

BEYOND THE CAMPFIRE

A publication to connect past and current members of the Student Activities Board beyond campfire letters.

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1. iPad
2. Hot Air Balloon
3. SAB Database is an online organizational system for evaluations, motions, research and documents created to improve internal communication.
4. Found Footage Festival was a unique event where a comedian guided the audience through the best of the worst videos from thrift stores and garage sales across the nation!
5. Class Cab was based off the TV show and offered rides to class for students (in a rented golf cart). While riding, students had a chance to win CASH by answering trivia questions!
6. Egg Hunt was one of two "surprise" promotional events. SAB members hid eggs (filled with candy and prizes) early in the morning all across campus for students to hunt when they woke up!
7. Zip Line
8. OAF met this year to evaluate the fee-based organizational budgets. SAB's request for a \$1.50 increase per semester was granted!
9. 48-hour Film Festival
10. Facebook Fridays was created as a social media campaign to reward our long time friends and followers!
11. Weed Debate
12. Concert Set-Up returned to an old tradition of "A and B" groups to optimize set-up efficiency.
13. Less Food and Posters for our events due to higher costs through Printing Service and Sodexo.
14. Beyond the Campfire Alumni Newsletter

WINSTON WINS ADVISOR OF THE YEAR

Winston took the title of advisor at the year at the 2014 Leadership Recognition Banquet. Congrats on the well-deserved award, Winston!

STOP ME IF YOU'VE HEARD THIS ONE...



Yes, it's your ever-lovin' advisor. After another year of tremendous, exciting and sometimes eye-popping events I am looking forward to another year!

Our current Board is young as we lose 8 tremendous people. Wait, what? Ten? We are losing 10 members? Since when? Rats. Anyway, as you can see the Board is losing a large number of members due to graduation and future pursuits.

These members have dedicated a gigantoid number of hours in bringing quality entertainment (see how I incorporated SAB's mission statement) over the years. This has included trips to the ER during concert weekend; going to extra-curricular events by members who are either in plays or working the plays, giving papers, or helping with Truman Day at the Capitol; frying an egg for the lead singe; new presidents ending up on their heads in my lake; and of course, never-ending SAB meetings. To these members, I wish you all the best in your next chapter. I have a place for you in my heart and will miss you.

Now for the current members, the bar has been set high for them but I have the utmost confidence in events will be more entertaining, create a buzz at Truman, and other schools who will be envious of what SAB offers our student body. No pressure.

I want to also send out props to the Center for Student Involvement for their continued support and ideas, especially Rachele Williams. Rachele has made such an impact in helping with contracts and budget and in keeping me sane.

If you are expecting a joke now you will have to go to our website as I will try to post the current joke after meeting from now on. Go to sab.truman.edu if you are not signed up yet so you won't miss out!

Until next time, Excelsior, SAB!

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

TIM AND ANGIE WOLF



"We currently live in Wentzville, MO which when we were kids was nothing but corn fields but is now considered a suburb of St. Louis."



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Tim is an assistant professor in the Program of Occupational Therapy and Dept of Neurology in the School of Medicine at Washington University in St. Louis (it is really annoying to fit this on a business card). Also a Director on the Board of Directors for the American Occupational Therapy Association.

Angie works in the Department of Enrollment at DeVry University (much easier to fit on a business card).

Tim and Angie got married the summer after they graduated from Truman and have been married for 11 years!

WHAT IS THE BIGGEST LIFE EVENT FROM THE PAST 5 YEARS?

"Definitely having a child. William is three years old and we currently expecting our second child (was going to tell you Winston...surprise!) You will hear this a lot and it is really cliché but it completely changes your life. As a piece of advice...have fun before you have kids and don't get in any rush! Having a kid is the best thing that has ever happened to us but you have to be ready to look forward to a Friday night that means you have a drink on your couch and go to bed early."

IF YOU COULD SAY SOMETHING TO PEOPLE YOU WERE ON THE BOARD WITH, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

"Believe it or not, we have stayed friends with a lot of the people we were on SAB with so it is hard to say. We did not leave much unsaid on SAB. The people on the Board know what they mean to us and how important they were/are in college career and our lives, but just in case...thank you all for some of the best times and best friendships."

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS?

"College is the fastest four years of your life...have fun. It is really easy to get caught up in the work of SAB but it is important to remember that this is when you are supposed to have fun. Hold committee meetings at Dukum, sneak booze into retreat, and get to know the people who are in that room with you. Only people who are on SAB understand SAB and you will be forever linked."

HOW HAS SAB HELPED YOU SHAPE YOUR CAREER PATH?

TIM: "I could write about this for days. Among other things, SAB taught me how to engage in healthy conflict, be clear about what your opinions are, work with a diverse group of people who have different opinions than you, and keep focused on the goal. This has gotten me further in my career than any degree I have obtained. These traits are often sparse in the workforce but are respected. I came to Truman knowing I wanted to be an occupational therapist but did not know I would end up where I did...as a career scientist. I firmly believe that SAB shaped this part of personality and these traits are central to being successful as a scientist. I also believe that SAB prepared me for the volunteer leadership roles I have held. I was on the executive committee of the American Occupational Therapy Association Student Delegation for three years and one of the youngest people ever to be elected to the Board of Directors. I am told consistently that people respect that I will always do what needs to be done and that they never have to wonder what is on my mind—this was from SAB! Our SAB family was and is a tight knit group, but on Thursday evenings when we walked into the conference room it was all business because that is what needed to be done. I hope that is how it still is and how it should be! SAB embraced dissenting opinions, devil's advocates, and making sure everyone's voice is heard. I did not appreciate this until I left Truman. SAB will ruin any future committee work for you...I guarantee it."

ANGIE: "SAB will shape you professionally in ways you don't realize until later. SAB teaches you the real-life, on-the-job skills to be successful with others that most people don't experience until their first real job. 1) Keep your thoughts/feelings/opinions regarding business and personal separate. 2) No group think! Listen to all the crazy ideas and think outside the box. 3) Disagreement is healthy, don't take it personally. 4) You can put a lot of time into a project/event and it could still suck. Own up to it and move on. 5) Speak up. You have an opinion and it deserves to be heard."