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ON AIR

Truman's radio station, KTRM-88.7 FM The Edge-hits the air-waves Feb. 10.

Music will be featured from 2 p.m. to midnight, daily.

Board Approves Modest Tuition Increase, Elects Officers



The Truman State University Board of Governors approved a modest tuition increase at their meeting Feb. 6 on campus.

The Board approved an average 4.7 percent tuition increase, resulting in a change in cost from \$3,096 to \$3,408 per academic year for in-state students and \$5,576 to \$6,024 for out-of-state students. The Board also approved a 5 percent across the board room and board increase.

In other action the Board elected officers for the upcoming year. Ruth Mach was elected president. Mach, of Clayton, Mo., is a 1958 Truman graduate. Dorothy Munch, a 1981 Truman graduate was elected vice president and James K. Reinhard of Paris, Mo., was elected secretary.

Pictured are (seated) Munch and Mach; (standing) President Jack Magruder and Reinhard.

Campus Hosts Missouri Extravaganza

Student leaders from colleges and universities throughout Missouri will come to the Truman campus Feb. 20-22 for the annual leadership and student development conference of the Missouri Association of Residence Hall Students (MARHS). The theme of this year's conference is Missouri Extravaganza '98. Approximately 200 students and advisors are expected to attend.

The MARHS conference provides opportunities for participants to learn more about themselves, their peers and the schools that they attend. In addition to program sessions in the Student Union and McClain Hall, conference activities will include roundtable sessions, case study competitions, displays and a resource room.

"The ME '98 team has been working to create a conference that will stimulate the sharing of ideas and information between groups and facilitating the establishment of relationships that will be taken beyond the conference," said Programming Chair Charlene Schambach.

According to Carrie Foiles, conference director, delegations from each residence hall at Truman are being formed. Students wishing to participate should pick up a volunteer form on the door of the CHANL Office, Missouri Hall 155, or call Li Bischoff at 785.4738, Foiles at 785.5467 or the CHANL Office at 785.7732 (voice box 6).

A complete schedule of conference events will be included in next week's *Truman Today*.

The Office of Admissions is accepting applications for Student Ambassadors. This honorary volunteer organization is comprised of students who give tours to prospective students. Applications are available in McClain Hall 205. Submit applications to Tim Taylor in the Admission Office by March 6. Interviews will be after Midterm Break. Contact Lisa Odorizzi (627.1505) or Tim Taylor (785.4114) with questions.

Habitat's Collegiate Challenge

Three Truman students will be spending Spring Break in the sun, but not to get a tan. Freshmen Andrea Hoyt and Mistie Miller and junior Stacey Irwin will be in Americus, Ga., helping to eliminate poverty by participating in Habitat For Humanity's Spring Break Collegiate Challenge March 8-15.

The Challenge, a service program initiated in 1989, has become one of the largest school break programs in the nation. Construction work ranges from building house frames to landscape development.

Students are responsible for raising funds for travel and building materials. If you would like to help the Truman team eliminate sub-standard housing by reaching its goal of \$500, send donations to: Habitat for Humanity Campus Chapter, Attn: David Hoffman, Truman State University, CAOC, SUB, Kirksville, Mo., 63501.

Die Fledermaus at Truman On Campus

The Fine Arts Division announces the production of *Die Fledermaus* as part of its 1997-98 season. Performances are Feb. 12 and 14 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 15 at 2 p.m. All performances will take place in Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is free; no reserved seating will be available.

Die Fledermaus, by Johann Strauss, is the story of two friends caught in a masquerade of deception, intrigue and revenge. After a celebration at a costume ball, Einstein leaves his friend Falke intoxicated in the town square. When Falke wakes up the next morning, he finds members of high society milling around him, laughing at his misfortune. Publicly embarrassed, he plots revenge against his friend. What follows is an uproariously funny tale of practical jokes and retribution.

While the operetta was originally set in Vienna during the 1850s, one of the unique aspects of this production is its setting in the early 1930s.

Die Fledermaus is being brought to life by Lee Orchard, associate professor of theatre. According to Orchard, the difference between opera and operetta is an operetta has spoken dialogue between songs.

"What we are doing is almost indiscernible from a Rodgers and Hammerstein

musical. While the music is an operatic style, the structure is similar to that of a musical. It's a nice taste of opera without having to attend serious opera - it's operalight," Orchard said.

The production is a union of efforts from both the Theatre Department and the University Music Department. The merging of the two departments has had a positive effect on the *Die Fledermaus* cast. Senior theatre major Andy Akaster, playing the role of Froesch, said, "The music students have a very strong work ethic; it's been very encouraging for me to be around people that work hard at honing their craft."

The same optimism was shared by Kara Davis, a junior music/vocal performance major. "This is a great experience. When we work together, we can overlap our respective talents, so we learn from theatre students and they learn from us," said Davis, cast in the role of Rosalinda.

The production employs the services of nearly 75 students, including actors, musicians and technical crew.

For more information regarding performances, contact the Theatre Box Office at 785.4515.

Singer-Songwriter Visits Truman

Singer-songwriter Rich Webster will speak on overcoming adversity and perform a concert in Ryle Hall main lounge Feb. 23 at 7 p.m. The lecture and concert, sponsored by Ryle South Residential College, is free and open to the public.

Webster was on the verge of a recording contract five years ago when a flash fire left him with burns over 65 percent of his body. After an extensive hospital stay and months of physical therapy, he decided to turn his circumstances to his advantage.

"I made a decision to make this burn the best thing that ever happened," Webster said in a 1993 interview, just six months after the fire.

Webster's music, has been his constant therapy; he has channeled much of his energy into creating new songs and playing concerts. His visit to Truman will be the first time he has combined his music with a lecture on overcoming adversity.

On Aug. 16, 1992 Webster suffered burns after using acetone to remove carpet

when the fumes were ignited by the pilot light of a water heater. Webster sued the acetone company for inaccurate precautions and won. As a result of his own litigation, he decided to go to law school to help other people in personal injury suits.

The Tau Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma, the national criminal justice honor society, would like to thank everyone who assisted in making their toy drive a success. The toys will be distributed to local children who accompany their parents seeking shelter at Victim Support Services.

Notables

Betty McLane-Iles and Gregg Siewert, co-moderators of Pi Delta Phi, the French honorary society, have announced

Christopher Mobley, sophomore, has been awarded a full academic scholarship plus a \$2,500 travel and housing grant to attend classes at the American University of Paris this summer. Mobley earned one of four Yedlicka scholarships awarded by Pi Delta Phi in a national application process.

Brian M. Peeters, senior, had the article "Creatine Supplementation and Its Effects on Body Composition, Strength, and Blood Pressure" published in *Journal of Strength and Conditioning Research* Vol. 4 No. 12.

Johanna Sandrock Shafer, assistant college professor, has had a paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South, April 15-18 in Charlottesville, Va. The title of her talk is "Uno Lapid: Teaching Latin Grammar and Culture Through Monuments."

Danielle Smith, a 1997 Truman graduate, and **Teresa Heckert**, assistant professor of psychology, have been notified that their article "Personality Characteristics and Traffic Accidents of College Students" will

J.B. Smith to Perform at Truman



B.J. Smith

Composer, artist and percussionist J.B. Smith will perform Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. in Ryle Hall formal lounge. Smith is an associate professor of percussion at Arizona State University.

Smith's concert will include several compositions for percussion and an interactive computer program. Smith will be joined by members of the Truman Percussion Ensemble.

Smith has performed and recorded with Summit Brass, The Daniel Lentz Group and the Phoenix Symphony. He is also an artist-in-resident for ASU's Institute for Studies in the Arts.

He received his bachelor of music education degree from Baylor University, master of music in percussion performance and literature and doctor of musical arts from the University of North Texas. He has written articles for *The Instrumentalist* and *Percussive Notes* and served as president of

be published in an upcoming issue of the *Journal of Safety Research*.

Truman Debate Team won first place in varsity debate at Webster University Spring Forensics Tournament Jan. 23-25. **Freshmen Ryan Kennedy and Shane Mecham** finished in the top spot by defeating teams from Washington University, Webster University, William Jewell College and University of Missouri-St. Louis. **Kennedy** was named top speaker at the competition, **Mecham** finished second.

Freshmen Holly Ahrens and Rob Layne were semifinalists at the tournament. **Freshmen Amy DeWeesse and junior Dan Thomann** finished as quarterfinalists in the parliamentary debate division. **DeWeesse** was awarded sixth speaker in the division.

Amanda Behnke placed second in informative speaking, third in persuasive speaking and was named top novice in persuasive. **Mecham** was second place and was top novice in extemporaneous speaking. **Heather Helm** placed sixth in Informative. In Team Sweepstakes, Truman finished second overall in all divisions of debate and third overall in debate and individual events.

the Arizona chapter of the Percussive Arts Society. Smith has had compositions published by *Whole>Sum Productions*.

"Virtual Harlem" Celebrated

Multicultural Affairs will host "Virtual Harlem" Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the SUB Alumni Room. Bryan Carter, assistant professor and doctoral candidate in African-American literature at the University of Missouri-Columbia, will make the Harlem Renaissance, a period considered one of the most creative in American history, come to life through the use of virtual reality technology.

Two years ago, Carter used the University of Missouri-Columbia's Advanced Technology Center to recreate Harlem through virtual reality technology. "I wanted to assist students in the visualization of what may have inspired various artists to create their work [during the Harlem Renaissance]," Carter said.

Asher Returns to Truman

Last February, San Francisco-based author Donald Asher captivated Truman students during his information packed presentations. The University Career Center, McNair Program, and Writing Center have announced Asher's return to Truman to present two lectures Feb. 18 in the SUB Alumni Room. He will address issues pertinent to the worlds of work and graduate school.

Students considering graduate school should not miss his first presentation, *Graduate School? How to Gain Admission to Highly Competitive Graduate Schools*, at 1 p.m. As one of the most cited writers in graduate admission, Asher will speak to students about how admission decisions are made, writing tips that make great essays and managing the application process.

Students eager to prepare for success, advancement and happiness will gain valuable information from his presentation, *Designing a Fast-Track Career*, at 4 p.m. His background, working with fast-track clientele as a career coach, as a writer specializing in careers, and author of seven books on career advancement, makes him a terrific resource for students beginning the move from college to career.

Notes

SAB is sponsoring Creative Dating Solutions Feb. 11 and The Spencers Illusionist Feb. 12. Both events commence at 8 p.m. in the SUB Georgian Room; admission is free.

The deadline for Homecoming Committee applications has been extended to Feb. 11.

Campus Crusade for Christ is sponsoring *cofftealk* on the subject of forgiveness Feb. 10, 9-10 p.m. in the Centennial Hall second floor conference room. Refreshments will be served.

Tri-Rivers Planned Parenthood is hosting "A Time for Chocolate Lovers" Feb. 14, 7-10 p.m. at the Kirksville National Guard Armory, 500 S. Elson. The evening will feature unique chocolate desserts, beverages, dancing and a silent auction. Childcare will be provided. Tickets are \$7 per person, \$10 per couple and may be purchased at the door or by calling 665.5672.

Attention all seniors planning to graduate May 9: If you have not applied for graduation, it must be done immediately; diplomas will be ordered soon. Applications for graduation are available in the Registrar's Office, McClain Hall 104.

Juried Student Exhibition runs through Feb. 24 in the University Art Gallery.

Deadline for accountancy and English GTRA applications and MAE spring admission applications is Feb. 16 in the Graduate Office. Applications are free.

The Scholastic Enhancement Experience (SEE) is seeking four students to serve as student program coordinators for the residential scholar program for students of color June 22-July 24. Job descriptions and applications are available in Multicultural Affairs, Adair Building. Deadline is 5 p.m. Feb. 27.

Windfall, the campus literary magazine, is accepting prose, poetry, artwork and photography. Submissions should be dropped off in the *Windfall* mailbox in the CAOC by Feb. 25.

Delta Zeta's Big Man On Campus (BMO) competition is Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in Kirk Gym. Tickets are \$2 in advance, \$3 at the door and will be on sale from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 11-12 in the SUB and Feb. 9-10 in McClain Hall.

Alpha Phi Omega is sponsoring Valentine's Day child care Feb. 14 from 6-10:30 p.m. for children of Truman faculty and staff. Call Claire at 665.9049 to R.S.V.P. or for additional information.

Funds Allotment Council will hold informational meetings in the SUB Alumni Room Feb. 11 at 9 p.m. and Feb. 12 at 8 p.m. Funding is available for all chartered campus organizations sponsoring a campus-wide event for the fall 1998 semester. Applications will be distributed at the meetings.

Institutional position available in the Athletics Office-10 hrs/week. Computer skills (especially Office '95, Excel and databases), organizational and communication skills are required. This year-round position is available March 1. Applications are available in Pershing 213.

Art of Living Club will sponsor a Yoga workshop Feb. 13-16. The weekend-long workshop includes instruction in Yoga postures and stress-relieving breathing techniques. An informational meeting will be held Feb. 11 at 6 p.m. in Ophelia Parrish 217B. For additional information call Ellyn at 665.7092.

Internet Chat Night - "The First Step to Financial Aid: The FAFSA" will be Feb. 18 from 6-8 p.m. This live event is an opportunity to ask experts about how to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

Multicultural Affairs presents *An Evening of Progressive, Political, and Passionate Poetry and Readings* Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Adair Building. Express yourself through *vibe-n-verse*.

Public Safety presents SHARP (Sexual Harassment Assault Rape Prevention). Unit one discusses prevention psychology and is offered Feb. 16 and 19. Unit two focuses on managing social and professional physical harassment and is offered Feb. 23 and 26. Unit three is on sexual assault countermeasures and is offered March 2 and 5. All sessions are from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Student Recreation Center conference room.

Phi Sigma Pi is sponsoring a book drive Feb. 8-14. All books will be donated to Kirksville Adult Education Program. Collection boxes will be in all division offices and hall desks.

On Campus

9 MONDAY
1-6 p.m.-Career Expo '98, SUB
6 p.m.-Women's Basketball vs. Emporia State, Pershing Arena
7 p.m.-Ekklesia presents "Building Lasting Relationships," SUB 5
7:30 p.m.-Association of Black Collegians presents A Night of Reflection, SUB Down Under
8 p.m.-Men's Basketball vs. Emporia State, Pershing Arena
11 WEDNESDAY
12:30-1:30 p.m.-Wednesday Faculty Development Lunch Series presents The Sandwich Generation: Research in Progress by Gretchen Cornell, SUB Alumni Room
7:30 p.m.-Multicultural Affairs presents *Vibe-n-Verse* (poetry night); Adair Building; see Notes
8 p.m.-SAB presents Creative Dating, SUB Georgian Room
9 p.m.-FAC Informational meeting, SUB Alumni Room; also Feb. 12 at 8 p.m.
12 THURSDAY
8 p.m.-*Die Fledermaus*, Baldwin Auditorium; also Feb. 14 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 15 at 2 p.m.
8 p.m.-SAB presents The Spencers Illusionist, SUB Georgian Room
13 FRIDAY
Undergraduate Symposium abstracts due
Student Hall of Fame nominations due
14 SATURDAY
10 a.m.-2 p.m.-Ekklesia presents "Marriage Enrichment" with John Lee, Church of Christ, call 627.4003 for more information