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Centennial Celebration

presents

GASH/VOIGT
DANCE
COMPANY

7:30 P.M.
JAN. 20,
BALDWIN
AUDITORIUM

This contemporary all-women's dance company from St. Louis will present an intense live performance that creatively explores significant societal issues, and uses innovative props and dynamic partnering.

AmerenUE is a gold level sponsor and is a special guest at this performance.

Free tickets for students, faculty, and staff in the SAB office, lower level Student Union.

Mathematician, Researcher, Author Named Second Distinguished Visiting Scholar

Second in the series of three Distinguished Visiting Scholars for 1999-2000 is Dr. Keith Devlin, author of numerous research articles and books. Devlin's research focuses on applying mathematical techniques to issues of language/information and the design of information systems. He will visit Truman from Jan. 31 to Feb. 4, and will return March 27 for a follow-up visit.

For the past 17 years, the British-born Devlin has regularly contributed articles on mathematics and computers to *The Guardian*, a British newspaper. In addition, his monthly column, *Devlin's Angle*, is published on *MAA Online*, a web journal.

Author of 22 books, one interactive book on CD-ROM and over 65 research articles, Devlin also regularly contributes to the popular National Public Radio program, *Weekend Edition*. During frequent radio programs, heard both in the U.S. and England, he comments on advances in mathematics and computing and, in recent years, has also appeared in a number of television programs.

Broadcast on the PBS network in 1998, Devlin's *Life by the Numbers* was a successful six-part documentary series about everyday uses for mathematics. This past fall his five-part series, *Science Bites*, was broadcast on BBC television in Britain.

In addition, Devlin served as adviser for the 1998 John Wiley publication of *Life by the Numbers*, the companion series to the PBS program. Devlin's other recent works

include *The Language of Mathematics: Making the Invisible Visible*, published by W.H. Freeman in 1998; and *Goodbye Descartes: The End of Logic and the Search for a New Cosmology of the Mind*, a 1997 Wiley publication.

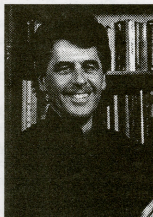
Recognized in 1991 by the American Association of Publishers as author of the "Most Outstanding Book in Computer Science and Data Processing," Devlin's book *Logic and Information*, published by Cambridge University Press, continues to draw interest. So much so that Devlin's latest book, *InfoSense: Turning Information into Knowledge*, a Freeman publication, deals with the same theme.

Currently serving as Dean of the School of Science at St. Mary's College in Moraga, Calif., Devlin is also senior researcher at the Center of the Study of Language and Information at Stanford University. In addition, he is a consulting research professor at the University of Pittsburgh in the Department of Information Science.

In its second year, the Distinguished Visiting Scholar series is funded through Truman's Mission Enhancement initiative and is included in the University Master Plan. The primary intent of the program is to add to the intellectual life of the University, bringing a diverse array of speakers, artists, musicians and researchers to campus; and encouraging interaction among the academic community.

Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky, whose first visit is planned for March 21-23, is the third in this year's DVS series. In October, David Halberstam visited Truman and discussed his work as a journalist/historian. He will return from Feb. 21 to 23.

Devlin begins his scheduled appearances with a public lecture at 7 p.m. Jan. 31, in Violette Hall 1000, with a reception immediately following.



Student Appointed to Board

Rudy Arredondo, senior chemistry major from Kansas City, has been

appointed by Gov. Mel Carnahan to serve as the new student representative on the Board of Governors. He replaces Jessica Neighbors.

Arredondo is a member of Alpha Chi Sigma, Blue Key and Sigma Lambda Beta.

He plans to receive his bachelor's degree in the fall 2001 semester.



MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION



Martin Luther King, Jr. Symposium

3:30 p.m., Jan. 18
SUB Activities Room

Dream Big Contest Winners Announced

3 p.m., Jan. 24
Multicultural Affairs Center

All events are sponsored by the
Multicultural Affairs Center.

Gordon Joins Public Relations Office

Linda Gordon has joined the Public Relations Office as Communications Assistant. Gordon succeeds Barb Holthaus who held the position for 12 years, and now serves as Executive Director of the John Wood Community College Development Foundation in Quincy, Ill.

Gordon's primary responsibility will be to oversee the weekly writing, production and distribution of the *Truman Today*. She will also assist with other duties in the Public Relations Office.

Originally from Huntsville, Mo., Gordon received her A.A. degree from Cottey College in Nevada, Mo.; her B.S.E. and B.A. degrees from Missouri Southern State College in Joplin, Mo., and her M.E. degree

from William Woods University in Fulton, Mo.

Gordon has worked as a secondary language arts teacher at both the high school and middle school levels, and has taught writing and publication courses. In addition, she has worked as a feature writer and news reporter. The last two years she worked as an education mentor/instructor for the University of Missouri-Columbia in their Partnership for Educational Renewal Program.

Gordon is married to Dr. Robert L. Gordon, who is currently serving as Superintendent of the LaPlata Public Schools. The couple have two children and reside in LaPlata.

Junior Testing Dates Set for Spring

January marks the beginning of junior testing for some 550 juniors this semester.

Each semester juniors are tested using one of two general education assessment tests; the Academic Profile, developed by Educational Testing Service (ETS) and the Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP), developed by American College Testing (ACT). The purpose of junior testing is to provide a standardized measure with which faculty can evaluate the core curriculum.

Students are randomly assigned to take either the Academic Profile or the CAAP upon entrance into Truman, establishing a baseline measurement. Once these students earn 60 credit hours, thus reaching junior status, they retake the same assessment exam. By comparing the junior group

results with the freshman baseline measurement, weaknesses and strengths in the core curriculum can be identified.

Assessment & Testing prepares University-wide as well as divisional reports of the results and distributes them through the VPAA's Office to the divisions and university community. Faculty can then use this information along with other assessment measures to further investigate the areas of concern, make revisions and develop an improved curriculum for current and future students.

Juniors who have earned 60 credit hours and who have not taken the exam will be notified by Assessment & Testing by mail prior to the start of the testing. If you would like to know more about Truman's assessment program, please call 785.4140.

Travel and Education Program Offered

An International Education/Travel Program will be offered from May 10 to 27 for six hours of credit.

Credit hours will count toward six humanities credits under the liberal arts and sciences core or as six hours of credit, three to fulfill the inter-cultural requirement, in the liberal studies program. Visits will be made to Belgium, The Netherlands, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland and France.

The experience will combine study and field trips related to the European Union, as well as all historical and cultural

aspects that time allows. The program is appropriate for all majors, and financial aid is available for qualified students. This year, 10 scholarships, \$1,500 each, will be offered for approved faculty-sponsored interim and summer 2000 programs. Study will begin Feb. 1 to prepare for the experience.

Informational meetings are scheduled for 6 p.m., Jan. 18; 5 p.m., Jan. 19; and 6 p.m., Jan. 20; in Violette Hall 1412. For more information, contact Mary Giovannini, professor of business administration at 785.4365.

Notables

Antonio Scuderi, assistant professor of Italian, had his work on the poet and playwright Nino Martoglio recognized in a recent publication of *The Other Italy: The Literary Canon in Dialect*, by Herman W. Haller of the University of Toronto Press. *The Other Italy* is the recipient of this year's MLA award in Italian Literary Studies.

Gary Jones, associate professor of communication, had a co-authored article, "Values and Parasocial Interaction," accepted for presentation by the International Communica-

tion Association at the organization's annual June conference. Jones also had his article, "Reputation as Reservoir: Buffering Against Loss in Times of Economic Crisis," accepted for publication by *Corporate Reputation Review*.

Sally West, assistant professor of history, presented her paper, "Defining Boundaries: Class and Classlessness in Late Imperial Russian Tobacco Advertising," at the Annual Conference of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies.

Scholarships Available

Endowed Scholarships

Students can pick up the 2000-2001 Endowed and Annual Scholarship booklet in the Advancement Office, McClain 100, or Financial Aid, McClain 103. Deadline is Jan. 20, 2000. The following additional endowed scholarships have been announced:

Robert & Mona Justice Annual Athletics Scholarship

\$1,000 scholarship available for intercollegiate athletes who demonstrate financial need.

Jean Krause Memorial Scholarship

\$650 scholarship for visual arts students majoring in studio art or entering the MAE program.

Dr. Maren L. Partenheimer Memorial Scholarship

\$1,000 scholarship for a full-time student accepted into a study abroad program.

Additional Scholarships

Graduate Student Researchers Program

Must be a U.S. Citizen and full-time graduate student. Deadline is Feb. 1, 2000.

Talbots Women's Scholarship

For women returning to school later in life to complete their college degree. Deadline is March 6, 2000.

Mensa Education & Research Foundation

Awards are made on the basis of an essay that describes the applicant's career, vocational or academic goals. Deadline is Jan. 31, 2000.

National Association of Water Companies

Awards are limited graduating college seniors or current graduate students in master's programs. Deadline is April 1, 2000.

Missouri Omicron Chapter of Alpha Delta

Kappa International Honorary Sorority For male or female Missouri residents and second semester juniors majoring in education. Deadline is March 20, 2000.

Mary Jo Cobb Special Needs Scholarship and Mark M. Fitz Scholarship

Purpose is to assist students pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees in special education. Deadline is April 15, 2000.

Gas Capital Scholarship Program

Must have at least a 2.5 GPA and be enrolled as a full-time student. Must be a resident of one of ten counties in Kansas. Deadline is February 15, 2000.

For more information, call Financial Aid at 785.4130.

Junior Interview Project Set to Begin

The Junior Interview Project for the 1999-2000 school year will begin Jan. 20. Approximately 100 juniors will be interviewed about their reading and diversity experiences at Truman.

Interviews will be conducted by a stu-

dent-faculty team during the next five Thursdays from 10:30 p.m. to noon and noon to 1:30 p.m. Opportunities still exist for students to participate as interviewers. Interested students should contact David Gillette at 785.4334.

EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

Nomination applications for Educator of the Year are now available in the Student Senate office, lower level Student Union.

This is the only opportunity for students to formally recognize excellent educators on the Truman campus. All students are encouraged to nominate outstanding professors.

All nominations are due by 5 p.m., Jan. 27, in the CAOC office, lower level Student Union.

For more information, contact Kristen Riebeling at 785.4714, or call the Student Senate office at 785.4193.

Notes

Lutheran Student Fellowship will hold a free concert at 8 p.m., Jan. 18, in the SUB Down Under. *Captive Free*, a traveling youth musical group, will be the featured performers.

A Physics Colloquium will be held at 4:35 p.m., Jan. 19, in Barnett Hall 251. Don Colladay of Colby College will present "The Possibility of Violating CPT and Lorentz Symmetry." The talk will be at an advanced level, but everyone is invited to attend.

The Truman State University Chapter of the American Association of University Professors will hold an open discussion and presentation on the faculty attrition report at 5 p.m., Jan. 19, in the SUB Down Under.

The Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine will host a Health Care Topics and Issues guest speaker series at 7 p.m., Jan. 19, in the Educational Building South Classroom on the KCOM campus. Dr. Ken Ross, a 1981 graduate of KCOM, will be the featured speaker.

The Fine Arts Division will host a reception for the Juried Student Exhibition at 7 p.m., Jan. 20, in the University Art Gallery. The exhibition is open to the public and will be displayed through Feb. 5.

Franklin Street Singers will perform at 10:30 a.m., Jan. 22, in Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is free and open to the public.

Applications for the International Student Exchange Program are due no later than Jan. 24. Application packets must be complete by this date in order to receive consideration for placement during the 2000 fall semester. Students may pick up application packets at the Center for International Education Abroad Office, Kirk Building 120. For more information, call 785.4076.

An informational meeting for students interested in the Summer 2000 Missouri-London program will be held at 4:30 p.m., Jan. 25, in the SUB Activities Room. For more information, contact Dennis Leavens at 785.4269, or call the Center for International Education Abroad at 785.4076.

The Institutional Review Board will meet every Tuesday from Jan. 25 to April 25. The IRB will review projects which involve

humans as subjects. Applications to have a project included in the review must be received one week in advance of the scheduled meeting. More information and applications are available in the Office of Grants and Sponsored Programs, 785.7459.

Tim Augustine will present the career seminar "How Hard are you Knocking," from 8-10 p.m., Jan. 31, in the SUB Georgian Room. Admission is free. FAC and Delta Sigma Pi are sponsoring the event.

Applications for Glamour's 2000 Top Ten College Women Competition are due by Jan. 31. The competition recognizes achievements of female college juniors from across the country. For more information or applications, call 1.800.244.GLAM.

Full and part-time summer employment opportunities are available through the Truman Upward Bound Office. Potential positions include chemistry instructor, residence hall coordinator, residential tutor/advisors, and night supervisor. Application materials are located in the Kirk Building 220 and are due by Feb. 11. For more information, contact the office at 785.4244 or visit the website at www2.truman.edu/ub/ubhome.htm.

The annual Baldwin Lecture will take place at 8 p.m., Feb. 4, in the SUB Georgian Room. Dr. Tom Angelo, the founding Director of the Assessment Center at the School for New Learning at DePaul University, will be the featured speaker. Angelo will also hold two workshops for faculty and a discussion about Truman's assessment program during his visit. For more information, contact the Faculty Development Office at 785.4391.

Violette Museum has announced its hours for the spring semester. The museum will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays. To make an appointment, call Pickler Memorial Library at 785.4532.

Listings for part-time jobs in the Kirksville area and Truman campus are available at the University Career Center. The Career Center is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mondays through Fridays. For more information, call 785.4353.

On Campus

18 TUESDAY
3:30 p.m.-**Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium**, SUB Activities Room; see p. 2
6 p.m.-**Education/Travel Program informational meeting**, Violette Hall 1412; see p. 2; also on Jan. 19 and 20
8 p.m.-**Captive Free Concert**, SUB Down Under; see Notes

19 WEDNESDAY
4:35 p.m.-**Physics Colloquium**, Barnett 251; see Notes
5 p.m.-**AAUP chapter meeting**, SUB Down Under; see Notes
7 p.m.-**KCOM Health Care Discussion**, Educational Building South Classroom; see Notes

20 THURSDAY
7 p.m.-**Reception for Juried Student Exhibition**, University Art Gallery; see Notes
7:30 p.m.-**Kohlenberg Lyceum Series**, Baldwin Auditorium; see p. 1

22 SATURDAY
Winter Open House Visit Day
10:30 a.m.-**Franklin Street Singers performance**, Baldwin Auditorium; see Notes

24 MONDAY
3 p.m.-**Dream Big Contest Winners Announced**, Multicultural Affairs Center; see p. 2

25 TUESDAY
4:30 p.m.-**Missouri-London Program informational meeting**, SUB Activities Room; see Notes
Institutional Review Board meeting; see Notes

26 WEDNESDAY
7 p.m.-**KCOM Health Care discussion**, Educational Building South Classroom; see Notes

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