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TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
**DISTINGUISHED  
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SCHOLAR**

## Schedule of Events

### Feb. 21

7:30 p.m., Violette Hall 1000

"The Children:

A Retrospective on the Civil Rights Movement"

8:30 p.m., Violette Hall  
Public Reception

### Feb. 22

Noon, SUB Alumni Room

"Forces in American Politics:  
Addressing Frustrations with the System"

Book signing to follow

7:30 p.m., Ryle Hall Lounge

"Campaign 2000: Presidential Politics"

### Feb. 23

10:30 a.m., Violette Hall 1000

"Contemporary American Foreign Policy in Bosnia"

**BARBARA-EARLY  
VREELAND  
LECTURE**

**4 p.m., Feb. 28  
SUB Alumni Room**

Luce Giard, senior researcher at CNRS, Paris, will discuss "The Revival of Ancient Learning in Fifteenth-century Italy."

## Social Science Division Head To Retire

James Lyons, head of the Division of Social Science at Truman, has announced his retirement, effective July 2000. Lyons joined the psychology faculty at Truman in 1972, and has been division head since 1979.

"The Truman community and I will miss Jim's presence," said President Jack Magruder. "When I first became head of the Science Division, I often sought and used his advice. He has given so much of his time and energy to making Truman a great university. Because of his hard work, he leaves knowing a culture he helped shape will last beyond him."

Lyons was an early architect of Truman's award-winning student outcomes assessment program. With former president Charles McClain, he wrote the book *In Pursuit of Degrees with Integrity: A Value Added Approach to Undergraduate Assessment*, which was published by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities in 1984.

He also helped guide the Social Science Division during a period of significant growth and transformation. In 1979 there were 28 full-time faculty and 650 student majors. Today there are nearly three times as many faculty and twice as many students.

Students and faculty from the Division

are widely recognized for their accomplishments in teaching, learning, scholarship and service. Last year, more than a third of the Division's seniors scored among the top 20 percent of students nationally on tests over their knowledge of major subject matter.

A number of social science faculty receive campus awards annually for their teaching and advising. Last year the faculty published 59 books and articles, and made several presentations at national conferences.

During his years as division head, Lyons served on the Faculty Senate, the Undergraduate Council, the Graduate Council and the Council on Teacher Education. He served on the steering committees for the University's North Central accreditation reviews in 1974, 1984 and 1995, and on numerous task forces and committees.

"It has been an uncommon privilege, and a joy, to have been associated with the Division and the University for more than 28 years," Lyons said. "People at Truman have brought great richness to my life. I look forward to many years of continuing friendships."

Garry Gordon, vice president for academic affairs, has announced that Seymour Patterson, professor of economics, has accepted the position of interim division head during the search period. Members of the search committee will be announced by Gordon in the near future.

## Halberstam Returns as Visiting Scholar

David Halberstam, an accomplished journalist, historian and author, will return to campus with Truman's Distinguished Visiting Scholar Series Feb. 21-23.

Halberstam is a legendary figure in American journalism. At age 30, he was awarded a Pulitzer Prize for his controversial coverage of Vietnam. His trilogy of books on power in America have also won him broad

critical acclaim over the past 40 years.

In 1998, Halberstam released *The Children*, which chronicles the lives of eight young, courageous civil rights activists he met in 1960 as a reporter for *The Nashville Tennessean*. His latest work, *Playing for Keeps: Michael Jordan and the World He Made*, was released in 1999.

See the sidebar for a full schedule.



## CAREER EXPO 2000

Feb. 23, SUB

### Major companies:

A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.  
Aldi, Inc.  
American Cancer Society  
AmeriCorp  
Best Buy Co., Inc.  
Blockbuster Video  
Boeing Company  
Boone Hospital  
Cheley Colorado Camps  
Children's Mercy Hospital  
Commerce Bank  
Deloitte & Touche  
Edward Jones  
Eli Lilly & Company  
Enterprise Rent-A-Car  
Farmers Insurance Group  
FBI  
First Bank  
Iowa Auditor of State  
K.C. Zoological Gardens  
K-Mart  
KTVO  
Lost Valley Lake Resort  
MBS Textbook Exchange  
Missouri DNR  
Mo. Dept. of Revenue  
Mo. DOT  
Missouri Lottery  
Mo. Highway Patrol  
New York Life Insurance  
NE Regional Medical Center  
Norwest Financial  
Office Depot  
Ottumwa Courier  
Pella Corporation  
Phillip Morris USA  
Southwestern Bell  
Sprint  
Standard Register  
Suburban Journals  
State Farm Insurance  
Target  
U.S. Border Patrol  
Union Pacific Railroad  
U.S. Secret Service  
VonHoffmann Graphics  
Wisconsin Badger Camp  
YMCA of Greater St. Louis

For a complete list, visit  
[www2.truman.edu/career/  
expo.html](http://www2.truman.edu/career/expo.html)

## Donna Morrison to Speak at Truman

Donna Morrison, vice president of billing services for Sprint, will visit the Truman campus as the Business & Accountancy Division's Executive-in-Residence on Feb. 21 and 22.

Morrison graduated from Truman in 1979 with a bachelor's degree in business. She attended the University of Colorado Executive MBA program and completed the AMP/ISMP program at Harvard Business School.

She has been a member of the Sprint team since 1989.



### Schedule of Events

Feb. 21

- 11:30 a.m., "Total Quality Management and the Baldrige Criteria"  
2:30 p.m., "Career Alert! Prepare for Your Future"  
4 p.m., "Mega-Mergers" (MCI/Worldcom and Sprint, etc.)

Feb. 22

- 9 a.m., "E-Commerce—Changing the Way we do Business"  
10:30 a.m., "Increasing Profits Using Activity-Based Management"  
1:30 p.m., "Breaking the Glass Ceiling"—Challenges Women Face in the Workplace

## Maxwell Kicks Off Adair County Census

State Senator Joe Maxwell was the guest speaker at the kick-off reception for the Adair-Kirkville Census 2000 Committee held on Feb. 9 at the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. Maxwell emphasized the importance of obtaining an accurate population count in Adair County.

According to Maxwell, northern Missouri lost a senator as a result of poor turnout in the 1990 census. The response rate was only 65 percent.

"We can't afford to lose again if we are going to have success in this decade, in this century," he said.

The local Census 2000 group has been meeting monthly since August 1998, preparing for publicity of the event. It may seem

like an early start but, according to committee chairman Ron Gaber, it is vitally important to get an accurate population count for Adair County. The information is used to

determine the amount of federal aid the area receives for things like job creation, housing, health care improvements and economic development.

Although the census forms won't arrive in local mailboxes and residences until mid-March, the committee wants to prepare Adair County residents by informing them about the potential impact of an accurate census to the local community.



## Black History Month Celebration Expands

A special event has been added to Truman's Black History Month celebration. "The Language You Cry In," a one-hour documentary, will be moderated by Sylvia Macauley, assistant professor of history, at 7 p.m., Feb. 17, in Ophelia Parrish 300. Macauley will also hold a question and answer session following the film.

The documentary examines how an African song was used to trace the roots of Mary Moran from her home in Harris Neck, Ga., to Africa, nearly two centuries after the song was brought to the United States by African slaves.

"It is an amazing story," Macauley said, "which is a testament to the power of human memory and family traditions, espe-

cially in light of the fact that slave owners strived to make the Africans forget everything about their previous existence."

According to Macauley, the song was passed from mothers to daughters and was originally part of the West African Mende tribe's funeral ceremony.

Originally from West Africa, Macauley joined the Truman faculty in 1999 after receiving her master's and doctorate degrees from Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Macauley is also serving as a guest host on KTRM from 8-9 p.m. each Sunday in February, hosting a diverse music show.

Remaining events for Black History Month this week include *Dutchman*, 7 & 9 p.m., Feb. 16, Baldwin Hall Little Theatre; and *Roots: Parts I & II*, 7:30 p.m., Feb. 20, Baldwin Auditorium.



## Notables

Several Truman students appeared at this year's American College Theatre Festival in Sioux Falls, S.D. **Moirá Cavanagh, senior theatre major from Manchester, Mo.**, **Danny Dolan, senior English/theatre major from Kansas City, Mo.**; **Lisa Magierowski, sophomore English major from Kansas City, Mo.**; **Becky McCreight, sophomore music/theatre major from St. Louis**; **Justin Scheuer, junior English/theatre major from Eureka, Mo.**; **Margaret Swoboda, sophomore theatre major from St. Louis** and **Brian Waters, senior theatre major from Kirksville**, were selected to appear at the festival. Dolan advanced to the semifinal round in the acting competition.

**Becky Becker, assistant professor of theatre**, had a scene from her production of *The Conduct of Life* performed at the ACTF Regional Festival in Sioux Falls, S.D. In addition, **Ron Rybkowski, associate professor of theatre**, received a festival commendation for special effects in *Blithe Spirit*.

The Truman Forensics Team placed fifth in overall sweepstakes at the Pt. Loma Nazarene University tournament in San Diego Feb. 4-6. **Shane Mecham, junior political science major from Lincoln, Neb.**, and **Kris Stroup, sophomore political science major from**

**Lansing, Kan.**, placed third in parliamentary debate in a field of 105 teams from 42 schools. In addition, **Tyler Unsell, freshman political science/theatre major from Kansas City, Mo.**, took first place in novice extemporaneous speaking and Mecham placed first in after-dinner speaking.

**Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Science Honorary Education Committee** received a grant from Eta Sigma Gamma national office for "American Red Cross Preventing Disease Transmission Course." In addition, the National office awarded them a grant for the American Cancer Society's "Teens Against Tobacco Use" program.

**Joyce Ragland, associate professor of education**, presented a session, "Destined to Rule the Schools and Other Good Books," for the Missouri Network for Women in Administration, Feb. 7. Ragland reviewed three books about women leaders in public school settings or higher education: *Destined to Rule the Schools, Women and the Superintendency 1873-1995* by Jackie Blount, *Women in Power, Pathways to Leadership in Education*, by Barbara Curry, and *Women as Educational Leaders: Opening Windows, Pushing Ceilings* by Marie Hill and Ragland.

## Phi Mu Alpha Jazz Festival Scheduled

The 32nd annual Truman State University Phi Mu Alpha Jazz Festival is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Feb. 26, in Baldwin Hall and the Student Union Building. General admission to watch the high school and middle school bands compete is \$3.

Special guest artist Peter Erskine will offer a jazz band lab for students during the day and perform Saturday night at 7:30 in Baldwin Auditorium with the Truman State University Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Lab Band. General Admission to Erskine's performance

is \$5, or free with a Truman student ID. Tickets will be available at the door.

Erskine is currently a drummer with Steely Dan and the Yellowjackets. He began his career at the age of 18 with the Stan Kenton Orchestra, and has since played with Weather Report and Steps Ahead, the BBC Symphony Orchestra, and pop artists Steely Dan, Boz Scaggs and Joni Mitchell.

Erskine has recorded over 300 albums, leads a trio which records for ECM, and runs his own record label, FUZZY MUSIC.

### 17th ANNUAL PIANO FESTIVAL

8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Feb. 19, Baldwin Hall

Forty-one pianists from a four-state region will compete for cash awards and scholarships, including the Truman Piano Fellowship.

The public is invited to attend all performances.  
For more information contact David McKamie, 785.4405.

### Truman Junior Jill Mullin

was critically injured in an accident on Highway 36 Feb. 7.

**Friends will gather at 7 p.m., Feb. 21, SUB Alumni Room.**

They will create a videotape to raise Jill's spirits during her recovery.

Others concerned are invited to attend.



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### JOBS AVAILABLE

Persons who wish to work for the U.S. Census Bureau either full- or part-time as census takers or crew leaders need to report at 5:30 p.m., Feb. 18, in the SUB Governor's Rm. or at 5:30 p.m., Feb. 25, in the SUB Alumni Rm. to apply and test for available positions.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, and bring valid driver's licenses and social security cards at the time of application.

Laura Robinson, testing director, indicates that the written application will take approximately 30 minutes to complete and the written test will take another 30 minutes to complete.

Positions will pay from \$8.75-\$10.25 per hour, with 31 cents per mile travel reimbursement. For more information, call 1.888.325.7733.

# Notes

**Student Ambassador applications will be available** from 8-5 p.m. beginning Feb. 14 outside the Admission Office, McClain Hall 205. For more information, call 785.4114.

**The Wednesday Faculty Development Lunch Series continues** from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Feb. 16, in the SUB Alumni Room. Dennis Leavens, associate professor of English, and Leslie Graff, graduate instructor of English, will present this week's lecture.

**University Counseling Services and Student Health Center** counselors will be available for screenings and information on eating disorders from 1-4 p.m., Feb. 16, at the SHC. All screenings are anonymous and free of charge to Truman students.

**The University Career Center will hold pre-career expo workshops** at 2 p.m., Feb. 16, in the Career Center. Students can learn tips on resumes, interviews, appropriate dress and how to approach recruiters.

**Sexual Respect Week will continue** with the program "Truth or Dare: Madonna's Role in Feminizing America," at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 16, in the SUB 4. For more information, call the Women's Resource Center at 785.7224.

**The University Wellness Program will hold its annual cholesterol, blood pressure and glucose screening for faculty and staff** from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., Feb. 17, Magruder Hall Computer Lab 009. A 12-hour fast is required before this screening. **Two informational sessions for students interested in Washington, D.C. internships** will be held from noon to 1 p.m. and 5-6 p.m., Feb. 17, SUB 6. For more information, e-mail [delancy@truman.edu](mailto:delancy@truman.edu) or call 785.4430.

**The MIAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Truman's Captains' Round Table will sponsor a food drive** at the Feb. 19 men's basketball game, 1:30 p.m., and women's game, 3:30 p.m., versus Emporia State University. Admission to the game is free with a non-perishable food item. All donations benefit the Kirksville Salvation Army. Barrels will also be located at the Kirksville Wal-Mart and Truman's Pershing Building during the week of Feb. 14 for donations.

**Centennial Hall S.A.s are holding a community service project** through Feb. 20. Students can donate money to the Centennial Hall S.A. that they would most like arrested. The S.A. with the most money will be captured on Feb. 20. All proceeds go to Preferred Family, a home for the mentally disabled. Call 785.4829 for more information.

**"A Healthy 2000" is the theme for this year's Health Awareness Week**, Feb. 20-26. The Nursing Students Association will host a speaker in Ryle Main Lounge on Feb. 21, time TBA; an oral HIV Screening from 1-7 p.m., Feb. 22 in the

SUB Activities Room and Feb. 23 in the Student Health Center; and a health fair from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Feb. 23, in the Student Recreation Center. All events are free to the public.

**Cheryl Musch, executive director of the Fair Trade Federation, will speak** at 7 p.m., Feb. 20, in the Missouri Hall Cafeteria Garden on her experiences at the highly contested December meeting of the World Trade Organization in Seattle. She will lead a discussion on problems with the world economy, student responses such as "Students United Against Sweatshops," and fair trade alternatives. Admission is free. For more information, call 785.5389.

**Phi Kappa Phi will hold a spring luncheon and business meeting** from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Feb. 21, in the SUB Spanish Room. Members should RSVP by Feb. 16 to Maureen Slaughter at 785.7298.

**There will be a faculty cello recital** at 8 p.m., Feb. 21, in Baldwin Hall Auditorium. Works by Cassado, Frescobaldi, Brahms and Piazzolla will be performed. Admission is free. For more information, call Elaine Boda at 785.7822.

**Student Activities Board will host "Wading Room"** from 7-10 p.m., Feb. 22, in the SUB Activities Room. Admission is free. Call 785.45AB for more information.

**Keith Doubt, associate professor of sociology**, will hold a book signing of his work, *Sociology after Bosnia and Kosovo: Recovering Justice* from 1-2 p.m., Feb. 22, in the Truman Bookstore.

**College Republicans and College Democrats will host an Election 2000 Candidate Forum** from 7-8 p.m., Feb. 28, in the SUB Georgian Room. Profiles of each of the major candidates for President will be provided and discussed.

**Windfall, the campus literary magazine, is accepting submissions.** Poetry, prose and art are due Feb. 28 in the *Windfall* box in the CAOC office.

**Applications for the IIE Midwest Region Study Abroad Scholarship** are available in the Center for International Education Abroad, Kirk Building 120. Application deadline is March 3. For more information, call 785.4076.

**Walt Disney college recruiters will return to campus** at 6 p.m., Feb. 28, in Violette Hall 1000. **The Truman State University American Medical Student Association will attend the national AMSA convention** in Washington D.C., later this year. For more information, or to provide financial assistance, call Katie Nielsen at 665.8973. **The Truman Open Track & Field meet** will be held on March 25 at Stokes Stadium. Any students, faculty or staff interested in helping with meet officiating and administration should contact Michelle Baier at 785.6039, John Cochrane, 785.4341, or Ed Schneider, 785.4342.

# On Campus

**16 WEDNESDAY**  
12:30 p.m.-**Faculty Development Lunch**, SUB Alumni Room; see Notes  
1 p.m.-**Eating Disorder Screenings**, Student Health Center; see Notes  
2 p.m.-**Career Expo workshops**, University Career Center  
5:45 p.m.-**Men's Basketball vs. NWMU**, Pershing  
7:30 p.m.-**Sexual Respect Week program**; SUB 4; see Notes  
7 & 9 p.m.-**Dutchman**, Baldwin Hall Little Theatre  
7:45 p.m.-**Women's Basketball vs. NWMU**, Pershing

**17 THURSDAY**  
7:30 a.m.-**Cholesterol, blood pressure, glucose screening**, Magruder Hall Lab 009  
Noon & 5 p.m.-**Washington, D.C. internship meeting**, SUB 6  
7 p.m.-**"The Language You Cry In,"** SUB Activities Room

**18 FRIDAY**  
6 p.m.-**Piano Festival**, Baldwin Auditorium; see p. 3

**19 SATURDAY**  
1:30 p.m.-**Men's Basketball vs. Emporia State**, Pershing  
3:30 p.m.-**Women's Basketball vs. Emporia State**, Pershing

**20 SUNDAY**  
7 p.m.-**Residential College Program**, Mo. Hall Cafeteria Garden; see Notes  
7:30 p.m.-**Roots; Parts I & II**, Baldwin Auditorium

**21 MONDAY**  
11:30 a.m.-**Phi Kappa Phi spring luncheon**, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes  
8 p.m.-**Faculty cello recital**, Baldwin Hall Auditorium

**22 TUESDAY**  
1 p.m.-**Oral HIV screenings**, SUB Activities Room  
1 p.m.-**Book Signing**, Truman Bookstore; see Notes  
7 p.m.-**Wading Room**, SUB Activities Room  
7:30 p.m.-**Roots; Parts III & IV**