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Distinguished Visiting Scholar Related Events

TUESDAY, JAN. 19

8:30 p.m.—**The Liberal Arts Tradition and the Rise of Universities**, public lecture and reception, SUB Georgian Room

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 20

10-11:20 a.m.—**Student Colloquium**: Liberal Arts Lecture Follow-up; Common Readings: Mark Van Doren, *Liberal Education*; David Wagner, *The Seven Liberal Arts in the Middle Ages*, SUB Conference Room (Materials on reserve at Pickler Library)

12:30-1:30 p.m.—**and Perish: The Virtue of Scholarship and the Vice of Pedantry**, Faculty Development Brown Bag Lunch, SUB Alumni Room

2:30-3:30 p.m.—**Open Social Hour with Students**, Garden Room, Missouri College

4:50 p.m.—**Faculty Colloquium**: Liberal Arts Lecture Follow-up; Common Readings, see above, Violette Hall 1416

8:30 p.m.—**Public Mystery Readings for Students**, Ryle College; Common Readings**: McInerney, *Lack of the Irish*

THURSDAY, JAN. 21
9-10:30 a.m.—**Faculty and Student Colloquium**, The Limits of Freedom; Common Readings**: Dostoyevsky, *Notes from the Underground*; Sartre; *The Flies*, SUB Governors' Room

FRIDAY, JAN. 22
4-5 p.m.—**Open Hour with Faculty**, SUB Alumni Room

**Materials available at Pickler Library, Division Offices and Residence Hall Desks

Author, Editor, Teacher Named First Distinguished Visiting Scholar

Ralph McInerney is the Michael P. Grace Professor of Medieval Studies at the University of Notre Dame, where he has taught since 1955. He is an internationally recognized Thomistic scholar and has written numerous books and articles on St. Thomas Aquinas. He is also founder and publisher of *Catholic Dossier* magazine and cofounder of *Crisis* magazine. In each of these areas he is well recognized by his peers. However, he may be best known to the general public as a novelist. His Father Dowling mysteries were the basis of a three-year television series. McInerney will visit campus Jan. 19-22 as the University's first Distinguished Visiting Scholar. He will return for a second visit in March. McInerney will meet with and talk to students and faculty throughout his visit.

The Distinguished Visiting Scholar Program is a new initiative contained in our University Master Plan, one that the state Coordinating Board for Higher Education heartily supports. Members of the Coordinating Board strongly recommended that this particular program be included in our Mission Enhancement Proposal, which they subsequently approved.

Each year, the program will bring speakers, artists, musicians,



Ralph McInerney

researchers, etc., who will interact with our academic community and add to the intellectual life of the University.

The theme chosen for spring 1999 and the inaugural year of our Liberal Studies Program, "Connecting and Interconnecting Perspectives," will focus attention on the potential for interdisciplinary thinking and multiple cultural perspectives and highlight the connections among the "modes of inquiry" that span and expand upon the traditional liberal arts and sciences curriculum.

McInerney has studied and read St. Thomas for more than 50 years. He believes that much of Aquinas's philosophy can be applied to our world today.

"It is a realism about the world, our capacity to know the world about ourselves, that there are certain guidelines for action that everyone can know and which enable human society to exist," McInerney said of Aquinas's teachings during an interview at the Jacques Maritain Center at Notre Dame, which he directs.

McInerney is the recipient of numerous fellowships—Fulbright, NEH and NEA—he is a fellow of the Pontifical Academy of St. Thomas Aquinas and past president of the Fellowship of Catholic Scholars, the American Metaphysical Society, and the American Catholic Philosophical Association. Under his general editorship, the Maritain Center has launched a 20-volume edition of the Works of Jacques Maritain. He is also publishing a six-volume series of *Aquinas's Commentaries on Aristotle*. He will deliver the Gifford Lectures at the University of Glasgow in 1999-2000.

SELECTED WORKS BY MCINERNEY
Aquinas Against the Averroists
*The Question of Christian Ethics**
Aquinas on Human Action
Boethius and Aquinas
Ethica Thomistica
*St. Thomas Aquinas**
Thomism in an Age of Renewal
The Logic of Analogy
*Rhyme and Reason**

IN ADDITION TO THE FATHER DOWLING AND ANDREW BROOM MYSTERIES, MCINERNEY'S NOVELS INCLUDE:
*Lack of the Irish**
*What Went Wrong With Vatican II**
*The Red Hat**
*On This Rockne**
Law and Ardor

A book signing will be held at the Truman Bookstore from noon to 1 p.m., Jan. 22.
*available at Truman Book Store

Common Readings are on reserve at Pickler Library, Division Offices, Residence Hall Desks, and the Public Relations Office.

For more information visit www2.truman.edu/vscholar

Program to Explore European Union

A study of the European Union, as well as historical and cultural aspects of the countries visited, is offered during the interim session of 1999. An international studies/travel program is scheduled from May 5 to May 22, 1999, for six hours of credit. Visits will be made to Belgium, The Netherlands, Germany, Prague in the Czech Republic and the region of Budapest, Hungary. Study will begin Feb. 1 to prepare for the experience.

The credit hours may count toward humanities credits in the liberal arts and sciences core or be substituted in another area if agreed upon by the student and his/her advisor. The program is appropriate for all majors, and financial aid is available for qualified students. The experience will combine study and field trips related to the European Union, as well as historical and cultural aspects.

Informational meetings are scheduled in Violette Hall 1412 for Jan. 12, 6 p.m.; Jan. 14, 5 p.m.; and Jan. 20, 5 p.m. Contact Mary Giovannini, professor of business administration, in Violette Hall 2448, 785.4365; or the Center for International Education Abroad, Kirk Building 120, 785.4076.

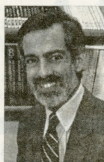
Dr. Vincent Tinto To Present Baldwin Lecture Feb. 5

Dr. Vincent Tinto, Distinguished University Professor and chair of the higher education program at Syracuse University, serves Truman as the Baldwin Lecturer on Feb. 5. Tinto's speech, "Taking Student Learning Seriously," focuses on what substantive research into student learning can teach us about the kinds of learning environments or experiences which impel student learning.

Tinto engages in theoretical and multi-method research on undergraduate and graduate student attainment, the impact of innovative learning environments on student learning and persistence, and the social construction of college in the popular media. His current research focuses on both the impact of learning communities on the academic achievements of first year students and the character of doctoral persistence in differing fields.

Tinto's theory of student leaving is the benchmark by which research on student attrition is judged and has dramatically influenced our view of how institutions effect the leaving of their students. In *Leaving College: Rethinking the Causes and Cures of Student Attrition*, he describes that theory and shows how it can be applied to the formulation of institutional policies to enhance student retention. He has written extensively on higher education, particularly on student retention and the impact of learning communities and collaborative learning on student growth and attainment.

Tinto has consulted widely with federal and state agencies, with independent research firms, foundations and with two- and four-year institutions of higher education on a broad range of higher educational issues, including the development of institutional assessment of student progress and the formation of policies to promote student attainment. He serves on the editorial boards of several journals and with various organizations and professional associations concerned with higher education. He chaired the national panel respon-



sible for awarding \$5 million to establish the first national center for research on teaching and learning in higher education and served as associate director of the \$6 million National Center on Postsecondary Teaching, Learning, and Assessment funded by the Office of Education.

The Faculty Development Committee sponsors the annual Baldwin Lecture, Truman's founder's day celebration in honor of Joseph Baldwin, pioneer educator, founder and first president of the University. The Baldwin Lecture was initiated in 1957 to help perpetuate the spirit of Baldwin's industry and vision to provide a sense of continuity for the University in a world of rapid change. The 1999 Baldwin Lecture begins at 8:30 p.m., Feb. 5 in the SUB Georgian Room. The entire Truman community is invited to the lecture.

KING CELEBRATION JANUARY 14-18, 1999

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium "A Christmas Sermon on Peace"

Thursday, January 14, 1999
3 p.m. SUB Activities Room

Ecumenical Program of Love and Peace

Sunday, January 17, 1999
3 p.m. First United Methodist Church

Unity IV:

Celebration of Unity Through Song,

Dance and Words
Monday, January 18, 1999
3 p.m. Baldwin Auditorium

Candlelight Vigil for Peace: A Silent Support

Monday, January 18, 1999
7 p.m. Baldwin Hall

Sponsored by Multicultural Affairs

Express Drop Option Offered

In response to suggestions made by Student Senate, the Registrar's Office is experimenting with an Express Drop Option for students wishing to drop a course or courses during the first five days of the spring 1999 semester. This option will be available through Jan. 12 and does not apply for students wishing to completely withdraw from the spring 1999 semester, or for students adding courses.

An Express Drop table will be located at the beginning of the registration hallway. Students will need to complete a Change of Program form and clearly indicate the course(s) to be dropped. Student and advisor signatures must be included. Students will be provided an envelope to address. Forms will be processed and a revised schedule will be mailed to participants.

Archeological Dig and Mideast Study

Currently showing on national public TV is an hour-long documentary on the archeological site of Bethsaida, a city off the north shore of the Sea of Galilee, lost for centuries but now recovered as a biblical site of striking importance. Its significance has been interpreted in the first volume of scholarly investigations published by Truman State University's Thomas Jefferson University Press. Volume II as part of a series of four is scheduled to be released this spring.



Opportunity for hands-on archeological experience at this archeological site is offered to Truman students who participate in the upcoming Mideast Studies Abroad Program. Tentative dates are set for May 17 through June 22. Students live in an Israeli kibbutz on the shoreline of the Sea of Galilee and gain invaluable experience through daily work on the excavation site and through participation in a lecture series by leading scholars in the field.

Notes

Ryle North Residential College invites faculty and staff to contribute to the sixth annual Faculty and Staff Favorite Book Series.

The series is designed to promote reading by the campus community as well as to let students know faculty and staff's individual interests. Submissions will be advertised on cafeteria table flyers; announcements in the *Index*; and a spring display in Pickler Library. Submissions may be sent to Chris Gregory, Ryle Hall 225.

Applications for 1999-2000 endowed and annual scholarships are being accepted.

Students may pick up scholarship programs and applications in the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103. Completed applications (and letters of recommendations, if necessary) must be turned into the Financial Aid Office no later than 5 p.m., Jan. 19.

In addition to the two weeks of training and archeological work at Bethsaida, students travel through four other Mideastern countries including Syria, eastern Turkey, and Jordan. Archeological sites are visited and the contemporary culture and political circumstances of these volatile but enormously important and historical areas are experienced.

Additional time is spent in Old Jerusalem with a study tour through historical and contemporary sites including several days in the West Bank where students do volunteer work on a Palestinian farm and interact with students at the University of Bethlehem. The final week is spent in Egypt with visits to Old and New Cairo, sites of the pyramids, sphinx, and the funerary at Sakkarah as well as Luxor in Middle Egypt with its pharaonic tombs in the Valleys of the Kings, Queens, and Nobleman and the imposing

temple of Karnak.

This interdisciplinary program offers students six credit hours in humanities or various areas of the LSP. Truman is one of 11 institutions worldwide that share in a consortium, which financially supports the Bethsaida Excavation. The next informational meeting for this course will be held on Jan. 19, at 6 p.m. in SUB 4. For further details contact Mark Appold, associate professor of Greek and Hebrew, at 785.7244.

Who's Who 1998-99

Congratulations to these students, whose names will appear in the 1998-99 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American University's and Colleges*. They were selected for outstanding academic achievement, character, leadership and service.

Charles Akester
Cassandra Anders
Mickie Bert
John Burns
Leslie Butler
Maria Carrasco
Patrick Cross
Sara Dalman
Janette Dumas
Sara Durham
Melissa Fadler
Kathleen Gawronski
Darren Glosemeyer
Amanda Hagen-Stapleton
Harry Harris
Michael Heckman
Amy Holbo
Summer Johnson
Joshua Johnston
Julia Kitsmiller
Tina Kuenzel
Shawn Logan
Sarah Lutter
Dan Maranan
Jennifer McKellips
Rebekka Meyer
Julie Nenninger
Bradley Niebling
Lynn Obermark
Oluwaseun Orebiyi
Marcia Paddock
Brian Peeters
Cathie Pence
Tracy Reynolds
Renee Robinett
Jimmy Ruiz
James Schmieder
Bryan Schwent
David Seabaugh
Nathaniel Sternberg
Erika Jolene Waldschmidt
Kelli Williams
Ryan Wilson
Samantha Wilson
Christopher Wolf
Melanie Yuracko
Margaret Zahner

Scholarships Available for 1999-2000

For more information about or applications for the following scholarships, contact the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103.

The State Farm Companies Foundation will award 50 Exceptional Student Fellowships to college juniors and seniors in 1999. The winner will receive \$3,000 for the 1999-2000 school year. To be eligible for the fellowships, students must be full-time juniors or seniors at the time of application, be majoring in a business related field, and have a 3.6 or higher GPA on a 4.0 scale. A complete application, nomination, transcripts, and letters of recommendation must be received by the Foundation by Feb. 15, 1999.

The Smithsonian National Postal Museum invites students to apply for the 1999 National Postal Museum Fellowship.

Applicants must be enrolled in a graduate program of study, must have completed at least one semester and must not yet have been advanced to candidacy in a doctoral program. To receive an application, send a request that includes your address, phone number and, if applicable, fax and e-mail address to: Fellowship Program National Postal Museum Smithsonian Institution MRC-570 Washington, D.C. 20560-0570 Phone: (202) 633-9360 e-mail: npm@npm.si.edu Applications must be received by Jan. 15. Decisions will be made by April 15.

The National Society of Public Accountants Scholarship Foundation is accepting applications for financial assistance for the 1999-2000 academic year. The foundation awards an average of 30 scholarships per year of approximately \$1,000 each to accounting students entering their third or fourth year of studies, and approximately \$500 each to students entering their second year of studies. Applicants must be undergraduate students, majoring in accounting at a U.S. accredited two- or four-year college. Applicants must have a "B" or better overall GPA. Applicants must also be U.S. or Canadian citizens attending a U.S. accredited school. Applications must be received by March 10, 1999.

The American Chemical Society Scholars Program will award approximately 75 scholarships to undergraduate students interested in four-year degrees in the chemical sci-

ences; those interested in transferring from two-year colleges to four-year colleges to pursue chemical science degrees; and to two-year students intending to pursue degrees in chemical technology. High school seniors who will be entering college for the first-time as undergraduate college students are also eligible. These scholarships are valued at up to \$2,500 for the academic year. All materials must be received no later than Feb. 15, 1999.

The American Chemical Society/PPG Scholarships Plus awards are for incoming freshman students and are renewable if all initial eligibility criteria are maintained throughout undergraduate study. Students intending to major in chemistry or chemical engineering are encouraged to apply. Of particular interest to this program are students living in areas close to where PPG Industries has plant sites, since in the junior and senior years recipients of these scholarships will be eligible for summer research assignments in plants close to their permanent residences. These scholarships are valued at up to \$2,500 for each academic year. All materials must be received no later than Feb. 15, 1999.

The American Chemical Society/Bayer Scholars awards for incoming freshman, sophomore, and junior students are renewable if all initial eligibility criteria are maintained throughout undergraduate study. Students intending to major in chemistry or biochemistry are encouraged to apply. Of particular interest to this program are students attending school in areas close to where Bayer Corporation has plant sites, since in the junior and senior years recipients of these scholarships will be eligible for summer research assignments in plants close to their colleges or universities. These scholarships are valued at up to \$2,500 for each academic year. All materials must be received no later than Feb. 15, 1999.

The North Central Missouri Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation will be awarding three \$750 scholarships for the 1999-2000 academic year. Scholarships are available for students who are majoring in wildlife conservation or a related field and who reside in the following counties: Grundy, western Linn, Livingston, Daviess, Carroll and Chariton. Applications must be postmarked on or before March 1, 1999.

On Campus

13 WEDNESDAY
6 p.m.—**National Education Association meeting**, Baldwin Hall 251; open to all interested in teaching (any subject area and grade level). The organization will also meet Jan. 27, Feb. 10, 24, March 24, April 7, 21.

14 THURSDAY
6 p.m.—**Kappa Delta Pi meeting**, Baldwin Hall 251; the organization will also meet Jan. 28, Feb. 11, 25, March 25, April 8, 22.

18 MONDAY
Martin Luther King Day (see schedule, p. 2)

No Classes, Offices Closed

19 TUESDAY
1999-2000 endowed & annual scholarship applications due

Distinguished Visiting Scholar (see schedule, p. 1)

6 p.m.—Mideast Studies Abroad Program informational meeting, SUB 4; see story, p. 3

7 p.m.—Wrestling vs. Central College (Iowa)

7 p.m.—Yoga Workshop, sponsored by the Art of Living Club, Ophelia Parrish 117

Inside

A special insert is included in this issue of *Truman Today* that contains information about the unique database now available to the Truman community. Additional copies of the insert are available at Pickler Memorial Library.

Truman Today is published weekly on Mondays. Deadline for entries is 3 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Monday's publication. Entries should be submitted on the *Truman Today* forms available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 202. Activities listed in *Truman Today* are open to the public.

Unique database now available to Truman community
Backfiles of core scholarly journals

JSTOR

<http://www.jstor.org/>

Pickler Memorial Library is a participating JSTOR library, providing access to the JSTOR collection of journals online. Faculty, staff and students can read and print articles using standard personal computer equipment at any time and from any networked location (library, department, office, dorm).

The JSTOR database is unique because it contains the backfiles of many core scholarly journals which have been digitized, starting with the very first issues, many dating from the 1800s. Over 2 million pages are now available with new titles being added constantly. The capacity for searching these periodicals opens up new possibilities for scholarship and research.

The following journals are currently available. A list of titles to be added in 1999 is on the back of this page. These titles constitute Phase I of JSTOR's ongoing efforts to digitize core scholarly journals. Future phases will offer titles in smaller disciplinary clusters. Phase II is currently under development and will focus on General Science.

American Economic Review	Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking
American Historical Review	Journal of Philosophy
American Journal of International Law	Journal of Political Economy
American Journal of Political Science	Journal of Politics
American Political Science Review	Journal of Southern History
American Sociological Review	Journal of the American Mathematical Society
Annals of Applied Probability	Mathematics of Computation
Annals of Mathematical Statistics	Mind
Annals of Mathematics	Nous
Annals of Probability	Philosophical Perspectives
Annals of Statistics	Philosophical Quarterly
Annual Review of Anthropology	Philosophical Review
Annual Review of Ecology and Systematics	Philosophy and Phenomenological Research
Annual Review of Sociology	Political Science Quarterly
Contemporary Sociology	Population and Development Review
Demography	Population Studies
Ecological Applications	Population: An English Selection
Ecological Monographs	Proceedings of the American Math Society
Ecology	Proceedings of the American Political Science Assn
Econometrica	Quarterly Journal of Economics
Economic Journal	Renaissance Quarterly
Family Planning Perspectives	Review of Economics and Statistics
International Family Planning Perspectives	Shakespeare Quarterly
Journal of American History	SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics
Journal of Applied Econometrics	SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis
Journal of Asian Studies	SIAM Review
Journal of Economic History	Speculum: A Journal of Mediaeval Studies
Journal of Economic Perspectives	Statistical Science
Journal of Health and Social Behavior	Studies in Family Planning
Journal of Higher Education	Studies in the Renaissance
Journal of Industrial Economics	Transactions of the American Math Society
Journal of Military History	William and Mary Quarterly
Journal of Modern History	World Politics

Journals to be added:

American Journal of Mathematics
American Journal of Sociology
American Literature
American Mathematical Monthly
American Quarterly
Anthropology Today
Callaloo
Eighteenth-Century Studies
ELH
Ethics
Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies
International Organization
Journal of Animal Ecology
Journal of Blacks in Higher Education
Journal of Business
Journal of Ecology
Journal of Economic Literature
Journal of Finance
Journal of Negro Education
Journal of Negro History

Journal of Symbolic Logic
Journal of the American Statistical Assoc.
Journal of the History of Ideas
Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute
Man
MLN
Monument Nipponica
Nineteenth-Century Literature
Pacific Affairs
Philosophy and Public Affairs
Population Index
Proceedings of the Royal Anthropological
Institute
Representations
Review of Economic Studies
Review of Financial Studies
Reviews in American History
Social Psychology Quarterly
Sociology of Education
Yale French Studies