

## Authors speak on campus



Rhine Espailat



Mona Lisa Saloy



Dean Rader

# Press celebrates 25th anniversary

### University Press brings award-winning poets to campus to celebrate

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Twenty-five years ago Truman State history and religion professor Robert Snooker wanted to publish his literary journal about 16th century studies. With this one publication, the University Press began and now is preparing to celebrate its anniversary and the changes it has made throughout the years.

To commemorate its anniversary, the Press is bringing to campus three authors it has published and who have received the T.S. Eliot Prize for Poetry. Press production editor Judy Sharp said the prize, which was created to promote their poetry publications during 1997, allows authors who aren't well known to submit their poetry, and if they are selected as the winner, their

manuscript is published.

While on campus, the award winners, Rhina Espailat, Dean Rader and Mona Lisa Saloy, will guest-lecture in classes, host an author panel with students and perform a poetry reading at 7 p.m. tonight in the SUB Down Under.

When the Press began, Sharp said it only published 16th-century literature manuscripts in cloth-bound hardbacks. Now, the press has expanded to include early modern-American studies and poetry. The press mainly publishes paperbacks and e-books.

"We feel very fortunate to be here and were beginning to be more independent and move to e-books," Sharp said. "We've sort of got on the e-book bandwagon early and a lot of university presses aren't really doing e-books yet."

Sharp said poetry has become what the Press is most well-known for because of the T.S. Eliot award. Each year, Sharp said the Press receives about 450 submissions of poetry from around

the world for this award. The manuscripts are evaluated by a new judge every year. This year, Jim Barnes, former faculty member and the Press's current poetry editor selected the winner.

Despite the award coming from a small school, award winner Dean Rader said he is incredibly proud of the award. Having someone else think his poetry is worthy of publication is encouraging, he said, and he is eager to share his poetry with Truman students at the reading.

Krista Baker, the Press's part-time sales assistant, has helped plan the Press's anniversary celebration, and she said they wanted to bring authors to campus as an effort to connect students to the Press.

"We just want people to come out and enjoy the readings," Baker said. "These are really good poets and it's not often that you get a poetry reading on campus. We just want to celebrate and just make the University aware of what we do."

# Drivers form connections

### University drivers share experiences and form bonds with students

BY ALEX CARLSON  
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Charles Lay lost his job as a gas transport driver two-and-a-half years ago because of difficult economic conditions in Kirksville. With a bad job market and steep competition among drivers, Lay took a gamble and applied to be a driver at Truman State.

Now, Lay has become more than a chauffeur for classes or sports teams. He is a friend to the students and faculty he transports across the country.

In addition to making a living, driving for the University has given Lay and other University drivers the chance to visit new places while creating friendships on the road with the Truman students and professors they drive.

With a tip from his wife, who works for Truman, Lay applied for the job and was selected after presenting his credentials as a cross-country gas truck driver. Lay's work as a driver has taken him far from home, going as far east as Ohio and as far south as Oklahoma.

Lay's job isn't all about long road trips and vehicle maintenance. It allows him to experience Truman students' successes as if he were a student, professor or coach. Lay said he has gained a sense of belonging and some long-lasting friendships with his passengers.

"We haul a lot of sports teams and I've known some kids for two and a half years," Lay said, "I've seen them play so much, so I get pretty involved with their games. I cheer them on like any fan or coach would. The students really are a blessing to me."

Although most trips Lay has driven for have been as he calls "smooth sailing" there have been situations where a wrench was thrown into the mix, or in Lay's case, a wandering bird.

Lay said that during a wrestling trip to Ohio last year, a turkey crashed into the window while he was driving.

Most of Lay's trips as a University driver are between three to six hours

one-way, but lengthier trips for sports teams are common. Lay said University drivers always are willing to help out classes who need a driver for a field trip or visits to other colleges.

University driver Jeffrey Morton also had a difficult job market to contend with when job-searching, but after seeing a 2007 ad in the Kirksville Daily Express, he applied for the position and was hired. Morton has driven for Truman for more than four years.

"At the time, it was before the economy tanked," Morton said. "I noticed there was a lot more competition for jobs shortly after that. I got in under the wire before the economy got bad."

Morton has taken trips with students he might not have met otherwise. During 2011, he drove a class studying Kurt Vonnegut to Indianapolis to the Kurt Vonnegut Memorial Library. Morton said he visited the museum with the class and felt like a student again, learning about new places he couldn't see in Kirksville or even Missouri.

"Sometimes I'll stay with the bus," Morton said, "It really varies, but when I can, I like seeing the same things that the students see."

Fleet Manager Joyce Mullins manages the University drivers and helps maintain the vehicles. Mullins said the two full-time drivers and one part-time driver maintain the vehicles' oil levels, rotate the tires and purchase fuel.

"The University drivers drive fleet vehicles, which have Wright Express Universal Fleet cards for fuel expenses," Mullins said. "Part of their duty is to keep the vehicles safe for the passengers."

Mullins said maximum driving time for the University driver is 10 consecutive hours with eight hours of off-duty time. The drivers can rest and refuel for the lengthy cross-country drives during off-duty time.

The University drivers have been able to see sights across the country, but even when they are far from Kirksville, they still feel like they're a part of Truman.

"Truman's a big part of my life," Lay said. "I always want to help out and be a part of it as a driver."

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