In recognition of The Boeing Company’s contributions to the University, Truman has bestowed its 2007 Distinguished Corporation/Foundation Award on the aerospace company. The award was announced at the annual Foundation Banquet held on campus April 14.

Boeing is one of the University’s largest corporate donors, and its partnership with the University provides numerous benefits for students. The internships the company offers to students are often a gateway to securing career opportunities with the company, and nearly 250 Truman graduates are employed at Boeing in areas such as finance and accounting, information technology, supplier management, procurement and software engineering. Boeing representatives also come to campus to share their experiences and expertise with students in the business and accountancy and math and computer science classrooms.

In addition, Boeing has hosted multiple special events on behalf of Truman State University at the company’s St. Louis facilities, including activities for alumni, admissions and the Truman State University Foundation Board, and Boeing offers a matching gift program for contributions that its employees make to Truman.

Established in 2006, the Distinguished Corporation/Foundation Award recognizes corporations and foundations for exemplary support to the University and its students. Examples of collaborative efforts include recruitment of interns and graduates, participation in lectures and seminars, intellectual exchanges, research alliances and financial support.

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$25,000 GIFT TO BENEFIT TRUMAN’S MISSOURI GOVERNMENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Truman alumna Randa Rawlins (’79) has designated a $25,000 gift for the University’s Missouri Government Internship Program Endowment. The fund provides a permanent source of revenue to support and expand one of the University’s most distinctive co-curricular programs.

The Missouri Government Internship Program, which is celebrating its 35th anniversary at Truman, offers juniors and seniors a unique opportunity for a semester-long internship with a legislator, public official or state agency in Jefferson City, Mo. The program’s endowment was created in 2006 with a $40,000 gift from Advantage Capital Partners of St. Louis, Mo., and two of the firm’s partners, Scott Zajac (’85) and Ryan Brennan (’95), both former participants in Truman’s Missouri Government Internship Program.

Earnings from the endowment will be used to support stipends for Truman students who participate in the Missouri Government Internship Program. Students receive course credit, but must make arrangements for housing and other living expenses during the semester. The Truman State University Foundation grants a $2,500 stipend for each participant from its unrestricted gift pool, and the endowment is designed to provide a perpetual resource for future stability and growth.

Rawlins, who serves as the general counsel for Shelter Insurance Company in Columbia, Mo., is chair of the Truman State University Board of Governors and a member of the Truman State University Foundation Board of Directors. She received a bachelor of arts in political science from Truman in 1979 and earned a juris doctorate from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law.
BRIDGING THE FUNDING GAP WITH SCHOLARSHIPS

Thanks to private support from alumni and friends of the University, the number of endowed and annual scholarships continues to grow providing access to a Truman education for bright and talented students.

Newly Endowed Scholarships

Endowed scholarship funds can be created with gifts totaling a minimum amount of $15,000, contributed in full at the outset or with an initial commitment that is added to over time. The principal of the fund is invested to produce income, and an annual award is made to a student/a. The principal remains untouched, so the endowment can last into perpetuity. The following scholarships were recently endowed.

• **DR. STANLEY AND DORIS (PICKENS) BOHON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**
  This scholarship was established by Stanley and Doris (Pickens) ('43) Bohon in recognition of the members of their family who have attended Truman State University. It is designated for students who plan to study abroad.

• **EDWARD CLARK SCHOLARSHIP**
  This scholarship fund was established in 2007 with a bequest from the estate of Bernice Clark ('26), and the scholarship awards are designated for graduates of Milan (Mo.) C-2 High School.

• **DR. LAURA CRANDALL SCHOLARSHIP**
  This scholarship fund was established by Judge and Mrs. William Crandall to honor their daughter, Laura Crandall, a 1999 Truman graduate. Preference is given to students who major in a health-related field and who excel in the areas of character, service and leadership.

• **FULKS FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**
  This scholarship was established by Donnie Fulks (80) to provide support for nursing or pre-physical therapy students with demonstrated financial need. The scholarship honors Donnie's parents, James and Phyllis Fulks, as well as other family members who graduated from Truman: Sharon (Fulks) Rardon (72), Mark Fulks (77), Janelle (Jessen) Fulks (78), April Fulks (02) and Paul McQuillen (02).

• **LU AND BILL HEILMAN ENDOWED NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**
  This scholarship was established by Illuminada “Lu” (82) and Bill (83) Heilman of Durham, N.C., in appreciation of the outstanding educational experience received at Truman that helped them in their careers at Duke University Medical Center.

New Annual Scholarships

Annual scholarships can be established with a gift of $1,000, and a four-year commitment is recommended. The following annual scholarships were recently established through the Truman State University Foundation.

• **IVEY-CALDWELL RESIDENTIAL LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP**
  This scholarship was established by Julian Caldwell (92) of Bellevue, Neb., for students who have leadership roles in the Residential Life Program.

• **JUANITA JACOBS ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA SCHOLARSHIP**
  Juanita Jacobs (34) was a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha, and this scholarship was created in her memory through the contributions of relatives and friends.
Chuck Foudree Named Chair of University’s First Campaign

Truman State University has announced that retired executive Chuck Foudree will be serving as chair of the University’s inaugural campaign, designed to position the University as the premiere public liberal arts and sciences university. The comprehensive fundraising campaign will expand the educational opportunities for students and ensure Truman’s commitment to access and exceptional value.

The University is currently in the early phases of the $30 million campaign effort, recruiting leadership and securing advance commitments, and more information will be provided as the campaign moves forward. “I am pleased to be named the chairperson of the University’s campaign and look forward to working closely with the staff and the steering team over the next few years,” says Foudree, who received a bachelor of science in accountancy from Truman in 1966. “A successful campaign is imperative if Truman State University is to maintain its record of academic excellence.”

Foudree retired as executive vice president of finance for Harmon Industries in 1999 after 27 years of service to the company. In 1995, he served as Truman’s Division of Business and Accountancy’s Executive-In-Residence, and he is a former member and past president of the Truman State University Foundation Board of Directors. In 1999, he was honored as Truman’s Alumnus of the Year. Foudree and his wife, Colleen, reside in Lee’s Summit, Mo.

New Funds Offer Support for International Students

Each year, Truman hosts hundreds of international students who not only have to adjust to the American academic system but to American culture as well. Three new sources of support – the International Student Support Fund, the Mark Nordstrom Memorial Scholarship, and the Aminah Jamal Scholarship – have recently been established through the Truman State University Foundation to offer financial assistance to these international scholars who are pursuing an education at Truman.

“While attending Truman, international students often encounter challenges, such as struggling financially to buy books, pay rent or even buy food,” says Melanee Crist (’82), assistant director for international education. The newly established International Student Support Fund was created to generate emergency grants for international students who encounter such obstacles. Should enough funds be collected to surpass the need for small emergency grants, the additional funds will be converted to scholarships for international students.

International students will also benefit from the Mark Nordstrom Memorial Scholarship recently established by Prajwal Sharma, a 2006 Truman graduate who created the annual scholarship as a tribute to former Truman professor, Mark Nordstrom, who passed away in May 2006. An assistant professor of communication, Nordstrom was the adviser for detours magazine and the Echo yearbook and was known for his enthusiasm, work ethic and sense of humor. Sharma served as a former editor in chief of detours. For the next four years, the Mark Nordstrom Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to students based on the quality of their scholarship application and their contributions to breaking the international stereotype at the University.

A second annual scholarship fund, the Aminah Jamal Scholarship, will also be providing financial assistance to international students for the next four years. This scholarship was established by Truman alumnus Imran Jamal, in honor of his mother, Aminah Jamal. Imran, who graduated from Truman in 2003, created the scholarship to help business and accountancy international undergraduate students achieve their educational pursuits.