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TEACHING TOLERANCE



WEDNESDAY
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8 P.M.
BALDWIN
AUDITORIUM

As co-founder and chief counsel for the Southern Poverty Law Center, Morris Dees uses the law like a sword in his battle against prejudice and hatred. He focuses his attention on the KKK and anti-government militia. In his speech "Teaching Tolerance," he explains the dangers these groups represent.

This program is co-sponsored by President's Office, Ryle Residential Colleges, CHOICE and Funds Allotment Council.

Speaker to Relay Simple, But Important Message: AIDS Does Not Discriminate

She received good grades, stayed away from alcohol and drugs, went to college and graduated *magna cum laude*. She had everything going for her. But her dreams were shattered when the then 23-year-old received word she was HIV-positive.

Now Rae Lewis-Thornton lives each day as if there is no tomorrow. On March 12 at 7 p.m. in the SUB Activities Room, Lewis-Thornton will continue her crusade to educate and challenge young and old audiences to take control of their own bodies, futures and health.

In 1986, during a routine blood drive visit at a Washington, D.C., Red Cross, Lewis-Thornton received her death sentence. For seven years, she was focused and did not slow down. She only told her closest friends and men she wanted to date. She only went to a doctor twice a year, and she believed she would never develop full-blown AIDS.

Her worst nightmare, however, came true six years later. She developed AIDS. From there, Lewis-Thornton entered into a tunnel of depression and it wasn't until she faced her anger with God and the fact she had AIDS that she began to see the sunlight at the end. She had been superwoman hiding her emotions and daily pain from almost everyone in contact with her. She felt isolated and damaged. Then she buried superwoman and found herself.

"When I came out with my illness, it felt as if tons of bricks had been lifted off my body," she wrote in an article for *Essence*. "I told people at work. I told all my friends."



"The misery, the despair, the hopelessness are gone. Of course I am dying. But I will live until I do!"

—Rae Lewis-Thornton

After her acceptance, she opened up her life to a "nice guy." On Aug. 27, 1994, she married Kenny Thornton.

"I met Kenny through my minister early this year

[1994] and knew right away he was my soul mate," she wrote. "God sent me a man grounded in Christianity and bursting with compassion, love and fun."

Now she tells her story to audiences around the country in hopes to save lives.

"I just have to tell the story — as a lesson for others. I talked to young people not just about AIDS but also about destructive sexual behavior, about taking control of their bodies before it is too late," she wrote.

One of her most courageous efforts to inform others about AIDS happened in the spring 1995 when she was hired by WBBM as a contributing editor. Her job was simply to tell her story to the thousands of viewers in a series of interviews for the television news. Lewis-Thornton won an Emmy from the 37th annual Chicago Emmy Awards for the series.

Since she offered her story to the public, she has been featured on the cover of the December 1994 *Essence* magazine as well as in numerous feature stories in *Ebony* magazine, *Chicago Tribune* newspaper, *Chicago Sun-Times*, *Washington Post*, *Dayton Daily News* and on several national television documentaries, news shows and television specials.

Lewis-Thornton may have AIDS, but she will not give up on life. "The misery, the despair, the hopelessness are gone. Of course I am dying. But I will live until I do!"

New TITLES

Thomas Jefferson
University Press
Spring 1997

BURNING
LOS ANGELES



*The
Burning
of Los
Angeles,*
poems by
Samuel
Maio

The author of *Creating Another Self* takes a hard look at Los Angeles, where conventional rules of behavior give way to the violence, lust and chaos that mark our times. This collection has been eagerly anticipated by readers of literary journals – where Samuel Maio is nearly legendary.

*Naked
Heart: A
Soldier's
Journey to
the
Front, a
biography
by Harold
Pagliaro*



This book is a powerful statement about the dark and vainglorious side of combat as experienced in World War II by a young private, Harold Pagliaro. His true story is an account of behavior in the face of death on the battlefield.

He is sent to the front in 1944 as a solo replacement in a reconnaissance unit. Facing death without friends or a sense of belonging, he sees firsthand how the reality of battle distorts men with fear.

To purchase books printed by TJUP, visit Truman Bookstore on campus, or call (816) 785-4665.

Chemist to Discuss Manhattan Project

Frank A. Settle, professor emeritus at Virginia Military Institute, will give two presentations on Feb. 26 about the atomic bomb and the Manhattan Project.

From 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the SUB Alumni Room, Settle will discuss "The Chemistry of the Atomic Bombs," a program geared for the science audience. From 7 to 8 p.m. in the SUB Georgian

Room, Settle will present "The Manhattan Project: The Birth of Big Science in the United States." This speech will be less technical and geared to the general public.

Settle is program director for the division of undergraduate education at the National Science Foundation and is a consultant for the U.S. Department of Energy Contaminant Analysis Automation Project.

Artist to Perform Beowulf

Feb. 24

Benjamin Bagby, an internationally recognized artist, will perform *Beowulf* at 7 p.m. Feb. 24 in the SUB Down Under.

Bagby, the founder of the medieval musical ensemble *Sequentia*, will accompany the ancient ritual song of heroes and monsters, chaos and cosmos on an authentic-style six-string lyre, under stark and dramatic lighting.

The performance corresponds closely to the original public singing of the Germanic foundation-myth for a tribal audience. The show has received critical acclaim in the national tour, which makes a one-night pause at Truman while traveling from San Francisco to Boston. This show will provide a rare opportunity for Northeast Missouri to experience a traditional epic in authentic style.

Bagby appears courtesy of the Language and Literature Division's Speaker Series. For more information, contact Adam Davis, assistant professor of English, at 785-4487.



Rotary Scholarship Offers Chance to be "Ambassadors of Good Will"

The Rotary Foundation Scholarship offers graduate students a chance to study in a foreign country and become "ambassadors of good will."

To be eligible for a Rotary scholarship, a graduate must be 18-30 years of age, be proficient in the language of the host country and be a citizen of a country in which there is a Rotary Club. The scholarship covers transportation between home and study city, some educational supplies, academic fees and on-campus housing and meals. In return, the scholarship recipient is asked to give a few presentations in the host community and write a paper detailing the experience.

For information about the scholarship, contact Marilyn Romine, business academic advisor, at 785-4268, or Anthony Cooperwood, coordinator for multicultural affairs, at 785-4142. Applications are due April 15 and can be picked up at Academic Planning Services, McClain Hall 102.

Team Keeps Alive State Winning Streak

Several Truman State University speech and debate team competitors placed in the Missouri Association of Forensic Activities, Feb. 15-16 in Warrensburg, Mo., keeping its winning streak alive.

Freshman Joshua Wright received the award for top novice debate in the state. Wright was a semi-finalist in Lincoln-Douglas, or one-person, Debate. Truman has had a debater win some sort of top honor at the state tournament six out of the past eight years.

Director of Forensics John Hart noted that, "considering this is a rebuilding year for the squad, we are particularly happy with the results."

In individual speaking events, senior Kelly Watson finished fifth in Impromptu Speaking and seventh in Communication Analysis. Watson and freshman Heather Helm placed sixth in Dramatic Duo Interpretation.

Truman hosted its own intercollegiate speech tournament on campus.

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Student Recreation Center student applications are available for fall 1997: front desk clerks, weight room instructors, aerobics instructors and building supervisors. Applications are at the Dean of Student Affairs Office, Kirk Building 112, or the Intramurals Office, Pershing Building 309. **The application deadline for the Missouri Student Grant has been moved up for 1997-98.** Applications for Federal Student Aid for 1997-98 must be received at the processing center by April 1 to be considered. We encourage all students to apply for this \$1,500 annual award, especially students with dependents.

Undergraduate Research Symposium is scheduled for March 14. Contact David Leszczynski at 785-4411 for information.

Notables

Steve Carroll, assistant professor of biology, reviewed a manuscript on resource allocation to male and female components of reproduction in pearl millet for the *International Journal of Plant Sciences*.

Eta Sigma Gamma, national professional health education honorary, was awarded a grant for its project, "Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Leader Training," from its national organization. The grant program was developed to support the development and evaluation of approaches to improve instruction; worthy research proposals for the advancement of health science; and/or projects to enhance the health of the community.

Jerrold Hirsch, associate professor of history, Martha Edwards, assistant professor of history, and Karen Hirsch, program director of Paragard Independent Living Center, St. Louis, are the founders of the St. Louis Disability History Roundtable consisting of educators, architects, historians, sociologists, lawyers, community activists and public policy experts. Participation is by invitation. Individuals interested in attending meetings need to contact the founders.

Yinfu Ma, associate professor of chemistry, attended and helped organize the first Asian International HPCE Symposium in Singapore Dec. 14-22, 1996. Ma chaired two sessions and presented a talk detailing his research with **December 1996 graduates Aaron Cassely and Jessica Arnold, senior chemistry major Jason Gruenhagen and senior chemistry and pre-education elementary major Tim Busenhardt,** as well as **David McCurdy, assistant professor of chemistry.**

CAREER EXPO '97

1-5 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 25
Student Union

Don't miss this chance to meet hundreds of employers

Judy Misale, assistant professor of psychology, was awarded status as a Diplomate of the American Board of Forensic Examiners. The ACEF recognizes experience and education of individuals engaged in forensic examinations covering multi-disciplinary training in medical, scientific and investigative sciences.

Michael Nelson, head of the Division of Science and professor of science, will present a workshop session titled "What does it mean to be a teacher-scholar at a PUI?" at the Council on Undergraduate Research April Dialogue in Washington, D.C.

Michael Ortwerth, assistant professor of chemistry, will be one of the panel members for the workshop. In addition, Nelson will present in the Geology Section Workshop.

Lisa Sprague, director of public safety, has been appointed by the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators to the Loaned Executive Management Assistance Program. In January, she and fellow IACLEA Executive Evaluation Team members Marvin Harrington, director of public safety at Stanford University and Oliver J. Clark, chief of university police at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, visited Eastern Michigan University Department at Ypsilanti to review the campus police department.

Dean Van Galen, chief advancement officer and professor of chemistry, has been selected as the Outstanding Recent Alumnus of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. The award honors graduates of the university who have demonstrated high accomplishments in their chosen field of endeavor.

Author Tells Grad School Admission Pointers

Getting into graduate school will be the topic of discussion for two presentations by San Francisco-based author Donald Asher.

Students considering graduate schools are invited to attend a presentation titled "Graduate School? How to Gain Admission to Highly Competitive Graduate Schools," taking place at 4 p.m. Feb. 26 in Science Hall 274.

As one of the most cited writers in graduate admission, Asher will speak to students about how the admission decisions are made, some writing tricks that make great essays, questions that should be asked before applying, and what to do during the summer before applying to graduate school.

"Truman is sending more students to graduate schools and we always give them the most up-to-date information on how to be a successful graduate school student," Bertha Thomas, McNair Program coordinator said.

Before speaking to students, Asher will be the guest lecturer for the Faculty Development Luncheon Series at 12:30 p.m. in the SUB Georgian Room. During this time he will focus on how faculty members can become the best advocates to students.

"Teachers are the major advisers of students," Thomas said. "We are all in this together."

Notes

Bright Flight checks are in. To sign for a check, bring a picture ID to the Cashier's Window.

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. is hosting **Tuesday Treats**, a fund-raising bake sale, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 25 in McClain Hall.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program, sponsored by the Accounting Club, will be **March 15, March 22 and April 5** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in **Barnett Hall 202C**. Participants should bring their W-2s and 1099s and a copy of last year's tax return. More than 90 companies are attending **Career Expo '97** from 1 to 5 p.m. Feb. 25 in the Student Union. Students are invited to bring their resumes to the Career Center ahead of time for editing. For more information, contact Susan Job at 785-4353.

Black History Month will come to a close with a program featuring the writings of black literature authors, poets and the like at 7 p.m. Feb. 26 in the **SUB Down Under**. Featured writers will include **Maya Angelou, Dudley Randall and Langston Hughes** and will be read by students and faculty members.

"Classics in the Modern World" film series will be showing **"Mighty Aphrodite"** at 8 p.m. Feb. 26 in **Ophelia Parrish 218**. Those wishing to attend the **Classics Symposium** at Columbia on Feb. 27 may contact via e-mail **Alex at R352**.

"Life in a Commune," a discussion about international communities, will be at 8 p.m. Feb. 26 in the **SUB Activities Room**. The theatre department will present **Life Poetries**, a series of three one-act plays by **Tennessee Williams** at 8 p.m. Feb. 26-28 in **Baldwin Little Theatre**. Tickets are \$1 for advanced reservations or free at the door. The **Scholastic Enhancement Experience** seeks four students to serve as student program coordinators for the residential scholar program for students of color from **June 23 to July 25**. Job descriptions and applications are available in the **Multicultural Affairs Center, Adair Building**. Deadline is 5 p.m. Feb. 28.

Tenor Thomas Hueber, associate professor of music, accompanied by his wife, pianist **Nancy Hueber**, will present a faculty voice recital at 8 p.m. **March 10** in **SUB Activities Room**.

Rolling Stone Senior Editor David Fricke will speak about **"The Media and the Damage Down: Substance Abuse, Rock and Roll and the Rise of Celebrity Journalism"** at 3 p.m. **March 11** in the **SUB Activities Room**. Fricke's appearance is sponsored by the **Division of Language and Literature Speakers Committee**.

There will be a reception for **Yinfa Ma**, 1996 **Educator of the Year**, at 12:30 p.m. on **March 12** in the **SUB Conference Room**. **Applications for Funds Allotment Council funding for the fall semester** are due **March 12**. For information, stop by the **FAC office**, next to **Mainstreet Market** in the Student Union, or call **785-7674**.

Applications are available for hired tutoring positions at the Multicultural Affairs Center. For further information, call the **Center at 785-4142**.

Female artists or male artists representing female subjects are asked to submit ready-to-hang or display art for the **Women's Art Show** to the **Wooden Nickle** the week of **March 10-15**. There will be a reception the following week. For more information, call **Cheryl at 627-5826**.

Paul Fees, senior curator of the **Buffalo Bill Historical Center**, in **Cody, Wyo.**, will lecture about **"True West, Nationhood and Buffalo Bill"** at 5 p.m. **March 19** in the **SUB Governors' Room**. Fees' topic will include discussion of the ways in which the **American West** served as a focus for **American unity** after the **Civil War** and during the period of **heavy immigration** before 1920. The lecture is sponsored by **Residential Colleges**.

A **\$500 scholarship is available for a second semester junior majoring in education** who is **Missouri resident**. The **Missouri Omicron chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa International Honorary Sorority** for **Women Educators** is awarding the scholarship based on both need and grade point average. The deadline to apply is **March 28**. For more information, contact the **Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103**. **The Women's Resource Center is hosting a poetry night, March 19, and a music night, March 20, from 7:30-10 p.m. in the SUB Down Under**. Women are needed to perform either night. For more information, contact **Cheryl at 627-5826**.

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ON CAMPUS

25 TUESDAY

1-5 p.m.—**Career Expo '97**, Student Union; see Notes.
7:30 p.m.—**Psychology Club open meeting**, discussion of stress management and reduction, **Ophelia Parrish 117**

26 WEDNESDAY

12:30-1:30 p.m.—**Faculty Development Lunch Series**, **David Asher** will speak on helping students get admitted to competitive graduate programs, **SUB Spanish Room**. See story, p. 3.

1:30-2:30 p.m.—**"The Chemistry of the Atomic Bomb,"** **SUB Alumni Room**; see related story, p. 2.

7 p.m.—**An Evening of Black Literature**, **SUB Down Under**; see Notes.
—**"The Manhattan Project: The Birth of Big Science in the United States,"** **SUB Georgian Room**, see story, p. 2.

8 p.m.—**"Teaching Tolerance,"** presented by **Morris Dees**, **Baldwin Auditorium**
—**"Classics in the Modern World"** film series, **Ophelia Parrish 218**; see Notes.

—**"Life in the Commune,"** discussion about international communities, **SUB Activities Room**; see Notes.
—**Life Poetries**, plays by **Tennessee Williams**, **Baldwin Little Theatre**, see Notes; also Feb. 28 and 28.

27 THURSDAY

8 p.m.—**Friendship in the Age of AIDS**, **Baldwin Auditorium**

28 FRIDAY

6 p.m.—**Residence halls close for mid-term break**

10 MONDAY

Classes resume