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### **Henry Smits Lecture**

### "Illness and Identity: The Leper That Lurks in Us All"

Gerald G. Osborn, lecturer in philosophy, will present this lecture.

### 7-9 p.m. March 8 SUB Alumni Room

Philosophically, identity implies sameness, but paradoxically people maintain a sense of personal identity in the midst of lives changing constantly. Illness and injury can alter this abiding sense of sameness and can become an affront to people's personal identity. In its most malignant form, the process becomes allconsuming and the person becomes their disease.

A psychiatrist, teacher and consultant, Osborn's areas of research center on the interfaces between psychiatry and primary-care medicine and in medical ethics and history.

### **Public Poetry Reading**

Selections from "My Puerto Rican Past" by Joe Benevento, professor of English

7 p.m. March 7 Baldwin Hall 218 A book signing will follow.

## Summer Tuition Discount to Continue

Summer per-credit-hour rates will be reduced by 15 percent again this summer.

Truman State University President Barbara Dixon has approved continuing the tuition discount program for undergraduate on-campus 2006 classes to encourage enrollment by students seeking a double major, minors or simply wanting to accelerate their progress.

Details on the new fee schedule are in the summer schedule of classes. Students will also be notified by a TruView announcement. The discount applies only to on-campus undergraduate courses and excludes interim courses, graduate courses and study abroad programs.

## Truman and Moberly Area Community College Sign Transfer Agreements

Moberly Area Community College President Evelyn E. Jorgenson and Truman State University President Barbara Dixon signed a transfer articulation agreement on March 6 that will make it easier for Moberly Area Community College (MACC) students who want to transfer to Truman to complete a bachelor's degree.

This agreement expresses a *(left) and Trun* shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success at Truman. Students will be better able to make a smooth transition from MACC to Truman and prepare for study in a wide range of academic majors. As course changes are made at either institution, the agreement will be reviewed to make sure the courses still comply with the terms of the original agreement.

"There are a number of students who want to start out at a community college, but then they wish to transfer to further their education at a four-year institution," Jorgenson said. "We want to provide as many opportunities as possible for these students to make that transfer seamless."



Moberly Area Community College President Evelyn E. Jorgenson (left) and Truman State University President Barbara Dixon (right) sign transfer articulation agreements on the Truman campus

"This articulation agreement will allow for a very smooth transition for students from Kirksville and the surrounding area to Truman," Dixon said. "We look forward to increasing the number of students from Moberly Area Community College."

Truman has also signed transfer articulation agreements with The Metropolitan Community Colleges of Kansas City, Mo.; Indian Hills Community College in Ottumwa, Iowa; and St. Charles Community College in Cottleville, Mo. These agreements are available at http:// registrar.truman.edu/transfer/transfer\_ agreements.html.

### The Next STEP Student Workshop

"Careers in Science, Mathematics and Computer Science"

### 6-7:30 p.m. March 7 Magruder Hall 2050

Dinner will be provided.

Extend lessons learned at the Career Expo. by joining Anne Moody for a panel discussion about where a science, mathematics or computer science degree can take you. A panel of Truman alumni will share some of the opportunities available for career paths and post-graduate education based on their personal experiences.

Panelists will include Truman alumni from most science and math disciplines who pursued a range of career paths. Some went directly into the workforce, some went to medical and other professional schools, and some went to graduate school.

This workshop is open to all science, mathematics and computer science majors and minors.

For additional information, visit http://step.truman.edu and go to the News, Upcoming Events and Deadlines page.

### The Center for International Education/ Study Abroad will host its annual Study Abroad Fair

10 a.m.-noon and 1:30-3:30 p.m. March 8 the first floor of Kirk Building

Representatives of study abroad options in Europe, Central America, Africa and Asia will be present.

Contact Carlos Di Stefano at 785.4076 for more information.

# Mock Trial Team Qualifies for National Tournament

The Truman State University Mock Trial team traveled to the American Mock Trial Association (AMTA) Regional Tournament in St. Louis on Feb. 24-26. The team qualified for a national tournament for the first time in its history. The team will participate in the 2006 AMTA National Tournament March 17-19 in St. Paul, Minn.

Team 803, consisting of Kevin Chase, a senior political science major from University City, Mo.; Joshua Jones, a senior political science major from Kirkwood, Mo.; Caitlin McLuckie, a freshman communication major from Lake Lotawana, Mo.; Theresa Perkins, a freshman political science major from Union, Ohio; Megan Pfister, a junior psychology major from St. Louis; Rachel Spavone, a senior political science major from Springfield, Ill.; and Nick Zotos, a freshman justice systems major from Chesterfield, Mo.; finished the Regional Tournament with a 6-2 record, qualifying them for the National Tournament.

Team 802, with Bryan Gelecki, a sophomore political science and justice systems double major from Papillion, Neb.; Brad Brown, a junior English and pre-secondary education double major from Dexter, Mo.; Michael Connelly, a sophomore economics major from Lee's Summit, Mo.; Amber Jones, a freshman political science major from Kirkwood, Mo.; Sarah Miller, a sophomore communication and justice systems double major from Hannibal, Mo.; Amy Rowden, a junior economics and pre-business administration double major from Dixon, Mo.; Mary Beth Rybak, a senior communication disorders major from Springfield, Mo.; and Kelly Wikstrom, a senior communication major from Sedalia, Mo.; finished with a 4-4 record for the weekend.

Individual awards were received as well. Jones and Brown both received the Best Attorney Award. Rybak received the Best Witness Award after finishing with a perfect score as a witness.

### Institute Seeks Shear Fellows for 21st Century Leadership Academy

Students may join 36 of Missouri's top Student leaders at the University of Missouri-St. Louis for the 21st Century Leadership Academy, Missouri's premier leadership development opportunity focused on women's public policy leadership, May 21-26.

The 21st Century Leadership Academy is a weeklong, residential program that encourages students to consider careers in public policy and provides leadership skills training to help them be successful.

The curriculum includes meetings with female elected officials, government leaders and policy advocates, as well as panel discussions, small group projects, and skill building opportunities. The Academy also includes a trip to Jefferson City, Mo., where participants meet with state leaders and participate in a mock legislative session. Academy graduates are currently working in legislative and executive offices in Washington, D.C., and Jefferson City, attending law school and graduate school across the country, and leading campus political groups.

Truman will select up to four students to participate in this program and will cover the cost of participation. To be eligible, students must be currently enrolled, degreeseeking students, have demonstrated leadership skill, and have expressed interest in women's public policy leadership. Students from all academic majors are encouraged to apply. Applications are available at http://registrar.truman.edu/ other/shear.html and are due by March 31. To receive further information, contact A. Kay Anderson, registrar, at 785.4143 or aka@truman.edu. Additional information on the Academy is also available at http:// www.umsl.edu/~iwpl/.

The Truman Today will not be published next week due to midterm break.

Please note entries for the March 21 issue should be turned in by March 10. Call 785.4243 or e-mail kbest@truman.edu for more information.

# NOTABLES

An original musical composition by **Warren Gooch, professor of music**, has been selected for performance at the 2006 Great Plains College Music Society Conference. "Rhapsody" for alto saxophone and piano will be performed at the University of Nebraska-Kearney during the conference March 10-11. The saxophonist will be **Randall Smith, professor of music. Marc Rice, associate professor of music,** recently presented his paper "Jazz Under a Crystal Ball: Music and Dancing in 1920s Kansas City" at the national conference of the National Association for African American Studies in Baton Rouge, La.

# Faculty and Staff to Post Student Job Openings on eRecruiting Web Site

Students will be receiving scholarship looking for scholarship positions for next fall/spring. Faculty and staff should be making arrangements to post their open positions for fall/spring on the http:// truman.erecruiting.com Web site as soon as possible. Faculty and staff may also want to post summer positions at this time for those students who plan to use one of their semesters of scholarship during the summer or students who might receive work-study for the summer.

The eRecruiting Web site has proven to be a great tool for students and employers to fill open positions on campus. It is easy, convenient and fast. Faculty and staff who have a student job vacancy that they would like to post should contact their department or division office to find out how to get the job posted on eRecruiting. Contact the Career Center at 785.4353 to receive help with the eRecruiting Web site.

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. eRecruiting provides students with a centralized location on the Web to find on-campus job opportunities for student work, including scholarship, workstudy, institutional and volunteer positions.

### Bauer Receives Director's Award for Excellence in Interdisciplinary Research

Elizabeth Bauer, a junior communication and English double major from Wardsville, Mo., was awarded the Director's Award for Excellence in Interdisciplinary Research for her paper "West Java Forestry: Conflicting Ideologies of Sustainable Forestry." She wrote her paper under the direction of Wolfgang Hoeschele, associate professor of geography, as part of JINS 336 - Environment: South and Southeast Asian Forest, during the fall 2005 semester.

Bauer's paper discusses the sustainable and unsustainable forestry practices in the montane forest regions of the Indonesian island of Java. She researched studies of forestry in Java that stem from two viewpoints: environmental conservationists and the indigenous people of Java. She then argued that these groups must unite their forestry ideologies to ensure successful forest conservation. Her research was recognized from a pool of approximately 640 students.

Bauer is the daughter of JoAnne and

Henry Bauer. She is a member of the Truman Conduct Board and national communication honor fraternity Lambda Pi Eta. She is a member of National Society of Collegiate Scholars and Campus Pals.



Wolfgang Hoeschele, associate professor of geography, presents Elizabeth A. Bauer, a junior communication and English double major from Wardsville, Mo., with the Director's Award for Excellence in Interdisciplinary Research.

### The last day to register to vote in Adair County is March 8.

Call 665.3350 for more information.

### Amnesty International presents "America's Torture by Proxy: Extraordinary Rendition"

8-9:30 p.m. • March 9 SUB Governors Room

The Truman chapter of Amnesty International is sponsoring an educational seminar on extraordinary rendition. Presenters will explain how citizens can take action to stop extraordinary rendition.

### Spring Midterm Break Hours

### Pickler Memorial Library

**March 10** 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

March 11-12 closed

**March 13-17** 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

March 18 closed

March 19 regular hours

### Student Recreation Center

(Specific areas may be closed without advance notice for cleaning or repair projects.)

**March 10** 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

March 11-12 closed

**March 13-17** 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

March 18 closed

**March 19** 4-7 p.m.

## Notes-

Truman's Model United Nations Team is looking for new student participants. Beginning on March 7, training sessions will take place from 8-10 p.m., on Tuesday evenings, in Baldwin Hall 348. POL 554 - Model United Nations, Section 2, is a two-semester class (spring and fall) that earns students a total of three credit hours. Those interested in participating should contact Amanda Keener at akeener@gmail. com or Stuart Vorkink at ss27@truman.edu. The DEPThS group will discuss Taoism at 8 p.m., March 7, in Baldwin Hall 249. DEPThS is a studentled open discussion group about spirituality. E-mail depths.tsu@gmail.com for more information. The Center for Teaching and Learning Weekly Lunch Series will be led by faculty from the team who recently completed the Essential Skills review of COMM 170 for Undergraduate Council from

12:30-1:30 p.m., March 8, in the SUB Spanish Room. Call 785.4391 for more information. Applications for Fall 2006 FAC funding are due by 5

p.m., March 8, to the Center for Student Involvement or Funds Allotment Council Office. Contact Brad Birkel at 816.809.0176 or bjb337@truman.edu for more information.

The Department of Public Safety will be providing a shuttle service to and from the LaPlata train station for Midterm Break. Reservations are \$5 and are due March 9. Students can sign up at the Public Safety Building. Travelers should meet to load the shuttle by 8:30 a.m., March 11, at the Public Safety Building. The bus will pick up students at the LaPlata Amtrak station and return them to the Public Safety Building on March 19, time to be announced. For more information or to make reservations, contact Joyce at 785.4177, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

Nominations for the Leadership Recognition Program are due by 5 p.m., March 10, to the Center for Student Involvement. Nomination forms can be found at http://studentinvolvement.truman. edu/2006%20LRP%20Nomination%20Packet.pdf or can be picked up at the CSI in the lower level of the Student Union Building. The Leadership Recognition Banquet will take place on April 16. Contact Kayla Medley at 785.4222 or kaylajmedley@gmail.com for more information.

Health science honorary fraternity Eta Sigma Gamma is sponsoring the SAFEBRAKE highway safety awareness campaign on Truman's campus through March 10. A flower memorial displaying the names of Truman students who have died on local highways is set up near the Flame to the Second Century. All Kirksville residents and members of the University community are welcome to visit the memorial. Students, faculty and staff can also gather information about safe driving at an informational table set up in the Student Union Building throughout the week. For more information on SAFEBRAKE, contact Emily Forsyth at 319.560.9735.

The Collegiate Farm Bureau will sponsor an Alternative Fuel Source Forum from 6-8 p.m., March

21, in Violette Hall 1000. This will be an informative event on the sources of alternative energy within Missouri, featuring a panel of experts offering a variety of viewpoints. Contact Jennifer Lane at 627.5963 or jml600@truman.edu for more information. The Environmental Campus Organization (ECO) is looking for sponsors for the first Community-Sharing Bike Program. The organization plans to provide students, and perhaps the community, with an alternative to expensive and fuel-intensive vehicle use. By sponsoring a bike for a minimum of \$10, an organization's name will be placed on the license plate of an ECO bike for a year, spreading the name of the organization across campus. Sponsoring groups are invited to attend the Grand Opening Event from 1-3 p.m., March 22, on the Quadrangle, where they can paint their own bike and participate in activities. For more information or to donate, contact Cassie Phillips at cassiephillips@care2.com.

The Division of Education and the Division of Language and Literature will be sponsoring an informational meeting about the Truman-China English Teaching Partnership at 7 p.m., March 23, in McClain Hall 305. Students will teach conversational English in the WuHua County Public Schools during fall 2006 and spring 2007. Contact Amy Peebles at apeebles@truman.edu for more information. The Recycling Center drop-off containers will be closed to the public March 24-26.

The International Club will be sponsoring the International Idol at 7 p.m., March 31, in Baldwin Auditorium. International students and some of their American friends will perform songs, dances and other arts from across the world. A panel of judges will decide on a winner. These acts are interspersed with guest performances, which are not judged. The Special Olympics Northeast Area Track and Field Games are looking for volunteers to be buddies to athletes from 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., April 8, at Stokes Stadium. Volunteers for other aspects of the games are needed as well, with less of a time commitment. Those interested in volunteering should contact the Student Council for Exceptional Children at 627.6035 or scec@truman.edu.

Truman pre-law advisers will explore the question "Should you really be a lawyer?" in a series of discussions. To express interest or get more information, contact Paul Parker at 785.4505. The 2006-2007 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, McClain Hall 103, 785.4130, if you have questions.

To clarify a statement in the Feb. 28 issue of the *Truman Today*, the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest, largest, and most selective all-discipline honor society, according to the Phi Kappa Phi Web site.

On Campus

#### 7 Tuesday

noon-Baseball vs. Missouri Western, Baseball Field 6-7:30 p.m.-The Next STEP Student Workshop, MG 2050; see Page 2 7 p.m.-Public Poetry Reading by Joe Benevento from "My Puerto Rican Past," BH 218; see Page 1 8 p.m.-DEPThS meeting, BH 249; see Notes

### 8 Wednesday

10 a.m.-noon-Study Abroad Fair, first floor of Kirk Building; see Page 2 12:30-1:30 p.m.-The Center for Teaching and Learning's Weekly Lunch Series, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes 1:30-3:30 p.m.-Study Abroad Fair, first floor of Kirk Building; see Notes 5 p.m.-Fall 2006 FAC funding applications due, Center for Student Involvement or Funds Allotment Council Office; see Notes

7-9 p.m.-Henry Smits Lecture, SUB Alumni Room; see Page 1

### 10 FRIDAY

2 p.m.-Softball vs. Washburn (Kan.), Softball Field 5 p.m.-Leadership Recognition Program nominations due, Center for Student Involvement; see Notes

11 SATURDAY 1 p.m.-Softball vs. Emporia State (Kan.), Softball Field

13 MONDAY Midterm break begins, no classes

### Open Course Lists Available

The summer and fall 2006 open course lists are currently available via TruView.

Additional registration information, including registration dates, is available at http://registrar.truman.edu.

Printed schedules will be available after spring break.

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