

# TRUMAN

A Weekly Publication of Truman State University

T O D A Y



Vol. 6, No. 7

Oct. 2, 2001

## 11th Annual Early-Vreeland Lecture

*"English Revolutions:  
1640 and Beyond"*

presented by

Dr. David Cressy  
Ohio State University  
professor of history

7 p.m.  
Oct. 3

Magruder Hall 274

## Historian to Speak at Early-Vreeland Lecture

Dr. David Cressy will be delivering the 11th annual Early-Vreeland Lecture at 7 p.m., Oct. 3, in Magruder Hall 274. Cressy, professor of history at Ohio State University, will speak on "English Revolutions, 1640 and Beyond."

Cressy received both his doctorate of philosophy and doctorate of letters from the University of Cambridge.

He has been appointed to the editorial board of the *Journal of Modern History* to serve a three-year term. He also serves on the editorial board of the *Journal of British Studies*. He completed his term as president of the Pacific Coast Conference on British Studies and is on the program committee of the Midwest Conference on British



Studies.

Some of Cressy's teaching areas are British and European history, social and cultural history, early modern England, and Western civilization.

The Early-Vreeland Lecture was established by Joseph Vreeland through the Truman State University Foundation in memory of

his wife, who died at age 40. A 1973 Truman graduate, Barbara Early-Vreeland graduated magna cum laude with bachelor's degrees in history and French.

This lecture is intended for a broad audience and is open to the public. For more information, contact Torbjørn Wandel, assistant professor of history, at 785.4324 or twandel@truman.edu.

## DISTINGUISHED VISITING SCHOLARS

### JAMES BURKE

Science Historian

#### Oct. 2

7:30 p.m.-Public Lecture  
"The Culture of Scarcity"  
Violette Hall 1000  
8:30 p.m.-Reception  
Violette Hall Lounge

#### Oct. 3

9:30 a.m.-Public Seminar  
"The Knowledge Web"  
Violette Hall 1000  
10:30 a.m.-Public Book  
Signing  
Truman Book Store

## Distinguished Visiting Scholar to Speak

Science historian James Burke will kickoff Truman's Distinguished Visiting Scholar Program at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 2, in Violette Hall 1000 with his lecture, "The Culture of Scarcity."

For more than 30 years he has produced, written and presented several television series on the BBC, PBS and The Learning Channel.

Burke has been honored and recognized for his achievements with numerous awards, including the Royal Television Society Gold and Silver medals, the 1998 U.S. Cable Documentary Host of the Year award and a 1999 Emmy nomination.

He was educated at Oxford University and holds honorary doctorates for his work communicating science and technology to



the public. He contributes to *Forbes*, *ASAP* and *Time* and was a monthly columnist for *Scientific American* for six years. He often speaks on technology and social change to audiences such as NASA, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, IBM, Microsoft and U.S. government agencies.

His book, "1+1=3 The Accidental Modern World," is due out in late 2002 along with his work on a large interactive knowledge-web which will go online, free to all colleges, schools and libraries.

Burke's published books include "The Knowledge Web," which is the topic of a seminar at 9:30 a.m., Oct. 3, in Violette Hall 1000. Burke will also appear at a book signing at 10:30 a.m., Oct. 3 at the Truman Book Store.

# MAKE YOUR MARK

HOMECOMING 2001

**Monday, Oct. 8**  
7 p.m. - Kickoff

**Tuesday, Oct. 9**  
4 p.m.-Sand Volleyball  
4:30 p.m.-Co-ed Faculty/Staff  
Softball Tournament  
7 p.m.-Karaoke

**Wednesday, Oct. 10**  
4 p.m.-Flag Football  
4:30 p.m.-Scavenger Hunt  
6 p.m.-Spades Tournament  
6 p.m.-Faculty Night Out

**Thursday, Oct. 11**  
4 p.m.-Trivial Pursuit  
7:30 p.m.-Skit Competition  
9 p.m.-Memorial Service

**Friday, Oct. 12**  
10 a.m.-Estate Planning  
Seminar/Brunch  
11:30 a.m.-Bulldog Classic Golf  
Tournament  
4 p.m.-Ultimate Frisbee  
6:30 p.m.-Alumni & Friends  
Celebration Banquet  
6:30 p.m.-Lip Sync Competition  
8 p.m.-Coronation  
9 p.m.-Pep Rally  
10 p.m.-Bonfire

**Saturday, Oct. 13**  
8 a.m.-5K Run  
9 a.m.-Parade  
10 a.m.-Reunion of Voices  
10:30 a.m.-Magruder Hall  
Groundbreaking  
11 a.m.-Reunion Luncheons  
11 a.m.-Tailgate Party  
2 p.m.-Football game  
5 p.m.-All Alumni Mixer  
5:30 p.m.-Step Show  
8 p.m.-Comedian

## CAREER CENTER CORNER

The Career Center offers an hour-long workshop on how to write coherent, professional-looking resumés and cover letters.

Contact the Career Center at 785.4353 or [career.truman.edu](mailto:career.truman.edu) for more information

## General Honors Program to Host Informational Reception Oct. 4

Truman's General Honors Program will host an informational reception at 4:45 p.m., Oct. 4, in the Violette Hall Commons. Brochures and worksheets will be distributed and refreshments will be served.

The General Honors Program offers students the opportunity to select rigorous courses in the liberal arts and sciences portion of their program of study. General Honors is awarded to graduating seniors who complete five approved courses from each of the four core areas of mathematics, natural science, social science and humanities. A grade point average of at least 3.5 on

a 4.0 scale (in the five courses) must be maintained.

The Phi Beta Kappa Association of Northeast Missouri sponsors award presentations for General Honors graduates. Recipients wear their medals with academic regalia during graduation. Medals feature the lamp of learning and are hung from purple and white ribbons.

For more information, contact General Honors committee chairperson Patricia Burton at 785.7247, Todd Hammond at 785.7510 or Crista Chappell at 785.4109.

## United Way Drive is in Full Swing

This year the Truman campus United Way fund drive kicked-off with a workshop for group leaders. Leaders are contacting Truman employees to give them the opportunity to contribute toward the support of any one or all of the 15 local agencies served by the Adair County United Way.

Truman employees may contribute by using payroll deduction. A pledge of \$2 per week gives each Truman employee an entry into the drawing for a \$2000 Disney World Trip. Last year's Disney World trip was won by Pam Reich, assistant professor of mathematics and computer science.

A pledge of \$104 will get one entry into the Disney World Trip drawing.

Any donation is a valuable contribution to the residents of Kirksville and surrounding communities. The campus community of faculty, staff and students will be working together throughout the month of October to reach this year's Truman goal of \$47,500. Contributions to date total \$10,330, which is 21 percent of the Truman total goal. Any student groups who would like to organize a fund-raiser for United



Way may contact the student drive co-chairs Matt Gorton at 627.3242 or Stacy Wright at 785.7143.

## Approaching Zanzibar Comes to Little Theatre

Truman State University's Division of Fine Arts and theatre department will present the play *Approaching Zanzibar* at 8 p.m., Oct. 9-13, in Baldwin Hall Little Theatre. Admission is free, but tickets can be reserved for \$1.

*Approaching Zanzibar* follows the quirky Blossom family on a 2,000 mile excursion from Hastings, N.Y. to Taos, N.M. as they travel to visit an elderly aunt who is dying of cancer. Wallace Blossom is a composer who has not been able to create a new piece in several years. Charlotte Blossom is a wife and mother struggling to come to terms with the changes of mid-life. Their son, Turner, is an eleven-year-old prodigy who plays classical guitar. Daughter Pony

is a precocious nine-year-old who is not quite sure what, if anything, makes her special. On their trek they encounter an odd assortment of people and situations, yet by the end they're still talking to each other.

Though propelled by a loved one's approaching death, the Blossom family journey is awash with life. This comedy by Tina Howe cuts to the heart of what it means to be human. It is a play about family, wonder and the sheer magic of being alive.

Some of the production's language may not be suitable for younger patrons. For more information about the performance, contact Becky Becker at 785.4519.

## Notables

**Todd Holm**, assistant professor of communication, had his article "From 'Holy Terrors' to Hostage Takers and Terrorists: Commonalities in Crisis Negotiations" published in Vol. 31 of the *Journal of the Speech and Theatre Association of Missouri*.

**Barry Poyner**, associate professor of communication; **Mary Ellen Evans**, a graduate student from St. Louis, Mo.; and **Rachel**

**Carrico**, a graduate student from Waterloo, Ill., presented a program entitled "Using Controversial Speeches in the Classroom" at the Speech and Theatre Association of Missouri Convention held Sept 20-23, in Kansas City, Mo. In addition, **Jacob Stutzman**, graduate English major from Manchester, Mo., presented a program entitled "Parliamentary Debate."

## Forensics Team Captures Championship

Truman topped a field of 26 colleges and universities to win the Purdue Boilermaker Special invitational forensics tournament Sept. 20-22.

Truman students won 11 individual awards and four team awards at the tournament. In addition to winning the combined debate and individual sweepstakes award, Truman also took home the third place award in individual events sweepstakes and "closed-out" the final round of parliamentary debate. The Truman teams sharing the co-championship in debate were composed of Brian Amsden, senior communication arts major from Fenton, Mo.; Kristopher Stroup, senior political science major from Lansing, Kan.; Tyler Unsell, senior communication arts major from Parkville, Mo.; and Ian Samuel, sophomore computer science major from Pueblo, Colo.

In individual speaking events, Amy Carmack, junior communication arts major from Sedalia, Mo., won the tournament

championship in quadrathlon, which measures an individual's performance in their best four events. Heather Carmack, junior communication arts major from Sedalia, Mo., placed second in informative speaking, while Jaci Devine, freshman communication-journalism major from Inverness, Ill., placed fifth in the same. Kristopher Kueker, sophomore computer science major from Perryville, Mo., took fifth in program oral interpretation. Samuel rounded-out the individual events squad's performance with three final round placements, including second place finishes in both impromptu and extemporaneous speaking and the tournament championship in after dinner speaking. Stroup was also ranked fourth speaker in parliamentary debate.

Truman Forensics is a co-curricular program of the Division of Language and Literature open to all interested students. Inquiries can be made to Kevin Minch at 785.5677.

## USA Today Seeks Nominations for Academic Team

**USA Today** is searching for the best undergraduate students in the nation to be honored on the All-USA College Academic Team.

Sixty students will be named to the first, second and third teams of the 2002 All-USA Academic Team and will be featured in a two-page spread in the newspaper in February 2002. The 20 members of the first team will each receive a \$2,500 cash award.

Any full-time undergraduate of a four-year institution in the United States or its territories is eligible. U.S. citizenship is not required. Students must be currently enrolled in 12 credit hours of classes and pursuing an undergraduate degree. Students who have already earned an undergraduate degree are not eligible for

competition. Students graduating in December 2001 are eligible.

Winners must excel in scholarship and leadership roles on and off campus. Students will be judged on their original academic or intellectual product. The judges will rely solely on the student's ability to describe the effort in writing, supplemented by recommendations from the nominating professor and up to three other people of the nominee's choice.

Faculty are invited to nominate students for this award. Nominations must be post-marked by Nov. 30. For more information, contact the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 102, at 785.4016, go to <http://allstars.usatoday.com>, or email [allstars@usatoday.com](mailto:allstars@usatoday.com).

## JEFFERSON CITY LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Interviews are now being scheduled for Spring 2002 Legislative Internships.

Interns receive a \$2200 stipend and up to 15 hours of credit.

All majors and those students with Junior Status are encouraged to apply.

Applications are available in McClain Hall 102 or at [http://www.truman.edu/newsevents/mogov\\_app.pdf](http://www.truman.edu/newsevents/mogov_app.pdf)

Information about the program is available at [http://www.truman.edu/newsevents/mogov\\_brochure.htm](http://www.truman.edu/newsevents/mogov_brochure.htm)

Call 785.4016 for more information.

## HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH FESTIVITIES

MOVIE NIGHT  
"THE SPIRIT OF THE  
BEEHIVE"  
7 p.m.  
Oct. 5  
VH 1010

FIRST SUNDAY DINNER  
FEATURING  
LATIN CUISINE  
3:30 p.m.  
Oct. 7  
Adair Building

SOLO PIANIST  
DR. MARTIN CUELLAR  
3 p.m.  
Oct. 14  
Baldwin Auditorium

**Echo yearbook individual pictures** will be from 9 a.m. until 11 p.m., Oct. 1-4, in the SUB upper level. For more information, call the Echo Office at 785.4450.

**Faculty Development is presenting a 50-minute workshop, "Fair and Efficient Evaluation and Grading of Exam Essays,"** at 9:15-10:05 a.m., 10:30-11:20 a.m., 1:30-2:20 p.m. and 3:30-5 p.m., Oct. 2, in Pickler 205. Please R.S.V.P. by email to factdev@truman.edu or call 785.4391.

**Bacchus and Gamma is sponsoring a presentation by Mark Sterner entitled "DUI: A Powerful Lesson"** at 7 p.m., Oct. 2, in Pershing Arena. This event is part of National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week. Contact Kristin Walstrom at 785.7516 for more information.

**The Pre-Law Club is hosting a law school forum** from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m., Oct. 3, in the SUB Activities Room. Students interested in law school will have the opportunity to meet with representatives from various Midwestern schools.

**The Faculty Development Weekly Lunch Series** will discuss "Teaching Portfolios" from 12:30-1:20 p.m., Oct. 3, in the SUB Spanish Room. For more information, contact Shirley Morahan, director of Faculty Development, at 785.4477.

**A mathematics and computer science colloquium** will be held at 2:30 p.m., Oct. 3, in Violette Hall 1236. Steve Matter will give a lecture entitled "Thinking Outside the Matrix." For more information, contact Phil Ryan at 785.4592.

**A physics colloquium** will be held at 4:35-5:25 p.m., Oct. 3, in Barnett Hall 251. David Besson, from the department of physics and astronomy at the University of Kansas, will be the lecturer. For more information, go to <http://physics.truman.edu/colloquia.html>.

**The Dobson Hall International Film Series** will continue with a screening of Chris Marker's "Sans Soleil" at 7 p.m., Oct. 3, in Dobson Hall 247. For more information, contact Dennis Leavens, Dobson Hall College Rector, at 785.5145.

**CRAM is sponsoring the Roommate Game Show** at 8:30 p.m., Oct. 3, in the SUB Down Under. This event allows roommates to compete for prizes while finding out how much they know about each other. For more information, contact Evan Lewis at 627.3873.

**Dennis Leavens, professor of English, will present "Writing the Personal Statement"** at 3:30 p.m., Oct. 4 in SUB Room 6. This event is sponsored by the University Career Center. For more information, contact Susan Job at 785.4240. "Blame it on Davis" live entertainment and frequently asked questions about alcohol will

be held at 5 p.m., Oct. 4, in the Centennial Courtyard. This event is sponsored by Bacchus and Gamma. Contact Kristin Walstrom at 785.7516 for more information.

**"Transcultural Nursing in the Philippines,"** a presentation given by nursing faculty and students will be held 7-9 p.m., Oct. 4, in the SUB Georgian Room. The presentation will include personal accounts about nursing in a Third World country, a film and slide show. Contact Laura Weiersmueller at 665.0952 for more information.

**The University Symphony Orchestra will present the first concert of the 2001-2002 season** at 8 p.m., Oct. 6, in Baldwin Auditorium. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Dr. Sam McClure, director of orchestras, at 785.4434.

**The University Observatory will be open to the public** from 8 to 10 p.m., Oct. 8, 22, Nov. 5, 19 and Dec. 3. Weather permitting, visitors are welcome to come and look through the telescope. Access to the observatory is via the stairs to the roof from the lobby outside of Magruder Hall 274.

**The Career Expo** will be held from 1 until 5 p.m., Oct. 15, in the SUB. For a list of companies, visit the Career Center's Web site at <http://career.truman.edu/CareerExpo/home.asp>.

**Applications for students interested in joining Student Together Educating Peers (S.T.E.P.)** can be picked up at University Counseling Services. S.T.E.P. members educate the Truman community on issues related to sexual assault, sexual harassment and diversity. Applications are due Oct. 18. For more information call 785.4014. Men and individuals from diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

**Phi Kappa Phi National Headquarters is offering grant opportunities for PKP students** planning to study abroad or do internships during 2002. Twenty grants in each category, valued at \$1,000 each, are awarded annually. The deadline for applications to be at the National Headquarters is Nov. 1. For more information, contact Mary Lou Woehlk at 785.4691 or [mlw@truman.edu](mailto:mlw@truman.edu).

**The TLIR Committee is seeking faculty members** interested in advancing the cause of technology in teaching and learning at Truman to serve on the committee. Contact Chad Mohler at 785.6034 for more information.

**Certified lifeguards are needed to work morning and afternoon hours.** If interested and qualified, please apply at the Truman State University Natatorium in the lower level of Pershing Building.

**2 TUESDAY**  
Faculty Development Workshop on Fair Essay Grading, Pickler 205; see Notes

7 p.m.-"DUI: A Powerful Lesson," Pershing Arena; see Notes

7:30 p.m.-Burke lecture, VH 1000; see pg. 1

8:30 p.m.-Burke reception, VH Lounge; see pg. 1

**3 WEDNESDAY**  
9:30 a.m.-Burke seminar, VH 1000; see pg. 1

10:30 a.m.-Burke book signing, Truman Book Store; see pg. 1

11 a.m.-3 p.m.-Law school forum, SUB Activities Room; see Notes

12:30 p.m.-Faculty Development Lunch Series, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes

2:30 p.m.-Mathematics and computer science colloquium, VH 1236; see Notes

4:35-5:25 p.m.-Physics colloquium, BT 251; see Notes

7 p.m.-Dobson Hall International Film Series show "Sans Soleil," Dobson Hall 247; see Notes

7 p.m.-Early-Vreeland Lecture, MG 274; see pg. 1  
8:30 p.m.-Roommate Game Show, SUB Down Under; see Notes

**4 THURSDAY**  
5 p.m.-"Blame it on Davis," Centennial Courtyard; see Notes  
7-9 p.m.-"Transcultural Nursing in the Philippines," SUB Georgian Room; see Notes

**5 FRIDAY**  
7 p.m.-"The Spirit of the Beehive," VH 1010; see pg. 3

**6 SATURDAY**  
2 p.m.-Women's soccer vs. University of Missouri-Rolla, Truman Soccer Park  
8 p.m.-University Symphony Orchestra concert, Baldwin Auditorium; see Notes

**8 MONDAY**  
5:15 p.m.-"DUI: A Powerful Lesson," rugby field; see Master Calendar  
7 p.m.-Homecoming kick-off, Quadrangle; see pg. 2  
8-10 p.m.-University Observatory open to the public, MG roof; see Notes