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Students Work With Children in After-School Program

For the past two years, a number of Truman students have been donating their time in the Kirksville community to inspire a love of learning in children ages 4-14 through the Peace program.

Peace is a non-profit after-school program that involves volunteers going to the Devlin Place housing complex located several blocks to the southwest of campus to mentor neighborhood children. While about 20 children attend regular sessions, which take place from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, the program saw more than 100 different children over the course of the last year.

Kirksville's Peace program was established in 2010 and modeled after a similar program in Columbia, Mo. According to Amy Burbee, a Peace program coordinator, the decision was made to introduce the program in the Devlin Place area after a group of students spent a summer volunteering and distributing lunches through the Food4Kids program in a nearby park. After building a relationship with the families in the area, these students saw a need for the program.

Peace volunteers provide children with

homework help, healthy snacks and fun activities. Peace is unlike many other after-school programs in that it is provided at no cost to the children or their parents, and the volunteers go to the students' neighborhood for all activities.

In addition to the after-school program, Peace has also conducted other programs in the community. In December, Peace volunteers put on a Christmas tree giveaway, and in the summer they distribute free lunches. Throughout the year, Peace accepts donations and gives clothing to those in need.

Peace is staffed completely by volunteers, mainly Truman students and members of the Life Church High School. Peace is affiliated with the University through the campus organization Equipped, but participating Truman students do not receive course credit or scholarship hours, they simply do it for the experience.

"The most rewarding part of the program is seeing the growth of the kids," Burbee said. "For example, seeing students who have been getting C's start to get A's and B's, or seeing a student gain more confidence in math or watching their social skills grow."



Truman students Amy Burbee (second from right) and Andrew Fajkus (second from left) with children in the Peace after school program.

Peace is supported entirely by donations. Last fall, Truman students sold kettle corn to help raise funds. All financial donations go toward food, supplies and other basic necessities for the program.

More information about the Peace program is available online at peacekv.org. The site includes ways to make donations and also has steps for anyone wanting to volunteer as a tutor.

A poster for the Dedication of the Secretary Alphonso Jackson Collection. The poster features a circular seal with an eagle and the text "Please join us for the Dedication of the Secretary Alphonso Jackson Collection Friday, February 8, 2013 3:00 p.m. • Pickler Memorial Library Gallery". At the bottom, it says "TO HONOR Secretary Alphonso Jackson's leadership, service and achievement, Pickler Memorial Library will permanently house a collection of items acquired during Jackson's years as Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The collection is currently on exhibition in the Library Gallery."/>

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Accounting Students Offer Tax Assistance

Accounting students will soon be putting their skills to work helping their peers and community members file tax returns as part of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

There will be five different sessions of the VITA program. They are scheduled from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. in Violette Hall 1424 on Feb. 9, Feb. 16, Feb. 23, March 2 and March 23. Signs will direct clients to the location.

Taxpayers should be sure to bring proof of identity; copies of all W-2, 1098, 1099 forms and any other tax forms received in the mail;

social security cards for all individuals listed on the tax return; and banking information if a direct deposit is desired.

All participating accounting students have received special training and at least one accounting faculty member will be present to review tax returns and answer any questions.

Clients will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. The program does reserve the right to reject complex returns.

The VITA program is sponsored by Beta Alpha Psi. For more information, call 660.785.4378.

ACTIVITIES FAIR

1 p.m. • Jan. 30 • Student Union Building

Organizations will be available to distribute their information to perspective members and inspire campus involvement of individuals within these organizations in order to provide a well-rounded Truman experience.

UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE REQUEST FOR SESSION PROPOSALS

The 2013 University Conference Day, taking place Feb. 21, is dedicated to the personal and professional growth and enrichment of all members of the Truman community. To ensure that sessions appeal to students, faculty and staff, the conference is seeking sessions that will:

- Help prepare individuals for the life that comes after college;
- Improve technical skills;
- Develop leadership abilities;
- Inform the community of important regulations;
- Educate the community; or
- Enrich the community.

Possibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Strategies for starting an exercise regimen;
- Study Abroad: A student's perspective;
- Tips for healthy living;
- Maintaining a scholarly or creative agenda while teaching;
- Tips for Aspiring Student Organization Leaders;
- Sharing faculty scholarship or creative activity;
- Strategies for improving student writing;
- Enhancing interdisciplinary thinking;
- Using the proposed critical thinking framework to improve critical thinking;
- What freshmen and sophomore political science majors can learn from upper class political science majors;
- Reducing one's carbon footprint;
- How to run an effective meeting;
- Understanding current events in the Middle East; or
- What should I read for pleasure?

Proposed sessions can fit into a 25-minute, a 55-minute or an 85-minute time slot. Sessions lasting 85 minutes must include an active learning component. Limited funds are available for photocopying and other necessary supplies. To submit a proposed session, complete the session description sheet online at provost.truman.edu/University_Conference/index.asp and turn it in to the Provost's Office, McClain 203, by 4:30 p.m. Jan. 28. Proposals will be selected by Feb. 6. If you do not want to propose a session but have an idea for a session that you would like to attend, email Marty Eisenberg at martye@truman.edu.

TEACHER RECOGNITION SCHOLARSHIP NOMINATIONS

Graduating seniors have the opportunity to recognize a high school educator/counselor whom they feel made a positive impact on their academic growth. The selected teacher/counselor will be invited to be formally recognized and participate in spring commencement and a \$1,000 scholarship in their honor will be awarded to an incoming Truman student from their high school. Those graduating seniors that would like to make a nomination can do so at giving.truman.edu/teacherrecognition. The nomination deadline is Feb. 8.

Student Research Abstracts Due Feb. 22

Abstracts for Truman's 26th annual Student Research Conference are due by Feb. 22.

The conference is a University-wide celebration of student research, scholarship and creative achievements. Both undergraduate and graduate students are invited to submit abstracts. Abstracts should be submitted online at src.truman.edu. All abstracts need to be sponsored by a Truman faculty or staff member.

A copy of the information submitted will be sent electronically to the student presenter's mentor for approval. Students should work with the faculty mentor before submitting the abstract to minimize multiple drafts in the system. The submission site is now open and the deadline for receiving abstracts is 11:59 p.m. Feb. 22.

The Student Research Conference is scheduled for April 16.

In addition to the many student presentations, the day will feature a conference-wide plenary address delivered by Bruno Louchouart, director of the Keck Language and Culture Studio at Occidental College. Louchouart is a composer and cognitive musicologist. He teaches courses in music for film, television and other media, as well as cognitive science.

Faculty-requested special sessions are included in the discipline options.

Inquiries about the Student Research Conference sessions, guidelines and program can be emailed to osr@truman.edu. Questions or problems with the abstract submission process can be directed to Marsha Redmon at 660.785.4598.

IRA Donates Books to Foster Children

Members of the Truman chapter of the International Reading Association wrap books before the winter break. IRA hosted a book drive to benefit children in foster care in Adair County. With the help of many departments on campus, the group collected more than 300 books meaning every child in foster care in Adair County received a new book for the holidays. IRA, which is primarily made up of Master of Arts in Education students, is dedicated to promoting literacy in children and young adults. Members from the National Education Association and Kappa Delta Pi helped wrap the donated books.



ALPHA PHI OMEGA BLOOD DRIVE

Alpha Phi Omega will be hosting a Red Cross blood drive from 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Feb. 6-7 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room.

Donors are encouraged to sign up at tables in the Student Union Building or McClain, Missouri, Ryle and Magruder halls starting Jan. 29 or to sign up at redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Bentele/Mallinckrodt Executive in Residence

Virginia McDowell
President and CEO, Isle of Caprice Casinos

"Lessons in Leadership"
3:30 p.m. Feb. 4
Violette Hall 1000

Reception to follow in the Violette Hall Commons Area. Sponsored by the School of Business.

NOTABLES

Antonio Scuderi, professor of Italian, published "The Gospel According to Dario Fo" in the

journal *New Theatre Quarterly* in Great Britain.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The website **College Humor** is offering two \$5,000 scholarships. Complete details are available at collegehumor.com/average-student-scholarship-contest. Deadline to apply is Feb. 1.

Hy-Vee Foundation Scholarships are now available at hy-vee.com under company info. Forty \$1,000 scholarships will be given to college students for the 2013-2014 academic year.

Applicants: must have been employed at a Hy-Vee location after June 1, 2012; must be classified as a full-time student in their freshman, sophomore or junior year during time of application process; must be classified as a full-time sophomore, junior or senior at the time funds are disbursed. Deadline for application is Feb. 10.

Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri has scholarships available for the 2012-2013 academic year. Last year more than \$10,000 was awarded to Missouri students. Winners in Missouri are also eligible for the Central Region and National scholarships. Missouri students have received these prestigious awards the last three years. For further information and applications, go to www.gardenclub.org/scholarships. Deadline for receiving applications is March 1.

The Missouri Insurance Education Foundation will award scholarships to deserving students attending Missouri colleges or universities in a program that could lead to positions in the insurance industry in Missouri. The C. Lawrence Leggett Scholarship in the amount of \$2,500 is to be awarded to a junior or senior Missouri resident majoring in insurance or a related area of study in a Missouri college or university. In addition to the Leggett Scholarship, the foundation has made an additional scholarship available in the amount of \$2,000. Application forms are available at mief.org. Applications are due by March 31.

MassMutual Financial Group is offering high-achieving college students of African-American, Asian/Pacific Islander or Hispanic descent, interested in pursuing careers in the insurance and financial services industry, a scholarship opportunity for the 2013-14 academic year. For eligibility criteria, go to act.org/massmutual. Application deadline is May 3.

The Jack J. Isgur Foundation is a Missouri not-for-profit corporation formed for the purpose of promoting an interest in the field of education in the humanities, such as literature, fine arts, music, art, poetry and dance. The foundation awards scholarships to students studying at colleges and universities who indicate an interest in teaching courses in the above-described areas in school districts located in the State of Missouri, preferable rural school districts. It is available to those at the junior and senior levels of undergraduate college, as well as graduate students. For more information and to obtain an application for this scholarship, go to isgur.org. Deadline is May 15.

The creators of the "Student Award Search Aid" website are renewing the B. Davis scholarship for 2013. For more information on this \$1,000 scholarship, visit studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm. Questions can also be sent to awards@studentawardsearch.com. Deadline to apply is May 27.

The CEO of Tomorrow Scholarship is a \$2,500 scholarship for students interested in business leadership and/or entrepreneurship. Applicants must answer a short online survey and submit a 500-1,000 word essay on "the CEO of tomorrow." Possible topics could include (but are not limited to) company structure, company culture or utilization of technology. For more information, or to apply, go to ceo.com. Deadline is July 1.

HOMECOMING APPAREL SALE

2012 Homecoming Apparel is now available at reduced prices. Supplies and sizes are limited.

Short-sleeved T-shirts: \$3
XXL and XXXL: \$5

Long-sleeved T-shirts: \$6
XXL and XXXL: \$8

Hooded Sweatshirts: \$9
XXL and XXXL: \$11

Quarter-zip Sweatshirts: \$12
XXL and XXXL: \$14

Purchases can be made from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. in McClain Hall 205. Cash or check only. For more information, contact Denise Smith at 660.785.4174 or dsmith@truman.edu.

Join the Northeast Missouri Alumni Chapter

The Northeast Missouri Alumni Chapter of the Truman State University Alumni Association invites all campus and community friends to join our chapter. Membership entitles the holder to free admission to regular season home athletic events, free social events throughout the year, hotel and rental car discounts, checkout privileges at Pickler Memorial Library, a complimentary subscription to the Truman Review and more. You do not have to be a Truman graduate to be a chapter member. Individual, family and gift memberships are available at a range of price points. Purchase a 2013 membership today through the online Alumni Store at alumni.truman.edu/membership.



Truman Intramural Recreational Sports Planner

Activity	Division	Deadline	Captains' Meeting	Play Begins
Badminton Doubles	Open	Feb. 1	—	Feb. 9-10
NCAA March Madness	Open	TBA	—	March
Volleyball	Greek/Org/Open	Feb. 27	Feb. 19	March 4
Co-Rec Volleyball	Greek/Org/Open	Feb. 27	Feb. 19	March 4
Outdoor Soccer	Greek/Org/Open	March 18	Feb. 19	March 18
Co-Rec Outdoor Soccer	Open	March 18	Feb. 19	March 18
Swim Meet	Greek/Org/Open	March 27	—	April 3
Co-Rec Ultimate Frisbee	Open	April 5	—	April 13-14
Track Meet	Greek/Org/Open	April 10	—	April 18

All information, rules and registration requirements are online at recreation.truman.edu/intramuralrec.asp, or contact the Intramural Office at 660.785.4467. Captains' Meeting is at 5 p.m. in Magruder Hall Room 2001.

NOTES

Jillian Anthony, campus recruiter for The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, will be on campus for an information meeting to discuss internship opportunities in the D.C. area at 4 p.m. Jan. 29 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room A. Past interns will be in attendance to share their own experiences and answer questions as well. For more information, visit the Truman in Washington Program website at twp.truman.edu. For questions regarding the Truman in Washington Program, contact Jay Self at selfjw@truman.edu.

Residence Life will host an On-Campus Apartment Open House Jan. 30. A sample of all three apartment buildings on campus will be available for viewing. For more information, contact the Residence Life Office at 660.785.4227.

A Missouri London Summer 2013 informational meeting will take place at 6 p.m. Jan. 30 in Ophelia Parrish Room 2115. Learn about the Rock Generation study abroad course in London and Liverpool. For more information, contact Gregory Jones at grjones@truman.edu.

The University Orchestra will perform at 8 p.m. Feb. 2 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Dr. Brian Hsu, winner of the Concerto Competitions at

Juilliard and the University of Michigan, will present a Visiting Artist Piano Recital beginning at 2 p.m. Feb. 3 in Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Following the conclusion of his program, Hsu will conduct a master class from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall that features two Truman piano majors. The public is invited to attend both events, free of charge.

The Center for International Education Abroad will conduct a Spring Study Abroad Fair from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 5 in the Student Union Building Activities Room. The Study Abroad Fair provides an opportunity for students interested in studying abroad to speak with advisers, faculty members, program directors and students who have previously studied abroad. There will be a raffle, food and refreshments.

The Physics Colloquium will continue at 4:30 p.m. Feb. 6 in Magruder Hall 1096 with a presentation by Markus Wohlgenannt from the University of Iowa Department of Physics and Astronomy.

Match Education is seeking candidates to work as full-time, in-school, professional math tutoring fellows for the 2013-2014 school year in Lawrence, Mass. For more information on Match Education and how to apply, visit matchededucation.org.

PICKLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

In the Gallery

An exhibit honoring the service of Alphonso Jackson, a Truman alumnus, is currently on display in the Library gallery. Jackson served with the Bush Administration from 2004-2008 as Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. He donated a collection of items acquired during his years in HUD to the University. This exhibit will be available for public viewing until Feb. 22.

(UN)GENDERING MOTHERHOOD: TRUMAN'S EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL WGST CONFERENCE Jan. 31-Feb.-2	
JAN 31 Student Union Building Activities Room 12-1:15 p.m. <i>Personal Testimony</i> 1:30-2:45 p.m. <i>Historical Views</i> 3-4:15 p.m. <i>Deconstructing Patriarchal Motherhood</i> 4:30-5:45 p.m. <i>Constructing Families</i> FEB. 1 Student Union Building Activities Room 10:30-11:20 a.m. <i>Cross-cultural Views</i> 11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m. <i>Goddesses and Superheroes</i> 1:30-2:20 p.m. <i>Parenting and Religion</i> 2:30-3:20 p.m. <i>Readings of Motherhood</i> 3:30-4:20 p.m. <i>Motherhood on TV</i>	4:30-5:50 p.m. <i>Keynote lecture</i> <i>Heather Cianciola</i> <i>"Motherhood, Epiphany"</i> FEB. 2 Student Union Building Activities Room 10:30-11:20 a.m. <i>Parenthood Panel</i> <i>Panelists: James Cianciola, Jen Creer, Betsy Delmonico and Mary Shapiro</i> 11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m. <i>Parenting Problems</i> 1:30-2:20 p.m. <i>Gay Families</i> 2:30-3:20 p.m. <i>Mothers in Prison</i> 3:30-4:20 p.m. <i>Queering Motherhood</i> 4:30-5:20 p.m. <i>Monstrous Mothers</i> Sponsored by the Office of Interdisciplinary Studies. For more information, visit wgstconference.truman.edu

Volleyball Winter Clinics

Truman volleyball coach Ben Briney and his staff and players will be hosting a series of winter clinics this February and March in Pershing Arena.

For just \$60 for six sessions (or \$15 per session), volleyball players ages 5th-grade and older can receive 1-on-1 and group instruction on all fundamental skills with a high amount of individual feedback. Each event runs from 1-3 p.m. and will take place: Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23; and March 3, 9.

For more information, contact assistant coach Megan Wargo-Kearney at 660.785.7751 or mwargo@truman.edu. Both pre-registration and walk-ups accepted.



Attire to Inspire:

The Dress Code for Success

Check out the new trends in business wear and learn how to dress professionally for your next interview or job fair.

7-8 p.m. • Feb. 7

Student Union Building HUB
Light Refreshments

Etiquette Dinner

Enjoy a four-course meal and learn about proper etiquette for business interviews and meals.

6-7:30 p.m. • Feb. 19

Student Union Building

Alumni Room

Cost: \$12

(Vegetarian Option Available)

Register at the Career Center or online at career.truman.edu.