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# LETTER TO THE LIAISON

**Dear Liaison,**

Something has gone awry on Truman State's campus in Kirksville, Missouri. Who else can help solve Spike's mystery? None other than the Truman State University Bulldogs. You might ask why something has gone awry at Truman, and that is because of this year's theme: **C'mon Bulldogs! We've got a mystery to solve!** The 2016 Homecoming Committee is very excited to welcome you to this year's festivities and is excited for you and your organization to build up our Community this Fall.

The Committee has been working very hard to make sure that the events during homecoming week are enjoyable for all, run efficiently, and, ultimately, bring together the Truman community. Within this packet you will find information about the week and how it will go. We have clearly explained the rules and expectations to you so that you and your team have a fun and rewarding week. Everything you need to succeed is found in this packet (contact information, deadlines, rules for events, etc.). You will be provided any and all other information you need to do well.

If you have a question or this packet gets misplaced, you will find a digital copy and all the information needed for Homecoming Week on our website: **homecoming.truman.edu**. If there is still confusion over certain rules, events, or any concerns you may have, don't hesitate to contact the appropriate committee member who can help with your questions to the best of their knowledge.

Thank you for participating in Homecoming 2016. Best of luck.

And: **C'mon Bulldogs! We've got a mystery to solve!**

Homecoming Directors,  
Taryn Sohal and Zach Lepperd

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# Teams

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<p><b>Denim Detectives</b> Sigma Kappa Beta Theta Pi</p>	<p><b>Saffron Spies</b> Alpha Sigma Alpha Lambda Chi Alpha Cardinal Key</p>	<p><b>Teal Tricksters</b> Tau Lambda Sigma Sigma Phi Epsilon The Society of the Prim Roses</p>
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# Homecoming Events Schedule

EVENT	DATE
Kickoff	Monday, October 17
CAN You Build It?, SAB Event	Tuesday, October 18
Twitter Hunt, Lip Sync Run Through, Trick or Treating for Canned Goods	Wednesday, October 19
Lip Sync	Thursday, October 20
Relay Race, Hands on the Van	Friday, October 21
Parade, Pep Rally/Tailgate	Saturday, October 22

# Point Breakdown

Event	Points	Event	Points	Event	Points
<b>Kickoff</b>		<b>Hands on a Van</b>		<b>Penny Bucket</b>	
60% Attendance	80	Participation	40	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	50
50% Attendance	70	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	150	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	35
40% Attendance	60	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	125	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	15
<b>Yell-In</b>		3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	100	1 <sup>st</sup> Place Decoration	15
Participation	100	40 % Team Participation	50	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Decoration	10
		<b>Relay Race</b>			
<b>Food Eating Contest</b>		1 <sup>st</sup> Place	75	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Decoration	5
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	50	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	50	<b>Blood Drive</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	40	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	25	50% Team Total	60
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	30	<b>Team Philanthropy</b>		40% Team Total	40
<b>Buddy Pack</b>		\$1000+ Raised	150	30% Team Total	20
5 pts per person	20	\$600-\$999	100	<b>Athlete Appreciation</b>	
<b>CAN You Build It?</b>		\$300-\$599	75	50% Team at Appreciation Event	50
500 Cans	100	1 <sup>st</sup> Place Overall Raised	150		
<i>Additional Money</i> <i>(1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>)</i>	30, 20, 10	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Overall Raised	100	<b>Student Homecoming Court</b>	

<i>Creativity</i>		3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Overall Raised	75	Nomination Submitted	25
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	30			Nomination Selection	25
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	20				
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	10				
<b>Twitter Race</b>		<b>Individual Philanthropy</b>		<b>Lip Sync</b>	
Participation	10	\$6 per member	80	<b>Overall</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	30	\$4 per member	60	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	100
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	25	\$2 per member	40	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	75
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	20	<b>Apparel</b>		3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	50
<b>Trick or Treat for Canned Goods</b>		40% Team Total	75	<i>Best</i>	
50% Attendance	50	60% Team Total	150	Skit	10
40% Attendance	40	80% Team Total (Bonus)	50	Costume	10
30% Attendance	30	<b>Spirit Days</b>		Choreography	10
<b>Liaison Meeting</b>		10 pts (per day)	50	Lip Syncer	10
Attendance per meeting	5 pts	Most likes on a picture (bonus)	25	<i>Participation</i>	
<b>Parade</b>		<b>Banner</b>		Run Through	Up to 50
1 <sup>st</sup> Place, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	100, 75, 50	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	30	Dress Rehearsal	Up to 50
50% of your Team participation	50	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	20	60% Audience Participation	50

Creativity, Aesthetic Appeal, Inclusion of Theme, Incorporation of Truman Pride, Team Spirit	15 (each)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	10	Bonus Points	Up to 15
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# Apparel

For pictures of Apparel visit the Homecoming website

## APPAREL COORDINATORS

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Points will be distributed based on the percentage of members on a team purchasing apparel.

### **Point Distribution:**

40% Team Total: 75 Points  
 60% Team Total: 150 Points  
 80% Team Total (Bonus): 50 Points



# 2016 Homecoming Apparel Information

Organization/Department Pre-Orders for Homecoming are available online via the Apparel page and must be turned into the CSI Office (SUB 2000) no later than **5pm on Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**. All checks should be made payable to Truman State University.

Once your order has been filled you will receive an email detailing where you can pick your apparel items up. If you have any questions between when you place your order and when you receive your apparel, contact the Homecoming Apparel Coordinators.

**Pre-Order Apparel Information: September 20<sup>th</sup>** - Apparel Orders DUE to the CSI by 5:00PM

- Please fill out the order form with your Organization or Department's order. The pre-order form and all money (form of checks preferred) must be submitted by **September 20<sup>th</sup>** to the Center for Student Involvement (CSI) by **5:00pm**.
- All orders must be paid for up front in the form of cash or check.
- **All checks should be made payable to Truman State University.**
- Note: We will provide a sign-up sheet for your convenience in the coming days. This is for your use only and the Department Apparel Order Form should be returned with money.

**Table Apparel Sales: October 10<sup>th</sup> – October 21st**

Apparel sales will begin on **Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 2pm**. There will be tables on the Mall or in the SUB (depending on weather) from 10am-2pm Monday through Friday until the end of Homecoming.

Only cash or check will be accepted at the apparel table. Anyone interested in purchasing apparel with a credit card must purchase apparel online via the Homecoming Apparel Store. Individual orders will be available for pick up at the Homecoming Apparel Table. All individuals who pre-order or order online will be emailed when their order is available for pick up at the table.

**Online Apparel Sales: September 12<sup>th</sup> – October 21<sup>st</sup>**

Anyone interested in purchasing apparel with a credit card may only do so through our Online Apparel Store on the Homecoming website. <http://store.truman.edu/homecoming/Default.asp>. We accept all credit cards **including VISA**. Online credit card sales will be available until **October 21<sup>st</sup>**. In the case that apparel is ordered online, know that deliveries are not available.

Apparel can be purchased online for **pick up only**. Apparel items ordered online may be picked up at the apparel table. The Homecoming apparel Coordinators will contact individuals when apparel is available for pick up.

# **2016 Homecoming Philanthropies**

## **Northeast and Central Missouri Food Bank Kirksville, MO Food Pantries Truman State University**

The Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri is a regional disaster and hunger relief network that acquires and distributes millions of pounds of food annually to partner agencies across a 32-county area.

A member of Feeding America, The Food Bank is able to work with manufacturers, wholesalers, processors, growers, retailers and restaurants to secure donations and food at reduced costs. Because of this partnership, the Food Bank is able to turn every dollar into \$21 worth of groceries.

The Food Bank works with 132 food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and other agencies to ensure food gets into the hands of those who need it most. There are two pantries in Kirksville, MO and there are 6 feeding sites.

The Committee will also be donating funds to the University to go towards a Mental Health and Suicide Awareness Programming being implemented in the coming months by Student Affairs and University Counseling Services.

### **PHILANTHROPY COORDINATORS**

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# **Blood Drive**

**Wednesday, September 14th and Thursday, September 15th**

**11:00am-6:00pm**

**Location: SUB Georgian Rooms**

## Information:

Homecoming teams are invited to participate in a blood drive sponsored by Blue Key and Cardinal Key on Wednesday, September 14th and Thursday, September 15th from 11-6pm in the SUB Georgian Rooms.

## Rules:

- Points will be awarded to teams **ONLY** if the individual has successfully donated blood **AND** if they report to the canteen and have a Blue Key and/or Cardinal Key member record their donation to receive points for their team
- If during the process, they get deferred and are unable to donate blood, then they can still head to the canteen and get their name recorded by a Blue Key and/or Cardinal Key member in order to receive points for their team

## **Point Distribution:**

70% participation - 60 points

50% participation - 40 points

40% participation - 20 points

# **Buddy Pack Packing**

**Monday, September 26th at 4:45-6:00pm (pre-packing)**

**or**

**Tuesday, September 27th at 4:45-6:00pm (packing)**

**Location: 411 Hickory St. Kirksville, MO 63501**

## Information:

We are going to be helping the local area food bank pack buddy packs as a way to tangibly help the community. The buddy packs are filled with kid-friendly nutritious food for children who rely on free or reduced-price lunches during the school year. Buddy Packs typically contain two ready-to-eat entrees, a fruit cup, cereal, shelf-stable milk and a nutritional bar. Peanut butter is provided monthly. The Food Bank of Northeast and Central, MO distributes 7,500 Buddy Packs each week during the school year to low-income children at 156 schools in their 32-county service area.

We are going to require that each team provide 4 individuals to help at the event. The teams will have two days to choose from: Monday, September 26th 4:45-6:00pm (pre-packing) and Tuesday, September 27th 4:45-6:00pm (packing) - each team must sign-up for one at the liaison meeting before the event. At the event, members of each team will sign-in and sign-out in order to receive full points.

## Rules:

- All volunteers from the teams **MUST** show up by the given time (or a few minutes earlier) for that team to earn points
- If there are any last minute volunteer changes please contact Susan or Spencer to let them know who will be filling that spot.
- Failure to attend the event on the day and time specified may cause point deductions.

## **Point Distribution:**

5 points per person who attends the event (maximum of 20 points)

# **Trick or Treating for Canned Goods (partnering with the SERVE Center)**

**Wednesday, October 19th**

**Time: TBD**

**Location: Meet at the SERVE Center**

## Information:

The SERVE Center is hosting Trick-or-Treat for canned goods as part of the Big Week of Giving. They need volunteers to help go door-to-door asking for food and money donations to benefit the Food Bank. The time to meet is TBA, but volunteers will be divided up and assigned certain streets. The event will last approximately 1-2 hours. Afterwards, volunteers will bring the donations to the SERVE Center office in the SUB down under.

## **Point Distribution:**

50% Team Attendance: 50 points

40% Team Attendance: 40 points

30% Team Attendance: 30 points

# **Individual Organization Philanthropy Fundraising**

**Monday, September 12th - Friday, September 30th**

## Information:

Fundraising can begin no earlier than **Monday, September 12th** and must conclude no later than **Friday, September 30th**. All funds raised must be submitted to the Homecoming Committee in

the form of one check encompassing the complete amount of money raised by the Organization, and submitted to the CSI no later than Friday, September 30th by 5:00pm.

Rules:

- All proceeds are to be raised by the individual organization and will count for only the Individual Organization Philanthropy total.
- In order to earn points an organization must raise a certain dollar value per member.
- The number of members in an organization are based on the fall rosters submitted to Committee.
- The points will be based off of the teams total members. For example:
  - If Team A consists of organization 1 and organization 2 and they raise \$1000 and have 100 people on the team, they would have \$10 per member resulting in 80 points. If Team B consists of organization 3, organization 4, organization 5, and organization 6 and they raise \$5000 and have 500 people on the team, they would also raise \$10 per member, resulting in 80 points.

**Point Distribution:**

\$6+ per member - 80 points

\$4 per member - 60 points

\$2 per member - 40 points

## **Overall Team Philanthropy Fundraising**

**Saturday, October 1st - Friday, October 21st**

Event Information:

Fundraising can begin no earlier than Saturday, October 1st and must conclude no later than Friday, October 21st. All funds raised must be submitted to the Homecoming Committee in the form of one check encompassing the complete amount of money raised by the Team, and submitted to the CSI no later than Friday, October 21st by 5:00pm.

Rules:

- Each team must submit a written proposal for an event/idea before starting their fundraising.
- Approval for events/ideas may take up to 48 hours and will be secured on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- All proceeds raised during the event will go towards only the Overall Team Philanthropy total.
- Before fundraising can commence each team must receive confirmation from the Homecoming Committee approving all fundraising methods.

- Go FundMes - A screenshot of the GoFundMe must be provided to the CSI office at the deadline in order for the money to be counted to the total the team had raised.
- Proposals may be e-mailed to Susan Caman, and Spencer Wilson at [homecoming@truman.edu](mailto:homecoming@truman.edu) with the subject line “Team Fundraising Proposal - [Your Team Name]”.
- Failure to secure Homecoming Committee approval prior to any fundraising efforts will result in an automatic 400 point deduction for each team.
- Two teams may complete the same fundraising activity but the second team to propose the idea will be informed of the overlap, and asked to provide a different good or service. For example, if Team 1 is doing a pie baking sale and Team 2 later decides to do a bake sale, then Team 2’s baking sale can be approved with the stipulation that they not sell pies like Team 1.
- The more specific the proposal the greater safeguard your team will have!

**Point Distribution:**

**Team Money Raised (all teams qualify for these points):**

- \$1000+ – 150 points
- \$600-999 – 100 points
- \$300-599 – 75 points

**Most Money Raised (competitive):**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – 150 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 100 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 75 points

## **Mystery Bucket Competition**

**Tuesday, October 18th - Friday, October 22nd**

**At the Homecoming Table in the SUB or**

**Mall (depending on weather)**

Information:

The Mystery Bucket Competition will run from Tuesday, October 18th - Friday, October 22nd. The team penny buckets will be placed at the Apparel tables in/outside the SUB as well as various homecoming events.

How Points are Totaled:

- Pennies and bills are counted as positive amounts.
- Silver coins are counted as negative amounts.
- Checks will be accepted but not counted for points

Rules:

- Buckets will be provided by the Homecoming Committee. The decorations must be appropriate.
- Appropriateness will be determined by the Homecoming Committee Advisor.
- The final product must be a bucket; if the final product is not, a 10-point deduction will occur.
- Teams will compete for the best decorated bucket. Buckets will be judged by the Homecoming Committee & Advisor.
- Decorated buckets are due to the CSI office by Monday, October 17th at 5:00 pm.

**Point Distribution:**

**Total Points (based on donations in the bucket)**

1st Place - 50 points  
2nd Place - 35 points  
3rd Place - 15 points

**Bucket Decoration:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – 15 points  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 10 points  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 5 points

The teams with the highest amount of money when considering both positive and negative donations will receive points. Teams will compete for the best decorated bucket. Buckets will be judged by the Homecoming Committee & Advisor.

## **CAN You Build it?**

**Tuesday, October 18th at 1:00-3:00 pm**

**Location: Quad**



## **Rain site: SUB Down Under**

### Information:

The “Can You Build it? competition will be on Tuesday, October 18th from 1:00-3:00pm on the Quad or the SUB Down Under depending on weather. Teams will be using the cans their team donated in order to create a structure that will be judged on different categories.

### Rules:

- No more than 5 members per team are allowed to be in the building area at a time.
- The building area is going to be an 8’l x 8’w x 8’h square and the structure must stay within the taped off area.
- Metal cans of all sizes may be used. Plastic cans are permitted but you must make sure they can support the weight of the other cans.
- No glass containers may be used in the structure.
- Labels must stay intact and legible.
- Structures are to be structurally self-supporting – foam-core, cardboard, masonite, plywood, plexiglass are limited to one-quarter inch thick to serve as leveling materials, not load bearing. Cardboard tubes used as guides must also be limited to one-quarter inch thick.
- Velcro and clear and double-faced tape may be used as adhesives. High-tension rubber bands and nylon string are permissible. No permanent adhesives may be used on the cans.
- Teams can begin transporting and unloading cans/items to their specified areas on the Quad beginning at noon.
- Teams will have from 1:00-3:00pm to build their structure.
- ALL TEAMS ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE 4 PEOPLE TO DISMANTLE THEIR INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURES, PREPARE THE FOOD FOR TRANSPORT BY THE FOOD BANK IN THE CONTAINERS PROVIDED BY THE FOOD BANK, AND HELP PACK THE FOOD. Tear down will begin at 3:30 and end approximately at 4:00 pm.
- The people cleaning up the structures will need to check in with a Philanthropy Coordinator during the cleanup. This will be the only way to know that a team has provided members to clean.
- Failure to provide 4 members to clean up will result in an automatic 100 point deduction.
- Closed toed shoes are necessary for protection against foot injuries. - watch where you are walking.
- Don't run.
- The use of illegal drugs or alcohol or being under the influence of the same on the project shall be cause for dismissal.
- Do not distract the attention of fellow volunteers.

- Do not engage in any act which would endanger another person.
- Lift correctly - with legs, not the back. If the load is too heavy get help.
- Minimum of 500 cans needed.

**Point Distribution:**

500 cans – 100 points

**Creativity:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – 30 points

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 20 points

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 10 points

**Monetary Contribution:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – 30 points

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 20 points

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 10 points

Bonus points will be assigned based on the number of awards a team's structure wins. There is no limit to the amount of awards one structure can win. Each award will be worth 10 points. Teams will be judged by the Committee on creativity of design and execution of their construction. A 1<sup>st</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place creativity winning will be awarded. A group will get 100 points for bringing 500 cans. Because \$1 can provide \$21 in food for the Food Pantry, teams will be rewarded with extra points for contributing money to the event as well.

**Awards (bonus points)**

Best meal

Best use of labels

Structural creativity

Healthiest Structure

Committee favorite

## **Public Relations**

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATORS**

Autumn Shepherd

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# Team Banner

## Week of Homecoming

### Banner Information:

Each team will design and produce a banner to be displayed on the mall during the Week of Homecoming and leading up to Homecoming.

### Banner Guidelines:

- All banners must be made on a twin size FLAT sheet and it must be portrait view.
- NO inappropriate/ profane language, words, symbols and/or pictures.
- Banners should be decorated appropriately for Truman school spirit.
- Banner must include:
  - “C’mon Bulldogs! We’ve got a mystery to solve!”
  - A mystery-like situation involving Spike
  - All organizations on your homecoming team
- Banner must be displayed either on the float or in front of the float (by foot) during the Homecoming Parade.
- The Homecoming Committee is the final authority on the appropriateness of banner designs and reserves the right to deduct points for violations. IF a team has violated the rules, that team may lose part or all of their points for the banner competition.

### Banner Deadlines:

- All banner designs are due at the September 27<sup>th</sup> liaison meeting.
- Completed banner designs are due Wednesday, October 5th by 12 pm to the CSI.

### Judging Criteria:

Judging will be done by a panel of unbiased judges. Each banner will be evaluated on its adherence to the previously listed guidelines, creativity, and the incorporation of Truman school spirit into the design.

### **Point Distribution:**

First Place- 30 points  
Second place- 20 points  
Third Place- 10 points

# The Search for Spike (Twitter Race)

Wednesday, October 19th

Location: On Campus

## Information:

A clue will be sent out Wednesday between 8AM and 10 AM via the Truman State Homecoming social media outlet to help students find Spike. (The official Twitter account is **@TSUHomecoming**. The official Facebook is **Truman State Homecoming**. We will be using Truman State's Snapchat at **@trumanstateu**. **Like/follow us!**) The first clue will lead to the second clue, and so on until the end. At each location, the number of available clues will decrease so that one less team will be able to continue after each clue. The last clue will be available for the top three teams. Points will then be awarded to these teams in the order that they reach Spike and bring him to the CSI.

## Rules:

- Only take one clue per location. You will be disqualified for stealing, tampering, or hiding the other clues, as well as receive a 50 point deduction in your team's overall score.
- Once the first clue is given, each team will have until 1PM to find Spike.

## **Point Distribution:**

Participation - 10 Points (All clues found must be turned into SUB to receive participation points.)

1st Place - 30 Points

2nd Place - 25 Points

3rd Place - 20 Points

# Recognition

## Awards & Recognition Coordinators:

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## Student Homecoming Court

### Information:

Each organization on a team can nominate **one** student to be considered for Homecoming Court. The student who is nominated will be responsible for filling out the online application, completing the Homecoming Court Quiz, and submitting a resume to be considered. If an applicant meets all of the below requirements and scores a total of 20 points on their application, quiz, and resume then the student will be invited to an interview with the Homecoming Court Selection Committee. An important addition this year, the committee would like each organization to submit a staff member from Truman who you believe is an outstanding member in the community and school itself and also deserves recognition. This will be handed out at the pep rally.

\*\* Note: The amount of points nominee receives in each category will NOT count towards your team's overall total.

### **Point Distribution:**

Teams will receive 25 points for submitting court nomination (up to 50 points for nominating per team) and 25 points for sponsoring a court member (up to 50 points for nominating per team).

### Voting Information:

- Online Voting Begins Sunday, October 16 at 5:00pm.
- King and Queen will be crowned and announced during LipSync on Thursday, October 20th.

### Student Requirements:

- 3.0 GPA or above.
- Must be in good standing with Truman State University.

#### Student Nomination and Application Rules:

- Each organization is allowed only one nomination/applicant.
- Applications for student nominations will be available Friday, September 9th at 12:00pm, via the Homecoming website to apply online.
- Nominations are due September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016
  - Send nominations to [homecoming@truman.edu](mailto:homecoming@truman.edu) and [CC\\_jnd4613@truman.edu](mailto:CC_jnd4613@truman.edu) and [rmh7351@truman.edu](mailto:rmh7351@truman.edu)
- Applications for the nominees (not to confuse this with the nomination) are due September 21<sup>st</sup> on the Homecoming website.
- Applicants will be notified September 26th by 5:00 pm about interview times.

#### Student Application Interviews:

- All applicants will be interviewed September 28th - October 5th (excluding the weekend).
- Applicants should come in their letters or an organizational t-shirt and be prepared to take a photo for a poster for if they are selected

#### Selection Committee:

- Court Selection Committee will be comprised of faculty/committee members. None of the Faculty members will be advisors for participating organizations.
- A maximum of 12 students will be selected for Homecoming Court

#### Court Only Event (during LipSync):

- Will be a Jeopardy style game, guys vs. girls, subject to change
- One round of 10 minutes

#### Court Videos and Publicity:

- Each member of court will be required to make a video to be released on Homecoming social media and played at Lip Sync.
- Video must be under 45 seconds.
- Videos are due by October 14th and should be dropped off at the CSI on a flashdrive. If the format is not compatible, please have a backup plan.
- The video content must abide by the Truman's Student Code of Conduct.
- If the video is deemed inappropriate by the Advisor, points will be deducted from the team's overall score and the video will not be shown or posted.
- Court members cannot campaign (individual posters, banners, etc.) on campus. Any campaigning materials that you post on campus will be removed immediately and the court member can be removed from the court.

#### Court Attendance Events:

- Kick Off (wear Organizational shirt)
- Lip Sync (Homecoming Apparel)
- Parade (Organizational shirt)
- Pep Rally/Football Game (Organizational shirt or Homecoming Apparel)

**Overall Court Dates & Deadlines:**

Date	Task
9/19/16	Nominations Due at 12PM <b>AND</b> Nominee Application Opens at 12PM
9/21/16	Nominee Applications Due at 12PM
9/22/16 - 9/23/16	Mandatory Quiz for Nominee
9/26/16	Applicants will be notified about their interview times at 5PM
9/28/16 - 10/5/16	Interviews
10/7/16	Homecoming Court Announced
10/14/16	Videos are due
10/16/16	Online Voting Polls Open at 5PM
10/20/16	Online Voting Polls Close at 5PM
10/20/16	Videos played during Lip Sync Intermission, Court Event while the points are tallied, and Homecoming Court Winners announced

**Distribution of Selection Points:**

Part of Process	
Application	15
Resume	10
Quiz	5
Interview	20
Total Points	50

## Pep Rally

Saturday October 22nd  
12PM - Tailgate Parking Lot

Information:

A Pep Rally will be held from noon until 2PM at the Tailgate Parking lot, south of Centennial Hall. Teams are invited to hang out, play games **FOR** prizes, watch the presentation of prizes, and await the announcement of the Homecoming winner!

## Events

### Events Coordinators:

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# Opening Ceremonies

**Time: 5:00 pm**

**Location: Quad**

**Rain Site: SUB HUB**

## Event Information:

Opening Ceremonies will take place on Monday, October 17th. Meet on the Quad at 5:00 PM to enjoy live performances, court announcements, and a mystery food eating competition.

## Rules and Requirements:

**Yell-in:** This year we will be having a yell-in to get the entire school excited for the week. Each team will be in charge of creating their own “chant” to perform during the ceremonies. More rules and details are on the following page.

**Mystery Food Competition:** At this event, the contestants will be given a food (mystery food will not be revealed until that day) and they will see who can eat the food the fastest. For example, who can eat 6 hotdogs the fastest. One male-identifying individual and one female-identifying individual from each team. If a team representative does not identify as male or female, please contact the committee for the overall team representation. Homecoming is an inclusive event and we will gladly make changes to allow for more inclusion.

## **Point Distribution:**

### **Team Attendance:**

60% of team - 80 points

50% of team - 70 points

40% of team - 60 points

### **Yell-In Competition:**

Participation-100

### **Food Eating Competition:**

1st place - 50

2nd place - 40

3rd place - 30

# Yell-In

## Event information:

This year we have added a new addition to the opening ceremonies. A yell-in where each team will organize, create, and perform. The teams will create their own “chant” that will last about 1-2 minutes that will engage their audiences to participate as well. This competition was added to boost participation and spirit among teams.

All participants and audience members must abide by the University Conduct Code and Homecoming rules. Failure to do so will result in deductions, disqualification and/or loss of participation for future Homecoming activities.

## Rules & Policies:

**Participation:** All Groups must have appropriate representation on stage (all organizations should be represented). It is encouraged to have at least 20 people be the “leaders” for their team so that the chant does not appear unorganized.

**Practices:** For each team it is their responsibility to familiarize their teams with their chant.

**“Yell-In” Skits:** Drafts will be due Wednesday, September 21st. Skits will be returned for revisions by the following Friday, September 23rd.

- Please email skit drafts to Francisco Juarez at [fj5364@truman.edu](mailto:fj5364@truman.edu).
- Each Yell-In should be at least 1 minutes in length, but points will be deducted should it go over 2 minutes and 30 seconds.
- Skits must incorporate the theme and make reference each organization participating on the team.
- All skits utilize family-friendly language and **political correctness**.

## Check-In:

A detailed schedule of check-in times will be given to the Liaisons at a later meeting. Check-ins will only serve as a way to make sure teams are ready to conduct their yell-in, which will count for participation points.

## Bonus Points: (5 points for each):

- Incorporating the slogan of the week, “C’mon Bulldogs! We have a mystery to solve!”
- Loudest
- Most Creative

- Teams that dress in coordinating costumes/ outfits.

**All group's performances and actions will be subject to not receiving participation points if any Homecoming or University policy is not followed including the University Code of Conduct and the following guidelines:**

- Any inappropriate language or content
- Being under 1 minutes

## **Hands on a Van**

**Friday, October 17th**

**3:30PM**

**Location: The Quad, Mall, or Red Barn Park (TBD)**

### Information:

Hands on a van, is a competition to see who can hold their hand on the van the longest. This will take place at the Quad at 3:30PM. This event will occur rain or shine, unless there is lightning.

- One spot per team will be reserved. The rest of the spots are first come first serve for anybody who wants to participate.
- Amount of spots available on the van will be determined at a later date.
- One hand must stay on the van the entire time. If your hand is removed from the van, then you're automatically disqualified.
- Contestants will be asked to sign a waiver form before starting this event. More details and rules will be included on this form prior to the event. An explanation of the rules will be read to the contestants upon starting the competition to make sure every contestant understands what can and cannot be done.
- No contestant shall hinder any other contestant's chance of keeping their hand on the van.
- Only one representative for each team (if someone from the same team comes in on one of the extra spots they are not eligible for the points for their team, they are only eligible for the prize at the end)
- All participants and audience members must abide by the University Conduct Code and Homecoming rules. Failure to do so will result in deductions, disqualification and/or loss of participation for future Homecoming activities.

### **Point Distribution:**

First Place - 150 points

Second Place - 125 points

Third Place - 100 points

40 points participation for having a representative for your team (can only have one representative for your team)

Additional 50 points may be earned if 40% of your team checks-in at the table to show support for the participants.

# **Mystery Mission**

**Friday, October 21**

**Time: 5:30**

**Location: Quad, Red Barn Park (TBD)**

**Rain Site: TBD**

## Information:

Mystery Mission, a relay race competition, will take place on the Quad at 5:30pm. Mystery Mission will take place rain or shine unless there is lightning - each liaison will be contacted if a rain site will be used for the event.

## Event information and rules:

- If a relay team is not fully present and ready for check-in on the Quad by 5:10pm, the team will be disqualified.
- There will be six stations where each team will need to complete the task in order to receive a puzzle piece.
- Participants must arrive in closed-toed shoes and clothes they can get dirty.
- Relay teams will be made up of six females and six males.
- Every organization on each Homecoming team must have at least one representative on the relay team. In the event that a participant is a member of two organizations on the same team, they can only represent one organization for the purpose of the relay. If an organization is not able to get a representative, please let someone on the committee know.
- The relay race is split into six obstacle-oriented events. Each event in the race is completed by one male and one female. Participants will be given specific instructions after check-in.
- Every participant must sign a liability waiver in order to compete.
- Teams are awarded points based on the order in which they complete the relay. Teams will be timed by a member of Committee.

## **Point Distribution:**

First Place - 75 points

Second Place - 50 points

Third Place - 25 points

\*Extra points will be given for coordinating costumes of your choice

# Parade

**Saturday, October 22nd  
9:00AM - Franklin Street**

## Description:

Homecoming Teams will participate in the Homecoming Parade on Saturday, October 22nd at 9:00 AM.

## Information and Rules:

- All competitive entries must have an entry slogan that depicts the Homecoming theme and Truman State University.
- All entries are required to provide and display an appropriate sign or banner to identify the entry and sponsoring organization.
- No political notices, signs, or announcements allowed, unless you are sponsored by a campus organization representing similar interests.
- Driver's vision must not be impaired.
- Candy MAY NOT be thrown from the float. If items are thrown, participation in future parades may be denied. Floats have been removed from previous parades by Kirksville Police for throwing candy and other items. If there are items you would like to hand out, they may be approved by the Homecoming Committee.
- People must not be enclosed without an adequate escape route.
- Entries must complete the entire parade route as they started or be disqualified. Groups causing undue delays or gaps in the parade will be disqualified.
- Entries will be disqualified for use of profanity, vulgarity or any other inappropriate messages or images.
- The following vehicles are recommended for parade float entries: open-bed trucks (no more than 12 passengers in the back of the truck) or flatbed trailers (no longer than 40 feet long). Width of float cannot exceed 12 feet.
- Design of float must be visible from all angles.
- No environmentally harmful substances, such as gas or fire, are allowed on the float.
- Each float must have a fire extinguisher.
- Appropriate music is acceptable to play.
- All float designs/items to be handed out must be submitted to the Homecoming Committee for approval by September 22nd (at the Liaison

meeting or via email to [homecoming@truman.edu](mailto:homecoming@truman.edu)) and will be returned by September 28th.

- Teams must register for the parade by Monday, September 28th online at [homecoming.truman.edu](http://homecoming.truman.edu).

**Point Distribution:**

50% Team Participation – 50 points

1st Place - 100 points

2nd Place - 75 points

3rd Place - 50 points

Floats will get additional points based on creativity, aesthetic appeal, use of Homecoming theme, incorporation of Truman Pride, and team spirit. Each category will be worth 15 points each and will be given based on a faculty judge's ratings.

# LIP SYNC

## **Lip Sync Coordinators:**

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# Lip Sync Schedule

The full Lip Sync details packet will be distributed to you via email and in a future meeting.

## IMPORTANT DUE DATES:

DATE	TIME	INFORMATION
<b>Tuesday, September 6th</b>	Liaison Meeting	Lip Sync Packet Distributed
<b>Tuesday, September 13th</b>	Noon	Song Preferences Due to <a href="mailto:homecoming@truman.edu">homecoming@truman.edu</a>
<b>Friday, September 16th</b>	Noon	Script (1st Drafts) Due via email to <a href="mailto:homecoming@truman.edu">homecoming@truman.edu</a>
<b>Tuesday, September 20th</b>	TBA	Lip Sync Practices Begin
<b>Wednesday, September 21st</b>	5:00pm CSI	Rough Drafts of CDs, Lighting Specifications & Script Revisions Due
<b>Thursday, September 28th</b>	5:00pm CSI	Final Drafts of CDs and Lighting Specifications Due
<b>Sunday, October 9th</b>	Noon	Final Rosters & Run Through Absences Due via email to Scott and Taylor
<b>Monday, October 10th</b>	5:45pm-11:00pm	Lip Sync Run Through
<b>Thursday-Friday, October 13th-14th</b>	Midterm Break	_____
<b>Sunday, October 16th</b>	Noon	Final Rosters & Absences for Dress Rehearsal Due via email to Scott and Taylor
<b>Wednesday, October 19th</b>	5:00pm-11:00pm	Lip Sync Dress Rehearsal
<b>Thursday, October 20th</b>	4:30pm - time varies	Lip Sync Check In (Event at 7:00pm)

# Athlete Appreciation

Team Pairings (Varsity Teams Only):  
pairings were made so that each team would be responsible for getting to know more than one team.

**Indigo Investigators:** Men's and women's basketball  
**Chrome Criminals:** Men's and women's soccer  
**Vegas Gold Villains:** Baseball and softball  
**Denim Detectives:** Men's and women's swimming  
**Saffron Spies:** Men's and women's tennis  
**Teal Tricksters:** Men's and women's cross country  
**Red Herrings:** Football and volleyball  
**Sage Suspects:** Men's and women's track  
**Fusia Fugitives:** Wrestling and women's golf

## **Point Distribution:**

50 points for 50% of Homecoming Team Participating

To receive points the homecoming teams must interact with their varsity team pair, this could be a BBQ dinner, making baked goods and taking it to a practice, attend a game/make a cheer section etc.

## **Point Guidelines:**

50% of the HC team must be present for the event and for the pictures. As well as at least 5 members of each athletic team being represented. Teams can submit their photo through social media (a.k.a. Twitter account) by tweeting @tsuhomecoming and using #AthleteAppreciation, #TrumanHC16, and include their team name in the tweet.

Pictures must be appropriate. No sexually suggestive pictures, alcohol, drugs, nudity, paraphernalia, or theft. These pictures will be disqualified; your team will lose up to 100 points per inappropriate picture or inappropriate pictures could result in team disqualification from Homecoming.



# **Liaison Meetings**

**Tuesdays at 8:00pm**

**CSI Complex (Downstairs Student Union)**

Information:

Liaison meetings are of the utmost importance so that you can stay informed from the Committee and ultimately lead your team to victory. Because of the importance of liaison meetings, there will be points awarded based on your attendance at the liaison meetings.

Unexcused absences will count as a 10 point deduction from your teams overall score. If you cannot make it to the meeting you must send a representative in your place.

# **Alcohol and Other Drugs Policy**

If any member of a team (including those participating in an event) is intoxicated or under the influence of any illegal substance, that team will receive point deductions for each offense. Point deductions will be at the discretion of the Homecoming Directors & Advisors. Students will be brought to the attention of the University Conduct Office.

## **Participation Point Challenge Form**

To challenge points, email [homecoming@truman.edu](mailto:homecoming@truman.edu) with the name of the team, event, and reason for challenge. Points may only be challenged for participation points. All Point Challenge request must be submitted to [homecoming@truman.edu](mailto:homecoming@truman.edu) within 24 hours the event in question. Failure to comply with the below rules will result in disqualification in the event and the overall team will lose 100 points. This will be at the discretion of the Homecoming Chairs and Advisors.

- 1) Will uphold Truman State University's Standards and Policies
  
- 2) No negative comments or actions towards teams or individuals. Including but not limited to insults, disrespectful actions of another team (i.e. organization, members)
  
- 3) Teams and its members must follow the Student Code of Conduct, University rules and

Federal/State Laws.

- 4) Each organization understands that the purpose of Homecoming is to come together as a community to celebrate the University and is to remain a friendly competition and remain a positive reflection of Homecoming and the University.