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TRENT LOOS ACADEMIC RODEO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT ANNOUNCED

Marshall, Mo. (April 26, 2010)—Dr. Loren C. Gruber announced that Kasey Chism, of Merrill, Wis., is the recipient of the Missouri Valley College *Trent Loos Academic Rodeo Scholarship* for the 2010-2011 academic year.

“Kasey sets the academic standard for our business majors,” said Larry Stockman, MVC associate professor of business. “He has a solid work ethic, and he asks questions. Kasey promises to become an outstanding alumnus.”

Gruber, an MVC professor of English, sponsors the scholarship, which awards \$1,000 to an outstanding MVC rodeo student-athlete. The recipient must be a sophomore or junior, must hold at least a 3.0 grade point average in his/her major, and must hold an overall grade point average from 3.3 to 4.0.

In response to Socrates’ statement, “The unexamined life is not worth living,” applicants wrote an essay that explains why their Missouri Valley College education enables them to live in a meaningful way.

Chism wrote in his prize winning essay, “I have been tested every day in the classroom by professors and classmates. ... People in the community, especially my coach and teammates, have shown me how important it is to do everything in my life with a purpose.”

Trent Loos is a sixth generation farmer and agricultural activist. He has been called “America’s greatest agricultural advocate.” In 2003 Loos founded *Faces of Agriculture*, a nationwide grass-roots organization designed to promote agriculture. In 2001 Loos began hosting “Loos Tales,” an agricultural talk show. Today “Loos Tales” reaches four million listeners on over 100 different radio stations daily.

To ensure objectivity, the judges are off campus and do not know the applicants.

ABOUT MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE

Missouri Valley College is a liberal arts college that provides educational, social and cultural experiences in a decidedly Christian environment. Established in 1889, MVC offers over 30 majors and 7 pre-professional programs, and 15 sports. The most popular majors include education and business, and the newest majors are nursing, graphic design, dance, and hospitality/tourism management. The liberal arts heritage focuses on scholarship, critical thinking and academic excellence to prepare students to become members of a responsible citizenry. For more information, call (660) 831-4000 or visit www.moval.edu.

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