

Winter storm strikes campus



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Above: Students walk through a winter storm on their way to and from classes. The snow storm began early Tuesday afternoon and continued through the evening. Bottom: Sophomore Collin O'Connell bundles up for one of the first winter storms of 2016. A winter weather alert advisory was issued for Adair County from 1 p.m. Tuesday until 4 a.m. Wednesday.



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NEWS

IN BRIEF

2015 traffic reports show an increase in fatalities

The 2015 Missouri traffic reports show an increase in fatalities since 2014. The 2015 reports show 853 people died in traffic accidents. This is an 11 percent increase from 2014. The victims were not wearing seatbelts in 63 percent of 2015 fatal accidents.

Hope's Kitchen fundraiser sets new fundraising record

The 2015 Hope's Kitchen fundraiser, hosted by the Kirksville Daily Express, raised a record \$10,715. The previous record, \$10,073, was set during 2011. Hope's Kitchen, which provides food and fellowship to the community, requires at least \$10,000 annually to continue operations. The Daily Express has hosted an annual fundraiser to support the kitchen since 2001. During that time, the paper has raised a total of \$92,244.

Michelle Blakely named new disability services director

Michelle Blakely has been selected at Truman to serve as the new disability services director. Blakely will provide and organize services to accommodate students with disabilities that might otherwise inhibit their ability to fully participate in all aspects of the Truman experience. Blakely previously has served as Truman's student education and support coordinator in the Dean of Student Affairs Office. Blakely is a National Certified Counselor and has published several articles. Her last article, which discussed how health care professionals can develop stronger relationships with their patients, was published in "The Consultant Pharmacist."

STUDENT SENATE

IN BRIEF

The Student Senate discussed concealed carry campus legislation. Junior Christy Crouse, Diversity Committee chair, reported the committee is working with the Multicultural Affairs Center to host Diversity Week. Senior Zach Hollstrom, Health, Wellness and Safety chair, reported his committee is trying to bring in a new University Counseling services counselor. The Student Senate completed a first read of the spring 2016 budget.

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CRIME REPORTS

DPS & KPD

- 1/19 Theft reported at the 700 block of S. Fifth St.
- 1/18 Domestic disturbance reported at the 1000 block of W. Smith Street.
- 1/18 Theft reported at the 700 block of W. Link St.
- 1/18 Domestic disturbance reported at the 100 block of E. Jefferson St.
- 1/17 Third degree assault reported at the 1700 block of N. Centennial Ave.
- 1/17 Theft reported at the 1000 block of Kings Road.
- 1/16 Theft reported at the 0 block of Eastgate Drive.
- 1/16 Suspect arrested for driving while intoxicated at Franklin Street.
- 1/16 Suspect arrested for driving while intoxicated at Jefferson Street.
- 1/15 Theft reported at the 200 block of E. Missouri St.
- 1/15 Theft reported at the 400 block of S. Halliburton St.
- 1/15 Domestic disturbance reported at the 600 block of Dodson St.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The Art and Science of Inclusivity

Jan. 18-29

This series of events, workshops, lectures and seminars is a program designed to help Truman State students understand various forms of diversity and the importance of differences in a democratic society. The week kicked off with the MLK Collegiate Challenge. For a complete list of events, dates, times and places, visit truman.edu/inclusivity-program.

Slam Poet Katie Wirsing

7-8 p.m.
 Jan. 25
 SUB Hub

The Student Activities Board will host nationally ranked spoken word poet Katie Wirsing alongside TruSlam. Wirsing focuses on issues of gender, love, sexuality and spirituality in her work. Featured on NPR and BBC, Wirsing is a member of the 2006 National Poetry Slam Championship team.