Sen. Kit Bond has notified Truman State University that he has secured $1.5 million from the Senate Appropriations Committee for the purchase of Life Sciences lab equipment for Truman’s new science building.

“This money for new labs in Magruder Hall will help Truman play a leading role in Missouri’s drive to remain the national leader in the life sciences revolution,” Bond said. “By staying at the cutting edge of this new industry, we are making sure that Missouri remains a magnet for good-paying, high-technology jobs.”

Bond’s announcement came as good news for Truman President Barbara Dixon. “The Board of Governors and I are delighted that this funding will allow Truman State University to provide enhanced opportunities to our students for life sciences training and research,” Dixon said. “These opportunities will positively impact the life sciences workforce and economic development in northeast Missouri and throughout the state. We are indebted to Senator Bond for recognizing this critical need and enabling this enhancement to our academic program.”

The University will use the money to purchase equipment for a new biochemistry laboratory, organic chemistry laboratory, animal science laboratory and advanced cell/molecular biology laboratory, and for a new classroom and laboratory facility for agriculture education and research at the University Farm.

The funding also must be approved by the full Senate and approved by the House of Representatives before becoming law with the president’s signature.

Radio Stations Make Gift to University Foundation

The Truman State University Advancement Office is pleased to announce the establishment of the KIRX, KRXL and KTUF Scholarship. The radio stations gave a $25,000 gift to establish the endowed scholarship. Their gift will be used to support and encourage talented students entering the communication field.

The scholarship will be awarded each year to a communication major with financial need, sophomore status or higher, and preference will be given to students interested in working in radio, including on-air work, management, writing and sales.
Who’s Who Applications Now Available

Students may pick up applications for the 2003-2004 Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award in the Dean of Student Affairs Office, Kirk Building 112. Faculty and staff are also invited to nominate students for this prestigious award. Nominations are due by Sept. 26 in the Student Affairs Office. 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 2003-2004 academic year. Completed student applications need to be returned to the Student Affairs Office by Oct. 17.

For further information, visit http://saffairs.truman.edu, stop by Kirk Building 112, or call 785.4111.

The Writing Center is Now Open for Business

The Writing Center, located in McClain 303, is now open for the fall 2003 semester. If you would like to set up a conference, stop by and sign up for a time.

Fall 2003 Semester Hours:
Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday Closed

Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship for Faculty Excellence Nominations Sought

Nominations are now being accepted for the Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship for Faculty Excellence. The Allens established the Fellowship with one of the largest outright gifts ever made to the Truman State University Foundation. The $10,000 Walker and Doris Allen Fellowships recognize outstanding faculty members who have greatly contributed to the success of the University and its students. Up to three faculty members are selected each year.

The Fellowships are open to all tenured or tenure-track faculty who have completed at least four years of full-time service at Truman. Faculty may be nominated for the Fellowship by Truman faculty colleagues, academic divisions or disciplines.

To nominate an eligible faculty member, send a letter of nomination to the office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs addressed to the Allen Fellowship selection committee. The letter of nomination should be no longer than one page and should address how you believe the faculty member fulfills the selection criteria. Please deliver a signed hardcopy of the letter to McClain Hall 203, or send it through campus mail or by fax to 785.7460. Visit the Web site http://www.truman.edu/pages/125.asp for details, including the selection criteria. Nominations are due in the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs by Oct. 1.

Local Food Producers to Display Products at Third Annual Food Fest

Interested in buying locally produced foods but don’t know where to get them or what types of products are available? The Truman Agricultural Science Department is co-sponsoring Food Fest 2003 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 20, on the Kirksville Square.

Local producers will be displaying and discussing their products as well as providing free samples. There also will be team cook-offs, vegetable contests, door prizes and live music by local band Redwing. Children and adults will enjoy the MU Sustainable Agriculture Good Life Family Farm model. In addition, information will be available on a variety of topics including food safety, nutrition, horticulture and sustainable agriculture.

This event is held in cooperation with the Kirksville Farmers’ Market and additional co-sponsors include the University of Missouri Outreach & Extension, the Kirksville Chamber of Commerce and Collins Rentals. Contact Jennifer Barnes at 665.9866 for more information about the Food Fest.

Palombo Named New Public Relations Intern

The Public Relations Office has announced Tricia Palombo, a senior communication major, as its intern for the fall semester. Palombo, a graduate of St. Dominic High School in O’Fallon, Mo., is from St. Charles, Mo. She is the daughter of Bob and Jeanne Palombo.

As the intern, she will assist in the writing, producing and distributing of the University newsletter, Truman Today, as well as posting it on Campus Pipeline. She also will be responsible for editing the calendar on channel 36, writing press releases, and performing various office duties.

At Truman, Palombo is currently a consultant in the Truman Writing Center and a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha and Alpha Sigma Gamma. She is involved in National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Lambda Pi Eta, Order of Omega, and the Public Relations and Advertising Club. Palombo’s interest in obtaining skills in various communication outlets has lead her to this position.
Elizabeth Clark, associate professor of communication, has been selected by the National Association of Television Program Executives’ (NATPE) Education Foundation as one of the annual Faculty Development Grant recipients. Clark will intern at the NBC affiliate KWWL-TV in Waterloo, Iowa.

Gregory Jones, professor of music, presented a trumpet master class at the prestigious Royal College of Music in London, England, while teaching in the Missouri London Program. The Royal College is the top music school in the United Kingdom and serves as the major training program for future members of symphony orchestras.


Global Issues Colloquia Provides Forum for Student Discussion

Launching its fall season with “Media Watch” from 7-9 p.m., Sept. 11, in the Student Union Building Governors Room, the Global Issues Colloquia features an episode of the BBC series “Correspondent” titled “War Spin.” The airing of this episode, followed by discussion led by Matthew Killmeier, assistant professor of communication, will seek to answer the question, How is public opinion managed during the war?

Future colloquia will be “Cinema” on Oct. 2 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room, “Natural Resources” on Oct. 23 in the Student Union Building Activities Room, and “Limits to Growth” on Nov. 13 in Pershing 331. All of the colloquia will be from 7-9 p.m.

Contact Julie Lochbaum at 785.4477 for more information.

Deadlines for Nationally Competitive Scholarships Approach

Looking for a competitive scholarship, but not sure which one applies to you? Many nationally competitive scholarships are available, but deadlines are quickly approaching for several University-sponsored scholarships. The Truman deadline is set approximately a month before the national deadline.

The George Mitchell Scholarship, which allows students to study abroad in Ireland, has a Truman deadline of Sept. 10. The Rhodes Scholarship, for seniors who wish to study at Oxford, has a Truman deadline of Sept. 11. The Fulbright Scholarship for seniors aiming to receive their post-bachelor’s degree in foreign countries has an approaching deadline. Exact dates depend on the type of degree the student is to receive.

The Woodrow Wilson/Andrew Mellon Scholarship is for students who wish to pursue a doctorate in humanities. The Truman deadline is Nov. 18. The Harry S. Truman scholarship, for juniors active in public service, has a Truman deadline of Dec. 15. The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship, for sophomores and juniors who intend to pursue careers in math, natural sciences and engineering, also has a Dec. 15 Truman deadline.

Assistance with the application process is available. University representatives can help with reviewing drafts, compiling transcripts and letters of recommendation, setting up mock interviews, and meeting with students early in their academic careers to discuss specific strategies for becoming competitive candidates. They also can help with strategies for selection of prospective referees for letters of recommendation.

For assistance, contact John Sapko at johnsapko@truman.edu or at 785.4577 or Debra Kling at dkling@truman.edu or at 785.0484.

Judges Needed For Forensics Tournament

The Truman State University Forensics Union will be holding its invitational forensics tournament Sept. 26-28.

The Forensics Union needs judges, preferably individuals with a B.A. degree or higher. Judges may not be undergraduate students. Judges can volunteer their services or be hired for $10/round.


Contact Kevin Minch at kminch@truman.edu or at 785.5677 for more information.

2003 McNair Program Research Presentations and Luncheon

SEPT. 17

SESSION I PRESENTATIONS
9:30-11:30 a.m.
Violette Hall 1000

SESSION II PRESENTATIONS
1:30-3:30 p.m.
Violette Hall 1000

LUNCHEON
Student Union Building
Georgian Room

McNair Scholars to present include Jenna Buckner, Shureka Cannon, Courtney Carter, Akela Cooper, Adrienne Johnson, Tara Johnson, Gerrad Jones, Paya Rhodes, Julie Rubly, Ben Stewart, Ryan Stewart, John Woodward and Rebecca Zak.

Everyone is invited to attend. There is no cost.
R.S.V.P. is required by Sept. 12 to Sarah Hass at 785.5393 to attend the luncheon.
A videotaped presentation of Michael Dorsey’s speech “Who Will Control Agriculture?” will be played at noon, Sept. 9, in the SUB Governors Room. Dorsey had to cancel his visit to Truman. This event is sponsored by Multicultural Affairs, Northeast Missouri Greens, and Sierra at Truman. Contact Nick Hart at hart_4@hotmail.com for more information.

Alpha Phi Omega will be having open meetings for rush at 7 p.m., Sept. 9-10, in Pershing 331. Alpha Phi Omega is a national co-ed service fraternity. There is no cost to attend. For more information, contact Elizabeth Carrington at 785.5052.

The Center for Teaching & Learning will continue its 2003 Weekly Lunch Series at 12:30-1:30 p.m., Sept. 10, in the SUB Spanish Room. This week’s topic is “Writing Effective Letters of Recommendation.” Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4391 for more information.

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The Truman State University High Street Dancers will hold tryout clinics from 7-8 p.m., Sept. 10, and from 7-9 p.m., Sept. 11-12, in the Pershing Small Gym. Tryouts are at 9 a.m., Sept. 13, in the Pershing Small Gym. For more information, contact Melody Jennings at 785.7259 or by e-mail at jennings@truman.edu.

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The University League will be hosting a Fall Luncheon, “Fostering a Nationally Recognized Learning Community,” for all University women and wives of faculty and staff at 11:30 a.m., Sept. 13, at the University Residence. There is no charge and baby-sitting is available with advanced reservations. R.S.V.P. to Barbara Smith-Mandell at 665.6781 by Sept. 10.

The Society of the Prim Roses will hold their recruitment Sept. 15-19. An informational meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 11, in the SUB Down Under. All recruitment events will take place at 6:30 p.m. Cost to attend is $5. For more information, please contact April Newman at 665.7389.

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