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**KOHLBERG  
LYCEUM SERIES**

*Centennial Celebration*

presents

## THE SAINT LOUIS SYMPHONY

THURSDAY, SEPT. 9  
7:30 P.M.  
BALDWIN  
AUDITORIUM

Free tickets for students, faculty and staff are available at the SAB office, Student Union lower level.

Financial assistance has been provided by the Missouri Arts Council.

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## Lyceum Series Celebrates 100 Years

*The following history of the Lyceum Series was written by Odessa Ofstad. A member of the Kohlenberg Lyceum Series Centennial Committee, Ofstad was a librarian and archivist in the Special Collections Department in Pickler Memorial Library from 1967 through 1993.*

Truman State University's Kohlenberg Lyceum Series, celebrating its 100th anniversary in the 1999-2000 season, can be traced to a series of speakers sponsored by the Young Men's Christian Association (together with the American School of Osteopathy) during 1899, the first year of John R. Kirk's college presidency. Kirk was vitally interested in broadening the cultural experiences of future teachers and giving students worthwhile activities. The chosen name derived from the Greek word *Lykeion*, which referred to a temple of Apollo close to Athens and by extension a nearby open tract of land where the intellectuals of the day, most notably Aristotle, held scholarly debates.

The series continued through 1922-23, with Professor Eugene Violette serving as secretary much of the time. Among the luminaries appearing were former President William Howard Taft, William Jennings Bryan, Helen Keller, sculptor Loreda Taft, and Sir Wilfred T. Grenfell, missionary to the Eskimos.

After the 1922-23 season Kirk persuaded the public schools and civic clubs to join the college in a Community Lecture Series, which was followed in 1937 by a Kirksville unit of the nationwide Civic Music Association. President Walter H. Ryle, newly appointed in 1937 to succeed President Eugene Fair, purchased blanket memberships in the subscription series for all students and faculty to enable them to attend programs by presentation of activity tickets. Soon, however, the World War II victory effort meant curtailing non-essential activities, the Civic Music Association among them.

Following the war, finding selling sufficient memberships difficult, the Association asked President Ryle for help. Therefore, in 1960 the College took over funding, programming, and operation of the series. Ryle appointed a faculty committee headed by Dr. Gilbert C. Kohlenberg to administer the program under the name "Lyceum Series." Kohlenberg remained on the committee thereafter, serving as chairman until 1992, when Dr. James Shaddy assumed that position. In 1997, in honor of Kohlenberg's more than 30 years of devoted leadership and service, the series was officially named the Kohlenberg Lyceum Series.

In recent years, financial assistance from the Missouri Arts Council and Mid-America Arts Alliance helped support the Lyceum. In 1998 the Friends of the Lyceum program was initiated.

Over the years, the Lyceum has featured a wide variety of excellent programs. Perhaps the favorite musical group has been the Saint Louis Symphony, which has given numerous concerts in the series. Actor and art expert Vincent Price's popularity brought him to campus seven times. It would be impossible to list in a limited space all of the outstanding lecture, drama, music, dance, and entertainment programs. The following (in no particular order) will serve to exemplify the quality and breadth of the offerings, bringing back pleasant memories for those privileged to have enjoyed them: Maya Angelou, Geraldine Ferraro, Jeane Kirkpatrick, Hal Holbrook, State Ballet of Missouri, Lyric Opera of Kansas City, Guthrie Theater, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, Pete Fountain, Alexander Haig, Preservation Hall Dixieland Band, James Lovell, and St. Petersburg State Ice Ballet.

As it begins its second century, the Lyceum continues to enhance the cultural opportunities of students, faculty, and the community.

## Community Appreciation Day

Sept. 11, 1999

**PICNIC LUNCH**  
11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Red Barn Park  
Cost-\$3 per person

Co-sponsored with Sodexo  
Marriott Food Services.  
Bring a blanket to the picnic  
and wear purple and white  
to show your spirit.

RSVPs are required for the  
picnic and must be made,  
no later than Sept. 9, at the  
Public Relations Office,  
McClain Hall 102,  
785.7522.

**MEN'S SOCCER**  
vs. Lewis University  
Noon  
Soccer Field

**VOLLEYBALL**  
vs. Washburn  
Noon  
Pershing Building

**BULLDOG FOOTBALL**  
vs. South Dakota  
1:30 p.m.  
Stokes Stadium

General Admission tickets to  
the football game will be  
available to those who  
attend the picnic and make  
a donation of \$2 for adults  
and \$1 for children to the  
Christian Community  
Food Depot.

## College Rector Search Under Way

**A**s college rectors, faculty members will undertake certain academic, instructional and administrative responsibilities in the residential college as one means of contributing to the liberal arts mission of Truman State University.

Faculty members interested in appointment as college rectors in Blanton-Nason

and Dobson halls may obtain more information and applications for the position from all division offices and the Vice President of Academic Affairs Office, McClain Hall 203, or call 785.4105. Applications will be available Sept. 7 and are due in division offices by Oct. 1.

## Piano Trio to Present Premiere Concert

**T**he Truman State University Piano Trio, comprised of violinist Sam McClure, cellist Elaine Boda and pianist Janice Saffir, will perform its inaugural concert on Sept. 19 at 3 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium. The program will include Beethoven's Trio in D Major, Op. 70, No. 1 ("Ghost") and the Mendelssohn Trio No. 1 in D Minor, Op. 49. The concert is free and open to the public.

McClure is assistant professor of violin/viola and director of orchestras at Truman. He joined the faculty in August 1998. As violinist and violist, McClure performs frequently as recitalist, soloist with orchestra, chamber musician, concertmaster of several Midwestern orchestras. He has been featured in live performances on Wisconsin Public Radio. McClure is also director of the Kirksville After-School Strings Program and the co-director of the Community Sing-Along Messiah. He has also performed in several Kirksville Arts Association concerts.

Boda holds doctoral and master's degrees in music from the Florida State University and a bachelor's degree in cello performance from the Eastman School of Music. She has performed as principal cello with the Palm Beach Opera Orchestra and the Southwest Florida Symphony, and as a member of the Nashville Symphony. She has taught at Palm Beach Atlantic College and Blair School of Music at

Vanderbilt University. Boda, a newly appointed assistant professor of music at Truman, teaches cello, bass, music theory and Perspectives in Music.

Saffir, who has been a member of the Truman music faculty since 1976, is originally from the Chicago area. She holds degrees in piano performance from the University of Illinois and the University of Iowa. She is an active performer of both solo and chamber music. Saffir also serves as an adjudicator, clinician, and reviewer, and is currently involved in several projects using music technology. Her students have won awards and performed as concerto soloists with several orchestras in the Midwest.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPLICATIONS**  
are available at the CAOC.  
Applications are due Sept. 15  
in the CAOC.

**PETITIONS FOR STUDENT SENATE**  
are available in the Student Senate Office.  
Petitions are due Sept. 10 in the CAOC.

For more information, call 785.4193.

## Shakespeare Express to Perform

**T**he Shenandoah Shakespeare Express, a traveling performance troupe, will perform on Sept. 13 and 14, at 8 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium.

On Sept. 13, the troupe will perform William Shakespeare's



dark comedy, *The Merchant of Venice*, and on Sept. 14 they will perform *The Knight of the Burning Pestole*, a farce by Shakespeare contemporary, Francis Beaumont.

Admission is free and the doors will open at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Arnold Preussner at 785.5681.

## Notables

**Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence and professor of comparative literature**, had two poems, "For Roland, Presumed Taken" and "An Ex-Deputy Remembers the Eastern Oklahoma Murderers," accepted for publication in the anthology *9mm: Poets Respond to Violence in America*. He had two more poems, "Comcomly's Skull" and "A Choctaw Chief Helps Plan a Festival in Honor of Pushmataha's Birthday," accepted for publication in the anthology *American Diaspora: Poetry of Exile*.

**Robert Cummings, associate professor of history**, had his compilation, "The Writings of Christopher Lasch: A Bibliography in Progress," posted on the world wide web at <http://www.rochester.edu/rbk/LasherBibhtml.e.htm>.

**Jerrold Hirsch, assistant professor of history**, had his review of the documentary film, *Paralyzing Fear, The Story of Polio*, titled, "A Story of Polio: Using and Abusing Oral History Interviews," published in the May 1999 issue of *Disability Studies Quarterly*. He gave a lecture titled, "Exhibiting Disability," at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History Conference on Disability and the Practice of Public History, in May 1999.

**Daniel Mandrell, assistant professor of history**, recently received a certificate of com-

mentation from the American Association for State and Local History for his book *Behind the Frontier: Indians in Eighteenth-Century Eastern Massachusetts*. The certificate will be presented at the annual AASLH meeting in October.

**Karon Speckman, assistant professor of communication**, had a book review of *Reading Public Opinion: How Political Actors View the Democratic Process* published in the September 1999 issue of *Journalism and Mass Communication Educator*. She also presented two refereed papers, "The 1996 Presidential Nomination Contests: Network News Coverage" and "Coverage of Mars Exploration: Media Messages about Women Scientists," at the Association for Education for Journalism and Mass Communication national convention.

**Jared Swanegan, a senior biology major from Poplar Bluff, Mo.**, recently had his article, "Eugenic Perspectives on Crime in Progressive Era America," accepted for publication in the *Harvard Undergraduate Review*.

**Thomas Zoumaras, associate professor of history**, had a chapter titled "Plugging the Dike: The Kennedy Administration Confronts the Balance-of-Payments Crisis with Europe," published in the book *John F. Kennedy and Europe*.

## Harry S. Truman Library Internship

Truman State University is pleased to announce the creation of a paid internship for a Truman State University student at the Harry S. Truman Library, located in Independence, Mo. The internship has been made possible thanks to a generous endowment from the family of Fred and Ethel Schwengel.

The internship, which begins in the Spring 2000 semester, is open to all Truman State University juniors and seniors who meet University requirements for an internship. Students can earn up to 15 credit hours for this full-time internship. After being selected by a University committee and Truman library staff, the intern can work in a variety of areas of the Library including archives, public relations, marketing, educational programming, museum development or visitor services. Assignment will be based on the intern's abilities and interests, along with the needs of the Library. The internship

offers a \$2,000 stipend.

Guidelines for the internship require that selected interns must immerse themselves in the study of President Truman. At the conclusion of the internship, the intern will prepare a paper on his/her experiences at the Library and on a specific study of the Truman presidency. The internship schedule will provide time for the intern to research the project.

Applicants should have computer skills, strong communication skills, both written and verbal, strong organizational skills, the ability to work independently on multiple tasks, dependability, and should be self-motivated.

Applications are available and can be picked up in the Division of Social Science, McClain Hall 214. For more information, contact Jeff Gall, assistant professor of history and social science, by calling 785.7242 or emailing [jgall@truman.edu](mailto:jgall@truman.edu). Applications are due Oct. 8.

## Who's Who Applications Available

Applications for the 1999-2000 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award are now available in the Student Affairs Office. Faculty and staff are invited to nominate students, and students may also nominate themselves. Nominations are due Sept. 17.

To qualify, a student should be active in campus and community activities, have a 2.75 cumulative GPA and be a senior eligible for graduation in December, May or August of the 1999-2000 academic year.

Nominated students will be notified and their completed applications are due Oct. 8 at the Student Affairs Office. For more information, call 785.4111.

## Hispanic Scholarship

Several scholarships are now available for Hispanic undergraduate and graduate students.

The awards, which generally range from \$500 to \$2,500 dollars, will be awarded in the spring 2000. Students must be at least half Hispanic, be a full time student, be a US citizen or permanent resident, have completed 15 credit hours and have a GPA of 2.5.

Applications are due Oct. 15 and can be picked up in the Financial Aid office, McClain Hall 103. For more information, call 785.4130.

# Notes

**"Reading the Past,"** a collection of ancient Mesopotamian objects developed by senior Michael Murawski, will be exhibited in the Violette Museum Sept. 15-Dec. 31. A small opening reception will be held Sept. 14, from 7 to 9 p.m.

**Echo** (1998-99), the Truman State University yearbook, will be distributed Sept. 7, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. outside Mainstreet Market in the SUB. For more information, call 785.4450.

Cardinal Key and Blue Key will host an American Red Cross blood drive Sept. 7-9 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the SUB Activities Room. For more information, call Laura Crandall at 785.4791.

The Student Activities Board will present **The Matrix**, Sept. 10 at 6 and 9:30 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium. Students are admitted free with a University ID; general admission is \$2. For more information, call 785.4722.

The Residential College Program, in association with Missouri Hall, will present "How a Symphony Works," on Sept. 8 at 7 p.m. in Violette Hall 1010. The program, which aims to prepare active listeners for the Saint Louis Symphony performance, will feature members of the music department faculty and students. For more information, call David Gruber at 785.5384.

**DEAL**, Diabetes Education and Awareness for Life, will have a meeting on Sept. 13 at 9 p.m. in the Student Health Center. For more information, call Melissa Reese at 627.4022.

There will be a competitive scholarship meeting Sept. 8 at 3:30 p.m. in SUB 4. The informational meeting will discuss various scholarships. For more information, call Debbie Kling at 785.4709.

The Kirksville chapter of the American Diabetes Association needs volunteers and walkers for Walktoberfest, a national walking event that supports diabetes research. The walk will be held on Sept. 25 at 9 a.m. in Brashear Park in Kirksville. For more information about volunteering or donating money, call Ranjita Misra at 785.4461.

Huping Ling, associate professor of history, will host a discussion of her book, **Surviving on Gold Mountain**, at the Truman

Bookstore on Sept. 8 at 7 p.m. There will be refreshments and a book signing afterwards. For more information, call 785.4211.

Applications for positions on the Student Activities Board are now available in the SAB office, SUB lower level. The applications are due Sept. 8 by 3:30 p.m. Interviews will take place Sept. 11-14. For more information, call the SAB office at 785.4722.

**Psi Chi**, the national honorary fraternity for psychology majors and minors, will host a rush meeting Sept. 8 and 9 at 8 p.m. in Baldwin Hall 218. To become a member, you must be a sophomore, have nine credit hours of psychology classes and have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above. Students who fail to meet these requirements are still invited to participate. For more information, call Kristin at 665.3962.

Student Senate will sponsor a forum regarding the arming of Department of Public Safety officers with firearms on Sept. 15 at 8 p.m. in SUB 2. Lisa Sprague, director of public safety, along with David Hoffman, interim dean of student affairs, and Jessica Neighbors, student representative to the Board of Governors, will speak. The forum is open to the public. For more information, call 785.4193.

There will be an informational meeting for all students interested in MAE teaching certification on Sept. 15 at 7 p.m. in SUB 4. For more information, call Timothy Farley at 785.4059.

Multicultural Affairs will present "Fiesta-Hispanic Heritage Under the Stars," Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m. on the Quad. There will be food, music and dance, featuring the dynamic "El Trio Aztlan." For more information, call 785.4142.

The Writing Across the Curriculum Program is hiring peer readers for the fall semester. Qualified candidates should possess excellent writing and interpersonal skills. Students with a major, minor or strong interest in English, classics, art, music, biology, history, health science or psychology are urged to apply. For an application or more information, visit the Writing Center, McClain Hall 303 or call 785.4484.

# On Campus

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11 SATURDAY  
11:30 a.m.-**Community Appreciation Day**, Red Barn Park; see p. 2  
noon-**Men's soccer game vs. Lewis University**, Soccer Field  
noon-**Women's volleyball game vs. Washburn University**, Pershing Building  
1:30 p.m.-**Football game vs. University of South Dakota**, Stokes Stadium

13 MONDAY  
9 p.m.-**DEAL meeting**, Student Health Center; see Notes