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A Community That Cares, Shares



University Kicks Off 1997 Campaign

See related story, p. 3.

"From Prisoner to Peacemaker"

Carl Upchurch is a man with a mission. He knows firsthand what ghetto life can do to a person's soul. Twenty years ago, the ghettos of Philadelphia had convinced him he was, always had been, and always would be, nothing. The younger Carl, with nothing to lose, ended up in a federal penitentiary, sentenced to 39 years for armed robbery. On Oct. 7, the ex-gang member and ex-convict turned peace activist and gang mediator will address the future of black American males in Ryle Hall main lounge. He will question the sincerity of America's leading civil rights activists. And, he will criticize the criminal justice system, which he feels does a less-than-effective job of rehabilitating prisoners and preparing them for life on the outside.

On a national level, Upchurch has become intimately involved with the issues of gang violence, most notably in Los Angeles. Shortly after the 1992 riots, he was invited to L.A. to meet with leaders of opposing gangs to try to develop

a strategy that would help them maintain their tenuous truce. His 30-day stay in L.A. was the catalyst for the Ministry of Urban Peace and Justice, which he founded immediately upon his return to Ohio, and the Ministry's first project—a summit of gang leaders from 20 cities around the country.

Recognized by former President George Bush for its historic significance, the summit instantly catapulted Upchurch into the national spotlight. On issues sure to spark new debate, Upchurch provides a scathing critique of the established civil rights movement and argues it's time for a new generation of leaders drawn from the masses, not from the elite.



Truman Ranked #8 Academically Among Public Colleges & Universities

Based upon the academic qualifications of the entering freshman class of Truman State University, Truman had the eighth highest academic qualifications for a freshman class in the nation at any of nearly 1,000 U.S. public colleges and universities, according to Institutional Research & Evaluation, Inc., a publisher of college directories. Truman's average freshman entering in 1995 had a high school GPA of 3.60 and an ACT score of 26.

"It is a thrill for us when we get this type of unexpected validation of what we already know about our academically talented students," said President Jack Magruder. "These students consistently rank among the highest in their high school graduating classes and in addition to their academic talents they are also very involved.

In the 1995 freshman class alone, more than 95 percent had leadership roles in high school." The results were compiled from the annual national survey of 1,784 accredited two-year and four-year colleges and universities.

Other public colleges and universities in the top ten included:

1. Georgia Institute of Technology
2. University of Missouri-Rolla
3. University of Virginia
4. University of Michigan
5. Pennsylvania State University
6. University of California-Los Angeles
7. University of California-Berkeley
8. Truman State University
9. University of Florida
10. North Carolina State University

Challenge Scholarship Announced

Gov. Mel Carnahan has announced an education initiative that will make higher education more affordable.

"With Challenge Scholarships, we will phase in a tax credit of up to \$1,500 year to every Missourian who wants two more years of education beyond high school," Carnahan said.

The plan would begin with a maximum credit of \$500 in 1998, \$1,000 in 1999 and \$1,500 in 2000. The credits will be available to Missouri residents enrolled full or part time in certified public or private post-secondary schools.

"By making such an investment to offset the cost of tuition and required fees, we can encourage more people to go to school and keep Missourians who want to improve themselves from being saddled with debt," Carnahan added.

Challenge Scholarships will be in addition to existing Bright Flight Scholarships and Missouri Student Grants to cover tuition and fee costs above those awards. The tax credits also will be coordinated with President Clinton's "Hope" scholarship program.

Carnahan said Challenge Scholarships will be a part of the Fiscal Year 1998 budget as well as a top priority for the upcoming session of the Missouri General Assembly.

"We want to make two more years of education commonplace. This is Missouri's way of saying to our young people: We believe you deserve better and want to help you achieve more," Carnahan said. "Because when you seize a new opportunity Missouri gains new hope."

Truman Students have Opportunity to Work at State Capitol

Truman State University students interested in government internships have the opportunity to work at the capitol in Jefferson City. The Missouri Government Internship program offers a unique opportunity for students to intern with a public legislator or agency during the Missouri General Assembly each spring. Its purpose is to provide students an inside look at state government. The internship is open to all majors.

Any interested student is invited to apply or attend the informational meeting Oct. 23, 7:30 p.m., SUB Spanish Room. The meeting is designed to provide students with information about the internship and give the selection committee members an opportunity to meet prospective interns. Candidates will be interviewed by a screening committee before being accepted into the program. Once selected, assignments will be made.

The goal of intern assignment is to enhance the probability that each placement becomes a successful learning experience. Interns are assigned to public officials or offices based

upon compatibility and interests. Care is taken to consider student majors, political orientations, career goals and student preferences.

Missouri Government Interns live in Jefferson City for the duration of the spring semester and receive a stipend of at least \$2,000.

"Truman interns are in very high demand in Jefferson City," said State Rep. Don Summers, District 2. "During my tenure as state representative, I've seen three classes of interns go through the capitol. I see the program not only as worthwhile, but also a win-win situation. The students learn a great deal, and the state government is well-served. You can't get this kind of experience, both in quality and quantity, anywhere else."

Interested students can contact David Clithero for more information in the office of Governmental Relations, McClain Hall 202, 785-7432.

MISSOURI
GOVERNMENTAL
INTERNSHIP
INFORMATIONAL
MEETING

OCT. 23
7:30 P.M.
SUB SPANISH ROOM

Scholarship Opportunities

KIDS' CHANCE is a nonprofit corporation that provides financial scholarships to children of workers who have been seriously injured or killed in a Missouri compensable injury or occupational disease, and who are Missouri residents between the ages of 16 and 25 are eligible. The applicant must meet standards set by the selection committee of Kids' Chance. The standards are based primarily on financial needs of the students. Kids' Chance Scholarships are awarded on basis of need throughout the year as funds are available. The scholarship is good for one school year or term, and the applicant must maintain acceptable grades. The applicant may reapply at the end of one school year or term for the scholarship for the following school term or year. Renewals are contingent upon availability of funds. Awards are paid directly to the educational institution. Scholarships may vary with the needs and educational expenses of the student. Scholarships may cover tuition, books, housing and meals. For more information or an

application, stop by the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103.

THE LILLIAN SWANSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND will offer scholarships up to \$3,000 in botany, plant genetics and related subjects for deserving students who are residents of the state of Missouri enrolled and attending any university or community college. Swanson awards are given to freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors and graduate students. Applications must include: official transcript of academic record including minimum of overall grade point average, small black-and-white glossy photo, list of extracurricular activities, and/or honors, personal letter by the applicant, three letters of recommendation, and a required form to be completed by the Financial Aid Office. Applications are due by March 1, 1997. For more information and an application, contact the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103.

Notables 10

Marty Erickson, associate professor of mathematics, recently authored a textbook titled *Introduction to Combinatorics*. The book was published by John Wiley & Sons. **Capt. Ed Martin** and **Beverly LaCost**, were two of approximately 80 personnel selected nationwide to participate in the Army ROTC Long Range Broad Base Study. The goal of the study was to determine the shape of the Army ROTC program in the future. Martin and LaCost used the Business Process Review technique to identify several effective

ways to streamline activities and reduce the administrative structure of all Army ROTC programs throughout the nation while continuing to commission high quality Army officers. The study was held at Hampton Roads, Va., Sept. 3-10.

Rodney Taylor, associate professor of German, has a book review on John Reddick's *Georg Buchner: The Shattered Whole* (Oxford University Press, 1994) that will be published next year in *German Studies Review*.

Campus United Way Campaign Under Way

The University's 1997 United Way campaign is under way. The University plays an essential role in the Adair County drive, contributing nearly 20 percent of the total money raised.

Sixteen human service agencies in the Kirksville area depend on United Way funding to offer services from crisis counseling to employing the handicapped to children's recreation. This year, there are three organizations new to the list: Hospice 2000, Missouri Easter Seal Society and NMCS, Civil Air Patrol, Inc.

HOSPICE 2000

The terminally ill now have a choice in the care that they wish to receive. Hospice 2000 has brought the care, relief and comfort many terminally ill people have had to do without.

MISSOURI EASTER SEAL SOCIETY/ CENTRAL REGION

This group provides direct financial assistance to support the transportation and equipment needs of families who have children with disabilities. Referrals can be made through the departments of health/mental health, the county health department, local hospitals or by self referral.

NMCS, CIVIL AIR PATROL, INC.

CAP is an auxiliary of the United States Air Force and its members are an instrumental to the United States for the purpose of civil liability while performing authorized missions for the USAF. The local squadron was formed in May 1988.

Yearbook Photos Scheduled

The *Echo* is taking pictures of students, faculty, staff and organizations for the first edition of the Truman *Echo*. Photos will be taken in the SUB at the following times.

Individual Photos

September 30
8 a.m.-4 p.m. &
5 p.m.-midnight

October 1
8 a.m.-4 p.m. &
5 p.m.-midnight

October 2
8 a.m.-4 p.m. &
5 p.m.-midnight

October 3
8 a.m.-4 p.m.

October 4
8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Organizational Photos

September 30
5 p.m.-midnight

October 1
5 p.m.-midnight

October 2
5 p.m.-midnight

THANK YOU
TO ALL WHO MADE
FAMILY DAY 1996
A SUCCESS,
ESPECIALLY MEMBERS OF
ALPHA PHI,
ALPHA PHI OMEGA,
ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA,
CAMPUS CHRISTIAN
FELLOWSHIP,
LAMBDA CHI ALPHA,
SIGMA KAPPA AND
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CAREER EXPO

Monday, Oct. 21
2-6 p.m.
Student Union

More than 130 companies, graduate and law schools are registered with approximately 40 companies conducting interviews on Oct. 22. Students can have resumes critiqued at the University Career Center, McKinley Center.

Callers Needed For Tel-Alumni

Applications are available in the Alumni & Development Office, McClain Hall 100, for Tel-Alumni student callers. Callers ask for support from alumni and friends of the University and update their alumni records.

There are 40 positions available for approximately 9 hours a week from Oct. 20 to Dec. 5. Students will be paid the prevailing institutional student wage, and paid training is provided. No experience is needed, and callers may "trade" work days for built-in flexibility. Nightly prizes will be awarded for outstanding performance.

Interested students should contact Bob Behnen, manager of the annual fund, at 785-4133.

Notes

The Department of Public Safety is seeking faculty, staff and students to serve on advisory committees for the 1996-97 academic year. Projects for these committees may include providing input and assistance to the Public Safety Department in the review and revision of public safety and other related University policies, suggesting new programs or services, and serving as a sounding board for the Department of Public Safety in the structuring and/or implementation of new programs or services. Anyone interested in serving on a committee is encouraged to contact Public Safety at 785-4177.

Phi Theta Kappa, Eta Chapter, an alumni chapter for two-year community college students who are initiated Phi Theta Kappans are being sought. Acting President Ryan Totten is planning an organizational meeting. For more information, contact Totten at 665-3310.

The Multicultural Affairs Center will present GALEN LIVE! in the SUB Down Under at 7 p.m. on Sept. 30. Galen-Abdur-Razzaq is the talented and provocative leader of Galen & Saud Live Jazz and is considered a musical and spiritual gift to the entertainment industry.

Applications for the Missouri Government Internship are available in McClain Hall 202. For more information, call David Clithero at 785-7432. See related story, p. 2. **Bright Flight checks have come in.** Students may sign for their checks at the Cashier's Window. Students must have an ID to pick up their check.

Registration forms for groups or individuals are available for the Walktoberfest. Hosted by the American Diabetes Association, Walktoberfest will be on Oct. 5 at Brashear Park. All volunteers get a free T-shirt and free breakfast served by McDonald's. For more information, call Ranjite Misra at 785-4461 or 665-3327.

Truman State University's Annual Ronald E. McNair Undergraduate Research presentation and luncheon is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Oct. 3 in the SUB Tangerine Room. Everyone is welcome. To reserve a space for the lunch, call Tracey Lantz at 785-5393. Space is limited for the luncheon. **Students can earn six credit hours by traveling three weeks in Germany and the Czech**

Republic, learning more about the Reformation and experiencing modern German culture. For more information, contact Steven Reschly at 785-4648 or the Center for International Education Abroad at 785-4076.

The Pershing Society invites any poets and writers to an open reading at midnight in the Sunken Gardens on Oct. 4. A rain location will be announced in the event of poor weather. Call Candra at 785-7184 for more information.

Alpha Phi Sigma National Honorary will have informational meetings on Oct. 8 and 9 from 8-8:30 p.m. in the SUB Tangerine Room. Qualifications for new members are a completion of 30 hours or more, and a minimum GPA of 3.25. It is only necessary to attend one meeting.

If you need someone to listen, someone to help or if you just want some answers to questions or need information on sexual misconduct, call the help line at 627-4357. Interested persons can also call for information about crimes occurring on campus. **Many lost items such as books, clothing and jewelry are forwarded to the Department of Public Safety.** Call Public Safety at 785-4176 to inquire.

"The Police and the Media: How News and Law Mix" will be presented by Kirksville Police Chief David Pingel at 6:30 p.m., Oct. 10 in McClain Hall 306. The talk is sponsored by the Society of Professional Journalists.

"Some use of experimental learning in the classroom" is the topic of the Oct. 2 Wednesday Lunch Series on Teaching Approaches. The Series, which is sponsored by the Faculty Development Committee, is held from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the SUB Spanish Room.

The Theatre Department will present its first production of this year's mainstage season, Keely and Du, Oct. 8-12 in Baldwin Hall Little Theatre. Admission is free; reserve tickets may be purchased in advance for \$1. The play, by Jane Martin, is a compelling, sometimes frightening drama about the human boundaries of forgiveness within or behind our nation's current and complex abortion rights conflict.

ON CAMPUS

30 MONDAY

7 p.m.—**Galen Live!**, sponsored by the Multicultural Affairs Center, SUB Down Under; see Notes.

2 WEDNESDAY

7:30 p.m.—**Traditional Latino Craftmaking**, part of Hispanic Heritage Month, SUB Tangerine Room

3 THURSDAY

10 a.m.- 4 p.m.—**Ronald E. McNair Undergraduate Research presentation and luncheon**, SUB Tangerine Room; see Notes.

8:30 p.m.—**Truman Mock Trial Team information meeting**, Ophelia Parrish 113A. This is the first time such a team has been organized.

4 FRIDAY

midnight—**Open reading**, organized by the Pershing Society, Sunken Garden. See Notes.

6 SUNDAY

6 p.m.—**Sigma Tau Delta English Honors Society barbecue and open house**, Ryle Commons

7 MONDAY

7 p.m.—**Monday Nights in Ryle presents Carl Upchurch**, Ryle Hall main lounge. See story, p. 1.