. For instance, on different occasions she met the mayors of both Kansas City and St. Louis, who presented her with the keys to their respective cities. When she met Kansas City mayor H. Roe Bartle, singer Eddie Fisher was also on hand, and she still has a photo of the three of them together. Then there was the time when first lady Bess Truman came to Virginia's sorority house to visit her niece, who was president of the Columbia chapter of the sorority, Kappa Kappa Gamma. "When Mrs. Truman was meeting all us girls, she



A date with destiny: During the 1955 Homecoming dance, left, queen Virginia Zimmerlay poses with her future husband, Norm Stewart. Above, she handles the classic duty of greeting revelers.

said to me, 'I know you are Homecoming queen,' and I was blown away," Virginia says. As heady as it all might have been, Virginia remembers taking her high-profile duties pretty much in stride. "It was easy, not intimidating at all. Everybody was very nice and pleasant — just regular people."

Norm and Virginia married in August of 1956. Virginia left school, and they had three children between 1957 and 1963 — Jeffrey, Lindsey and Laura — and now eight grandchildren. After the kids were grown, she not only finished her degree but also co-produced with Carolyn Hawks *The Norm Stewart Show*, a television program that aired weekly on six stations statewide during basketball seasons from 1986 to 1998.

Virginia loved the rhythm of those years. She and Hawks spent the spring and fall lining up sponsors and stations to carry the show, and in winter they did the creative work of producing a show with broad appeal. "We tried to make it like a magazine show," she says. "We couldn't be completely current, so we worked a lot on human interest stories. We'd spotlight players and show

Photos courtesy of Norm and Virginia Stewart

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them as real, live people, and we tried to make it fun for the person who didn't care much about Xs and Os." Her favorite segments include staging a rap number in which the whole team performed and taking a road trip to Douglass Park in Columbia, where they taped player Derek Chievous shooting baskets with local children.

Another perk of self-employment was the fact that her head honcho hubby was working for her. "We owned the show, and Norm was my talent," Virginia says. "He might have been grumpy now and then when he came to the studio, but when the camera came on, he always did great." Norm credits that in part to Virginia's intuitive

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ready to leave the house for a game against Kansas State, and she said, 'You have a better team than Jack [Hartman], and all you have to do is recognize that and go win the game.' Who knows what influences the mind or anything else, but what she said was meaningful to me. It took any doubt from my mind, and we did win the game."

ability to know what was bothering him (and others) and somehow address it. He says those abilities extended well beyond the TV studio.

"It took us a long time to win a championship," Norm says. "One day in 1976 I was getting

Norm Stewart and the future Virginia Stewart, then Virginia Zimmerley, head out on the town.

In 1991, the Beta Theta Pi fraternity invited Norm to join, and he recognized his chance to smooth out an old bump. "I told her: 'I have to admit that I'm going to join this fraternity for a selfish reason — because I want to,'" he says. "But also because I never took you to the Christmas formal. As soon as I am initiated, I'm going to take you to the Betas' Christmas formal. We're a little late, but still it's something I owe you."

The night the Betas gave Norm his fraternity pin, he secretly arranged a ceremony for Virginia at the Kappa house, where she had been lured under false pretenses. At Norm's request, the Betas walked over and serenaded the Kappas. When Norm surprised her by appearing on the scene, he pinned his girl in front of the crowd. There was hardly a dry eye in the house. ||

Regaining Yardage

Can Coach Gary Pinkel restore the Tigers' roar? Story by Chris Blöse

What do you gain from a season that starts with bowl dreams, high rankings and national attention and ends with a disappointing 5-6 record, no bowl and angry fans? If you're Tiger football Coach Gary Pinkel, you gain healthy realism with a tinge of bitter humor.

"A year ago, we were one of the up-and-coming programs in the nation," Pinkel says with a slight and slightly self-mocking chuckle. A year ago was before losses to Troy on national TV and to rival Kansas at home, among others.

Make no mistake, though: All of this is no joke to Pinkel, and he still believes wholeheartedly in his program's potential. Respect is crucial to him, and his biggest regret is that he and his players lost the respect they had built among fans and opponents.

Pinkel thinks his team got a bit too caught up in all the preseason polls and attention. He says he wasn't successful at keeping them from believing their own hype. Now he's hoping he can keep them from absorbing the negativity and backlash

that come from last season. He knows that the truth, then and now, isn't so extreme.

"We weren't that good then, and we're not that bad now," he says. "Life's in between somewhere."

Changes to the plan

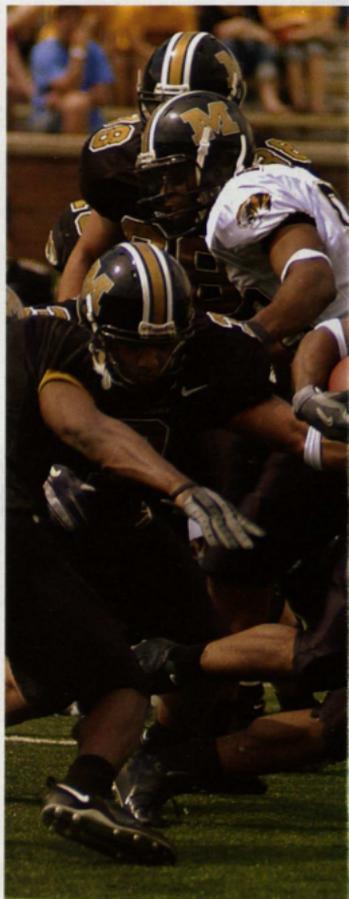
Pinkel remains a stickler. But he points out that sticking with his overall plan for the program doesn't mean that he and Offensive Coordinator Dave Christensen can't make changes to their on-field sets.

Change may come as no surprise to astute fans. After two years with top-25 offenses, last year's team slipped to 60th in the nation in total offense. And quarterback Brad Smith, who had previously dazzled fans and opponents with his quick feet, went from two straight years of rushing for 1,000 yards-plus to running for only 553 yards.

Fans and press at spring practices got to preview some new offensive looks that, with practice, could get Smith up and running again and set up receivers for more action. With seven returning starters, Pinkel and Christensen have tweaked an offensive set designed to spread out defenses and create mismatches against defenders. The coaches have added it for future versatility, but it also could make Smith a danger to defenses once again by letting him improvise.

Humble from the get-go, Smith seems even more grounded by the experience of going from Heisman hype to frustrating futility. With 9,483 total yards, he's the active yardage leader in the entire NCAA, and he's only two touchdowns behind 2004 Heisman winner Matt Leinart. But like Pinkel, his goals for the season are simple and have less to do with numbers than results: "Just winning."

As for the team's other runners, Damien



Nash is gone, but both Marcus Woods and Tony Temple have quickness and break-away speed. And right behind them are redshirt freshmen Jimmy Jackson and Earl Goldsmith. "We've got probably the best depth — speed and quickness-wise — that we've ever had here," Pinkel says.

For a target, Smith can look to wide receiver Sean Coffey, who caught a school

2005 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE*

Sept. 3	Arkansas State (in Kansas City, Mo.)
Sept. 10	New Mexico
Sept. 17	Troy
Oct. 1	Texas
Oct. 8	at Oklahoma State
Oct. 15	Iowa State (Homecoming)
Oct. 22	Nebraska
Oct. 29	at Kansas
Nov. 5	at Colorado
Nov. 12	Baylor
Nov. 19	at Kansas State

* For game times and updated info, visit mutigers.com.



Photo by Chris Blosser

Marcus Woods and Tony Temple, above with ball during spring, lead a deep pack of quick tailbacks.

record 10 passes for touchdowns in 2004; fellow receivers Brad Ekwerekwu and William Franklin; and tight end Martin Rucker.

The line will see the most fresh faces. Tony Palmer will be the only senior and probably a leader, with Adam Spieker returning at center and Mike Cook and Joel Clinger

In the shadow of Brad

Whether discussing his immense talent or lamenting his disappointing 2004 season, fans and sportswriters alike spend most of their Mizzou-talking time on Brad Smith. But what about the quarterbacks waiting in the wings? After all, football will go on after 2005.

The likely number-two man for this season is junior Brandon Coleman (No. 11), but redshirt freshman and Columbia hometown favorite Chase Patton (No. 14) fights for the spot, too. The two are different kinds of quarterbacks, but Pinkel believes either could fit into the versatile offense he and Offensive Coordinator Dave



Above photo by Chris Blosser; top right photo courtesy of Intercollegiate Athletics Media Relations

likely rounding out the line.

Despite any offensive changes, Pinkel knows success still comes down to fundamentals: "If we block better, throw better, run better, I don't care what we're doing on offense, it's going to work better. That's the No. 1 priority."

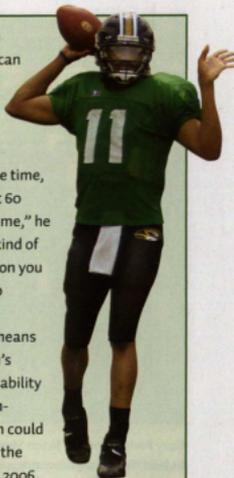
Getting defensive (in a good way)

The good news: Defense is the one area that actually improved last season. The Tigers ended up 14th in the nation in total defense.

The bad news: Many of the guys who accomplished that are gone. The defense lost eight starters and looks to fill some formidable positions in the absence of linebacker James Kinney and defensive linemen Atiyah Ellison and C.J. Mosley.

Christensen are building if they can add just to it. "With this offense, you can throw it 60 percent of the time, or you can run it 60 percent of the time," he says. "It's just kind of the direction you want to go with it."

That means Coleman's running ability and athleticism could give him the edge for 2006, as could Patton's "gun" of an arm, Pinkel says. Add to those two top recruit Chase Daniel (one of two Chases in his class — the name must have been popular about 18 years ago), and a quarterback battle could be in the works for life after Brad.



But turnover is a given, and Pinkel points out that he returns three starters and seven players with plenty of playing experience. He also feels confident that he has recruited to fill voids, particularly at linebacker, where the team's depth will allow Pinkel and Defensive Coordinator Matt Eberflus to rotate players throughout games.

One name that kept coming up during spring practices was Derrick Ming, who relishes the chance to step into the spotlight as a senior. "We're going to go out and toast some offenses," he says. Dedrick Harrington, Marcus Bacon, David Richard and others add to the depth.

Reconfiguring the line is a bit trickier, but coaches are seeking power on the inside by moving former defensive end Lorenzo

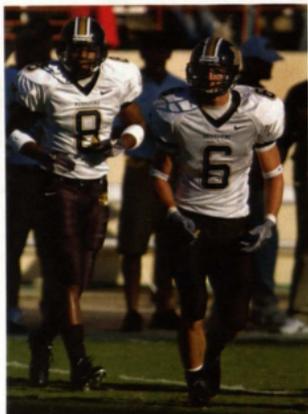


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Gary Pinkel looks to Jason Simpson, above right, to lead the defense for 2005.

Williams to tackle. Coaches named Williams a most-improved player during spring. Earl Stephens adds his 300 pounds at nose tackle. Ends Xzavie Jackson and sack-leader Brian Smith return, with Stryker Sulak battling for a spot, too.

Leadership for defense will come from the rear this year, though. "The impact player for us without question this year is going to be Jason Simpson," Pinkel says. The senior free safety had the most tackles (98) last year of any returning player, and he's a vocal leader. Rounding out the backfield are other players with experience: strong safety David Overstreet and corners Calvin Washington and A.J. Kincade.

Take back the fourth

Mizzou fans got used to a pattern last year: The Tigers would build a lead or remain tight in a game, then let it fall apart in the fourth quarter. It's an especially disturbing pattern considering Pinkel's previous emphasis on and success in playing the game all the way through.

To get back on track, the team will have to take back the fourth quarter. Players also will have to avoid the downward spiral in

confidence that comes from losing multiple games consecutively. In 2003, the team never lost two in a row. In 2004, it lost five in a row.

The focus gets more specific, though. Take turnovers, for example. Pinkel's teams had only 41 in his first three years as coach but had 18 in 2004 alone. Likewise, kickoff returns need improvement (105th in the nation), as do special teams as a whole.

With those issues in mind, Pinkel has plenty to focus on, especially as the season approaches. He'll hammer home the need to protect the ball (and the quarterback). He'll remind his players that games last 60 minutes, not 45. He'll also remind them that if they want their respect back, they'll have to earn it.

"All those things I talk about in terms of winning games," Pinkel says, "we've got to get those on our side of the ledger."

A season for A.O.

Players, coaches, family, fans and friends mourn the loss of Aaron O'Neal, or "A.O." The redshirt freshman linebacker died July 12 at age 19 at University Hospital after a voluntary summer practice. At press time, the cause of death was unknown.

O'Neal's family held his funeral in St. Louis, and the team also held a memorial for him at Mizzou Arena. Fellow linebackers showed support: Dedrick Harrington read a poem he had written for his friend, and Derrick Ming said the team would dedicate their season to O'Neal. An emotional Pinkel summed up how he and his players felt about O'Neal: "He had all the qualities you want in a Missouri Tiger." ■

Tigers get new stripes

When coaches and players talk about new looks for the fall season, they might not be talking only about new offensive formations. The team has new uniforms, designed by Nike, for the 2005 season. Here's what makes them new:



- They're made of a new material Nike developed to remove sweat from the body and let it evaporate, so jerseys might not get so soaked by the end of a game. They're also one and one-half pounds lighter, which makes a difference — even on 300-pound linemen — in speed and endurance.

- There's a bit more gold in the black and gold. Both the black home jerseys (no more black pants) feature



- more gold touches than before.
- They don't have numbers on the shoulders anymore. The goal is a cleaner, less-cluttered look (and football previews that sound like fashion magazines).
- They say Mizzou on the front instead of Missouri.
- They're like shrink wrap.

The form-fitting style might give opponents a harder time grabbing hold of jerseys to bring players to the ground.



Tourism for tailgaters

For college sports fans who would follow their team to hell and back—or worse yet, to Kansas—a new book can take a lot of the guesswork out of hunting down the hot spots for dining and entertainment while in enemy territory.

Each of the detailed chapters of *Game Day Guide: Towns of the Big 12* by Susan Kraus focuses on a single town. She covers restaurants, bars, music venues, shopping, museums, galleries, parks, hotels, day trips, local history and diversions for children. At the end of each chapter, Kraus includes a section on game day, with heads-up information on tailgating, traditions, parking, mascots and more. (Did you know, for instance, that if Reveille, Texas A&M University's collie mascot, happens to bark when in a classroom, then class is dismissed?)

Kraus chose not to spend space in the 452-page book alerting readers to the whereabouts of national chain restaurants, franchise stores and the like. Instead, she has rooted out and described locally owned establishments and special places where townies—if you knew any—would direct you. For instance, the chapter on

Columbia includes an entry for Cool Stuff, a downtown shop specializing in what Kraus calls “cheap chic” items. “It’s terrifically tacky and yet wonderful all at once,” she writes. “Interesting, weird, entertaining gift emporium.”

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Homecoming Blood Drive
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Saturday, Oct. 8
5K Run/Walk
7:30 a.m. check-in, 9 a.m. start
Stankowski Field

Monday–Tuesday, Oct. 10–11
Talent competition preliminaries
6:30 p.m., Jesse Auditorium

Thursday, Oct. 13
Talent competition finals
6:30 p.m., Jesse Auditorium

Friday, Oct. 14
Campus decorations 6 p.m.–10 p.m.
Spirit rally 8 p.m., Greektown

Saturday, Oct. 15
Homecoming parade

Homecoming tailgate party, three hours prior to kickoff, Reynolds Alumni Center Ballroom. Cost is \$10 for MU Alumni Association members, \$12 for nonmembers.

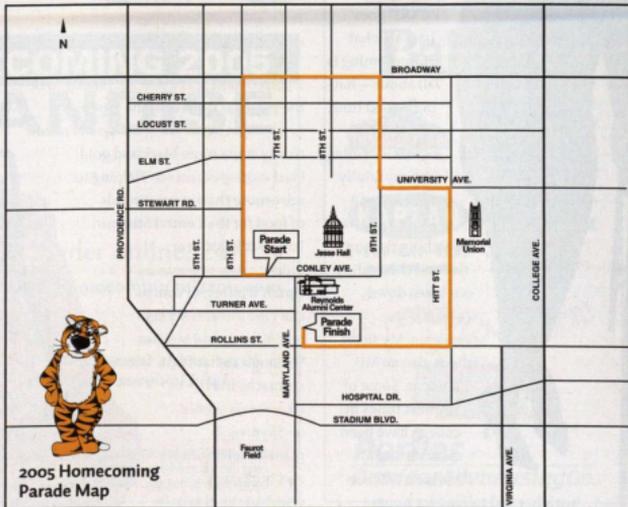
Homecoming game vs. Iowa State, Faurot Field. Call 1-800-CAT-PAWS for tickets.

(For times, visit www.mizzou.com/homecoming.)

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- MU Parking and Transportation Services: (573) 882-4568. After 5 p.m. and on weekends during Homecoming, park free in the heart of campus in the following garages: Turner Avenue, Conley Avenue, University Avenue and Hitt Street. A \$5 fee applies for parking in Maryland Avenue garage on game day.



Meet Homecoming's dynamic directors

Since January, three student directors have led Mizzou's Homecoming steering committee of 27 students as they planned a host of activities, ranging from the parade to the food drive to the talent show and much more. Meet the trio that is planning Homecoming 2005: Diane Crowe, Lindsey Porlier and Trenton Moss.

Diane Crowe

22, Kansas City, Mo.

Math education major

Three-word self-description: Quirky, motivated, balanced

Involved in Homecoming because: It's a tradition that involves all members of the Mizzou family.

Thoughts on the Homecoming theme: "Let the

Good Times ROAR!" goes back to what Homecoming is all about — having a good time.

Most exciting experience: Going with my family to the top of a volcano in Hawaii, watching the sun rise and then riding our bikes down.

Ultimate dinner companion: My sister, who is also an MU student. Some of my best times in college have been spent sitting at Shakespeare's Pizza with her and talking for hours.

A casual friend would never guess: How messy I am.

Splurges: Clothing and fashion magazines.

Most important quality in a friend:

Dependability.

Relationship deal breaker: Moodiness. I don't like having to guess their mood every day.

Biggest weakness: Eating dinners out.

Dream job: To be a mathematics professor at an urban university and coach my children's basketball teams. Or, to work in a Fortune 500 company, travel, meet all types of people and wear a business suit.

Who would play you in a movie: Meg Ryan, because her characters are always full of personality and unique, and she has short hair like me.

Superpower I'd like to have: Flight. I'd get fewer speeding tickets that way.

Favorite quote: "The most wasted of all days is one without laughter." — e.e. cummings

Lindsey Porlier

21, St. Charles, Mo.

Business marketing major

Three-word self-description: Passionate, motivated, thoughtful

Biggest challenge as a director: Having to be the practical thinker in the group.

First thought on becoming a director: I need to buy some more black and gold!

Most exciting experience: Helping to raise more than 11,000 pounds of food for the Central Missouri Food Bank last year.

Ultimate dinner companion:

Oprah Winfrey, of course.

Can't live without: My sisters, Kristen and Melissa.

We laugh so hard our stomachs hurt!

Have always wanted to: Skydive. I

planned on it for my 21st birthday last year, but the closer

it came, the more I decided I wasn't ready. Maybe this year.

A casual friend would never guess: I want to start a charity in my lifetime.

Glad I did it but wouldn't do it again: Skiing a double black diamond run.

Would never: Be on Fear Factor. I could not imagine eating live insects.

Dream job: To be on Extreme Makeover: Home Edition. It gives you that feel-good feeling.

First crush: He lived down the street from me in kindergarten, and we used to play tag. He was the only person I actually wanted to catch me.

I'd love to read the mind of: Males. Instead of that movie *What Women Want*, I'm waiting for *What Men Want*.

Obsession: Diet Coke and Junior Mints.



Trenton Moss

22, Steedman, Mo.

Business marketing major

Three-word self-description: Animated, spiritual, thoughtful

Involved in Homecoming because: You can be a part of one of Mizzou's oldest and greatest traditions.

Favorite thing about Homecoming: I would be lying if I didn't say the football game.

Most exciting experience: Eating dinner with

Norm Stewart and his beautiful wife, Virginia, and inviting them to serve as grand marshals.

Have always wanted to: Go back in time for a couple days.

Proudest of: My parents. I love you guys!



A casual friend would never guess: I can do impersonations.

First purchase if he won the lottery: A bulldog. They're expensive, and I've always wanted one.

Would never: Eat lima beans. Grandma made me when I was little, and I learned my lesson.

First crush: Ariel from *The Little Mermaid*. She had an incredible voice and amazingly good looks.

Obsession: McDonald's dollar menu.

Favorite quote: "What we do in life echoes in eternity." — Russell Crowe's character, Maximus, in *Gladiator*

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Of family and football

By Shane Cavanah

One family's MU football tradition has run since the 1920s, when Will Ramsey and a group of his friends began driving a Model T to Columbia to cheer on the Tigers.

This story begins with a birth, but not mine. On April 1, 1891, William Jesse Ramsey was born at his parents' home in Marceline, Mo. He weighed less than three pounds, and family legend has it that he was so tiny they put him in a shoebox rather than a crib. He probably shouldn't have survived, but I'm happy he did. You see, he was my grandfather. Many years later, he and I became stalwart Tiger football fans together, but that's getting ahead of things.

Will grew up poor — poor enough that he spent much of his young life working and poor enough that in his teen years the family of his sweetheart, Verna Buster, considered him beneath her. Her parents forbade Verna to see Will. But with the help of friends, the two carried on a secret courtship, and as love sometimes takes command of a situation, they eloped and married on Jan. 20, 1911. Will was 19 and Verna 16. He took a job in the local coal mine, and somehow, somehow, he won over Verna's family. Within six months his in-laws employed him at Lindley & Buster Produce, their place of business in Bucklin, Mo. Eventually he ran the company's branch office in Marceline. He walked the seven-mile round trip to work until his family moved there in 1922.

Will and Verna had two daughters: Virginia in 1913 and Doris, my mother, in 1920. I had the good fortune to be the first-born grandson and as such filled the void that Will felt by not having a son of his own.



Photo and programs courtesy of Shane Cavanah

When Will left the family business in 1931, he joined the first training class of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Each trooper started with a salary of \$125 a month and a .38 Smith & Wesson revolver. Most drove a 1931 Ford Model A Roadster with a retractable top, which the troopers were to use only during inclement weather to be as visible as possible to the public. It was not unusual to see a trooper in subzero temperatures with the top down. By 1940, Will was acting superintendent of the patrol, and he retired in 1943.

Sometime during the late 1910s and early 1920s, Will developed a keen interest in football, though he never played a game

Loyal Tiger football fan Will Ramsey was among Missouri's first highway patrol officers. He started collecting game programs, at right, in the 1920s.

of football as far as I can tell. The date he attended his first game at MU remains a mystery, but he used to tell me about traveling from his home in Marceline to Columbia to attend games at Rollins Field, which was the Tigers' home field until 1926, when Memorial Stadium was dedicated.

Among his personal belongings was an official University football program dated Nov. 20, 1926, the dedication day for Memorial Stadium. The opponents that day were the archival Kansas University Jayhawks. MU won the game 15-0.



He told me a story several times about one Saturday during the 1920s when he and several men from Marceline, including Albert Zurcher, a businessman and community leader, traveled to Columbia for a home game in a Model T Ford. Upon arriving in Columbia several hours before game time, Albert, who was in charge of the tickets, realized that he had left them in Marceline. So, the men loaded up and headed back to retrieve the tickets.

Imagine, if you will, the road conditions they would have encountered back then. When they got to Marceline, the tickets weren't where they were supposed to be. While searching for them, Albert put his hand in the pocket of his overcoat, and there they were, where they'd been all along. They again loaded into the Model T and made it to the stadium in time for the kickoff. Albert would be reminded of the incident for many years to come.

After Will retired from the highway patrol, my grandparents managed the Henderson Produce Co. at Macon. This was a place where area farmers could sell their products and make purchases. During the '40s and '50s, Saturday was the busiest day of the week in rural Missouri towns. It was the one day of the week when farm families would migrate to town in the morning and make a day of it, not returning home until late evening.

Although I attended my first MU game with my grandfather in September of 1947, it wasn't until I was the ripe old age of 8 when Grandpa started taking me to all of Mizzou's home games. Grandpa had two season tickets for Mizzou football, but someone had to stay and manage the business on those busy Saturdays, which meant that one ticket would go unused. Grandma stayed behind, and I headed to Columbia with Grandpa.

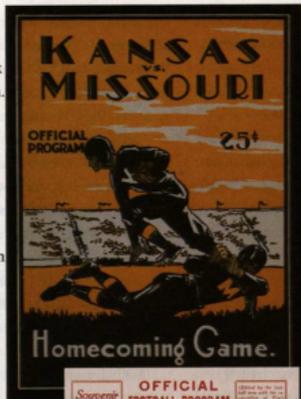
Grandma was a pillar of our family and continued to be a guiding influence in my life for many years. Somehow she always said the right things at just the right times, and she encouraged me to take life's problems in stride.

On those football Saturdays, Grandpa would pick me up around 8 a.m. and off we would go. Our usual route to Columbia would be Highway 5 south to Keytesville, then east on Highway 24 to Moberly and then south on Highway 63 to Columbia. We seldom stopped.

For those who can remember how most grandmas fixed picnic baskets back in those days, you can imagine the size of basket mine would fix for us. I'm sure we could have survived for a week in the woods on what she packed, and my goal was to sample a goodly portion of everything in the basket. I didn't want her to be disappointed!

I would be well into the day's goodies by the time we got to Mike, a hamlet about nine miles south of Marceline, and I would continue to test the basket's surprises until I could hold no more. I'm convinced Grandpa was pleased with this habit of mine because he never said anything against it, and he was such a disciplinarian that if he wanted me to stop or slow down, he could have gotten his point across easily.

During the drive, we would visit about all kinds of subjects, but once parked, we focused on the day's game and other information concerning the team. My great aunt Opal Wagner was the longtime secretary to the athletic director and head football coach, Don Faubot, and she always made sure we knew about the department's new arrivals, discipline problems, injuries and much more.



Grandpa's favorite place to park was about a block from the stadium at East Brandon and Providence roads. We would arrive as early as 10:15 a.m. for a 1 p.m. kickoff. Oftentimes we

were in our parking spot for quite a while before the visiting team's bus would go past us on its way to the stadium. I didn't mind arriving so early; I was probably still digging through the picnic basket.

Eventually, I would be unable to eat any more, and Grandpa would give me money to purchase a game program. Most days, I'd be searching for program vendors before any were on duty. If we weren't the first two people to walk through the stadium gates, we were certainly among the first 25 or so.

In the late 1940s and in 1950, MU had a quality lineman by the name of John Kadlec who made the Big Seven all-conference team in 1950. But what I remember most about him was that he wore his hip pads and pants low on his hips, and Grandpa was always concerned that he might lose the lower half of his uniform during the game.



Today John Kadlec works with Mike Kelley to broadcast MU games on the Tiger Network, and he has probably figured out a better system for his pants by now.

The entire time I attended MU games with him, my grandfather had seats in only two locations. We sat in wooden chairs two rows in front of the west-side retaining wall on the 35-yard line south of the midfield stripe. In time he would move one row back and sit directly in front of the wall.

As much as Grandpa was addicted to arriving at a game well in advance, he would also be one of the first to leave before the game's end. He always said he wanted to beat the traffic, but I noticed that he left early more often when things weren't going well for the Tigers. It happened once dur-

ing a close game with Nebraska in 1957 with about 10 minutes left in the fourth quarter. We were behind, and after a play that went against Mizzou, he announced that he was going to start toward the car.

Usually, I would get out of my seat and follow him. But for some reason — and to this day I don't know how I found the courage — I told him that I thought I would stay awhile. Maybe the fact that I was 16 years old had something to do with it. Anyway, he left, and I stayed behind, as proud of my sudden self-proclaimed independence as I was apprehensive about what might happen later on.

As luck would have it, the Tigers scored late in the game to tie the contest at 13. Then Charlie Rash kicked the extra point, and the

Tigers won 14-13.

All during my walk back to the car I pondered just what I would say to Grandpa and how I would say it. I didn't want to rub it in that he had missed an exciting finish, but I was determined to let him know that we had won. I arrived at the car before I had decided what to say, opened the door, got in and said absolutely nothing. I realized that he had been listening to the game on the radio, and as I sat there the announcers were summarizing the details of the Tiger victory. My elation faded. We conversed as usual on the way home, but I don't remember mentioning anything about the game.

Our ritual for return trips was to stop at a roadside bakery in Moberly, where we would buy glazed doughnuts fresh out of the oven.

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As usual, I ate more than I should have, but who was counting?

Grandma would have supper ready when we arrived at their home in Macon, and I would eat yet again. My parents always made the trip from Marceline to Macon to bring me home. A long and enjoyable day filled with many events and lots of food would be complete, and I would wait eagerly for the next MU home game, when we would do it all over again.

Grandpa gave up his season tickets sometime in the mid-1960s. Only now can I appreciate the agony he probably experienced in giving up something that he had loved to do for nearly 40 years. My wife, Cheryl, and I have had our own season tickets to Mizzou games for 34 years and

counting. We've kept our same seats — Sec. L, Row 6, Seats 3 and 4 — all of that time. I don't even want to think about the time that I will be forced to give them up. At least once a year on our trips to Columbia, I mention to Cheryl that I wish Grandpa Ramsey could have seen the new facilities and upgrades that have come along since he stopped going to the games.

Grandpa died in March of 1971, and Grandma lived three more years. Although I had always appreciated the things they did for me, it wasn't until then that I really showed her what those early years meant to me. During those three years, we took her on a trip to the Missouri Ozarks, where she saw things that she had only read about, and we spent hours in conversation about

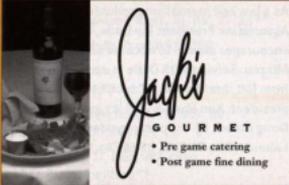
her life with Grandpa.

Why is it that we often wait too long to show how we feel about the people who are most important to us?

Oh, how I long for one more autumn Saturday and a football trip to Columbia with Grandpa. One more fall Saturday when Grandma gives up her ticket to let me go in her place. One more day of arriving before the opponent's team bus. And oh, one more of Grandma's picnic baskets!

About the author: *Shane Cavanah is head football coach at Brookfield High School. This story is a condensed version of Cavanah's essay about the lives of his grandparents and their influence on him. To hear the rest of the story, call Cavanah at (660) 376-3078.*

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From college antics to alumni president

What's the racy setting for the photo on Page 494 of the 1983 *Savitar* got to do with the new president of the MU Alumni Association? Jay Dade is in there, wrapped in a trench coat and holding a whip, along with other *Savitar* staffers.

The photo wasn't too popular with then Chancellor Barbara S. Uehling or Dade's parents, Dean and Patsy Dade, then of Grandview, Mo., now of Bella Vista, Ark. It would be neither the first nor the last colorful college tale.

As a burned-out sophomore, Dade hatched an elaborate plan in August 1984 to finish his bachelor of journalism degree by August 1985. J-School faculty members Brian Brooks and George Kennedy blessed the scheme. Come fall, Dade was selecting his books from memory of the schedule he had in his head. He grabbed a geography textbook and proceeded to attend class in Waters Auditorium near Memorial Union.

One day, a fellow Read Hall *Maneater* advertising staff member said, "Man, are you in deep trouble." Dade had an F on the roster of another geography class. He'd been attending the wrong class, and it was now several weeks past the add-drop period. Frantic, Dade found then acting Dean Kennedy and pleaded his case. A kind Kennedy pulled out an add-drop slip and sent him to talk to his two teachers that day to resolve the scheduling problem.

Another time, May 1993, Dade and a law school buddy surreptitiously entered Hulston Hall in the middle of the night. They meticulously did a wholesale switch of adjacent offices of the *Missouri Law Review* editor and managing editor. The editors pointed fingers at other students, never at him and his bud. They didn't own up to the scheme until months later, on Dade's wedding night in August 1993.

Thank heavens boys grow up and make something out of themselves. Now president of the MU Alumni Association,

Dade, BJ '85, JD '93, is married to Christie, a Kansas State graduate; they have two children: Christopher, 10, and Caroline, 7; and he works as a lawyer for Shughart Thomsson and Kilroy in Springfield, Mo.

As association president, Dade plans to identify people who want and need to be involved in the association through its leadership development committee. He also plans to work in legislative advocacy by strengthening the association's communication with and education of its members, Missouri legislators, University of Missouri curators and other stakeholders.

Yes, Mizzou educates students, he says, but Missouri's public land-grant research university also plays a major role in this state through research and economic development. For instance, funding a new medical research building is a top capital priority for the campus. It's more than a building, though. Medical research done there will improve human health and fuel Missouri's economy through medical discoveries.

Dade encourages alumni to visit campus to see what's going on. Then, as alumni hear more information from the association through MIZZOU magazine, "There's a context to it," he says.

"Talk about Mizzou to family, friends, neighbors and legislators," Dade urges. "We've got alumni in every county; we know people listen."

In addition to spreading Mizzou's story, he hopes alumni will recruit smart students: "I want Mizzou to be Missouri kids' first choice." Alumni can talk to prospective students about MU, talk about the research going on and the opportunity to do research as undergraduates.

Dade invites nonmembers to join the association. A life member since 1987, Dade says membership is more than football games and tailgate parties: "It's been my conduit for information and people I normally wouldn't have come into contact with." Reach Jay Dade at muapresident@missouri.edu.



As a law and journalism graduate, MU Alumni Association President Jay Dade, left and above, encourages alumni to become advocates for Mizzou. Serving with Dade in 2005, continuing from left, are Titus Blackmon, M Ed '88, vice president; Kim Voss, BS Ed '87, president-elect; Doug Crews, BJ '73, past president; and Craig Lalumandier, BS CoE, BS EE '89, treasurer.

Jay Dade's favorites

Food: "anything that comes from a cow"

Hobby: champ car enthusiast

Campus event: Homecoming

Teacher: Walter Johnson, Econ 51

Spectator sport: college football

Participant sports: volleyball, tennis

Comic entertainers: Monty Python

Clothes: cargo shorts and T-shirts

Drink: bourbon and water

Tradition: "On the first snowfall, a snowball fight would start between the KAs and Sigma Chis, work its way down fraternity row, then over to Greektown and end in the Pikes' front lawn."



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Education	12
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Agriculture	9
Business	7
Medicine	7
Engineering	4
Law	4
Health Professions	1
HES	1
Nursing	1
Social Work	1
Veterinary Medicine	1

By first degree year

1940s	1
1950s	2
1960s	10
1970s	18
1980s	12
1990s	12
2000s	6

By gender

Male	38
Female	23

Alumni get involved at MU

Engagement. Some define the word as "being emotionally involved or committed." During this past year, an increasing number of alumni became engaged with their alma mater in meaningful ways. Gifts to the University and membership in the MU Alumni Association are at all-time highs. This positive trend is no surprise because of the many wonderful things happening at MU.

In April, the association's governing board approved an updated long-range plan that included a new vision statement. In keeping with that work, our staff and volunteers strive every day to be the pre-eminent resource for the University. There is no doubt in my mind that alumni

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have been such a resource for a long time and that they will achieve even more for MU in the years ahead.

As we prepare to celebrate the association's

150th anniversary in 2006, I hope each of our graduates will come to understand the broad support that membership provides for MU. Today, MU students get a world-class experience in part because of the great generosity of students who came before them. If you are not a member of the association, please consider joining today and engaging with your great university.

Todd McCubbin

Todd McCubbin, executive director
MU Alumni Association

Vision

The MU Alumni Association shall be the pre-eminent resource for the University.

Mission

The MU Alumni Association proudly supports the best interests and traditions of Missouri's flagship university and its alumni worldwide. Lifelong relationships are the foundation of our support. These relationships are enhanced through advocacy, communication and volunteerism.

Guideposts to excellence

Much as stone gives strength to MU's six beloved Columns, these six values are supported only by the degree of excellence they embody. The association recognizes the special worth that comes from the pursuit of excellence and strives to use that foundation of excellence to bond our alumni together.



Discovery

Diversity

Pride

Respect

Responsibility

Tradition

A global perspective

One of the most gratifying aspects of my new role as chancellor is the opportunity to meet alumni who are devoted to MU and who are themselves shining examples of our excellence.

I recently visited with South Korean alumni in leadership positions, including Duk-Kyu Kim, Journ '80, vice speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea. MU degrees serve these leaders well as they make key contributions to government, agriculture, industry and education. The same holds true in the United States and Missouri.

The university we affectionately call Mizzou is one of 34 public universities nationwide and the only public university in the state to qualify for membership in the prestigious Association of American Universities. The universities in this



Photo by Valerie Gooden

Korean alumni including chapter president Duk-Kyu Kim, Journ '80, enjoy dinner with Chancellor Brady Deaton at a May event in Seoul this summer.

elite group offer superior teaching and research, and Mizzou is no exception. Work by our pioneering faculty fuels the intellectual growth of our students in classrooms and research laboratories and also fuels the state's economy.

What does this mean to alumni? Be proud of your MU degree. Its value increases with every teaching accomplishment and research achievement

here at the University. We work hard each day to ensure that Mizzou's tradition of strong academics and rigorous research continues, and our prestige extends to you, wherever you are.

And if you would like to help us build that prestige, I encourage you to support the MU Alumni Association. It helps us reach out to you, and it welcomes you back home. Come visit us. I think you'll be impressed with your Mizzou today.

Brady J. Deaton, chancellor

Pride points

Membership and marketing

Served a peak 37,550 members, up from 35,215 one year ago and surpassing the goal of 37,000 members established in the Join the Hunt campaign in fall 2004

Increased online renewals to 2,061, up from 1,790 the previous year

Generated 7,748 new members, including 2,142 through the first-ever calling campaign

Distributed the 2005 Member Calendar to more than 28,000 households around the world

Worked with 122 vendors to provide discounts to MU Alumni Association members

295 couples participated in Mizzou Match, a new program celebrating spouses who are both graduates of Mizzou

Distributed *Tigers in Training* books to 149 children of alumni association members to teach them about Mizzou

Provided members-only benefits to more than 11,000 registered Web site users

Alumni network

Held 1,029 events with total attendance of 69,579

Organized Tiger Tailgates in Troy, Ala.; Waco, Texas; Austin, Texas; and Lincoln, Neb., for more than 1,450 Tiger fans

Hosted Braggin' Rights basketball pre-game rally in St. Louis for more than 800 Mizzou fans

Celebrated the Time of the Tiger across the nation with a record-breaking 54 events hosted by regional chapters and alumni organizations to honor the 1839 founding of the University of Missouri

Presented the Henry S. Geyer Award, recognizing one public official and one citizen who have made a positive impact on higher education and Mizzou, to the Honorable Sen. Chuck Graham and Professor and Curator Emeritus James C. Sterling

Communications

Sent 1,017,015 e-mails and mailed 608,561 pieces to alumni, providing information about activities, programs and promotions

Distributed MIZZOU magazine quarterly to approximately 170,000 households

Sent @Mizzou, a monthly electronic newsletter, to all alumni with registered e-mail addresses, an average circulation of 50,000 alumni per month

Student scholarships and programs

Awarded about \$200,000 in scholarships to 180 incoming and current students

Engaged 3,779 students as members of the True Tiger student alumni program, up from 3,229 one year ago

Created Mizzou '39, an award recognizing the 39 most outstanding MU seniors for their academic success, leadership and service; honorees also recognized faculty or staff members who have influenced them during their careers at Mizzou

University support and community service

Nearly 1,600 people are members of the Legislative Information Network Committee; committee members contact their legislators about specific issues and relay a positive, consistent and constant message about all that Mizzou offers

Regional alumni chapters hosted or provided support for 70 events focused on student recruitment across the country

Collected 4,480 units of blood throughout Missouri as part of Homecoming 2004

An estimated 18,000 people viewed the Homecoming 2004 Campus Decorations, presented by TigerChecking.com

Approximately 25,000 people attended the Homecoming 2004 parade, presented by Panera Bread

Collected more than 11,000 pounds of food for the Central Missouri Food Bank through the Tigers Taming Hunger food drive as part of Homecoming 2004

Approximately 150 Mizzou student volunteers read to students in 86 Columbia public schools during the Day of Reading for Homecoming 2004

Nearly 300 individuals, a record number, participated in the 2004 Homecoming 5K race

19 businesses participated in Decorate the District, a new community activity to promote Mizzou spirit, during Homecoming 2004

Recognized the Distinguished Service Award recipient, the Distinguished Faculty Award

recipient and 17 Faculty-Alumni Award recipients for their professional accomplishments

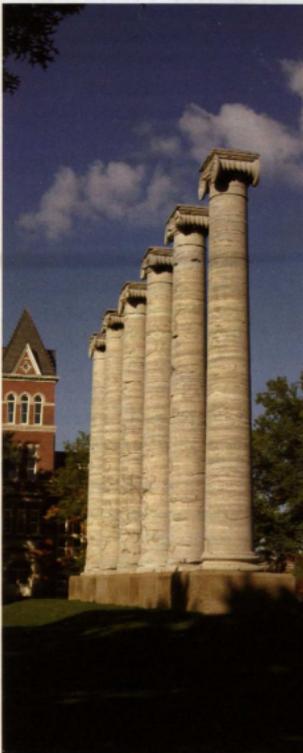
Distributed \$24,605 in diversity initiative grants to student groups, campus organizations, chapters/organizations and community agencies

Leadership and engagement

Provided planning and event assistance to more than 20 affinity reunion events through the Mizzou Reunions Program

238 alumni volunteers participated in 17 local leadership seminars

MUAA staff presented 10 workshops and seminars at professional conferences across the nation; student leaders presented three seminars



Membership matters

Nominate a leader

Know someone who would make a great leader for the association? For a nomination application, call 1-800-372-6822 or (573) 882-6611, or send e-mail to cranel@missouri.edu. The deadline for nominations is March 1, 2006. The nominating committee includes Doug Crews, BJ '73, chair; Randy Wright, BGS '87, MA '02; Madelyn Whittington, BS HES '79; Darla Six, BS Ed '88, M Ed '93; and Bill Newham, BS Ag '71, M Ed '78.

More dollars for scholars

During the 2005-06 academic year, nearly 200 Alumni Scholars will receive more than \$25,000 in scholarships, an increase of more than \$25,000 over the previous year. The association's scholarship program includes a variety of scholarship programs that honor Mizzou students while cultivating them as alumni volunteers for the future. Alumni volunteers select the scholarship recipients, who must submit applications by Feb. 1. For more information, visit Programs and Scholarships at www.mizzou.com.

Member calendars shipping early

In response to member feedback, the Member Calendar for 2006 will arrive during November. This popular benefit features beautiful images of campus taken by members and selected in an annual contest. To learn how to submit your photos for the 2007 calendar, go to Membership Services at www.mizzou.com.

Ideas welcome

The association wants your opinion as it redesigns its Web site with a launch date in late 2005. The new site will include more interactive features and services and updated site navigation. Offer your ideas for improving the site by taking the online survey at www.mizzou.com.

Putting on the moves

If you are looking for tips and answers to common questions about home and financial needs, check out Interactive Moves, an online resource for national moving services, home products and real estate. The site includes portals to discounts, incentives and other savings. Click on Interactive Moves in the member discount program under Membership Services at www.mizzou.com.

Snapshot: Who belongs to the MU Alumni Association?

July 1, 2004–June 30, 2005

By affiliation	
Alumni	86.20%
Students	9.37%
Nonalumni friends	4.43%

By location	
Missouri	56.95%
Out of state	42.64%
International	0.41%

By gender	
Male	55.43%
Female	44.57%

By decade of first graduation	
1920s	0.03%
1930s	0.88%
1940s	4.95%
1950s	11.42%
1960s	16.94%
1970s	24.07%
1980s	18.27%
1990s	14.40%
2000s	9.04%

By college/school	
Agriculture	9.00%
Arts & Science	18.66%
Business	16.02%
Education	16.84%
Engineering	8.47%
Health Professions	1.79%
HES	3.81%
Journalism	9.48%
Law	3.72%
Medicine	3.69%
Natural Resources	1.57%
Nursing	3.47%
Social Work	0.92%
Veterinary Medicine	2.56%

Total alumni association members	
	37,550

Total living alumni	
	239,498

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Staff

Todd McCubbin, M Ed '95, executive director**

Lauren Bacon, BJ '03, MA '04, coordinator of alumni activities*

Rachel Benninghoff, BS '03, office assistant*

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Ann Carter, receptionist*

Kathy Chansley, senior secretary**

Linda Crane, executive staff assistant*

Nicole Fischer, office assistant*

Cindy Frazier, BS Ed '91, chief fiscal officer**

Valerie Goodin, BS Ed '67, M Ed '75, senior director of alumni activities**

Carin Huffman Grinch, BA '00, coordinator of student programs and athletic events**

Cathy Herren, coordinator of membership services*

Carrie Lanham, BS HE '76, senior director of constituent relations*

Kelley Rohlfing Marchbanks, BS '02, coordinator of legislative relations*

Marsha McCartney, office assistant*

Jayson Meyer, coordinator of alumni activities*

Alex Rico, BJ '02, office assistant*

David Roloff, BES '78, MA '85, director of membership and marketing**

Shannon Walls, director of lifelong learning*

* Annual member

** Life member



More than 1,000 graduating seniors attended this year's senior send-off, an annual MUAAs tradition.

Alumni Activity 2004-05

Events	1,029
Mailings	608,561
E-mails	1,017,015
Attendance	69,579

Association members

Annual	25,324
Life	8,493
Student	3,733
TOTAL	37,550

New members

Retention rate	77.19%
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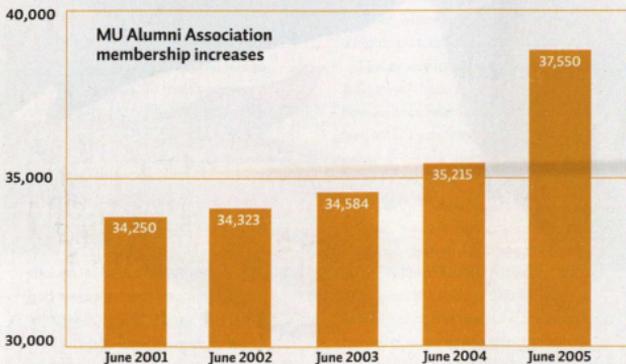
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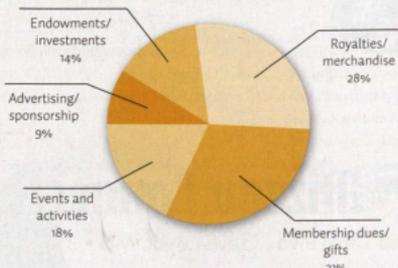
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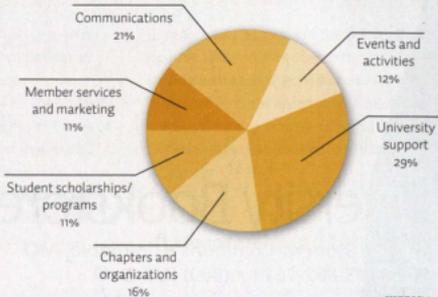
Spirit	105
Columns	13
Capstone	18
TOTAL	151



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Building for the future

Back in 1950, the Business & Public Administration Building's poor condition frustrated Tom Laco, who attended most of his classes there.

"Every day I was walking down worn wooden stairs and looking at cracked plaster and peeling paint," says Laco, BS BA '51, of the decades-old building on the northeast side of Francis Quadrangle. "It didn't seem that a business school should be in such bad shape."

As president of the Student Government Association, Laco was accustomed to taking action. He and his friends weren't sure how to lobby the state legislature to fund a new building, so they took a more direct approach: They wrote to then Gov. Forrest Smith and asked him to visit the campus. To their surprise, the governor accepted the invitation.

"We set up a full day's tour," Laco says. "We took him everywhere and met everyone."

When Laco graduated at the end of the school year, he didn't know whether his efforts had worked. A few years later, though, he heard the College of Business had broken ground on a new building: Middlebush Hall. "I hope that our publicity had something to do with it," he says.

After graduating from MU, Laco rose



to be vice chair of the board of Procter & Gamble, where he earned a reputation as a highly principled businessman.

"I was very fortunate to be at Procter & Gamble," Laco says, remembering how he once heard company president Neil McElroy promise employees that he would never ask them to do anything they couldn't discuss with their families over breakfast. "I thought, 'This is the place for me,'" Laco recalls.

After he retired, Laco began reflecting on the value of his MU education. When he learned the College of Business had moved again, this time to state-of-the-art Cornell Hall, he gave a gift of gratitude to the college to support the building, where a room is named in his honor.

From left, Gov. Forrest Smith visited MU during the 1950–51 school year at the request of Tom Laco, also inset, and his friends George Morgan, BA '53, and Frank Sallee, BS Ag '51. Laco showed Smith that the College of Business needed a new home, and Middlebush Hall was built several years later.

Laco has high hopes for students who attend classes at Cornell Hall. The notorious corporate scandals of the past few years have disappointed him, and he looks to MU business students to help correct that unfortunate trend.

"My advice would be to find a good, honest company and make sure it stays a good, honest company while you're there," he says, "because long term, that's the best way to live, and that's the best way to conduct business."

—Mary Beth Constant

The Thirties

Midge Winters Sherwood, BJ '38, of San Marino, Calif., wrote *Frémont: Eagle of the West*, published by Jackson Peak Publishers.

The Forties

•**Retired Lt. Cmdr. Robert Balfour**, BJ '40, of The Villages of Lady Lake, Fla., attended the May 29, 2004, dedication of the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C., and was one

of four veterans selected to place a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.

- W.L. Curtright**, BS Ed '43, M Ed '49, and wife
- Mary Karoline Klein Curtright**, BS Ed '65, of Washington, Mo., celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary March 22.
- Retired Lt. Col. Charles Elliott**, BS Ag '47, of Fulton, Mo., retired from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Soil

Conservation Service and the U.S. Air Force Reserve after 37 years of service.

David Westfall, BA '47, of Watertown, Mass., presented lectures on estate planning on the Royal Princess cruise ship and on intellectual property at Adolfo Ibáñez University in Santiago, Chile.

The Fifties

Marv Fremmerman, BS PA '53, of Springfield,

Mo., wrote *Mind Over Sports: The Relationship of Self-Esteem to Athletic Performance*, published by Expand Your Mind Publishing.

J. Barton Boyle, BS BA '55, and **-Charmian Ficklin Boyle**, BS Ed '55, of Columbia celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Aug. 14.

Jack Miles, BS Ed '59, M Ed '60, of Columbia received the 2005 Don Faurot Sportsman of the Year Award from the Columbia Kiwanis Club.

Harold Wilson, MA '59, of Franklin, Tenn., received the 2004 Lifetime Achievement Award in Accounting Education from the Tennessee Society of CPAs. He is a professor of accounting at Middle Tennessee State University and a principal in the accounting firm of Wilson & Wilson.

The Sixties

Darrell Corwin Jr., BS Ed '61, M Ed '62, of Lee's Summit, Mo., retired as administrator

of Jackson County, Mo., Special Recreation after 43 years of service.

John Romjue, BA '62, MA '63, of Yorktown, Va., wrote *Merry Town, Missouri, 1945-1948: A Novel*, published by Xlibris.

Giving up a brief retirement,

Byron "Barney" Calame,
BJ '61, of New York is public

editor of *The New York Times*.

He had been deputy managing
editor at *The Wall Street Journal*,

where he worked for nearly
40 years.

Roger Tate, BS CIE '62, of Highlands Ranch, Colo., retired as vice president and director of information solutions technology of the transportation business group of CH2M HILL.

Robert Haubein, BS EE '63, of Tuscaloosa,

Ala., was named a 2005 Distinguished Engineering Fellow by the University of Alabama College of Engineering.

Robert Russell, JD '63, of Warrensburg, Mo., was a 2005 inductee into the Central Missouri State University Sports Hall of Fame.

Dee Wampler, BS BA '63, JD '65, of Springfield, Mo., was named 2004 Lawyer of the Year by *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*.

John Hagan III, BA '65, of Kansas City, Mo., received the 2005 Distinguished Service Award from the Missouri State Medical Association.

James Neubauer, BA '65, of Yorba Linda, Calif., is chief pilot for Air Combat/USA.

Pamela Hartl Everson, BS Ed '66, of Santa Fe, N.M., is executive director of The Wildlife Center, an educational and rehabilitation-release not-for-profit.

Walter Storrs, BS ME '66, of Troy, Mich., came in third in his age group at the

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• **Laura McClary Avakian**, BA '67, of Hull, Mass., is president of the Northeast Human Resources Association.

• **Jim Amos**, BA '68, of Thompson Station, Tenn., is chair of the board of Operation Homecoming USA, an annual event held to officially welcome home veterans of the Vietnam War.

• **Ken Luebbering**, BS Ed '68, M Ed '73, PhD '80, and wife **Robyn Burnett**, BS Ed '81, MA '89, of Tebbetts, Mo., wrote *Immigrant Women in the Settlement of Missouri*, published by University of Missouri Press.

• **Don Cook**, M Ed '68, of Manchester, Mo., was re-elected to the Parkway (Mo.) School Board for 2005-06.

• **Wynn Volkert**, PhD '68, of Columbia was named Outstanding Missourian by the Missouri General Assembly. He is a Curators' Professor of radiology, chemistry and biochemistry and director of the Nuclear

Science and Engineering Institute at MU.

• **Steve Claggett**, BS IE '69, MS '72, of Union, Mo., is president and chief operating officer of Ajilon Consulting U.S.

• **Paul Mehrle**, MA '69, PhD '71, of Columbia received the 2004 Herb Ward Exceptional Service Award from the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry.

The Seventies

• **Howard Gosnell**, BA '70, JD '73, of Prairie Village, Kan., is a senior associate with Evans & Dixon LLC in the civil litigation and workers' compensation practices.

• **D. Larry McSpadden**, M Ed '70, of Canton, Mo., has been named to the Missouri Music Educators Association Hall of Fame. He is an associate professor of music, director of choral activities and chair of the fine arts division at Culver-Stockton College.

• **Bill Ringer**, BA '70, JD '73, of Lee's Summit, Mo., is chair of the Missouri Labor and

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Betty and Bob Beasley, BJ '52, moved back to Columbia in 1993.

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Plant power

Missouri Gov. Matt Blunt appointed four MU alumni to the Governor's Advisory Council for Plant Biotechnology. They are **Fred Ferrell**, BS Ag '64, of Charleston, Mo., director of Missouri's Department of Agriculture; **Jerry Caulder**, MS '66, PhD '70, DS '97, of Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., former chairman and chief executive officer of Mycogen Corp.; **Charlie Kruse**, MS '75, of Dexter, Mo., president of the Missouri Farm Bureau Federation; and **Dale Ludwig**, BS Ag, BS Ag '78, of Linn, Mo., executive director of the Missouri Soybean Association. As members of the council, they will help Missouri secure its place in the developing plant science and agricultural industries.

Industrial Relations Commission.

Toby Gerber, BA, BJ '72, of Dallas was named one of the Best Lawyers in Dallas for 2005 by *D Magazine*. He is a partner in the bankruptcy, reorganization and creditors' rights group of Fulbright & Jaworski LLP.

Bob McCullough, MA '72, of San Antonio received the 2005 Tex Taylor Lifetime Achievement Award from the Public Relations Society of America's San Antonio chapter. He is director of corporate communications for CPS Energy.

Brian Sweeney, BS BA '72, of Ballwin, Mo., is controller for Evans & Dixon LLC.

James Weidinger, BS Ag '72, of St. Joseph, Mo., was recognized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development Program for 30 years of service.

Kathleen "Chip" Twellman Haley, BJ '73, of Rome, N.Y., is news editor of the *Rome Daily Sentinel*.

Jerry Kennett, MD '73, of Columbia is president-elect of the Missouri State

Medical Association.

Michael Novak, BA '73, of St. Louis is a business analyst for Government e-Management Solutions Inc.

Larry Crawford, BS Ag '74, of Centertown, Mo., is director of the Missouri Department of Corrections.

Sandy Mullock Fletchall, BS OT '74, of Millington, Tenn., was named a fellow of the American Occupational Therapy Association with the designation of Innovative Occupation-Based Practitioner/Educator: Catastrophic Injuries.

Daniel Schwartz, BA '74, of St. Louis was named to the U.S. Department of Treasury's IRS Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities.

Rick Wuestling, BA '74, of St. Louis was selected to be in the 2005-06 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Krishna Tummala, PhD '75, of Manhattan, Kan., received the 2005 Donald C. Stone Service Award from the American Society for



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Public Administration.

Brenda Wrigley, BJ '75, of Manlius, N.Y., is an associate professor of public relations at Syracuse University's S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications.

David Barbe, BA '76, MD '80, of Mountain Grove, Mo., is president of the Missouri State Medical Association.

Peggy Niebling Kurusz, BS HE '76, of St. Louis is assistant administrator of BJC HealthCare's Progress West HealthCare Center.

Joel Litman, BJ '76, of Dallas is president of Jewish Family Service and co-owner of Texas Recycling/Surplus and ActionShred of Texas.

Don Ranly, PhD '76, of Columbia received the 2005 Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Society of Business Publication Editors. He is a professor emeritus of journalism at MU.

Robert Dixon, BSF '77, MS '79, PhD '82, of Oak Hill, Va., received the 2004 U.S. Senior Executive Service Distinguished Rank Award from President George W. Bush for contributions in international energy and environment diplomacy.

Blair Hansen, BJ '77, of Mountain Home AFB, Idaho, was promoted to the rank of brigadier general in the U.S. Air Force.

Don Holm, JD '78, MA '79, of Washington, D.C., was elected to the governing committee of the American Bar Association's Forum on Affordable Housing and Economic Development Law. He is vice president and general counsel for National Trust Community Investment Corp.

Terry Maddox, BS EE '78, of Saint Mary's, Kan., is engineering manager for Westar Energy.

Doug Ommen, Arts '78, of Jefferson City, Mo., is deputy director and general counsel for the Missouri Department of Insurance.

Eugene Twellman, BS BA '78, JD '84, of Kansas City, Mo., is associate general counsel for Dickinson Financial Corp., the bankholding company for Bank Midwest.

Don Downing, BS BA '79, JD '82, of St. Louis is a principal of Gray, Ritter & Graham PC. He

Pet project

Inspiration struck Nashville singer-songwriter Lisa Webb like a strong whiff of catnip when she paid a visit to Suzanne Barger-Brach, a childhood friend.

"She's always been a cat lover to the nth degree, and she was singing little lullabies to her cats," Webb, BM '81, recalls. "It cracked me up. I said, 'Suzanne, we have to put a whole project together.'"

The pair did just that, and in 2002, Barger-Brach's crooning became "O Sole Meow," one of 12 tracks on *Meow Melodies*, a whimsical collection of songs about cats, sometimes sung from their perspective. Webb and Barger-Brach's follow-up album, the canine-centric *Doggy Doo-Wop*, came out two years later.

Webb asked friends and colleagues on the Nashville music scene for their help with the albums, which feature a potpourri of musical genres — everything from blues to country to calypso to a brassy James Bond-esque number about, well, hairballs. The musicians involved in such songs as "Fur Balls Are Forever" and "Dog Doo Afternoon" had to adapt to the quirky little tunes, which occasionally direct the singer to purr or bark on cue. Recording sometimes stopped while performers collapsed into giggles.



Lisa Webb's pet-celebrating music received an unexpected endorsement from MU Professor Rebecca Johnson of the Sinclair School of Nursing. Johnson studies the healthful effects of the human-animal bond and sometimes plays *Meow Melodies* and *Doggy Doo-Wop* before her lectures on that subject.

"The life of a musician and a composer is too often very serious," Webb says. "It's a constant battle, between trying to get something done and trying to make a living as well. To do a project that's this much fun has been such a pleasure."

Webb and Barger-Brach have sold *Meow Melodies* and *Doggy Doo-Wop* online and in gift shops, boutiques and veterinarians' offices in Nashville, Atlanta and St. Louis. They hope to interest a chain of pet supply stores in carrying the albums, and in the meantime, they're working toward a recording for release in 2005.

"We have plans to do a holiday album, which will probably involve both cats and dogs," Webb says, explaining that she and Barger-Brach haven't yet decided on a name. "A Meowin', Howlin' Christmas?" she wonders. "Something like that."

— Mary Beth Constant

Not just a number

LaTonya L. Brown freely admits that working in Washington, D.C., isn't for everyone, but the nation's capital is her childhood home. She grew up knowing she wanted a career in public service.

"If you were in New York, you would think about finance. You've got your Wall Street, your stocks," Brown says. "I'm originally from the Washington, D.C., area. I always felt like I had a heart for the mission. Serving the people has always been my desire."

As a human resources specialist in the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Brown, MPA '93, helps ensure that other federal employees are as happy with and well-suited for their positions as she is. She develops programs for leadership training and knowledge management — "anything to help enhance the employees' skills for them to succeed in their employment," she says.



Photo by Kevin Allen

LaTonya L. Brown, a government human resources specialist, is currently pursuing a doctorate in human resources development at George Washington University.

After earning her master's degree in public administration from MU, Brown was accepted into the Presidential Management Fellows program, a two-year appointment in which fellows rotate through different government

offices. The program allows people to build diverse skill sets, gain a broad understanding of how the government works and interact with people in many facets of public service. For Brown, the program also paved the way for her current position in the Office of Personnel Management's Center for Human Capital Management Services.

Brown credits MU with helping to prepare her for her career in public service. She recalls meeting the faculty before she enrolled and knowing immediately that this was the place for her.

"They cared about my learning, and that made a difference to me," she says. "I didn't want to be a Social Security number; I wanted to be a person."

Now, more than a decade later, she's helping to ensure that the government employees she serves don't feel like Social Security numbers either.

— Mary Beth Constant

was included in the 2004–05 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Karen Robinson Nace, BJ '79, of Lake Jackson, Texas, writes feature stories for *The Facts* newspaper in Clute, Texas.

The Eighties

William Ohlemeyer, BS BA '81, JD '84, and wife **Brigid Neville Ohlemeyer**, BS HE '84, of Old Greenwich, Conn., announce the birth of Christian Neville on March 28.

• **Carol McCutcheon Davis**, BS Ed '82, M Ed '04, of Canton, Ill., is dean of career and workforce education at Spoon River College.

• **Thomas Myles**, Engr '82, of Chesterfield, Mo., is a professor in the department of obstetrics, gynecology and women's health at Saint Louis University School of Medicine.

Pamela DeRousse Asjes, BHS '83, of Lee's Summit, Mo., is an associate attorney with Evans & Dixon LLC in the workers' compensation practice.

Kevin Fowler, BS BA '83, of Kirkwood, Mo., is senior director of public affairs with emphasis on community relations and philanthropy for Pfizer Global Research and Development's St. Louis site.

Tom Howard, EdSp '83, of Auxvasse, Mo., is a regional construction management consultant for Septagon Construction Co.

Stephen Van Horn, MA '83, of New Concord, Ohio, received the key to the city of Cambridge, Ohio, in recognition of his work at Muskingum College.

Julie Lynch Eckstein, BS '84, of St. Peters, Mo., is director of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services.

• **Beth Kearney Hammock**, BJ '84, of Jefferson City, Mo., received accreditation in public relations from the Public Relations Society of America. She is director of development external relations for MU.

Peter Maginot, JD '84, of St. Louis is a partner with Lathrop & Gage LC.

Don Schulte, BS Ed '84, of Bridgeton, Mo., received the 2005 Lorna Bottger Award for Political Action from the Missouri National Education Association. He is a social studies teacher at Pattonville High School in St. Louis.

• **Michael Coit**, BJ '85, of Santa Rosa, Calif., received first place in the Associated Press News Executives Council's 2004 Best News Writing Contest in California and Nevada for the category of business writing. He is a staff writer for *The Press Democrat* newspaper.

Michael Parnas, BA '85, of Chesterfield, Mo., is vice president of health care facilities for Clayco Construction Co.

Richard Romey, BS BA '85, of Leawood, Kan., wrote *Strategic Index Investing: Unlocking the Power of Exchange-Traded Index Funds*, published by Leathers Publishing.

John Jackson III, BA '86, JD '89, of Kansas City, Mo., is a partner with Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP in the tort section.

V. Authorene Wilson Phillips, M Ed '86, of Marshall, Mo., wrote *Arrow Rock: The Story of a Missouri Village*, published by University of Missouri Press.

Amy Mills Tunncliffe, BJ '86, of Hingham, Mass., co-wrote *Peace, Love and Barbecue: Recipes, Secrets, Tall Tales and Outright Lies from the Legends of Barbecue*, published by Rodale.

Ted Farnen, BJ '87, of Columbia is chief of staff for Missouri Sen. Chuck Graham.

Kristine Heisinger, BA '87, JD '94, of Jefferson City, Mo., is an associate in the government solutions group of Stinson Morrison Hecker LLP.

Christy Harris Lemak, MBA, MS '88, of Gainesville, Fla., received the 2005 Faculty Leadership Award from the University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions.

John Richart, BA '88, MD '93, and wife **Anne Pollaci Richart**, BS HES '89, of St. Louis announce the birth of Claire Chowning on Feb. 12.

Rob Rigdon, BS GE '88, MS '90, of St. Louis is a project manager for Conrad Properties Corp.

Lt. Cmdr. Cory Cathcart, BS HES '89, of Washington, D.C., received a master's of theology from Princeton Theological Seminary in May, in addition to a master's of divinity from Saint Paul School of Theology in 1996.

Bonni Cornelius-Bush Funk, BJ '89, of Orlando, Fla., is a therapist with STAR Consultants Inc.

Scott Kuehn, BA '89, of St. Louis is a supervisor for BKD LLP.

Spencer Moore, BA '89, of San Francisco is director of corporate communications for PlanetOut Inc.

Stephen Niemira, BA '89, JD '92, of St. Louis is the business litigation practice group leader for the law firm Sandberg, Phoenix & von Gontard PC.

Walter Pfeffer II, BGS '89, of Columbia was named the 2005 Insurance and Financial Services Professional of the Year by the mid-Missouri chapter of the National

Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors.

Cuba Heard Plain, MBA '89, of Columbia is newsletter editor for the Central Association of College and University Business Officers.

Richard Ransom, BJ '89, of Germantown, Tenn., is main anchor at WREG-TV in Memphis.

The Nineties

Don Andrews, EdSp '91, EdD '93, of Lee's Summit, Mo., was named the 2005 Missouri Middle School Principal of the Year by the Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals.

Deborah Beal, PhD '91, of Jacksonville, Ill., is chair of Environmental Biology and Ecological Studies at Illinois College and was recently promoted to full professor.

Heather Davenport Bruns, BS BA '91, and husband Curt of Higley, Ariz., announce the birth of Sydney Jean on Oct. 18, 2003, and Jake Robert on June 4.

Jill Cook, BA '91, JD '96, of Miami Beach, Fla., is senior litigation counsel for Office Depot Inc.

Kelly Flynn, BJ '91, and husband Cmdr. Michael Dargel of Bellevue, Neb., announce the birth of Greta Layne on March 2.

Keith Fuller, JD '91, and wife Dawn of Jefferson City, Mo., announce the birth of Gray Frederick on April 5.

Brenda Heffron Galloway, BA '91, and husband Sean of Kansas City, Mo., announce the birth of Rachel Elaine on April 14.

Terry Irons, PhD '91, of Morehead, Ky., is faculty representative on Morehead State University's Board of Regents.

Kregg Kraus, BS EE '91, of St. Louis is manager of building design services for Horner & Shifrin Inc.

Jonathan Levine, BJ '91, and wife Joanna of Highland Park, Ill., announce the birth of Nicole Ivy on March 29.

Nancy Pasternak Cunneen, BJ '92, and

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husband Kevin of St. Louis announce the birth of Kevin Francis III "Trey" on May 26. Nancy is weekend anchor and reporter for Fox 2 News in St. Louis.

Michael McElroy, BA '92, of Leesburg, Fla., is director of a Children's Residential Group Home.

Frederick Smith, BJ '92, of Monterey Park, Calif., wrote *Down For Whatever*, published by Kensington Books.

Thomas Spencer, MA '92, of Maryville, Mo., edited *The Other Missouri History: Populists, Prostitutes and Regular Folk*, an anthology of essays published by University of Missouri Press. He is an associate professor of history at Northwest Missouri State University.

Matthew Wiltanger, BJ '92, of Olathe, Kan., is a partner with Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP in the tort section.

Steve Albart, BS HES '93, of St. Louis is vice president of commercial lending for Enterprise Bank and Trust and is vice president of Kids in

the Middle board of directors.

David Forth, BS BA '93, of St. Charles, Mo., was named 2005 Member of the Year by the Clayton, Mo., Chamber of Commerce.

S. Craig Meyer, BS '93, BS '94, MD '98, and wife **Christine Stanard Meyer**, BS '93, of Los Gatos, Calif., announce the birth of Abby Bren on March 11.

Libby Quaid, BJ '93, of Washington, D.C., is national food and farm writer for *The Associated Press*.

Monica Favorite, BJ '94, and husband **David Winesett**, BS BA '95, of Camarillo, Calif., announce the birth of Nicholas Kai on March 19.

William Kral, BS HES '94, of Wentzville, Mo., is vice president of commercial services for Midwest BankCentre.

Mike Luecker, BS CIE '94, of Phoenix received a master's degree in civil engineering from Arizona State University. He is the state hydraulic engineer for the

U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service and a segment steward for the Arizona Trail Association.

Kristin Wymore Meyer, BFA, BS Ed '94, and husband Carl of Gower, Mo., announce the birth of Quincy George on Feb. 28.

Stephanie Grider Overboe, BS HES '94, and husband Trent of Midlothian, Va., announce the birth of Ryann Jacquelyn on Feb. 13, 2002, and Polly Kathryn on March 17.

Joyce Gryniewicz Shulfer, BHS '94, and husband Allen of Olathe, Kan., announce the birth of Sofia Rose on Oct. 3.

C. Todd Stearns, BJ '94, of Ladera Ranch, Calif., received a master's in business administration with emphasis on leadership and managing organizational change from Pepperdine University. He is a territory manager for Purcell Murray.

Martha James Boswell, BS HES '95, of Columbia was appointed to the Coordinating Board for Higher Education by Missouri Gov. Matt Blunt.

Gina Donze Johnson, BS BA '95, and husband Brad of Scottsdale, Ariz., announce the birth of Jakob Charles and Broderick James on Nov. 6.

Emily Kertz Lampkin, BA '95, of McLean, Va., is deputy chief of staff for U.S. Department of Education Secretary Margaret Spellings.

Stacey Luebbering Maramba, BJ '95, and husband Bob of Mundelein, Ill., announce the birth of William Tate on Oct. 10.

Lesley Nelson Wagner, BJ '95, and husband Matthew of Leawood, Kan., announce the birth of Hannah Elizabeth on Nov. 9.

Chris Allen, PhD '96, of Omaha, Neb., received the 2005 Outstanding Teaching Award from the University of Nebraska at Omaha Alumni Association.

Kristi Grobe Booker, BJ '96, JD '00, of Dexter, Mo., is an attorney with Spain, Merrell and Miller LLC.

Kia Breaux, BJ '96, of Kansas City, Mo., is assistant bureau chief for Kansas and Missouri for The Associated Press.

Chris Long, BJ '96, of Fort Myers, Fla.,

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•**Lisa Garst Lueddecke**, BSN '96, and husband Jeff of St. Peters, Mo., announce the birth of Jared Robert on March 18.

•**Joe Stephens**, BS '96, and wife -**Cheryl Bartlett Stephens**, BJ '96, of St. Louis announce the birth of Caroline Parker on April 13. Joe received a master's in business administration from Washington University in St. Louis in August. Cheryl is president of the MU Alumni Association's Gateway Chapter for 2005-06.

David Vogel, JD '96, and wife **Maureen Mannion Vogel**, JD '96, of Kansas City, Mo., announce the birth of Amelia Grace on Nov. 17.

Aimee Lampton Adams, BS '97, and husband **Doug Adams**, BA '99, of Lee's Summit, Mo., announce the birth of Claire Elizabeth on Nov. 3, 2003.

Sarah Coker, BJ '97, of Lincoln, Neb., is a

copywriter in the creative department of Bernstein-Rein Advertising Inc.

•**James Erfurd**, BS FW '97, and wife -**DeeDee Erfurd** of Olive Branch, Miss., announce the birth of Gus on June 1.

Aunalise Slater Johnson, BS HES '97, and husband **Drew Johnson**, BS BA '98, of Kansas City, Mo., announce the birth of Aiden Dane on March 28.

Bronwyn MacFarlane, BS Ed '97, M Ed '98, of Mexico, Mo., was selected to attend the 2005 National Endowment for the Humanities Institute's Mozart's Worlds program in Vienna, Austria.

Michelle Voellinger Studer, BSW '97, MSW '99, and husband **Kevin Studer**, BS CIE '98, of St. Louis announce the birth of Sydney Grace on Sept. 26, 2004.

Pascal Bishop, BA '98, of Chicago is an associate with Barnes & Thornburg LLP, where she focuses on the areas of general commercial litigation and toxic torts.

Angie Quinley Bailey, BA, BJ '98, of Columbia is an anchor for KOMU-TV.

Christina Walton Geis, BA, BA '98, M Ed '00, and husband Jared of Mandeville, La., announce the birth of Rachel Marie on May 13.

Jennifer Herrick, BA '98, of Omaha, Neb., received a master's in business administration from Creighton University in May. She is marketing manager for ConAgra Foods.

•**Chris Martin**, BS ME '98, and wife Keren of Columbia announce the birth of Kesia Paulina on April 7. Chris, a professional engineer, is director of engineering for Glen Martin Engineering Inc.

Jeff Milam, BS BA '98, of St. Louis is a manager in the valuation services practice of Huber, Ring, Helm & Co. PC.

Jason Pudd, BJ '98, of Amelia Island, Fla., is president of AXIA Public Relations and Marketing. He received three awards from the Florida Public Relations Association for clients First Coast Community Bank and the American Cancer Society.

•**Maj. James Van Biber**, JD '98, and wife

•**Laura Slauter Van Biber**, BS HES '99, of Independence, Mo., announce the birth of son Blair on Nov. 28.

Christopher Kinslow, BHS '99, and wife

•**Samantha Norris Kinslow**, BHS '99, of Weston, Mo., announce the birth of Charles Andrew on Jan. 15.

Lynne Millard, M Ed '99, and husband Robert of Jefferson City, Mo., announce the birth of Ava on May 11.

The 2000s

Karina Franco, BJ '00, of Charlotte, N.C., is faculty associate for recruiting and advising for the University of North Carolina-Charlotte's College of Engineering.

Christie Comm, BA, BS '01, of Schaumburg, Ill., received a doctorate in veterinary medicine from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in May.

Omar Davis, JD '01, of Columbia is deputy general counsel for Missouri Gov. Matt Blunt.

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H. Michael Drumm, BS BA '01, of Austin, Texas, is an associate in the corporate and securities practice of Oppenheimer, Blend, Harrison and Tate Inc.

Michael Karr, BA '01, of St. Louis is an associate in the workers' compensation practice of Evans & Dixon LLC.

Otto Nichols III, BS CIE '01, of Florissant, Mo., is a project engineer with Clayco Construction Co.

Mark Wilburn, BS '01, of Fishers, Ind., was active in FFA at Mizzou. Now he's an education specialist at the national FFA headquarters in Indianapolis.

Beth Swierk, BA '01, of Chicago is producer of the *Kathy and Judy Show* on WGN radio.

Curt Kroll, BS Acc, M Acc '02, of St. Louis is a senior accountant at BKD LLP.

Joel Shaw, JD '02, of St. Louis is an associate attorney with the litigation team of Danna McKittrick PC.

Andrew Hardwick, JD '03, of St. Louis is an associate with Evans & Dixon LLC in the workers' compensation practice.

Scott Mangus, BGS '04, of Chesterfield, Mo., is a mortgage loan consultant for Gershman Mortgage in Clayton, Mo.

John Russell, BS BA '04, of Lebanon, Mo., is deputy chief of staff for Missouri Gov. Matt Blunt.

Michael Zangara, BGS '04, of Chesterfield, Mo., is a sales and leasing associate with Coldwell Banker Commercial.

Deaths

Hallie Redman Swank, BS Ed '25, of St. Charles, Mo., May 19 at age 102.

William Weeks, BA '28, of Fort Smith, Ark., Feb. 9 at age 98. He retired as chief of the engineering and manufacturing division of the Federal Aviation Administration.

Bill Dent, BS Ed '36, of Salem, Mo., March 6 at age 92. He retired from Dent Brothers Hardware.

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Harl Toler Jr., BS BA '41, of Belmont, Calif., June 30 at age 86.

Dorothy Whitfield Willhoite, Arts '41, of Maryville, Mo., July 10 at age 85. She owned and operated the Willhoite Century Farm in northwest Missouri.

Marshall Keathley, BA '42, of Denver, Mo., Jan. 28 at age 89.

Albert Lowenstein, BS BA '43, of Dallas May 21, 2004, at age 82. He was owner of Levy's Jewelry.

Ben Cowan, BS BA '46, of Ponca City, Okla., April 29, 2004, at age 82. He was a Sears store manager for 30 years.

Harrison Mutz, BS BA '47, of Burlington Junction, Mo., Feb. 16, 2003, at age 80.

Ted Norwood Sr., BS BA '48, of Ellisville, Mo., Jan. 31 at age 82. He retired from Burroughs Corp. after 35 years of service.

Elmer Winner, MA '49, of Bella Vista, Ark., Jan. 14 at age 90. He retired as a poultry specialist for MU and was instrumental in developing the poultry industry in southwest Missouri and promoting poultry exports.

David Bennett, BA '50, of Newton, Mass., June 4 at age 79. He was a photographer and

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a writer for various advertising agencies in New York.

John Barron, BJ '51, MA '52, of Annandale, Va., Feb. 24 at age 75. He retired from Reader's Digest after 26 years of service and was an award-winning investigative journalist.

Clark Bigler, BJ '51, of Payson, Utah, May 25, 2004, at age 78. He owned *The Payson Chronicle* and retired from the Utah Municipal Power Agency.

Vernon Jones, BS Ag '51, of Kansas City, Mo., March 15 at age 77. He retired from the RB Jones Insurance Agency after 35 years of service. He was senior vice president and served on the board of directors.

Retired Lt. Col. Mark Vanzant, BS Ed '51,

M Ed '64, of Raytown, Mo., March 3 at age 81. He retired as director of special education for the Raytown C-2 School District.

Marianne Moffett Crawford, BS Ed '52, of Jefferson City, Mo., May 6 at age 76. She worked with husband Jack at *The California Democrat*.

Ronald Passmore, BA '52, MD '59, of Tulsa, Okla., April 14 at age 74. He retired from private practice in psychiatry.

Betty Mercer Bonifield, Educ '56, of Lubbock, Texas, Feb. 11 at age 67. She retired from the Hannibal, Mo., Public School System.

Mildred Loshough Isely, BA '58, MA '60, of St. Charles, Ill., Dec. 17 at age 93. She was a staff member at MU's Ellis Library.

Dave Snyder, BA '58, MA '62, of Palmyra, Tenn., May 8 at age 65. He was a professor of biology at Austin Peay State University.

Ruth Thomure Spargur, BS Ag, DVM '58, of Reno, Nev., Aug. 3, 2004, at age 70. She retired from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Frederick Bergman, BSF '60, of Owensville, Mo., Jan. 10 at age 71. He was a forester for the Missouri Department of Conservation.

Robert Dawson, BA '60, of Fentress, Texas, Feb. 26 at age 65. He was the Bryant Smith Chair in Law for the University of Texas at Austin's Law School, where he taught for 37 years.

Hilda Neihardt, JD '63, of Bancroft, Neb., Dec. 27 at age 88. She was one of the first female attorneys in Columbia and the daughter of legendary MU Professor John Neihardt.

William Wasle, BS BA '64, of Raleigh, N.C., Feb. 17 at age 63. He was an independent contractor with Books Are Fun for 10 years and founded Two by Two Media.

Frederick Obermiller, BA '66, PhD '69, of Corvallis, Ore., Dec. 1 at age 60. He was a professor of public land law and policy at Oregon State University.

Philip Huffman, JD '68, of Hartsville, Mo., Jan. 11 at age 61. A member of Beta Theta Pi, he was a prosecuting attorney and associate circuit judge, and he had a private practice.

Mary Nell Conboy Porter, BS BA '69, of Columbia April 15 at age 83. A patron of the arts, she was honored by the Missouri Symphony Society, Friends of Music of the University of Missouri's School of Music, and the Back Stage Club of the University of Missouri's theater department with "A Concert Tribute to Mary Nell Porter" March 26.

Eric Lowder, BS Ed '71, of Kirkwood, Mo., April 28 at age 56. He was a child advocate for MO-SPAN. He played football and wrestled for MU.

Ric Nitcavic, MA '72, PhD '79, of West Palm

Beach, Fla., March 30 at age 57. He was a professor of communications at Ball State University for 30 years.

David Riley, BA '74, MA '80, of Hopkinsville, Ky., April 13 at age 52. He was editor of the *Kentucky New Era* newspaper and was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in 1978.

Jim Ratz, BS FW '75, of Lander, Wyo., May 4 at age 52. He was co-owner of Jackson Hole Mountain Guides and was an avid climber and guide.

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and president of the Interfraternity Council, he was assistant vice president and state lobbyist for Qwest. Memorials are suggested to the Garrett Children's Educational Fund, P.O. Box 1822, Parker, CO 80134.
Thomas Davis, JD '92, of Columbia Dec. 28 at age 38. He co-founded the law firm Davis, Susan & Holder.

Weddings

Brad Pollock, BS CIE '93, and **Amanda Herman** of St. Louis April 26, 2003.
Julia Jurgensmeyer, BHS '95, MD '00, and **Bryan Sansbury** of The Woodlands, Texas, Oct. 4, 2003.
Michele Gaitner, BA '02, and **Clay Mechlin, BS '00**, of St. Louis June 17.
Elizabeth Laitner, BSN '02, and **Jonathan Heidt, BS '03**, of St. Louis June 3.
Elizabeth Nemeth, BA '02, and **John Raetz, BS '01**, of Dearborn, Mich., June 10.
Marianne Wilson, MA '02, and **Chris Blöse, MA '04**, of Columbia July 1.

Gail Wolf, BS BA '75, of Okawville, Ill., April 3 at age 53. He was owner of Okawville Equipment Co. He played basketball for MU.

Scott Barnhart, BS EE '80, of Delafield, Wis., March 10 at age 48. He worked for American Transmission Co. and Wisconsin Public Power Inc.

Cheri Fuson, M Ed '81, of Columbia March 10 at age 59. She was a teacher at

Hallsville, Mo., High School.

Donald Raunikar, BS Ed '81, of Southlake, Texas, Jan. 26, 2004, at age 44. He owned Wellspring Christian Counseling.

Forrest Rose, BJ '88, of Columbia March 20 at age 48. He was a writer for MU Extension, a columnist for the Columbia Daily Tribune and a musician.

Jeff Garrett, BJ '90, of Aurora, Colo., May 14 at age 37. A member of Phi Gamma Delta

It's a social thing



Photo by Rob Hill

Dave Wollersheim has been hosting Tiger football pregame parties for his engineering students since 1972 — long enough that some of them not only have graduated but also have started families and sent their offspring to Mizzou and to Wollersheim's get-togethers.

Now he's a professor emeritus of mechanical and aerospace engineering whose well-known parties attract several dozen friends as well as friends of friends, but Wollersheim remembers starting small. "That first year I had a little apartment on Stewart Road. A few students would come over, and later we'd walk to the game. I did that for eight years wherever I lived in Columbia."

In 1980, Wollersheim decided to join the throngs of tailgaters and secured a permit for parking lot L on campus near the pedestrian tunnel under Stadium Boulevard. The evening before most every home game since then, he has parked his car in a prime spot and then returned the next day with plenty of cold drinks to go around. "I'm part of a barbecue team called the Meatorites, but for these parties I never did much cooking. It's more of a social thing than a food thing," Wollersheim says.

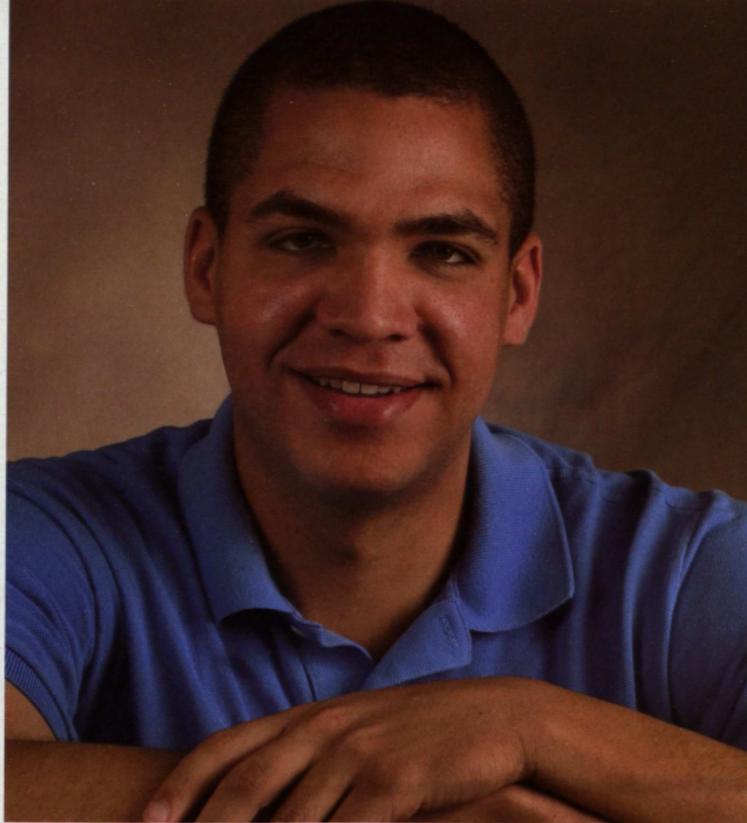
Retired engineering Professor Dave Wollersheim, wearing the white hat, has been at the hub of Tiger football pregame parties since 1972.

The social thing comes naturally to Wollersheim, an award-winning teacher who volunteered to advise as many as 300 students in a single year. "I enjoyed it, and you'll never hear anyone complain that they couldn't get in to see their adviser. My door was open all day long, and students could come in."

Wollersheim's open-door policy continues at his tailgate parties, where as many as 100 people drop by for at least a few minutes during some part of game day. In fact, his party is a landmark of sorts, a place where friends from St. Louis may arrange to rendezvous with friends from Kansas City, spend some time and move on. That's the happy flow of Wollersheim's football Saturdays. "Every game is like Homecoming," he says.

Part of Wollersheim's appeal must come from his positive approach not just toward people but also toward the football team. "I'm an eternal optimist," he says. "I never think we're going to lose."

— Dale Smith



After leaving MU, Antwaun Smith, BA '98, won a prestigious Rhodes scholarship, earned a master's in business administration from Oxford, and studied Chinese religion, history and language at Harvard. In 2004, his interest in public service led him back to MU, where he is a student in the School of Law.

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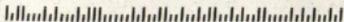
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