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WGST PRESENTS CONFERENCE "ON MEN"

The 14th annual Women's and Gender Studies Conference is set with a full schedule of presentations. The "On Men" conference will take place from 10:30 a.m.-5:50 p.m. March 26-28 in Violette Hall 1000.

Papers came from a mix of Truman and Kirksville communities' submissions.

March 26 begins with Masculinity in Context 1, followed by Transgender Pioneers, Men in the Media 1, The Long View and Writing Gender.

Sessions March 27 will start with Gender Pedagogy 1: A Workshop, followed by Masculinity in Context 2, Portrayals of Black Masculinity, Masculinity in Context 3 and Personal Testimony 1. Keynote speaker Patrick Dillay will present "Twitter Twinks and Lads Without Labels: Understanding Today's Non-Heterosexual College Males" at 4:30 p.m.

March 28 kicks off with Women and Patriarchy, The Uses of Poetry, Gender Pedagogy 2: A Workshop, Men in the Media 2, Dramatic Portrayals of Men and Personal Testimony 2. Lecturer Jackie Murry will present "Poetically Erect: Erinna and Nossis in Herodas 6 and 7" at 3:30 p.m.

For more information contact Linda Seidel at lseidel@truman.edu.

RiteCare Valley Makes \$100,000 Donation to Truman Early Literacy Lab

The RiteCare-Communication Disorders Early Literacy Lab, located on the Truman campus, will be able to improve upon the free services it provides to the northeast Missouri community thanks to a \$100,000 donation from RiteCare Valley of Columbia, Mo., an affiliate of the Scottish Rite, a national Masonic organization. RiteCare Valley's mission is to aid and assist children with learning and communication disorders.

In 2003, Truman and RiteCare Valley agreed to co-found and support the RiteCare-Communication Disorders Early Literacy Lab to prevent literacy problems in children who are at high risk. Truman faculty members and students provide their services at the Early Literacy Lab, while RiteCare provides funds for materials, training and other program expenses.

Funds from the RiteCare Valley donation will be used to provide state-of-the-art tests, therapy materials, computers and software to aid in the evaluation and treatment of clients. It may also be used to support student research, continuing education and other related activities in the area of literacy.

The RiteCare-Communication Disorders Early Literacy Lab is one of 178 clinics, centers and specialty programs supported by the Scottish Rite throughout the country. Located in Barnett Hall,

the Early Literacy Lab is one aspect of Truman's Speech and Hearing Clinic. Approximately 1,000 residents of all ages, from within a 100-mile radius of Kirksville, visit the Speech and Hearing Clinic each year to receive diagnostic and treatment services at no cost.



Members representing the Columbia Valley region of the Scottish Rite recently donated \$100,000 to benefit the RiteCare-Communication Disorders Early Literacy Lab. Pictured, front row, from left; Barry Cundiff; Bobby Daniels; Duane Dimmitt; Janet Gooch, Communications Disorders chair; Amy Little; Kenneth Read, Truman Board of Governor; John Sissel, Truman Board of Governor. Back row; Keith Neese, Executive Director, Masonic Home; Kelley Snipes; Terri Fechtling; Robert Barrett; University President Darrell W. Krueger; Brent Stewart, Grand Lodge of Missouri.

In addition to providing services, the Speech and Hearing Clinic provides Truman Communication Disorders students the opportunity to learn in a hands-on environment. Students begin by observing therapy, then become clinical assistants and eventually assume the responsibilities of student clinicians. Under the guidance of certified faculty, they test and treat clients for various speech, hearing and communicative disorders such as

language, articulation, early literacy, voice, fluency, augmentative and aural rehabilitation.

Nearly all Truman Communication Disorders undergraduates continue their studies at the graduate level.

Students with a graduate degree from Truman meet requirements for State of Missouri licensure, public school certification and national certification from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. For more information about the RiteCare-Communication Disorders Early Literacy Lab, or to make an appointment at the Speech and Hearing Clinic, call 660.785.7414.

Scholarships in Mathematics and Computer Science Offered to Non-Majors

SMACS Incentive Scholarships of \$500 for Fall 2009 are available to non-math and computer science majors who take classes in these fields. To be eligible, a student needs to have financial need and take math or computer science classes that do not meet a current major requirement.

Other requirements and the application form can be found at <http://smacs.truman.edu>. Students interested should apply by March 27 for first consideration. For more information contact Dana Vazzana at dvazzana@truman.edu.

JOB SEARCHING IN A RECESSION

APRIL 5

10-11:30 a.m.

Resume & Cover Letter Workshop for Beginners

Violette Hall 1432

11:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Drop in advising and resume critiquing with full-time staff
Entrance to the 1400 rooms in Violette Hall

Ace the Interview

Violette Hall 1424

11:45-1:15 p.m.

Finding a Job in a Tight Market

Violette Hall 1420

Ace the Interview

Violette Hall 1424

1:30-2:30 p.m.

The Importance of Networking in a Recession

Violette Hall 1424

Alternatives to the Job Market, including Grad School and Volunteering

Violette Hall 1428

2:45-4:15 p.m.

Interactive Resume & Cover Letter

Violette Hall 1432

Finding a Job in a Tight Market

Violette Hall 1420

Register for events on the PDI website at <http://pdi.truman.edu/register/classlist.asp>.

Sponsored by the Career Center

Percussion Artist Visits to Teach and Perform

The department of music will host John Parks, guest percussion artist, March 24-26 for a series of performance master-classes and a solo concert in Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Parks is the director of percussion at Florida State University and an internationally renowned percussion artist and educator. He earned his doctor of musical arts degree in percussion performance from the Eastman School of Music and holds two master's degrees from Northwestern University, one each in percussion performance and jazz pedagogy.

Parks made his Carnegie Hall solo recital debut in Weill Recital Hall in May 2007 and has performed with diverse performing organizations

ranging from the Eastman Wind Ensemble, to the Kansas City, Alabama, Key West, Jacksonville and Tallahassee Symphony Orchestras.

As an active scholar, he has published articles in "Percussive Notes," "Zildjian," "Pearl/Adams" and "Innovative Percussion" online educational resources.

The visit will culminate in a solo concert at 8 p.m. March 26 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. He will perform with the Truman Graduate Percussion Trio, as well as Truman faculty member, Michael Bump. Admission is free. For more information contact Michael Bump, associate professor of music, at 785.4052 or mbump@truman.edu.

Cantoria to Present the "Passion"

Cantoria will join forces with the University Chamber Orchestra, Truman faculty and guest soloists in presenting J. S. Bach's Baroque masterpiece, the "St. John Passion," at 7:30 p.m. March 28 in Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

This performance presents the "Passion" in English and German, with real-time English translations of German projected onto screens at each side of the stage.

Joining Cantoria and the Orchestra will be alumnus Frank Fleschner as the Evangelist and

faculty members Yukari Yano (harpichord), Brian Kubin (cello), Jacqueline Collett (soprano), and Elaine AuBuchon (oboe).

Guest artists include Chad Payton (alto), Christopher Goeke (tenor), Christopher Mitchell (bass/Pilate), and Elizabeth Macdonald (viola da gamba), with Truman student Jason Qualls singing the role of Jesus.

Including intermission, the performance will last about 2 hours and 30 minutes. Admission is free and open to the public.

Lend a Hand for a Living Conference Promotes Careers with Nonprofits

The Career Center will host the 3rd annual Lend a Hand for a Living nonprofit poster display and mini conference April 1. The poster display will be from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. in the Student Union Building Activities Room. Students can stop by anytime to find volunteer, employment or career information from more than 90 nonprofit organizations.

The mini conference will be from 6-9 p.m. in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. The conference is open to all students and designed to provide opportunities to learn more about the nonprofit sector. It is an interactive conference composed of a keynote speaker, three

breakout sessions and a networking reception. Truman alumni and members of the Kirksville community will present a variety of nonprofit topics. Breakout session topics include: Nonprofit vs. For Profit Employment; Career Development in Nonprofits; Year of Service Panel Discussion; Finding Internships in the Nonprofit Sector; The Importance of Fundraising and Graduate Schools for Nonprofit Careers; and Volunteering: A Great Way to Get Your Foot in the Door.

Students must pre-register for the conference by March 31 at <http://pdi.truman.edu/register>. Registered students will receive valuable information on nonprofit organizations.

SODEXO'S ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE MARCH 30 - APRIL 3

Sodexo will be collecting non-perishable food items for Kirksville families in need.

Drop off locations will be at Mainstreet Market, all campus convenience stores, and Ryle, Missouri and Centennial dining halls.

Meals, dining dollars and bonus bucks can also be donated with a percent of the proceeds going to the Kirksville Food Bank.

Communication Disorders Majors Visit Capitol



Melissa Passe, director of the Speech and Hearing Clinic and past president of the Missouri-Speech-Language-Hearing Association, along with nine communication disorders graduate students, attended the MSHA Legislative Day at the Capitol in Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 19. While there, they were Representative Rebecca McClanahan's guests on the House floor and attended presentations regarding lobbying efforts on behalf of the Association. Pictured, front row, from left; Kim Fitzgerald, Amy Little, Tera Blickhan and Katrina Hough. Back row; Kim Biller, Melissa Passe, Cara Stanley, Sarah Lockenwitz, Susan Eberly and Angie McGinnis.

NOTABLES

Members of the National Education Association Student Program attended the Student NEA State Conference Feb. 27-28 at the Doubletree Hotel at Westport in St. Louis, Mo. Members attended various workshops for future teachers, met members from other university chapters throughout Missouri and heard from keynote speakers Lily Eskelsen, NEA Secretary-Treasurer, and Margaret Williams, Missouri Teacher of the Year. In addition to workshops, Truman's chapter took home five of the seven awards including Best Webpage, Outstanding Chapter Project and Best Newsletter. The chapter president, senior Amanda Balk, was awarded Diligent Chapter Leader, and the Truman chapter was awarded Outstanding Chapter for the second year in a row.

Jon Beck, professor of computer science, moderated a panel of software engineering educators March 5. The panel, in Chattanooga, Tenn., at SIGCSE 2009, was the 40th annual technical symposium on computer science education. Accompanying Beck on the panel were Vicki Almstrum, professor of computer science at the University of Texas at Austin; Heidi Ellis, assistant professor of computer science at Trinity College in Connecticut; and Massood Towhidnejad, professor and chairman of computer and software engineering at Embry-

Riddle Aeronautical University.

Taner Edis, associate professor of physics, presented a lecture on "Science and Religion in Islam," at the Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies March 16 at the University of Michigan.

An original musical work by Warren Gooch, professor of music, will be performed in San Francisco later this spring. The composition, entitled "The View from the Tower," was selected via an international call for musical scores. This composition consists of seven comedic songs for voice, piano and tuba that take a humorous look at different aspects of the academic profession. "The View from the Tower" will be performed May 22 and 23 by cast members of the San Francisco Cabaret Opera in their "Fresh Voices" concert series. The San Francisco Cabaret Opera Company is affiliated with Goat Hall Productions, an organization dedicated to bringing innovative and entertaining theatrical concert music to the San Francisco Bay area.

Robert Bates Graber, professor emeritus of anthropology, will have two entries entitled "Culture Change" and "Social Evolution," published in the forthcoming SAGE Handbook, "21st Century Anthropology: A Reference Handbook."

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The International Students Affairs Office is now hiring Hall Hosts for Fall 2009 scholarship or work-study positions. Hall Hosts are students who live in the Residence Halls and use their scholarship or work-study hours to assist international students. To learn more about this position and pick up an application, stop by the ISAO in Kirk Building 120. For more information contact Liz Enberg at eae626@truman.edu or call the ISAO at 785.4215.

The Career Center is hiring a communication intern, a website intern and scholarship and work-study positions for the 2009-2010 academic year. The communication intern will help plan and promote Career Center events. The website intern will help update and reorganize the Career Center's website as well as create new web pages. Interested candidates should attend a required preview session at 6-7 p.m. March 24 or 5:30-6:30 p.m. March 25.

THIRD ANNUAL GLOW STICK IT TO CANCER

• TWO-MILE RUN OR WALK • 9 P.M., APRIL 7 • STOKES STADIUM

CHECK OUT <http://www2.truman.edu/~kan4887> FOR MORE INFORMATION.

SEE Program Counselor Positions

The deadline to apply for a Scholastic Enhancement Experience Counselor Position is April 3. More information can be found at <http://mac.truman.edu>.

ASIA FEST

5-8 p.m. March 27

Student Union Building
Georgian Room C

Free admission, \$1 for food.

Booths for games, origami, calligraphy, feng shui, tea, traditional clothing and more.

Sponsored by the Society for Sino-American Studies.

Fashion Extravaganza

7 p.m. March 28

Student Union Building
Activities Room

Eight models and two designers will compete for cash prizes.

Admission is \$1, door prizes are awarded, and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Presented by SUB After Dark and the Association of Black Collegians.

"CROSSING"

A movie based on the struggles of the North Korean people.

6:30 p.m. March 29

Student Union Building
Georgian Rooms B and C

Amnesty International will host the screening.

Unique Ensemble Presents Unique Week 2009-The Great Race

March 23-29

For a complete list of events check out the Truman Today online version.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid

All students are encouraged to file the 2009-2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) located at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>. It is important to apply before April 1 to be considered for all available funding. Contact the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103, at 785.4130, with any questions.

Health and Wellness Fair Set for March 25

Health and Exercise Science and Communication Speech Disorders Faculty, along with the Counseling Center and the Student Health Center, will present a Faculty and Staff Wellness Fair at 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. March 25 in the Student Union Building.

Opportunities during the fair include concurrent health information sessions, free lunch sessions with a reservation, exhibit room, and free bone density, spirometry and hearing screenings

with an appointment.

Sessions include "Foot Health: One Step at a Time," "Selecting the Right OTC," "Living with Diabetes," "Yoga Ball Exercises," "Common Sense for Starting an Exercise Program," "Understanding Your Screening Results" and many more.

For more information about the Faculty and Staff Wellness Fair or worksite health promotion contact Janice Young at jyoung@truman.edu or call 785.4461.

Social Justice Week Raises Campus Awareness

Truman in Africa and Students for Social Change will sponsor Social Justice Week March 30-April 2. The purpose of Social Justice Week is to spread the concept of a world which affords everyone fair treatment and an impartial share of the benefits of society.

Activities will begin with a Poverty Simulation at 6:30 p.m. March 30 in the Student Union Building Activities Room 3200.

Guest speaker Jennifer Rafanan will present "Immigration in Missouri: Myths, Facts and Policy Considerations," at 7 p.m. March 31 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room C.

A documentary about TOMS Shoes will be shown at 7 p.m. April 1 at the University Club House. The event will include showings of the award-winning documentary "Style your Soles,"

an explanation of TOMS' mission, at 7 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. For every pair of shoes purchased, TOMS shoes donates a pair to a child in need. Student with TOMS shoes can also decorate them at the event. Those wishing to purchase a pair can visit <http://www.tomsshoes.com> (with discount code CAMPSTRU). For more information about the event, contact Tamara Arredondo at t.l.arredondo@gmail.com.

The week will end with Displacement Camp in the Student Union Building April 2. An Invisible Children Documentary will also be shown at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. For more information about the week visit the Social Justice Week table in the Student Union Building March 30-April 2 or e-mail trumaninafrica@gmail.com.

NOTES

The Governmental Affairs Committee of the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a public forum March 24 at the Shrine Club to introduce candidates running for Kirksville City Council and address other local issues on the April 1 ballot. Candidates will be available to meet members of the public from 5:30-6:30 p.m. There will also be an information table regarding the local sales tax issue. A question and answer session, moderated by representatives of the local media, will take place from 6:30-7:30 p.m. TruNews staff will be on hand to tape the forum so those community members who were not able to attend will have the option of viewing it on the City of Kirksville's cable channel 3. Times will be posted later. Truman students living on campus will have the option of viewing it on the University's cable channel 36 at a later date. **The Society for Sino-American Studies will**

host a Diversity Forum for members of Unique Ensemble, HALO, College Democrats, Phi Beta Lambda, Society for Sino-American Studies and the Center for Student Involvement at 6 p.m. March 24 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. Participation is free for this event. **Leadership Forum will sponsor speaker Angela "Bay" Buchanan** at 8 p.m. March 26 in Violette Hall 1000. Buchanan will discuss illegal immigration and is the sister of Pat Buchanan and a CNN contributor.

Omicron Delta Kappa, national leadership honors society, is accepting applications for their Leadership Hall of Fame. Applications, available for all graduating seniors, can be found at http://odk.truman.edu/new_page_2.htm and are due by March 27. Finalists will be interviewed by April 1 and announced at the Leadership and Recognition Program April 8.

RESEARCH GUIDES

The Library has Research Guides for all area. To find the best sources for any subject including: Biology; Graduate and Professional Schools; Public Policy Making or Religion, use the Research Guides. For more information visit <http://library.truman.edu/guides/mainpage.htm>.

CALENDAR

Check out the Master Calendar, available at <http://calendar.truman.edu>, as well as on the Truman home page and TruView, for updated daily campus events. Information about numerous off-campus events can be found by clicking on the Kirksville tab in TruView.

PUBLIC RELATIONS INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Truman Public Relations Office is now accepting resumes for the full-time Fall 2009 internship position.

Interns can receive course credit, a stipend and valuable experience in public relations office duties. Interns usually take six hours of class in addition to six hours of internship credit.

Applicants should have a strong background in writing and editing. Communication majors are encouraged to apply, with special consideration given to candidates with knowledge of Associated Press style, experience in desktop publishing and familiarity of InDesign or similar software.

To apply, send a resume, two writing samples and contact information for two on-campus references to the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 101. For questions, contact Heidi Templeton at heidit@truman.edu. Deadline to submit information is April 2.

FREE Tax Return Preparation

Beta Alpha Psi provides FREE Volunteer Income Tax Assistance to the community.

8 a.m.-3 p.m.
March 28 and April 4
Violette Hall 1424

All volunteers are IRS certified and all returns are reviewed for accuracy.

For more information visit <http://bap.truman.edu> or call 785.4268.

