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Celebrate

Harry S. Truman's
118th Birthday
at the

Truman Birthday Picnic

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
May 8
on the Mall

Menu will include:
fresh grilled hamburgers
hot dogs

barbecue chicken
veggie burgers
various salads and
condiments
cake and ice cream
soda, tea and water

Cost is \$5 without
reservations and
\$4 with advance reservations.
Reservations may be made
by calling 785.4016
or by e-mailing
lbradley@truman.edu.



National Alumni Association
and Student Alumni Council
will host the

Spring Graduation Picnic

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
May 8
on the Mall

For more information,
contact Denise Watson
at 785.4174



Rain site for the two picnics
is the SUB Georgian Room

DeLancey Named Truman's Educator of the Year

Julia DeLancey, associate professor of art, was announced as Educator of the Year at the 12th annual banquet held April 25. DeLancey began teaching at Truman in 1995. She received her bachelor's degree with honors from the University of Michigan and her doctorate from the University of St. Andrews in Scotland.

She currently teaches courses in historical methods, Baroque art and art history senior thesis. In addition, she is the campus liaison for the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars. She is also the president of Truman's Phi Kappa Phi chapter.

Each finalist was asked to respond to the question, "What does excellence mean to you?"

"As members of a community of which we have each chosen to be a part of, we each have a responsibility to model,



Educator of the Year finalists honored were (left to right) Marie Orton, Adam Davis, Julia DeLancey, Jon Beck and Jeff Gall. Finalist Diane Janick-Buckner is not pictured.

encourage and thereby perpetuate excellence," DeLancey responded. "In the same way that knowledge cannot exist in a vacuum, neither can excellence. It must be supported, shaped and demonstrated to continue."

This year 31 faculty were nominated for the Educator of the Year award, the most nominations since 1990. The committee narrows the group down to 12 semi-finalists and then to six finalists. The honoree is eventually selected by a student committee after observing the faculty members in their classroom, getting input from the students in their classes and reviewing the written responses by the faculty members.

The Educator of the Year program is sponsored by Student Senate, Alpha Phi Sigma, Pershing Society, Phi Eta Sigma and Phi Kappa Phi.

Forensics Team Places Fifth in the Nation

The Truman State University Forensics team placed fifth in the National Forensic Association Tournament in President's Division I for the second consecutive year.

Several Truman students placed in elimination rounds. Brian Amsden, senior communication major from Fenton, Mo., was a quarterfinalist in Lincoln-Douglas debate. Amy Carmack, junior communication arts major from Sedalia, Mo., was a quarterfinalist in both after-dinner speaking and prose interpretation. Heather Carmack, junior communication arts major from Sedalia, Mo., with her partner Nathaniel Dendy, freshman theater major from Liberty, Mo., were quarterfinalists in duo

interpretation. Dendy also was a quarterfinalist in prose interpretation and poetry interpretation. Kristopher Kueker, sophomore computer science major from Perryville, Mo., also reached the quarterfinals of after-dinner speaking.

The team's national ranking would not have been possible without outstanding preliminary round contributions from Julie Anderson, freshman biology and theater double major from DeKalb, Ill.; Jaci Devine, freshman communication major from Inverness, Ill.; Summer Kirchmann, freshman justice systems major from Springfield, Mo.; Shane Mullen, freshman from Maryville, Mo.; and Ben Williams, freshman from Blue Springs, Mo.

Retirement Reception for Gretchen Cornell

28 years of service at Truman

4-6 p.m.
May 7

SUB Governors' Room

Donations will be accepted for the Gretchen and Pete Cornell Scholarship Fund

For more information, call 785.4557.

UNIVERSITY COUNSELING SERVICES

Director Candidate Open Forum

TAMMY BRINGAZE

11 a.m. to noon
May 1
SUB

Conference Room

The forum is open to the Truman community

A presentation for Truman students will follow at 1:30 p.m. in the UCS basement

For more information, call 785.4111.

Truman Mathematics Team Places First Among 23 Teams in Missouri

At the recent seventh annual Missouri MAA Collegiate Mathematics Competition, Truman's Team A was the highest scoring team, placing first among a list of 23 teams from 13 universities in Missouri that included those from Washington

University and the University of Missouri-Columbia. This is the first time a team from Truman has won the competition.

The competition was held in conjunction with the 2002 Missouri Section meeting of the Mathematical Association of America hosted by Truman State University in Kirksville, April 11-13.



(Left to right) Matt Wright, Greg Knese and Dan Clark are congratulated by President Jack Magruder for placing first at the Missouri MAA Collegiate Mathematics Competition.

Members of Truman's Team A are Greg Knese from Fenton, Mo., Daniel Clark of Warrensburg, Mo., and Matt Wright from Raytown, Mo.

Truman's Team B placed eighth and consisted of Carlos DiStefano of Kirksville, Laurnelle Schmitz of Kansas City, Mo., and Ajay

Panday of Kathmandu, Nepal. Both of Truman's teams were sponsored by Steve Smith, professor of mathematics.

Each team is given 10 problems to choose from. The team chooses one problem to work on together and they are then given five hours to come up with a solution.

Truman Students Win SPJ's Region 7 Mark-of-Excellence Awards

Students working for the Index and TruNews were named as winners in the Society of Professional Journalists Region 7 Mark of Excellence competition April 13. The Index won second as the Best All Around Non-Daily Student Newspaper.

Region 7 includes Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas. The special awards ceremony was part of a joint Region 5 and 7 conference held at Lincoln Land Community College, Springfield, Ill. The conference drew more than 130 professional and student journalists from a seven-state area, including 10 from Truman State University's chapter.

For 28 years, the Society of Professional Journalists has presented the Mark of Excellence Awards honoring the best in student journalism. Judged at the regional and national level, the awards offer categories for print, online, radio and television collegiate journalism. First place winners will now compete at the national level.

National winners will be announced in the *Quill*, the official magazine of the Society of Professional Journalists and will

be honored in the fall at the 2002 SPJ National Convention in Fort Worth, Texas.

Truman's winning entries:

Media Awards

Second place for best all around non-daily student newspaper:

Index

Individual Awards

First place for in-depth reporting:

Jennifer Initar, Brooke Roncke and Lauren Sladek

Index

(Now entered in the national competition)

Second place for general news reporting:

Sarah St. John and Maureen Tierney

Index

Second place for general news photography:

Luke Trautwein

Index

Honorable mention for photo illustration:

Luke Trautwein and Dalton Paley

Index

Second place for television sports reporting:

Brandon Kieper

TruNews

Notables

Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence and professor of comparative literature, had a poem titled "Always Completely at Home" accepted for publication in *The 88: A Journal of Contemporary American Poetry* based in Venice, Calif. On April 21, he gave a reading of his new work at the St. Louis Poetry Center. He was invited to give presentations at the annual state association of poetry societies convention in September. He was also invited to give a reading at the University of Evansville (Ind.) in September.

Stephen Grollman, residential college adviser, presented a paper titled "Haunted by the Holocaust: the Generational Conflict in Jurek Becker's *Bronstein's Children*" at the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference at the University of Kentucky (Lexington) April 18.

Pete Kelly, assistant professor of special education, and members of the foundations of education class used a grant from the Missouri Campus Compact to develop and implement a service learning project. They built a retaining wall at Forrest-Lewellan Cemetery on Osteopathy Drive April 27. The wall was for Paul Blesz's Eagle

Project for troop #401 with approximately \$3,000 grant support for the project.

Melissa Passe, clinical supervision coordinator for the Speech and Hearing Clinic, was awarded the 1st Award for Continuing Education (ACE) from the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Dec. 1, 2001.

Lloyd Pflueger, associate professor of philosophy and religion, presented the paper "Where am I: Some Ancient and Modern Yogic Views on Locating the Seat of Consciousness" for Tucson 2002: A Science of Consciousness conference in Tucson, Ariz., April 8-12.

Eileen Webber, junior health science major from Ferguson, Mo., presented the workshop "Exercise is Good Medicine" at the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine as part of the Still-Well Seminar Series.

Sally West, associate professor of history, received a NEH grant to participate in a summer institute at Harvard University. The institute is titled "Towards an Integrated History of Eurasia."

Psychophysiology Research Team Presents Papers



Student members of Fred Shaffer's undergraduate applied psychophysiology research team presented three research papers at the 33rd annual meeting of the Association for Applied Psychophysiology and Biofeedback (AAPB) in Las Vegas, March 21-24. The student participants were: Logan Banks, senior psychology major from Irontdale, Mo.; Amanda Doerr, junior psychology major from Florissant, Mo.; Frederick Franken, senior psychology major from High Ridge, Mo.; Lynn

Johnson, junior psychology major from Chillicothe, Ill.; Stephanie Laxton, junior psychology major from Kirksville; Adam Lipps, senior psychology major from Independence, Mo.; Chad Peters, senior psychology major from Mountain Lake, Minn.; Blake Schneider, senior psychology major from Belleville, Ill.; Stephanie Steinman, senior psychology major from Hamilton, Ill.; and Curtis Stokes, senior psychology major from Jefferson City, Mo.

Grim Hall Wins Recycling Competition



President Jack Magruder presents Morgan Meyer, Grim Hall director, with a trophy made by the Art Club for winning the recycling competition.

Grim Hall won the Residence Hall Earth Day Contest by collecting the most pop cans to recycle. The winner was determined by the hall population to can weight ratio. The competition was held from April 11-17.

The Art Club, advised by Jim Jereb, designed and created the trophy for the winning residence hall. The winner was announced during the Earth Day celebration April 22.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream"

8 p.m.
April 30-May 3
Baldwin Hall
Little Theatre

8 p.m.
May 4-5
Sunken Garden

Tickets can be reserved for \$1.

For more information, call 785.4519.

There will be a **Fine Arts Annual Awards Ceremony** at 4:30 p.m., April 30, in the SUB Georgian Room. The fine arts department will highlight accomplishments of fine arts students over the past year as well as recognize academic achievements. A reception will follow.

The **Faculty Development Weekly Lunch Series** will feature "Looking at the Truman Community Backward, Presently and Forward" from 12:15-1:15 p.m., May 1, in the SUB Spanish Room. Shirley Morahan will be the guest speaker. For more information, contact Faculty Development at 785.4391.

The **Dobson Hall Film Series** will present "Stalker" at 7 p.m., May 1, in OP 2210. For more information, contact Dennis Leavens at 785.5145. There will be a **University Concert Band Concert** at 8 p.m., May 2, in Baldwin Auditorium.

Katherine A. Dettwyler will present "Beauty and the Beast" at 7 p.m., May 3, in Violette Hall. For more information, e-mail Kenneth Carter at kcarter@truman.edu.

There will be a **Chamber Choir Concert** at 7:30 p.m., May 3, at First Presbyterian Church. For more information, e-mail pcrabb@truman.edu. **Campbellpalooza featuring bands, tie dye and games** will be at 3 p.m., May 4, in the Campbell parking lot. Bands Todd Rocket and the Get Well Soons, Nine O' Clock Logic and Until Tomorrow will play. The movie "Chicken Run" will be shown at 7:30 p.m.

The **Franklin Street Singers** will have a **Spring Concert** at 4 p.m., May 4, in Baldwin Auditorium. For more information, e-mail jcollett@truman.edu. There will be a **Jazz Combo III Concert and Jam Session** at 7:30 p.m., May 4, at the Selby House. For more information, e-mail pwlosok@truman.edu.

There will be a **Cantoria Concert** at 3 p.m., May 5, at First Christian Church. For more information, e-mail pcrabb@truman.edu.

The **Catholic Newman Center** will sponsor a **barbecue open to all students** from 4:30-6 p.m., May 5, at the Catholic Newman Center. The cost is \$1. For more information, call 785.7163.

The **Chariton Valley Audubon Society** will sponsor the **Great Adair County Bird-A-Thon** on May 5. Proceeds will go to the Nedra Klein Memorial Scholarship Fund. To participate or sponsor a participant, contact Pete Goldman at 785.4632 or pgoldman@truman.edu.

There will be a **Wind Symphony Concert** at 8 p.m., May 6, in Baldwin Auditorium. For more information, e-mail pete@truman.edu.

There will be a **Bachelor of Fine Arts Visual Communications Portfolio Review** at 7 p.m., May 7, in the SUB Georgian Room.

Donated items are being accepted for the Centennial Hall Flea Market from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., May 8, in the Centennial Hall Main Lounge. All money raised will go to the Kirksville Habitat for Humanity. Donated items can be dropped off at the Centennial Hall Desk. For more information, contact Heather Stalling at 785.5115 or at heatherstalling@hotmail.com.

Bacchus and Gamma and Lambda Chi Alpha will have a **Kickball Tournament** at 1 p.m., May 8, on the field behind the Student Recreation Center. Registration is available at the Center for Student Involvement and the cost is \$10 for an eight-person team. They plan to hold the event annually. For more information, contact Rob Miller at 785.7326.

There will be a **study abroad orientation for all students who plan to study abroad during the summer or fall of 2002**. The meeting will be from 3-5 p.m., May 8, in the SUB Conference Room. All accepted study abroad participants must attend. Several former participants will talk about their experiences and answer questions.

The **Film Maker's Club** will show the **premiere of its second film "Far From View"** at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., May 8, in the Baldwin Hall Little Theatre. The **University Club Spring Cookout** will be May 17 with musical entertainment by Red Wing. **Seniors can reserve a copy of the Echo Yearbook** in the Echo Office on the lower level of the SUB. The Echo will need a shipping address and \$5 to cover the shipping costs and the book will be sent in August as soon as it arrives. For more information, contact the Echo Yearbook Office at 785.4450.

Omicron Delta Kappa Presents Gift to Campaign



Omicron Delta Kappa Faculty Secretary David Hoffman, Vice-President Erin Leszynski, and President Brandon Harris, recently presented a check to University President Jack Magruder on behalf of Omicron Delta Kappa to support the Magruder Hall Campaign.

The Truman chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa will be recognized with an engraved brick in the new plaza just north of the building. Their donation was a result of their organization's name being drawn out from all of those organizations who participated in a Strategic Planning Advisory Committee focus group.

Truman Today is a weekly publication of Truman State University for faculty, staff and students. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Tuesday's publication. Entries should be submitted by sending an e-mail to ksvoboda@truman.edu or by completing a *Truman Today* form available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 102. It may also be accessed online at <http://trumantoday.truman.edu/submissionform.pdf>.

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noon-Truman baseball vs. Emporia State, Truman Baseball Park

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4 SATURDAY
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7:30 p.m.-Jazz Combo III concert, Selby House; see Notes

5 SUNDAY
3 p.m.-Cantoria concert, First Christian Church; see Notes

4:30-6 p.m.-Catholic Newman Center barbecue, Catholic Newman Center; see Notes

6 MONDAY
8 p.m.-Wind Symphony concert, Baldwin Auditorium; see Notes

**Business Office
Cashier's Window
Limited Hours**

Open 1-4 p.m.
May 6-8