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At first blush, Bus Entsminger's days as Mizzou Alumni Association director appear to be long past. Entsminger, BS Ed '49, M Ed '50, retired in 1993 and died in 2007. His gridiron glories as a Tiger quarterback on the 1942 Big Six championship team are part of athletic history. Now a scholarship awarded for the first time in 2011-12 promises to renew the memory of his accomplishments for generations of Mizzou students to come.



Rachel Newman, a sophomore majoring in education, is the first to win the Entsminger Scholarship, a \$2,000 award. The scholarship is named for the late Bus Entsminger, BS Ed '49, M Ed '50, a Tiger football star and alumni leader. Photo by Nicholas Benner

The Bus Entsminger Scholarship is a competitive one-year award of \$2,000. To be eligible, students either must work for the Mizzou Alumni Association, or be members of the Alumni Association Student Board or Homecoming Steering Committee.

The envelope, please: Rachel Newman, a sophomore from Jefferson City, Mo., elementary education major and QEBH member, is the first Entsminger scholarship winner. She qualifies every which way. Newman not only works six hours a week in the association office but also serves on the Alumni Association Student Board as vice president of True Tigers, the association's student chapter.

Newman credits her father, Stephen Newman, BA '77, JD '80, for keeping Mizzou uppermost in her mind. "Every year, we would go to a Cole County chapter event," she says. "My junior

year of high school, we got on a bus in Jefferson City and drove to Columbia to take a tour of campus. All the alumni on the bus were talking to me, saying, 'Oh, we have a future Tiger here.' I really fell in love with the pride these people have in Mizzou."

Entsminger's legacy of service to students and alumni also inspires her. "I take great pride in my involvement at the association because I want my service to honor the dedication Bus Entsminger gave to the association and the university. He worked selflessly to build pride in the next generations of Tigers, and now it is my turn to do the same for future students."

To build the scholarship's endowment, the association launched the annual Entsminger Classic golf tournament in 2008. This year's date is June 29. Typically, about 25 teams of four players pay \$400 to enter the tourney at <u>A.L. Gustin Golf Course</u> on campus. Newman even volunteers to help out, says Ashley Moore, assistant director of alumni relations and Entsminger's granddaughter-in-law. "She might just be the nicest person I have ever met," Moore says. "She always has a smile, and she makes everyone around her happy. She's like a small, female version of Bus himself."

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