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## SCHEDULE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. EVENTS

### Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Luncheon

noon • Jan. 20  
SUB Georgian Room  
Doors open at 11:30 a.m.  
Cost is \$7.50 per person.  
R.S.V.P. required.

### Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium

3 p.m. • Jan. 22  
Violette Hall 1000

## University Art Gallery presents

### "The Cole Collection"

*displaying maps, money  
and other printed matter  
from the collection of  
David and Lily Cole*

Jan. 20-Feb. 20

University Art Gallery

### Public Reception

6 p.m.  
Jan. 20

University Art Gallery

The show will feature  
fine art prints by  
Rembrandt, Prud'hon,  
Blake, Daumier and others.  
It also will include U.S.  
paper currency and maps  
showing both world history  
and Missouri history.

Financial assistance for this  
project has been provided by  
the Missouri Arts Council,  
a state agency.

## Ishiyama Receives Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching

John Ishiyama, professor of political science, received special recognition from Gov. Bob Holden during the 2003 Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching Luncheon held in Springfield, Mo.

Ishiyama was one of 69 outstanding faculty members, each representing a Missouri college or university, to be recognized for his commitment to excellent education for Missouri citizens. Ishiyama was selected for his effective teaching and advising, service to the University, commitment to high standards of excellence and success in nurturing student achievement.

Ishiyama began teaching at Truman in 1990. He graduated from Bowling Green



President Barbara Dixon (left) and Gov. Bob Holden (right) congratulate John Ishiyama (center) on receiving the Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

State University in 1982 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and history. He earned a Master's in Arts degree in Russian and eastern European studies in 1985 from the University of Michigan and a doctorate in political science from Michigan State University in 1992.

He has been nominated numerous times for Educator of the Year in Truman's student-adminis-

tered program. He has received the William O'Donnell Lee Advising Award and the Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship of Faculty Excellence. He was selected by the Carnegie Academy for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning to become a Carnegie Scholar this year.

## Truman Offers Scholarship of Assessment Grants

The Vice-President's Advisory Committee on Assessment is pleased to announce that Truman Scholarship of Assessment Grants are available for 2004. Funding for the grants has been provided in response to a call from the University community for improved analysis and use of assessment data to guide and inform future decisions. All grant projects are expected to focus on the use of assessment data.

The grants are directed by two basic goals: 1) to improve the quality of student learning and development at Truman, and 2) to enhance the culture of assessment through faculty and staff participation in research and scholarship.

The Scholarship of Assessment Grant guidelines invite proposals that examine University-wide issues as well as discipline-directed questions. The guidelines also encourage proposals in a number of areas, including improving curriculum, enhancing student success, and improving current assessment tools.

Grant guidelines, proposal format guidelines, and application forms are available as PDF documents at <http://www.truman.edu/pages/162.asp>. Applications must be submitted to division offices by 5 p.m. March 1. Faculty and staff are invited to apply.

## STUDY ABROAD INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

**Europe in Transition**  
Travels to the Normandy  
coast, Brussels, Luxembourg,  
Heidelberg/Mannheim,  
Strasbourg and Paris  
May 12-29

5 p.m.  
Jan. 21  
Violette Hall 1400

Contact Jason Lin in Violette  
Hall 2430, call 785.4349 or  
e-mail [jlin@truman.edu](mailto:jlin@truman.edu) or  
contact Mary Giovannini in  
Violette Hall 2448, call  
785.4365, or e-mail  
[maryg@truman.edu](mailto:maryg@truman.edu)  
for more information.

**Truman's Study  
Abroad Program in  
Chambery, France**

7:30 p.m.  
Jan. 22  
McClain Hall 306

Contact Patrick Lobert in  
McClain Hall 313A, call  
785.4062 or e-mail  
[plobert@truman.edu](mailto:plobert@truman.edu)  
for more information.

**Student W-2 forms  
for 2003 will be available**  
9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Jan. 27-28  
outside McClain Hall 106  
*A photo ID will be required.*

**Faculty/Staff W-2 forms  
for 2003 will be in  
divisions/ departments**  
Jan. 26.

**All W-2 forms not picked  
up by 5 p.m. Jan. 28  
will be mailed.**

**Reissued W-2 requests  
will begin Feb. 16 with a  
three-day processing  
time.**

## Interview Project to Focus on Student Engagement in the Liberal Arts Culture

The annual Interview Project will be conducted during the next six weeks of this semester. This year's Interview Project will again address issues concerning student engagement in the liberal arts culture.

Teams of one faculty member and one student will interview approximately 100 first-year students and 100 students with more than 85 credit hours.

Formal interviews will be held on Monday evenings, Wednesday and Thursday during the day and on Saturdays in the early afternoon. The interviews should be concluded by midterm break

with findings available for the entire University community by the middle of the summer.

The previous Interview Project asked first-year students about recruitment and retention issues. Those results have been shared in various University forums and soon will be available in the University's annual Assessment Almanac.

For more information on the Interview Project contact David Gillette, associate professor of economics and director of the Interview Project, at 785.4334.

## Webb Named New Public Relations Intern

The Public Relations Office has announced Heather Webb, a senior communication major, as its intern for the spring semester. Webb, a 2000 graduate of Mattoon High School, is from Mattoon, Ill.

She is the daughter of Joe and Patty Webb.

As the intern, she will assist in the writing, producing and distribution of the University newsletter, *Truman Today*, as well as posting it online. She also will assist in editing the calendar on channel 36,



writing press releases, and performing various office duties.

At Truman, Webb is currently a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha, Lambda Pi Eta and the Truman Advertising and Public Relations Club. She is an employee of the Kirksville Country Club and she also has been a staff reporter for the *Index*. Webb's interest in various communication outlets has lead her to this position.

Students interested in applying for the fall 2004 internship should e-mail Heidi Templeton at [heidi@truman.edu](mailto:heidi@truman.edu).

## Tel Alumni Seeks Help

Students interested in a part-time job this semester are encouraged to apply to work the Tel Alumni campaign. Tel Alumni is hiring 30 to 40 students to work for 10 weeks.

No experience is necessary but they are looking for students who have good communication skills, an outgoing personality, a strong work ethic and a willingness to ask parents and alumni for financial support.

Students must be available to work at least two of the following shifts each week: Sunday, 4-7 p.m.; Monday, 6-9 p.m.; Tuesday, 6-9 p.m.; or Thursday, 6-9 p.m.

Tel Alumni offers nightly prizes (gift certificates, clothing, food, etc.); a relaxed, fun environment; paid training; a flexible schedule and an hourly wage of \$5.15. Tel Alumni is an excellent résumé builder for students majoring in fields such as business and communication.

Applications are available in the Advancement Office, McClain Hall 100 or the University Career Center. The application deadline is Jan. 23. Contact Charles Hunsaker, manager of the annual fund, at 785.4028 or [hunsaker@truman.edu](mailto:hunsaker@truman.edu) for more information.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE JANUARY CONFERENCE JAN. 29

An agenda will be printed in next week's issue of the *Truman Today*.  
Check out <http://vpaa.truman.edu/january04.stm> for more information.

## Notables

Alan Davis, associate professor of accounting, has had his article titled "Tax Evasion in the People's Republic of China: A Critical Review and Analysis" published in the December 2003 issue of the *New Zealand Journal of Taxation Law and Policy*. He also has had a paper titled "Ethical Dilemmas: Global Discrimination on the Gender Variable" presented at the December 2003 annual meeting for the American Academy of Accounting and Finance in New Orleans.

Pyung E. Han, professor of business administration, had his article titled "The International Dimensions of Functional Business Courses" published in the January 2004 issue of the *American Business Review*.

Huping Ling, associate professor of history, has an article titled "Reconceptualizing Chinese American Community: From Chinatown to Cultural Community" accepted for publication in the summer 2004 issue of the *Journal of American Ethnic History*.

Mark Spitzer, assistant professor of English, had his latest book/translation titled "The Church: A Comedy in Five Acts," by Louis-Ferdinand Celine" published by Green Integer, Kobenhavn/Los Angeles. Also, he gave a talk on the infamous Baron Gilles de Rais Jan. 17 in St. Louis for a post-anarchist event sponsored by the Travel-Unschool For & Against Composing a Microsociety.

## Mitchell Recognized by Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce

At the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce's recent annual banquet, Julie Mitchell, University Career Center secretary, (left) received the Employee of the Year award from former Chamber President Roger Rosenberg (right). Mitchell was nominated by her office. Jack Magruder, president emeritus and professor emeritus of chemistry, was named the Chamber's Hall of Fame recipient.



## Scholarship Opportunity Available

Truman students have a scholarship opportunity available.

*Glamour* magazine is sponsoring a 2004 Top 10 College Women competition. Winners receive a \$1,500 cash prize, a trip to New York City, opportunities to meet with top female professionals and national recognition in *Glamour's* October 2004 issue. Applicants must be full-time juniors

for the 2003-2004 academic year and have leadership experience, involvement on campus and in the community, excellence in their field of study and unique, inspiring goals. Applications must be received by Feb. 10 and may be obtained in the Truman State University Financial Aid Office or by e-mailing [ttcw@glamour.com](mailto:ttcw@glamour.com).

## Attention May 2004 Graduates

If you have made any changes to the proposed class schedule(s) on your graduation application, please notify the Registrar's Office soon to update your application. Timely updating helps you ensure that all degree requirements will be met and helps you avoid last minute concerns. Be sure to follow up on all comments written at the bottom of your application. If you have any questions regarding comments on your graduation application, please contact the Registrar's Office at 785.4143 for clarification.

## The Women's and Gender Studies Committee announces a call for papers on women and food.

There will be a Truman conference in honor of Women's History Month March 25-27.

Members of the Truman and Kirksville communities are invited to submit abstracts. Abstracts are limited to two pages, typed or word processed. The deadline to submit an abstract is Jan. 30.

Contact Linda Seidel at [lseidel@truman.edu](mailto:lseidel@truman.edu) for more information or to submit an abstract.

## Got Passion?

The University Career Center and Residential College Program are offering a series of five workshops titled

## "Finding Your Career Passion"

The workshops begin the week of Feb. 2 and will introduce students to Career Center resources, help identify skills, values and personality characteristics, and begin to develop strategies for job and internship search techniques.

Workshop participants will have an opportunity to complete the Myers Briggs Type Indicator and Strong Interest Inventory followed by an interpretation session.

The cost of the five week workshop is \$10 which covers the cost of the two assessments and other course materials.

Sign up now in the Career Center or call Dave Kincaid at 785.4353 for more information.

The Student Recreation Center has several upcoming fitness/wellness activities taking place in January. Weight Room orientations will continue until Jan. 25. Individuals who would like to be acquainted with the equipment can see a weight room instructor for a free orientation. Body compositions will take place from 10:30 a.m. until noon and from 3:30-5 p.m. Jan. 26. Sign-ups take place in the Campus Recreation Office. Cardiovascular orientations will take place Jan. 26-Feb. 1. Individuals who would like to be acquainted with the equipment can see a weight room instructor for a free orientation. A spring fitness reward program will begin Jan. 26. See a weight room instructor for details. For more information about these programs, go to <http://recreation.truman.edu>.

The Weekly Lunch Series for Truman faculty, teaching staff and GTRAs continues with "Learning About Learning Objects" from 12:30-1:15 p.m., Jan. 21, in the SUB Spanish Room. The session features David Penrose, Collegis instructional designer. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information. The Muslim Student Association will meet for the first time this semester from 9-10 p.m., Jan. 21, in the SUB Room 307. After this week the group will meet every other Wednesday. Anyone is welcome to attend. Visit their Web site at <http://msa.truman.edu> for more information.

Interested in learning to speak Hungarian? A Truman student will be giving lessons this semester. There is an informational meeting at 6 p.m., Jan. 22, in the SUB Room 309.

The Society of the Prim Roses invites women who are interested in learning more about their organization to attend an informational meeting from 7-7:45 p.m., Jan. 22, in the SUB Room 308. The meeting will allow those who are interested in the organization to have their questions answered before recruitment events begin. Contact Heather Schwegler at 665.6048 for more information. Ekklisia-Church of Christ is holding a special series of Thursday devotionals hosted by college students. The series begins at 7 p.m., Jan. 22, in Centennial Hall Room 540. It will be hosted by Lauren Phillips. Ekklisia also is hosting a free private skating party from 12:30-2 p.m., Jan. 25, at Leisure World. For more information, call 785.4063. Weather permitting, the University Observatory will be open to the public from 8:30-10:30 p.m., Jan. 22, at the University Farm. Contact the Division of Science at 785.4597, Michael Adams at 785.4088, or go to <http://observatory.truman.edu> for more information. A new series for educators will begin with "Qualitative Software User's Group" from 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Jan. 26, in Mainstreet Market. The session will explore colleagues' tips for NudistQ and other qualitative software. The Center for

Teaching and Learning will pay \$3 towards participants Sodexo meal as they attend this initial organizational meeting. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

Interested in teaching English in France as a teaching assistant in a public school next year?

Applications and full information are available at <http://www.frenchculture.org/education/support/assistant/2004-05.html>. Applications must be postmarked by Feb. 1. Contact Gregg Siewert at [gsiewert@truman.edu](mailto:gsiewert@truman.edu) with questions.

The Truman chapter of the national Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi invites its student members who are planning on enrolling in graduate or professional-level programs in fall 2004, to apply for a Phi Kappa Phi graduate fellowship. Sixty fellowships will be awarded nationwide in the amount of \$5,000 each to assist students entering graduate/professional programs in meeting their financial obligations. One Truman student applicant will be selected as the local chapter's nominee for a fellowship. Applications are due by Feb. 2 and should be sent to Terry Olson, division of social science. Application instructions and forms are available on the national Phi Kappa Phi Web site at <http://www.phikappaphi.org> and click on "Scholarships and Awards."

Upward Bound, a college-preparatory program, is currently accepting applications for the 2004 on-campus summer session. Positions are available for residence hall staff; photographer; college freshman mentor/tutor and instructors in ACT Prep, composition, digital video, math, performance, science (biology, chemistry and physics), Spanish, and yearbook/journalism. Completed application packets with references are due Feb. 13. For information and/or application materials, contact Upward Bound located in Kirk Building 220, at 785.4244, [ubub@truman.edu](mailto:ubub@truman.edu) or at <http://ub.truman.edu>.

The Student Health Center still has approximately 150 doses of the needless FluMist vaccine available at \$10.00 each. Faculty, students and staff can receive this vaccine at the Health Center by making appointments at 785.4182. Individuals over age 49, those who have asthma, or who have had a fever within the last three days, are ineligible for this vaccine.

The Badminton Club is currently accepting new members. Their meetings are from 3-4:30 p.m. every Saturday in the East Court of the Student Recreation Center. For more information, visit their Web site at <http://badminton.truman.edu> or e-mail Fatima Smith at [b2831@truman.edu](mailto:b2831@truman.edu). If you have recently moved to a new off-campus address, please update your address and phone number with the University on Banner Web. Updates also can be made by contacting the Registrar's Office.

## On Campus

### 20 TUESDAY

6 p.m.-Reception for "The Cole Collection" exhibit at The University Art Gallery; see Page 1

### 21 WEDNESDAY

12:30-1:15 p.m.-Weekly Lunch Series, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes  
5:30 p.m.-Women's basketball vs. Northwest Missouri State University, Pershing Arena  
7:30 p.m.-Men's basketball vs. Northwest Missouri State University; Pershing Arena  
9 p.m.-Muslim Student Association meeting, SUB Room 307; see Notes

### 22 THURSDAY

6 p.m.-Informational meeting about Hungarian lessons, SUB Room 309; see Notes  
7 p.m.-Ekklisia Devotional, Centennial Hall Room 540; see Notes  
7 p.m.-Society of the Prim Roses informational meeting, SUB Room 308; see Notes  
7:30 p.m.-Informational meeting about studying in Chambery, France, MC 313; see Page 2

### 23 FRIDAY

6 p.m.-Men's and Women's swimming vs. Western Illinois University, Natorium

### 24 SATURDAY

8:30 a.m.-Winter Open House Visit Event, McClain Hall  
3 p.m.-Badminton Club meeting, Student Recreation Center, East Court; see Notes  
5 p.m.-Amanda Brown senior recital, OP Performance Hall; see Master Calendar

### 25 SUNDAY

12:30 p.m.-Ekklisia skating party, Leisure World; see Notes

### 26 MONDAY

11:45 a.m.-Lunch for Educators, Mainstreet Market; see Notes

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