

# Truman today

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## PLEASE JOIN US FOR FAMILY DAY EVENTS

Saturday, Sept. 20

### PARENT SEMINARS

The Value of Out-of-Class Experiences  
9 - 9:50 a.m.

Activities Room, Student Union

Common Psychological Issues of

College Students

10 - 10:50 a.m.

Activities Room, Student Union

### LIBRARY TOURS

10 a.m. - Noon

ANNUAL FESTIVAL CENTENNIAL

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Centennial Hall Courtyard

### PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

11 a.m., Baldwin Auditorium

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL VS. FORT

HAYS STATE (KAN)\*

3 p.m., Kirksville Primary School

### "THE NORMAN MAGIC EXPERIENCE"\*

4 p.m., Baldwin Auditorium

BARBECUE IN RED BARN PARK\*

5 - 6:30 p.m., Red Barn Park

Rain location: Student Union  
Face painting and games for the kids

BULLDOG FOOTBALL VS.

NORTHWEST MISSOURI-OL'

HICKORY STICK\*

7 p.m., Stokes Stadium

### EXTRAS

Friday, Sept. 19

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL VS.

WASHBURN (KAN)\*

7 p.m., Kirksville Primary School

Sunday, Sept. 21

CANTORIA SINGERS, WIND

SYMPHONY BAND AND

UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA

CONCERT

2 p.m., Baldwin Auditorium

\*For more details and ticket information visit the Family Day website at <http://www.truman.edu/pages/172.asp>.

## Family Day Events Scheduled For Sept. 20

A full schedule of events are planned for this weekend as part of Truman's annual Family Day. The fun begins on Friday evening with the Women's Volleyball match at 7 p.m. Sept. 19 at the Kirksville Primary School located at 1815 East Hamilton Street.

The morning of Sept. 20 will begin with parent seminars at 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. in the Activities Room of the Student Union Building. In the first session, Lou Ann Gilchrist, dean of student affairs, will discuss "The Value of Out-of-Class Experiences." Brian Krylowicz, director of University Counseling Services, will follow at 10 a.m. with his presentation, "Common Psychological Issues of College Students."

Tours of Pickler Memorial Library will take place every 10 minutes from 10 a.m. to noon. Another event starting at 10 a.m. is the Annual Festival Centennial, which runs until 4 p.m. on the Centennial Hall courtyard. It features free food, games, contests and music. At 11 a.m. in Baldwin Auditorium families are invited to hear from President Barbara Dixon and Student Senate President Lizz Esfeld. Franklin Street Singers will also perform.

There will be a break in University-sponsored events until the afternoon, and families are invited to attend the Red Barn Arts and Crafts Festival in downtown Kirksville. This year's event includes the addition of an antiques show, which will take place in the Arts Center at 117 South Franklin Street. University activities will resume at 3 p.m. with Women's Volleyball at the Primary School.

"The Norman Magic Experience," sponsored by the Student Activities Board, will take place at 4 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is \$3. Students with a Truman ID get in free. Tickets

may be purchased before the show at the ticket window in Baldwin Hall.

A tailgate barbecue is planned from 5-6:30 p.m. in Red Barn Park. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Cost is \$8 per person, however, students with a meal plan will not need to pay if they present their Truman IDs. Tickets can be purchased online at <http://store.truman.edu/familyday>. Click on Family Day Barbecue Tickets to purchase. Truman accepts MasterCard, Visa and Discover credit cards. Please bring a blanket or lawn chairs for seating.

The Student Union Building will serve as the location in the event of rain. Student organizations will coordinate face painting and fun kids' games during the barbecue.

At 7 p.m. the Bulldog football team will take on Northwest Missouri State University in the "Ol' Hickory Stick Game." General admission tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 and senior citizens. Reserved seating is \$8. Admission is free to students with a Truman ID. Tickets may be purchased online at <http://gobulldogs.truman.edu/store/>. For more information contact the Athletics Box Office at 660.785.4235.

Weekend activities will conclude Sept. 21 with a Memory Walk to raise money and awareness for Alzheimer's, and a performance by Cantoria Singers, Wind Symphony Band and University Orchestra Concert. Registration for the Memory Walk, sponsored by Sigma Kappa sorority, will take place at noon, with the Walk beginning at 1 p.m. The musical performance will take place at 2 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium. For more information visit <http://www.truman.edu/pages/172.asp>.

### Attention All Missouri Bright Flight and Access Missouri Recipients

A new Missouri law, HB 1549, effective Aug. 28, 2008, requires public colleges and universities to verify that recipients of state educational funds are lawfully present in the United States. If you have been awarded one of these state programs for the fall semester, you must provide "affirmative proof" of U.S. citizenship, permanent residency or other lawful presence in the U.S. A valid Missouri driver's license is sufficient. If you have completed I-9 clearance for student employment, you have met "affirmative proof" requirements. If you have questions, please contact Kathy Elsea at 785.4130 or e-mail [finaid@truman.edu](mailto:finaid@truman.edu).

## INTERNSHIP PROGRAM HOSTS INFORMATIONAL MEETING

An informational meeting about the Missouri Government Internship Program will take place at 5:30 p.m. Sept. 24 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room C. Pizza will be provided.

The Missouri Government Internship Program offers a unique opportunity for students to intern at the Capitol in Jefferson City, Mo., with a public official, legislator or state agency during the spring 2009 semester. The internship, which is open to all majors, provides an inside look at state government.

Joe Van Amburg, a 2007 legislative intern for House Minority Leader Jeff Harris, said that the internship was one of the best experiences he has had since being at Truman.

"Representative Harris and his staff were fun to work with and they taught me a lot about state government and politics, as well as life in general," Van Amburg said. "I learned more about myself that semester than any prior semester at Truman."

The interns live in Jefferson City and receive a stipend of \$2,500. Interns may earn up to 15 hours of credit.

All juniors and seniors are encouraged to apply. Applications are available online at [http://career.truman.edu/student/internship/mogov\\_app.pdf](http://career.truman.edu/student/internship/mogov_app.pdf). Completed applications should be returned to McClain Hall 101. A selection committee will review the applications and interviews will be conducted in October for the spring 2009 legislative internships.

Interested students can contact Candy Young at 785.4650 or Heidi Templeton at 785.4016 for more information.

## Kohlenberg Lyceum Series Presents Capitol Steps

The political music revue, Capitol Steps, will be performing in Baldwin Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 22 as the first in the series of Kohlenberg Lyceum events to take place this year. Capitol Steps is a Washington-based ensemble of Congressional staffers turned songwriters. They will perform a musical satire designed to keep the audience laughing about events and personalities on Capitol Hill, in the Oval Office, and other centers of power.

Produced and co-written by Elaine Newport, their performance features 20 "stinging" parodies, including "Wouldn't it be Hillary," "The Impossible Dean," "Cheney and the Jets," "Duke of Oil" and "Kerry Baby."

Since their inception in 1981, the Capitol Steps have recorded 28 albums, including their latest, "Campaign and Suffering." They've been featured on NBC, CBS, ABC and PBS.



Although not all of the current members of the Steps are former Capitol Hill staffers, the performers have collectively worked in a total of 18 Congressional offices and represent 62 years of House and Senate staff experience.

Lyceum tickets are free for all Truman students, faculty and staff. Students may pick up their tickets from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Student Activities Board office in the Student Union Building. Faculty and staff may pick up their tickets from 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Friday at the information desk in the Student Union Building.

General admission tickets will be on sale at Edna Campbell's and the Truman State University Business Office, McClain Hall 105, for the costs of \$7 for adults and \$4 for those 18 and under. For more information go online to <http://lyceum.truman.edu>.

## Paino to Speak at Truman Faculty Forum

Truman's new Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Troy Paino, will present "The Importance of Scholarship & Creativity at a Liberal Arts College" at the first Faculty Forum of the year at 7 p.m. Sept. 18 in Violette Hall 1000.

Paino will address the topic of scholarship and creativity by describing the essence of what a liberal arts university is: a moral community.

Paino describes a liberal arts college as a place where students, faculty, staff and administrators are searching for Happiness with a capital 'H,' which is the profound, meaningful and transcendent kind of Happiness experienced by those living in a community where opportunities

to express a better self and see the world from a fresh perspective arise every day.

President Barbara Dixon will introduce Paino, and after his presentation a reception with refreshments will take place upstairs in the Violette Hall Commons. For more information about this forum and upcoming forums through spring 2010, please visit <http://forum.truman.edu>.

The Truman Faculty Forum continues to be dedicated to enhancing the importance of scholarship and creative endeavors in our institution and to providing opportunities for us to learn about the exciting work being done on our campus.

## Peace Corps Representative Speaks to Students

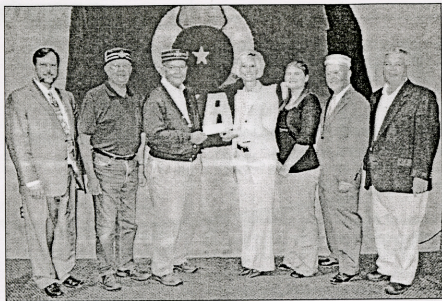
Truman students will have the opportunity to hear from a representative from the Peace Corps during a video conference at 6 p.m. Sept. 25 at the Career Center.

Clifton Johnson was a volunteer to the Kingdom of Tonga from 2003-2005, and he will be discussing his experiences in the Peace Corps.

Earlier this year Truman was ranked 25th on the Peace Corps' list of medium-sized schools producing volunteers. Since the organizations

inception, 154 alumni have joined its ranks. Truman currently has 20 alumni serving as Peace Corps volunteers. The University ranks No. 87 for the number of graduate school alumni participating and is the No. 281 producer of volunteers all-time.

Students who are considering volunteering for the Peace Corps are encouraged to attend. For more information on the video conference contact Polly Matteson at 785.4240 or [pollym@truman.edu](mailto:pollym@truman.edu).



Janet Gooch, department chair, and Amy Little, graduate student and recipient of the 2008 Early Literacy Lab Fellowship, accept a check for more than \$1,500 from members of the Scottish Rite. The Scottish Rite sponsored a Bass Fishing Tournament in spring 2008, the proceeds were designated for the Truman Rite Care Early Literacy Lab.

### Fulbright Grants Due Sept. 23

The campus deadline for the 2009-2010 Fulbright Grants for graduate study, research or teaching assistantships abroad is Sept. 23. For more information contact Maria C. Di Stefano, Fulbright program advisor, at [mdistefa@truman.edu](mailto:mdistefa@truman.edu).

### Allen Fellowship Nominations

Nominations for the \$10,000 Walker and Doris Allen Fellowships to recognize outstanding faculty members are being accepted by the Office of the Provost until Oct. 1. The Fellowships are open to all tenured or tenure-track faculty with at least four years of full-time service at Truman. For details on the nomination process visit <http://www.truman.edu/pages/131.asp>.

### TEACH Program Informational Meeting

The Financial Aid office and the School of Health Sciences and Education are sponsoring an informational meeting on the new federal TEACH Program.

3:30 p.m. Sept. 30  
Violette Hall 1000

Under the TEACH Program, students could receive up to \$24,000 to pursue a teaching career in the following subjects:

- French
- Spanish
- Mathematics
- Vocal Music
- Science
- Special Education
- Speech/Language

The meeting is open to all interested students. Pre-MAE, MAE, and students thinking about the MAE are encouraged to attend.

### The World Is Yours

It is not too late to study abroad this spring. For more information visit the Center for International Education/Study Abroad, located in Kirk Building 114.

## United Way Surpasses 60 Percent of Goal

After the third Week of Truman's United Way campaign, our faculty, staff, students and retirees have contributed more than \$34,000, which means we have reached 62 percent of our goal.

Thank you to everyone who

has contributed to this effort. If you have not returned your pledge form, there is still time to do so. Also, if you have misplaced your pledge form and are in need of a replacement, contact Brad Chambers in Advancement at [bchamber@truman.edu](mailto:bchamber@truman.edu) or Debra Kerby, professor of accounting, at [dkerby@truman.edu](mailto:dkerby@truman.edu).

Please join together to show that Truman faculty, staff, students and retirees Live United in support of education, income and health.

## Former Quiet Lounge Renamed "The Hub"

The new nickname for the Student Union Building lounge is "The Hub."

Twenty-five names were submitted to the Student Union Advisory Committee and were

pared down to six. The top six nicknames were then voted upon by students at the open house on Sept. 9.

Libby Piel, a junior biology major from Ballwin, Mo.,

submitted the winning name. For her effort, Piel will be awarded with \$50 to Barnes and Noble provided by the Truman State University Bookstore and the Student Union.

## Theatre Department Presents "A Shadow in the Dark"

The Truman Theatre Department's production of "A Shadow in the Dark" will run from Oct. 1-4 in the James G. Severn's Theatre in Ophelia Parish.

In "A Shadow in the Dark," written by Jared Latore, a senior theatre major from O'Fallon,

Mo., an influential children's author, tormented by forces he will never understand, sows a garden of nightmares and heartaches as he descends into madness, dragging the world down with him. Due to strong language and subject matter, "A Shadow in the Dark" is not

appropriate for children. All tickets must be reserved in advance by calling the box office at 785.4515. The box office is open from 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Shows begin at 8 p.m. and last approximately two and half hours.

### Truman Intramural Recreational Sports Planner

Activity	Division	Deadline	Captains' Meeting	Play Begins
Home Run Derby	Open/Org/Greek	Sept. 22	NA	Sept. 24 & 25
MLB Playoff Pickem	Open	Oct. 3	NA	Oct. 3
Frisbee Golf	Open	Sept. 29-Oct. 3	NA	Play on own
Darts	Open	Oct. 6	NA	Oct. 13
Indoor Soccer	Open/Org/Greek	Oct. 6	Oct. 8	Oct. 13
Co-Rec Indoor Soccer	Open	Oct. 6	Oct. 8	Oct. 13
Billiards	Open	Oct. 13	NA	Oct. 20

All information, rules and registration requirements are online at <http://recreation.truman.edu/intramuralrec.asp>, or contact the Intramural Office at 785.4467.

## NOTES

**Truman's Compost Project is seeking students to work for scholarship or work-study hours.** These workers will get to choose from a variety of flexible shifts and times. If you are interested, please contact Dan Fister at [drf538@truman.edu](mailto:drf538@truman.edu).

**Habitat for Humanity's annual fall fundraiser and awareness event, Habitat on the Quad,** will take place the week of Sept. 15-19. Students, faculty and staff are invited to make a donation, buy Habitat gear, sign a stud that will be used to build a house for \$1, decorate a hammer for \$10, or get more information about Habitat for Humanity. This year's theme is "Naked. How would you feel without a home?"

**The Faculty Weekly Lunch Series announces two presentations from the Fall Critical Thinking Emphasis series:** "How to Improve Student Learning" on Sept. 17 and "Concepts and Tools" on Sept. 24. Both presentations will be at 12:30 p.m. in the Student Union Spanish Room. For more information contact Linda Davenport at [lindadav@truman.edu](mailto:lindadav@truman.edu) or 785.4301.

**Sigma Chi Delta, a local social sorority, will host an Open Recruitment Night at 7 p.m. Sept. 17 in the Baldwin Hall Little Theater.**

**Circle K will host an informational meeting at 8 p.m. Sept. 17 in Baldwin Hall 314.** Circle K is a fun, coed, service organization that does projects around the Kirksville community.

**Sigma Lambda Gamma, Truman's only multicultural sorority, will host an informational meeting at 6 p.m. Sept. 18 in the Student Union Building 322.**

**The Next STEP Office will host a tutor information meeting at 12 p.m. Sept. 20 in Magruder Hall 1096.** They are looking for highly motivated science, mathematics and computer science students to work as paid tutors. Tutors will receive formal and national certification in tutoring. Free pizza will be provided. If you cannot attend this meeting, information is available online at <http://step.truman.edu/tutortraining>. You may also contact Jennifer Thompson at [step@truman.edu](mailto:step@truman.edu) or 785.7252.

**Sigma Lambda Gamma presents "Auction Block to Hip Hop," a play from the producers of Platanos and Collard Greens, at 8 p.m. Sept. 23 in the Student Union Building 2107.** This play questions how far one Hip Hop producer will go in selling stereotypes of minority women in his

music. This event is co-sponsored by New Student Programs, Residential Life, College of Arts and Sciences, Departments of Language and Literature and the Department of History.

**The Missouri Government Internship Program will host an informational meeting at 5:30 p.m. Sept. 24 in the Student Union Building Geogian Room C.** Pizza will be provided.

**The Multicultural Affairs Center presents a show by Grupo Atlantico Dance Troupe, an ensemble of folk dancers, at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 24 in the Student Union Building Down Under.** These dancers share their rich heritage of the Caribbean, Colombia and South America through different music, rhythms and percussive instruments. The symbolism of costumes, dance steps and body movements are explained in cultural and ceremonial contexts, with the use of live music, posters, slides and videotapes. For more information contact Laura Bates at [lbates@truman.edu](mailto:lbates@truman.edu) or 785.4142.

**The Center for Teaching and Learning will host an informational session, "Getting Your Proposal Approved by the IRB the First Time," at 12 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sept. 25 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room.** Lunch or dinner will be provided at both sessions with RSVP. To register for these classes online, please visit <http://tctl.truman.edu/register/classlist.asp>.

**The Dean of Student Affairs Office has applications for the 2008-2009 "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award" available for students.** Faculty and staff may also nominate students for this prestigious award. Nominations are due by Sept. 26. Completed student applications need to be returned to the Student Affairs Office, located in the Student Union Building 3100, by Oct. 17. For more information visit <http://saffairs.truman.edu> or call 785.4111.

**The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) will meet at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 3 at the University Club, 516 E. Patterson.** Contact Marc Becker at [marc@truman.edu](mailto:marc@truman.edu) or call 785.603 for more information.

**The Fall Career Expo, sponsored by the Career Center, will be on October 22 in the Student Union Building.** The Expo is a career fair where Truman students can network with potential employers. Browse the attending companies and register for the Expo at <http://career.truman.edu>.

## CALENDAR

Check out the Master Calendar, available on the Truman home page and through TruView, for updated daily campus events.

### Voter Registration Forms Now Available

Student Affairs Office  
Information Desk  
Cashier's Window  
Residence Hall Desks  
SERVE Center  
Multicultural Affairs Center

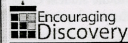
The last day to register to vote in the Nov. 4 election is Oct. 8. For more information visit <http://conduct.truman.edu> or click on the voter registration link.

### SPIRIT SHIRTS

Truman Spirit Shirts are on sale for \$5 in the Public Relations Office at 101 McClain Hall. There are a limited number of medium and large shirts available. You may also purchase a Truman drawstring bag for \$5.

### Want to be an adviser?

The Center for Student Involvement is looking for Truman faculty or staff who would be interested in being advisers for student organizations. If interested, please contact the CSI at 785.4222.

  
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### ELECTION GUIDE

Find an election guide with quality web links to the presidential race, congressional races, Missouri races, public opinion polls and campaign finances at [http://library.truman.edu/election\\_2008.htm](http://library.truman.edu/election_2008.htm).

### BOOK SALE

The 3rd Annual Book Sale is scheduled from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sept. 23-25 in the Activities Room of the Student Union Building. Donations are currently being accepted. For more information call 785.4038 or visit <http://library.truman.edu/booksale.htm>.