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Student Research Conference Reminder

Celebrate a week of student scholarship and creative achievement.

Check out the Student Research Program At-A-Glance inside this issue of the *Truman Today*.

Truman Faculty Forum April 12

7 p.m., VH 1000

"The French Music of Louisiana: A Matter of Family," presented by Marc Rice, associate professor of music

Topical Presentation April 13

3:30 p.m., VH 1000

"Catching Feelings: The Emotional Realities of Hooking Up," with guest speaker Elizabeth Paul

Student Research Conference April 14

7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Daytime classes are canceled.

For a complete schedule of presentations and discussions, see <http://src.truman.edu>.

Plenary Address April 14

11 a.m., VH 1000

"Undergraduate Research for the Public Good," with guest speaker Elizabeth Paul

Davenport Named Interim Dean of Social Science

Garry Gordon, vice president for academic affairs, has announced that Doug Davenport, associate professor of justice systems, has accepted the position of interim dean of social science effective July 1.

Davenport has been at Truman since 1995.

He received his doctorate in political science from Texas Tech University. He also earned his Masters in Public Administration from Texas Tech University.

He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Bible from Central Bible College.

Davenport serves the University as the director of the Portfolio Project and is a member of the Vice President's Advisory Committee on Assessment. He also is an adviser for Alpha Phi Sigma, the National Criminal Justice Honor Society.

He is a member of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences and the American Society of Criminology.

Campus to Host Drum Day Celebration

The 2005 Missouri Day of Percussion will take place on Truman's campus April 16.

This event is sponsored annually by the Missouri Chapter of the Percussive Arts Society. Featured guests include renowned percussion artists Bob Becker, Gregg Bissonette and Tom Siwe.

Becker is a founding member of the Grammy award-winning Canadian group Nexus. He is considered the world's leading xylophone virtuoso in the ragtime style.

Bissonette is considered to be among the greatest and most versatile drum set artists of our day. Most notably, his music can be heard on the Santana's Grammy award-winning album "Supernatural."

Siwe is a professor emeritus of percussion performance and literature at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.



Bob Becker



Greg Bissonette

The Percussion Day also will include performances by high school and University percussion ensembles and soloists, workshops for percussionists of all ages, exhibits by several regional and national percussion manufacturers and distributors, as well as a giveaway of percussion door prizes to random attendees.

A complete schedule of activities can be accessed at <http://www.pas.org/Chapters/Missouri/>. Registration begins at 8 a.m., in the Ophelia Parrish Fine Arts Center Lobby.

All events are open to the Truman and Kirksville communities. Admission is \$10 or \$5 with a valid PAS membership card.

For more information, contact the event director Michael Bump at 785.4052 or mbump@truman.edu.

Attention May and December Undergraduate Degree Candidates

Graduation Clearance Packets for all May 2005 undergraduate degree candidates were mailed March 28. If you have not received yours, please stop by the Registrar's Office, McClain Hall 104, to pick up an extra copy. The clearance materials are a graduation requirement, and are due in the Registrar's Office by April 22.

Graduation Applications for December 2005 undergraduate degree candidates are due in the Registrar's Office, McClain Hall 104, no later than April 22. Applications and worksheets are available at the Registrar's Web site at <http://registrar.truman.edu>. Applications must be signed by your academic adviser prior to submission.

Foreign Language Theater Performances

French Play "Pique-nique en Campagne"

7 p.m., April 12
SUB Activities Room
Part of a senior capstone in French

Spanish Play "Los Pantalones"

8 p.m., April 15
8 p.m., April 16
2 p.m., April 17
SUB Down Under

*Sponsored by
Sigma Delta Pi*

Both plays will include English subtitles.

University Art Gallery B.A. Thesis Exhibit

Public Reception
6 p.m., April 18
Exhibit runs April 18-23
See displays of graduating students' portfolios.

Truman Broadcasters Bring Back Awards

Truman broadcast students collected high honors at the Missouri Broadcast Educators Association Conference April 1.

KTRM, news 36/TruNews, the Vote '04 news team and other students won several state awards for their work in radio and television production.

Students competed against universities throughout the state including schools with stations in the 100 markets in the nation. They competed in categories ranging from news and sports, to music video and radio air check to script writing.

The Vote '04 news team took first place in *Radio News* for their coverage of the local, state and national November elections and first place in *Television News* for their Iowa Caucuses and Missouri Primaries coverage.

Also winning top honors in various categories were Corey Owens, junior communication major from Blue Springs, Mo.; Diane

Poelker, freshman from St. Louis; Amanda McGinley, graduate elementary education student from St. Peters, Mo.; and John Weeks, junior communication major from Chesterfield, Mo.

The KTRM news team, Jonathan Thacker, senior psychology major from Kirksville, Mo., and Chris Waller, sophomore communication major from St. Joseph, Mo., earned recognition in different areas as well.

Six students represented Truman at the conference, which included several panels on student media operations and professional development sessions.

Elizabeth Clark, associate professor of communication and the adviser of news 36/TruNews, accompanied the student group. She is the immediate past president of the Missouri Broadcast Educators Association, and serves on the committee for the group's annual research conference.

Phi Beta Lambda Receives Awards at Conference

A group of future businessmen and women traveled to Jefferson City, Mo., for the Annual Phi Beta Lambda State Leadership Conference April 1-2.

Members of Truman's Phi Beta Lambda business fraternity chapter received numerous awards for their work in different areas of business such as economics and information management.

This year's conference, themed "Missouri PBL-Show Me Motivation," featured competitive events for individuals and teams, leadership training and the election of officers for next year.

Students elected Kyle Gifford, junior political science major from Columbia, Mo., to the posi-

tion of state vice president and Andrew Greiner, freshman from Des Moines, Iowa, to the position of state reporter for the 2005-2006 academic year.

Truman received the Gold Seal Chapter Award of Merit at the conference. Students were recognized for their March of Dimes project and received third place in the largest local chapter membership.

Individual students earning first place awards included Gifford, Amy Rowden, freshman physics and economics major from Dixon, Mo.; Sabrina Sandeen, junior pre-accounting major from St. Louis; and Dan Houchins, junior business administration major from Dutzow, Mo.

Students Recognized at Criminal Justice Conference, Competition

Seven justice systems students participated in the American Criminal Justice Association/Lambda Alpha Epsilon national conference and competition March 20-26.

Scott Chenault, instructor in justice systems, led the group to Memphis, Tenn., where they networked with other students and professionals from across the country in the field of criminal justice. As a part of the conference, the team competed against about 85 schools from across the nation in a series

of criminal justice-related challenges.

Truman students finished fifth in the nation overall, garnering a handful of individual academic awards in the process. In addition, Truman students competed in a student paper competition off-site and the results were announced at the conference. The group earned a "sweep" of the three awards given in the lower collegiate division. This was the first time in the history of the competition that one student had placed twice in a paper competition.

Notables

Warren Gooch, professor of music, recently had his original musical composition, accepted for publication. "Helix," a solo

flute piece, will be published by Dorn Publications, Inc., a major publisher of woodwind music.

Center Hosts Asian Cultural Events

The Multicultural Affairs Center is observing Asian Heritage Celebration Week with several campus events.

John Ishiyama, professor of political science and director of the McNair Program, will speak about "The Legacy of America's Concentration Camps: The Internment and the Formation of a Japanese-American Identity." His speech will be at 1:30 p.m., April 12, in the Student Union Building

Spanish Room.

All are welcome to enjoy authentic Asian cuisine from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., April 13, in the Ryle Hall Main Lounge.

Also, the movie "Shaolin Soccer" will be shown at 8 p.m., April 14, in Violette Hall 1000. The film and other events throughout the week are free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Sunnie Hughes at 785.4590.

Women's Wednesday Workshop Series Begins

The first of the Women's Resource Center April workshops kicks off April 13 with "Menstruation Mayhem."

The WRC's Dana Kuhnline will discuss alternative products and sociopolitical issues related to menstruation at 7 p.m., in Baldwin Hall 252.

Lesla Ketterlinus, director of the University Career Center, will conduct a "Dress to Impress" seminar on professional attire for women in the workplace. Ketterlinus will also answer questions

about women-specific issues in the interview process. Her talk will take place at 7 p.m., April 20, in the Student Union Building Room 308.

The last Wednesday in the series includes a self-defense workshop. Traci Ciepiela from the Department of Public Safety will provide basic self-defense instructions for women at 7 p.m., April 27, in Baldwin Hall 252.

Visit <http://wrc.truman.edu> for more information on any of the Wednesday workshops or e-mail b1378@truman.edu.

Fine Arts Presents "Psycho Beach Party"

The Division of Fine Arts and department of theatre present "Psycho Beach Party" at 8 p.m., April 19 and April 20-23, in the Ophelia Parrish Courtyard Theatre.

Charles Busch wrote this play about a teenage tomboy who wants to be part of

the surf crowd on Malibu Beach.

The April 19 show is free. Tickets cost \$2 for the April 20-23 shows. For ticket information, call 785.4515. Contact Becky Becker for more information about the production at 785.4519 or bbecker@truman.edu.

Scholarship Opportunities Available

The Financial Aid Office has announced the availability of scholarship opportunities.

Pre-medical students can apply for the \$20,000 Smith-Glynn, Callaway Medical School Scholarship in Memory of Stanley S. Peterson, M.D.

Applicants must demonstrate financial need and be accepted to a Missouri medical school. Preference will be given to students who have obtained their pre-medical education in a Southwest Missouri college

or university and are from the southwest Missouri region.

The William M. Reiss Foundation is offering scholarships to graduates of publicly supported high schools located within the city limits of Belleville, Ill. Official college transcripts are required, and a copy of the Student Aid Report from the FAFSA is recommended. Applications are due May 1.

For more information about these scholarships, stop by the Financial Aid Office in McClain Hall 103.

KTRM PRESENTS EDGE WEEK

April 11
Music on the Mall

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Trivia Challenge
7-9 p.m.

April 12
SUB Governors Room

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Way Back Wednesday
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

April 13
on the Quadrangle

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Free Stuff Friday
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

April 15
on the Mall

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*For more information,
contact Courtney Rakers
at ccr936@truman.edu
or 785.4506.*

SAB to Show Movies

"Closer"

6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.
April 15 • VH 1000

"Meet the Fockers"

3:30 p.m. • April 16 • VH 1000

Call 785.4722
for more information.

STUDENT SENATE AND RCP SEEK SUMMER READING FELLOWS

Student Senate and RCP still need students to help select the books for the 2006 Summer Reading Program.

Participation as a Fellow can fulfill a Truman scholarship requirement, but all Truman students on good academic standing are eligible to apply.

For a complete description of the job responsibilities and an application, visit <http://rcp.truman.edu/summerreading.htm>.

Notes

University Counseling Services, Bacchus and Gamma, and MO PIP are sponsoring National Alcohol Screening Day. From 10 a.m.-3 p.m., April 12, on the Mall, individuals can be screened to see if alcohol plays a negative role in their lives. Students can receive resource information about alcohol and substance abuse and participate in mock-drinking activities. Individuals who complete a survey will have a chance to win various raffle prizes. Free non-alcoholic drinks will be available too. Contact Phil Jorn at pjorn@truman.edu or 785.4014 for more information.

MOSERS and the Social Security Office will present two Pre-Retirement Planning seminars for Truman employees from 1:30-4 p.m., April 12 and 13, in the SUB Alumni Room. Please plan to attend one of these sessions if you are within 10 years of retirement or just interested. R.S.V.P. at <http://hr.truman.edu/register/>. **Community-based research** will be the discussion topic at the Weekly Lunch Series from 12:30-1:30 p.m., April 13, in the SUB Spanish Room. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4391 for more information. **The Kirksville Sigma Xi Society will host their 2005 Distinguished Lecturer April 13.** Michael Angelo, security manager in government engagements for the Microsoft Corporation, will speak on security and privacy issues. He will lecture from noon-1 p.m., in the McCreight Classroom at A.T. Still University, and from 7:30-8:30 p.m., in the SUB Alumni Room at Truman. Contact Laura Fielden at lfielden@truman.edu for more information.

Students can enjoy a German Culture Evening from 6-8 p.m., April 13, in the SUB Down Under. Students and faculty will perform music, poetry, miniplays and skits. **The residence halls will be participating in a soda can competition April 14-20 in honor of Earth Day.**

The University Observatory will be open to the public, weather permitting from 9-11 p.m., April 14. For directions, contact Michael Adams at 785.4088.

The weekly Tech Break for faculty and staff will be from 2-3 p.m., April 15, in the SUB Conference Room.

Instructional Design Services will host the first Educational Pod-Casting Symposium April 15. The meeting will be from 3-4:30 p.m., in PML 205 and is open to all students, faculty and staff interested in learning about pod casting and its use in higher education. Contact Linda Davenport at 785.4391 for more information.

Alpha Phi Alpha is sponsoring their Spring Showcase step show at 8 p.m., April 15, in Pershing Arena. Dance competitors representing NPHC fraternities and colleges from across Missouri will compete at the show. Tickets are \$7 or \$10 for a pass to the performances and after-party.

The Philosophy and Religion faculty invite all interested students for a Pre-Seminar meeting regarding the fall 2005 Senior Seminar in Philosophy and Religion. Students from this semester's group will share their insights and instructors will have important information. The Pre-Seminar Meeting for PHRE students will be at 4:30 p.m., April 19, in BH 163. Refreshments will be available. Students enrolling in the fall are required to attend this session unless overseas. Students enrolling in future semesters are encouraged to find out more

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about this important capstone course.

The Society of Dance Arts is sponsoring Dance Fusion 2005: "Shall We Dance?" April 21 and 22. Free to the public, the dance recital will take place at 7 p.m., in Baldwin Auditorium. Guests include High Street Dancers, the University Swingers, Showgirls, Ceilidh Dancers and Praise Dancers. Contact Beth Austin at 785.5659 for more information.

SAB will present country singer Pat Green live in concert April 22. Doors will open at 7 p.m., in Pershing Arena for the event. Tickets can be picked up at the SAB Office in the lower level of the SUB. The cost is \$7 with a student ID and \$15 for general admission. Call 785.4722 for more information.

Two upcoming opportunities are available to those interested in bird watching with other Truman and Kirksville community members. Groups will leave from Magruder Hall at 7 a.m., April 23, and at 6:30 a.m., May 7 to bird watch at Thousand Hills State Park. For more information, contact Pete Goldman at 785.4632.

Dobson Hall Senate will sponsor Squirrelfest at 1 p.m., April 23, in the Dobson Hall Courtyard. The event brings together Truman bands as well as musical groups from other areas of Missouri for a free, live concert. Contact Shea Cleveland at 785.5181 for more information.

James Fox will give a lecture titled "Serial Killers Among Us" at 8 p.m., April 26, in Baldwin Auditorium. Fox will examine the minds, motives and capture of the infamous serial killers of our time. Lambda Alpha Epsilon is sponsoring the event. Contact Michelle Foard at 785.4738 for more information.

Alpha Sigma Gamma is sponsoring the annual 5K/10K Run/Walk for Their Lives April 30. Registration tables will be set-up in the SUB from 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., April 18-21 and April 25-28 or in the Student Recreation Center from 3-7 p.m., April 25-29. Registration costs \$10 ahead of time and \$12 on the day of the race. All proceeds benefit the families of two Truman students with extensive medical bills. The race will begin at 8:30 a.m., at the Centennial Hall crosswalk. Contact Gina Stierwalt at 665.8910 for more information.

SAB's annual spring carnival, Dog Days, will be from noon-5 p.m., April 30, in the McClain parking lot. The afternoon's activities include free food, booths, inflatables and music. Contact Naomi Davis at 785.4722 for more information.

Share your poetry and win prizes at a poetry slam fund-raiser for Victim Support Services. The event, sponsored by Centennial Hall Residence Life and the Residential College Program, will be from 7-9 p.m., April 30, in the SUB Down Under. A \$2 donation is suggested. Contact Kate Carlson at kmc738@truman.edu or 785.4906 for more details.

Student Senate is sponsoring a letter-writing campaign to Jefferson City legislators encouraging them not to cut funding for higher education. Stop by the SUB Office or the Student Senate Office to pick up materials. The campaign will run through April 30.

The Annual Service Recognition Banquet will take place at 6:30 p.m., May 9, in the SUB Georgian Room. Tickets are available in the Human Resources Office in MC 105 for \$10 each.

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