

# Truman *today*

A weekly newsletter for students, faculty and staff

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## Voter Registration Forms Now Available

Student Affairs Office  
Information Desk  
Cashier's Window  
Residence Hall Desks  
SERVE Center  
Multicultural Affairs Center

The last day to register to vote is Oct. 8. For more information visit <http://conduct.truman.edu> and click on the voter registration link.

## Missouri Government Internship Program

Applications for the Missouri Government Internship Program are due Oct. 10. Apply online at [http://career.truman.edu/student/internship/mogov\\_app.pdf](http://career.truman.edu/student/internship/mogov_app.pdf).

## FALL CAREER EXPO CHECKLIST

- Register for the Career Expo at <http://career.truman.edu>
- Sign up for S.C.O.R.E. and employer mock interviews
- Prepare your cover letters and resume at the Career Center from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday
- Research attending companies and attend Pre-Expo Programming
- Apply for preselected interview slots on eRecruiting (before Oct. 13)
- Prepare your professional attire and have copies of your resume ready for Expo.

## Voter Registration Deadline Oct. 8

The last day to register to vote in the Nov. 4 election is Oct. 8.

Those individuals wanting to register to vote in Adair County can do so at the County Clerk's Office. They will need to bring some form of ID. It takes about two minutes to register.

Students who are registered to vote in their hometown and would like to vote in their home district, must request an absentee ballot from their hometown clerk's office. The clerks will send a ballot and the students must send a notarized ballot back.

The business office in McClain Hall can notarize ballots for students. If students are not sure where they are registered to vote, they can call the Adair County Clerk's Office, which has the ability to look up all Missouri voters through a

statewide registry.

Individuals who have moved since they last voted in Adair County need to update their address with the clerk's office so they can learn their new polling location.

The clerk's office is located downtown on the second floor of the courthouse. Their hours are 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and they are closed for lunch from 12 - 1 p.m.

Anyone with questions about voter registration or where they should vote can call 665.3350.

At 7:30 p.m. Oct. 7 in the Hub of the Student Union Building, the Office of Citizenship and Community Standards will host a Debate Watch. Everyone is invited to watch the second presidential debate. Food and refreshments will be provided.

## Truman Foundation Scholarship Applications Now Available Online

The Truman Foundation is pleased to announce that scholarship applications for the spring 2009 semester are now available to Truman students.

Applications are available online and are due by midnight Nov. 1. To learn more, go to <http://www.truman.edu> and click on Student Life/Money/Foundation Scholarships or go to <http://secure.truman.edu/isupport-s/>.

This application period is for Foundation scholarships that have not yet been awarded for 2008-2009. Applications for the majority of Foundation scholarships will be available in January and February for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Applications are also available in the Center for International Education (CIE) office in Kirk Building 114 for the Truman Foundation Study Abroad Scholarships for the summer of 2009.

Ten \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded for summer, faculty-led Truman study abroad programs based on financial need, statement of purpose and academic achievement.

These applications are due in the CIE office by 12 p.m. Jan. 23, 2009, and recipients will be notified by the end of February.

Since its creation in 1980, the Truman Foundation has provided an opportunity for thousands of alumni and friends to make an investment in students.

The mission of the Foundation and Office of Advancement is to support the goals and activities of Truman by nurturing viable relationships with external constituencies, obtaining financial support and serving as prudent financial stewards of the Foundation's resources. More than \$621,000 will be awarded in scholarships to Truman students in 2008-2009.

## National Society of Collegiate Scholars Inducts New Members

Vianey Beltran  
Loren Billington  
Jacqueline Boos  
Raymond Bopp  
Samuel Brandt  
Danielle Brewster  
Kristofer Buhalog  
Kailey Burger  
Prasang Chhetri  
Allison Coffelt  
Maddie Coffman  
Trenton Crull  
Huven Dinh  
Courtney Dinwiddie  
Hannah Dumey  
Paul Edgerley  
Beatrice Ekworomadu  
Karrie Evens  
William Franks  
Kathryn Fritz  
Laura Gleason  
Allison Haberthier  
Joshua Henry  
Paul Hermanson  
Stephanie Horton  
Katherine Judd  
Amanda Kliethermes  
Stephen Kueny  
Vincent Kurth  
Katie Lakner  
Jennifer Lewis  
Ashley May  
Joshua McLeod  
Erin Medin  
Anna Meier  
Megan Mielke  
Kathryn Miluski  
Jennifer Moberly  
Jenna Osseck  
Andrew Popp  
Jennifer Riebold  
Allison Rohde  
Tekla Rudie  
Chisomo Sakala  
Rachel Satterlee  
Rachel Schaefer  
Claire Schueler  
Andrew Stashefsky  
Gregory Steimel  
Amanda Ward  
Ashley Ward  
Emily Ward  
Terriane Ward  
John Wilson  
Alexander Winkler

The new NSCS members are part of the top 20 percent of students at Truman. Membership is by invitation only, based on grade point average and class standing.



Dana Smith (above, center) and Roberta Donahue (below, center) pose with University President Barbara Dixon and Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Troy Paino after being named recipients of the William O'Donnell Lee Advising Award.

Dr. Jeanne Stephens Lee Blackmar established the award in honor of her late husband, who was president of the University's Board of Governors during the 1970s. Two academic advisers are selected annually for the award, which includes a \$1,000 development fund stipend to be used for travel to advising conferences or institutes, research materials and other relevant items. The Lee Advising Award pays tribute to excellent advisers and demonstrates how important academic advising is at Truman.



## United Way Campaign Update

After the sixth week of Truman's United Way campaign, the faculty, staff and students have contributed nearly \$45,000, which means Truman has met 80 percent of its goal.

Campaign Co-Chairs Brad Chambers, in advancement, and Debra Kerby, professor of accounting, said they are grateful to everyone who has already contributed to this year's campaign.

If you have questions, or need a replacement pledge form, contact Chambers at [bchamber@truman.edu](mailto:bchamber@truman.edu) or Kerby at [dkerby@truman.edu](mailto:dkerby@truman.edu).

## The MAC Hosts MLK Collegiate Challenge

Bertha Thomas, assistant dean of multicultural affairs, recently received a grant from Missouri Campus Compact for a Martin Luther King Day service activity.

The grant will fund the "MLK Collegiate Challenge," which brings together a diverse student pool and divides them into groups to work on service projects in the Kirksville community. Students who participate fully in this event can receive service-learning credit on their co-curricular record through the Service-Learning Advantage Program.

Students and organizations interested in the "MLK Collegiate Challenge" or other Martin Luther King Day activities may contact the Multicultural Affairs Center (MAC) at 785.4142.

Application for this grant was aided by The Center for Teaching and Learning and the VISTA Member for Service-Learning, who has assisted with seven successful grant applications for service-learning at Truman in the past year.

## Glamour Sponsors 2009 Top Ten College Women Competition

Glamour magazine is now accepting applications for the 2009 Top 10 College Women Competition. Applications are due by Dec. 1, and only female college juniors may apply by e-mailing [tcw@glamour.com](mailto:tcw@glamour.com) or logging on to <http://www.glamour.com/about/top-to-college-women>.

The competition recognizes the exceptional achievements and academic excellence of female college juniors from across the United States and Canada. It is an ideal opportunity for talented students to be rewarded for their leadership roles on campus and in the greater community. Winners receive a \$3,000 cash prize, coverage in an issue of Glamour and a trip to New York City for an awards luncheon. In New York, the winners will get the opportunity to meet with female professionals in their field as well as meet the other winners.

### Attention All Missouri Bright Flight and Access Missouri Recipients

A new Missouri law, HB 1549, effective Aug. 28, 2008, requires public colleges and universities to verify that recipients of state educational funds are lawfully present in the United States. If you have been awarded one of these state programs for the fall semester, you must provide "affirmative proof" of U.S. citizenship, permanent residency or other lawful presence in the U.S. A valid Missouri driver's license is sufficient. If you have completed I-9 clearance for student employment, you have met "affirmative proof" requirements. If you have questions, please contact Kathy Elsea at 785.4130 or e-mail [finaid@truman.edu](mailto:finaid@truman.edu).

## NOTABLES

Mike Ashcraft, associate professor of religion, has been named the book review editor of "Nova

Religio: The Journal of Alternative and Emergent Religions."

## Alpha Sigma Gamma Promotes Breast Cancer Awareness Week

The women of Alpha Sigma Gamma will be hosting events beginning Oct. 13 to commemorate Breast Cancer Awareness Week.

Bras decorated by various organizations will be displayed on the Quad from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 13. Organizations will have a chance to decorate their own bras from 7-9 p.m. Oct. 13 in the Student Union Building 3201.

A Health Fair will take place from 12-4 p.m. Oct. 15 on the Quad with information tables pertaining to women's health issues set up by numerous organizations, including the American Medical Student Association, GlobeMed, the

Student Public Health Association and the Women's Resource Center.

Speaker Pam Newman from the Susan G. Komen Foundation will be discussing breast cancer awareness and research, as well as the foundation itself, at 7 p.m. Oct. 15 in Georgian Room A of the Student Union Building.

All proceeds from the week will go to the foundation.

The week's events will conclude with a vigil for those who have lost their lives to breast cancer, as well as families and friends, at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 16 in front of Kirk Memorial by the eternal flame.

## Next STEP Office Accepting Applications for Undergraduate Research Conference

The National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) recently sent out a national call for proposals from students to submit abstracts and applications for the 23rd National Conference on Undergraduate Research to take place April 16-18, 2009, at The University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse.

Again this year, the Next STEP Office will be coordinating the application process for the Truman campus. Only abstracts submitted through this process will be eligible to receive funding from the University to attend the conference.

The Next STEP Office anticipates being able to send 50 students to the NCUR this year.

Truman students will use Truman's online application at <http://ncur.truman.edu> to submit

an abstract for consideration by Oct. 31. Students may start submitting abstracts to Truman's site immediately.

Each submission will be reviewed at the departmental level according to a process determined by the department. Departmental reviews will be completed by Nov. 14 and students will have the opportunity to make recommended changes by this date.

Once the abstract is finalized and approved, the Next STEP Office will submit each approved student abstract to the NCUR for consideration by Dec. 1.

Questions about the process can be directed to Jennifer Thompson, administrative coordinator of the Next STEP Office, by e-mail at [step@truman.edu](mailto:step@truman.edu).

### Professional Development Institute Program Schedule

The goal of the PDI, created by the Career Center and sponsored by Student Affairs, is to prepare students professionally and personally, for a smooth transition to life after college.

#### 5-6 p.m. Oct. 7

*So you mean I have to pay it back?*

Kathy Elsea, director of financial aid, will discuss student loans and the details about repayment.

#### 5-6 p.m. Oct. 13

*First impressions: How to survive the 5 second resume scan*

Elizabeth Bauer, career coordinator, will talk about how to format a resume so that relevant information is easy to find.

#### 12-1 p.m. Oct. 14

*You never know who's watching*

Lana Dowell, an administrative assistant to the dean of the School of Business, will teach proper etiquette in the electronic age.

#### 5-6 p.m. Oct. 14

*So tell me about yourself*

Polly Matteson, career coordinator, will talk about typical questions in an interview and answers a recruiter may seek.

#### 5-6 p.m. Oct. 23

*Diversity 101*

Bertha Thomas, assistant dean of multicultural affairs, will discuss views of diversity.

#### 5-6 p.m. Nov. 5

*Safety First: Recognizing and maintaining workplace safety*

Tom Johnson, director of public safety, will discuss safety in the workplace.

#### 12-1 p.m. Nov. 11

*Who wants your life? Preventing identity theft*

Tom Johnson will teach how to prevent identity theft.

All sessions take place in the Career Center. Sessions are open to everyone on campus. To register go to <http://pdi.truman.edu>.

### Truman Intramural Recreational Sports Planner

Activity	Division	Deadline	Captains' Meeting	Play Begins
Billiards	Open	Oct. 13	NA	Oct. 20
Table Tennis	Open/Org/Greek	Oct. 27	NA	Nov. 1
Basketball Pentathlon	Open/Org/Greek	Nov. 3	NA	Nov. 10
Texas Hold'em	Open	Nov. 3	NA	Nov. 10
3 on 3	Open/Org/Greek	Nov. 10	Nov. 13	Nov. 17
Pickle Ball	Open/Org/Greek	Nov. 10	Nov. 13	Nov. 17

All information, rules and registration requirements are online at <http://recreation.truman.edu/intramuralrec.asp>, or contact the Intramural Office at 785.4467.

### Submit Master Calendar Events for the Fall Semester

If you have planned an on-campus event for the upcoming academic year, do not forget to submit it to the Master Calendar at <http://calendar.truman.edu/submitevent.asp>. All submissions must be made by someone representing a chartered organization or a recognized department/division/program of Truman State University. Off-campus events will not be posted on the calendar unless they are alumni events affiliated with Truman Alumni Chapters.

# NOTES

**Pickler Memorial Library will host three simultaneous exhibits marking the beginning of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Birthday Celebration at Truman.** The exhibits are located in the first floor gallery of the library. A program about Lincoln and the exhibits is scheduled at 6 p.m. Oct. 13 in the gallery and will feature brief presentations by Mark Hanley, professor of history, and Gary Rozanc, assistant professor of art. The exhibits will be in the library for the month of October. All are invited to attend. For continued information about the celebration events visit <http://lincoln200.truman.edu>.

**University Counseling Services, HLTH 440 and the Student Public Health Association will be promoting Sleep Awareness Week 2008** from Oct. 13-17. Play with sheep on the Quad Oct. 14, wear pajamas to class Oct. 15 and relax in a hammock on the Quad Oct. 16. Tables will be set up from 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. all week on the Quad or in the Student Union Building. For additional information, check out <http://sleep.truman.edu>.

**The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science has received a grant from the National Science Foundation** to fund Incentive Scholarships of up to \$500 for students who are not math or computer science majors to take extra math or computer science classes. To find out more, or to fill out an online application, go to <http://smacs.truman.edu>. Application deadline for spring 2009 semester classes is Oct. 14.

**The Career Center will be hosting Expo 411** from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 15 on the Mall. Expo 411 is designed to help students prepare for this fall's Career Expo. Students can sign up for the Expo and S.C.O.R.E. and employer mock interviews, have their resume critiqued, and find out how to successfully work a career fair. Free food and lots of helpful information will be provided. All students and professors are welcome to come.

**The School of Business will be hosting an open house** from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Oct. 15 in the Violette Hall upstairs commons. The open house is for all students who are interested in learning more about a major in accounting or business administration, or a minor in business. Refreshments will be available. For more information, contact Marilyn Romine, business academic adviser, at 785.4268 or [mromine@truman.edu](mailto:mromine@truman.edu).

**The Multicultural Affairs Center will host a presentation by the students of a Mexican history class** taught by Marc Becker, associate professor of history, at 7 p.m. Oct. 15 in the Baldwin Little Theater. They will present a multi-media examination on the diversity of Mexico,

along with its varied historical and cultural traditions.

**The General Honors committee and the Office of the Provost invites interested, prospective and current General Honors students and faculty advisers to an information reception** at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 16 in the Alumni Room of the Student Union Building. This will be an opportunity to learn more about one of Truman's top academic awards. General Honors in Arts and Science is awarded to graduating students who complete five approved courses including at least one from each of the four areas of humanities, social science, mathematics, and natural science with a GPA of at least 3.5 in these five courses and an overall GPA of at least 3.5. For more information and details on the program, please visit the General Honors in Arts and Science website at <http://honors.truman.edu>.

**Students may pick up applications for the 2008-2009 "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award"** in the Dean of Student Affairs Office, Student Union Building 3100. To qualify, students should be active in campus and community activities, have a 2.75 cumulative GPA and be a senior eligible for graduation in December, May or August of the 2008-2009 academic year. Completed student applications need to be returned to the Student Affairs Office by Oct. 17. For more information visit <http://saffairs.truman.edu> or call 785.4111.

**Alpha Phi Omega is sponsoring Little Event beginning at 9 a.m. Oct. 19.** Members of Alpha Phi Omega will help with odd jobs needed throughout the community, such as cleaning, raking leaves and cleaning gutters. This year the Little Event has been expanded to provide needed services to students and campus organizations. Please submit any possible job ideas to Theresa Perkins at [tap657@truman.edu](mailto:tap657@truman.edu) and include the job details and location.

**Physical Plant Services invites students, faculty and staff to participate in the annual survey of campus member satisfaction with Physical Plant services.** The survey is available online until Oct. 31. Please complete it by that date. To take the survey, please visit <http://survey.truman.edu/takeSurvey.asp?surveyID=309> and log in with your network user name and password.

**The Kirksville Bike Co-op invites the Truman community to take a survey** about the state of bicycle racks around the Truman campus. The survey is accessible through the following link: <http://itssurvey.truman.edu/Surveys/TakeSurvey.aspx?s=BCE50AE2F1334C6CA0818B22B890230> C. You will need to log in using your Truman user name and password.

## CALENDAR

Check out the Master Calendar, available on the Truman home page and through TruView, for updated daily campus events.

### DECEMBER COMMENCEMENT

The starting time for the commencement ceremony has been changed to 11 a.m. Dec. 13 in the Pershing Arena.

### The American Heart Association presents:

#### *Rhapsody in Red*

HEART GALA  
6 p.m. Nov. 8

A.T. Still University  
Connell Information  
Technologies Center  
800 West Jefferson Street

For more information please contact Amy Currier at 785.4222 or [acurrier@truman.edu](mailto:acurrier@truman.edu).

All proceeds benefit the American Heart Association and all gifts are tax deductible.



### VISIONS OF LINCOLN

Pickler Memorial Library and the Lincoln Bicentennial Celebration Committee present the "Visions of Lincoln" exhibit, located in the PML gallery. The exhibit includes a sculpture collection, books and displays. Join the Lincoln Bicentennial Celebration at 6 p.m. Oct. 13 in the PML gallery, featuring speakers Thomas Trimborn, Mark Hanley and Gary Rozanc.

*The Department of Public Safety's annual Campus Crime Report is now available online at <http://police.truman.edu>. A printed copy of the report is available at the DPS office. You can also request to have a copy of the report mailed to you by calling 785.4177.*