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## The *Truman Today* is a weekly online publication for students, faculty and staff to give them information about what is happening.

Future issues will be available through Campus Pipeline, and printed copies will be posted on campus.

Students, faculty and staff can check out the *Truman Today* online on Monday afternoons at http://trumantoday.truman.edu.

## All new and returning Truman students are invited to attend the

## **Activities Fair**

noon - 4 p.m. Aug. 27 on the Quadrangle

The Activities Fair will be on the Mall if the grass is wet. Rain site is the Student Union Building.

## Board of Governors Hears Reports, Welcomes New Board Student Representative at Meeting

The Truman Board of Governors held a retreat and Board meeting on Aug. 15 and Aug. 16 at the Thousand Hills Dining Lodge.

At the retreat, the Board heard reports from Debra Kerby, professor of accounting, and Candy Young, professor of political science, about the upcoming North Central Association Accreditation Self Study. They also heard from a representative from the St. Louis architectural firm Mackey Mitchell Associates about the progress of the residential living and Student Union facilities study.

At the Board meeting, Board President Tom Jayne officially welcomed Emily Dunn as the new student representative to the Board. Dunn is a junior biology major from Bourbon, Mo. She is actively involved in the Biology Outreach Program in the Knox County School District and she serves as a Truman Student Ambassador. She is a Ronald E. McNair Scholar, a recipient of the United States Achievement Academy Collegiate All-American Scholar Program and a recipient of the Missouri Beta Scholarship. She is currently listed on the President's List for achieving a 4.0 for the spring 2003 academic semester.

The Board heard reports on Student Affairs, Advancement and Truman's ongoing assessment program. In Board action, they voted to give the University the authority to hire a financial consultant to study potential financing options for the renovation and construction of Truman's residence halls and Student Union Building.

## Gooch and Kelly Receive Lee Advising Award

Janet Gooch, associate professor of communication disorders, and Pete Kelly, assistant professor of special education, were recently awarded the William O'Donnell Lee Advising Award.

Dr. Jeanne Stephens Lee Blackmar established the Lee Advising Award in honor of her late husband, who was a member and chair of the

University's Board of Regents during the 1970s. The award pays tribute to excellent advisers, encourages professional develop-



William O'Donnell Lee Advising Award winners vant items. All full-Pete Kelly, assistant professor of special educatime faculty advisers tion, (left) and Janet Gooch, associate professor are eligible for the of communication disorders, (right) meet with Truman President Barbara Dixon (middle).

ment and demonstrates the importance of academic advising on the Truman campus.

Gooch and Kelly will each receive a \$1,000 development fund to be used for travel to advising conferences or institutes, research materials and other relevant items. All full-time faculty advisers are eligible for the annual award.

Recipients of the Lee Advising Award are nominated by students and colleagues and are ultimately selected by a committee.

## Truman Faculty Promoted

The following faculty were approved for promotion at the June 19 Board of Governors meeting:

From associate professor to professor: Monica Barron, English; Kenneth Carter chemistry; David Christiansen, classics; Robert Cummings, history; Ruthie Dare-Halma, computer science; Janet Davis, communication; Martin Erickson, mathematics; Suren Fernando, mathematics; David Gillette, economics; Randy Hagerty, political science; John Ishiyama, political science; Julianna Moore, music; Terry Olson, economics; Silvia Pites, Spanish; Barry Poyner, communication; Vaughan Pultz, chemistry; David Robinson, European history; Randall Smith, music; Rodney Taylor, German; and Tom Zoumaras, history.

From assistant professor to associate professor: Hena Ahmad, English; Sana Camara, French; Elizabeth Clark, communication; Bruce Coggins, economics; Michael Goggin, physics; Christine Harker, English; Daniel Hite, biology; Wolfgang Hoeschele, geography; Ding-hwa Hsieh, philosophy & religion; Eric Jewell, Spanish; Royce Kallerud, English; Carol Marshall, Spanish; Sam McClure, music; Jason Miller, mathematics; Russell Nelson, art; John O'Brien, chemistry; Adrien Presley, business administration; John Rutter, biology; Michael Seipel, agriculture; Bridget Thomas, classics; Anthony Vazzana, mathematics; Dana Vazzana, mathematics; and Torbjorn Wandel, history (effective January 2004).

## Financial Aid and Student Accounts Go Live on Banner

Currently enrolled students now can use their new student ID number to log in to Banner Web Services, the new integrated computer system, to access their information. Students gain access to Banner through Campus Pipeline to their fall 2003 class schedule, their current address and phone number information, their account status, their financial aid award(s) by aid year, and their student loan application(s) by aid year. In addition, fall semester aid awards are being disbursed for the first time with Banner.

Most financial aid will be credited to student accounts and any resulting change checks will be available prior to Aug. 29. Bright Flight Scholarship funds will be cred-

ited for students who were enrolled prior to Aug. 8. Funds for students who enrolled after that date will be available in late September. Gallagher and Missouri College Guarantee Grants are expected to be funded by the state in late September also. By federal regulation freshmen Stafford Loans will be disbursed after Sept. 17.

If a student was selected for verification, submitted a late federal aid application, or requested a PLUS or alternative loan, please allow extra time for processing these funds.

Features to be added to Banner this year include fall 2003 mid-term grades, fall 2003 final grades, Web registration for summer 2004, and unofficial transcripts, including both Truman and transfer credits.

## Truman Subscription to TurnItIn Begins

After a successful trial of the TurnItIn.com software this past spring, Truman has acquired a subscription to TurnItIn for the upcoming 2003-2004 school year.

Not only does TurnItIn offer instructors the ability to check student papers for plagiarism, but it also includes many information resources for the prevention of plagiarism and the promotion of academic integrity. In addition, TurnItIn offers a "student peer review" component which facilitates the improvement of student writing in several ways: it helps automate the exchange of papers among students; it gives students a framework for providing constructive criticism of each other's writing; and it assists faculty in keeping track of the replies students make to each other's papers.

The plagiarism-prevention information resources are freely available at http://www.turnitin.com/research\_site/e\_home.html. Faculty who are interested in incorporating the student peer review or

plagiarism detection components of TurnItIn into their courses this semester or next need to set up an instructor account at http://www.turnitin.com. Instructions on how to do so were recently e-mailed to faculty; if you did not receive them, please e-mail Chad Mohler at chmohler@truman.edu for an additional copy. More information on TurnItIn also can be found at the following page on the TLTR Web site: http://tltr.truman.edu/turnitin.

The TLTR strongly encourages those faculty who use TurnItIn for plagiarism detection to make mention of it in their syllabi and to to continue discussing with students the importance of academic honesty and the differences between academically honest and academically dishonest work. Members of TLTR hope that the TurnItIn subscription serves as a stimulus for continued campus discussion of academic integrity and what we as a community can do to promote it.

## University Adapts eRecruiting to Include On-Campus Job Openings

Students should check out the University Career Center's eRecruiting Web site at http://truman.erecruiting.com if they are looking for a campus job. Truman's eRecruiting Web site has been adapted to allow the posting of student jobs online.

eRecruiting is used by more than 450 colleges and universities across the nation to address their recruiting needs. Truman

uses eRecruiting for students and alumni to find opportunities both on and off campus, internships, co-ops and careers when they leave Truman. By adapting eRecruiting, it now can provide students with a centralized location on the Web to find on-campus job opportunities for student work including scholarship, institutional and volunteer positions.

## Notables-

Martha Bartter, professor of English, traveled to Baden-Baden, Germany, at the invitation of Professor George Lasker, president of the International Institute for Advanced Study in Systems Theory and Cybernetics. There Bartter attended the Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Institute, where she presented her paper, "Radioactive Racism" in a plenary session July 29. At the closing ceremony, Bartter received an award for "presenting one of the best papers of the conference and for her significant contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the field." The paper Bartter presented at The International Conference for Advanced Studies in Systems Research and Cybernetics in Baden-Baden, Germany, July 2002, "Gods Among Us?," criticizing biotechnology and genetically modified plants, has been published in *Advances in Sociocybernetics and Human Development,* Volume X by the International Institute for Advanced Studies in Systems Research and Cybernetics.

Marijke Breuning, associate professor of political science, had her article, "The Role of Analogies and Abstract Reasoning in Decision Making: Evidence from the Debate over Truman's Proposal for Development Assistance," published in *International Studies Quarterly* (2003).

Sarah Clouse and Alan Toigo, senior health science majors from Kansas City, Mo., had their manuscript "The Student Ombudsmen Model: Increasing the Number of Long-Term Care Ombudsmen in Missouri" published in *Annals of Long Term Care: Clinical Care and Aging*.

Carolyn Cox, associate professor of health science, had her textbook, "Worksite Health Promotion: A Guide to Building and Sustaining Health Worksites," published by Human Kinetics Publishers.

Taner Edis, assistant professor of physics, had his chapter "An Accidental Critic" appear in "Leaving Islam" edited by Ibn Warraq (Amherst: Prometheus, 2003).

Terrance Gabel, assistant professor of business education, has just received word that he has been selected for inclusion/listing in AcademicKeys "Who's Who in Business Higher Education."

AcademicKeys "Who's Who in Business Higher Education" is, according to itself, "the most comprehensive and authoritative online source of information available on leading and influential experts and scientists in the field of Business Education in the institutes of higher education."

Warren Gooch, professor of music, has had an original musical composition accepted for publication. "And Grant Us Peace" for brass ensemble and percussion will be published by Ensemble Publications, Inc. of Ithaca, N.Y. The composition is dedicated to David Nichols, professor emeritus of music.

Jerrold Hirsch, professor of history, was quoted in the *New York Times* Aug. 2 in the article "Unmasking Writers Of the W.P.A." John Ishiyama, professor of political science, had his article "The Formerly Dominant Marxist-Leninist Parties in the Developing World After the Collapse of Communism" accepted for publication in the *Journal of Communist Studies and Transition Politics*.

Maureen Lonegran, senior health science major from Davenport, Iowa, had her study "Colorado's Worksite Health Promotion Activities: A Comparison to the 1999 National Survey" published in *The MO Journal of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance.* 

Betty McLane-Iles, professor of French, has been elected secretary of the Missouri Writers Literary Guild: Columbia-Kirksville Chapter at their meeting on Aug. 9 at the Columbia Public Library, 84 Acclamation. She also has been notified after her workshop participation in July that she has been accepted as a member of Chicago Dramatists Association. She is the author of "Anne: Last Duchess of Brittany" published by Minerva London.

## Division of Fine Arts to Present "Greyhounds"

The Division of Fine Arts will present "Greyhounds," a play written by Daryl Fazio, assistant professor of art, at 8 p.m., Aug. 27-30, in the Ophelia Parrish Courtyard Theatre.

The play is a fund-raising production for the art and theatre departments. All

proceeds will be used to purchase instructional materials and to help fund the upcoming theatre season in response to recent budget cuts. Tickets may be purchased for \$5 at the door. Please note this play contains strong language.

# TLTR Sponsors Reception to Recognize Truman's "Tech Champs"

The Teaching/Learning **▲** Technology Roundtable (TLTR) is sponsoring a dessert reception from 2-3:30 p.m., Aug. 27, in the Student Union Building Alumni Room, to recognize Truman's "Technology Champions" for the work they have done during the past year. The "Tech Champs" are a group of faculty and staff who collectively have expertise in 65 areas of technology, particularly software applications and their use. Go to http://tltr.truman.edu/ tech\_champs.html to search for champs by their areas of expertise. The Tech Champs have agreed to be available to answer technology-related questions from faculty and staff.

The Technology Champions being honored include Charlie Apter, Jon Beck, Don Bindner, Steve Carroll, Steven Chappell, Paula Cochran, Sherry Dare, Adam Davis, Taner Edis, John Erhart, Daryl Fazio, Alan Garvey, David Gillette, Michael Goggin, James Guffey, José Herrera, Wolfgang Hoeschele, John Hoffmann, Glen Ketterlinus, Alex Koch, Susan LaGrassa, Carol Lockhart, Jason Miller, Chad Mohler, Rusty Nelson, Emmanuel Nnadozie, Ben Ogden, Eric Patterson, John Perrachione, Cathy Poyner, Marc Rice, Diane Richmond, Darin Schnetzler, Michael Seipel, James Shaddy and Jim

The TLTR thanks these dedicated individuals for their efforts during the 2002-2003 school year.

## **Notes**

The Truman State University Observatory will host a Special Open House to celebrate the closest approach of the planet Mars to Earth in more than 50,000 years. Public viewing of the Red Planet and other celestial objects will take place from 9-11:30 p.m., Aug. 26 and Aug. 27, at the observatory. The observatory is located at the University Farm on Boundary Street. In case of inclement weather, the Open House will be held from 9-11:30 p.m. Aug. 30. A shuttle van will make regular round trips from the McClain Hall parking lot to the observatory, beginning at 8:50 p.m. each evening. For further information, please visit http://observatory.truman.edu or call the Science Division Office at 785.4597.

A study abroad course titled "From Classical to Classicism" will travel in late December 2003 and early January 2004 to Rome, Florence and Venice. Led by Cole Woodcox and Julia DeLancey, the three-credit course also will give intercultural and writing enhanced credit, as well as count toward the 63 LAS hours. Any interested students should either contact Woodcox at cwoodcox@truman.edu or DeLancey at delancey@truman.edu or come to an information meeting at 8:30 p.m., Sept. 4, in OP 2210 or at 7 p.m., Sept. 8, in OP 2210.

The University Club Barbecue will be at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 5, at the University Club house at 516 E. Patterson. All faculty and staff are invited to attend. Bring a dish to share for the potluck meal. Meat and drink are provided. Families are welcome. There will be music by Deadwood.

Graduation applications for students who want to graduate in May 2004 are due in

the Registrar's Office by Sept. 12. Applications and degree worksheets are available on the Truman Web page at http://registrar.truman.edu.

If you have already applied for graduation and are enrolled in courses other than those originally listed on your graduation application, you need to update your graduation application with the Registrar's Office. To update your application, go to the Registrar's Office in McClain Hall 104 anytime between 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. If you have already applied for graduation and are interested in using the 2003-2005 General Catalog to fulfill degree requirements, you should make arrangements to meet with your adviser as soon as possible to discuss this option. If you then decide to move up to the new catalog, you must submit a completed 2003-2005 degree worksheet, which is available at http://registrar. truman.edu, to the Registrar's Office by Sept. 12. You do not need to submit a new degree application. The Registrar's Office will then review your new degree plan and alert you to any problems. If you move up to the 2003-2005 catalog, you will be required to meet all major, minor and degree requirements as listed in that catalog. Bulldog football season tickets are now on sale. Discounts are available for Truman faculty and staff. Please visit the Truman bulldogs Web site at http://gobulldogs. truman.edu and click on the tickets link or call 785.4167.

The Division of Business and Accountancy now offers a minor in business administration. The deadline for application for the spring semester is Sept. 30. For more information and applications, please go to Violette Hall 2400 or call 785.4346.

## Tel Alumni Seeks Help

Students interested in a part-time job this semester are encouraged to apply to work the Tel Alumni campaign. Tel Alumni is hiring between 30-40 students to work for 10 weeks.

No experience is necessary but they are looking for students who have good communication skills, an outgoing personality, a strong work ethic, and a willingness to ask parents and alumni for financial support.

Students must be available to work at least two of the following shifts each week: Sunday, 6-9 p.m.; Monday, 6-9 p.m.; Tuesday, 6-9 p.m.; Wednesday, 6-9 p.m.; or Thursday, 6-9 p.m.

Tel Alumni offers nightly prizes (gift certificates, clothing, food, etc.); a relaxed, fun environment; paid training; a flexible schedule and an hourly wage of \$5.15. Tel Alumni is an excellent résumé builder for students majoring in fields such as business and communication.

Applications are available in the Advancement Office, McClain Hall 100 or the University Career Center. The application deadline is Sept. 5. Contact Charles Hunsaker, manager of the annual fund, at 785.4028 or hunsaker@truman.edu for more information.

## On Campus

## 26 TUESDAY

9-11:30 p.m.-Truman State University Observatory Special Open House, University Observatory at the University Farm; see Notes

### 27 WEDNESDAY

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## 28 THURSDAY

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## 29 FRIDAY

Last day to add or audit full semester or first block courses 8 p.m.-"Greyhounds," OP Courtyard Theatre; see Page 3

### **30 SATURDAY**

11:30 a.m.-Women's soccer vs. South Dakota State, Truman soccer field 8 p.m.-"Greyhounds," OP Courtyard Theatre; see Page 3

## 31 SUNDAY

2 p.m.-Women's soccer vs. North Dakota, Truman soccer field

## 1 MONDAY

**Labor Day-**no classes, offices closed

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