"My friends give me trouble about it, and even people I hardly know. I'm not the kind of person that gets embarrassed too easily, and I enjoy doing it so it really bothered him.

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Early in September a large white text prize was added to a small trophy going to the winning team of the Intramural Basketball. Under the text a red pen underlined the words: "The Edge". This slogan is a resource for all Truman students interested in intramural sports. The Edge is open to all who wish to participate and is an alternative to club sports. The Edge provides a unique opportunity for individual students to try a sport they might otherwise not have experienced.

"All Eyes On: Aaron Truitt"

Aaron Truitt, one of Truman's three male cheerleaders, enjoys keeping in shape with a unique sport.

Truitt said he had trouble at first trying to find more guys to join "Truitt said. "It's really hard to get people to want to try out. I'm a senior, just now getting involved with everything it has to offer," Truitt said. "I want to get everything I can out of Truman now since I'm only in college once.

"It was when he was in high school. He gained a mutual understanding of what it's like to compete in the sport. He said he went to cheerleading camp this summer and didn't understand what it was like to cheer.

"I have been a part of a football camp and stuff where they just yell at you all the time, which is fine," Truitt said. "View football. But here it was a little different. All the teams are keeping each other and I really worked hard. I learned a lot of stuff at camp that I didn't know how to do in high-school, and some stuff we weren't allowed to do that we were allowed to do in the camp." Truitt has temporarily disaffiliated from their sorority. The group is then called a Prim Rose and senior Rachel Richardson explained the benefits of and differences between her organization and sororities.

"We are about diversity," Richardson said. "We charge as much money as we have to report to anybody," Richardson said. "We don't have the responsibility to answer to anybody at all. Other sororities have a to-report clause and a lot of those organizations have to worry about how much money they're going to make. We charge money to be a Prim Rose, but we don't have to report to anybody," Richardson said.

"Through high school I was friends with a lot of girls, I actually met some of the girls in Prim Roses she felt comfortable among them. They are all just very outgoing," Cevallos said. "They got to know me and were interested in me. Usually I feel uncomfortable around people (I haven’t met them), so I was kind of nervous that I would say the wrong thing or do something that’s going to be weird and awkward.

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"The Edge" is open to all who wish to participate and is an alternative to club sports. The Edge provides a unique opportunity for individual students to try a sport they might otherwise not have experienced. The Edge is an alternative to club sports and allows the organization to be open to everyone. It keeps the basic structure of a sorority to enter into the Greek system. President of Prim Roses and senior Rachel Richardson explained the benefits of and differences between her organization and sororities.

"Are we about diversity," Richardson said. "We pride ourselves in diversity, girls from all different backgrounds, all different kinds of majors, growing up in cities, growing up in farms, with different kinds of interests. And as far as values, we don't have set values. Because we are so different, unlike to know everyone’s opinions and keep on the edge of everybody’s kind of what we believe in, what we are working to get better and helping you.

"The growing student groups create a very different experience for the girls in "Bob" are always there for each other. A lot of girls in "Bob" are girls that have a lot of guys friends growing up and don't have sisters and things like that and really wanted to belong closer with other weird girls essentially. King said. "We can be so silly and awkward as we see, and it’s ok.

All Eyes On: Aaron Truitt

The cheerleading team added three new members this year who won’t be wearing skirts or waving pompoms.

Aaron Truitt came from behind the scenes to make waves in the squad. Although, this is his first year as a Truman cheerleader, Truitt is no stranger to the sport.

"One of my friends told me to do it in high school and I actually kind of thought it was a good idea to go and try it out," Truitt said. "I thought I’ll try it out, it was fun, so I kept it going. I always liked it.

"When Truitt started at Truman, some of the cheerleaders who heard he was interested in cheerleading in high school approached him about joining the squad. But Truitt said he was too shy with school and other activities. This year, however, he decided he wanted to get more involved.

"I just started kind of tapping in to Truman, now that I’m still here, I think I want to get a little bit more involved. I haven’t had the chance to do a lot of events that Truitt said. "I want to get everything I can out of it, I want to get everything I can out of Truman."

"I think that a lot of people think about Prim Roses and senior Rachel Richardson explained the benefits of and differences between her organization and sororities.

"There are some people who just naturally fit in with us, it’s like we have known them forever. That’s the best kind of friend you have throughout your life, the people you know forever. You know that they have the same values and same morals and know forever what you know," Richardson said.

"I think that a lot of the people who join Prim Roses are looking for close friends to be girls because they lack of a lot of girls in high school, or they don’t have sisters to communicate with. Through high school I saw friends with a lot of friends, and I could say I was jealous of them. So when I joined Prim Roses, Richardson said. "One of the main reasons I joined Prim Roses and the same reason a lot of people join is because they don’t have a lot of girlfriends."

"Senior Andrea Cevallos said that when she was a freshman she wanted to concentrate on her studies and didn’t think to join a sorority or group, but when she met some of the girls in Prim Roses she felt comfortable among them. The girls are all just very outgoing," Cevallos said. "They got to know me and were interested in me. Usually I feel uncomfortable around people (I haven’t met them), so I was kind of nervous that I would say the wrong thing or do something that’s going to be weird and awkward.

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