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Gender Trouble: A Truman Conference

in honor of

*Women's History Month
March 27-29*

March 27 • VH 1000

Mass media representations
9:30-10:20 a.m.

Personal testimony, part 1
10:30-11:45 a.m.

Literary gender rebels
1:30-2:45 p.m.

Cross-cultural gender trouble
3-4:20 p.m.

Personal testimony, part 2
4:30-5:20 p.m.

March 28 • VH 1000

**Gender trouble in medicine
and law**
9:30-10:20 a.m.

Gender troubled institutions
10:30-11:20 a.m.

**Decolonizing gender in Africa
and Cuba**

11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

Gendered aesthetics
1:30-2:20 p.m.

Literary homoeroticism
2:30-3:20 p.m.

**Gender trouble in language
and rhetoric**

3:30-4:20 p.m.

Personal testimony, part 3
4:30-5:20 p.m.

March 29 morning • VH 1000

Rethinking the family
9:30-10:20 a.m.

The body as subject
10:30-11:20 a.m.

**Female performers in
patriarchal culture, part 1**
11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

March 29 afternoon

**Female performers in
patriarchal culture, part 2**

1:30-2:45 p.m. • Ryle Main Lounge

Keynote Address

"Such a Girl!-Foucault and Drag"

Ladelle McWhorter

3:30 p.m. • VH 1236

Reception

approximately 5 p.m.

Ryle Hall Main Lounge

*Sponsored by the Division of
Language and Literature, the
Residential Colleges Program and the
Women's Studies Committee*

Dixon Named Next Truman President

On behalf of the Truman State University Board of Governors, Board President Tom Jayne announced March 18 the appointment of Barbara B. Dixon, D.M.A. as the 14th president of Truman State University. Dixon, currently the provost and vice president for academic affairs at State University of New York at Geneseo, will assume duties as president on July 1, 2003.



"We are fortunate to have an opportunity to bring Dr. Dixon, an administrator from one of the other premier public liberal arts universities in the country, to Truman," Jayne said. "SUNY-Geneseo has made great strides in the public liberal arts arena, and we are happy to draw from that experience. Dr. Dixon has worked in an environment

that has a mission and core values similar to Truman's, and she is known for her collaborative management style and her ability to bring divergent views to a consensus."

Dixon has served as provost and vice president for academic affairs at the State University of New York at Geneseo, a public liberal arts university, since 1997. She previously spent 27 years at Central Michigan University where she was a faculty member, chair of the Academic Senate and associate dean, and interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. She has both a B.M. and M.M. in applied piano from Michigan State University and a D.M.A. in piano performance, literature and pedagogy from the University of Colorado.

For additional information about the search, go to <http://presidentialexsearch.truman.edu>.

Allen Fellowships Announced

Truman State University President Jack Magruder showed up unannounced in the classrooms of R. Paul Crabb, professor of music; John Ishiyama, associate professor of political science; and Cole Woodcox, professor of English; March 19 and 20 to present each of them with a \$10,000 award for their outstanding contributions to the University. The Walker and Doris Allen Fellowships for Faculty Excellence are the result of the generosity of Walker and Doris Allen, both graduates of the University.

The Allens established the Fellowships with one of the largest outright gifts ever made to the Truman Foundation. As former teachers who remembered the significant impact their own instructors had on them, the Allens wanted to create a way for Truman to recognize outstanding faculty members who have contributed to the success of the University and its students.

Up to three fellowships will be awarded annually to Truman faculty to recognize outstanding performance in the areas of teach-

ing, scholarship and institutional service.

Crabb joined the University faculty in 1991. He holds a bachelor's degree from Bethel College, a master's degree from Wichita State University and a doctorate from Florida State University.

Ishiyama, who joined the faculty in 1990, received his bachelor's degree from Bowling Green State University. He received his master's degree from the University of Michigan and his doctorate from Michigan State University.

Woodcox joined the University faculty in 1987. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Utah. He received a master's degree from the Courtauld Institute of Art. He received another master's degree and his doctorate from the University of Oxford. He was named Educator of the Year in 1993. He also was a finalist in 1992.

The Allens reside in Columbia, Mo., and have two children. Walker serves on the Truman State University Foundation Board of Directors.

Students can now apply to become a member of the Board of Governors

Pick up applications in the Student Senate Office on the lower level of the Student Union.

The Board of Governors meets bimonthly. The Student Representative also serves on Student Senate and the Administrative Committee of Student Senate.

Applications are due by 5 p.m. March 28.

Contact the Student Senate Office at 785.4193 for more information.

THE DIVISION OF FINE ARTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF THEATER PRESENT

"Eastern Standard"

8 p.m.

March 26-29

Ophelia Parrish 2302

"Eastern Standard" is a poignant social comedy, dealing with neuroticisms of modern urban life.

One hectic encounter in a restaurant brings two upper-middle class couples together, but also confronts them with the moral complexities of their well-to-do lifestyle.

Adam Kuene will direct the student lab show.

All aspects of the production are entirely student-run, including directing, acting, set and costume design.

Admission is free.

Suggested arrival time is 30-60 minutes before show time since there are only 100-115 seats available per night.

Mock Registration Tests New Information System, Changes in Registration

The registration module of the Banner information system went live March 18 during advance registration for the summer and fall 2003 semesters. A day of mock registration was held in the tunnel Feb. 28 in preparation for this event.

Division heads, division secretaries, advisers, students and members of the Banner Steering, Implementation and Student Teams participated in mock a registration exercise.

More than one-third of the participants were students. Each participant brought a Permit to Enroll and "registered" for fall 2003 classes.

"Mock registration gave us an opportunity to perform a large-scale test of the new system, and to give members of our campus community a chance to see and evaluate the changes recently made in the registration process," Interim Registrar A. Kay Anderson said.

Banner Implementation Coordinator Nancy Hoffman said that many of the changes in registration are "behind the scenes" and will not be obvious to most students. However, other changes will make a difference in the way students select their courses. The two most noticeable changes will involve prerequisites and registration restrictions.

The Banner system will check to see whether students have fulfilled the prerequisites for their courses. All courses that have a prerequisite are marked in the semester schedule with a "PQ." Students must complete, or be currently enrolled in, the course prerequisite in order to enroll in these courses. Prerequisite information is available in the 2001-2003 University catalog, which is available on the Truman Web page at <http://catalog.truman.edu>.



Lanny Morley, head of the division of mathematics and computer science, and Chris Lantz, program director and associate professor of health and exercise sciences, mock registered Feb. 28 in the tunnel.

Some courses also carry registration restrictions, which limit enrollment to students in a particular major or class.

"If a course carries a registration restriction, it is listed directly under the course in the semester schedule. Students should review the restrictions carefully to avoid problems in the registration line," Hoffman said.

Students who have not fulfilled the prerequisites or who do not meet the listed criteria should contact the Division Office responsible for the course.

These changes will significantly reduce the frequency with which yellow cards are distributed. Many classes required yellow cards to ensure the recipients are within the required major field. With Banner, the yellow card process in these situations would be unnecessary because the computerized system does the background check.

Anderson said another benefit of mock registration was that faculty, staff and administrators had an opportunity to see what a student's registration experience is like. "We tried to make mock registration as realistic as possible," Anderson said. "Several faculty and staff participants had to get yellow cards, remove holds, or obtain other types of permission from our 'mock help desk' before they could 'register.' It helped them understand how frustrating the registration experience can be for some students."

Anderson said every student who participated was interviewed and asked for suggestions on improving the registration process. "The most frequent comment we received was that students want to register on the Web, which they will be able to do next year when they register for the summer and fall 2004 semesters."

The Third Annual Big Event - One big day. One big thanks. One big event.

A reminder for those who signed up to participate in the Big Event, registration will begin at 8:30 a.m., March 29, on the Mall.

Sodexo will be providing doughnuts served with hot chocolate during registration.

Contact the Serve Center at 785.7222 for more information.

TurnItIn.com Trial Subscription Begins

Truman's two-month free trial subscription with TurnItIn.com, an online plagiarism detection service, has just begun.

Faculty should already have received an e-mail message with instructions on how to begin using TurnItIn. Any faculty who did not receive that message and who would like to use TurnItIn should contact Chad Mohler at 785.6034 or chmohler@truman.edu.

The TLTR (Teaching/Learning Technology Roundtable) strongly encourages faculty members to continue discussing the importance of academic honesty and the differences between academically honest and academically dishonest work with their students. The TLTR hopes that the TurnItIn trial serves as a stimulus for continued campus discussion of academic integrity and what we as a community can do to promote it.

Some general questions and answers about Truman's trial subscription with TurnItIn can be found at <http://tltr>.

truman.edu/acadintegrity.html. The trial will run through May 18. After that time, TLTR will assess the effectiveness and rate of participation in the trial, and Truman will subsequently decide whether to purchase a subscription to TurnItIn's service.

There will be a demonstration of TurnItIn and an opportunity to ask questions about the service during the faculty luncheon from 12:30-1:30 p.m., March 26, in the Student Union Building Spanish Room. The TLTR encourages individuals to attend other sessions in the Academic Integrity series that Julie Lochbaum and the Center for Teaching and Learning have arranged to coincide with Truman's trial subscription to TurnItIn. See <http://www2.truman.edu/facdev/WLS.html> for the full schedule.

Please contact Chad Mohler at 785.6034 or chmohler@truman.edu or your TLTR representative if you have any questions about Truman's trial with TurnItIn.

Poyner Named This Week's Technology Champion

Cathy Poyner, instructor in business administration, is the featured Technology Champion for the week.

The Technology Champions are a group of faculty and staff who collectively have expertise in 65 areas of technology, particularly software applications and their uses. The Technology Champions have agreed to be available to answer your specific questions about their respective areas of expertise.

"Technology is not the magic solution, but it can help transform the way we work and make us more productive," Poyner said.

Poyner tries to enhance the classroom experience with technology.

The fast paced changing technology arena forces faculty who want to keep pace with the business world to constantly look for ways to bring technology to the students.

Poyner uses Blackboard to allow students to form groups and communicate. Courses such as information systems are using Microsoft Access to develop database applications, and courses in analysis & design of business systems are using Visio to document the systems analysis and design process. FrontPage is used for keeping up personal and organizational Web sites. If you have any questions, you can reach her at cpoyner@truman.edu or 785.4352.

Residential Living Student Advisers Chosen

Residential Living is pleased to announce 43 new student advisers were offered a position and several were placed on an alternate list. Residential Living had 97 applicants for this competitive position that offers tremendous leadership opportunities and educational growth experiences.

The Student Advisers at Truman live in the residence halls and work with on-campus students. Some of the responsibilities include social, personal growth and educational programming, community building, supporting University policies and collaborating with the Residential College Program.

The following are the student advisers for the 2003-2004 academic year: Katherine

Eusey, Shauna Whiting, Justin Thomas, Abigail Howell, Ashley Fetter, Bradley Carpenter, Bryan Sappington, Emily Callahan, Jennifer Burns, Matt Lagemann, Nathaniel Gonner, Adil Wali, Alicia Lee, James Harrington, Janice Bunch, Kai Gansner, Megan Mudd, Ben Sonnenberg, Sally Waggoner, Tammy Tolliver, Abayomi Aiyedun, Ame Cone, Anwesh Rijal, Aric Ho, Ashley Norman, Chris McKinney, Eric Cawthon, Jon Courtney, Mary Kretsinger, Megan Rouse, Molly Krans, Rebecca Martin, Sarah Preisinger, Starr Meek, Alexandra Kiefe, Alyssa Myracle, Angela Epplin, Austin Brown, Eli Klimek, Eugene Walton, Jessica Meyer, Joshua Baum and Krystal Dorsey.

College Republicans to Host D'Souza

The Truman State University College Republicans will host Dinesh D'Souza at 7 p.m., March 31, in the Student Union Building Activities Room.

D'Souza will discuss topics featured in his latest book, "What's So Great About America," including the need for an intelligent patriotism after the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, in response to a general dislike of Americans by many world cultures. He will

respond to critiques of American culture by Islamism and multiculturalism, concluding that American culture is truly unique. Furthermore, he will discuss certain controversial political issues such as colonialism and the payment of slave reparations.

The event is free of charge and is open to the public. Contact Michael Hertz, event coordinator, at 665.7111 or mjhertz@truman.edu for more information.

Notes

Kathryn Hixson, juror for the 13th Annual National Art Competition, will offer a question and answer session at 3 p.m., March 25, in the Blanton-Nason Main Lounge.

The Center for Teaching and Learning Weekly Lunch Series will meet from 12:30-1:30 p.m., March 26, in the SUB Spanish Room. Maria Di Stefano and Chad Mohler will speak about "Part I: Cheating and Plagiarism." Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4391 for more information.

The Dobson Hall and Fine Arts Film Series will show the movie "The Front" at 6 p.m., March 26, in OP 2210.

Roger Craik will read from his two volumes of poetry from 7:30-9 p.m., March 26, in the SUB Alumni Room. He will address any questions about contemporary poetry, his poetry and creative writing. All are welcome. Contact Dennis Leavens at 785.5145 or 785.4269 for more information. This poetry reading is sponsored by the Residential College Program.

Beta Alpha Psi is offering Volunteer Income Tax Assistance from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 29 and April 5, in VH 1010. Truman faculty, staff and students as well as Kirksville residents are welcome. For more information, contact Steve Schnurbusch at 665.4603.

The Truman State University Iron Dogs Powerlifting Team is proud to present the second annual John Ware Classic

Powerlifting Competition at 10 a.m., March 29, in Pershing Arena. The John Ware Classic is a nationally publicized, open powerlifting competition. It is held in honor of John Ware, head football coach, in recognition of his numerous lifetime contributions to the sport of powerlifting. This event is open to any strength athlete. Visit <http://IronDogs.truman.edu/> for more information.

Truman will host the Open Track & Field Meet at 10:30 a.m., March 29. Anyone wishing to help with this meet would be appreciated. Contact John Cochrane at 785.4341 if interested.

The Kirksville Church of Christ & Ekklesia will present a Campaign for Christ March 30-31. There will be a session at 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., March 30, at the Church of Christ. They are titled "The Time and What Must Be Done," "The Power is in the Promise" and "The Purpose of Salvation" respectively. Another session titled "Whose World are You Building" will be at 7 p.m., March 31, in Baldwin Auditorium. Call 627.4003 for more information.

Truman Today is a weekly publication of Truman State University for students, faculty and staff. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Tuesday's publication. Entries should be submitted by sending an e-mail to ksvoboda@truman.edu or by completing a Truman Today submission form available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 102. It may also be accessed online at <http://trumantoday.truman.edu/submissionform.pdf>.

Missouri Hall will be sponsoring the carnival MOnanza from noon until 4 p.m., March 30, on the Quadrangle. There will be bands, karaoke, cotton candy, games, prizes and a dunk. Contact Julie Schaper at 785.5532 or JulieSchaper@truman.edu.

The Centennial Hall Residential College Program will host Bob and Anne Mitori at 7 p.m., March 31, in the Centennial Hall Main Lounge. The Mitoris both spent part of their childhood in a detention camp for Japanese-Americans during World War II. They will share their experiences during those difficult years. Contact Jeff Gall at jgall@truman.edu for more information.

The Annual Service Recognition Banquet is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., April 3, in the SUB Georgian Room. Tickets will be available in Human Resources, MC 106, for \$10 through March 26.

The Residence Hall Association and Hall Senates are sponsoring "Midnight Masquerade," a formal all-hall ball from 8 p.m. to midnight, April 5, at the NEMO Fairgrounds. There will be music, dancing, and refreshments. Tickets are \$5 in advance and at the door. They will be on sale from March 31 until April 4 in the dining halls and hall desks. Tickets should be purchased from your hall because each residence hall will have a different color ticket.

The Writing Center is currently accepting applications for Writing Consultants in English and Spanish for the 2003-04 academic year. A limited number of stipend positions are available. However, candidates may choose to fulfill scholarship hours as consultants. Stop by the Writing Center, MC 303, to pick up job descriptions and application forms, or check the Writing Center Web site at <http://ll.truman.edu/wc/wchome.html>. The application process must be completed by May 1. This is the first semester that the Writing Center will be hiring a Spanish consultant to work with students writing compositions in Spanish. For more information, contact Mary Lou Woehlk, director of the Writing Center, by e-mail, mlw@truman.edu or phone, 785.4691.

The 2003-2004 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available on the Web at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>. Apply soon to be considered for all available federal and state funds. Contact the Financial Aid Office, MC 103, 785.4130, if you have questions.

On Campus

25 TUESDAY

2 p.m.-Softball vs. CMSU, Truman Softball Field
3 p.m.-Question and Answer with Kathryn Hixson, Blanton-Nason Main Lounge; see Notes

26 WEDNESDAY

12:30-1:30 p.m.-The Center for Teaching & Learning Weekly Lunch Series, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes
6 p.m.-Movie: "The Front," OP 2210; see Notes
7 p.m.-Molly Secours-Guest Speaker-Diversity Week 2003, Baldwin Auditorium; see Master Calendar
7:30-9 p.m.-Poetry Reading by Roger Craik, SUB Alumni Room; see Notes
8 p.m.-"Eastern Standard" Opening Night, OP 2302; see Page 2

27 THURSDAY

4 p.m.-Men's & Women's Tennis vs. Rockhurst, Truman Tennis Courts

28 FRIDAY

7-9 p.m.-Open Mic Night-Diversity Week 2003 Event, SUB Down Under; see Master Calendar

29 SATURDAY

8 a.m.-4 p.m.-Volunteer Income Tax Assistance sponsored by Beta Alpha Psi, VH 1010; see Notes
8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.-The Big Event, on the Mall; see Page 2
10 a.m.-Second Annual John Ware Classic Powerlifting/ Bench Press Championships, Pershing Arena; see Notes
10:30 a.m.-Open Track Meet, Truman Track and Field
1 p.m.-Men and Women's Tennis vs. NWMSU, Truman Tennis Courts

30 SUNDAY

Noon-Baseball vs. NWMSU, Truman Baseball Field
1 p.m.-Women's Tennis vs. MO Western, Truman Tennis Courts
2 p.m.-Maggie Crawford Recital, OP Performance Hall; see Master Calendar
4:30 p.m.-John Pinkston Recital, OP Performance Hall; see Master Calendar

31 MONDAY

6 p.m.-Campaign for Christ, Baldwin Auditorium; see Notes
7 p.m.-Bob and Anne Mitori to Speak, Centennial Hall Main Lounge; see Notes