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Attention August Graduates

Truman Alumni Association and the Office of Advancement invite August graduates to a pizza party

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
July 20
Student Union Building
Alumni Room

Free pizza, drink, dessert and a gift

Students who are unable to attend the picnic may stop by the Office of Advancement, McClain Hall 100, to pick up a Truman alumni T-shirt.

Please R.S.V.P. to alumnievents@truman.edu as soon as possible.

Truman's Staff Council Spirit Committee is selling Truman Spirit wristbands for \$1 each.

The purple and white wristbands can be purchased from Kimberly Titus in the Registrar's Office, McClain Hall 104, or from Katie Best in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 101.

Proceeds will go toward future Truman related spirit functions.

Phi Beta Lambda Chapter Receives Awards at National Leadership Conference

The Phi Beta Lambda National Leadership Conference took place in Nashville, Tenn., from June 24-27. The Truman State University chapter received the Gold Seal Chapter Award of Merit. Several Truman State University students were recognized at the Awards of Excellence Program.

Amy Rowden, an economics major from Dixon, Mo., received first place in economics concepts.

Alicia Stewart from Clinton, Mo., and Lisa Hoffmann, a pre-business administration major from Jefferson City, Mo., received first place in parliamentary procedure.

Sabrina Sandeen, an accounting major from St. Louis, received first place in project management and second place in accounting for professionals.

Stella Costello, a pre-accounting major from Grayslake, Ill., and Kayla Riekens, a pre-business administration major from Chillicothe, Mo., received third place in multimedia presentation.

Erin Lueker, a history major from Buffalo, Mo., received sixth place in public speaking.

Heidi Blackburn, a business administration major from Columbus, Neb.,



Truman students participating in the Phi Beta Lambda National Leadership Conference gather during the festivities.

received 10th place in human resource management.

Stewart was appointed National Parliamentarian for 2006-2007. Cathy Poyner, instructor in business administration and Phi Beta Lambda adviser, was presented with a service recognition award for 10 years of service.

Phi Beta Lambda is an educational association of postsecondary student members preparing for careers in business. There are more than 11,000 active members in the United States. Missouri has more than 700 members in 30 chapters and ranks fourth in membership nationwide.

Truman Volunteers Assist at NEMO Fair

A number of Truman faculty, staff and student workers volunteered to assist the NEMO Fair Committee by working at the gates for one day of the fair.

Those who were scheduled to work this year include Donna Bailey, Tim Barcus, Katie Best, Mike Bolle, Courtney Bonney, Liz Bradley, Joyce Brown, Zac Burden, Bethany Conover, Lana Dowell, Sarah Hass,

Jamie Hansen, Lisa Hooper, Daniel Johnson, Beatrice Kelrick, Josh Lemmer, Jamie Matthews, Andrea O'Brien, John O'Brien, Gwen Perrachione, Mika Porro, Sasha Rassi, Deanna Rood, Elaine Scudder, Charles Tonon, Teresa Wheeler, Kathy Williams, Jessica Winders and Phil Worley.

Thanks to all those volunteers for helping at the fair.

NOTABLES

Jennifer Coolidge, an English major from Grayslake, Ill., and 15 other volunteers left for China in June. They have made a two-month long commitment as WorldTeach volunteers to teach English to students in Hunan Province. WorldTeach volunteers in the China Summer Program teach in secondary school-based summer English camps in Hunan Province. The program is designed to bring native English speakers

to teach students from all socioeconomic levels. Having native speakers teach English to students helps to increase opportunities for Chinese citizens and make them more active participants in the world community.

Arnold Preussner's review of the 2005 Colorado Shakespeare Festival appears in the Spring 2006 issue of *Shakespeare Bulletin*. Preussner is a professor of English.

NOTES

Sodexo will have a picnic on the mall from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. July 21. The main entree choices will be half pound hamburger, marinated chicken and 8 oz. sirloin steak. Rain site is Mainstreet Market. **The next issue of the Truman Today will be published Aug. 1.** Submissions for this issue are due by July 26 to kbest@truman.edu. The *Truman Today* is published

biweekly during the summer.

Pickler Memorial Library is now accepting donations for a book sale to take place in September. Donations of used books, magazines, art prints and audio and video recordings will be accepted. For details visit the library's Web site at <http://library.truman.edu/booksale.htm> or call 785.4038.

Student Seeks Infants to Conduct Adult Facial Expression Response Research

Sunshine Wilson, a communication disorders major from Kansas City, Mo., is conducting research to study how infants respond to adult facial expression as a part of her McNair Summer Research Internship. She is under the guidance of her faculty mentor Janet Gooch, associate professor and director of communication disorders.

Wilson's research project has been approved by the Institutional Review Board. Infants participating in the study range from 6 to 20 months. In attempting to recruit more participants, Wilson is asking members of the Truman community to consider involving infants they know within this age range to contribute to this research. Parents' of infants who choose to participate would need to do the following: (1) bring the infant to Truman's Speech and Hearing Clinic (located in Barnett Hall) for a brief 25 minutes at their earliest convenience (2) sign a consent form allowing their infant to participate in the study.

At the Clinic site, Wilson will interact

with the infant in two different lay sessions lasting two minutes each. The child will also receive a language and hearing screening lasting about 15 minutes. She is investigating how a non-maternal adult's facial expression (expressive vs. non-expressive face) affects babies' responses by calculating the number of nondistress vocalizations, smile responses, and level of engagements of infants.

People who have an infant of their own can contact Wilson directly if they are willing to have their infant participate. Wilson asks people to pass on this information to anyone else who has an infant or if appropriate, send Wilson their contact information. The infant play interactions can be done any time before July 25.

Those who want to participate may schedule the interaction session Monday through Friday any time, even after 5 p.m. if that works best. Contact Wilson at 349.7146 or e-mail smw006@truman.edu for more information about this study.

ON CAMPUS

20 THURSDAY

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.-Pizza party for August graduates, SUB Alumni Room; see Page 1

28 FRIDAY

Eight-week undergraduate summer classes end

Summer Hours

Pickler Memorial Library

[June 5-July 30]

Monday-Thursday

7:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

Friday

7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday

1-5 p.m.

Sunday

4-8 p.m.

Student Recreation Center

Monday-Friday

9 a.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday

11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sunday

closed

Hours will vary for holidays and breaks.

Student Union Building

Monday-Friday

7 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday

closed

For evening or weekend events, please contact the SUB Office at 785.4186.

Writing Center

[June 5-July 28]

Monday-Thursday

8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Friday

9:30-11 a.m.

Saturday-Sunday

closed

Call for an appointment at 785.4484.

SUB Food Service Hours

Mainstreet Market

Monday-Friday

7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Jazzman's Café

Monday-Friday

8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Freshies Smoothie & Frozen Treats

Monday-Friday

10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

[closed weekends]

Jazzman's and Freshies have relocated to the main concourse of the Student Union in preparation for the upcoming renovation.

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