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The Center for Teaching and Learning Upcoming Activities

Intro to Blackboard 7.3

10:30 a.m.-noon • May 6
Pickler Memorial Library 103

Effective Practices for Developing Online Courses

10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. • May 7
Magruder Hall 2001

This session will be presented by Suzanne Kissel, senior instructional analyst-SunGard Higher Education, on transforming face-to-face courses for the online environment.

Assignments and Assessments in Blackboard 7.3

1-2:30 p.m. • May 8
Pickler Memorial Library 103

"Publish, Don't Perish"

DVD workshop on scholarly writing is available for checkout all summer.

Service-Learning Informational Lunch for Instructors

noon-1:15 p.m. • May 16
Location to be announced
After your grades are turned in, come have lunch and learn about infusing service-learning into your course in time to apply for a Missouri Campus Compact micro-grant.

Sabbatical Proposal Workshop

2-4 p.m. • May 16
Pickler Memorial Library 205

Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at ctl@truman.edu for more information.

Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship for Faculty Excellence Recipients Announced

Last week, three Truman faculty received a pleasant surprise.

President Barbara Dixon, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Gary Gordon, and

Vice President for University Advancement Mark Gambaiana presented three faculty with the \$10,000 Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship. Janet Gooch, associate professor and department chair of communication disorders; Sara Orel, professor of art; and Fred Shaffer, professor of psychology; received the 2008 Fellowship.

Gooch obtained her Bachelor of Arts in speech pathology from the University of Kansas, Master of Arts in speech pathology from Kent State University, and her Ph.D. from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio.

Orel earned her A.B. from Bryn Mawr College in classical and Near Eastern archaeology, and her M.A. and Ph.D., both from the University



Janet Gooch (left photo), Sara Orel (center photo) and Fred Shaffer (right photo) receive the 2008 Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship from Truman State University President Barbara Dixon.

of Toronto, are in Egyptian archaeology.

Shaffer holds a bachelor's degree from Claremont Men's College and a master's and doctorate from Oklahoma State University.

The presentation of the Fellowship was done in front of each faculty member's class, surprising the faculty member and their students.

Alumni Walker and Doris Allen established the Fellowship seven years ago with one of the largest outright gifts ever made to the Truman State University Foundation. Walker W. Allen graduated from Truman State University (then Northeast Missouri State Teacher's College) in 1939 with a BSE degree in Business Education.

The \$10,000 Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship recognizes outstanding faculty members who have greatly contributed to the success of the University and its students.

New Student Representative Appointed to the Board of Governors

Gov. Matt Blunt appointed Cody Sumter of Warrensburg, Mo., as the new student representative to the Truman State University Board of Governors. He fills the expired term of Emily Kiddoo of Memphis, Mo.



Cody Sumter

The Missouri Senate confirmed the appointment April 24.

Sumter is a junior computer science major with minors in physics and philosophy. He is a member of the Residence Hall Association, West Campus Suites Hall Senate, Omicron Delta Kappa, Baptist Student Union, Association of Computing Machinery, and Stargazers.

Senior Graduation Picnic

11 a.m.-2 p.m. • May 7
Student Union Building Mall
Rain site: SUB Georgian Room
There will be free food and a free alumni gift including an alumni T-shirt and alumni information. Students may also register to win door prizes like watches, duffle bags, sweatshirts and long sleeve T-shirts.

Students unable to attend should stop by the Office of Advancement, McClain Hall 100 and pick up a free alumni gift bag anytime between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

For more information contact Stacy Tucker-Potter, stuckerpotter@truman.edu or Christina Rector, al09@truman.edu.

May Hours

Pickler Memorial Library

April 29-May 1 • 7:30 a.m.-2 a.m.
May 2 • 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
May 3 • 11 a.m.-9 p.m.
May 4 • 11 a.m.-2 a.m.
May 5-8 • 7 a.m.-2 a.m.
May 9 • 7 a.m.-6 p.m.
May 10 • 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
May 11 • Closed
May 12-16 • 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
May 17-18 • Closed
May 19-23 • 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
May 24-26 • Closed
May 27-29 • 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
May 30 • 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
May 31 • 1-5 p.m.
June 1 • 4-8 p.m.

Student Recreation Center

May 5-7 • 9 a.m.-11 p.m.
May 8-9 • 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
May 10-11 • Closed
May 12-16 • 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
May 17-18 • Closed
May 19-23 • 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
May 24-26 • Closed
May 27-30 • 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
May 31-June 1 • Closed

Truman Bookstore Presents "Go Green" Sale

The Truman Bookstore invites everyone to "Go Green" to raise money for the Bike Co-op on campus. All "Go Green" Earth friendly books will be 15 percent off and a portion of every book sold will benefit the Bike Co-op. The sale will end May 10.

Contact Steve Pennington at 785.4211 for more information.

Orton to Give Phi Beta Kappa Lecture

Brent Orton, lecturer in English, will give the 17th annual Phi Beta Kappa Alumni Association of Northeast Missouri Lecture at 7 p.m. May 1 in Ophelia Parrish 2210.

He will speak about "Uncertain of Grace: Aesthetics versus ethics in the concerned photography of Sebastião Salgado."

Orton has been teaching at Truman since 2001 and specializes in and teaches critical theory, world

literature and The Faust Tradition, a JINS course.

Previous local speakers include Jack Magruder, the Rev. Wallace Caldwell, the Rev. John Dungan, Lewis Binford and Joseph Benevento.

A reception will follow the presentation. Visit <http://www2.truman.edu/nemo-pbk/> or contact Katie Tullmann at kct225@truman.edu for more information.

Students Organize Gardening Project at Kirksville Manor Care Center

Spring is here and Truman students are digging into the dirt with residents at the Kirksville Manor Care Center (KMCC).

A group of three students participating in The Grassroots Environmentalism course of the Truman State University Department of Biology is working with Nancy Tate, the KMCC's activity director, to build a raised garden for the residents. The KMCC has an existing garden on the premise that Tate uses to promote fun, stimulating activities that allow the residents to interact with the environment and nature; this project is an effort to extend these activities to the residents who may not be physically capable of bending over a garden and would otherwise not be able to participate in the gardening process.

The students are conducting this project to fulfill the service-learning component of their course. Grassroots Environmentalism is led by three University student preceptors with the assistance of a biology faculty member and is an experimental course that is centered on the service-learning experience. Students in the class split off into groups at the beginning of the semester and choose a local environmentally-related problem or issue to address through a service-learning project. During the 16 week semester, each student group identifies an issue, develops a project idea and submits a proposal to address the issue, and then actually implements the project. The primary goal of the course is to afford students the opportunity to gain practical, hands-on experience in leading a project from its conception to its completion. Ideally, a course of this nature develops the tools students will need for future project development in either their professional or service endeavors.

Having [past] the planning stage, the students are diving into the implementation stage of the

project and recently planted seedlings for the garden with the residents of KMCC and are now focusing on the actual construction of the raised garden bed. They will soon deliver the garden bed and begin transferring the seedlings.

"I cannot explain the thrill that I experienced as I watched the residents take the project off the paper and start its growth at the planting program," student Kati Kremer said, who is part of the three-member team planning and implementing the project. "The excitement I feel every time I visit Manor Care to check on the seedlings reminds me of how far my group has come since we first chose our project idea. I can only imagine how I'll feel when we begin construction of the garden."

The student group has also arranged for the existing, traditional garden at the KMCC to be cleaned up as one of the projects for the Big Event, sponsored by Truman's SERVE Center. While the students have been working hard to spruce up the gardening situation, Tate has incorporated other garden-improvement activities with the residents, such as decorating stepping stones, to help generate excitement and a sense of ownership among the residents. Tate mentioned that she thinks what these students are doing for the residents is great and that it's wonderful to see the residents so enthused about a project and to see them interacting with the younger generations.

And, indeed, the student group is currently searching for a way to involve even more youth in the program. They hope to team up with a high school organization to provide consistent, sustainable programming to the gardening efforts at the KMCC. But for now, the students are going to switch out their gardening gloves for a table saw and nail gun to get the garden beds built.

Retirement Reception for Karen McClaskey

2-4 p.m. • May 2 • Student Union Building Conference Room

Karen McClaskey will be retiring June 30th after 28 years of service to Pickler Memorial Library and Truman.

NOTABLES

Julia DeLancey, associate professor of art, presented a paper titled "Mapping Color: Placing Venetian color sellers in the urban fabric of Renaissance Venice" at the annual meeting of the Renaissance Society of America. She was invited to give the paper as part of two sessions devoted to research carried out during the NEH Summer Research Seminar in which she participated during summer 2006. Also presenting at the conference were Truman State University art history alumni Ryan Gregg and John Garton. Garton's book, "Grace and Grandeur: The Portraiture of Paolo Veronese" was just published by Brepols.

Jessica Fetsch and Whitney Millar, secondary English M.A.E. students, were chosen and sponsored to attend the Missouri Staff Development Council (MSDC) conference with the Regional Professional Development Center March 16-18. This sponsorship recognized the excellent preparation of Truman's M.A.E. students which enabled them to interact as peers with practicing professionals in their field.

TruTV to Offer 12 Hours of New Programming Each Week

Truman's television station TruTV is moving past the solo programming of the weekly news program, News 36, and airing 12 hours of entertainment programming supplied by the company ZILO Networks.

The programming schedule for TruTV will be as follows:

Tuesday and Wednesday
5:30 p.m. - News 36
6-9 p.m. - ZILO
9 p.m. - News 36
10 p.m. - News 36
2 a.m. - News 36

Thursday and Friday
6-9 p.m. - ZILO

The service features three hours of original programming each week that will be run four consecutive days. The programs range from a variety of show types. The contract for the

Huping Ling, professor of history, has been named the incoming executive editor of the *Journal of Asian American Studies* (JAAS) at the AAAS (Association for Asian American Studies) Conference in Chicago, April 16-20, after a meticulous process of nomination and selection. As the official journal of the organization, JAAS is a prestigious journal with an acceptance rate of 10 percent. Ling has served on the Executive Board of AAAS and Editorial Board of JAAS since 2001.

Gregg Siewert, professor of French, attended the Central States Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages in Dearborn, Mich., in early March, where he presided at a workshop on French literature. He also took part in two consultative meetings of the College Board national commission studying the Advanced Placement French Language exam realignment, in February and March, in Atlanta. In addition, he participated as an invited guest at a panel discussion April 25 at the French Consulate in Chicago focusing on advocacy issues involving the profession.

programming lasts for three years.

It is the goal of TruTV to increase student-produced programming and are accepting proposals for various shows including variety, talk, game and sports shows or any style of show as long as its professional. Interested parties can contact trutv@truman.edu for consideration.

This announcement is concurrent with TruTV's goal to expand its services from a single news program to become the complete video service department on campus. In coming years, TruTV and News 36 will offer full coverage of certain events that will be available for DVD purchase, the first of these efforts will be the recording of the spring graduation ceremonies. Other events will be added on a regular basis. If your organization or department is interested in recording certain events, please contact trutv@truman.edu to make arrangements.

Contact Andrew Richmond at trutv@truman.edu for any questions.

Now Hiring

The Center for Student Involvement

The Center for Student Involvement is now accepting applications for scholarship and work-study positions. Applications for fall 2008 may be picked up at the CSI Office in the Student Union Building. Contact the CSI at 785.4222 with any questions.

Public Relations Office

Truman's Public Relations Office is now accepting applicants for a full-time summer only position. Applicants should have a working knowledge of Associated Press style usage, strong background in writing and editing and good communication skills. In addition to working with the *Truman Today*, this position will assist with answering the phone and interacting with visitors, and providing secretarial support when needed. Interested students should bring a cover letter that addresses the skills needed, a résumé, three writing samples and three references to the Public Relations Office in McClain Hall 101.

Student Affairs Office

The Student Affairs Office is now accepting applications for summer and fall semester work. Applications are available in the Student Affairs Office, Student Union Building 3100, and are due May 2.

Student Health Center

The Student Health Center has openings for clerical assistants. For more information, contact Christina Davis at cdavis@truman.edu.



The One Act Showcase

8 p.m.
April 30-May 2
James G. Severns Theatre

People will be able to enjoy three nights of student-produced one acts. Admission is free.

Recycling Drop Off

The Saturday drop off for recycling will be stopped during the summer. No Saturday drop off will take place from May 17-Aug. 16.

NOTES

The Department of Psychology presents **Capstone presentations** from 1-4 p.m. April 29 in the Student Union Building Down Under.

The **34th annual Service Recognition Banquet** will take place at 6:30 p.m. April 29 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room. Approximately 148 current and retired members of the University will be honored for their commitment to the University. Tickets for the general public are on sale in the Human Resources Office in McClain Hall 106 for \$10 each.

Jazz on the Quad will be from 1:30-3:20 p.m. April 30 on the Quadrangle. The Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Lab Band will play selections from their spring concert programs. Contact Tim Aubuchon at aubuchon@truman.edu with questions.

Nursing Capstone presentations will take place from 10 a.m.-4:15 p.m. May 1 in Student Union Building 300. The conference will feature poster displays and breakout sessions. Brie Cantrell, R.N., B.S.N., M.S.N., will present a keynote session from 10:15-11:15 a.m. titled "Eliminating Paper Charts: Healthcare Informatics Closing the Loop." The cost is \$8 for lunch only, \$15 for a meal and conference for Rho Omega members, and \$25 for a meal and conference for non-members. E-mail nursing@truman.edu for more information.

Katrina Brink is completing her environmental studies minor capstone project and she asking for help in getting the word out and for sponsoring students to attend the upcoming Fresh From the Farms-Local Food Dinner. The dinner is to raise awareness about an initiative to collaborate with Sodexo Dining Services to purchase locally grown foods. This is an initiative to stimulate local and regional economic growth, reduce emissions due to excessive food transport, and also to use fresher ingredients in the dining halls. The Local Foods Program is also an effort to introduce members of the campus community to the idea of understanding where their food comes from and reacquainting them with the seasonality of foods. The dinner will take place at 7 p.m. May 1 in the Student

Union Building Georgian Room B. Tickets are \$10 and are available by reservation at trumanlocalfoods@gmail.com. Tickets will be for sale from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. April 29 in the Student Union Building. If you would like to sponsor a student, e-mail Katrina Brink at kmb722@truman.edu.

There will be a Biology Seminar from 12:30-1:20 p.m. May 2 in Magruder Hall 2001. This week's session will feature Matthew Miles, KCOM/ATSU, speaking about "Alterations to the Muscle Resting Membrane Potential in the Mdx Mouse: A Model for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy." Refreshments will be served at 12:15 p.m. outside of Magruder Hall 2001. Contact Will Petry at wkp@truman.edu for more information.

Le Coin Français and La Casa Hispánica in Missouri Hall are accepting applications for next year until May 2. Contact Timothy Farley at tfarley@truman.edu or Carol Marshall at carolmar@truman.edu for more information or to receive an application.

Applications are still being accepted for summer and fall 2008 study abroad programs. Submission deadlines for summer 2008 range from mid-April to early May; deadlines for the fall range from mid-April to early June. Applications and more information about specific programs can be picked up in the Study Abroad Office, Kirk Building 114.

The Center for Student Involvement (CSI) is now accepting registration for the 2008 Activities Fair, to take place from noon-4 p.m. Sept. 4 on the Quadrangle. All campus departments and student organizations in good standing with the CSI are eligible to register. Registration forms are available in the Center for Student Involvement or at <http://studentinvolvement.truman.edu>. The first 100 organizations to sign up will be entered into a drawing for a prize.

The boiler will be shut down from May 12-22. This will affect heat and hot water, but not cooling. West Campus Suites, the Student Recreation Center, Barnett Hall and Campbell Apartments will not be affected.

Students to Present Work at University Art Gallery, Kirksville Arts Association

The Truman State University Art Gallery is excited to host the annual Visual Communications Portfolio Review. This is a one-day event that opens with a reception at 6 p.m. and closes at 7:30 p.m. May 5.

The Visual Communications Portfolio Review is an opportunity for senior student designers to present their portfolios, display their design work and engage in an informal defense of their ideas. This event is the culmination of four years intensive study of design application and principles, honing the skills and testing the ingenuity of great professionals in the making.

An additional exhibit will take place beginning May 5. The student artists of Art215 are pleased to extend an invitation to "The Naked Truth,"

an exhibition of drawings at The Kirksville Arts Association.

These pieces were executed through the observational study of nude models. Focusing on value, proportion, composition and atmosphere student artists explored and recorded the structure of the human form to create works of individual interpretation.

An opening reception will take place at 6 p.m. May 5 at the Kirksville Arts Association (KAA). The exhibit will be open during normal business hours at KAA, 117 S. Franklin Street, 665.0500, until May 31.

For additional information, contact Emily Booth, assistant professor of art and director of the University Art Gallery, at ebooth@truman.edu.

ON CAMPUS

29 TUESDAY

2 p.m.-Baseball vs. Central Missouri, Baseball field

1 THURSDAY

4 p.m.-Baseball vs. Northwest Missouri, Baseball field

2 FRIDAY

Last day of spring semester classes
4 p.m.-Baseball vs. Northwest Missouri, Baseball field

3 SATURDAY

noon-Baseball vs. Northwest Missouri, Baseball field



University Memorabilia

The University Archives, located in the Special Collections Department of Pickler Memorial Library, contains many items that represent organizations, special events, and campus life that date back to the First District Normal School. Included are the minutes and scrapbooks of campus organizations, school memorabilia (such as class lapel pins, coffee mugs, pennants, and homecoming souvenirs/mascots), campus photographs, and a ball and helmet used by the 1901 football team. Contributions from local campus organizations, committees, etc. are vital to preserving campus history—contact the Library today for more information about viewing or contributing to the archives.

Physics Colloquia

4:30 p.m. • April 30
Magruder Hall 1096

This talk will feature Alex Travesset, department of physics and astronomy, Iowa State University.

4:30 p.m. • May 2
Magruder Hall 1096

This talk will feature Chuanyun Xiao, department of chemistry, New York University.

Snacks will be provided 10 minutes before the talks.

For more information about the colloquium series and upcoming talks, visit <http://physics.truman.edu/colloquia/mainstage.asp>.