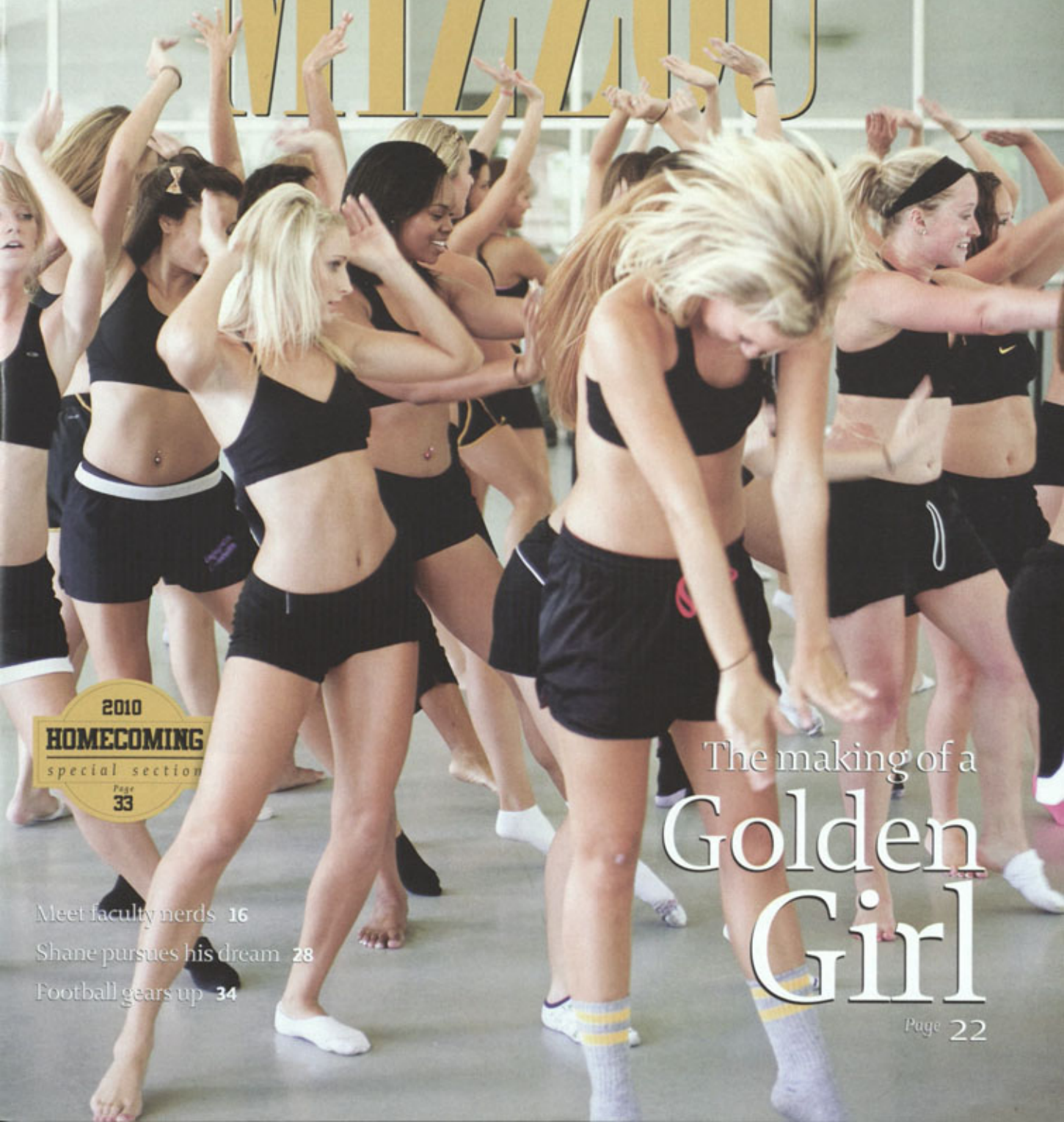


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**Reader research as foundation**

Construction projects are under way on campus, making for a loud and dusty environment. Workers are hustling to finish the new MU Student Center to be dedicated Oct. 22 during Homecoming Weekend. Other workers are laying new steam tunnels and chilled water lines under campus roads, causing a temporary inconvenience to traffic flow. Renovation of Tate and Switzler halls is also progressing.

The University of Missouri's cornerstone, surviving from Academic Hall's fire in 1892, had been relegated to near obscurity at the entry gates to Eighth Street circle drive. Now unearthed, the 700-pound stone will soon reside in a place of honor in the Jesse Hall rotunda. Dedication is planned for Oct. 23. The 2010 Homecoming theme reflects these bricks-and-mortar changes: Tradition Set in Stone.

When I think of the foundation of this magazine, our alumni magazine for 99 years, it rests with you, our readers. In June, we took a random-sample snapshot of your opinions through an Internet survey. I'd like to share what we learned. A total of 1,059 Mizzou Alumni Association members responded; fewer nonmembers (294) completed the survey. The Mizzou Alumni Association, the magazine's publisher, sends the magazine to all alumni households regardless of membership. To know if you're a member, check your mailing label. (If it reads nonmember, I invite you to join online at mizzou.com.)

What readers told us in 2010 mimics prior reader research. It also corresponds to alumni magazine research nationally. You generally like the magazine's writing and design and especially enjoy the photography by Rob Hill and Nicholas Benner. By a wide margin, you prefer getting your Mizzou news and information in print rather than on the Web; 95 percent of members always or often read the printed version, but only 22 percent have found the 3-year-old online version, mizzoumagazine.com.

We'll keep telling stories. You keep the comments coming. As always, we enjoy hearing from you. — Karen Flandermeyer Worley, BJ '73



*Publications file photo*  
In this July view of Conley Avenue, construction workers replace the 1923 steam tunnels that provide heating to campus buildings and install chilled water lines that provide energy-efficient air conditioning. Conley reopened in mid-August in time for the students' arrival for fall semester.

## Readers react to 'Then and Now'

The story detailing the history of campus buildings in the Summer 2010 issue of MIZZOU magazine generated the most comments. Unfortunately, we mislabeled a bookstore that appeared in one of the photographs, and several eagle-eyed readers called us on it.

Keep reading, and keep writing.

MIZZOU magazine staff

## Missouri, not university, store

Congratulations on yet another excellent issue of MIZZOU! I read it cover to cover last night. I do, however, want to comment on the caption beneath the pictures on Page 40 ["Mizzou: Then and Now," Summer 2010]. The caption states that the University Bookstore operated at this location for 90 years. Although I don't go back that far, I do remember that in the 1970s this was the Missouri Bookstore, owned by the Ginn and Lucas family. It was a privately owned bookstore, not the institution store known as the University Bookstore (then located in Brady Commons). I know this because I worked there from the time I was a senior at Hickman High School in 1974 until I received my master's degree in 1980.

Deb Snellen, BS Ed '79, MA '80  
past president, Mizzou Alumni Association  
Whitefish, Mont.

*Editor's note: University Archives clarifies: "It's important to distinguish between University Bookstore, which is owned by the University of Missouri and was started (circa 1900) by several faculty members (including President Richard Henry Jesse, John Pickard and Luther Defoe), and Missouri Bookstore, a privately owned company. The University Co-operative Store (precursor to the present University Bookstore) was located in the basement of Jesse Hall; it moved to Memorial Union in 1952. A local history book, Columbia: An Illustrated History (Windsor Publications Inc., 1984) by Alan R. Havig, says Missouri Store Company (precursor to Missouri Bookstore) was started in 1909 by several MU students and other investors, including the then-manager of the*

*Co-operative Store. The Missouri Store started out at the corner of Ninth and Conley, then moved to 909 Lowry in 1923. The store was in operation a total of 90 years between the two locations."*

## Cows on Eckles Hall lawn?

Is this a proofreader's error or a historical inaccuracy ["Mizzou: Then and Now," Summer 2010]? I do not remember cows on the Eckles Hall lawn; it was immaculately kept. I went roller-skating around that building and had ice-cream treats there. I do not remember fencing, which would have kept any cows on the pasture. Is this perhaps a publicity photo?

Julia Watkins Hanan, BS Ag '52  
Fort Collins, Colo.

*Editor's note: It is possible the cows were herded onto Eckles Hall lawn for the photo, then herded off the lawn. But it is also possible the cows regularly grazed there. University Archives has at least one photo of old Academic Hall with cows grazing on its lawn.*

*"Dairy Lawn," located near Eckles Hall at the southeast corner of College Avenue and Rollins Road, was made into a trailer park for post-World War II students circa 1946. University Archives could not accurately date the photo of the Eckles Hall lawn with cows, but archives staff members believe it would have to have been taken before 1946. MIZZOU magazine staff added "In the early 1940s" and circa 1944 to the cutline and the graphics.*

## Memories of 1943

Nice story on the then and now aspects of scenes around the campus ["Mizzou: Then and Now," Summer 2010]. It is always appealing for those like me with a bent for nostalgia.

The photo of Eckles Hall with the cattle nearby on Page 43 is labeled circa 1944, but I wonder if it isn't from an earlier time?

In 1943, when I was 5 years old, my family moved into a house on College Avenue directly opposite Dairy Lawn. At no time in the 20 years my family lived there can I recall

seeing cattle. What I do remember is the trailer park that sprang up after World War II to house married GIs, which was in place for many years. In the early 1960s, the university purchased residential properties along the west side of the street in order to build the dorms now in place there.

Bill Bunker, BS '60, MS '65, MD '70  
Blaine, Wash.

## Twilight timing

The "Editor's note" responding to Marty Kassulke's letter to the editor [Summer 2010 issue] states that the Twilight Festival in downtown Columbia was held on Thursday nights "June through September." However, it was only in June and September and not in the sweltering months of July and August.

Martha John, MA '78  
Columbia

## Confusion reigns

I'm confused. How can Paul Christman, BS Ed '70, be studying at Gaebler's Black and Gold, as the caption under a photo on Page 4 of the Summer 2010 issue states, when by 1956 the Italian Village had replaced Gaebler's? It's even more interesting to find Paul studying with Inez Potter, Journ '41. She looks so young. I suspect this is one of those times when one of my J-School professors would have roasted me for bad copy reading.

Charles Wetzel, BJ '53  
Chester, N.J.

*Editor's note: A March-April 1970 column by editor emeritus Steve Shinn, BJ '50, MA '71, of Lubbock, Texas, provides the answer: Christman and Potter were in school at the same time. "With the war and marriage and a job, Paul got away from Columbia five hours short of a degree." In the late 1960s, Christman asked if he could earn those final five hours, and a plan was devised. He was working on the last 2 1/2-hour course winter semester 1970. He died March 2, 1970.*

## Count 'em: four Goldwaters

Biochemistry major Rachel Waller of St. Louis is one of four University of Missouri students who won the 2010 Goldwater Scholarship, an elite academic prize for science, mathematics and engineering students. Universities may nominate only four students a year, and this is the first time all four MU nominees won the award.

Waller works in the lab of Judy Wall, professor of biochemistry, who studies the bacterium *Desulfovibrio vulgaris Hildenborough* (DvH), which may help rid groundwater of widespread uranium contamination. Waller works to better understand DvH, which can transform uranium into solid form, allowing it to be removed from water.

MU's other Goldwater Scholars are Daniel Cook of Belton, Mo.; April Diebold of Blue Springs, Mo.; and Bertram Drury of Mukilteo, Wash.

Cook, a biological science and chemistry major, studies advances in human regenerative medicine. Diebold, a biological science and international relations major, studies the strange hybridizing habits of the onion-like plant, *Brodiaea*. Drury, a biochemistry major, studies the effects of endocrine disruptors — such as the chemical bisphenol A (BPA) found in plastic bottles — on mammalian development.



Photo by Nicholas Benner

Rachel Waller, an undergraduate researcher from St. Louis, is one of MU's four Goldwater Scholars.

## New student center opens

Over time, Brady Commons — designed decades ago as a student recreation stop — had gotten packed to the point of bursting with restaurants, a bookstore and dozens of student organizations, not to mention the bowling alley in the basement. In 2005, students voted to expand the facility for modern wants and needs. MU's new Student Center opened Aug. 18 and will host two days of dedication festivities during Homecoming Week Oct. 21–22.

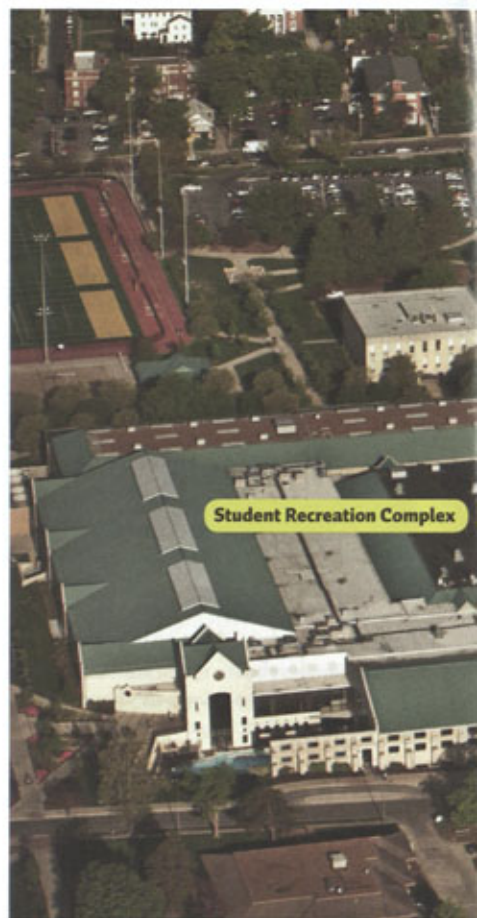
Half of the \$63 million for the center comes from student fees and half from revenue generated by self-supporting student services on campus, such as residence halls and the bookstore. At 229,000 square feet, the center nearly doubles the size of the original commons (125,000 square feet). That means lots of space for dining, studying, meetings, performances and student organizations, in addition to more windows, balconies and electrical outlets (for computers). The center also houses a bank, post office and copy center.

## MU's state funding takes a dip

Gov. Jay Nixon and the Missouri General Assembly didn't budge on the state's higher education budget. Although sagging tax revenues forced them to slash hundreds of millions of dollars from other areas of the 2010–11 budget, legislators delivered on Nixon's promise to keep budget cuts for public universities to no more than 5 percent.

Nixon, BA '78, JD '81, struck that bargain with Missouri schools last November. In exchange, public four-year schools promised to freeze undergraduate, in-state tuition for the coming year. For Mizzou, that amounted to a \$10 million cut in the \$189 million of state funding it received for the current year.

"We're trying to avoid major disruptions in budgets that have occurred in so many



states, leading to furloughs and salary reductions," Chancellor Brady J. Deaton says.

Faculty play a key role as MU works through a selective hiring freeze and aggressively pursues nonsalary cost savings without sacrificing academic quality and while still maintaining a rigorous curriculum, Deaton says.

One bright note in the budget picture, he notes, is that through salary savings and other cost-cutting measures, MU has built up a \$9 million one-time reserve fund and still maintains \$5 million in ongoing funding that can be used to plug future budget gaps.

## Advantage Mizzou

Known to generations of Mizzou students as "the strip pits," dozens of small lakes



Photo by Robert Llewellyn

that dot Rocky Fork Lakes Conservation Area north of Columbia are remnants from decades of coal mining that lasted well into the 1970s. These swimming holes are favorite getaway spots to beat the summer heat, but one — called Red Lake — doesn't draw many swimmers. That's because high levels of iron and sulfates that leach from old coal seams have dyed the water a bright red.

As one of the first projects to be funded through the new Mizzou Advantage program, MU researchers and colleagues from the Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla will explore Red Lake for unusual microorganisms that thrive in the icky water. They'll hunt for novel enzymes the microorganisms produce that can be used to break down cellulose in bio-

**The new MU Student Center opened in August. The center greatly expands space for dining, activities and the bookstore. It will be dedicated during Homecoming Oct. 21–22.**

mass crops, such as switch grass, and convert them into alternative fuels.

After several years of planning, Mizzou Advantage was rolled out this spring with the announcement of an initial \$900,000 in funding for 26 proposals. They will strengthen existing and create new faculty networks and propel MU's research and instruction to the next level. The program's purpose is to identify unique strengths at Mizzou and provide additional support in the five Mizzou Advantage initiatives: disruptive and transformational technology; food for the future; media of the future; one health, one medicine; and sustainable energy.

## Briefly

In May, the university launched the Mizzou Center in Blue Springs, Mo., to connect MU research with industry in the Kansas City region. "The tenants of this building will build partnerships, develop smoother transitions for technology transfer and create jobs," says Chancellor Brady J. Deaton.



Joan Gabel began work Sept. 1 as dean of the Robert J. Trulaske Sr. College of Business. She replaces Bruce Walker, who had been dean of business since 1990. More: [mizzoumagazine.com](http://mizzoumagazine.com)

Mizzou's record of maintaining its fundraising efforts during the Great Recession has won a 2010 Overall Performance award for fundraising from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. The university's alumni donor participation rate increased from 10 percent in 2007 to 17 percent in 2009 and now compares to rates at private colleges.

During fiscal 2009, MU faculty members broke records, earning grants that paid for \$543 million in research, instruction and public service. This is an 11 percent increase from 2008's figure of \$489 million and a 38 percent increase from 2004.

Neal E. Boyd, winner of *America's Got Talent* in 2008 ["Heartland Star," Summer 2010], will perform at 7 p.m. Nov. 7 in Jesse Hall as part of the University Concert Series.

The American College of Sports Medicine has given Frank Booth, professor of physiology, its honor award for contributions to sports medicine and the exercise sciences. Booth's work has been key to integrating exercise research with molecular biology.

## Group finds effective ads

Hyejin Kim, a senior journalism major from Cheongju, South Korea, loves commercials. "I like all kinds of advertising," Kim says. "I thought it would be great to learn how to create powerful advertising, instead of just watching it."

Kim says successful advertising is not magic. If advertisers have a better understanding of how people respond to an ad, they can get their message across more efficiently. In Paul Bolls' psychology of advertising class, Kim increased her understanding of advertising by conducting a research project.

Kim's group examined how public service announcements warn against binge drinking and how gain vs. loss framing affects the success of an ad. In this case, the gain-frame messages show the positive effects of not binge drinking, and loss-frame ads show the negative effects of binge drinking. The

group investigated anti-binge drinking PSAs and found that they were all loss-frame ads. So they created new ones (using both frames) based on research, showed them to sample groups and measured their effectiveness using a questionnaire.

Kim, who plans to continue her study of advertising and marketing in graduate school, says the opportunity to conduct research as an undergraduate helped prepare her for future academic endeavors. "I learned how to conduct an experiment and broaden my advertising insight through science," she says. She also gained a valuable lesson in patience.

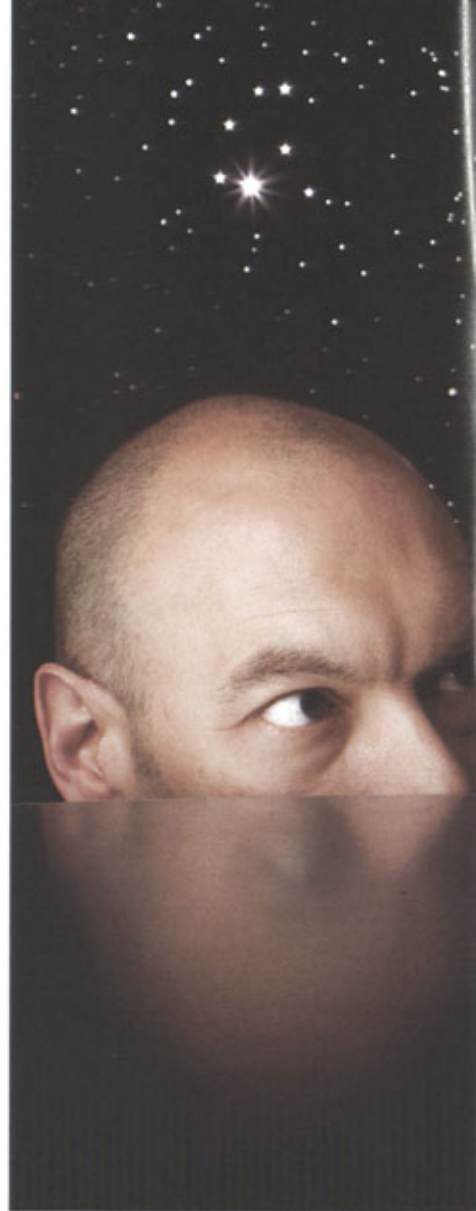
"I found out from the research that the first idea is not always the best idea. While our team was creating the PSAs, we experienced hundreds of redos. But we finally made it!"

## Closing the gap

Whether the professor of mechanical and aerospace engineering is lecturing to students on a Monday morning or playing guitar for revelers on a Saturday night, Craig Kluever has great chops for closing the gap between him and his audiences.

Kluever, a 16-year veteran teacher and researcher at MU, spent three years early in his career working at Rockwell International on the space shuttle program's guidance, navigation and control systems. Although that experience is beginning to "recede," as Kluever says, students like learning about his time there and on more recent NASA missions.

As a teacher, Kluever's research and industry experience allow him to toss off an occasional tidbit that falls somewhere between cocktail chatter and "this may be on the test." For instance, he tells his class how engineers at Rockwell designed and tested a space shuttle thruster only to discover later that it could deliver more than they thought. Rather than rewrite all the documentation, Kluever says, they just



decided to call maximum thrust 104 percent. During a recent class, students chuckled at this quantitative absurdity, then Kluever got a hearty laugh from the pop culture corollary that came next. "It's like in the movie *Spinal Tap* when the guitar amp goes up to 11."

Such references also seem to help Kluever connect with students. He walks the talk as a guitarist in the bands Celandine and Big Medicine. The groups play original music at gigs around Columbia, and he sometimes chats with his students between sets. "I don't think of having a 20-year gap in age between me and my students. I share a similar sensibility in some ways, and the gap narrows at the gigs."



Photo by Rob Hill

Journalism major Hyejin Kim of Cheongju, South Korea, uses research to build a better public service announcement.



It takes a village — a “research village” of various departments across campus — to win an award of this size from the National Institutes of Health. The award funds collaborative work on three large and closely related projects — two in the School of Medicine and one at MU’s Dalton Cardiovascular Research Center. The projects also marshal MU’s high-tech imaging equipment and cellular biology research facilities.

The big idea, says researcher Gerald Meininger, is to look at how different parts of a blood vessel talk to one another and how the communication influences vascular function. Blood vessels are tubes made of muscles attached to a mesh of proteins that lend shape and strength, like nylon mesh that reinforces a garden hose, Meininger says. Oftentimes in cardiovascular disease, the reinforcing mesh thickens and stiffens, which hampers function. Meininger’s project will investigate how the muscle senses changes in the mesh and reacts in ways that cause more problems.

Other investigators will look at how inflammation affects function (Ronald Korthuis) and the electronics of blood vessel communication (Michael Davis). If they can crack the code, the knowledge might open up new therapies that prevent problems or prompt repairs.

More: [dalton.missouri.edu](http://dalton.missouri.edu)

## Little car, big mileage

With sustainability in mind, College of Engineering students had been designing, building and racing futuristic solar cars for more

than a decade. Then in 2005, the solar car team looked at hydrogen, saw a fuel for the future and swapped sunlight for the big H.

Hydrogen is efficient and clean, says senior engineering major Forrest Meyen of Eagle River, Alaska, president of the new hydrogen car team. Rather than spewing exhaust like gasoline engines, hydrogen fuel cells produce electricity to run a motor, and they give off only water and heat.

In March 2010, students took their second-generation car to the Shell Eco-Marathon in Houston, where it was the only hydrogen-powered entry in the Urban Concept Division. The task was to create a car that is not only fuel-efficient but also road-worthy. For instance, cars had to have four wheels, a steering wheel, headlights, taillights, doors, a brake pedal and storage. Mizzou’s \$70,000 car is aerodynamic, weighs 336 pounds and was one of the few entries with a suspension system, which makes it safer and comfier.

But along the way, the team hit a few bumps, Meyen says. For instance, during final testing the morning before leaving for the race, the car’s drive shaft broke. In just five hours, the team designed and manufactured a more robust shaft and hit the road. Despite breakdowns during the competition, Meyen and the team had some rewards.

“When you’re driving, it feels like you’re strapped into a spaceship,” Meyen says. “The motor hardly makes any noise, and you’re so low to the ground that it feels faster than you’re really going.” And, oh yeah, it gets the equivalent of 480 miles per gallon of gasoline.

Mizzou engineering students built a hydrogen-powered car from the wheels up.

Photo by Nicholas Benner



In engineering professor and rocket scientist Craig Kluever, the kid is still close to the surface.

## Fresh look at old problem

MU researchers have landed an \$8.47 million grant that could lead to an overhaul in the way doctors treat cardiovascular disease, which affects about 81 million Americans. When blood vessels stiffen with age or from the effects of diseases such as diabetes, current treatments help vessels expand to improve blood flow. To move beyond this treatment mode, MU’s researchers will listen in on cellular-level signals within vessel walls and try to figure out how to enter the conversation in constructive ways.

## Nurses-in-training run hospital simulations

One day Mary Margaret Bayer has a sprained wrist. The next day she is suffering from abdominal pain and depression. Another day she is a concerned mother, worried about her daughter's mysterious rash.

No, Bayer, BSN '64, MA '67, of Columbia isn't a hypochondriac. She's a retired registered nurse who volunteers her acting services as a standardized patient at MU's Russell D. and Mary B. Shelden Clinical Simulation Center. The lab gives students a chance to practice health care in a realistic but controlled environment. Students from the Sinclair School of Nursing, School of Health Professions and School of Medicine all participate in the simulations, which incorporate both live volunteers and computerized mannequins. Instructors review recordings of the simulations and assess students' performances.

A Sinclair School of Nursing alumni board member told Bayer about the program. "I thought it sounded like something I could do to help students," she says.

Bayer contacted the simulation lab, and the next thing she knew she was in training. "We come in a week before the simulation and sit down with the director of the lab," Bayer says. "She goes over anything she wants emphasized."



To help train nursing students, Mary Margaret Bayer, BSN '64, MA '67, plays the part of the patient mannequin's mother at the Russell D. and Mary B. Shelden Clinical Simulation Center.



Photo by Nicholas Benner

This is Bayer's first acting gig. "You never know what life is going to bring," she says. Bayer's knowledge of health care helps her play the roles, but occasionally she wants to assist a struggling student. "It's difficult to keep my mouth shut."

## Students donate food by swiping meal cards

Alex Holley had a light-bulb moment back in December 2008. The senior broadcast journalism major was home in Irving, Texas, for winter break, and her parents were grilling her about why she wasn't eating all of the weekly allotment of meals they'd paid for. If she wasn't going to use them, they said, maybe she could find something useful to do with the food.

Holley got to thinking: Students carry a sort of debit card and swipe it through a card reader to pay for food in dining halls; any swipes left over at the end of the week are gone forever. She figured there must be other students who don't eat all the meals, so why not donate those unused swipes to charity. And presto, the SWIPES program was born.

Working through the Missouri Students Association (MSA), Holley and other students raised awareness of the new program

Alex Holley of Irving, Texas, created SWIPES, a program through which students use their prepaid meal plan to donate food to local charities.

with T-shirts and signs. Five times since March 2009, she and other volunteers set up tables outside dining halls. As students pass by, the volunteers ask if they'd like to donate. If so, the students head inside, purchase nonperishable foods and bring them back. The volunteers have filled 182 big boxes with donations for delivery to local charities, including Ronald McDonald House, Granny's House and Rainbow House.

The SWIPES program has netted as much as \$3,000 of food during one event and about \$10,000 overall to date.

## A bridge just right

Doing more with less — turns out that's not just something politicians promise during tough times. Erik Loehr, associate professor of civil engineering at MU, is leading a project that could save millions a year on bridge construction in Missouri and serve as a model for other states. The big idea, Loehr says, is to generate information about soils and foundations that bridge designers can use to make structures that are stout, but not stouter than they need to be.

"We can't always build structures as strong as Fort Knox," Loehr says.

In the past, engineers had little information about how various soils and bridge foundation designs would react to the massive loads that a working bridge endures. So, they played it safe and made bridges extra strong. By running soil and foundation tests, Loehr will provide detailed information to the Missouri Department of Transportation. In turn, the department will set specifications to ensure that bridge construction is not only safe but also stingy with taxpayer dollars.

An example: In May and June 2010, Loehr tested bridge piles that were built in shale, a common but troublesome soil for bridge foundations. Missouri shale ranges from rigid and stony to a much softer, waxy-feeling material. He embedded sensors in the concrete-and-rebar piles to take measurements as powerful jacks at the bottom of the structures pushed them to failure.

Loehr says the results of this work will quickly make their way into Missouri's next generation of bridges.

## At their service

Working animals were on the receiving end of care in May when ophthalmologists from the College of Veterinary Medicine conducted complimentary eye exams for service and therapy dogs.

The annual sight-saving exams target helpers such as Sydney, a medical alert dog who warns Barbara Willis of Columbia to take medication for oncoming migraine headaches. Sydney knows by smell when a migraine is imminent and signals "mom" with a lick on her ear.

Fourth-year students assisted clinician Elizabeth Giuliano with National Service Dog Eye Exam Day and heard Giuliano's prognosis for the 7-year-old Rottweiler mix: no change in Sydney's slow-growing cataracts. While the students looked at a magnified image of Sydney's cataracts, Sydney looked around for a treat.

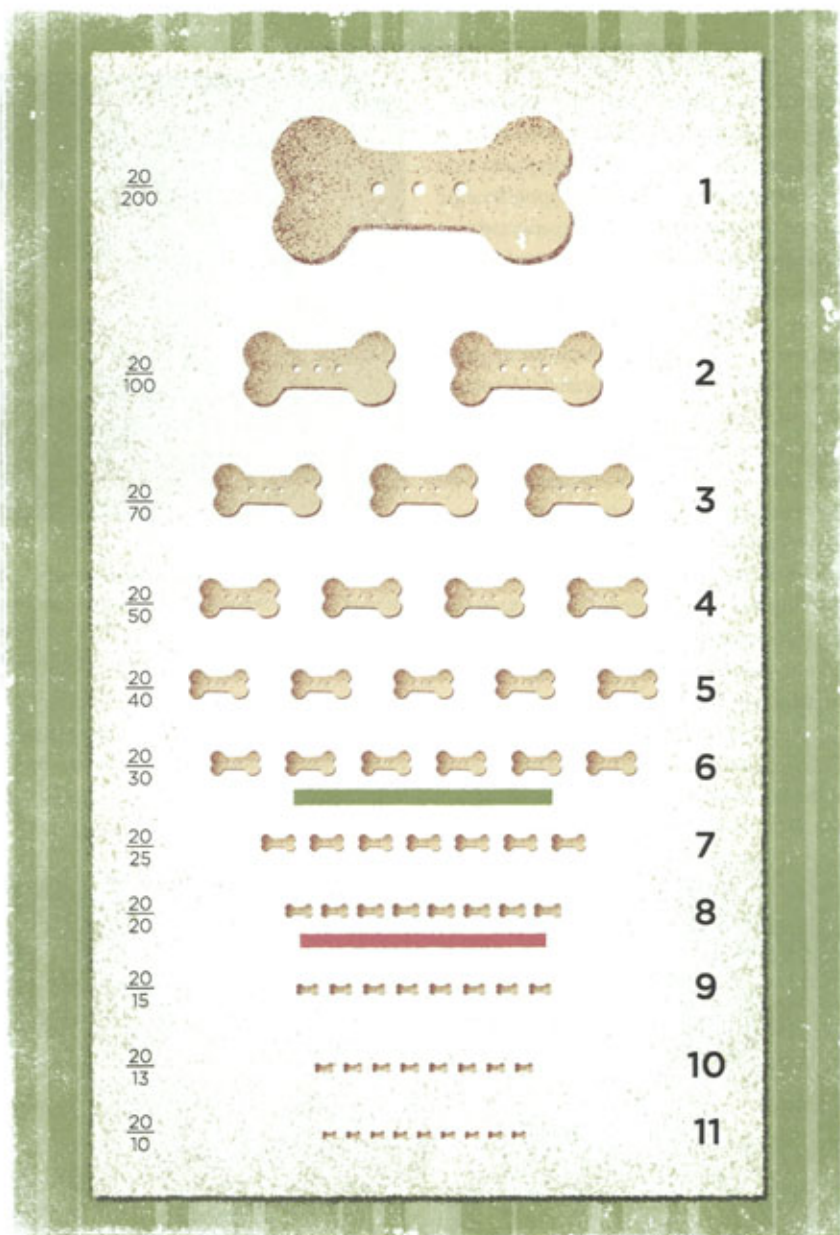


Illustration by Drew Roper

Next up was Brownie, 7, a tranquil pup who visits patients in hospitals and care centers. The freckled Brittany spaniel-pointer mix takes her therapy job so seriously that she worked the exam room, making eye contact with everyone and gently placing two paws on the laps of those seated.

"Brownie knows when people need a friend," says Gina Stewart, BA '01, of Columbia. "If I cough, she comes to see if I'm OK."

**Therapy dogs get free annual eye exams from Mizzou's ophthalmologists in the College of Veterinary Medicine.**

Because Brownie is so calm, Giuliano could show the students detailed images of her optic nerve. The exam concluded with Giuliano's recommendation for surgery to remove Brownie's eyelid tumor, so Brownie will soon be on the receiving end of the TLC she gives so freely.

## Expert in eldercare

Marilyn Rantz, Helen E. Nahm chair and professor at the Sinclair School of Nursing, says her start in eldercare was serendipitous.

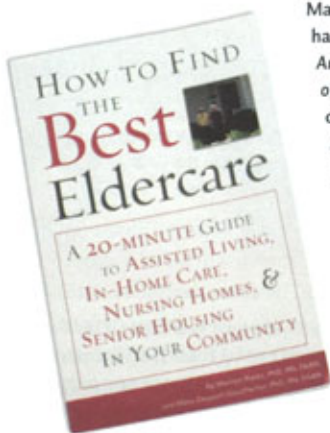
Her husband suggested she apply for a job at a nursing home; she already had a nursing job, but the commute would be shorter. Thirty years have passed, and Rantz is now a leading researcher and expert in eldercare. She's written multiple books, four of which won the *American Journal of Nursing* Book of the Year Award. Most recently she received the honor for a book she co-wrote with Mary Zwygart-Stauffacher titled *How to Find the Best Eldercare* (Fairview Press, 2009).

"People who work in nursing homes would say they could spend five minutes in a facility and tell if it's good," Rantz says. So, she interviewed groups of eldercare employees and used their observations to create a questionnaire laypersons can use to evaluate a facility's quality.

The questionnaires are a key feature of the book and have been translated for use all around the world. Once the level of needed care has been determined, questionnaires in the book help prospective consumers find a quality facility that is right for them.

The book is a follow-up to the 2001 book, *The New Nursing Homes* (Fairview Press, 2001), a guide to finding good long-term care. The recent book includes updated information

Marilyn Rantz has won the *American Journal of Nursing* Book of the Year Award four times, most recently for her book, *How to Find the Best Eldercare*.



on nursing homes and new information about assisted living facilities, in-home care and senior housing.

Rantz says it's never too early to start thinking about long-term care. It can be uncomfortable, she says, but it's something you have to talk about. "Don't wait around. Be proactive."

## Maryland turns Tiger

As senior associate director of admissions, Chuck May is the guy who orchestrates more than 25,000 visits to campus each year and is largely responsible for persuading top students to enroll at Mizzou. At work, May, BS BA '95, keeps the focus on Mizzou and Missouri. But Maryland, as in Maryland Avenue, was always in his face. "We'd give directions to campus, saying 'Go down Stadium and turn on Maryland.' But this is Missouri! I wanted the street name to relate to MU."

Pending City Council approval, May will get his wish Sept. 17 when Maryland Avenue is renamed Tiger Avenue. Black-and-gold street signs will mark this prominent route to the heart of campus, thanks partly to a group of former Mizzou Alumni Association presidents known as The Pride.

In September 2008, The Pride took on the Maryland Avenue project. After historical research verified that the street name wasn't

connected with MU, discussions heated up, says Pride member Jay Dade, BJ '85, JD '93, of Rogersville, Mo. "We wanted a new name that captures the spirit of MU as a way to start a new tradition. We looked for something tied to MU that is unique, distinctive and that would roll off the tongue." The Pride later partnered with the alumni association's governing board and student board and in May 2009 presented five options.

Dade is pleased with the spirit-oriented name for a road running between MU sports facilities and into the academic heart of campus near Jesse Hall. "It's a linking of two great traditions."

## Shelter from the storm

Maybe Dorothy and little Toto survived a tornado-fueled trip to Oz, but the scary reality is that dozens of people are killed or seriously injured each year by twisters throughout Tornado Alley in the central United States.

Eric Evans, an emergency management expert with MU Extension, suggests that homeowners reduce the risk by installing a "safe room" in new or existing homes. A safe room is essentially a strong, sturdy room that provides shelter from high winds and debris during thunderstorms and tornadoes.

It's the flying debris that kills people during tornadoes, Evans says. "Wind picks

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up debris, and the debris starts destroying homes and anything that it hits because sometimes it's flying up to 250 miles per hour. You can imagine a two-by-four going 250 miles an hour can do a lot of damage."

Homeowners can buy pre-built safe rooms or build one from plans in a closet or utility room. Adding a safe room when a home is being built will add up to 1.5 percent to construction costs and increase its resale value, Evans says.

Even if they don't have a safe room, people should identify a safe shelter from storms and debris in their homes and have an emergency plan and supplies. That way, when a tornado strikes they can click their heels and say, "There's no place like home."

Information is available online at [bit.ly/MUExtShelterPacket](http://bit.ly/MUExtShelterPacket).

## How friendships start

In fall 2009, when business major Korian Harrington joined the first class of the Mizzou Black Men's Initiative, he wasn't sure how things would work out. The native of East St. Louis, Ill., wondered just how 18 freshmen from towns large and small nationwide would form friendships and come together as a group.

The new program — launched to improve the 38 percent graduation rate for black

**With the help of Mizzou Alumni Association leaders, one more Tiger roars through the heart of campus. Pending City Council approval, Maryland Avenue will be dedicated as Tiger Avenue Sept. 17.**

males at MU — provides its members leadership training as well as academic help and all-important social support.

Plus hotdogs. Thousands of them.

Photo by Nicholas Benner

The guys got their hands on the frankfurters one evening as they volunteered at the Central Missouri Food Bank to package bulk weenies for distribution to hundreds of families in need. Suddenly, they started clicking as a group, Harrington says. "We were there for a couple of hours, just sparking off different conversations. I consider all these guys my brothers now."

In addition to carrying out service projects and listening to guest speakers, the group meets regularly for study halls at the Gaines/Oldham Black Culture Center. Marcus Mayes, BS BA '08, program coordinator, says the group has an ethic of high achievement. "I tell them, 'We expect you to do well academically. If that means not hanging out with your buddies Friday night, then that's it.'"

Whatever members accomplish, the social component is what holds it all together, Mayes says. "It's going well when the guys get that sense of belonging and acceptance. We let them know, 'We like you, you belong here, we want you here,'" he says. "Mizzou is a good place."



Photo by Rob Hill

Korian Harrington, left, of East St. Louis, Ill., is part of the Mizzou Black Men's Initiative, which helps participants succeed in college. He works with Gary Craig of St. Louis, center, and Nic Smith of Bolingbrook, Ill.

## A Tiger fish story

Flipping, pitching or drop-shotting might conjure images of gymnastics, baseball and tennis for most sports fans, but for a dedicated group of Mizzou anglers, those NCAA events don't have reel appeal. The MU Bass Fishing Club is catching on — using the aforementioned techniques — primarily because its members have been catching fish.

In early June, a pair of participants — parks, recreation and tourism major Scott Dooley of Columbia and fisheries and wild-life major Shelby Lovelace of Palmyra, Mo. — won the College Bass North Super Regional title. That tournament took place on the Mississippi River near Fort Madison, Iowa, and taped coverage appeared July 29 on ESPNU. The Mizzou club also competed in its second-straight national championship tournament this season in Lake Lewisville, Texas, where its luck wasn't as good — two Tiger teams placed 64th and 104th out of 165 boats.

But for much of the school year, club fishermen frequent the nearby lakes and reservoirs of mid-Missouri.

"Most people who fish just go out and fish," says club President Andrew Bornholdt of Pacific, Mo. "But when you start getting into these tournaments, you get into *everything* — different tackles, lures, which test lines work best for certain applications. It's a lot more involved than people think."

In bass-fishing tournaments, competitors shove off at sunrise two to a boat and fish for eight hours. At the end of the day, each duo combines its five biggest bass for the weigh-in. Mizzou's record for a single fish is 8 pounds, 3 ounces, caught by Adam Gorham from Oak Grove, Mo.

The 25-member club hosts its own tournaments to determine who will represent Mizzou at regional and national events. Lest you think the recreational activity is a waste of time, Bethel University in Tennessee recently awarded two athletic scholarships for competitive bass fishing.

"We've got a wide variety of majors in our



club. We have a history guy and a bunch of engineers," Bornholdt says. "We actually had some girls show up for orientation, too, but they didn't last long."

## Big 12 moves forward

Not one last-second field goal or buzzer-beating jumper has gone airborne this college sports season, yet 2010 has already wracked the nerves of Tiger fans everywhere. When the Big Ten Conference announced in December 2009 that it would investigate expansion, several media outlets speculated Missouri would leave the Big 12 for the Big Ten.

In June 2010, Colorado and Nebraska announced they would depart the Big 12 for the Pac-10 and Big Ten, respectively. Soon, word of additional Pac-10 and SEC invitations to Big 12 South Division teams — including Texas and Oklahoma — hit the airwaves.

The conference futures of Mizzou, Kansas, Kansas State, Iowa State and Baylor seemed as unmoored as the Big 12's unknown fate.

When the band of southern teams

declared on June 15 that it would turn down outside offers and recommit to a 10-member Big 12, sighs of relief whooshed from Ames to Waco. But for Missouri fans, the emotions were a bit more complicated. Throughout the process, the pros and cons of leaving the Big 12 for the Big Ten had been exhaustively reported and discussed. Some thought the move would have been an upgrade, while others preferred the school stay put in the Big 12. When Mizzou did not receive an invitation to the Big Ten, many feared the university would be left without a conference altogether.

Director of Athletics Mike Alden points out that Missouri was a founding member of the Missouri Valley Intercollegiate Athletic Association, which began in 1907, morphed into the Big Six, then the Big Eight and eventually the Big 12 in 1996. Historically, the Big 12 is where Mizzou belongs. "Fan anxiety is natural, and if we didn't have such a positive fan base, they may not have been as concerned," Alden says. "Our focus has always been on Mizzou getting better and doing what we need to do for the Big 12. Traditions



Photo by Rob Hill

Senior Shelby Lovelace, left, of Palmyra, Mo., and junior Justin Wenk of St. Louis are hooked on the MU Bass Fishing Club.

are important. Rivalries are important."

Most important for Tiger traditionalists, the MU-KU rivalry remains strong. Starting in 2011, the conference north and south distinctions will disappear, which means teams will face every league opponent annually in football and twice a season in basketball. That, plus the Big 12's more centralized geographic footprint could mean a recruitment boon for Mizzou athletics, according to Alden.

"Our No. 1 priority is Missouri, followed by the states that touch us and Texas," Alden says. "When you know that you're going to be able to play [the teams in that area] more than you did before, it actually helps recruiting."

Conference realignment discussions highlighted the importance of TV revenue, which helps pay for all intercollegiate athletics programs. At press time, the negotiation of a new 2012 TV contract was a top priority for the Big 12 board of directors, led by MU

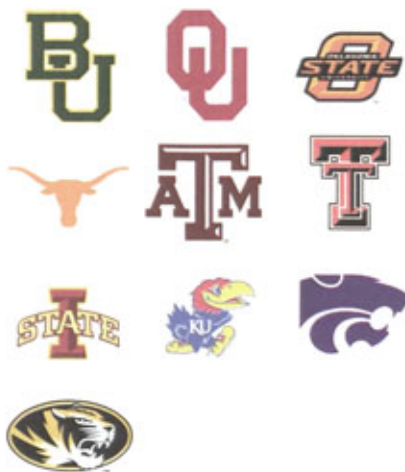
Chancellor Brady J. Deaton.

The process was also a study in how speculative information is disseminated and how quickly it can become skewed. Per the current Big 12 contract, Colorado and Nebraska are expected to pay fees upon their departure, but from a fan's perspective, the destination of those fees has been perplexing.

"Any money collected from Nebraska and Colorado will be part of Big 12 revenue and distributed by the regular formula, unless some new action is taken by the board," Deaton says. "There is no expectation of alternative action." He also says the Big 12 has no current plans to expand.

In the meantime, expect fierce competition when the Tigers host the Buffaloes on Oct. 9 and travel to Lincoln on Oct. 30 to play the Cornhuskers for the final time as conference foes.

"We have great respect for Nebraska and Colorado," says MU football Coach Gary Pinkel, noting that when he arrived before the 2001 season, Mizzou hadn't beaten the Huskers in 23 years and had only beaten CU twice in the previous 15. "Fortunately or unfortunately, we'll have some other good teams on our schedule."



With the departure of Nebraska and Colorado from the Big 12 in 2011, the conference will have 10 teams.

## Scoreboard



**64:** Mizzou softball single-season record for runs scored set by junior All-American outfielder Rhea Taylor in 2010, tying her own record from the previous season. Taylor was also a Women's College World Series All-Tournament Team selection after leading all hitters with a .714 batting average. After playing in their second-consecutive WCWS, the Tigers wrapped up the season ranked No. 8 nationally.

**.400:** Batting average of senior infielder/outfielder Aaron Senne, Big 12 co-Player of the Year and 10th-round selection of the Florida Marlins in the 2010 Major League Baseball Draft. He was the first Tiger to hit .400 since Dave Silvestri, Educ '90, hit .406 in 1988. Senne is Mizzou's all-time record holder for hits (291), doubles (69), extra-base hits (114) and total bases (492).

**17:** Seasons with the Mizzou Track and Field team for former Associate Head Coach and Throws Coach Brett Halter, who took over for Mizzou legend Rick McGuire as head coach Aug. 1. Halter has coached 36 All-Americans during his career, including U.S. Olympian Christian Cantwell. Cantwell won his sixth USA Track & Field shot put title with a 21.65-meter throw June 27, 2010, at Drake Stadium in Des Moines, Iowa.

**\$100,000:** Grand prize won by former Mizzou wrestler and four-time All-American Ben Askren in Bellator XXII, a mixed-martial arts event on June 17, 2010, in Kansas City, Mo. Askren defeated Dan Hornbuckle 30-27, 30-27, 30-27 to win the welterweight championship bout.



# On the job

In a time of unemployment, you might think it would be tough to find success, especially with a liberal arts degree in, say, philosophy, sociology or religious studies. Check out what these recent graduates are doing with their Mizzou education.

Stories by Josh Chittum and David Wietlispach  
Illustration by Blake Dinsdale



### 1 Silas Allard

**Degree:** BA '04, religious studies

**Residence:** Atlanta

**Job:** student, Emory University

**Hobbies:** bicycling and backpacking

• Allard is working toward degrees in law and theology. He wants to work in social justice, helping to bring equality to marginalized and underserved groups. "If you do social justice, you're going to run into religious issues," Allard says.

### 2 Lauren Ryan

**Degree:** BS '07, biology

**Residence:** San Francisco

**Job:** counseling families on genetic health issues

**Hobbies:** volunteering

• Ryan first heard about genetic counseling at a lecture she attended at MU. "What struck me about the job was the daily responsibilities involved, challenging your understanding of complex science and keeping up with new discoveries," Ryan says. "Yet the work genetic counselors do has a significant impact on the well-being of individuals and families. Finding a career that combines those two goals seemed too good to be true."

### 3 Jared Cole

**Degree:** BA '06, sociology and a certificate in environmental studies

**Residence:** New York City

**Job:** teacher, New York City Department of Education

**Hobbies:** birding and hiking

• Cole teaches students how they can live in the Bronx and clean up the environment. "It's not that kids don't care about the environment," Cole says. "They've just never been exposed to environmental issues. If I can raise awareness one student at a time, that's one more kid in the next generation who's going to value our planet."

### 4 Lory Ellebracht

**Degree:** BS '01, MA '03, economics

**Residence:** Kansas City, Mo.

**Job:** market analyst, Hallmark

**Hobbies:** violin and soccer

• Even greeting card companies have to crunch the numbers. Working at Hallmark gives Ellebracht a chance to do work she loves for a business loved around the world. "It's a great company; I can see why people stay," Ellebracht says about the 100-year-old business. "They do some really great research, both from statistical and qualitative work."

### 5 Christina Jensen

**Degree:** BA, BA '01, music and communication

**Residence:** New York City

**Job:** promoting classical music, Christina Jensen PR

**Hobbies:** music and enjoying the Big Apple

• "Right now is a very exciting time for classical music because so many people are working to present it, play it and listen to it in innovative ways," Jensen says. "There is a lot of room for creativity and growth, and the field is full of people working on and off stage to take full advantage of that."

### 6 Robert Simms

**Degree:** MA '04, classical studies

**Residence:** Birkat Al-Mouz, Oman

**Job:** assistant professor of English literature, University of Nizwa

**Hobbies:** going to the beach and trying to learn enough Arabic to be polite

• Simms has traveled for much of his life and is enjoying his current home country. "Omani are hands-down the warmest and friendliest people you will ever meet, and I say this coming from New Zealand, where people are almost pathologically gregarious," Simms says. And he's learned to expect frequent surprises, such as a girl in traditional clothing reading Sylvia Plath's *The Bell Jar* for fun.

### 7 Tony Baker

**Degree:** BA, BA '03, religious studies and philosophy

**Residence:** Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

**Job:** technical adviser, HakiElimu

**Hobbies:** gardening, bicycling and going to the beach

• After graduation, Baker went to Tanzania for two years with the Peace Corps. "My programming of what the world is, why it is the way it is and what is important became uncomfortably compromised," he says. Now he's back, tracking public expenditures and disseminating information to Tanzanian citizens. This allows Baker to breathe a little easier knowing he's helping to solve the problem, not fostering it.

### 8 Mike Maurer

**Degree:** BA, BA '05, graphic design and computer science

**Residence:** St. Louis

**Job:** managing the digital practice group in charge of Flash design and development, Fleishman-Hillard

**Hobbies:** watching the St. Louis Cardinals

• Maurer's degrees in graphic design and computer science are what set the Gateway City native apart from others in his field. "Programmers usually have no artistic ability or care," he says. In addition to function, Maurer is concerned with how applications look, move and work.

### 9 Lisa Driskill

**Degree:** BA '03, interdisciplinary studies in psychology, sociology and education

**Residence:** Pauls Valley, Okla.

**Job:** director, Toy and Action Figure Museum

**Hobbies:** family and church

• "It's absolutely the most fun job I've ever had," Driskill says. She organizes daily tours, runs the gift shop and plans special museum events, such as Elves, Fairies, & Friends and the Hot Wheels Double Dog Dare Derby. "It's just a happy place."

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## VISIONARY, BUT NO FASHIONISTA

During his nearly 30 years as a doctor, Professor Lenworth Johnson has risen to the top of his field in neuro-ophthalmology, where he is sought as an expert nationally and internationally. Since 1990, he has taught and practiced neurology and ophthalmology at the University of Missouri's Mason Eye Institute in the School of Medicine.

Ever the perfectionist, Johnson is annoyed with himself when he can't place faces with the names of his patients. Such a task would be monumental because he has treated more than 20,000 people. Nonetheless, he has strapped a camera to his belt.

### Pocket protectors? Check!

Only one area of expertise — sartorial sense — eludes the doctor of the house. If wife Patti doesn't intervene, he dresses like a nerd, says daughter Gabriella. As evidence, she cites the pocket protector, glasses and Cosby sweaters he wears, along with the ultimate faux pas — socks with sandals.

### Making eye contact

As a medical student who wanted to learn everything about optic nerves, Johnson gathered some information in a rather unusual manner. He would carry a hand-held instrument (a direct ophthalmoscope), walk around the

hospital and ask patients, staff members and visitors if he could look at their eyes. Most people complied.

Johnson attributes his compulsive search for knowledge to his parents, who value higher education; his mother, now in her 80s, is studying Mandarin Pinyin.

### Goals in sight

Other than race-walking — a sport that requires athletes to use a gait reminiscent of Charlie Chaplin's — Johnson has little time for normal recreational activities. He relaxes with mathematical calculations,

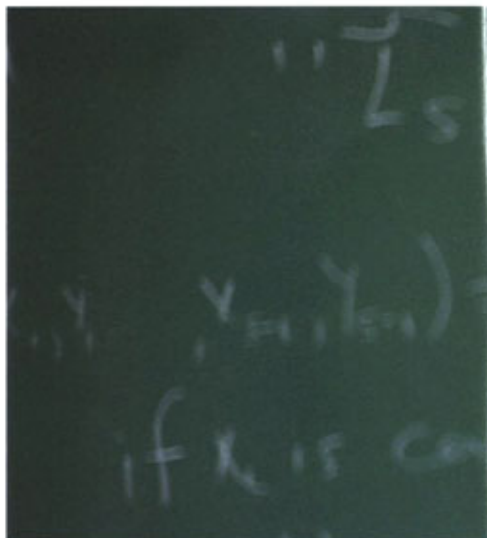
*"In high school, my friend would dread the days when Dad drove us to school because she knew he was going to lecture us and ask questions." — Meredith Johnson, daughter*

reading, conversation and writing popular music.

He has three books in progress: a novel, a collection

of short stories and a simplified theory of life — if you believe anything Johnson does can be simple.

**Internationally renowned MU neuro-ophthalmologist Lenworth Johnson is known for his love of gadgets. On preceding spread, he's wearing a binocular indirect ophthalmoscope and holding a 20-diopter condensing lens.**



## PROBABILITY OF FINDING A FEMALE STATISTICIAN?

Nancy Flournoy works in a man's world. She's a statistician and number cruncher who develops new ways to understand data.

It took years of work and the example of a female role model for Flournoy to feel at ease in a field dominated by men. She once had the privilege of attending a talk by a trailblazer for women in statistics and admired the speaker's sense of strength.

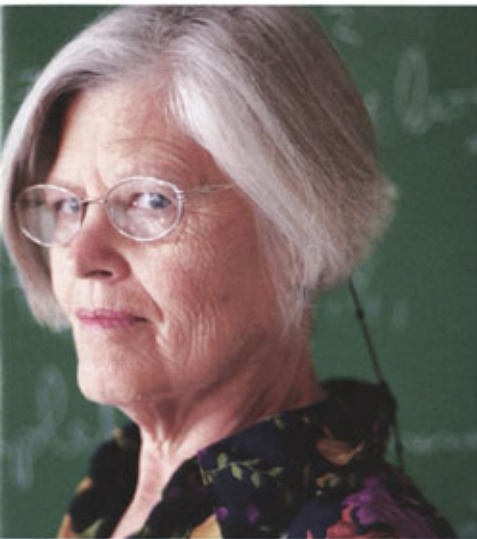
"She stood confidently at the front of a large auditorium, smoking her cigar," Flournoy says. "I immediately took up cigar smoking as a way to exhibit my seriousness."

Gender aside, Flournoy is arguably the world's leading expert in adaptive design. She is known internationally for advancements in designing statistical models for clinical studies with information that develops and changes over time. Her algorithms can be used to find more effective treatments with fewer patients and give more study participants better treatment.

### Spurious relationships

"Nerd. I can't think of a nicer thing to be called," Flournoy says, but she admits that junior high school was difficult when fellow students would grab her papers and pass them around for copying.

Flournoy's mom reacted by seeking a



Statistics Professor Nancy Flournoy is the world's leading expert in adaptive design.

spot for her in a private school with strict entrance requirements. Flournoy scored the highest math grade ever but flunked the English grammar exam. Before accepting Flournoy, an administrator quizzed her on the square root of three. Her answer? 1.7320.

Oblivious to high school social life, Flournoy indulged in her favorite pastime

**"Weekends are just good days to work."**

— Nancy Flournoy

— working algebra problems. College was more of the same.

She tested into the highest math level and spent huge amounts of time working every problem in the book — for fun.

#### Variable attributes

The most vivid memory Flournoy has of her early career was being the only female statistician at UCLA's Regional Medical Program, where, she says, she was fired for being an "uppity" woman.

"I never could keep my mouth shut," she says. "I remember agonizing over whether to speak up." (Note: Flournoy says UCLA tried to rehire her one year later. She declined the offer.) Speaking up is easier for her now. Flournoy was a guest speaker at the 10th annual New Yorker Festival in 2009.

## BIG PROBLEM: UNDERSTANDING MATH

Every day starts with mental gymnastics for Peter Casazza and his research colleague, wife Janet Tremain, both mathematicians.

Because they speak a strange math language, their work remains a mystery to laypersons. "It is almost impossible to tell a nonmathematician what we are doing," Casazza says. "They don't have the patience or blackboard space to contain the 12 definitions we need to begin the discussion.

"And if we really try to explain ourselves, we just look even more abnormal to someone who cannot comprehend why anyone in this universe — or any parallel universe — could possibly derive excitement from this."

Mathematicians might see themselves as different, Casazza says, and people around them notice the differences, too. A case in point: Casazza loves his work so much that he can't wait to get to it. He started getting up at 5 a.m. so he could complete two hours of research before heading to Mizzou. Then he figured that getting up at 4 a.m. gave him an extra hour. After 36 years of doing mathematics, he now retires for the night at 2 p.m. and gets up at 10 p.m. **No. 1 worldwide** In his specialty, frame theory, Casazza is at the top of his field worldwide. Industrial

entities, universities and engineers request his expertise for industrial applications of math frames to improve signal and image processing.

Some of the world's most respected mathematicians gathered May 20–23, 2010, at the University of Maryland, College Park, to honor Casazza's 65th birthday with discussions on the topic "From Banach Spaces to Frame Theory and Applications."

"Pete Casazza is the current worldwide leader in frame theory; in fact he is frame theory," says Professor Gitta Kutyniok of

**"I'm not a genius. I'm an above-average intelligent person who works harder."**

— Peter Casazza

Princeton University. "No event in this field takes place without him as a plenary

speaker, and one of his essays on frame theory is the most cited one in frame theory to date."

Professor Peter Casazza and his research colleague, wife Janet Tremain, obsess over math and bunnies. They adopted Jumbo, a 25-pound Flemish Giant and the largest of their bunnies, when the landlord of one of Casazza's students evicted the pet. Their bunnies have two bedrooms, a playroom and their own refrigerator.





## Capital idea

Venture capital moves great ideas from research labs to the open market. In the process, the world gets innovative products, new businesses hire skilled employees, and Mizzou nets royalties. Story by John Beahler

**I**t might be one of the most repeated mantras in the business world: “You have to spend money to make money.”

In recent years, more and more of the money used to develop, launch and grow companies has come from venture capital funds — investment firms that have the expertise and patience to nurture high-risk startup businesses to profitability over the long haul. Venture capital success stories include some of the most innovative companies in the country, such as Facebook, FedEx, Microsoft and Starbucks.

A 2008 study by consulting firm IHS Global Insight looked at how venture capital affects the U.S. economy. Companies backed by venture capital investors accounted for 12 million jobs — 11 percent of private sector

employment — and generated \$3 trillion in revenue, or 21 percent of the country’s gross domestic product. Investments such as those are vital for emerging high-tech industries that transform the knowledge created in U.S. research universities into new products for the marketplace.

“The University of Missouri is the state’s university,” says Rob Duncan, MU’s vice chancellor for research. “Major research universities like Mizzou are powerhouses in the development of states’ engines of economic advancement around the country. That’s more important than ever today because we’re obviously in a deep recession. States’ support for higher education won’t improve until their tax rolls improve, and those tax rolls won’t improve until the states’ economies do. So, we have both a responsibility as educators and an enlightened self-

interest in seeing the economic conditions of the states advance.”

But some analysts are concerned that Missouri and other Midwestern states are at the back of the line when it comes to venture capital investment. Because most U.S. venture capital firms are located on the East and West coasts, those areas attract more startup companies.

For instance, the average per capita spending on venture capital investments in Missouri from 2007 to 2009 was \$11.11. In Massachusetts it was \$439, in California it was \$337, and in New York it was \$191.

“In Missouri, we need to be appealing to a wide range of venture capital firms, including firms on the coasts,” says Tom Melzer, managing director and co-founder of RiverVest Venture Partners, a St. Louis-based firm that invests in medical devices and biopharmaceuticals.

**'When a critical mass of this activity is achieved, the success stories that started here, grew here and got big here start spinning off people with managerial and entrepreneurial experience who want to go around the track again.' — Tom Melzer**

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Melzer, a former economist and president of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank, says there are three keys to developing a thriving environment for startup companies. "One key ingredient is intellectual property, and there's no shortage of that across Missouri."

Access to capital is another key, Melzer says, and successful startups also require managers with entrepreneurial expertise. "Perhaps the biggest shortage here is a pool of really experienced entrepreneurial talent — people who have been in venture-backed technology businesses, who understand that game and have a track record of doing it successfully," he says.

Developing a self-sustaining environment can take 25 years or more, Melzer says, and that environment is still evolving in Missouri. "Eventually, when a critical mass of this activity is achieved, the success stories that started here, grew here and got big here start spinning off people with managerial and entrepreneurial experience who want to go around the track again," he says.

Universities such as Mizzou can play a big role in attracting investment interest from outside the region, he says. For instance, Melzer spoke at a regional life sciences summit that MU helped sponsor in Kansas City, Mo., in March 2010. The two-day event brought together education and business leaders to identify innovations that will lead to private sector investments, job creation and further technological discoveries.

Conferences such as that one are an important way to bring venture capital firms to Missouri for a look at the technological innovations here, he says. "The University of Missouri System, because of its footprint across the state, is the ideal institution to do that sort of thing. I applaud them."

Rob Duncan, MU's research head, agrees. He points out that 11 universities that attended the Kansas City life sciences summit are starting to work together in a collaboration called the Midwest Bio-Innovation Belt.

"We are looking to see if there are new economies of scale in high-end computing,

for example, to serve the whole region — universities as well as businesses. And also to see if we can share core research facilities across universities and make those research facilities available to startup businesses," he says.

"If we can do that on a full cost-recovery basis, then we will remain good stewards of public monies, and we will also help ease capital barriers for small companies to get access to state-of-the-art facilities."

Melzer cautions that the recent economic meltdown has caused a big change in the way venture capital firms invest. Venture funds attract investors because they generate a higher than normal return when the companies they finance and mentor are sold. Those in the business call that an "exit."

Because of the economic meltdown and international credit crisis, "It's been a very sluggish environment in terms of achieving exits," Melzer says. "Not much capital has been returned to investors in recent years, and that's what keeps the machine going."

In past years, venture firms were willing to take bigger risks on startup businesses early in their development. Because less capital is available, venture firms now time their investments later in the startup's life. They might wait until the company begins to show a cash flow or receives regulatory approval of a drug or medical device.

Shying away from early-stage opportunities makes it even tougher to develop technology coming out of universities, Melzer says. "The gap is getting closed by universities figuring out ways to take a company farther along under their umbrella and foster early-stage companies."

Mizzou has been trying to do just that, Duncan says. He points to the Life Science Business Incubator at Monsanto Place, which MU opened last year in conjunction with the Missouri Innovation Center

and Regional Economic Development Inc. That business incubator is nearly filled with startup companies, including several international firms that have relocated to Columbia.

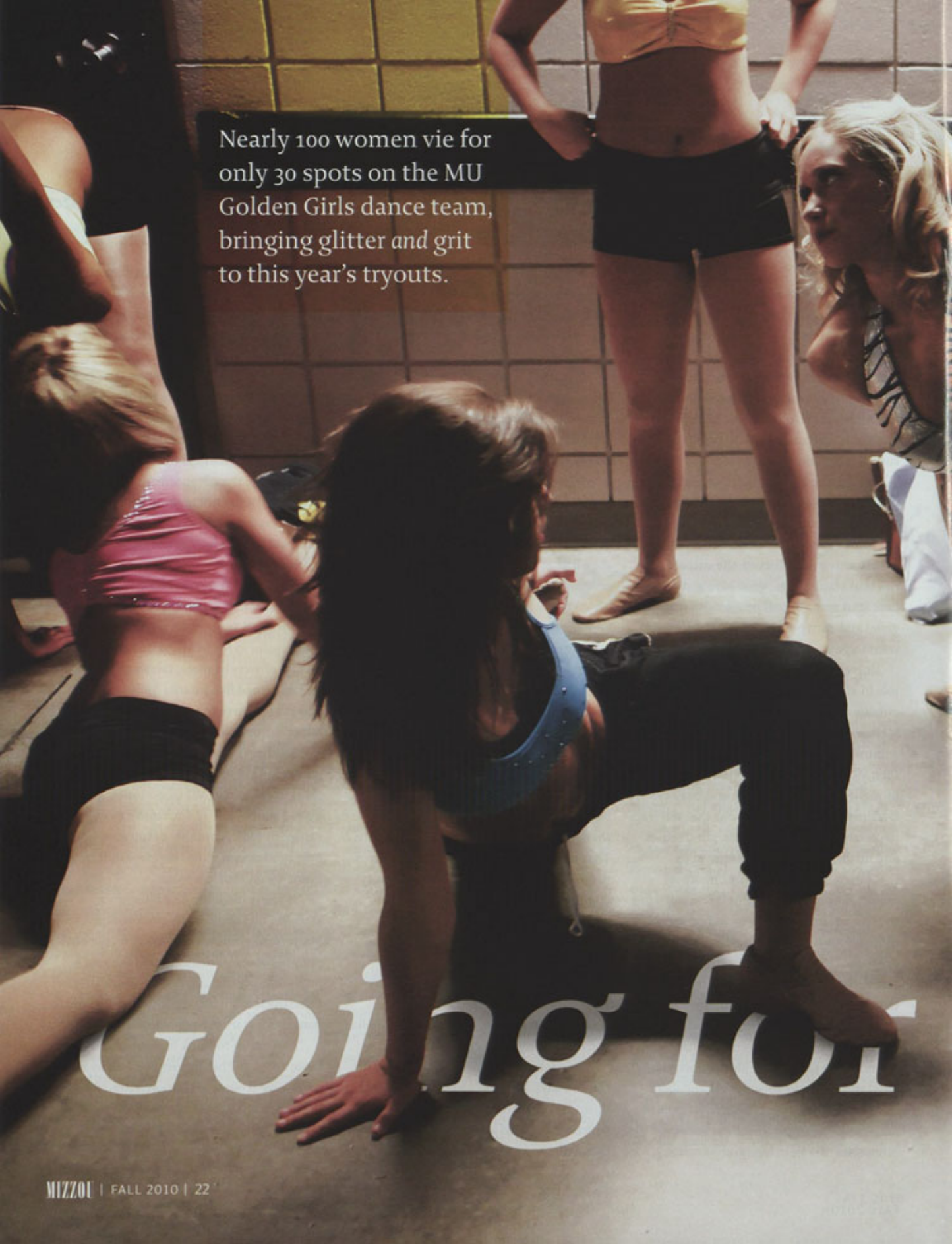
In the past, Duncan says, pharmaceutical firms might invest in a potential new drug very early in the process, well before clinical trials.

"Now they're all interested in developing closer relationships with universities to encourage the advancement of basic science, but they're not looking at making an actual investment or a contractual arrangement until much later in the game than they did before," he says.

Duncan, a physics professor who spent 10 years working at prestigious national laboratories and another decade as a principal investigator in NASA's program for fundamental physics in space, knows the territory. He has earned five patents for his research and started three companies, and that's not out of the ordinary for MU's faculty. During the 2010 fiscal year, the university earned more than \$10 million by licensing innovations developed in MU laboratories. That's a good start — nearly double the \$6 million earned in 2008. A number of top research universities earn more than \$100 million in licensing revenue each year.

"If you're planning on a bioscience startup, you should really come to the Midwest Bio-Innovation Belt with your company because this dedication of the area's public and private universities to advance infrastructure for bioscience will relieve entry barriers for startup companies," Duncan says.

"As we start to think less parochially and more about the bio-innovation belt as a region, we'll become far more attractive to both coastal and international investment. So don't think Rust Belt anymore, think Midwest Bio-Innovation Belt." ■

A photograph of several young women in dance attire practicing in a room with a tiled wall. One woman in the foreground is in a blue sequined leotard and black pants, sitting on the floor. Another woman in a pink leotard is on the floor to her left. In the background, a woman in a gold leotard and black shorts stands with her hands on her hips, and another woman in a black leotard is partially visible on the right. The scene is lit with warm, dramatic lighting.

Nearly 100 women vie for only 30 spots on the MU Golden Girls dance team, bringing glitter and grit to this year's tryouts.

# Going for





# Goldener

Story by Sarah Garber

Photos by Shane Epping and Nicholas Benner



On any given day, the basement of Mizzou Arena is a dreary maze of hallways, covered in shades of gray. The walls are gray. The floors are gray. The exposed pipes running overhead are a shade of (you guessed it) gray. But for one weekend in April, a small corner of the building teems with color.

**AT THE GOLDEN GIRLS** annual tryouts, nearly 100 dance squad hopefuls fill the corridors with sequins and a rainbow of sports bras. Yes, they bring makeup and hair spray and engage in plenty of primping, but they also generate an atmosphere undeniably befitting of the sports arena: competition.

"Everyone definitely brings their A-game," says Brittany Brown of St. Peters, Mo., an incoming MU freshman who ultimately did not make the team. "It's really hard when you're in that room. It's so hot, your body is working overtime, and there

are so many things you have to think about. But it's showtime."

During tryouts April 23–24, 2010, a total of 98 women competed for 30 spots. Nobody was safe — even the dancers already on the roster had to try out again.

"I do not believe in a sense of entitlement whatsoever," says Coach Shannon Fry, who has led the team since 1998 and was a Golden Girl herself from 1990 to 1994. "Everything these girls get, they earn."

Some prospective team members don't make it past the tryout clinics — informa-

tion sessions where applicants gain insight into what to expect at tryouts and life as a Golden Girl. Fry, a straight shooter, doesn't sugarcoat her expectations. A sampling:

- "I'm sure your moms are great. I just don't want to deal with them."
- "If you plan to come to college and be a crazy college girl, do not try out. I have no tolerance for that kind of thing."
- "Our fans expect an athletic group of girls, and I do too. It's tough — if you're not in good shape, you're not going to make it."
- "The first reason you should come to

Mizzou is because you want to come to Mizzou. I appreciate it if you want to be a Golden Girl, but you have to want to be here.”

Of the 96 applicants who showed up for clinics, only 75 participated in the first night of tryouts. Of those, 27 returned the next day to compete against 23 members of the 2009–10 squad.

Each day of tryouts lasts about five hours. During that time, dancers learn one dance and one pom routine and perform them, two at a time, in front of the judges. On the second day, each applicant also choreographs her own 30-second freestyle dance. During the performances, judges evaluate the dancers’ technique — leaps, turns, kicks, etc. — and look for “crowd-pleasing” potential.

“I really look for girls who are great performers,” Fry says. “We’re the performance aspect — the pageantry — of the game. They need to be good dancers, able to do straight-arm pom and wear the uniform, but they may not be the best dancers. Sometimes you can just look at them and tell.”

At the end of tryouts, two dancers who were formerly on the team weren’t invited back. Nine new dancers joined the squad.

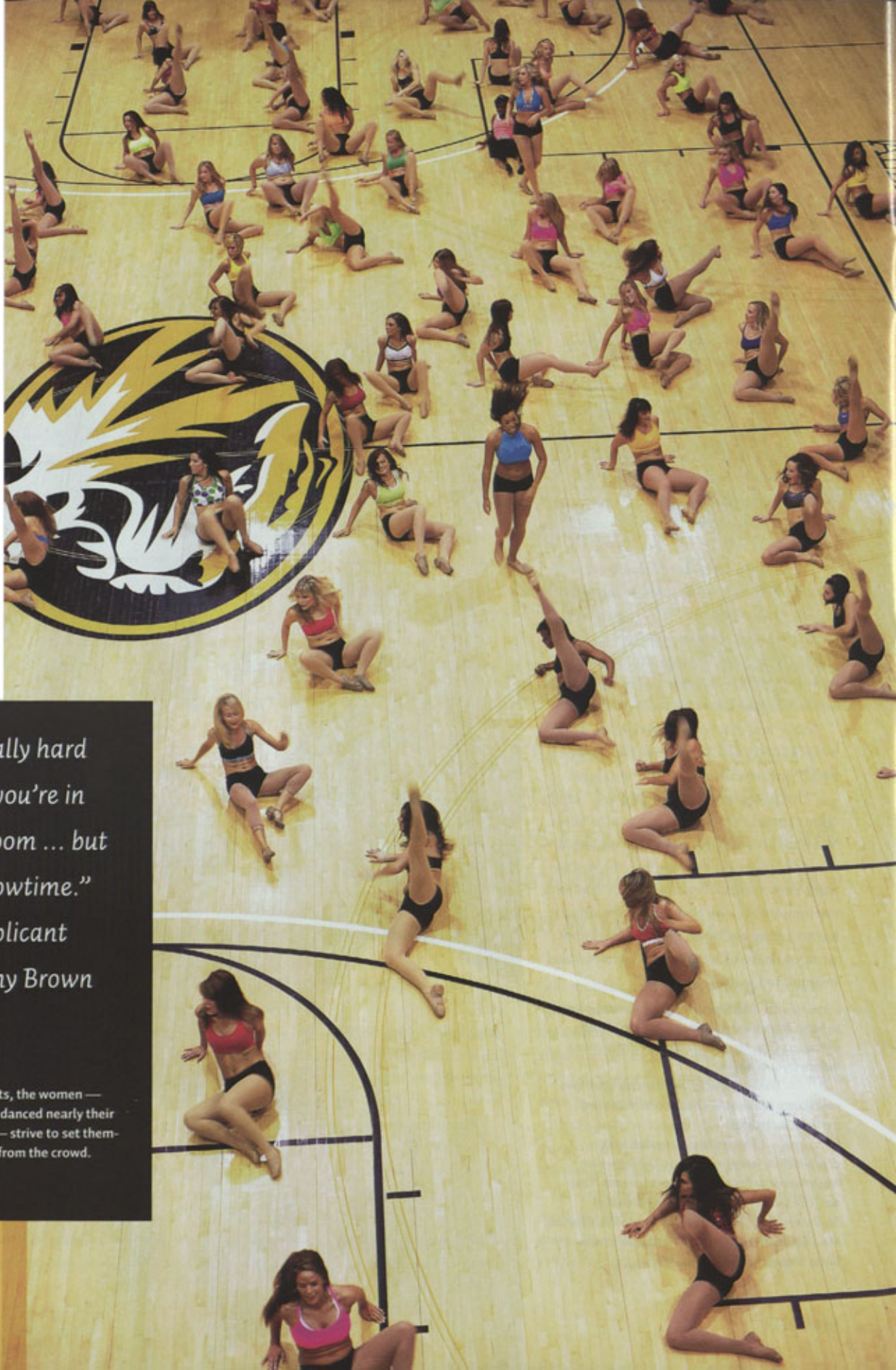
“This is my fourth year trying out,” says team captain Elize Schlueter, a senior from St. Louis. “It’s still intimidating because all the girls coming in have been in the studio three days a week.” Teammate Amy Trader, a sophomore of Columbia, adds: “It’s almost harder trying out again because you know what you have to lose. We’re all nervous and intimidated in different ways.”

**Opposite page:** Golden Girl hopefuls have plenty to learn from former Golden Girl Sara Liechti of Kansas City, Mo., who calls out instructions before tryouts begin.

**Top right:** During tryouts, the dancers learn two new dance routines in about 60 minutes and perform for judges.

**Bottom right:** In a hallway crowded with competition, longtime friends and incoming freshmen pray for one another’s success. They are, clockwise from left, Brittany Brown of St. Peters, Mo.; Stephanie Graflage of St. Charles, Mo.; Claire Windham of St. Peters, Mo.; and Katie Sindelar of St. Peters, Mo.

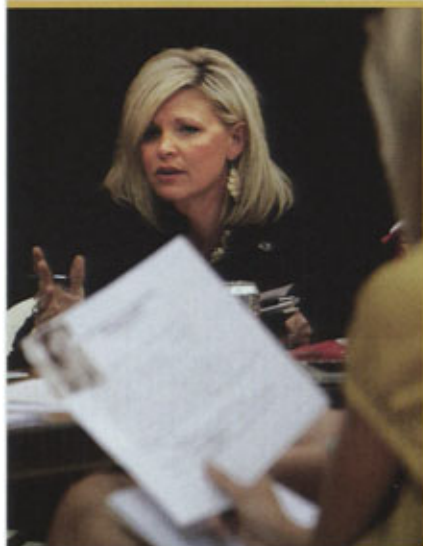




*"It's really hard  
when you're in  
that room ... but  
it's showtime."*

— applicant  
**Brittany Brown**

During tryouts, the women —  
who all have danced nearly their  
entire lives — strive to set them-  
selves apart from the crowd.



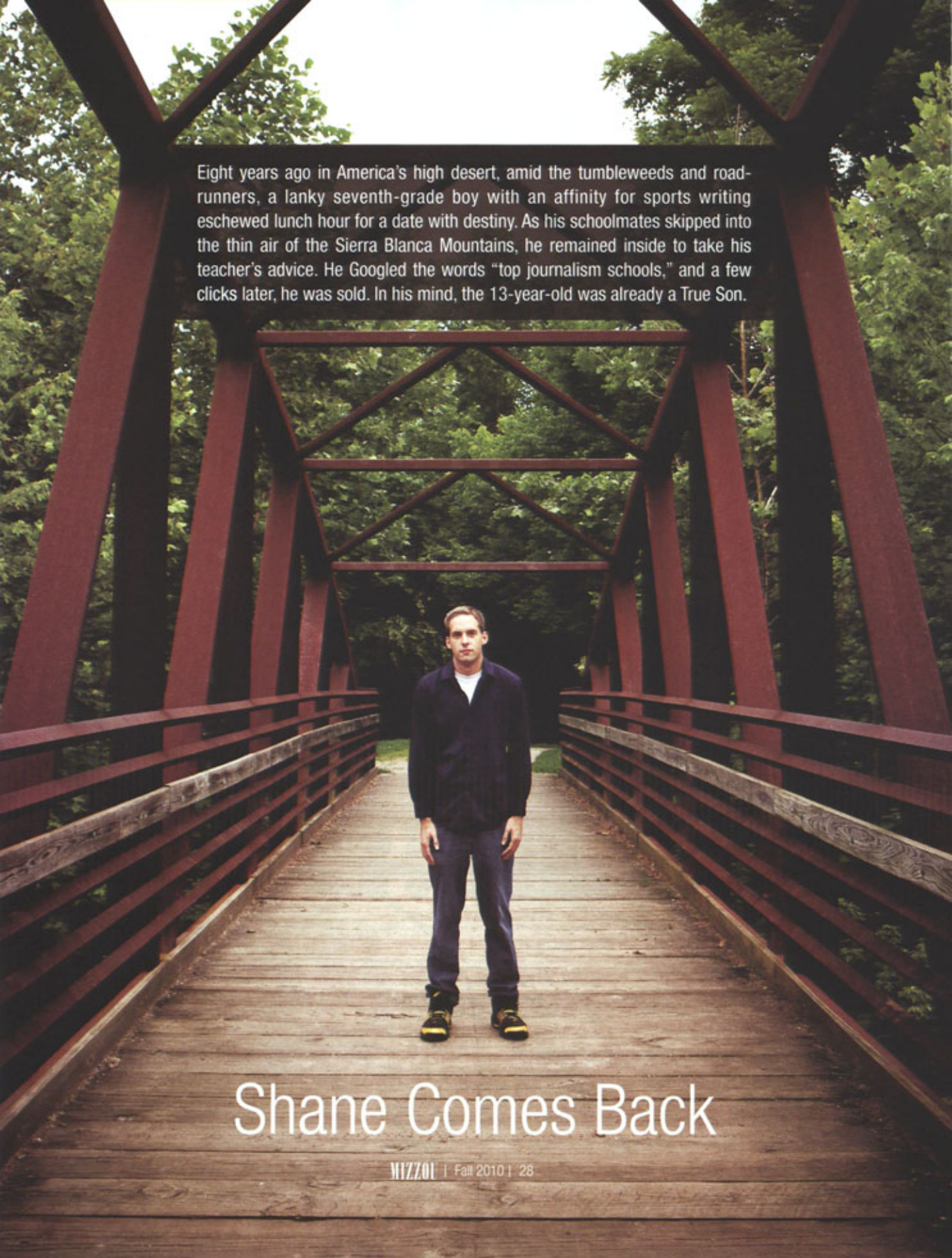
For the new team, the hard work is just beginning. To prepare for performances at football and basketball games, the dancers will spend three to four hours on Tuesday evenings practicing in their studio and three hours on Wednesday and Friday nights rehearsing with Marching Mizzou. In addition, team members also perform community service projects throughout the school year.

"School comes first, then the team," Fry says. "Being a Golden Girl is a full-time commitment." ■

**Top:** A dancer performs for the judges while others wait their turn.  
**Above left:** Coach Shannon Fry is not an official judge, but she does opine during deliberations.  
**Above right:** At a Mizzou Arena entrance, judges post photographs of the 30 women who made the team, their faces tell all.  
**Right:** Sabrina McEvers of Kansas City, Mo., celebrates making the cut with her mother.

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Eight years ago in America's high desert, amid the tumbleweeds and road-runners, a lanky seventh-grade boy with an affinity for sports writing eschewed lunch hour for a date with destiny. As his schoolmates skipped into the thin air of the Sierra Blanca Mountains, he remained inside to take his teacher's advice. He Googled the words "top journalism schools," and a few clicks later, he was sold. In his mind, the 13-year-old was already a True Son.

# Shane Comes Back



Story by Marcus Wilkins  
Photos by Nicholas Benner

# More daunting than the 950-plus miles

separating his Ruidoso, N.M., home from Columbia was the financial, academic and personal odyssey before him. With two brothers and a single mother living on government subsidies and food stamps, he would need to be resourceful to leave New Mexico after high school. He would need unshakable optimism and a winning personality. He would need steadfast faith.

Fortunately for Shane Hoffman, he had all those things and more.

**MOST OF SHANE'S** 22 years divide neatly into thirds. The middle child of triplets (fraternal brother Cody is two minutes older; identical brother Dillon is 28 minutes younger), Shane has always shared birthday gifts, socks and bedrooms.

The Hoffmans are the only triplets in the history of Ruidoso, and they grew up somewhere between celebrity and anonymity. They sing three-part harmony, duel bitterly at rock-paper-scissors and at 6-foot-6, 6-foot-5 and 6-foot-3, form a formidable frontcourt.

"When I was pregnant, I had a sonogram, and I saw three images," says mother Dawn Hoffman. "One was dancing, one was singing, and one was on his knees like a preacher."

But the boys found out that individuality comes at a premium when you're a triplet, even when most residents in a town of about 8,000 know your name.

"It's completely unfair when people box us in and say, 'That's the athletic one,' or 'That's the academic one,'" Dillon says.

Shane discovered a gift for public speaking through the encouragement of Diorly Stierwalt, his eighth-grade English teacher and Optimist Oratorical Competition coach. All three brothers are solid students, but for college, mom wouldn't be able to foot the bill.

"We grew four inches and three shoe sizes a year for four straight years," Shane says. "Keeping up with that would be a burden for anyone."

After graduating in 2006 from high school, Cody and Dillon followed scholarships to New Mexico State University in Las Cruces and Willamette University in Salem, Ore., respectively.

Shane applied to Mizzou — and only Mizzou.

His grades were solid, and he was accepted in 2005. But his score of 26 on the ACT fell just short of qualifying him for almost every out-of-state scholarship. He could have remained in-state, but he stayed his course.

"I didn't want to apply to any other school because any other school wouldn't have been my dream school," Shane says.

Yet he had no driver's license, hadn't even visited Mizzou and might have arrived on campus sight unseen had it not been for the generosity of another teacher's husband, who purchased him a plane ticket to MU for spring break 2005.

After visiting, he loved it. The next year, his guidance counselor drove Shane cross-country to start college. He arrived with



The Hoffman triplets: Shane, left, and Dillon, right, are identical, while Cody, center, is a fraternal triplet.

\$18,000 in loans and a new pair of black-and-gold size 16½ Adidas. His shared room in Hudson Hall was the largest personal space he'd ever inhabited.

"To tell you the truth, I thought I was going to live in Jesse Hall," Shane says. "When we first drove up, I remember thinking, I really want that room in the dome where the light is."

Shane hit the ground running. After his first semester, a 4.0 GPA gave him the confidence to approach Brian Brooks, associate dean of the School of Journalism, and ask for financial assistance. Brooks offered Shane a scholarship with the proviso that he maintain a 3.5 GPA. He came through with a 3.8, and he landed a summer job in 2006 as a gas station attendant in Kansas City, Mo., where he lived with a high school teacher's sister and brother-in-law.

Now a Missouri resident, he applied to become a Residential Life peer adviser in Cramer Hall. Shane felt like a sultan with his room and board provided; he subtracted \$8,000 from his college expenses.

"He came here on a wing and a prayer," Brooks says. "He's been dogged in the pursuit of his degree. This is not a word I use often when it comes to students, but I *admire* this kid."

**WHEN SHANE WENT** home for Christmas 2008, things couldn't have been better. All three brothers were enjoying collegiate success, and Dawn was living at a Ruidoso cabin resort where she was a full-time office employee. For the first time in their lives, the Hoffman family had comfortable digs with a little legroom.

But over break, Dillon learned his mom was about to be laid off. Because the cabin was part of her compensation, the family would be homeless.

"It was a big turning point for me because I'm someone who likes to plan ahead," Shane says. "When you don't have a home to come back to, you can't think like that because there are so many questions."

Back at Mizzou, Shane continued to excel. In Professor Greeley Kyle's notoriously





challenging Broadcast 2 class, Shane earned an A+ despite being limited to Columbia without a car. Other students typically travel to Jefferson City and various Missouri locations for stories.

Several months later, another bomb dropped. Cody received a MySpace message from a woman claiming to be one of his three half-sisters — daughters from the triplets' estranged father's first marriage. With no prior knowledge of his sisters' existence, Shane called 29-year-old Jessica.

"I said, 'Hi. My name is Shane Hoffman. I'm apparently your half-brother, and I've known this for exactly 30 seconds,'" Shane says. Jessica shrieked with joy. She and 25-year-old sister Megan had been searching for the triplets for 15 years.

When the subject of the boys' absent father inevitably came up, Jessica revealed that he had terminal liver cancer, among other health problems.

Again, Shane wasted little time reaching out. In November 2009, he said a quick



**Top:** At the KBIA studio, Mizzou's National Public Radio affiliate, Hoffman, a senior broadcast major, edits audio commentary for one of his stories.

**Bottom:** As a peer adviser in Mark Twain Hall, Hoffman raised \$650 to fund 250 "finals bags" for students studying for exams. Here, he and hall coordinator Laura Denlinger distribute the goodies.

prayer and called his father, Doug Newell, for the first time.

"In a Southern drawl, he answered, 'Now why is someone calling me from New Mexico?'"

"Because this is your son, Shane."

They made awkward small talk. In subsequent conversations, the Vietnam War veteran admitted to drug use and alcoholism when the triplets were young. He explained that he initially demanded the boys take the Newell name, but with six child payments on a mailman's salary, he relented. He apologized to Shane, heaped praise on his son for his articulate manner of speech and berated himself profusely.

The son then unexpectedly thanked his father for making what Shane calls "the right choice" back in 1990.

"We were spared from a life torn between two parents," Shane says. "To grow up in a close, loving family, we could have had all the money in the world, and I wouldn't be the same person I am today."

On the other end of the line, Doug Newell cried.

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**UNTIL FALL 2009**, Shane had never had an out-of-town guest visit him in Columbia. So he saved up his dining hall meals, bought his mom a plane ticket and scored some Mizzou-Nebraska football tickets. He wanted to make sure she wouldn't have to spend a dime as a guest in his Mark Twain Hall double room. It was the ultimate Mizzou vacation.

"When I came here and saw that everyone knew him and all his teachers wanted to meet me, I was the one who felt like a real celebrity," Dawn says, laughing.

But it's the relentless Shane Hoffman who has become one of the most recognizable undergraduates at MU.

On Feb. 21, 2010, he was named to the Mizzou '39, a Mizzou Alumni Association honor that recognizes outstanding seniors for their academics, leadership and talent. Five days later, Shane, his mother and Cody sat with Chancellor Brady J. Deaton at the banquet.

"The story of the university and the School of Journalism was inspiring to him,"



MU Chancellor Brady J. Deaton visits with Cody Hoffman (center) and Shane Hoffman (right) at the 2010 Mizzou '39 Award banquet Feb. 26, 2010, in the Reynolds Alumni Center.

Deaton says. "He formulated a goal and remained committed to it even through circumstances that would have ordinarily led someone down a very different path."

On April 8, Shane became one of 20 McNair Scholars, a program that helps first-generation college students pursue a post-graduate education. So far, Shane has managed to pay off more than \$16,000 in loans and has kept his bank account balance above zero.

In November 2009, Newell told Shane he had received a 100 percent disability rating from the federal government, which made his son eligible for funding that alleviated most of his remaining college debt. Now he's having second thoughts about his path toward sports journalism in favor of teaching, although he certainly appreciates having options.

"In some ways, I feel my funds in college have been like the biblical feeding of the 5,000," Shane says, referring to the New Testament story in which Jesus feeds the multitude with only seven loaves and fishes.

As for his family situation, relationships are still forming as father, sons and sisters get to know one another. On Dec. 29, 2009, Jessica gave birth to Noah, making the trip-

**The Hoffmans, from left, Dillon, Dawn, Cody, grandfather Roy, Shane and grandmother Elayne, gathered for this photo in December 2009 in their Ruidoso, N.M., hometown.**

lets uncles. On July 6, 2010, in San Antonio, the boys met their father, two sisters and nephew for the first time. The family ate Mexican food, went bowling and did a lot of talking. After a five-day visit, Shane returned to Columbia with a greater appreciation for his serendipitous life at Mizzou.

Shane says he hopes his story convinces students and parents that, even in a down economy, you can pursue your dreams. With his McNair Scholarship, the post-graduate world is his oyster. But he'll probably stick close to the Columns.

"Love is the strongest word in the English language," Shane says. "But it doesn't come close to the way I feel about Mizzou." ■

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# TRADITION SET IN STONE

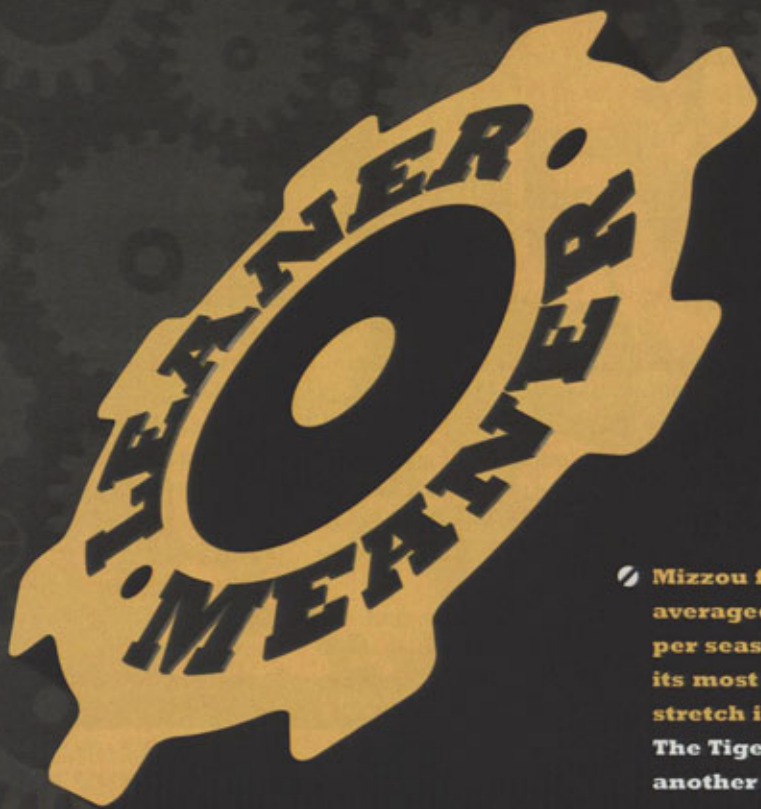
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**BLAINE GABBERT >**

A healthy and more mature junior quarterback Blaine Gabbert is poised to lead the Tigers on another run at the Big 12 North title.



● **Mizzou football has averaged nine wins per season since 2005, its most successful stretch in decades. The Tigers plan to find another gear in 2010.**

**BY  
MARCUS  
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**For three years, Mizzou's football schedule has begun with an Illini brawl in St. Louis and concluded with a KU collision in Kansas City. The contests in Missouri's two largest metropolitan areas are rife with emotion and consequence. The former can be a catapult for a successful campaign while the latter has divined division championships, bowl destinations and No. 1 rankings between century-old rivals. Success on both sides of the state is key to recruiting top regional talent.**

**BUT FROM** a 2010 perspective, Mizzou's schedule mimics what was an offseason roller coaster. It's fitting that it launches with Big Ten rival Illinois on Sept. 4 after eight months of drama surrounding conference realignment (see story on Page 12). The season surges through nonconference opponents (including the Mountain West's San Diego State on Sept. 18), races toward the eight-game Big 12 loop and summits with an Arrowhead adrenaline rush against a most familiar foe.

Fear of the unknown can make for a scary ride, and with so much up in the air this offseason, many Missouri fans will be relieved to see the Kansas Jayhawks on Nov. 27. Until kickoff, that is.

### **BUCKLE YOUR SEATBELTS**

**THE TIGERS** appeared in their fifth straight bowl game in 2009, a result of winning seasons under head Coach Gary Pinkel. It's the longest such streak at Mizzou since Coach Warren Powers' six consecutive winning seasons led to appearances in two Liberty Bowls, a Hall of Fame Classic, a Holiday Bowl and a Tangerine Bowl between 1978-83.

Only as good as its last game, Mizzou has ample room for improvement after a 35-13 loss to Navy in the Texas Bowl Dec. 31, 2009, in Houston. Midshipman quarterback Ricky Dobbs ran the flexbone offense to perfection, personally rushing for 166 yards while the Tiger offense stalled repeatedly.

But Pinkel has been around long enough to know better than to evaluate 2009 based solely on the ultimate contest.

"You have to look at the entire season," he says. "We had a big win over KU, which got us another eight-win season. Of course, if we win that bowl game and get nine, I'd be sitting here a lot happier."

Blaine Gabbert — arguably the most touted quarterback recruit in Pinkel's 10-year tenure — gave the coach plenty to smile about in 2009. The Ballwin, Mo., junior posted a 140.45 passing-efficiency rating, second in the Big 12 only to Heisman Trophy finalist Colt McCoy of Texas.

But the 6-foot-5, 240-pounder was hampered by a severely sprained ankle suffered in a 27-12 loss to Nebraska on Oct. 8 in Columbia. Now that he's completely healed and a few pounds lighter, Gabbert is poised for a better 2010.

"I rehabbed all winter, and now my ankle is back to 100 percent," Gabbert says. "I've been right around 240 since I've been here, but we've been working this offseason to drop two or three pounds, which helps your body and your movement."

Also lighter is Derrick Washington (Raymore, Mo.), who was already nimble and one of the most prolific pass-catching running backs in Mizzou history. The senior saw his production dip in 2009, but he impressed coaches, teammates and sports writers this spring.

"Coach told me, 'D-Wash, lose a little weight, and you'll be just like you were your sophomore year,'" Washington says. "I took that to heart, and I feel a little quicker on my feet."

Junior De'Vion Moore (St. Louis) and sophomore Kendial Lawrence (Rockwall, Texas) will share the load with Washington in the backfield, completing a trio that rushed for 1,342 yards in 2009.

Offensive linemen are typically less concerned about their svelte figures, and the Tigers' bunch will be formidable in 2010. Mizzou returns preseason All-Big 12 senior center Tim Barnes (Longwood, Mo.), along with four juniors: Elvis Fisher (St. Petersburg, Fla.), who recovered from offseason shoulder surgery, and Dan Hoch (Harlan, Iowa) at the tackle positions, and guard Austin Wuebbels (Troy, Ill.). Along with guard Jayson Palmgren (Kansas City, Mo.), the early leader to take over for graduated three-year starter Kurtis Gregory, Mizzou's O-line tops 300 pounds at every position.

At wideout, the tallest order will be replacing All-American Danario Alexander, whose NCAA-best 1,781 receiving yards set a Mizzou single-season record last year. Juniors Jerrell Jackson (Houston) and Wes Kemp (St. Louis) and sophomore Rolandis Woodland (St. Louis) saw game action in 2009, and redshirt freshman L'Damian Washington (Shreveport, La.) and sophomore T.J. Moe (O'Fallon, Mo.) are expected to contribute more.

Mizzou fans noticed the numbers slip at the tight end position last season, something Pinkel says could change with a healthy Andrew Jones (Smithville, Mo.) and a more experienced Michael Egniew (Plainview, Texas), both juniors. Missouri's offense typically allows for four receivers, sometimes including the tight end. According to Pinkel, the coaching staff employed the position less frequently than in previous years because of abundant wide-out talent.

"That's going to be an area where there's

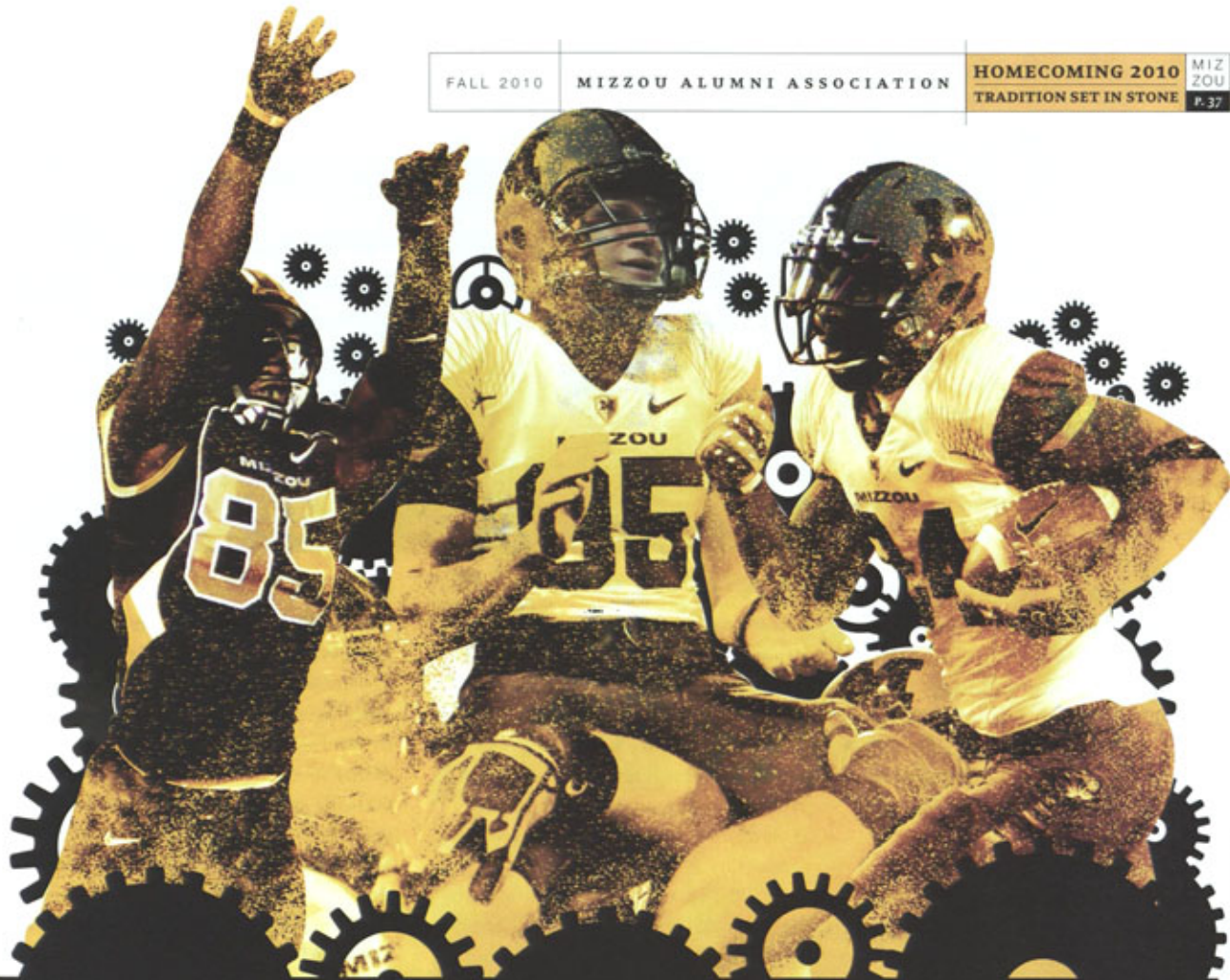


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**ALDON SMITH**

SOPHOMORE, DEFENSIVE END  
RAYTOWN, MO., 6-5, 255 POUNDS

**Signature moment:** Sacked Colorado quarterback Tyler Hansen three times in the Tigers 36-17 victory over the Buffs on Halloween 2009 in Boulder, Colo.

- Holds the Mizzou single-season record with 11.5 sacks in 2009, a record previously held by Justin Smith, AFNR '01, (11 in 2000)
- Finished 2009 ninth in the NCAA in sacks and 14th in tackles for loss
- Named 2009 Associated Press Big 12 Defensive Newcomer of the Year and Big 12 Coaches Defensive Freshman of the Year

**GRANT RESSEL**

JUNIOR, PLACEKICKER  
JACKSON, MO., 6-1, 190 POUNDS

**Signature moment:** Kicked a 27-yard field goal as time expired to beat Kansas 41-39 on Nov. 28, 2009, at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo. He was carried off the field on his teammates' shoulders.

- Holds the NCAA record for combined accuracy, making 65 of 66 kicks overall, including 26 of 27 field goals in 2009
- Going into the 2010 season, Mizzou kickers have made 237 consecutive extra points since their last miss in 2005. The Tigers need 26 more to break the NCAA record set by Syracuse from 1978 to 1989.

**DERRICK WASHINGTON**

SENIOR, RUNNING BACK  
RAYMORE, MO., 6-0, 225 POUNDS

**Signature moment:** Rushed for a then career-high 130 yards on 19 carries in a 52-42 win over Illinois Aug. 30, 2008, at the Edward Jones Dome in St. Louis

- With 2,085 yards, Washington ranks 10th on the Mizzou career rushing list and is only the 12th player to eclipse 2,000 yards in Tiger history.
- Fumbled only six times in 468 career touches
- His 503 yards receiving is third all time among Mizzou running backs, 210 yards behind record-holder Ronnell Kayhill, BS '94.

a lot of competition, and it will bring the best out of everyone," Pinkel says.

### CRASH COURSE

AS BRIGHT as NFL first-round draft choice Sean Weatherspoon was on defense last season, a star was born in sophomore Aldon Smith (Raytown, Mo.), owner of the new single-season sack record at Mizzou with 11.5 in 2009. After the spring Black and Gold Game, the preseason All-Big 12 defensive end humbly, then honestly, answered the question: Can you be stopped?

"Sure ... maybe."

Also returning to the defensive line are juniors Dominique Hamilton (El Paso, Texas) and Jacques Smith (Dallas) in front of a solid linebacking corps that features the team's leading returning tackler, senior Andrew Gachkar (Overland Park, Kan.), junior Will Ebner (Friendswood, Texas) and senior Luke Lambert (Brookfield, Mo.)

The secondary has taken more criticism than any unit in recent years, but the group improved statistically in yards and completions allowed from 2008. Senior cornerbacks Carl Gettis (O'Fallon, Mo.) and Kevin Rutland (Houston) return, as do senior safeties Jasper Simmons (Pensacola, Fla.) and Jarrell Harrison (Las Vegas). In the pass-happy Big 12, the experience should pay off.

Second-year defensive coordinator Dave Steckel is also a little wiser. Mizzou improved overall on defense last season, and many players credit the former Marine's discipline and intensity.

**'We had a big win over KU, which got us another eight-win season. Of course, if we win that bowl game and get nine, I'd be sitting here a lot happier.'**

**— Coach Gary Pinkel**

### KICK IT INTO GEAR

TIGER FANS have been spoiled recently by quality kicking and punting. Junior Grant Ressel (Jackson, Mo.) broke the NCAA single-season record for combined kick accuracy in 2009, connecting on 65 of 66 kicks. Most memorably, his marksmanship broke Jayhawk hearts with a 27-yard game-winner on Nov. 28, 2009, in Kansas City.

"I coach kickers," jokes Pinkel, referring to the surprising careers of Ressel, former standout kicker Jeff Wolfert and former punter Jake Harry, whose 42.1 yards-per-kick set a Mizzou career record.

Pinkel says he plans to emphasize special-teams play this fall.

"If the other team returns it to the 40-yard line, you've given up that momentum. But if you put the ball down on the 22, your defense takes the field with momentum."

### SHIFTING GOALS

THE 2009 Missouri Tigers were Pinkel's youngest group to date, with 34 of their top 44 players either freshmen or sophomores. Pinkel agrees with pundits who have called the 2010 recruiting class his best yet. Some of that youth will immediately compete for roster spots. But now that last year's youngsters have become the wily veterans, Mizzou has realistic designs to compete for the Big 12 North and a trip to the championship game at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas, on Dec. 4.

With a trimmed-down Big 12 on its way in 2011, the Tigers are gearing up for what could be the last conference title game for the foreseeable future.

"Our highest goal as a program is to win the national championship," Pinkel says. "But you can't win the national championship or the Big 12 championship unless you win the Big 12 North." ■

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OCT. 9	COLORADO
OCT. 16	AT TEXAS A&M
OCT. 23	OKLAHOMA (HOMECOMING)
OCT. 30	AT NEBRASKA
NOV. 6	AT TEXAS TECH
NOV. 13	KANSAS STATE**
NOV. 20	AT IOWA STATE
NOV. 27	KANSAS (KANSAS CITY)

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## A Tiger recalls glory days

By Russ Sloan, BS Ed '61, M Ed '63

**FIFTY-FOUR YEARS AGO** I received a call from the Missouri football coaches telling me I would receive a scholarship. Because Columbia was my home, it meant even more to me, perhaps, to play before my family, fans, friends and classmates.

My first instinct following the call was to find my Hickman High School coach, Bob Roark, and share the good news. When I told him about the scholarship, I eagerly awaited some kind of congratulatory response. Roark, M Ed '50, was an outstanding coach. He thought for a moment before he responded, and his words still ring in my ears. Looking at me with those piercing eyes, he said, "Well, Russ, a certain number of players will flunk out, a certain number will get hurt, and a certain number will get discouraged and quit." He paused and said, "You might make it!" Then he turned and walked away, leaving my ego deflated.

Freshmen were not eligible for varsity play in 1956, and between scholarship athletes and walk-ons, we probably had close to 100 freshmen that first day of practice. I was one of 17 ends, all of whom I carefully counted. Our coaches — Clay Cooper, BS Ed '41, M Ed '49, and John Kadlec, BS Ed '51, M Ed '52 — would become Tiger coaching legends.

Through the next four years, everything Coach Roark told me came to pass. Some players flunked out, some got hurt, but most got discouraged and dropped out. As seniors, there were nine of us left, and I was the only one still playing at the end position.

There is no question in my mind that our class played during Missouri football's most historic time.

I am proud to have played with Missouri's first black footballers, Norris Stevenson, BS Ed '61, M Ed '63, and Mel West, BS Ed '61, M Ed '69. They were superb athletes and outstanding individuals. Our class



Sevitar photo

was Coach Don Faurot's last freshman team, Frank Broyles' only team and Dan Devine's first two teams.

We were the first group to move from the old Rollins practice field to the current fields across from the stadium (now west of the Missouri Athletic Training Complex). Facebars and mouthpieces became mandatory during our careers. The two-point option following a touchdown was implemented in 1958. And in 1959, we beat a favored Air Force team on regional TV in Columbia — MU's first televised victory.

That year, our Orange Bowl team (1960 Orange Bowl) statistically outplayed Georgia, but a pretty good quarterback by the name of Fran Tarkenton was largely the difference in the 14-0 loss. Even in defeat, that season set the stage for the 1960 team's Orange Bowl victory in 1961. I believe that group is still the greatest Mizzou squad to

Russ Sloan rumbles down the field during a 13-9 Mizzou victory over Kansas Nov. 21, 1959. The Tigers went on to play Georgia in the Orange Bowl that season.

take the field in the past 60 years.

From 1956–59, we had four Hall of Fame coaches at Missouri — Faurot, Broyles, Devine and Jerry Claiborne, who served on Coach Broyles' staff. We were also blessed with an outstanding cadre of assistant coaches, including Al Onofrio, Doug Weaver, Harry Smith, Kadlec, Cooper, Jim McKinzie, Merrill Green, Tom Fletcher and the remarkable National Trainer Association Hall of Famer Fred Wappel.

I value my days and playing career at Mizzou more than I can say.

As each season passed from my freshman to senior year, I never forgot Coach Roark's words, "You might make it!" They summed it all up and kept me focused. ■■■

## Students make Homecoming happen

Working within the Mizzou Alumni Association, Tony Wirkus, Maggie Glenski and Ben Grosdidier lead the 2010 Homecoming Steering Committee. The committee of 29 students plans and executes a parade (See Page 43), blood drive (See Page 45) and talent show. Check out what the trio say not only about Homecoming but also about their likes and dislikes for life in general.

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## ● Tony Wirkus

21, Kansas City, Mo.

Parks, recreation and tourism major

**Self-description:** Organized, ambitious, clever

**First thing I thought when I found out I was a director:** I need to clear my schedule for the next 11 months.

**Best idea I've had as a director:**

Creating a traditions committee so two students can focus on preserving the spirit of Homecoming across campus

**Favorite thing about Homecoming:**

Campus decorations, when the Greek community showcases everything it's been working on since September

**Most exciting experience:** Watching the football Tigers beat Kansas to become ranked No. 1

**Can't live without:** My phone

**Have always wanted to:** Go to the very top of Jesse Hall and look down on the entire campus

**Glad I did it but wouldn't do it again:**

Climbed a mountain in Utah while wearing flip-flops

**Biggest fear:** The unknown. I always want to be prepared.

**Splurge:** Caffeinated drinks

**Most important quality in a sweetheart:**

Flexibility — I tend to overschedule myself.

**Deal breaker in a romance:** I couldn't date someone taller than me; it would just be weird.

**Would never:** Forget the 1985 World Series, even though I wasn't alive for it

**Biggest weakness:** Stubbornness

**Dream job:** Mizzou athletic director

**Favorite game:** Super Mario Brothers. I'm not coordinated enough to play any other video games.

**Obsession:** Anything Mizzou

**Superpower I'd like to have:** To not need sleep

**Favorite TV show:** *The Office* because I'll soon be working at a place that resembles Dunder Mifflin

**Favorite quote:** "Each of us should do something every day that we do not want to do, but we know we should do, to strengthen our backbone and put iron in our soul." — Henry Hitt Crane

## ● Maggie Glenski

21, Leawood, Kan.

Journalism major

**Self-description:** Dedicated, motivated, energetic

**Most challenging thing about being a director:** Working with two guys. They are very good at teaming up on me.

**My best idea as a director:** Expanding Homecoming awareness through social media, such as Facebook, Twitter and a blog

**Biggest surprise about college life:**

There are no snow days.

**Most exciting experience:** Kissing the 50-yard line at the 2009 Homecoming game

**Can't live**

**without:** Diet Coke

**Have always**

**wanted to:** Run

a marathon,

just to prove to

myself that I can

**A casual friend**

**would never**

**guess:** I sleep

with a nightlight

**Most important**

**quality in a**

**sweetheart:** Sense of humor

**Deal breaker in a friendship or romance:**

Drama. It belongs in the movies.

**First purchase after winning the lottery:**

A new phone — mine is missing buttons.

**Dream job:** Account manager at a global advertising agency

**First crush:** Ben Grosdidier and Tony Wirkus are my only crushes.

**I'd love to read the mind of:** My dog, so I know what it's like to be my best friend

**Favorite game:** Pig Mania — it's entertaining and based completely on luck

**Obsession:** The song "Black and Gold" by Sam Sparro

**Superpower I'd like to have:** Duplication so that I can be at two places at once

**Perfect day:** No tests, no meetings, no stress — just friends

**Best way to relax:** Lounging on the beach

**Favorite quote:** "If you never try, you'll never know just what you're worth."

— Coldplay, "Fix You"

Glad I did it  
but wouldn't  
do it again:  
Attended  
clown  
camp

## ● Ben Grosdidier

22, Springfield, Mo.

Business and biology major

**Self-description:** Fun, easygoing, upbeat

**Why I got involved in Homecoming:** You can't beat the atmosphere or the tradition.

**First thing I said when I found out I was a director:** I've got to buy more black and gold.

**What the Homecoming theme means to me:** "Tradition Set in Stone" is a great way to symbolize that Homecoming will always be here.

**Biggest surprise about college life:**

Studying is both expected and required.

**Most exciting experience:** The MU-KU basketball game my sophomore year when Zaire Taylor hit the buzzer beater and we rushed the court

**Ultimate dinner companion:** Bill Murray. The man could make a rock laugh.

**Can't live without:** Hot dogs

**Have always wanted to:** Ace a test in college

**A casual friend would never guess:** I'm a huge nerd. Huge.

**Glad I did it but wouldn't do it again:** Parasailing in Mexico. I got bored, but at least I can say I did it.

**Splurge:** Spicy chicken sandwich from Hardee's

**Most important quality in a sweetheart:**

Trust. It's too easy to keep tabs on your significant other, and I couldn't handle always knowing what she's doing.

**Most important quality in a friend:** Reliability. I can forgive you for anything if I know you have my back.

**First purchase after winning the lottery:** Steak dinner for my friends — they couldn't be jealous after that.

**Biggest weakness:** Micromanaging. Sometimes I have to pump the brakes.

**Dream job:** Video game tester

**First crush:** Topanga from *Boy Meets World*

**I'd love to read the mind of:** The smart kid in front of me in Physics 2

**Best way to relax:** Grilling on my front lawn

**Favorite quote:** "Treat trivial matters seriously and serious matters trivially."

— Oscar Wilde, *The Importance of Being Earnest*

# Newsman revisits his professional roots

CBS anchor and correspondent Russ Mitchell comes to Columbia in October 2010 as Homecoming grand marshal.

**RUSS MITCHELL, BJ '82**, CBS News national correspondent and anchor of the *CBS Evening News Sunday Edition*, will make local news himself as grand marshal of the Mizzou Alumni Association's Homecoming 2010.

Mitchell lives in New York but keeps a house in the St. Louis suburb of Kirkwood,

not far from his boyhood home of Webster Groves. He routinely pitches in at School of Journalism events on campus, including a summer camp for high school students. It was just such a camp, the Missouri Urban Journalism Workshop, that hooked Mitchell on journalism for good. "It was two weeks of writing, editing and producing stories for newspaper, television and radio. I left there with fire in the belly, saying 'I'm going to get a job at a TV station.'"

The CBS News national correspondent chuckles now, remembering what that first job turned out to be — night switchboard operator at KTVI-TV in St. Louis. "But I learned a lot there about the business and the operations of a television station." Now when Mitchell returns as a teacher at Mizzou, he's there to help, but he gets plenty in return. "It's fun to talk to students and hear their enthusiasm." Working with them

reminds Mitchell of earlier times in his career that were relatively unfettered — "Times before anybody told me, 'No, you can't do that.' I love getting the feeling again that, 'Yes, I can do that.' I come back charged."

Another bit of Mitchell's student-era inspiration for journalism revolves around football Saturdays on campus. He closely followed the Tigers including the exploits of quarterback Phil Bradley, BA '82, tight end Kellen Winslow, BES '87, and running back James Wilder, Educ '81.

"I remember during my freshman year walking down the street with a transistor radio listening to Mizzou play Nebraska." Bill Wilkerson called the game in which the Tigers beat No. 2-ranked Nebraska 35-31 in Lincoln. "I'll never forget the enthusiasm in Wilkerson's voice. At that point, it was really inspiring to hear a broadcaster so excited about what he was doing."



Photo by Clark Smith

Russ Mitchell, BJ '82, reigns as Homecoming grand marshal Oct. 23. Follow Mitchell's experiences as grand marshal at [twitter.com/russcbs](https://twitter.com/russcbs).

# Homecoming events

Oct. 11–14

## 25th Annual Homecoming Blood Drive

Thousands of students and alumni come together each year to support the Homecoming Blood Drive, one of the largest in the nation. Participate in Columbia, or visit [Mizzou.com](http://Mizzou.com) to find a satellite drive in your community.

noon–6 p.m. Oct. 11, 14, Hearnes Center

noon–9 p.m. Oct. 12, 13

Oct. 18–21

## Talent Competition

Check out Mizzou talent on display as students sing, dance and joke their way to local fame. Purchase tickets online at [Mizzou.com](http://Mizzou.com) or at the box office the day of the event.

6:30 p.m. Oct. 18–20, preliminaries, Jesse Auditorium

6 p.m. Oct. 21, finals

Oct. 22

## Campus Decorations

Gather in Greektown to watch stories come to life. Food and merchandise will be available. While there, join Mini Mizzou, the MU Spirit Squads and grand marshal Russ Mitchell, BJ '82, at the spirit rally.

6–10 p.m. tour decorations, Greektown

7:30 p.m. spirit rally

## MU Student Center Dedication

Check out Beetle Bailey's new hangout, and help launch the MU Student Center (See Page 46). For a full schedule of dedication activities, visit [mustudentcenter.com](http://mustudentcenter.com).

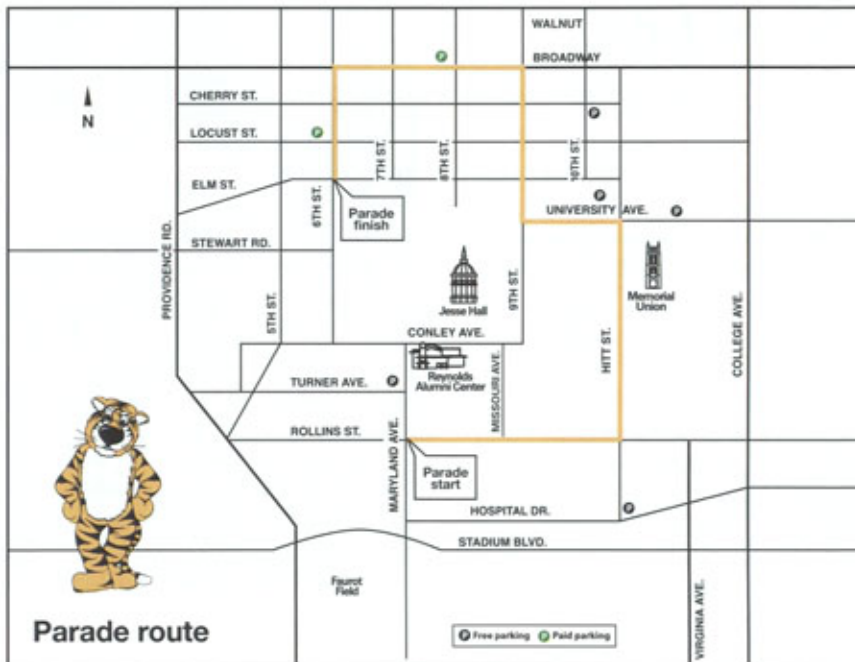
3 p.m., MU Student Center

Oct. 23

## Homecoming Parade

Get in the game-day spirit as floats, bands and performers make their way through downtown Columbia and the Mizzou campus.

Time TBA, campus and downtown Columbia



## Brewer Breakfast

Join MizzouRec at the 11th annual pancake breakfast for parade spectators. MizzouRec also will host scrimmages showcasing the women's basketball team and the wheelchair basketball team.

Time TBA, Mizzou Recreation Center

## Mizzou Alumni Association Member Appreciation Tailgate

Visit old friends and meet new ones at the association's Homecoming Tailgate. The event features a pre-game meal and beverages, member appreciation gifts and more. Registration is \$10 for association members,

\$15 for nonmembers and free for children 12 and under.

2.5 hours before kickoff, Hearnes Center  
 Register: [Mizzou.com](http://Mizzou.com)

## Homecoming Game vs. Oklahoma

The Tigers compete against the Oklahoma Sooners at Faurot Field in the annual Homecoming game. At halftime, watch the coronation of the Homecoming King and Queen.

Time TBA, Memorial Stadium

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## Wright on

The Mizzou Alumni Association's volunteer president for 2010–11 is a man of many media who has deep roots at MU and Columbia.

**RANDY WRIGHT, BGS '87, MA '02**, was the public address announcer at hundreds of Tiger football and basketball games. Wright recently moved to Florida after 44 years in Columbia working as vice president/general manager at ABC17, FOX22, MYZOUTV and ABC17 Stormtrack 24/7 television, and as general partner of Wright Communications, which owns radio station KZWV-FM. Get to know Wright in the following conversation with MIZZOU magazine.

**Q: What's your new job in Florida?**

**A:** I am executive director of multimedia properties for the University of Florida. I oversee the university's two television stations, four radio stations and numerous websites, which are part of the College of Journalism and Communications. My office is right across the street from "The Swamp," where the Gators play football.

**Q: What was it like being public address announcer for the Tigers — basketball for 22 years and football six years?**

**A:** I loved it! One of my favorite parts was when I started the M-I-Z, Z-O-U cheer after Tiger first downs. The first time I tried it was during the Mizzou-Nebraska game in 2007. We thought we needed something to keep the crowd involved throughout the game. It didn't take more than a couple of first downs to catch on, and the rest is history. There's nothing like the feeling of announcing, "First down, M-I-Z," and hearing 70,000 Tiger fans yell back, "Z-O-U."

**Q: What's your history with Columbia and Mizzou?**

**A:** My roots are deep, as are my wife's. Cortney [DVM '92] and I both went to Hickman High School and Mizzou. I still remember football Saturdays during the Al Onofrio era when I was a kid, walking outside my house and hearing Marching Mizzou practicing early in the morning. I

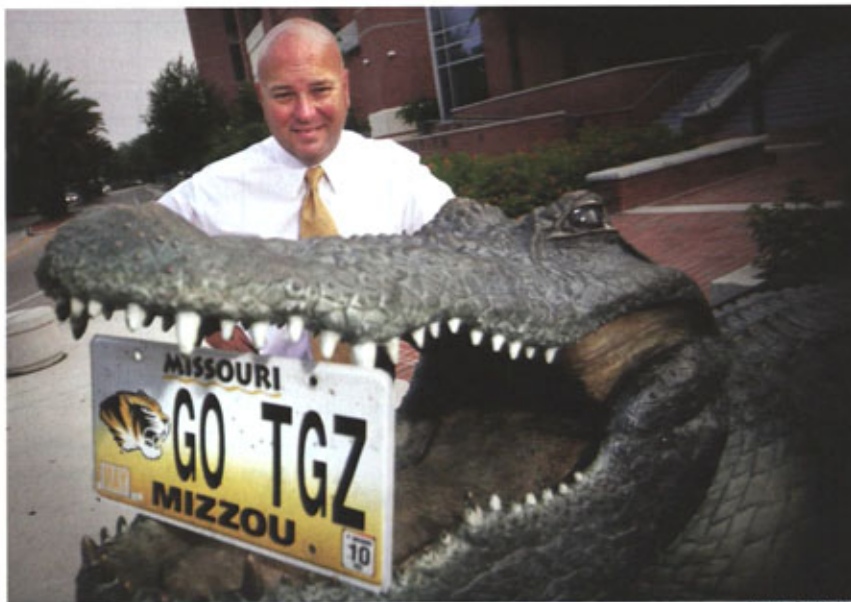


Photo by Brad Nettles

recall clearly when my dad, Marvin "Bunky" Wright, BA '58, JD '64, took me to basketball games at Brewer Fieldhouse, and afterward as we filed out I'd look up into the lights and see the haze from the cinder floors in the old gym. I started my television career at KOMU in the mid-1980s doing weather and working on the production crew. Professors and mentors like Jim Gibson in speech communication and Kent Collins, BJ '70, in journalism had a tremendous impact on my career and life.

**Q: Why have you become so involved with the Mizzou Alumni Association?**

**A:** I love the interaction with alumni across the country at bowl game parties, watch parties, fundraisers — all kinds of events. I'm always impressed by their enthusiasm for Mizzou and what it stands for. Even here in Gainesville, Fla., in the land of the Gators, I've found plenty of Mizzou school spirit in colleagues at the College of Journalism and Communications.

**Q: What do you look forward to as president?**

**A:** In fall 2011, we will celebrate the centennial of Mizzou's Homecoming. The association hosts this event, which was one of the first and is still one of the best anywhere. Homecoming is a wonderful tradition that brings us together. It's so important for alumni around the world to know that they always have a home at MU.

Mizzou Alumni Association President Randy Wright, BGS '87, MA '02, now works at the University of Florida but still eats up the Tigers.

**Q: What are your memories of Homecoming growing up in Columbia?**

**A:** From campus decs to parades and Tiger football games, memories of Homecoming are deeply ingrained in me. I'm especially looking forward to our family representing the association in the parade as we ride on the College of Veterinary Medicine's mule team wagon. That's special for us because my wife is a veterinarian, and our wedding actually included the mule team, which took us from the church to the reception. But we drew the line at inviting them to the reception.

### Get involved!

More than 1,000 Mizzou Alumni Association volunteers serve MU's best interests and preserve its traditions.

How would you like to join in?

- Meet other alumni in your area
  - Volunteer for a local alumni chapter or a school/college alumni organization
  - Advocate for MU through the Mizzou Legislative Network
  - Serve on the National Governing Board or a standing committee
  - Start an alumni chapter
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## Giving it all for MU

Mizzou's Homecoming Blood Drive celebrates its 25th anniversary in 2010.

THE RED CROSS REGION that includes Missouri and part of Illinois usually runs 25 or 30 blood drives a day and collects about 17,000 units of blood a month. But from Oct. 11-14, the Red Cross will send nearly all its phlebotomists to Columbia to handle Mizzou's huge Homecoming Blood Drive. During the 2009 Homecoming drive, students, faculty, staff and Columbians donated 4,252 units. Each unit can help save three lives, says Matt Gerke, a Red Cross communication manager. The student-run drive anchors a campus blood donation effort that nets about 8,400 units a year, making it one of the top three college-based programs nationwide.



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### Growth in blood collection at Homecoming



## Tailgate with the Tigers



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## Like tradition? Take a seat.

No matter when you graduated from Mizzou, the new MU Student Center's Traditions Lounge can call up a memory for you.

### A COMMITTEE OF Mizzou Alumni

Association volunteers had the nostalgic task of brainstorming a list of campus traditions past and present, several of which will be on permanent display. "Today's students who visit the lounge will see how things have changed and yet remain the same," says Dee Esry, BSN '55, M Ed '57, committee member and former association president.

The lounge, which contains a fireplace and upholstered seating, perches above an atrium containing five restaurants and a large dining area. It will be dedicated during Homecoming as part of two days of events

dedicating the center.

Esry brought plenty of experience, with traditions both old and new, to the committee. For instance, some traditions under consideration — Tiger Walk, Tiger Plaza — originated within the association during her presidency in 2000–01. Others — the Shack, the Stables — were emerging during her time as a student. Still others — the Columns, Homecoming — were entrenched long before Esry studied nursing and education at Mizzou. The traditions committee

**In the new Student Center, the Traditions Lounge, at right, overlooks a large dining area. The lounge celebrates traditions that originated across generations of MU students. Below, construction of the new center finished up during summer 2010.**

offered up the list of possibilities to Student Center planners, who fleshed out the details of the lounge.

Esry enjoyed her time on the committee. "You have a good feeling that you've helped preserve the traditions enshrined in that building," she says. "The presentations will build curiosity in the students who see them. Maybe they'll ask their parents and grandparents about them. That's history, and history is part of what a university represents."



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## Musing on the Big 12

With the football season upon us, I am reminded how the Big 12 almost imploded in June 2010. It was a whirlwind of events, and like many of you, I followed the action mostly through news reports, blogs and tweets. The episode illustrates the unique role our alumni association plays in the life of the university. Alumni nationwide were constantly weighing in on the issue, and campus leaders were asking what alumni thought about the matter. The association's role as the voice of 250,000-plus alumni is not an easy one, but we did serve as a conduit for information to campus leadership.

Here are some things I learned during the conference realignment discussions:

- Mizzou alumni and fans love our rivalry with Kansas. Over and over again, people told me that, no matter what, we need to continue playing the Jayhawks. The resuscitation of the Big 12 keeps the KU rivalry alive, along with several other

longstanding relationships with the old Big Eight schools.

- Mizzou fans were open to change. The snubs from bowls over the past three seasons were not forgotten. What's more, as the drama wore on, many expected a move to the Big Ten. When that didn't happen, fans were disappointed and wanted answers — answers only the Big Ten has. The fact is, no offer was made by the Big Ten, and the best option was to remain in the Big 12.

- Conference realignment was mainly about money. Although academic rankings and geography are considerations, television contracts for football programs and the money attached to them seemed to be the biggest factors.

- Finally, there is no doubt that Mizzou pride got dinged a bit during this process. It was tough for some to see a conference rival leave and go where most speculated Mizzou was headed. It gave the appearance that a better school was chosen, but that was a false appearance.

We cannot allow the results of conference realignment to define our institution. The growth and success of Mizzou over the past decade has been remarkable, and those things won't change. Alumni have been important partners in achieving that success and will continue to be as we build our alma mater.

Let me know what you think by dropping me a note at [mccubbint@missouri.edu](mailto:mccubbint@missouri.edu). Thank you for your support of Mizzou, and go Tigers!

*Todd McCubbin*

Todd McCubbin, M Ed '95  
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## Travel With Fellow Tigers

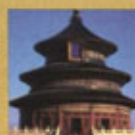
As a service to alumni who enjoy the adventure of travel and seek global learning experiences, the Tourin' Tiger travel program offers a variety of tour destinations, modes of travel and price ranges.

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## Rick McGuire honored

Each year, the Mizzou Alumni Association honors alumni and faculty members who are standouts in their fields.

**ONE OF THIS YEAR'S** Faculty-Alumni Award winners is former track Coach Rick McGuire, who retired in July 2010 after 27 years leading the program. He led Missouri athletes to 141 All-America honors, 110 individual conference championships, seven NCAA individual or relay titles and eight NCAA Regional championships. He has coached 46 Olympic Trials qualifiers and 27 USA National Team berths. Four of his athletes reached the Olympic Games. Two of these won silver medals — Natasha Kaiser-Brown, BA '90, in 1992 in Barcelona, and Christian Cantwell, AFNR '05, in 2008 in Beijing.

A hallmark of McGuire's program was his emphasis on academic achievement. His teams have had a long-standing presence on the All-Academic List of the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association. The women's team has earned a spot on the list for 46 consecutive seasons, and the men are at 22 consecutive seasons.

McGuire is a leader in the world of track and field. He was a member of the United States Olympic Team staff for the 1992 games in Barcelona and the 1996 games in Atlanta, and he recently served as president of the NCAA Division I Track and Field Coaches Association.

In 1985, McGuire founded MU's nationally prominent sport psychology program. He has taught in the program ever since and will continue to do so as well as work with athletes, coaches and staff in the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics.

This year's Faculty-Alumni Awards event will be held Oct. 8 in Columbia. For a complete list of winners, visit [mizzou.com](http://mizzou.com).

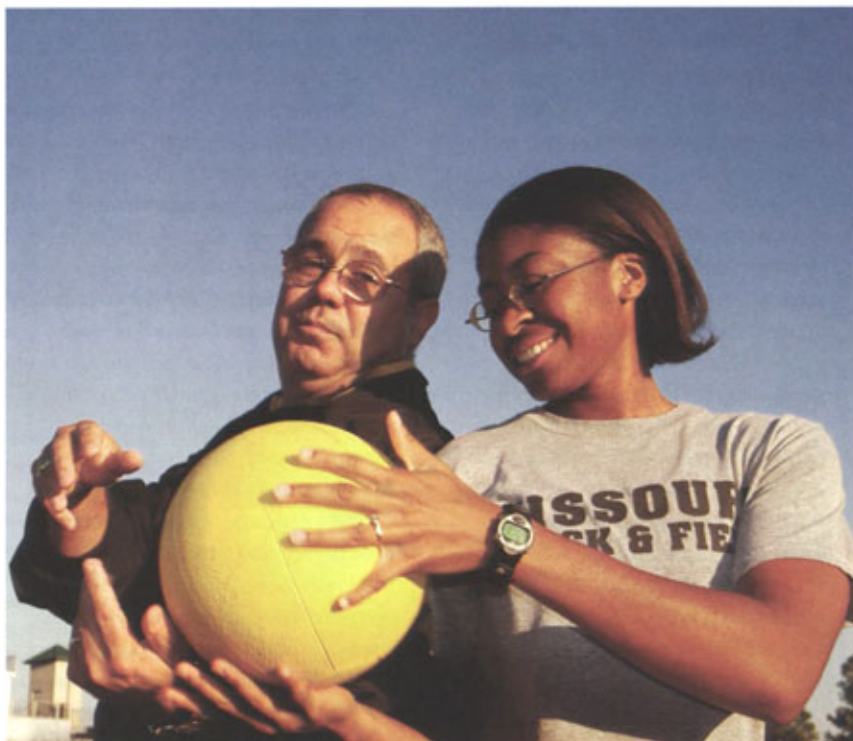


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Rick McGuire, now retired from coaching track, will receive a Faculty-Alumni Award from the Mizzou Alumni Association Oct. 8. In this 2005 photo, McGuire works with Margaret Ibe-Umah, BS '05, MD '09.

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Hit the links Sept. 20 at Old Hawthorne in Columbia for the inaugural Varsity M Golf Tournament. Proceeds support student athletes who have exhausted their eligibility to assist them in completing their degrees. Cost is \$150 per person. More: Visit [mizzou.com](http://mizzou.com), or call Jayson Meyer, director of alumni relations, at 1-800-372-6822.

The Mizzou Legislative Network (MLN) is a grassroots coalition of alumni, students and friends of Mizzou who share a dedication to higher education and MU. Members are called upon to contact their legislators about specific issues concerning all that Mizzou offers. Join MLN today, and advocate for higher education



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and Mizzou. More: Visit [mizzou.com](http://mizzou.com), or contact Dianne Drainer, advocacy director, at 1-800-372-6822.

Students and alumni from across the state made their presence felt March 2, 2010, during Legislative Day at the Capitol, sponsored by the Mizzou Alumni Association.

The Mizzou Alumni Association welcomes alumni volunteers back to campus Sept. 16 for the annual Leaders Day. The training concludes with an awards banquet honoring six leaders for their service. They are: Missouri Alumni Legacy, Raymond Phillips of Blue Springs, Mo.; Regional Alumni Legacy, Donald Prater,

BS PA '58, of Tempe, Ariz.; Missouri Tiger Pride, Tootie Burns, BS HES '88, of Columbia; Regional Tiger Pride, Deborah Snellen, BS Ed '79, MA '80, of Whitefish, Mont.; Missouri Mizzou G.O.L.D., Kristen Marshall, BS '00, of Kansas City, Mo.; Regional Mizzou G.O.L.D., Chris Stewart, BJ '02, of Denver.

## MIZZOU CONNECTION

<b>SEPT. 4</b> Mizzou vs. Illinois, St. Louis, Mizzou Headquarters Presented by Bud Light	<b>SEPT. 9-11</b> Gold Medal Society Weekend, Class of 1960, Columbia	<b>SEPT. 16</b> MAA Governing Board Meeting, True Tiger Speed Networking Social, Columbia	<b>SEPT. 17</b> College of Engineering Golf Tournament, Columbia		<b>SEPT. 27</b> Tourin' Tigers Paris to Normandy's Landing Beaches	<b>OCT. 4</b> Sinclair School of Nursing Golf Tournament, Columbia
<b>OCT. 5</b> True Tiger Downtown Restaurant Prowl, Columbia		<b>NOV. 5-6</b> Griffiths Leadership Society Conference, Columbia	<b>OCT. 16</b> Tiger Tailgate at Texas A&M, College Station	<b>NOV. 12</b> MAA Governing Board Meeting, Columbia		<b>OCT. 30</b> Tiger Tailgate at Nebraska, Lincoln
						<b>NOV. 27</b> Mizzou vs. Kansas, Mizzou Spirit Rally, Arrowhead Stadium, Kansas City, Mo.

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## Walsh runs the world

Some track team somewhere should give James Walsh a varsity letter, if, for nothing else, his tenacity. He has run long distances regularly since 1950, when he was cut from the track team at Christian Brothers College Military High School in St. Louis. "I ran 880s at the tryout," says Walsh, BA '59, MA '62, a former IBM trainer and now a management professor at Baruch College in New York City. "Even though I didn't make the team, I kind of enjoyed the running and just kept going."

Another hurdle: In 1955, he was cut from the team at Washington University in St. Louis, which he attended for three years. By the time he arrived at MU in 1958, he knew better than to try out for another track team. But by then Walsh was running his own routes, and he has since taken to the streets in all 50 states and in 45 countries.

Walsh loves traveling the world in running shoes and getting a sense of place at jogging speed. For instance, he has favorite routes in England (Jubilee Walkway through central London) and France (up and down the banks of the Seine River in Paris). "Before running was popular, people used to ask me, 'What are you training for, the Olympics?'" These days, people aren't surprised, but they might be curious. "In Vietnam, they were always asking my age so they could practice their English."

The idea of not running two hours a day, five days a week simply isn't an option, Walsh says. "The world has gone soft. If I don't feel like running some day, I do it anyway. And if I'm tired and go



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running, when I'm done I feel like I had eight hours of sleep."

— Dale Smith

New Yorker James Walsh, BA '59, MA '62, has practiced his hobby of running in all 50 states and in 45 countries.

## The Forties

☆☆Fumio Naka, BS EE '45, of Concord, Mass., received an honorary degree from the University of California, Los Angeles, May 15, 2010.

☆Walter Reed, BJ '49, of Wilmette, Ill., received the District 39 Educational Foundation's Distinguished Citizen of the Year award May 18, 2010.

## The Fifties

☆Charles Czeschin Jr., BS BA '53, and Janet Nelson Czeschin of Corydon, Ind., celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary Sept. 3, 2010.

☆ **Tom Conway**, BS BA '58, JD '61, of Annandale, Va., wrote the book *Immersed in Paradise* (iUniverse, 2009).

## The Sixties

☆ **Winifred Bryan Horner**, MA '60, of Columbia edited *The Present State of Scholarship in the History of Rhetoric: A Twenty-First Century Guide* (University of Missouri Press, 2010).

☆ **Harold Lowenstein**, BS BA '61, JD '65, of Kansas City, Mo., received the H. Michael Coburn Award from the Young Lawyers of the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association April 24, 2010.

**Charles Buck Jr.**, MS '65, MS '69, of Naples, Fla., received the University of Missouri Department of Health Management and Informatics' Lifetime Achievement Award May 20, 2010.

☆ **William Tammeus**, BJ '67, of Kansas City, Mo., writes "A small catholic," a column for the *National Catholic Reporter* online edition (ncronline.org).

**Judy Bowman Anthop**, BS Ed '69, of Douglas, Mich., wrote and published *A Portrait of Ox-Bow: Architecture-Art-Artists* (Judy Anthop, 2009).

☆ **Nance Blattner Reisinger**, BS Ed '69, of Melbourne Beach, Fla., retired after 40 years as a special education teacher with the Miami-Dade County Public School District.

## The Seventies

☆☆ **Dale Klein**, BS ME '70, MS '71, PhD '77, of Arlington, Va., was elected to the Pinnacle West board of directors June 1, 2010.

**Philip Bowser**, BA '71, of Portland, Ore., retired after 36 years as a school psychologist and now teaches in the Graduate School of Education and Counseling at Lewis and Clark College.

**Michael Morehead**, BS Ed '71, M Ed '75, EdD '78, of Las Cruces, N.M., was named dean of the New Mexico State University College of Education April 12, 2010.

**Thomas Maupin**, BJ '73, of Moore, Okla., was a finalist for the American Society of Copy Editors' Robinson Prize, which goes to the

## Mapping tomorrow

Although Bennie Martin majored in physics at Mizzou, he spent an early phase of his professional career as a cartographer. In 1965, Martin, BS '61, worked for the Aeronautical Chart and Information Center making maps for U.S. Air Force pilots. "Most of the work there was classified," Martin says. "I started out in analytical photogrammetry. You can view overlapping aerial photographs through an instrument and see a 3-D image of an area. It was like a model, so you could measure geographic or cultural features for intelligence."

Maps, navigation, intelligence — outside of work, he gave those concepts a twist. For years, he has volunteered to help young people see possibilities for their lives, set courses and develop their minds. "I'm concerned about the education system," Martin says. "It doesn't seem like it's getting the results we should be getting. So, I've helped." For 12 years, he served on the park board for Northwoods, a municipality of St. Louis. During his tenure, Northwoods' board members planned and built a pavilion in a city park. It's a modest structure that serves as headquarters for youth programs, Martin says.

But Martin feels most comfortable working one-on-one. He retired 15 years ago and soon started tutoring grade school students during weekly 60-minute sessions. "Usually, they have trouble with reading, especially vocabulary and

top copy editor in the country.

☆☆ **Gail Deschu Cahan**, BS Ed '74, of East Palatka, Fla., retired after 32 years teaching elementary school.

☆ **Constance Klos Hesse**, BS Ed '79, M Ed '88, EdSp '95, of Farber, Mo., retired in June 2010 after a 31-year career in public education. She and ☆ **Kerry Hesse**, BS Ag '80, EdSp '04,



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**Bennie Martin, BS '61, of St. Louis started tutoring youngsters 12 years ago after retiring, and he's still at it.**

spelling. Many don't participate well in class. Some don't seem to have any interest in schoolwork. Sometimes all that changes over the course of a year. It's very rewarding when it happens, and that's why I'm still doing it."

Martin has been tutoring long enough to see some of his students grow up and get their names in newspapers for accomplishments. "We can become good friends sometimes, and I enjoy seeing grade school children in the hallways. They just like that individual attention for an hour." — Dale Smith

celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary July 30, 2010.

☆ **Marian Cope Minor**, MS '79, PhD '89, of Columbia retired from the University of Missouri School of Health Professions after 31 years May 19, 2010. She was professor, department chair and director of research and graduate studies.

## Blue Bird Bistro: Fresh as a Kansas City morning

Jane Zieha remembers buying fresh milk from the University of Missouri dairy with her father, Eugene, an accounting professor at MU from 1964 to 1985. "I was raised eating fresh food from local farms," says Zieha, BS BA '76. "Once I got older, I realized that everybody didn't eat the way my family did."

Her desire for locally produced food is still strong.

After graduating from MU, Zieha worked as an accountant, but when an opportunity came for her to buy Blue Bird Bistro, she took it.

Operating in Kansas City, Mo., since March 2001, Zieha's restaurant focuses on serving local, organic food from more than 40 farmers near Kansas City. Blue Bird Bistro was named one of the 10 best places to eat healthy on the road by *USA Today* in 2007. But the restaurant had a bit of a rough start.

"I thought everybody would love the idea of local and organic food," Zieha says. But the reaction was, "Oh, I don't want to eat granola." People would hear organic



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and think of Birkenstocks and hairy legs."

So, Zieha put on the suits from her days as a CPA and headed out to promote her restaurant as a place to get "wonderful, flavorful food" — not just local and organic.

Her hard work paid off.

Now the local, organic food movement is taking off, and the organic products industry is one of the fastest growing areas of the economy. "More and more people are concerned about what they

Jane Zieha, BS BA '76, has loved local food from an early age. Today she spreads that love from the Blue Bird Bistro in Kansas City, Mo.

consume," Zieha says. During the peak growing season, the only items Zieha serves that are not produced locally are things such as coffee, sugar and certain spices, none of which grow in the Midwest.

Now, that's fresh.

— Josh Chittum

## The Eighties

☆☆**Dana Schultz Carter**, BS BA '81, of San Antonio was featured in the January/February 2010 issue of *San Antonio Woman*.

**William Seymour**, M Ed '81, PhD '89, of Walland, Tenn., is president of Lambuth University in Jackson, Tenn.

☆**Sheryl Crow**, BS Ed '84, of Santa Monica, Calif., announces the adoption of Levi James, who was born April 30, 2010. Crow received a New York Women in Communications' 2010 Matrix Award April 19, 2010.

**David Marcou**, BJ '84, of La Crosse, Wis., published *Most of the Time, I See Photographs: New American Views in the Public Arena* (3M Communications, 2010).

**Himadri Pakrasi**, PhD '84, of St. Louis was

elected fellow in the American Academy of Microbiology May 7, 2010.

**Annie Guyton Seal**, BJ '84, of St. Louis became director of account management for Brighton Agency Feb. 5, 2010.

**Kelly Enright**, BS Ed '85, of Columbia is an administrative assistant with the Columbia College marketing department.

☆**Theresa Boley**, BSN '86, MSN '90, of Springfield, Ill., received the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine Department of Surgery Outstanding Research Coordinator award April 1, 2010. She also received the State Award for Nurse Practitioner Excellence from the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners June 23, 2010.

**Douglas Baum**, BS Acc '87, of Ballwin, Mo.,

chief financial officer of the Ritenour School District, was named School Business Official of the Year by the Missouri Association of School Business Officials May 7, 2010.

**Angela Linsey**, BJ '89, of Seattle received the Silver Anvil award from the Public Relations Society of America.

## The Nineties

**George Burruss Jr.**, BA '90, of Makanda, Ill., is associate professor of criminology and criminal justice at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

☆☆**Matthew Beem**, BJ '91, of Independence, Mo., wrote *Performance-Driven Fundraising: Taking Charge of Your Success* (ASR Media, 2010). **Lance Noel**, BS BA '92, of Phoenix won the 2010



Arizona Book Award for Young Adult Fiction for *The Ghosts of Lone Jack* (Spinning Moon Press, 2009). The book is also a finalist for the Independent Book Publisher Association's Book of the Year for Young Adult Fiction.

**James Klise**, MA '93, of Chicago wrote *Love Drugged* (Llewellyn/Flux, 2010).

☆ **Scott Hunter**, BA '94, JD '97, and Wendy Hunter of Kansas City, Mo., announce the birth of Scarlett Anna Katherine Oct. 23, 2009.

**Jeffery Meisenheimer**, BS Ed '94, of Lee's Summit, Mo., is Missouri Assistant Principal of the Year and a finalist for National Assistant Principal of the Year presented by the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

**Gary Bugh**, MA '95, of Texarkana, Texas, edited *Electoral College Reform* (Ashgate, 2010).

**Staci Smith Landuyt**, BS HES '95, and Kevin Landuyt of Godfrey, Ill., announce the birth of August James Dec. 10, 2009.

**Jovita Walker Foster**, BA '97, of St. Louis practices employment and labor law litigation, and she is a partner at Armstrong Teasdale LLP.

**John Heithaus**, BA '97, of St. Louis was a 2010 Indie Book Awards finalist for *From The Dead* (Segue Blue, 2010), which he wrote under the pseudonym John Herrick.

☆ **Angela Jackson**, BA, BJ '97, of New York founded the nonprofit Global Language Project, which works with underserved public elementary schools to implement world language programs.

**Kevin Chorlins**, BA '98, of Knoxville, Tenn., is vice president of consumer marketing for the Do It Yourself Network.

**Matthew Kerner**, BA '98, and **Sarah Cowherd Kerner**, BA '01, JD '04, of Springfield, Mo., announce the birth of Josiah Emerson March 30, 2010.

**Ashley Miller Ring**, BSN '98, of Richardson, Texas, was named one of the Great 100 Nurses in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

**Gregory McLard**, BS ME '99, and Jessica McLard of Imperial, Mo., announce the births of Judd Young Dec. 17, 2009, and



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## Restoration on the river

Driving on Highway 100, you could pass through the river town of New Haven, Mo., in about three minutes. To the layperson, it looks like many small Midwestern towns — a bank, some schools, a market and a smattering of residences. But it's bigger — and more charming — than first impressions allow. For Ellen and Mark Zobrist, it's home. It's historic. And it needs to be preserved.

"Ellen is a New Haven native," says Mark, BA '76. "Her family has lived here for generations." Meanwhile, Ellen, BS '76, quips: "Mark is a newcomer. He's only been here 30 years."

Together, the two have made their mark on the community (population 2,029) by purchasing, restoring and renovating a number of abandoned or dilapidated structures, including a 1939 movie theater, several homes built in the 1800s and the five-bedroom Central Hotel, which they reopened in 2004.

The hotel, situated on a bluff overlooking the Missouri River, was originally

built in 1879 and closed in 1937. The restored structure maintains the building's original footprint and windows, and it features some original woodwork. The rooms are furnished with antiques, many of which were passed down through generations of Ellen's family. Now, the hotel attracts visitors primarily because of its proximity to a number of Missouri wineries — New Haven is only 15 minutes from Hermann, Mo., home to popular May and October wine festivals.

"We knew we were going to live in New Haven forever, and we saw so much potential," Mark says.

"I think we're preservationists at heart," Ellen continues. "It's a joy to see the old buildings flourishing again."

— Sarah Garber

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Brenna Josephine May 13, 2008.

☆☆ **Dale Wright**, BA '99, MPA '06, and **Kristina**

**Watson Wright**, M Ed '03, of Columbia announce the birth of Cadence Marie Oct. 7, 2009.

## Family business

Toya Allen, BS BA '96, is busy at work with US Airways as director of human resources. She is busy at home, pulling off Saturdays full of swimming lessons, flag football games and team workouts. Heck, she is just plain busy.

By Sunday evening, she's done it all and is ready to start again. But that wasn't always the case.

Allen used to feel drained on Sunday evenings at her Chandler, Ariz., home, when she hadn't gotten everything done she wanted to. "But once I laid it out, it just made things easier," Allen says.

"At work I have task plans for all my meetings; everything has objectives and expected outcomes," Allen says. "But sometimes you come home and just say 'I'm done with that,' and that just doesn't work." Allen and her husband, Horace, decided to put as much energy into family as they did their careers. "What I thought would make things harder ended up

making them easier," she says.

Allen begins her days at 4 a.m., responding to e-mails and checking in with her East Coast associates. "If I start the day that way, I don't have to play catch-up. I want to have family time in the evening." And she does, all thanks to a little planning.

After finishing a day at the office that might include managing staff issues or dealing with a hub closure, Allen arrives home from work by 6 p.m., has dinner at 7 p.m., then it's off for baths and homework, and bed by 8 p.m.

"When I was at MU, I participated in a lot of activities and organizations. The opportunities the university afforded me really gave me a good platform for what I do today."

In her free time, Allen supports her husband's nonprofit business that puts young African-American and Hispanic men on a road to success. Now that's taking care of business. — Josh Chittum



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Toya Allen, BS BA '96, starts her day at 4 a.m. so she can have time for her career and family.

## The 2000s

☆Marnie Olson Ingle, BJ '00, and Jason Ingle of Kansas City, Mo., announce the birth of Lucas Steven May 14, 2010.

☆Daphne Miller Best, BJ '01, and ☆Tyler Best, BS ME '01, of Lee's Summit, Mo., announce the birth of Isaac Decker May 10, 2010.

Julia Black Lega, BS Ed '01, and David Lega, BHS '09, of Chesterfield, Mo., announce the birth of Ian Mark March 26, 2010.

Jessica Little Pupillo, BJ '01, of Ballwin, Mo., is the online editorial director at *St. Louis Sprout & About* (stlsprout.com).

☆Jessica Chittick Taveau, BA '01, and ☆Rockney Taveau, BS BA '01, of Kansas City, Mo., announce the birth of Daniel Scott Dec. 4, 2009.

Jessica Chapman Newell, BJ '02, of Dallas is a board member and secretary of the Dallas Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America.

☆Kari Zweber Palmer, BHS '02, and ☆Ryan Palmer, BS, BS BA '02, of Chaska, Minn., announce the birth of Evan James Feb. 16, 2010.

Tracey Hughes, MA '03, of Kansas City, Mo., presented her poster "Toothbrushes, Posters, and Teeth, Oh My!: Library Support for a Dental Public Health Course" at the Medical Library Association 2010 Conference in Washington, D.C.

Gina Kelley, BJ '03, of Tupelo, Miss., received the Mississippi Defense Lawyers Association Reginald Gray Scholarship Award.

Kevin Anderson, PhD '04, of Charleston, Ill., wrote *Agitations: Ideologies and Strategies in African American Politics* (University of Arkansas Press, 2010).

Drew Burkeybile, BS BA '04, and Tiffany Clevenger Burkeybile, BHS '05, MPT '05, of Richmond, Mo., announce the birth of Weston Gage Dec. 5, 2009.

David Kim, BS IE '04, of St. Louis won a

*St. Louis Business Journal* "30 Under 30" award July 15, 2010.

David Silverman, PhD '04, of Salina, Kan., wrote *You Can't Air That: Four Cases of Controversy and Censorship in American Television Programming* (Syracuse University Press, 2007).

Danielle Jenkerson Tope, BJ '04, of St. Louis is a marketing specialist at Argent Capital Management LLC.

☆☆Steven Kuenzel Jr., BS BA '05, of Washington, Mo., practices general law at Eckelkamp Kuenzel LLP.

Jordan Clothier, BA, BA '06, of Kansas City, Mo., is press secretary for U.S. Sen. Kit Bond.

☆Tyler Profilet, BJ '08, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., is a reporter for CBS affiliate KFVS in Cape Girardeau.

## Faculty Deaths

John McCarthy, BS Ed '60, EdSp '70, PhD '73, of Lutz, Fla., Feb. 16, 2010, at age 95. A U.S. Air

Force World War II veteran, he was a professor of curriculum and instruction at MU.

**James Devine** of Columbia May 12, 2010, at age 62. He joined the law school faculty in 1980 and was associate dean for academic affairs.

**George Shelton** of Belleville, Ill., April 10, 2010, at age 86. He joined the veterinary school faculty in 1950 and was professor and associate dean.

**Clyde Wilson** of Columbia March 30, 2010, at age 83. A professor emeritus of anthropology, he founded the anthropology department in 1961 and taught at MU from 1961–1997.

## Deaths

**Clarence Faulk Jr.**, BJ '30, of Ruston, La., March 5, 2010, at age 101.

**Lou Ella Wilson Swartz**, BS Ed '30, of St. Louis March 7, 2010, at age 103.

**Leo Scott**, BA '31, BS ChE '31, of Southbury, Conn., May 14, 2010, at age 101.

**Otto Griessel**, BS '33, of Columbia May 12, 2010, at age 99.

**Walter Cowan**, BJ '36, of New Orleans April 12, 2010, at age 98.

**Juanita Daly Denslow**, BJ '37, of Trenton, Mo., March 25, 2010, at age 94.

**Julius Graf**, BJ '37, of Hermann, Mo., May 28, 2010, at age 94.

**Delbert Maddox**, M Ed '38, of Kirksville, Mo., March 28, 2010, at age 97. A U.S. Navy World War II veteran, he was a Sigma Tau Gamma, Alpha Phi Omega and Theta Psi member.

**Edwin Hammond**, BA '39, of Knoxville, Tenn., March 2, 2010, at age 91. He was a U.S. Naval Reserve World War II veteran.

**Anne Logan Heflin**, BA '39, of Arlington, Texas, June 29, 2009, at age 91.

**Abbie Amrine Lyons**, BJ '39, of Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 10, 2009, at age 91.

**Clifford McCollum**, BS Ed '39, M Ed '47, EdD '49, of Kansas City, Mo., May 4, 2010, at age 90. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps World War II veteran.

**Wilma McMaster Williams**, BS Ed '39, of Shelbyville, Mo., March 7, 2010, at age 100.

**William Dalton**, BS BA '40, of Salem, Mo., Sept. 14, 2009, at age 91.

**Billie Lou Benson Brinkerhoff**, BS Ed '41, of Orem, Utah, Feb. 11, 2010, at age 90.

**Eugene Brody**, BA '41, MA '41, BS Med '43, ScD '91, of Baltimore March 13, 2010, at age 88. He was a U.S. Army Medical Corps World War II veteran.

**Henry Eisenkramer**, BS Ed '41, of University City, Mo., March 10, 2010, at age 93.

**Anne Askren Flesh**, BJ '41, of St. Louis May 10, 2010, at age 91.

**Harry Hackethorn**, BS BA '41, of Houston Feb. 24, 2010, at age 91. A Kappa Alpha Order member, he was a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

**Marvin Hayman**, BJ '41, of Vista, Calif., April 28, 2010, at age 89. A U.S. Army World War II veteran, he owned Hayman's Appliances for 50 years.

**Alexander Liosnoff**, BJ '41, of Reno, Nev., March 27, 2010, at age 89. He was a U.S. Army World War II and Korean War veteran.

**Carroll Paulsmeyer**, BS BA '41, of Rolla, Mo., May 8, 2010, at age 91.

**Raymond Schultz**, BS BA '41, of St. Louis March 13, 2010, at age 91.

**Nancy Taylor**, BS Ed '41, M Ed '54, MS '69, of Columbia May 31, 2010, at age 89. She was a Pi Beta Phi member.

**Mattie Killgore Walker**, BS Ed '41, of Eads, Tenn., July 13, 2009, at age 100.

**Allen Brohn**, BA '42, MA '47, of Overland Park, Kan., March 19, 2010, at age 89. He was a U.S. Army World War II veteran and worked for the Missouri Department of Conservation for 31 years.

**Clarence Fick**, BS BA '42, of Linn, Mo., Feb. 16, 2010, at age 91. He was a U.S. Navy World War II veteran.

**Charles Fisher**, BS ChE '42, of Tampa, Fla., March 15, 2010, at age 92. He was an Alpha Chi Sigma member.

**Royal Flesh**, BS Ag '42, of St. Louis May 7, 2010, at age 91. He was a World War II veteran.

**Robert Hogeboom**, BS ChE '42, of Newport Beach, Calif., Feb. 19, 2010, at age 90.

**Joseph Hoover**, BS EE '42, of Oceanside, Calif., Feb. 18, 2010, at age 89. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps World War II veteran and

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**Ernest Hueter**, BJ '42, of Washington, D.C., Feb. 26, 2010, at age 89. He was a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

**Elwyn Long**, BS Ag '42, of Marshall, Mo., Dec. 13, 2009, at age 89. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps World War II veteran.

**Hartford Patrick**, BS Ag '42, M Ed '67, of Carthage, Mo., April 11, 2010, at age 89. He

was a U.S. Army veteran.

**Francis Bassing Jr.**, BS Ed '43, MA '51, of Kansas City, Mo., May 7, 2010, at age 89. He worked at the First National Bank of Kansas City for 35 years.

**Wesley Crenshaw**, BS Ag '43, DVM '50, MS '55, of Columbia May 23, 2010, at age 94.

**Mona Dingle**, BA '43, of Angleton, Texas, Feb. 20, 2010, at age 88.

**Ruby Rumbaugh Robinson**, BS Ed '43, M Ed '50,

of Hallsville, Mo., Feb. 18, 2010, at age 89.

**Virginia Schroeder**, BJ '43, of Chebeague Island, Maine, April 27, 2010, at age 88.

**William Shaw Jr.**, BS Med '43, of Fayette, Mo., March 23, 2010, at age 90.

**Ruthanna Becker Turner**, BS Ed '43, of Columbia May 24, 2010, at age 89.

**Beatrice Thrapp Zeeck**, BJ '43, of Lubbock, Texas, March 25, 2010, at age 88.

**Harriet Lishen Baldwin**, BS Ed '44, of Lenexa, Kan., April 17, 2010, at age 89. She was a Gamma Phi Beta member.

**Edwin Tomlin**, BS Med '44, of Harrisburg, N.C., Feb. 1, 2010, at age 86. He was a U.S. Navy Korean War veteran.

**Mary Harris Edmondson**, BS Med '45, BA '46, BS Ed '47, of Columbia March 9, 2010, at age 86.

**Helen Hightower**, BJ '45, of Green Valley, Ariz., April 8, 2010, at age 87. She was a Delta Gamma member.

**Carmela Polillo Speno**, BS Ed '45, of San Jose, Calif., Feb. 1, 2010, at age 89.

**Jayne Gray Hicks**, BS Ed '46, of Austin, Texas, March 8, 2010, at age 85.

**L. Jean Sanders Melton**, BS Ed '46, of Cassville, Mo., March 30, 2010, at age 85.

**Beauford Robinson**, M Ed '46, of Jefferson City, Mo., April 13, 2010, at age 93. He was president of the Mizzou Alumni Association from 1967-69.

**James Bredenberg**, BA '47, of Port Richey, Fla., Feb. 20, 2010, at age 87.

**Arthur Krival**, BA '47, MA '49, of Fort Myers, Fla., April 7, 2010, at age 86.

**Roy Meadows**, BA '47, of Columbia April 9, 2010, at age 86.

**Darwin Harris**, BS Ag '48, of Oran, Mo., March 31, 2010, at age 89. He was an Alpha Gamma Rho member.

**Victor Hurst**, PhD '48, of Seneca, S.C., Aug. 20, 2009, at age 94.

**Patricia Ward Jones**, BA, BS Ed '48, of Jefferson City, Mo., March 21, 2010, at age 85. She was a Delta Kappa Gamma member.

**Frances Ronayne Knight**, BA '48, of Scottsdale, Ariz., April 29, 2010, at age 82. She was a Kappa Kappa Gamma member.

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**Lynn Petree**, BS ME '48, of Kansas City, Mo., May 7, 2010, at age 90. He was a World War II veteran.

**Thomas Pickard**, BS BA '48, of Overland Park, Kan., April 30, 2010, at age 87. He was a U.S. Navy World War II veteran.

**Alvin Schraer**, BS Ag '48, of Louisiana, Mo., Jan. 2, 2010, at age 88. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

**Gretchen Garten Tatum**, BA '48, of Poplar Bluff, Mo., Dec. 3, 2009, at age 82.

**Janie Russell Uhler**, BS Ed '48, of Warrensburg, Mo., March 12, 2010, at age 82.

**Roger Catts**, BS BA '49, of Castle Rock, Colo., Dec. 11, 2009, at age 83. A Sigma Chi member, he was a U.S. Army Air Forces World War II veteran.

**Donald Fawcett**, BJ '49, of Los Angeles Feb. 15, 2010, at age 84.

**Charles Ferm**, BA '49, JD '51, of Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 19, 2010, at age 82.

**Glen Glaspey**, BJ '49, of Seattle April 16, 2009, at age 87.

**Martha Meador Gray**, BA '49, of Clinton, Mo., April 4, 2010, at age 85.

**Earl Howey Jr.**, BS BA '49, of Warrensburg, Mo., April 26, 2010, at age 87.

**Dale Low**, BJ '49, of Escondido, Calif., May 4, 2010, at age 83. He was a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

**Kenneth McNeal**, BS BA '49, of Brownsville, Texas, May 1, 2010, at age 85. He was a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

**Virginia Graff Stephens**, BS HE '49, of Columbia April 28, 2010, at age 83.

**Leota Garr Strickland**, BS Ed '49, of Belton, Mo., March 23, 2010, at age 85.

**Hal Taylor**, BS Ag '49, of Grand Junction, Colo., April 11, 2010, at age 85.

**John Vinyard Jr.**, BS BA '49, MS '50, of San Antonio Feb. 1, 2010, at age 87.

**John Whipple**, BS Ed '49, M Ed '50, of Columbia April 14, 2010, at age 85. He was a U.S. Navy World War II and Korean War veteran.

**Howard Winget**, BA '49, JD '51, of Springfield, Mo., May 30, 2010, at age 83. He was a U.S. Army Air Force World War II veteran.

**William Cunningham**, BJ '50, of Fairway, Kan., March 16, 2010, at age 80. A U.S. Army Korean War veteran, he worked at Hallmark for 32 years.

**Thomas Fort**, BS EE '50, of Columbia, Md., May 8, 2010, at age 83.

**Lawrence Hicks**, BS BA '50, of Shawnee, Kan., March 29, 2010, at age 80. He was a Pi Kappa Alpha member and a U.S. Army veteran.

**Bernard Hollyday**, BS Ag '50, of Kansas City, Mo., March 24, 2010, at age 83. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran.

**Vernon Knehans**, BS BA '50, of St. Louis Feb. 18, 2009, at age 83.

**Fred Logan Sr.**, BS BA '50, of Overland Park, Kan., May 15, 2010, at age 84. An Alpha Tau Omega member, he was a U.S. Navy World War II veteran.

**Clarence Maire**, BS BA '50, of Jefferson City, Mo., March 17, 2010, at age 84. He was a U.S. Navy World War II and Korean War veteran.

**Ernest Norcross**, BS Ed '50, M Ed '52, PhD '72, of Clinton, Mo., March 16, 2010, at age 84. He

was a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

**Susan Ainsworth Nye**, BS Ed '50, of San Mateo, Calif., Dec. 5, 2009, at age 82. She was a Kappa Alpha Theta member.

**Clark Wix**, BS Ag '50, of Butler, Mo., May 30, 2010, at age 84.

**Philip Auner**, BS Med '51, of Smithton, Ill., Dec. 2, 2009, at age 86.

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**Robert Gilbreth**, BS BA '51, of Jefferson City, Mo., April 27, 2010, at age 83. A U.S. Navy veteran, he worked for the Missouri Department of Transportation for 42 years.

**J. Harrison Milne**, BS Ag '51, of Oregon, Mo., April 15, 2010, at age 83. He was a Phi Kappa Psi member.

**John Wallace**, BS BA '51, of Minnetonka, Minn., May 16, 2009, at age 83.

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**Gilbert Lauer**, BS Ed '52, M Ed '55, of St. Charles, Mo., May 17, 2010, at age 80.

**Thomas Mock**, M Ed '52, of Holts Summit, Mo., May 8, 2010, at age 92.

**Sharon Wilson Patterson**, BS HE '52, of Columbia March 15, 2010, at age 79.

**Marianne Pinney**, BS Ed '52, of St. Louis March 29, 2010, at age 79.

**William Northup**, BA '53, MBA '74, of Highland Park, Ill., April 24, 2010, at age 79.

**Virginia Scism Talbert**, BA '53, of Kansas City, Mo., April 27, 2010, at age 78. She was a Chi Omega member.

**Theodore Violet**, BS Ed '53, MA '54, of Gunnison, Colo., May 2, 2010, at age 78. He taught at Western State College of Colorado

for 50 years and was a U.S. Army veteran.

**Peggy Marak Wann**, BJ '53, of Olivette, Mo., May 18, 2010, at age 78. She was a Delta Delta Delta member.

**Don Williams**, BS ME '53, of Kansas City, Mo., April 5, 2010, at age 78.

**Howard Bock**, M Ed '54, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., May 11, 2009, at age 87. A U.S. Air Force World War II veteran, he worked for Cape Girardeau Public Schools for 32 years.

**Blair Ewing**, BA '54, of Silver Spring, Md., June 29, 2009, at age 75.

**Larry Ozenberger**, BJ '54, MD '63, of Plattsburg, Mo., May 9, 2010, at age 77. A U.S. Army veteran, he practiced medicine in Clinton County, Mo., for more than 40 years.

**W. Jack Provin**, BS Ag '54, of Columbia May 7, 2010, at age 82. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

**Robert Shaw Sr.**, M Ed '54, EdD '59, of Columbia April 2, 2010, at age 80. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

**Vincel Allee**, BS Ag '55, M Ed '61, of Versailles, Mo., April 2, 2010, at age 80. He was a U.S.

Army veteran.

**Barbara Strange Cohen**, BSN '55, of Austin, Texas, Dec. 6, 2009, at age 78.

**George Gleason Jr.**, BS BA '55, of White Plains, N.Y., March 3, 2010, at age 76. A U.S. Air Force veteran, he was a financial executive at IBM for 30 years.

**James Milne**, BS Ed '55, of Kansas City, Mo., May 1, 2010, at age 78. He was a Sigma Alpha Epsilon member and a U.S. Marine Corps veteran.

**Jack Dale**, BS BA '56, of Shalimar, Fla., Jan. 18, 2010, at age 75.

**Terry Roberts**, BA '56, of Reeds, Mo., March 14, 2010, at age 76.

**James Cottrell**, BS BA '57, of Overland Park, Kan., May 31, 2010, at age 75. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

**Caroline Levy Gillette**, M Ed '57, EdSp '61, of St. Charles, Mo., March 25, 2009, at age 84.

**Charles McLean III**, BS ME '57, of Portland, Ore., July 6, 2009, at age 75.

**Raymond Puckett**, BS ME '57, of Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 11, 2010, at age 78.

**Howard Robertson**, BS Ag '57, of Highland, Ill., April 12, 2010, at age 75. He was a Delta Tau Delta member and a U.S. Army veteran.

**Lois Crooks**, MA '59, of Overland Park, Kan., May 23, 2010, at age 81.

**Marian Couranz Miller**, BS HE '59, of Loch Lloyd, Mo., April 19, 2010, at age 73.

**Susan Beck Vaught**, BS Ed '59, of Camdenton, Mo., March 14, 2010, at age 71. She was a Kappa Alpha Theta member.

**Karen Moxley Aslin**, BS Ed '60, M Ed '64, EdD '81, of Columbia March 9, 2010, at age 74.

**James Baker**, BJ '60, of Chillicothe, Mo., April 26, 2010, at age 73.

**George Gillette**, M Ed '60, of St. Charles, Mo., Sept. 11, 2009, at age 86.

**Shirley Ferguson Greenwalt**, M Ed '60, of Springfield, Mo., April 14, 2010, at age 78.

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**Ray Enderle**, MA '61, of Winter Park, Fla., March 16, 2010, at age 78. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

**Lawrence Goudy**, BS Ed '61, of Lake St. Louis, Mo., May 15, 2010, at age 71.

**Theodore Peterson Jr.**, BS Ed '61, M Ed '63, of California, Mo., April 3, 2010, at age 70.

**Paul Benes**, BS BA '62, of St. Louis May 25, 2010, at age 82.

**Paul Burgess**, MS Ed '62, of Cookeville, Tenn., March 10, 2010, at age 82. A U.S. Navy veteran, he was a professor emeritus of extension education at MU.

**Mary Lankford Hopkins**, M Ed '62, of Anderson, S.C., Sept. 10, 2009, at age 98.

**Mary Martinek Thompson**, BS Ed '62, MS '65, of Columbia March 18, 2010, at age 69.

**John Alford**, M Ed '63, of Buffalo, Mo., March 24, 2010, at age 77. He taught at Central High in Springfield, Mo., for

37 years.

**Wayne Duncan**, BS Ag '63, of Columbia March 13, 2010, at age 68. A Missouri National Guard veteran, he was director of records management at MU for 30 years.

**Perry Fairfax**, BS Cie '63, of Tuscaloosa, Ala., Feb. 14, 2010, at age 69. A Phi Gamma Delta member, he was a U.S. Navy Veteran.

**Lola Riley Barnes Henderson**, M Ed '63, of Overland Park, Kan., May 30, 2010, at age 86.

**Marion Haas Cloninger**, BS '64, MS '68, of Elkhorn, Neb., March 4, 2010, at age 67.

**Marino Garcia**, M Ed '64, of St. Charles, Mo., June 2, 2010, at age 85. He was a U.S. Navy World War II veteran.

**David Peterson**, MS '64, of Shenandoah, Iowa, May 3, 2010, at age 78.

**Caunita Kissee Westhoff**, BJ '64, of Florissant, Mo., April 8, 2010, at age 67.

**Kim Bethards**, BA '65, of Torrance, Calif., April 21, 2010, at age 65.

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**Henry Dyhouse**, BA '67, of Gladstone, S.C., April 30, 2010, at age 64. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

**Ronald Noah**, M Ed '67, of Des Moines, Iowa, March 20, 2010, at age 74.

**Robert Suits**, MS '67, of Columbia May 12, 2010, at age 67.

**Buford Allison**, BS BA '68, of Clarksville, Mo., April 2, 2010, at age 65.

**Marilyn Kilburg Bischof**, M Ed '68, of Florissant, Mo., Feb. 22, 2010, at age 90.

**Ervin Dauenhauer**, MBA '68, of Mountlake Terrace, Wash., April 5, 2010, at age 81. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran.

**Virginia Freeman**, MS '68, of Shawnee Mission, Kan., Jan. 21, 2010, at age 79.

**Donald Daut**, MD '69, of Bella Vista, Ark., May 9, 2010, at age 72.

**Maxwell Jewell**, BA '69, of Leawood, Kan., April 28, 2010, at age 61.

**Michael Kuchwara**, MA '70, of New York May 22, 2010, at age 63. He worked for The Associated Press for 40 years.

**Jack Bradshaw**, EdD '71, of Kingsville, Texas, Nov. 6, 2009, at age 81. He was a Korean War veteran.

**Douglas Meyer**, BA '71, MS '76, of St. Louis April 26, 2010, at age 60.

**Lester Stumpe**, BS CIE '71, MS '75, of Cleveland March 7, 2010, at age 60.

**Jeannine Higgins Veraldi**, BJ '71, of Tampa, Fla., April 17, 2009, at age 74.

**Bobby Derryberry**, PhD '73, of Bolivar, Mo., April 13, 2010, at age 72. He was a speech professor for 46 years at Southwest Baptist University.

**Herbert Haupt**, BA '73, MD '80, of Town and Country, Mo., April 7, 2010, at age 58.

**Susan Griffard Kuhnert**, BS '73, of Ballwin, Mo., May 5, 2010, at age 59.

**Larry Byergo**, BS BA '74, of Kansas City, Mo., March 12, 2010, at age 75.

**Lauren Swartz Dunleavy**, BS Ed '74, of Kansas City, Mo., April 20, 2010, at age 57. She was a Kappa Alpha Theta member.

**Ronald McCrary**, PhD '74, of Picayune, Miss., June 25, 2009, at age 63. He was a Vietnam War veteran.

**William Salmo**, M Ed '74, of St. Louis April 20, 2010, at age 58.

**Carl Utterstrom**, MS '74, of Belgium May 22, 2010, at age 64.

**Vicki Salzman Weible**, BS BA '75, of St. Louis April 23, 2010, at age 56.

**Bruce Young**, BGS '75, BJ '85, of Kansas City, Mo., March 26, 2009, at age 56.

**Robert Headrick Jr.**, BS Ed '76, M Ed '78, EdSp '80, PhD '84, of Florissant, Mo., May 19, 2010, at age 56.

**Stuart Brown**, BA '77, of Las Cruces, N.M., April 8, 2010, at age 54.

**John Crangle**, M Ed '77, of St. Louis May 18, 2010, at age 66.

**Robert Franke**, BS EE '77, MS '79, of Columbia April 23, 2010, at age 54.

**Jamie Cason Proctor**, BS Ed '79, of Russellville, Mo., March 27, 2010, at age 53.

**David Stollings**, BS Ag '80, of Osceola, Mo., April 18, 2010, at age 53.

**Michael Lenzen**, BJ '81, of Eureka, Mo., April 14, 2010, at age 50.



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**John Signer**, BS '82, of Sheboygan, Wis., May 1, 2010, at age 51.

**Bruce Evers**, BHS '83, of St. Louis March 28, 2010, at age 50.

**Mary Perry Tausch**, M Ed '83, of Fayette, Mo., Oct. 3, 2009, at age 88.

**Robin Ensor Tebeau**, BS Acc '83, of Florissant, Mo., April 6, 2010, at age 49.

**Mark Lynch**, BS Ed '84, of Columbia May 3, 2010, at age 48. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

**Carol McDonald Tomaszczuk**, JD '84, of Arlington, Va., Nov. 22, 2009, at age 51.

**Nancy Grinstead Buie**, BS Ed '85, M Ed '88, of Centralia, Mo., May 23, 2010, at age 59.

**Joyce Goosen**, BGS '85, of Sweet Springs, Mo., April 4, 2010, at age 61.

**Kenneth Dudley**, BA '87, of Mexico, Mo., March 12, 2010, at age 82. He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran and operated Dudley Realty for 34 years.

**Jason McDowell**, MBA '90, of Osage Beach, Mo., April 11, 2010, at age 50.

**Robert Robinson Jr.**, PhD '90, of Jefferson City, Mo., March 30, 2010, at age 59.

**Alyssa Baumgart**, BS BA '03, of St. Louis April 15, 2010, at age 26.

**Scott Davey**, MA '09, of Cincinnati July 9, 2009, at age 32.

### Wedding

**Cristen Foley**, BS BA '06, BSN '09, and **Daniel Grim**, BS BA '07, of Las Vegas Oct. 10, 2009. Cristen is a registered nurse at Spring Valley Hospital, and Daniel is a market analyst for Pinnacle Entertainment.

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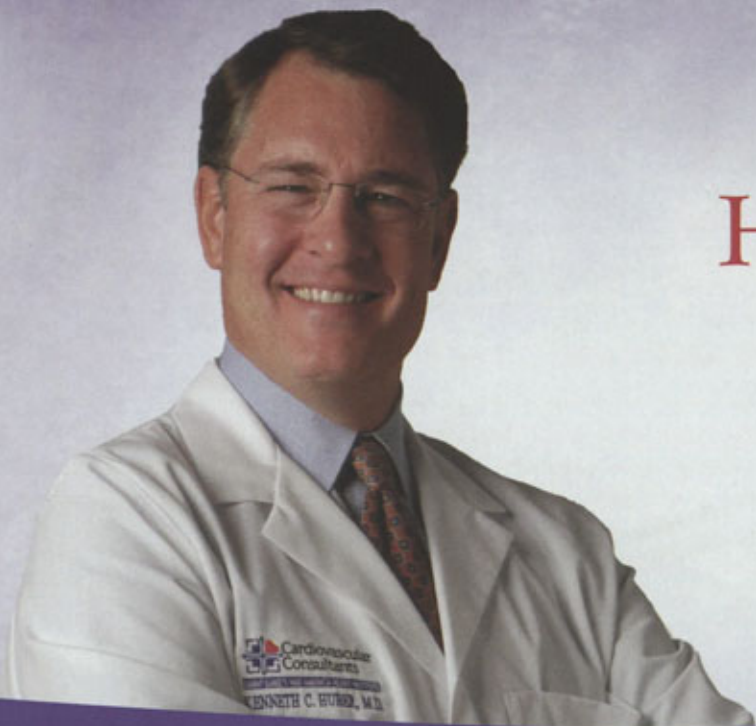
In 1944, Mary Burch Nirmaier graduated from the Women Airforce Service Pilot (WASP) program in Sweetwater, Texas, and became one of the first female pilots to fly for the U.S. Army Air Forces.

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