

Truman *today*

A weekly newsletter for students, faculty and staff

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All-University Meeting

2:30 p.m.
Feb. 11

Student Union Building
Georgian Room

President Paino will host an all-University meeting to update the campus on the budget for Fiscal Year 2012.

A webcast of the meeting will be available shortly after the meeting ends.

The Big Event

10 a.m.-2 p.m.
March 19

Truman students will provide services to community residents by raking leaves, washing windows, painting and more.

The Big Event gives Truman students the opportunity to show appreciation for the support the Kirksville community has offered them.

Registration for volunteers and hosts:

Feb. 4-March 4

<http://www.serve.truman.edu/bigevent> or through the SERVE Center at 785.7222.

Truman Institute Begins Professional Development Certification Program

The Truman Institute, in cooperation with the School of Business, will soon offer a new professional development opportunity to working professionals.

The first two courses in the Managerial Foundations Certificate (MFC) give candidates key practical management knowledge. Faculty will offer the courses—BUS 620G Financial Management and BUS 625G Organizational Behavior and Management—in a condensed eight-week session in April and May to give students a taste of the planned program.

The planned certificate has been proposed for inclusion in Truman's accreditation relationship with the Higher Learning Commission. This proposal will be reviewed during the spring, with formal action expected by Summer 2011.

Completion of the Managerial Foundations Certificate prepares participants to deal with increased global competitiveness while they manage resources and people more efficiently and effectively. The certificate provides participants with a working knowledge of proven management and leadership techniques combined with sound financial analysis.

Additionally, participants learn foundations of human resource management, conflict management, negotiations, project management and international management by selecting further coursework depending on their current or future career path needs.

Completion of the certificate means participants will have achieved a number of the prerequisites needed to succeed in any master's of business administration program.

Faculty at Truman designed the certificate for practicing managers who want to update and enhance their managerial skills, or for working professionals who want a management career path within a complex business environment.

The certificate is also appropriate for those who are contemplating enrolling in an MBA program and want to begin by taking some of the graduate prerequisite courses.

The special session represents a major step for the Institute and its offerings.

"Whenever an institution initiates its first fully online program—even if it's a certificate—the regional accrediting bodies conduct a site visit to make certain the right support services are being provided," said Kevin Minch, director of the Truman Institute. "The timing of the visit is great because it gives us a chance to let potential students sample some outstanding courses while giving the folks at the Higher Learning Commission a chance to observe what we're doing with select online learning programs."

Formal action in Truman's favor would mean the full certificate program could be available as early as this summer, followed shortly by three other planned certificates.

Truman faculty are currently putting the final touches on the following additional certificates: Sustainability and Environmental Studies, Computer Security and Ada Programming. The University would include these certificates under the accreditation relationship with the Higher Learning Commission.

"If HLC gives us the green light, we'll be offering all four certificates by Fall 2011 and students will be able to complete any one of them in a calendar year," Minch said.

Anyone interested in enrolling in Managerial Foundations coursework may contact the Truman Institute at 785.5384, visit the Truman Institute website at <http://institute.truman.edu> or e-mail the Institute at jmorton@truman.edu.

Interested candidates should submit their application for enrollment in the April special session no later than March 28.

Nominations for the 2011 Leadership Recognition Program

Nominate students, organizations and advisers online at <http://csi.truman.edu> or pick up packets in the Center for Student Involvement Office in the Student Union Building.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA) offers free tax return preparation by IRS-certified volunteers and free electronic filing to receive a faster return. VITA offers tax assistance for clients with low to moderate income levels filing simple tax returns.

8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Feb. 12, 19, 26

March 26
Violette Hall 1424

To file your tax return, bring:

* Social security cards for you, your spouse and dependents and/or a social security number verification letter issued by the Social Security Administration

* Wage and earning statement(s), Form W-2, W-2G, 1099-R form and interest and dividend statements from banks (Forms 1099)

* A copy of last year's federal and state returns if available

* Bank routing numbers and account numbers for direct deposit

* Total paid for day care provider and the day care provider's tax identifying number (SSN or the Business Employer Identification Number)

Both spouses must be present to sign the required forms.

FAFSA Events Could Yield Scholarships

Students who participate in free "FAFSA Frenzy" events have a chance to win one of four \$1,000 scholarships.

The FAFSA is a Free Application for Federal Student Aid, the first step all students must take to obtain financial assistance to attend college.

FAFSA Frenzy events help students and their parents submit accurate financial information that is used to determine student eligibility for need-based student aid. State and federal governments and all colleges and universities consider the FAFSA when awarding need-based student financial aid.

Missouri students are encouraged to complete the FAFSA as early as possible, but no later than April 1 for timely consideration for financial aid. Students and families do not need to have filed their federal income taxes for 2010 in order to participate in a FAFSA Frenzy event or to complete the FAFSA.

FAFSA Frenzy will take place at 33 sites from Feb. 13 and 22 sites on various dates and times during February and March.

The FAFSA Frenzy in Kirksville will take place from 2-4 p.m. Feb. 13 at the Kirksville Higher Education Center at 2105 E. Normal.

For information on other FAFSA Frenzy events, go to http://dhe.mo.gov/documents/FF_Sitelist_Update_2011.pdf. The Missouri Association of Student Financial Aid Personnel's Show-Me to College events calendar at <http://masfap.org/Safari/> allows people to search for events by county, city, date or other criteria. Sites will also be published in the February and March issues of the MDHE's electronic newsletter, the Monthly Student Reminder.

Participants are asked to bring: 2010 W-2 forms; copies of 2010 tax forms, or any year-end pay stubs; statements of interest earned in 2010; 2009 tax forms; 1099 forms; any other forms required to complete taxes; and student PIN and parent PIN which can be obtained at <http://www.pin.ed.gov>. Students who attend an event will be entered into a drawing to win one of four \$1,000 scholarships. All students receive gift bags with information for planning and paying for college.

Award Created to Honor Retiring Employee

In honor of Howard Worcester's retirement after 11 years of service to the University, the first "Worcester Environmental Activist Award" will be awarded this year through the Truman State University Foundation's Environment Fund.

Worcester worked as the recycling/surplus coordinator and was instrumental in the creation of the Recycling Center on campus.

The new award will be presented annually during Earth Week to a Truman student or students chosen by the Sustainability Action Committee (SAC). Students will be considered for the award if they actively promote environmental practices on campus and in the community.

The SAC was created in Spring 2009 to identify and evaluate ways to modify University

practices to create a more ecologically sound, socially just and economically viable campus and community.

Worcester was hired in February 2000 as a custodian and was transferred to the recycling/surplus coordinator position in June 2001. He received the Hat's Off Award in 2000 and the Points of Excellence Award in 2007.

The Environment Fund is one of more than 170 new funds established through the Truman State University Foundation during the Bright Minds Bright Futures Campaign. Its purpose is to support environmental responsibility and sustainability on campus.

Gifts can be made to the Environment Fund through payroll deduction or an outright gift.

Truman Intramural Recreational Sports Planner

Activity	League	Division	Deadline	Captains' Meeting	Play Begins
Racquetball-Singles*	Men's/Women's	Open/Org/Greek	Feb. 15	E-mail	Feb. 19-20
BAGGO	Men's/Women's/Co-Rec	Open/Org/Greek	Feb. 22	E-mail	Feb. 27
Volleyball	Men's/Women's/Co-Rec	Open/Org/Greek	Mar. 1	Mar. 2	Mar. 14
Outdoor Soccer	Men's/Women's/Co-Rec	Open/Org/Greek	Mar. 1	Mar. 2	Mar. 14
NCAA March Madness BB	Open	Open	Mar. 14	NA	Mar. 15
Closest to the Pin	Men's/Women's	Open/Org/Greek	Mar. 29	E-mail	Apr. 3
Swim Meet	Men's/Women's/Co-Rec	Open/Org/Greek	Apr. 5	E-mail	Apr. 7
Ultimate Frisbee	Co-Rec	Open	Apr. 12	E-mail	Apr. 16-17
Punt Pass & Kick	Men's/Women's	Open/Org/Greek	Apr. 19	E-mail	Apr. 20
Track Meet	Men's/Women's/Co-Rec	Open/Org/Greek	Apr. 19	E-mail	Apr. 21
T-shirt Design Contest	Men's/Women's	Open	Apr. 29	E-mail	NA

All information, rules and registration requirements are online at <http://recreation.truman.edu/intramuralrec.asp>, or contact the Intramural Office at 785.4467. Captains' Meetings will take place at 4:30 p.m. in the SRC Conference Room. *All racquetball matches will be played at the A.T. Still Thompson Campus Center.

Rotary Peace Fellowship Offers Worldwide Opportunities

The Rotary Foundation is now accepting applications for the world-competitive Rotary Peace Fellowship.

The fellowship provides academic and practical training to prepare scholars for leadership roles in solving conflicts around the world. Up to 100 fellows are selected every year in a globally competitive

process based on personal, academic and professional achievements. Fellows earn a master's-level degree or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict studies at one of six Rotary Peace Centers at leading universities in Argentina, Australia, England, Japan, the United States and Thailand.

The 2012 Academic term deadline is July 1. Applications are available at <http://www.rotary.org/rotarycenters>. Applicants should pay close attention to the language and academic test requirements for each center.

All Rotary Peace Fellowship applications need the endorsement of a local Rotary

district. Local Rotary Clubs can be found by using the Club Locator tool on the Rotary International web site at <http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/ridefault.aspx>.

For additional questions, contact Niki Fritz at 847.866.3307 or Niki.Fritz@Rotary.org.

NOTABLES

Dan Cook, an agricultural science major, was recently selected as one of 24 university students nationwide to attend the USDA's 2011 Agricultural Outlook Forum, taking place Feb. 24-25 in Arlington, Va. The juniors and seniors were selected based on their essays, "Agriculture as a Career," and recommendations from their deans.

Sarah (Spader) Stein, a 2002 graduate of Truman, was awarded a doctoral fellowship in accounting for 2011 from the Deloitte Foundation. Each grantee will receive \$25,000 during their final year of coursework and subsequent year as they complete their doctoral dissertation. Stein will join more than 1,000

accounting Ph.D. candidates who have received this prestigious award during the last 50 years.

Truman Students for Life won the Community Outreach Award during the annual Students for Life of America Conference and March for Life in Washington, D.C., during the weekend of Jan. 22. The \$250 prize was one of seven awarded at the event. The conference recognized Truman Students for Life for multiple fundraising drives and events to benefit the Lifeline Pregnancy Help Clinic, including LifeFest, a concert and barbeque that raised more than \$700. This March, the organization plans to paint the outside of Genesis House, a new maternity home in Edina, Mo.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

KY3 television station in Springfield, Mo., has established a scholarship to encourage students to enter broadcasting as a career and to seek the highest quality education in the field. To be eligible for this scholarship, students must be an Arkansas or Missouri resident with a permanent address in one of the following counties: Baxter, Boone, Carroll, Fulton, Marion or Newton in Arkansas; or Barry, Benton, Camden, Cedar, Christian, Dade, Dallas, Dent, Douglas, Greene, Hickory, Howell, Lawrence, Laclede, Oregon, Ozark, Polk, Pulaski, St. Clair, Shannon, Stone, Taney, Texas, Webster or Wright in Missouri. Other qualifications include being enrolled in broadcast or a related curriculum, which may include, but is not limited to: accounting, communications, engineering, journalism, mass media and marketing. For further qualifications and an application, go to <http://ky3.com>.

The Alumnae Panhellenic Association of Greater Kansas City is offering scholarship opportunities to female college juniors, seniors or

graduate students who are residents of the greater Kansas City area and attend Kansas or Missouri schools. The Kansas City area is defined as Cass, Clay, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Leavenworth, Miami and Wyandotte counties in Kansas. Greek sorority membership is required to apply for this program. The application deadline is Feb. 4. Applications are available online at <http://kcpahnel.com>.

The Missouri Insurance Education Foundation will award scholarships to students attending Missouri colleges or universities in a program that could lead to positions in the insurance industry in Missouri. The \$2,500 C. Lawrence Leggett Scholarship will be awarded to a junior or senior Missouri resident majoring in insurance or a related area of study in a Missouri college or university. In addition to the Leggett Scholarship, the foundation has established an additional scholarship available in the amount of \$2,000. Application forms are available online at <http://mief.org>. Applications are due by March 31.

Truman Today is a weekly publication of Truman State University for students, faculty and staff. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Tuesday's publication. Entries should be submitted by sending an e-mail to tmies@truman.edu or by completing a Truman Today form available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 101. The form may also be accessed online at <http://trumantoday.truman.edu/submissionform.pdf>. All submissions are subject to editing for clarity and style. Truman Today • Vol. 15 No. 20 • February 8, 2011

Still Spirit Award Nominations

The deadline for the 2011 Still Spirit nominations is Feb. 25. Submissions can be made online at <http://atsu.edu/spirit>. For questions regarding nominations or the 2011 Still Spirit Awards Dinner and Ceremony, contact Virginia Halterman at 660.626.2544 or halterman@atsu.edu.

2011 Still Spirit Awards Ceremony

March 31
Student Union Building
Georgian Room
6 p.m. Dinner
7 p.m. Awards Ceremony
\$17 per person
RSVP by March 18 to communications@atsu.edu or 660.626.2272

Summer Positions for the SPECTRA Scholar Program

The Next STEP Office 2011 SPECTRA Summer Scholar Program is seeking applications for:

Academic Trainer (deadline Feb. 15)

Student Adviser (currently no deadline)

The summer program takes place June 3 through July 29. Interested students can apply on TruPositions.

For more information, contact Kelsey Auran de Razo at spectra@truman.edu or 785.7252.

NOTES

The Society for Sino-American Studies will be taking orders for fresh red or colored roses and bouquets Feb. 7-11 in the Student Union Building. Orders can also be placed online at <http://ssas.truman.edu>.

The Spring Showcase for the Mostly Live Composers Society will take place from 3:30-4:20 p.m. Feb. 8 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. This event is an opportunity for student composers to see performances of their music and demonstrates contemporary styles of music and current trends in composition.

The Student Activities Board will host 90s Trivia from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Feb. 8 in the Student Union Building Spanish Room. This event will include free food and prizes.

The Hispanic American Leadership Organization (H.A.L.O.) will sponsor the documentary "Papers" at 7 p.m. Feb. 8 in Baldwin Hall Little Theatre. Speakers from the Kansas-Missouri D.R.E.A.M. Alliance will also be present to speak about their work. Refreshments will be provided.

Eating Disorders Awareness Week, sponsored by Alpha Sigma Gamma, continues Feb. 8-9. Shannon Cuts will present "Beauty Undressed" at 7 p.m. Feb. 8 in Baldwin Auditorium. "Coffee and Consciousness" with University Counseling Services will take place at 7 p.m. Feb. 9 in the Student Union Building Down Under. The organization will also sponsor a vigil at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 9 in Violette Hall 1000.

The University Observatory will host an open house from 7-9 p.m. Feb. 9. The observatory is located at the University farm. For more details, go to <http://observatory.truman.edu>.

All presenters for Truman's 24th annual Student Research Conference (SRC) are required to submit abstracts online at <http://src.truman.edu> by Feb. 11. For inquiries about the SRC, contact the Office of Student Research at 785.4455 or osr@truman.edu.

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) will meet at 4:30 p.m. Feb. 11 at the University Club House, located at 516 E. Patterson. Contact Marc Becker at marc@truman.edu or call 785.6036 for more information.

The Quincy Symphony Orchestra concert, "Virtuosic Vision," will take place at

3 p.m. Feb. 13 at the Quincy Jr. High School Morrison Theater in Quincy, Ill. Admission is free for faculty, staff and students with a Truman ID.

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) will host a Faculty Brownbag Lunch from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Feb. 16 in the Student Union Building Spanish Room. For more information, see <http://aaup.truman.edu> or contact Marc Becker at marc@truman.edu.

The Physics Colloquium continues at 4:30 Feb. 16 in Magruder 1096 with "Quantum mechanics in non-inertial reference frames: implications for equivalence principle and gravity."

The SERVE Center will host a Volunteer Fair from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Feb. 17. This event is meant to educate students about local organizations and to recruit volunteers. The SERVE Center, along with the Spring 2011 Structured Inequalities class in the Sociology/Anthropology Department, has organized this event.

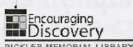
A faculty forum entitled "Blake's Bounding Lines and the Art of Interdisciplinarity" will take place from 7-9 p.m. Feb. 17 in Ophelia Parrish 2210. A reception will follow.

"4 Real 4 Faux—Animating the Vernacular" will be on display in Ophelia Parrish's main art gallery through Feb. 18. The display features artwork influenced by outsider art and was curated by the Truman Curatorial Fellow Nancy Mizuno Elliot. The closing reception for this display will take place at 6 p.m. Feb. 18.

The Truman Art Gallery is now featuring Renaissance prints through Feb. 18. This exhibit, "The Workshop and the World," contains 15th and 16th century prints from various collections and was curated by Julia DeLancey, professor of art and art history, with student assistance.

The National History Day Competition will take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 19 in Violette Hall. This event is sponsored by the Department of History.

Amtrak is now seeking train travel-themed videos from college students to compete for more than \$3,000 in prizes. For more information, contest rules, prize details and to enter the second annual Amtrak TRAINsportation video contest, visit <http://amtraktransportationvideocontest.com>. Entries must be submitted by Feb. 28.



Resource to know...

Social Explorer provides easy access to demographic information about the United States from 1790 to present. There are customized maps on many topics ranging from census maps, maps for carbon emissions and maps for where people of certain religions live in the United States. Visit <http://www.socialexplorer.com> for more information.

SAB

Spring Documentary Series

Waiting for Superman
Feb. 9
SUB Georgian Room

The Tillman Story
Feb. 15
SUB Hub

A Film Unfinished
Feb. 22
SUB Georgian Room

Each film will be shown twice,
at 7 & 9 p.m.

Film

*Harry Potter and the
Deathly Hallows: Part 1*
Feb. 18
6 & 9 p.m.
SUB Georgian Room

Truman Live Campus Talent Show

"TruTube...
Broadcast Yourself"
7-9 p.m.
Feb. 12
Baldwin Auditorium

Special Guests: True Men,
University Swingers and Rizwan
Mahmood.