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Tiger Trolley Cars

MAA honors Jolene Marra Schulz for her professional accomplishments and service to MU.



Mizzou alumnae Jolene Marra Schulz, left, and Cindy Miller Mustard opened Tiger Trolley Tours in 2013. Photo courtesy Schulz.

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Jolene Marra Schulz grew up in one of the most productive coal mining towns in Missouri. As a child, the Bevier native had dreams giving coal mine tours in her hometown. But after 45 years in College Town USA, Schulz feels like

Columbia is her home. So in 2013, Schulz, BS Ed '63, M Ed '73, and Cindy Miller Mustard, BA '65, teamed up and opened Tiger Trolley Tours.

Few are better suited to guide tours than Schulz and Mustard, a descendent of one of the university's founding families. On the cultural arts tour, trolley passengers might see Citizens, a sculpture near the Columbia Daily Tribune building. On the historical tour, they might drive by the Missouri-Kansas-Texas railroad depot, built in 1919 and now the home of Shiloh Bar & Grill. When the Delta Xi chapter of Tri Delta celebrated 100 years on campus in April 2015, Schulz took the alumnae on a campus tour.

“They wanted to see all of their old stomping grounds — The Stable, The Stein Club, Andy's Corner — and, of course, they're all gone,” Schulz says. “It was fun to point out where they were and to show what is now in their place.”

Schulz personalizes the tours for the groups' interests. She spends a lot of time researching little-known facts and getting updated figures, but working with local businesses isn't anything new. She served for 34 years as an administrator with Columbia Public Schools, and in 1984 she started the Partners in Education program, which provides students with real-world business opportunities while strengthening the relationship between the school district and the city.

In October, the Mizzou Alumni Association will present Schulz with a 2015 Faculty-Alumni Award. Although she likes showing trolley riders St. Clair Hall at Columbia College and Lean Raney Wood Hall at Stephens College, nothing beats Mizzou's Jesse Hall.

The Mizzou Alumni Association started recognizing the achievements of faculty and alumni through Faculty-Alumni Awards in 1968. Faculty members are considered for their work as teachers, researchers and administrators. Alumni are considered for both their accomplishments in professional life and service to their alma mater.

The 2015 award winners are:

Distinguished Service Award

- Jose M. Gutierrez, BS Acc '84, M Acc '85, of Dallas, Texas

Distinguished Faculty Award

- Barbara J. Reys, M Ed '79, EdSp '82, PhD '85, of Columbia, Curators Professor and Lois Knowles Faculty Fellow, co-director of the Center for the Study of Mathematics Curriculum in the College of Education

Alumni

- Jacqueline K. Clark, BA '84, of Lee's Summit, Missouri
- Don M. Downing, BS BA '79, JD '82, of St. Louis

- Gary L. Link, BS BA '74, of Columbia
- Stephen J. Owens, BS PA '77, of Columbia
- Howard Richards, BA '88, of Florissant, Missouri
- Jolene M. Schulz, BS Ed '63, M Ed '73, of Columbia

Faculty

- James Birchler, Curators Professor of Biological Sciences in the College of Arts and Science
- Deborah L. Hanuscin, associate professor in the Department of Learning, Teaching and Curriculum in the College of Education
- Marjorie R. Sable, professor and director in the School of Social Work in the College of Human Environmental Sciences
- Nancy M. West, professor in the Department of English, former director of the Honors College

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