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Welcome  
to  
Truman State  
University & your  
first issue of the  
*Truman Today!*



The  
*Truman Today*  
is a weekly  
newsletter  
for students,  
faculty & staff  
where you can  
find information  
about the  
many events  
on our campus.

## get FACTS!

### Truman State University's Freshman Week Schedule - August 13-20

*Sunday, August 13* - got chills (ice cream), 9:30 p.m. until midnight, Student Union Mall

*Monday, August 14* - Montage (skits), 8 p.m.-9:15 p.m., Baldwin Auditorium  
got talent (open mic), 9:15 p.m. until midnight, Down Under  
got movies, 9:30 p.m., Red Barn Park

*Tuesday, August 15* - got rhythm (dance), 8 p.m. until midnight, Red Barn Park  
got snakes (pool party), 9 p.m., Natatorium

*Wednesday, August 16* - got singing (karaoke), 8 p.m. until midnight, Red Barn Park  
got game (Rec Center Challenge), 8 p.m. until midnight  
Student Rec Center

*Thursday, August 17* - got prizes ('The Price is Right'), 8-9 p.m., Red Barn Park  
got leis (Hawaiian dance), 9 p.m. until midnight, Mall

*Friday, August 18* - got laughs (SAB comedian), 8-9 p.m., Baldwin Auditorium  
movie, 9:45 p.m., Violette Hall 1000

*Saturday, August 19* - Phi Mu Alpha Jazz Band, Ryle Hall Main Lounge

*Sunday, August 20* - "Second Annual Red Barn Cellidh" (folk dancing & jam session)  
12:30- 3 p.m., Red Barn Park

**Meet new friends! Join the fun! Make the most of your first week here!**

## Gilchrist Appointed as Acting Dean of Student Affairs

Lou Ann Gilchrist, Ed.D., director of Truman's University Counseling Services, has accepted the appointment as Acting Dean of Student Affairs for the upcoming school term. She succeeds Diane Pfeifer who has accepted a position as Interim Associate Vice President for Student Affairs at Fort Hays State University, in Hays, Kan. Fort Hays is Pfeifer's alma mater and several of her family members reside in the Hays area.

Gilchrist has served as director of Counseling Services at Truman since 1993. From 1984-1993 she was an associate professor of counseling at Truman and worked in the counselor preparation program.

More information about Gilchrist and her appointment will appear in next week's issue of the *Truman Today*.

## Numbers to Know



Bookstore-785.4212  
Business Office-785.4149  
Financial Aid-785.4130  
Fix-It Line-785.4687  
Food Services-785.4197  
Res. Hall Director-785.4227  
Res. Colleges-785.4409  
Registrar-785.4143  
Student Affairs-785.4111  
Tech. Helpdesk-785.4544

# Truman Students Spend Five Weeks in Middle East

This summer marked the eleventh year that Truman students have traveled on a five-week Mid-Eastern experience. The trip was organized by Mark Appold, professor of philosophy and religion

Highlighting the experience was a two-week archeological dig at Bethsaida, located on the northeast corner of the Sea of Galilee. The group stayed in Gennosar (a kibbutz) on the shore of Galilee.

Their daily routine included arising at 5 a.m. and working until noon at the dig. In the afternoon, they enjoyed lunch in the kibbutz cafeteria and swimming.

At 4 p.m. they held a "pottery reading" where they sorted through their finds, discarded poor pieces and saved those of merit for restoration. Their finds included shards, coins, jewelry, fishing pieces, anchors, needles,



Truman students gathered for a group photo in the Roman theatre at Bosra during their five-week Mid-Eastern experience this summer. Eighteen students went on the trip this year.

weights and hooks.

The first five or six days of the trip were spent visiting the Syrian cities of Palmyra, Hama and Apamea where they were able to experience contemporary life and the various religious overtones of the culture.

Later, they traveled into South Syria and toured ancient Roman buildings. They spent four days in Jordan and traveled south to Petra which is accessible only by a narrow gorge (featured in the last *Indiana Jones* movie). They also visited a number of crusader castles in the area and the palace where John the Baptist was imprisoned.

During the fourth week, they visited many sites in old Jerusalem including the Wailing Wall, Dome of Rock, Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Armenian quarter and Gihon, an 8th century B.C. tunnel. Three days at the West Bank included stops at a refugee camp and the Center for Peace.

The last leg of the trip was spent in Egypt. There they visited mosques, pyramids, a sphinx, temples, the burial site of the pharaohs and witnessed the Cairo skyline at night from an Egyptian sailboat.

For information about the trip or plans for 2001, contact Appold at 785.7244.

## Truman's Annual Family Day Offers Full Slate of Events

### Informal Reception

10-11 a.m., Student Union Mall

### 24th Annual Red Barn Arts and Crafts Festival

9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Downtown Kirksville

### Presidential Address

11 a.m.

Baldwin Auditorium

### Bulldog Football

2 p.m., Stokes Stadium,

\$5 general admission

### Tailgate Lunch

11:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Red Barn Park

\$4 per person

### SAB Entertainment

7 p.m., Baldwin Auditorium

### Women's Volleyball

11 a.m., Pershing Arena

### University Concert Band

2 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 8

Baldwin Auditorium

### Women's Soccer

Noon, soccer field

Truman State University  
**Family Day**

October 7, 2000

For more information, contact  
Public Relations, 660.785.4016  
Also, check the Parent Information  
portion of our online site at [www.truman.edu](http://www.truman.edu)

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# KOHLLENBERG LYCEUM SERIES

Don't miss our great line-up for the 2000-2001 season! Performances are free for Truman students.

Preservation Hall Jazz – Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2000 at 7:30 p.m.

Grand Dérangement – Monday, Oct. 30, 2000 at 7:30 p.m.

Vienna Choir Boys – Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2000 at 7:30 p.m.

The Nutcracker – Sunday, Nov. 26, 2000 at 7:30 p.m.

Peking Acrobats – Thursday, Feb. 8, 2001 at 7:30 p.m.

St. Petersburg Ice Ballet (Cinderella) – Sunday, Feb. 18, 2001 at 7:30 p.m.

James and the Giant Peach – Saturday, March 17, 2001 at 7:30 p.m.

Helen Thomas – Saturday, April 7, 2001 at 8 p.m.

Truman Showcase – Wednesday, April 18, 2001 at 7:30 p.m.

## Notables

Jim Barnes, professor of comparative literature and writer-in-residence, has a short story, "The Wild Plum," in the current publication of *The Texas Review*.

Habitat for Humanity members held a dedication ceremony on July 30 for their second home in Kirksville. The home is located at 1214 East Harrison and was deeded over to the Habitat organization from the estate of John Dale Oliver.

Steve Majors, junior political science major from Kearney, Mo., served as a delegate to the Republican Convention, held in Philadelphia, Pa., from July 31 to August 3. Because he was one of the three or four youngest delegates (out of 2,066 total), he was featured in several publications, including *The New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Kansas City Star* and the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*.

Kevin, Minch, assistant professor of communication and director of forensics, was awarded the Distinguished Citation Award by the National Federation of State High School Associations at the organization's annual meeting in Minneapolis, Minn., in July. The award was one of 13 presented to individuals who have made significant contributions to high school activities. Minch's award was presented to honor his

service to interscholastic speech and debate activities through contributions such as summer camps, publications and educational videos.

Barry Poyner, associate professor of communication, spoke at the historic Cane Ridge Lectureship in Lexington, Ky., last weekend. Earlier in the month he spoke to the Lewis County Historical Society in Canton, Mo. Both presentations focused on "Missouri's Fire-eating Evangelist, President James Shannon."

John Sloop, human potential and performance instructor, was recently named as Truman's new head coach for women's basketball. He had served as the assistant men's basketball coach at Truman for the past five years. He replaces Karin Nicholls, who resigned in May to take the head women's basketball position at the University of Texas–Pan American.

Norb Tatro, assistant professor of communication, drew on his experience as a frequent Amtrak commuter between the Truman campus and his Chicago residence to write "Talking Transportation: Amtrak Mail Delivery Can Slow Rail Passengers Down." The article appeared in the op ed page of the July 24 issue of *Crain's Chicago Business*.

## Residential Colleges Program Freshman Week Schedule 785.4409

Monday, August 14  
2-5 p.m.

Open houses.  
Check in at the Residential  
College Program  
reception desk.

Tuesday, August 15  
1:30-3:30 p.m.

Residential College  
Program  
academic advising.  
By appointment in the  
residence halls.

Thursday, August 17  
1:30-3:30 p.m.

Residential College  
Program  
academic advising.  
By appointment in the  
residence halls.

Friday, August 18th  
1:30-3:30 p.m.

Residential College  
Program  
academic advising.  
By appointment in the  
residence halls.

Saturday, August 19th  
7-9 p.m.

RCP presents  
Phi Mu Alpha Jazz,  
Ryle Hall Main Lounge

Sunday, August 20th  
12:30-3 p.m.

RCP presents  
"Second Annual Red Barn  
Ceilidh"  
Red Barn Park  
(Rain location –  
SUB Down Under)

## Notes

**Freshman Week hours at the Student Rec Center are as follows:** closed on Saturday, August 5 and Sunday, August 6; open from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. from Monday, August 7 through Friday, August 11; closed on Saturday, August 12 and Sunday, August 13; open from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. from Monday, August 14 through Friday, August 18. The Rec Center will be open from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Saturday, August 19 and from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 20.

**A faculty music recital will be held at 2 p.m., August 16, in Baldwin Auditorium.** Juanita Becker and Janice Saffir will perform a piano duet and Saffir will follow with a piano solo. Randy Smith and Greg Jones will perform a sax/trumpet duet and Tom Hueber will perform a vocal solo. The performers are all members of the music faculty and the recital is free and open to all students, faculty and staff.

**The annual University picnic for faculty, staff and their families will be held at 5:30 p.m., August 18, at the Student Union Mall.** In case of rain, it will be held in the Georgian Room. The picnic is free of charge, however, please RSVP to the Human Resources office at 785.4031 no later than August 15.

## Mark Your 2000-01 Calendars for These Events

### Academic

August 21 - Fall semester classes begin  
Late registration begins  
August 23 - Student Union Open House  
Activities Fair & Truman Day  
Sept. 1-30 - Hispanic Heritage Month  
Sept. 4 - Labor Day holiday (no classes)  
Oct. 7 - Family Day  
Oct. 11 - First day of second block courses  
Oct. 13 - Mid-term Break  
Oct. 21 - Homecoming  
Nov. 1-30 - Native American History Month  
Nov. 4 - President's Distinguished Scholar Day  
Nov. 7-8 - College Bowl  
Nov. 13-17 - Visiting Scholar Jonathan Miller  
Nov. 22-26 - Thanksgiving Break  
Nov. 27 - Classes resume  
Dec. 6 - Reading Day  
Dec. 7-12 - Final examinations  
Dec. 13 - Res. halls close for non-graduates  
Dec. 16 - Commencement, 2 p.m.  
Dec. 16 - Res. halls close completely, 6 p.m.

### Athletic

#### (September home events only)

Sept. 2 - Football vs. Northern Michigan, noon  
Sept. 9 - Women's soccer vs. Mo. SL, noon  
Sept. 10 - Women's soccer vs. SIU, 2 p.m.  
Sept. 12 - Men's tennis vs. William Jewell, 3:30  
Sept. 15-16 - Men's Tennis Singles Tournament  
Sept. 16 - Football vs. Southwest Baptist, 1:30  
Sept. 16 - Men's soccer vs. Columbia Col., 2 p.m.  
Sept. 17 - Tennis Town & Gowen Tourney, 2 p.m.  
Sept. 17 - Men's soccer vs. Mercyhurst, noon  
Sept. 22-23 - Women's Tennis Singles Tourney  
Sept. 22 - Volleyball vs. Columbia College, 7 p.m.  
Sept. 23 - Men's soccer vs. Rockhurst, noon  
Sept. 26 - Volleyball vs. William Woods, 7 p.m.  
Sept. 26 - Women's soccer vs. NWSMU, 3 p.m.  
Sept. 29 - Volleyball vs. Mo. Southern, 7 p.m.  
Sept. 30 - Volleyball vs. Pittsburg State, 11 a.m.  
Sept. 30 - Football vs. Northwest Mo. State, 1:30 p.m., Ol' Hickory Stick Game

## On Campus (classes/testing)

**14 MONDAY**  
8:30 - 11:30 a.m. - **Class meets for Group A**  
9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. - **Class meets for Group B**  
11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. - **Lunch 2 - 3 p.m. - Information mini- sessions**

**15 TUESDAY**  
8:30 - 11:30 a.m. - **Class meets for Group A**  
9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. - **Class meets for Group B**  
11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. - **Lunch 1:15 - 4:30 p.m. - Testing for Group A**  
2 - 3 p.m. - **Information mini- sessions**  
6:30 - 9:45 p.m. - **Testing for athletes, band members and international students**

**16 WEDNESDAY**  
**No Freshman Week classes today**  
9 - 10 a.m. - **Choices Program for Group A**  
10:15 - 11:15 a.m. - **Discussion in classroom with student advisor**  
10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - **Choices Program for Group B**  
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. - **Discussion in classroom with student advisor**  
11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. - **Lunch 1:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Division Day**

**17 THURSDAY**  
8:30 - 11:30 a.m. - **Class meets for Group A**  
9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. - **Class meets for Group B**  
11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. - **Lunch 1:15 - 4:30 p.m. - Testing for Group B**

**18 FRIDAY**  
8:30 - 11:30 a.m. - **Class meets for Group A**  
9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. - **Class meets for Group B**  
11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. - **Lunch**

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