The Fifth Annual Maastricht Institute of Entrepreneurship was held April 11-13. The Institute is a sharing example of the academic opportunities MCV students receive. Hundreds of students took advantage of the opportunity to learn from successful business people. The Institute received positive feedback from both students and speakers, and the MIE committee is already planning next year's Institute.

48th VALLEYS WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME INDUCTION
Mississippi Valley College and the Women's History Committee of the United States will be hosting the 48th annual celebration honoring three women at its annual tea on April 26. The 43rd inductee into the Valley Women's Hall of Fame, the 2011 Outstanding Senior Woman, and the Valley Women Scholarship recipient were recognized. Joyce Clause, longtime employee of Mississippi Valley College, was inducted into the Valley Women's Hall of Fame. The Valley Women also presented Regina Bodine with the 2011 Outstanding Senior Woman Award. Bodine participated in women's soccer, Biology Club, V-Club, and was a two-time Academic All-American. Bodine, a biology and exercise science major from Springfield, Mo., will graduate May 7. The Outstanding Senior Woman is decided on the basis of scholarship, leadership, character, and service, and is voted on by MCV faculty, staff, and Valley Women members. Charliute Rollie, a junior at MCV was awarded the Valley Women scholarship.

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MCV CHEERLEADERS F!NISH THIRD AT NATIONALS
The MCV Cheer Squad finished third in place in the NCAA Large Co-Ed Division at the 2011 NCAA National Cheer competition in Daytona Beach, Fla.

BOB JAMES JAZZ FESTIVAL
Garry Anders, MCV’s band director, and Clarence Smith, an award-winning music director in Kansas City, formerly of Marshall, are coordinating the Bob James Jazz Festival. A jazz clinic will be held in conjunction with the event from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, May 21 in the Eckstein-Malone Theatre. The concert will be held from 4-9 p.m. Jazz clinic students will open the concert followed by several professional jazz performers.

MCV PREPARES FOR 2011 COMMENCEMENT
2011 Commencement will be held May 7. Baccalaureate begins at 11 a.m. and commencement begins at 2 p.m. Both will take place in the Greer southeast Gymnasium. Reverend Pam Sebastian, MCV campus chaplain, will address the senior at the baccalaureate ceremony. Bill Manion ’65 will give the Commencement address. Manion retired after a successful career in explosives and has been hired by the International Association of Electrical Engineers for civilian industry achievement. After retiring, Manion returned to his true passion, art. His paintings have placed and gained awards in recent juried shows along with original design and character development for wine labels. His paintings are found in galleries in Missouri and Florida. Manion will also be presented with an honorary doctorate in business and economics. Bessee K. Chittwood ’44, an MCV alumna from Grain Valley, Mo., will receive an honorary doctorate of humane letters at Commencement. In addition to being a lifetime friend of the College, Chittwood is a Trustee Emeritus for the MCV board of trustees, and served as president of the MCV Alumni Association from 1994-2003.

The MCV ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNOYCES 2011 OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARDS
The selection committee of the MCV Alumni Association has recently announced the recipients of the 2011 Outstanding Alumni Awards. These individuals will be recognized at the Alumni Banquet, which is the kick-off event of Homecoming Weekend. The awards recognize significant career accomplishments, support of and loyalty to Mississippi Valley, community service and charitable involvement.

Jon Morris ’87 will receive the Outstading Alumni Award. Morris is the CEO and founder of Jett Medical, Inc., a nationwide sales organization marketing medical software for hospitals and clinics throughout the U.S., Canada and Ireland. Morris graduated magna cum laude with a degree in mass communication. He is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society and a Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society member. After retiring, Morris launched Real Time Marketing Solutions, a business that provides online advertising, sales promotions, teaches courses in both music and theatre and serves as the faculty sponsor of Alpha Pi Omega. Her vocal groups from being selected to perform at Disneyland and Universal Studios, and at locations in Chicago, Dallas, Kansas City and St. Louis, earned national acclaim. She is also a former processor of television shows such as "American Idol," "Survivor," and "Dancing with the Stars." She has been recognized for her work in both the arts and the sciences.

Diana Malan ’73 will receive the Outstanding Alumni Award. Malan is the associate professor of music and theatre and chair of the department of theatre, music, and dance. She has been at MCV for over 20 years. Malan earned a bachelor's degree in speech and theatre and music education from MCV and a master's degree in theatre from Lindenwood College. She is a member of the American Theatre and Drama Society and the American Theatre and Drama Society. She currently serves as the chair of the MCV Theatre Department and is in charge of the Theatre Department at MCV. Malan is also a member of the MCV Alumni Association and the MCV Alumni Board. She has been a member of the MCV Alumni Association for over 10 years. She is a member of the MCV Alumni Board and is a member of the MCV Alumni Association. She has been involved in over 70 theatrical productions, teaches courses in both music and theatre and serves as the faculty sponsor of Alpha Pi Omega. Her vocal groups from being selected to perform at Disneyland and Universal Studios, and at locations in Chicago, Dallas, Kansas City and St. Louis, earned national acclaim. She is also a former processor of television shows such as "American Idol," "Survivor," and "Dancing with the Stars." She has been recognized for her work in both the arts and the sciences.

Ashley McKay ’93 will receive the Outstanding Young Alumni Award. McKay graduated summa cum laude with a bachelors degree in Biological Sciences from MCV. McKay recently finished a tour in Japan performing in Irving Berlin's "I Love a Pian." McKay has performed "Nonsense" and "Guys and Dolls" in the Lyceum Theatre in Arrow Rock, Mo. McKay has worked with Disney for several years. In 2007 she was named the Outstanding Main Stage Artist for Disney. Ashley is currently working as a main stage performer for the "Dream 2" cast onboard Disney Cruise Line's newest ship, the Disney Dream.

Campus offices will be closed Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS
The Sixth Annual Senior Send-off was held April 25 at Stone Hedge Golf Club. Over 100 seniors participated in the event. The event is intended to introduce the future graduates to alumni gathereings. Several faculty and staff members and Alumni Advisory Board members were on hand to congratualate the students.

An alumni social will be held July 8 at Busch Stadium. For more details or to purchase tickets contact Jodi at whiteja@msi.edu or 606-683-1471.