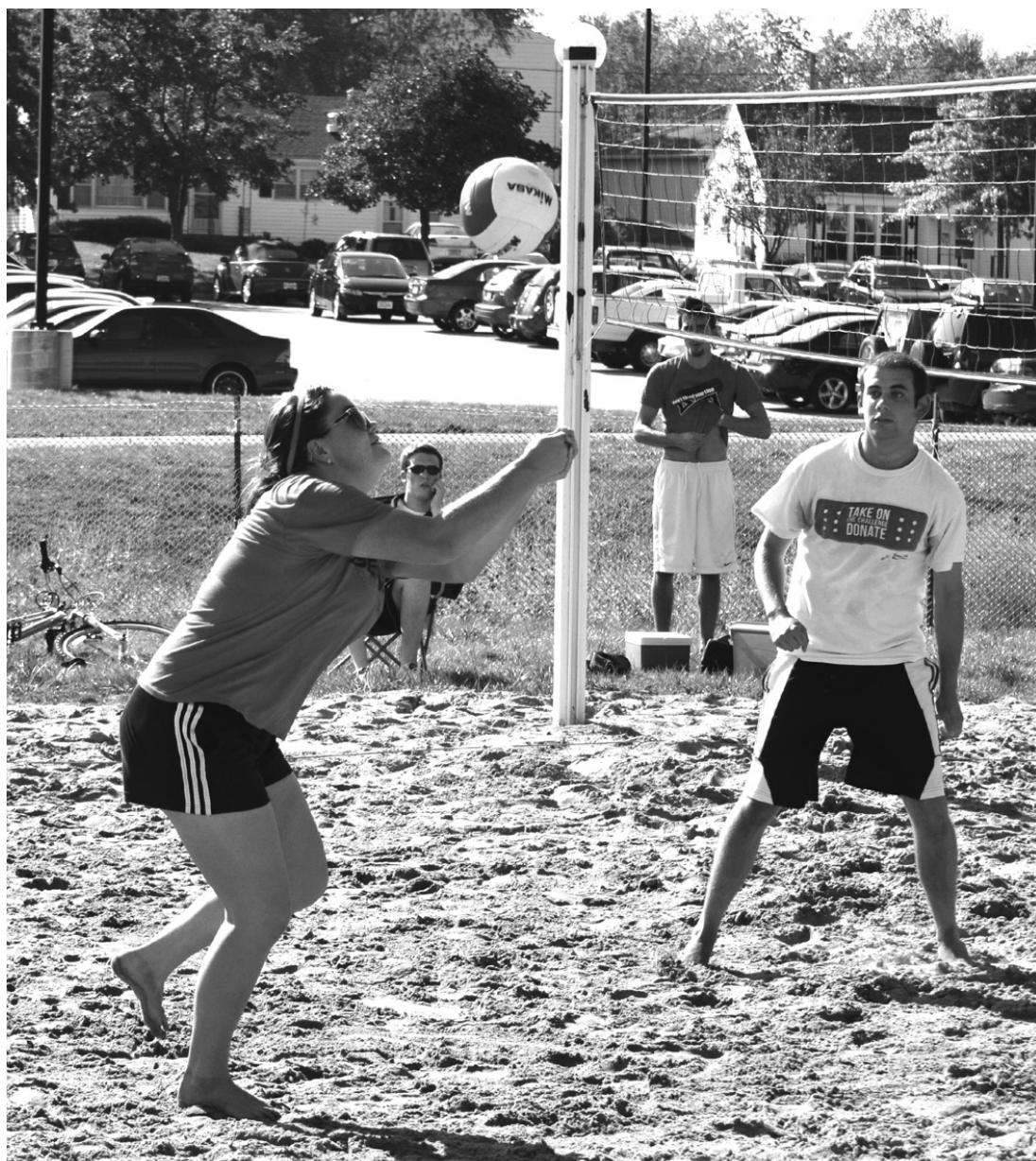


Intramural tournament players volley



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Sophomores Tori Barber, left, bumps the ball while Kevin Mitchell, right, watches during an intramurals volleyball game Tuesday afternoon at the sand volleyball court behind Centennial Hall.

Fundraiser helps local food pantries

BY INDEX STAFF

The recent Oscar Mayer promotion to collect bologna at the Kirksville Hy-Vee will supplement year-long efforts by community members to feed those in need.

Hy-Vee store manager Jeff Suchomel said the promotion occurred from Aug. 29 to Sept. 4, and raised 5,831 pounds of bologna.

The event allowed Hy-Vee customers to buy 10 packages of discounted bologna for \$10, Suchomel said. Customers then had the option to donate the meat to The Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri. He said all customers were given a \$10 store credit for their purchase.

4,599 pounds, close to three tons, of bologna were donated during a special event for the promotion Aug. 30, Suchomel said.

He said hundreds of community members and Truman State students participated in the promotion. He said many customers came through the check out line multiple times to stock up on store credit while helping a good cause.

Mike DeSantis, Regional Coordinator for Northeast Missouri for The Food Bank, said the organization saw an opportunity to gather a large amount of food and decided to participate in the promotion. The Food Bank is one of three in the country that gives food to local pantries for no cost to the pantry.

DeSantis said food collected from the Hy-Vee drive will be stored at the Food Bank in Columbia, Mo. All food collected within Adair county will be redistributed to Adair County food pantries, he said.

DeSantis said it will not take long for all the bologna to leave The Food Bank and be distributed throughout the county.

"You would be surprised how fast the food goes," DeSantis said. "Three tons of bologna is going to fly."

Kirksville pantries receiving food from the promotion include The Christian Community Food Depot and the Salvation Army, DeSantis said.

Local food pantries also receive contributions from a community garden, said Jackie Settlege, Kirksville resident and garden volunteer. She said she volunteers at the Jamison Street Garden for a program sponsored by the Kirksville Community Action Agency, the University of Missouri Master Gardener Program and the Truman agricultural department.

The Jamison Street Garden has about 10 plots of crops and is tended by 15 people, Settlege said. Produce from the garden is donated to The Christian Community Food Depot.

Despite the summer drought, Settlege said the garden will be able to donate about 125 pounds of tomatoes, squash, zucchini, cucumbers, green beans and watermelon.

The Crossing Food Pantry is another local effort to feed those in need, volunteer Ashley Petty said. The pantry serves to food on the third Saturday of every month. There are no eligibility requirements to obtain food, Petty said.

She said the pantry receives food and monetary donations from members of The Crossing Church, and will receive canned food donations from Bacon Fest later this month.

The pantry also makes its space available to another local effort, the Buddy Packs program, which provides low-income children backpacks filled with food for the weekend.

University earns top rankings

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U.S. News and World Report announced its 2013 annual college and university rankings based on programs, affordability and an array of other categories, many of which Truman State received top honors.

For the 16th year in a row, Truman was ranked as the No. 1 public regional university in the Midwest. The University also ranked eighth for best overall university across the Midwest region for the ninth time since 2002.

"I think [the award] comes from the fact we have remained committed to our core values of academic excellence," University President Troy Paino said. "The focus and the bulk of our resources go toward student learning and that's something deeply embedded in the culture at Truman."

Paino said he also was pleased to see the University was given a No. 1 ranking for "Strong Commitment to Teaching," moving up from last year's No. 3 ranking.

The campus environment as well as faculty and student interaction are two key aspects Paino said he thinks this boosted ranking can be attributed to.

According to the University's press release, Truman also was recognized for the study abroad and undergraduate research/creative projects programs, which will be included in the publication with more information about the University.

"Despite all challenges, people have stayed true to why they're here," Paino said. "That's a wonderful testimony to our core values."

SB40 Board hosts free classes to boost disability advocacy

Local office created by Senate Bill 40 looks to host classes to teach about disabilities

BY JACCI GUTHRIE

Staff Reporter

The Adair County Senate Bill 40 Developmental Disability Board is introducing free instruction sessions through the Missouri Parents Act focusing on advocating and supporting the educational rights and services of children with disabilities.

MPACT is a statewide organization providing these instructional sessions. Deb Wohlers, Executive Director of the Adair County SB40 Board said the board contacted MPACT two years ago, and agreed to provide the location and refreshments if MPACT provided the trainer.

Adair County SB40 Board was created during July 2005 with the intent assisting in providing essential resources to individuals with developmental disabilities, according to the Board's website.

The Board was the result of a local proposition during early 2005 said Wohlers. This proposition accompanied the law SB40 passed during 1969, which permitted Missouri counties to create a tax to benefit county residents who have developmental disabilities.

Wohlers said other than the MPACT classes, the board helps schools and organizations throughout the county with different requests to provide services, promote community integration



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The Adair County Senate Bill 40 Developmental Disability Board will be hosting educational sessions about rights and services for children with disabilities.

and help families access governmental resources.

The training classes range from topics like the transition from school to the workplace, to conflict resolution. Wohlers said classes occur the second Saturday of every month, making the next available class during November.

Vicky Wehner, the Coordinator of Truman State's Disability Services, said though educational classes like these

might not directly apply to many of the disabled community at Truman, promoting advocacy is important.

Wohlers said classes would help parents take an active role in their children's education, benefit the local school districts with educated parents, and foster independence through education. For more information, visit the Adair County SB40 Developmental Disability Board website.

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