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A weekly newsletter for students, faculty and staff

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Kohlenberg Lyceum Series Presents:

"A Midsummer Night's Dream"

by the American Shakespeare Center

7:30 p.m.

March 20

Baldwin Auditorium

Students may pick up their free ticket at the Student Activities Board Office in the Student Union Building. Faculty and staff may get their free tickets at the Information Desk at the Student Union Building. General admission tickets cost \$7 and are available at the Truman Cashiers Window in McClain Hall or downtown at Edna Campbells. Tickets may also be purchased online at lyceum.truman.edu.

“We Are Truman” Faculty and Staff Campaign Goal to Raise \$140K

Recently, faculty and staff received information about supporting the Truman State University Foundation through the 2012 Faculty and Staff Campaign. This year’s campaign is being chaired by Cindy Cooper (biology) and Greg Marshall (ITS). Campaign goals include \$140,000 in gift support and a faculty and staff participation rate of 62 percent.

The theme of this year’s campaign is “We Are Truman” and an important objective of the campaign is to recognize the hard work and loyalty of Truman’s faculty and staff. The Faculty and Staff Campaign also seeks to educate employees on the importance of private giving and to encourage working together in these challenging times for higher education.

A key component of the Faculty and Staff Campaign is the volunteerism of 43 “area coordinators” that represent the various faculty and staff areas of campus and encourage fellow colleagues to consider investing in Truman at any level. Educating colleagues on the impact that even small gifts can make to students and even their own departments is a mission that the area coordinators take seriously. Faculty and Staff members may designate their gifts to

any of the Foundation’s 575 funds or may also direct their gifts to the Truman Fund for Excellence—a fund used to support the University’s areas of greatest need. Many employees find payroll deduction to be an easy and affordable way of supporting Truman and what they’re passionate about—their own department, scholarships, an athletic team and other funds that impact the Truman Experience.

The Faculty and Staff campaign push will continue through April 6. However, all gifts from July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012, will be counted in the campaign totals. This year all departments or areas with a participation rate of more than 60 percent will be recognized to show appreciation and to educate students on the impact of faculty and staff giving.

There will be a drawing April 6 to give away prize packages, including the reserved parking spots for a year. Any gift to the campaign qualifies individuals for the parking spot drawing, and first-time gifts to the campaign qualify individuals for the Truman apparel package drawing.

For more information about the Faculty and Staff Campaign, go to isupport.truman.edu.

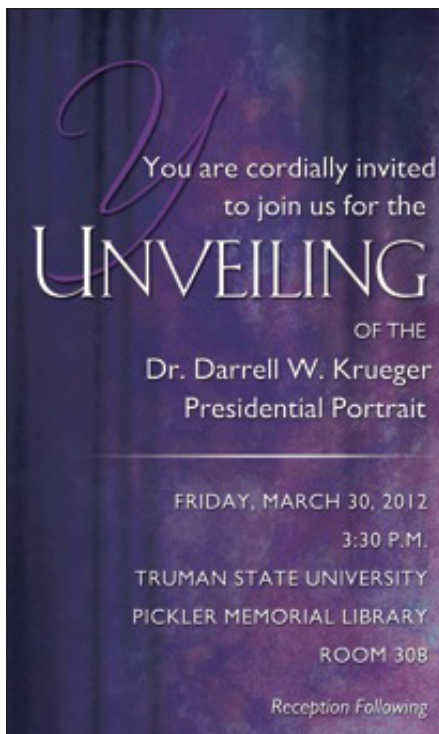
Speech and Hearing Clinic Celebrates 50th Anniversary and Fundraising Campaign

The Truman Speech and Hearing Clinic’s 50th anniversary and campaign kickoff celebration will be from 4:30-6:30 p.m. March 24.

A celebration and hor d’oeuvres reception will take place in the Student Union Building Alumni Room, followed by optional tours of the Speech and Hearing Clinic in the Health Sciences Building.

The event is complimentary and open to the public and fundraising information will be made available on how to support the Give \$50 for the 50th! Campaign.

RSVP to the Office of Advancement 800.452.6678, 785.4133 or alumnievents@truman.edu. For more information, contact Brad Chambers, Advancement Office at 785.4133.



What Does it Mean to be a Bulldog Video Contest

The Office of Citizenship and Community Standards (OCCS) is now accepting entries for its Bulldog Video Contest. Winning entries will be creative videos that capture the essence of the Truman experience. Specifically: What does it mean to be a Truman student? How do you define the Truman college experience?

The OCCS will accept individual or group entries and will award Truman Bookstore gift certificates for the top contestants: first place, \$150; second place, \$100; third place, \$50.

Entries will be accepted through March 30. Visit conduct.truman.edu for more information and contest rules.

Women's Resource Center Events

"America the Beautiful II – The Thin Commandments"
7 p.m. • March 21
Baldwin Hall Little Theater
Co-sponsored by Tau Lambda Sigma and Student Senate

Art Display
March 26-30
Student Union Building Hub

Poetry Slam
7 p.m. • March 27
Pickler's Famous

Women's History Trivia
7-9 p.m. • March 28
Baldwin Hall 303

Study Abroad Program to South Africa Offers Internship and Service-Learning

A faculty-led study abroad program will be offered in Cape Town, South Africa for five and a half weeks to focus on an internship and service-learning experience.

For four weeks students will work with a non-governmental agency whose mission is to address issues of social injustice and their continuing impact on formerly disenfranchised South Africans. Participants will also visit museums and historical sites and hear lectures on contemporary political and economic issues in South Africa.

There are no course prerequisites or language requirements. All majors are welcome and internship placements will be matched by majors and student interests.

Information sessions will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. March 21 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room, 5-6 p.m. March 22 in the Student Union Building 3201 and 5:30-6:30 p.m. March 26 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room.

For more information, contact Elaine McDuff at emcduff@truman.edu or 785.4360.

Sodexo General Manager Retires After 26 Years

After 26 years, Dennis Markeson, the general manager of the University's food service provider, Sodexo, will retire this summer.

"I'll miss coming to work everyday. I'll miss the people," Markeson said.

After starting his career as a cook in Ashland, Wisc., in 1969, Markeson occupied a number of jobs in the college food service industry. Following a stint as a traveling regional director, he settled with his family in Kirksville in 1985 and has been with the University ever since.

Among his accomplishments, Markeson has helped to expand the menu on campus and has incorporated more local foods. Additionally, he worked in conjunction with the University and the Environmental Campus Organization to start recycling and composting programs.

"We are so appreciative of Dennis Markeson's remarkable service to Truman over the last 26 years," said President Troy D. Paino. "Food services are a very important part of a University's operation and, under Dennis' capable leadership, something that the last seven Truman presidents have not had to worry about."

Although he will be leaving the University, Markeson will continue to call Kirksville home. He plans to spend time gardening, golfing, fishing

and traveling.

He will also have a presence on campus, occasionally dining with friends he has come to know over his time at Truman.

Lora Cunningham, the current assistant general manager, will take over for Markeson.

"Those are big shoes to fill. He's been on campus forever," Cunningham said.

Cunningham has been on campus almost as long as Markeson, starting in 1986. With the exception of a 6-year stretch in the 1990s, she has worked with Markeson at Truman since then.

"Lora has been trained by the best. I was relieved and thrilled when I heard she would be taking over for Dennis," Paino said. "With her training, skills and work ethic, I know the tradition of excellence with our food services will continue."

Despite leaving, Markeson feels confident the food service program will continue to be successful.

"It's been the teamwork of management and the hourly staff that has made us what we are today," he said. "We will continue to work to keep the satisfaction high at Truman."

Markeson will officially retire June 2, but will maintain an advisory role until August.

FAC ENROLLMENT OPEN

FAC (Funds Allotment Council) is having open enrollment through the end of the semester. Applications can be found at fac.truman.edu and outside the FAC office in the Student Union Building 1109A.



Every Friday is Purple Friday.

SHOW YOUR TRUMAN SPIRIT BY WEARING PURPLE.



FAFSA Applications Available Now

The 2012-2013 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now available at fafsa.gov. It is important to apply before April 1 to be considered for all available funding. The government allows filing with estimates in order to meet early state or institutional deadlines. The FAFSA is also required for Parent (PLUS) Loans. Contact the Financial Aid Office in McClain Hall 103, or call 785.4130 with any questions.

T.S. Eliot Poetry Prize Winners Visit Campus to Celebrate Truman State University Press

Three T. S. Eliot Prize poets will visit Truman March 29 to promote poetry and highlight their prize-winning books published by Truman State University Press, now celebrating 25 years of publishing. These poets reflect a range of styles, ages, ethnicities and locales.

Rhina Espaillat, Mona Lisa Saloy and Dean Rader will be on the Truman campus as guest lecturers in several creative writing classes. They will all take part in a discussion panel at 1:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building Alumni Room to talk about the craft of poetry and getting started in publishing. The poets will read from their prize-winning books at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Building Down Under where books will be available to purchase. The public is welcome at these events.

Espaillat, author of the 1998 prize for "Where Horizons Go," has published eight books of poetry and won numerous awards for her work.

Originally from the Dominican Republic, she taught high school English in New York City and is a frequent reader and speaker at universities.

Saloy, author of the 2005 prize for "Red Beans & Ricely Yours," has had her prose and poetry published in many anthologies and magazines. Her folklore research and writing focuses on the culture of New Orleans before and after Hurricane Katrina. She teaches at Dillard University.

Rader, author of the 2010 prize for "Works & Days," has published widely in poetry, American Indian studies and popular culture. He teaches at the University of San Francisco.

The T. S. Eliot Prize, sponsored by the University Press, was first established in 1997 and receives national recognition for the quality of work published. Each year the Press receives about 500 manuscripts for the competition and a well-known poet selects a final winning manuscript. The author wins \$2,000 and publication.

Buri Awarded NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship

Truman women's soccer student-athlete Megan Buri, a recent biology graduate from Parkville, Mo., was awarded an NCAA postgraduate scholarship for the 2011 fall sports season.

Buri, a two-time CoSIDA Academic all-American, a three-time NSCAA all-region pick and a four-time all-MIAA performer, became the 18th Truman senior student-athlete to receive the NCAA's prestigious award.

The one-time grants of \$7,500 each are awarded for fall, winter and spring sports. Up to 174 are issued annually through the program, created in 1964 to promote and encourage postgraduate education by rewarding the NCAA's most accomplished student-athletes.

Athletic and academic achievements, as well

as campus involvement, community service, volunteer activities and demonstrated leadership, are evaluated.

Buri previously had become just the second player in program history to be named a two-time CoSIDA Academic all-American, garnering first-team honors in 2011 following a spot on the second-team in 2010. She scored two goals and added a team-best seven assists this past season, with her 18 career assists ranking 10th in Truman history.

To qualify for an NCAA postgraduate scholarship, a student-athlete must have an overall grade-point average of 3.20 (on a 4.00 scale) and must intend to continue academic work beyond the baccalaureate degree as a full- or part-time graduate student.

NOTABLES

Robert Bates Graber, professor emeritus of anthropology, and Dean R. De Cock, associate professor of mathematics, along with third author Michael L. Burton of the University of California, Irvine, have had their paper, "A Guttman-Based Approach to Identifying Cumulativeness Applied to Chimpanzee Culture," accepted for publication by the scholarly journal *Cross-Cultural Research*.

Taner Edis, associate professor of physics, gave a keynote address at the "Religions, Science and Technology in Cultural Contexts: Dynamics of Change" conference in Trondheim, Norway March 2. Edis also presented a talk at the Center for Middle Eastern Studies in Lund University, Sweden March 8.

Children's Miracle Network
Silent Auction

All students, faculty and staff are invited to bid on a basket to raise money for the Children's Miracle Network from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. March 20-21 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. The auction is sponsored by Sigma Sigma Sigma, Sigma Tau Gamma, Phi Sigma Kappa, Phi Lambda Phi and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



Paging All Doctors

The Career Center is hosting Paging All Doctors March 26-28. Events include learning about the graduate school admissions process, a networking reception with health care professionals, medicine demonstrations, MCAT test preparation and more. For more information and to register for events, go to career.truman.edu.

Peer Advisor and Mock Interviewer Positions Available

The Career Center is now accepting applications for peer advisors and mock interviewers for the 2012-2013 school year. Applicants must attend a required preview session from 5-6 p.m. March 20 or March 21 in the Career Center. Applicants will need to submit a resume, cover letter, the Career Center application and three professional references by 12 p.m. March 28 in the Career Center with attention to Polly Matteson. See trupositions.truman.edu for more information.

Mock Interview Day April 13

Mock Interview Day will take place April 13. Mock interviewers from all majors will be in attendance. To register, please bring a resume to the Career Center. To learn more about Mock Interview Day and who will be attending, go to career.truman.edu.

No More Ramen: The 20-Something's Real World Survival Guide

Straight Talk on Jobs, Money, Balance, Life, and More
by Nicholas Aretakis

7 p.m. • March 28

Student Union Building
Activities Room

Free and open to the public.

Sponsored by
Delta Sigma Pi and SIFE

NOTES

Author and retired executive Harlan Steinbaum will deliver the Bentele-Mallinckrodt Executive-in-Residence Lecture at 3 p.m. March 20 in Violette Hall 1000. Steinbaum was president and CEO of Medicare-Glaser Corporation and author of "Tough Calls from the Corner Office."

"O Excellent Motion': Directing Through Text," a workshop by actors from the American Shakespeare Company, will take place from 3:45-5 p.m. March 20 in Baldwin Hall. Participants will learn how to find performance clues in Shakespeare's plays and direct the actors. Space is limited to 40 participants. For more information email bdelmoni@truman.edu.

The Faculty Lunch-n-Learn series continues from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. March 21 in Pickler Memorial Library 103. The focus of this presentation is using Wordpress to easily update web presence by Greg Marshall.

No Exit- Spring Lab Show will run at 8 p.m. from March 21-24 in the Ophelia Parrish Black Box Theatre.

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) will host a discussion of issues of interest to the University at 12 p.m. March 22 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room A. This meeting is to address and give input on the Guiding Coalition. All faculty and staff are invited. Contact Marc Becker at marc@truman.edu or call 785.6036 for more information.

Beta Alpha Psi will provide free income tax assistance to students and the community from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. March 24 and March 31 in Violette Hall 1424. For complete details visit bap.truman.edu or email lmd6224@truman.edu.

Dr. Stacey Barelos, assistant professor and chair of the Piano Area at Missouri Southern State University, will present a piano recital at 2 p.m. March 24. in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Dr. Barelos, who specializes in 20th and 21st century music, will present a program that features music by living composers. Following her recital, Dr. Barelos will conduct a piano master class beginning at 3:30 p.m. that features Truman piano majors. Both events are free and open to the public.

The University Orchestra Gold Medal Concert will take place at 8 p.m. March 24 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Students will perform as soloists with the University Symphony Orchestra.

The deadline for summer grant applications offered through the Truman Institute is March 26. These grants are designed to move toward the goal of having each major offering at least one online course, where feasible, within the next couple of summer sessions. Applications can be found online at institute.truman.edu/forms.asp.

"Savages and Throwbacks: Racism and Heterosexism in 20th Century America," a lecture by professor and author Ladelle McWhorter, will take place at 4:30 p.m. March 30 in the Student Union Building Activities Room. McWhorter, a professor of philosophy at the University of Richmond, is also the author of "Racism and Sexual Oppression in Anglo-America: A Genealogy." This event is sponsored by the Jonny and Dave Eisenberg Speaker's Fund, the Department of English and Linguistics and the Office of Interdisciplinary Studies.

Educator of the Year nominations are now being accepted. They can be made online at senate.truman.edu.

SIFE

ENTREPRENEURSHIP SERIES

Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) will host "Entrepreneurship: From the Couch to Corporation" March 22. The free program will introduce aspiring entrepreneurs to owning a business and provide current entrepreneurs with tips to improve their business.

The Keys to Financing
10:30-11:20 a.m.
Student Union Building
Georgian Room B

The Keys to Marketing
10:30-11:20 a.m.
Student Union Building
Georgian Room C

Reception featuring Rob Sweeney, founder and CEO of Mobile Media Technologies
12-1 p.m.

Student Union Building
Activities Room
Register at eventmanager.truman.edu to reserve a spot.

Entrepreneurship Panel
1:30-2:50 p.m.
Student Union Building
Conference Room

The Keys to Planning
3-3:50 p.m.
Student Union Building
Georgian Room B

The Keys to Legal Formation
3-3:50 p.m.
Student Union Building
Georgian Room C

SAVE THE DATE

The Holman Speakers Series presents:

MICHAEL BESCHLOSS

8 p.m. • April 14 • Baldwin Auditorium

Beschloss will speak about his New York Times best seller "Presidential Courage: Brave Leaders and How They Changed America, 1789-1989." He serves as the NBC News Presidential historian and regularly appears on "Meet The Press," the "Today" program and "PBS NewsHour." The award-winning historian and author of nine books has been described by Newsweek as the "the nation's leading Presidential historian."

SUB ROOM RESERVATION LOTTERY

The Student Union Building reservation office will accept reservation requests for the fall semester from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. April 2-5 in the Student Union Building Reservation Office, Suite 2000. All requests must be submitted in writing on a reservation form. Additional forms will be available at studentunion.truman.edu/lottery to print out. There will not be electronic confirmations for these requests. Confirmations will be mailed out by April 27. Address all questions to the SUB Reservation Office, 785-4186, or at union@truman.edu.

Pickler Memorial Library

RAP Sessions...

RAP (Research Assistance Program) sessions with subject librarians can help refine topics or locate useful sources for term papers or research projects. To set up an appointment: visit the library's home page, under 'Get Help,' click on 'Request a RAP Session,' call the Reference Desk at 785.405; or stop by.