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Lambda Alpha Epsilon will sponsor speaker **Robert Ressler** a former FBI serial killer profiler

8 p.m.
Oct. 28
Baldwin Auditorium

Ressler will express his life experience tracking serial killers.

There is no cost to attend.

For more information, call Tammy Merline at 660.349.9833.

VISITING ARTIST'S EVENTS

SOLO RECITAL
performed by
concert pianist Anna Klein

Featuring works by Beethoven,
Barber, Chopin, Ravel and Grieg

8 p.m.
Nov. 3
OP Performance Hall

MASTER CLASS
conducted by Anna Klein

Featuring Truman piano majors

10 a.m.-noon
Nov. 4
OP Performance Hall

These events are free and open to the public.

Contact David McKamie at 785.4405 for more information.

Banner Web Announces New Online Services

Several new features have been added to Banner Web Services as part of a continuing effort to give students more direct and immediate access to their records and current course information.

Currently enrolled students may now access their unofficial transcripts via Banner Web. These transcripts will include detailed summaries of all transfer work accepted by Truman, as well as all Truman credit.

Grades will be available on Banner Web for the first time this semester. Midterm grades are available. A date for the final grade posting will be announced later this semester. Grade cards will no longer be mailed to students.

The open course list also has moved to Banner Web. Students may use this dynamic open course list to search for courses by course number, title, instructor, attribute, time or day. The information contained in the list is "real time" information, and will include both open and closed courses. Students should use this list in conjunction with the printed course schedule and University catalog.

Students also may view any holds on

their account via Banner Web, and obtain a description of which university processes will be affected by that hold (i.e. registration, grades, transcripts, etc.). Students who are in the process of withdrawing from the semester also may check Banner Web to ensure that their withdrawal has been completely processed.

These services are in addition to those services added in late August, which included access to student schedules, current address and telephone numbers, account information, and financial aid information. All of these services have been made available one to two months-and in some cases, an entire semester-ahead of schedule.

To access Banner Web, students should log on to Campus Pipeline and then select the Banner Web Services tab. For detailed instructions on accessing Banner Web, visit <http://registrar.truman.edu>.

Faculty and staff are scheduled to receive access to Banner Web Services in late October.

For more information, contact A. Kay Anderson at 785.4143 or Nancy Hoffman at 785.4165.

"One World, Many Flavors" International Dinner Showcases Multicultural Cuisine and Entertainment

The International Club, International Student Office and the Funds Allotment Council will host the 53rd Annual International Dinner at 6-8:30 p.m., Nov. 9, in the Student Union Building Georgian Room. The theme this year is "One World, Many Flavors."

The annual dinner, which is prepared by international students and American friends, will feature seven entrees, seven side dishes and four desserts from 13 different countries. The multicultural experience will include entertainment such as an

Irish dance, a Latino dance, a dance from South America, a Japanese magic act, an Indian Song performed by an American student and two Nepali dance acts, one performed by the International Idol 2003 Tripti.

Tickets for the dinner cost \$10 each and are available at the International Student Office, located in Kirk Building 120. Tickets must be purchased in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. For more information, contact Digbijaya Ghale at 660.349.9802 or Melanee Crist at 785.4215.

**Student-Directed
Fall Laboratory Show**

"Beautiful Bodies"

**8 p.m.
Oct. 29-Nov. 1
Black Box Theatre**

Free admission

*For more information,
contact Lee Orchard at
lorchard@truman.edu or
Earliana McLaurin at
b2588@truman.edu.*

**Sierra at Truman
presents**

Robert L. Wixom

*professor emeritus of biochemistry
at the University of Missouri-
Columbia*

**"Costa Rica-Sustainable
Development and
Tropical Rain Forest"**

**4 p.m.
Oct. 29
SUB Alumni Room**

Wixom will focus on the environmental and social aspects of a mountaintop Quaker colony called Monteverdi. Wixom also is acquainted with research institutes nearby, and a cooperative farm called Finca Labelle that is operated by 24 Costa Ricans.

**"Alaska-Land of Glaciers
and Habitat"**

**8 p.m.
Oct. 29
SUB Alumni Room**

He will provide views of Alaska's environment and culture.

Wixom will be pleased to discuss majors and minors in environmental studies at both sessions.

For more information, call James Turner at 785.4348 or contact Nick Hart at hart_4@hotmail.com.

Accreditation Self-Study Underway at Truman

In January 2005, Truman State University will host a team of evaluators from The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (HLC). In preparation for this visit, approximately 70 Truman faculty, staff and students are engaged in a comprehensive self-study process during the 2003-2004 academic year. By December 2004, the University will submit an evaluative written report to the HLC.

One purpose of the self-study is to provide public evidence that the University meets the HLC's five accreditation criteria and their related core components. The self-study committees are evaluating University policies, procedures, activities and outcomes against the following criteria: Mission and Integrity, Planning for the Future, Student Learning and Effective Teaching, Acquisition, Discovery & Application of Knowledge, and Engagement & Service. A full description of the criteria can be found at the HLC's Web site at <http://www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org/>.

Secondly, the University will use the self-study process to assess and foster the implementation of the University Master Plan Update 2003-2007, Affirming the Promise: Fostering a Nationally Recognized Community of Learners. The self-study will enable the University community to fine-tune specific objectives, develop action plans for implementation, and evaluate progress toward achieving the 2003-2007 planning priorities.

A 19-member steering committee chaired by Debbie Kerby, professor of accounting and self-study coordinator, is guiding the self-study process. Five subcommittees are collecting, analyzing and evaluating data. The subcommittee chairs are Adam Davis, associate professor of English; Jay Bulen, associate professor of music; Doug Davenport, associate professor of justice systems; Janet Gooch, associate professor of communication disorders; and Karen Smith, assistant professor of psychology. Future editions of the *Truman Today* will feature the work of these committees.

Missouri Folklore Society Receives Grant for "Redefining Ourselves through Folklore"

The Missouri Humanities Council (MHC) has awarded a grant of \$1,860 to the Missouri Folklore Society (MFS) in support of the project, "Redefining Ourselves Through Folklore." This grant will help fund a series of events in Kirksville Nov. 6-8 in conjunction with "See You at the Schoolmarm Factory," the 2003 annual conference of the MFS. Events include a presentation by internationally acclaimed folklorist Jan Harold Brunvand.

Brunvand, author of a dozen collections of folk tales and of the standard college text on American folklore, coined the term "urban legend" to describe lore which reflects contemporary fears and values. Among his more popular books are "The Vanishing Hitchhiker," "The Encyclopedia of Urban Legends," "The Choking Doberman," and "Curses: Broiled Again." His talk, "On Being a Folklorist," will be free and open to the public, as will a host of other events.

These events include a dance and music performance by the Flores Family of Native American Dancers, a folk instru-

ment workshop and display by luthier James Caudle, a fiddle session organized by Rusty Marshall, a video of Ozark women musicians, and the release of a CD featuring African American folk medicine.

Co-sponsors for various events related to the conference include Truman State University, the Sojourners Club, the Adair County Historical Society, and Kirksville's Very Special Arts Program.

The MHC is the only statewide agency in Missouri devoted exclusively to humanities education for citizens of all ages. It has served as a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities since 1971.

To find out more about the events that will take place in collaboration with the MFS conference, visit <http://www2.truman.edu/~adavis/mfs.html>, or call Betsey Delmonico at 785.4492 or Adam Davis at 785.4487. For more information about the MHC grants program, visit the Missouri Humanities Council Web site at <http://www.mohumanities.org> or call 314.781.9660.

Notables

Elizabeth Carpenter, senior health science major from Cameron, Mo., was selected as the national 2004 Health Education Major of the Year by the American Association for Health Education (AAHE).

Sara Clouse, senior health science major from Kansas City, Mo., received the Founder's Scholarship Award from the National Office of Eta Sigma Gamma during the American School of Health Association National Conference/Eta Sigma Gamma National Meeting Oct. 16-19 in El Paso, Texas.

David McKamie, professor of music, and Shirley McKamie, lecturer in music, served as adjudicators for the Kansas City Music Teachers Association Romantic-Era Performance Auditions, Oct. 18-19, providing written evaluations of the memorized piano performances by more than 150 high school students from the metropolitan Kansas City area.

Mark Spitzer, assistant professor of English, will have his translation of the Blaise Cendrars play, "Gilles de Rais," published in an anthology on 20th-century French literature to be published by Creation Books, UK. Also, Spitzer's translation of the Jean Genet poem "Love Song" was published by "The Tin Lustre Mobile." The following students presented papers at the American School Health Association National Conference/Eta Sigma Gamma National Meeting in El Paso, Texas, Oct. 16-19. Erin Cahill, sophomore health science major from St. Charles; Megan Menefee, senior health science major from Holliday, Mo.; and Sarah Shelton, sophomore health science major from St. Louis; presented their paper, "Training and Services for Hospice." Elizabeth Carpenter, senior health science major from Cameron, Mo., and Christina

Degenhardt, senior health science major from Perryville, Mo., presented their paper, "A Health Needs Assessment for a Three-County Area in Rural Northeast Missouri." Sara Clouse, senior health science major from Kansas City, Mo.; Magen Hembree, senior health science major from Greenfield, Mo.; and Alan Toigo, senior health science major from Gladstone, Mo.; presented their paper "Long Term Care Administrators' Perceptions of the Ombudsman Program in the State of Missouri." Sarah Cooper, junior health science major from Strafford, Mo.; Emily Forsyth, sophomore health science major from Vinton, Iowa; and Jennifer Miller, junior health science major from St. Louis; presented their paper, "Crisis Pregnancy and Abstinence Education." Erik Judson, senior health science major from St. Louis, presented his paper, "Volunteer Mentoring Program for Disadvantaged Youth." Kim Kennett, senior health science major from Belleville, Ill., and Maureen Lonergan, senior health science major from Clinton, Iowa, presented their paper, "Workplace Violence Awareness Program for Nursing Home Employees."

Members of Truman Forensic Union captured the tournament championship in parliamentary debate for the fifth consecutive year at the Nebraska Double-Up, hosted by Creighton University in Omaha, Neb., and Concordia University in Seward, Neb., on Creighton's campus Oct. 16-19. Truman also captured the tournament sweepstakes championship (overall award) for debate and the top combined program award for both debate and individual events, among more than 30 individual and team honors for the weekend. A total of 19 colleges and universities competed in the two tournaments.

2003 Homecoming Committee

The Homecoming Committee are front row, left to right, Ryan Walkiewicz, Adviser Leah Vincent, and Travis Wesley. Back row, left to right, Kristen Carson, Thomas Sullivan, Katie Pederson, Nathan Underhill and Julie Jeffries. Not pictured are advisers Denise Smith, Robin Taylor and Winston Vanderhoof.



Styrofoam or other packaging peanuts may now be recycled. Place peanuts in a bag or box and drop off at any recycling bin or at Truman's Recycling Center.

United Way Campaign Update

To date, Truman State University has raised 64 percent of the 2004 goal of \$50,000. Truman's United Way committee thanks those individuals who have already made a donation to this year's campaign.

This week, group leaders will be following up on pledge cards that have not been returned. If you have not yet made a donation to this year's campaign, please consider doing so. If you need a new pledge card, contact your group leader or committee chairs Dale Blesz at dblesz@truman.edu or Kay Anderson at aka@truman.edu.

The United Way works to meet the needs of residents of Adair County. Individuals may contribute to all United Way agencies, or they may direct their donation to a specific agency by listing that agency on their pledge card.

Scholarship Opportunity Announced

The MG James Ursano Scholarship Fund, administered by the Army Emergency Relief (AER), awards financial assistance for undergraduate study of dependent children of Army soldiers.

Scholarships are based primarily on financial need, secondarily on academic achievements and individual accomplishments. Students may obtain more information and apply online at <http://www.aerhq.org> beginning Nov. 1 through March 1.

Notes

The Residential Living Office has relocated from KB 114 to BH 110 effective immediately. An additional class is being offered for the Spring 2003 semester: LFL 429-Study in Foreign Language: Elementary Wolof. Wolof is a West African language spoken in the Senegambian region and parts of Mali and Mauritania. The class is designed to help students develop language skills in Wolof, as well as to learn the culture and literature of the Wolof. Three classroom hours per week and one hour designed for an individualized study session are required. Call Sana Camara, at 785.5297 for more information.

The duo acoustic guitarist group, *Easily Amused*, will perform from 8-10 p.m., Oct. 28, in the SUB Down Under as part of the Tuesday Night Acoustic Series. For more information, contact the Take 5 Game Room at 785.7615. The performance is free.

The Weekly Lunch Series for Truman faculty, teaching staff and GTRAs will continue with a session about the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) from 12:30-1:30 p.m., Oct. 29, in the SUB Spanish Room. Anita Salem of Rockhurst College will be the featured speaker. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4391 for more information.

The Physics/Biology Colloquium presents Adrian L. Melott from the department of physics and astronomy at the University of Kansas at 4:35-5:25 p.m., Oct. 29, in BT 251/2. Melott will speak about "Did a Gamma-Ray Burst Initiate the Late Ordovician Mass Extinction?" Go to <http://physics.truman.edu/colloquia.html> for more information.

Alpha Kappa Lambda will be hosting a Haunted House from 8-11 p.m., Oct. 29, and from 8 p.m.-midnight, Oct. 30-31, at 918 S. Osteopathy. The cost is \$4 for students, \$5 for adults and \$2 for children under 15. For more information, call Kevin Price at 665.9100.

The Graduate English Organization is hosting a Poetry Slam at 8 p.m., Oct. 30, in the Dukum Inn, second floor. All ages are welcome to attend. Cost is \$.50. Contact b1378@truman.edu for more information.

Cardinal Key will be selling cookbooks containing healthy recipes for \$5 until Oct. 31. All proceeds will go to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Contact Lisa Sieren at 785.7108 for more information.

SAB will host pumpkin carving from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Oct. 31, on the Mall. The event is free and will include pumpkin carving, caramel apples, and more. For more information, call SAB at 785.4722 or stop by their office in the SUB.

The Truman State University Foundation applications for spring scholarships are due at 3 p.m. Oct. 31. Students who submitted applications between Oct. 5-13 are asked to contact the Advancement Office at 785.4688 to confirm that

their applications were received.

SAB will be showing the film "The Exorcist" at 6:30 p.m. and again at 9 p.m., Oct. 31, in VH 1000. The event is free to attend. Call SAB at 785.4722 or stop by their office for more information.

Truman's chapter of the American Medical Student Association (AMSA) is hosting practice tests for the LSAT, GMAT, GRE, MCAT, DAT and NCLEX from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Nov. 1. Cost is \$5 to be paid at the door. To register, call 1-800-KAP-TEST or go to <http://www.kaptest.com> for online registration. There will be a limited number of tests available, so students are encouraged to register before the test date. For more information, contact Katie Jackson at Katie@hardison.info.

The Truman Pre-Law Club is sponsoring a Law School Expo from noon-4 p.m., Nov. 5, in the SUB Activities Room. Call Libby Beilsmith at 665.1711 for more information.

Registration for the College Bowl Tournament is taking place until 4:30 p.m., Nov. 6, at the Center for Student Involvement, lower level of the SUB. Space is limited to 16 teams. Cost to register is \$5 per individual and all participants will receive a T-shirt. The College Bowl Tournament will take place from 6-11 p.m. Nov. 12. Both individual and teams are encouraged to sign up. Competition begins at Truman to select the varsity team. The varsity team will advance to the Regional Championship in February 2004. Call 785.4222 for more information.

SAB will be showing the movie "American Wedding" at 6:30 p.m., Nov. 7, in VH 1000, and at 9 p.m., Nov. 8, in VH 1000. There is no cost to attend. For more information, contact SAB at 785.4722 or stop by their office.

Four a cappella groups from other universities will visit Truman and perform a selection of their pieces at 7 p.m., Nov. 8, in Baldwin Auditorium. Contact Kristin Samuelson at 665.1666 for more information.

The Ronald E. McNair Program is now accepting applications. The McNair Program prepares students for doctoral studies through involvement in research, mentoring, and other activities and supports students in the completion of doctoral studies. Applications can be picked up from the Adair Building second floor and are due by 5 p.m. Nov. 10. For more information, call Crystal Tillman at 785.5393.

The Graduate Orchestral Conducting Recital will be at 7 p.m., Nov. 14, in the OP Performance Hall. Conductors Michael Harris, Kevin Harrison and Brad Fowler will conduct works by Mozart, Stravinsky and Hindemith. The performance is free.

Abstracts are welcome for a conference to be held March 25-27, 2004, in honor of Women's History Month. The deadline for abstracts is Jan. 30. For more information, contact Linda Seidel at lseidel@truman.edu.

On Campus

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1 SATURDAY

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7:30 p.m.-Men's basketball Bob Carlson Alumni Game (exhibition), Pershing Arena
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8 p.m.-Visiting Artist Solo Recital, OP Performance Hall; see Page 1

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