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Strengths, challenges and issues for the future have been identified through the University's accreditation self-study process for the Higher Learning Commission.

These topics will be presented during an informational session.

The session is open to all faculty, staff and students.

The session is scheduled for:

3:30 – 5 p.m.

Sept. 14

SUB Governors Room

**SAB
Drive-In Movies
"Shrek 2" and "Troy"**

8 p.m.

Sept. 17

Red Barn Park

No tickets needed.

"Shrek 2" will begin about 8 p.m., followed by "Troy" at about 10:30 p.m.

Free popcorn and soda will be provided.

In the case of rain, the movies will be shown in Pershing Arena, starting at 10:30 p.m. instead of 8 p.m.

Kohlenberg Lyceum Series Begins with Harlem Blues and Jazz Band

The 2004-2005 Kohlenberg Lyceum Series will kick off the season with a performance by the Harlem Blues and Jazz Band at 7:30 p.m., Sept. 21, in Baldwin Auditorium.

This band was formed in 1973, and a veritable Who's Who of jazz musicians have been a part of this group. The current members are Joey Morant, trumpet and vocals; Fred Staton, tenor saxophone; Lloyd Mayers, piano; Art Baron, trombone, composer and arranger; Michael Max Fleming, bass; Shelton Gary, drums; Ruth Brisbane, vocals; and Bill Wurtzel, electric guitar.

Morant electrifies audiences with his dazzling horn techniques, skillful scat singing and humorous asides. Staton is one of the senior members of the band. He has performed with Billy Eckstine, Howard "Sticks" McGhee, Art Blackey and Errol Garner. Mayers was the pianist to Sammy Davis Jr. for 11 years. He also took over the piano chair in the Duke Ellington Orchestra following Ellington's death. Fleming has performed with Mary Lou Williams, Sammy Davis Jr., Jimmy Witherspoon, Clifford Jordan, Chet Baker and Billy Eckstine. Gary studied drums with the great Jo Jones of



Ruth Brisbane

Count Basie fame. His background includes drumming for such luminaries as Jay McShann, Illinois Jacquet, Howlin' Wolf, Freddie King and vocalist Joe Turner.

Brisbane has appeared in jazz clubs across the United States as well as the Caribbean and Europe. She

performed off Broadway in her own one-woman show, "The Legacy of Bessie Smith" and on Broadway in "Wiz," "Raisin" and "South Pacific." Wurtzel spent seven years with organist/pianist Bill Doggett of "Honky Tonk" fame and 11 years with Count Basie Alumni Groups, primarily "The Countsmen." He is also the director of The Jazz Foundation of America.

Free tickets to the Harlem Blues and Jazz Band will be available to students, faculty and staff beginning Sept. 14 with a University ID at the Student Activities Board Office and the Center for Student Involvement, lower level of the SUB.

Mackey Mitchell Associates, a professional service firm of architects, planners and interior designers, is a gold level sponsor of the Series.

For more information about the Kohlenberg Lyceum events, visit the Web site at <http://lyceum.truman.edu>.

Truman's Rock the Vote to Provide Electoral Action Training

The Bite the Ballot Campaign, United States Student Association and Rock the Vote will be hosting a session of Electoral Action Training Sept. 18-19.

This training will help students understand student electoral power, plan com-

prehensive campaigns to mobilize student voters and identify, register and turn out student voters through grassroots field organizing efforts.

For more information, contact Stephanie Nigus by e-mail at c1580@truman.edu.

Staff Council Elections

The Staff Council election ballot will be available for review at <http://staffcouncil.truman.edu/vote> by Sept. 15. Printed copies will be available from the Human Resources Office, McClain Hall 106. Staff Council elections will be online Sept. 23-24.

Dawg Fest

*free food/games/
live music/giveaways*

noon-3 p.m.
Sept. 18
Quadrangle

Live music from
Half the Usual

- Bungee run
- Carnival games
- Eating contest
- Free food

More than 25 local businesses will be at Dawg Fest.

Student Affairs is sponsoring this event.

McNair Program Showcases 2004 Summer Research Efforts

The McNair Program will present the research efforts of the 2004 summer research interns at the 12th Annual McNair Research Presentation and Luncheon.

Presentations are from 8:50 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Sept. 22, in Violette Hall 1000. All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend one or more of the presentations that day. Faculty is also invited to bring classes to the presentations.

Session One

8:50 a.m.-Jennifer Drake

"Comparing Mortality Trends in Rural and Urban Missouri"

9:10 a.m.-Emily Dunn

"A Study of Genetic Diversity at the Stowaway Containing y1 locus of Maize and Teosinte"

9:30 a.m.-Elisea Avalos

"Brazil and the United States: The Fight Against HIV/AIDS"

9:50 a.m.-Natalie Churchey

"Media Maintenance: Hispanics Use of Spanish and English Media"

10:10 a.m.-Harry Cecil

"Retaining the Authenticity: A Comparative Analysis of Traditional Negro Spirituals and Contemporary Gospel Music"

10:30 a.m.-Patience Rhodes

"Demographics & Attitudes of Shoppers at Missouri & Wisconsin Farmers Markets"

10:50 a.m.-Shawna Jackson

"Audio Books versus Live Reading: A Comparison of Early Childhood Literacy Comprehension"

11:10 a.m.-Alicia Lee

"Associations Among Schizotypy, Stress, and Coping in a College Student Sample"

11:30 a.m.-Karyn Stewart

"She'll Cut You Deep: Examining Within-Group Violence Among African American Female College Students"

Luncheon

noon-1:30 p.m.-Luncheon in the Student Union Building Georgian Room

Keynote Speaker: Keisha Farmer-Smith, McNair alumna, currently pursuing a doctorate in urban planning and public policy at the University of Illinois-Chicago

Session Two

1:50 p.m.-Phil Esposito

"The Effect of Interscholastic Athletics on Academic Achievement"

2:10 p.m.-Eugene Walton

"Public Opinion and Military Intervention in Iraq: The Impact of Race, Gender, and Political Alienation"

2:30 p.m.-Donivan Foster

"I'll Help You Carry On: An Examination of Black Male-Male Friendships at the College Level"

2:50 p.m.-James Harrington

"The Role of Prisoner's Dilemma in Assessing Competition in a Web versus Pencil and Paper Media"

3:10 p.m.-Tiara L. Pettis

"Minor Modifications for Major Changes: Increasing the Achievement Level of African American Students in Mathematics"

Judges Needed for Forensics Tournament

The Truman State University Forensics Union will be hosting its annual intercollegiate speech and debate tournament, the Show Me Swing, Sept. 24-26.

The Forensics Union needs judges, preferably individuals with a Bachelor of Arts degree or higher. Undergraduate students may not be judges.

No previous experience with forensics is necessary. Optional judge training is available.

Judges may volunteer their services or receive a \$10 per round honorarium.

Interested candidates can fill out the Judge Volunteer Form at <http://forensics.truman.edu/tournament.html>.

Contact Kevin Minch, assistant professor of communication and director of forensics, at kminch@truman.edu or 785.5677 for more information.

Cardinal Key and Blue Key Red Cross Blood Drive

11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 14-16, in the SUB Activities Room

Notables

Nick Hart, senior political science major from Peculiar, Mo., was the first recipient of a highly competitive environmental scholarship from the Missouri Waste Control Coalition. Applicants were judged on leadership experience, academic achievement, community service and extracurricular activities.

Sarah Shelton, junior health science major from St. Louis, will receive the Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Science Honorary's "Founder's Scholarship Award" at the American School Health Association's National Conference on Oct. 16 in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mark Spitzer, assistant professor of English, has had the following poems accepted for publication in *Hazmat Review and Struggle*: "Dick Trickle Was the Driver for McDonalds," "Sucking on my Biggie," "North of Naropa/Rising White the Everswirl/I Contemplate the Whole Ordeal/Swilling in My Head," "Our Bodies Not Connecting..." "It's a Weird

Time in Space" and "There's a B.S. Commercial."

Beta Theta Pi's Xi chapter from Truman State University won the Sisson award at the 165th General Convention in Atlanta, Ga. The chapter was one of 41 chapters to win the award by meeting 19 various requirements in the areas of scholarship, philanthropy, alumni affairs and public relations. This is Truman's fifth Sisson award. In addition, seven members of the Truman chapter teamed up with six individuals from the Washington University chapter in a MS 150 Bike Tour with proceeds going to benefit multiple sclerosis. Each participant had to raise a minimum of \$200, translating into a minimum of \$2,600 raised.

Truman's Gamma Rho chapter of Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Science Honorary received the honorary's highest award, "Chapter of Excellence."

Campus United Way Fund Drive Seeks Group Leaders

The campus fund drive for the Adair County United Way is calling for about 100 group leaders to conduct another successful drive this year.

The responsibility entails contacting about 10 neighboring colleagues, informing them about United Way and extending the opportunity to contribute.

The advanced drive will be Sept. 13-29. The opening banquet for the main drive will kick off the Truman campaign Sept. 30. The campaign will last until late October. The theme is "Investing in Our Community is What Matters," and the goal is \$51,000.

If interested in being part of the campus



Truman's United Way committee members, from left to right, co-chair Kay Anderson, Truman President Barbara Dixon and student drive chair Katelyn Griner. Co-chair David Conner is not pictured.

fund drive team, contact drive co-chairs, Kay Anderson at 785.4143 or e-mail aka@truman.edu or David Connor at 785.4075 or dbconner@truman.edu.

Students living off-campus should update their local mailing address with the University via TruView. Address changes can also be made in the Registrar's Office, McClain Hall 104. Students are responsible for all information sent to their local mailing address from University offices and personnel conducting University business.

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Undergraduate Degree

Candidates: If you have made any changes in your course schedule(s) since you submitted your graduation application and have not yet updated your application with the Registrar's Office, you need to do so immediately. Updates can be made in the Registrar's Office, McClain Hall 104, Monday through Friday between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. You do not need to complete a new application. To remain on the graduation list, all changes to your degree plan and all required substitutions must be on file in the Registrar's Office no later than Sept. 30.

Effective immediately, the Registrar's Office will accept undergraduate degree applications only after a student has completed 90 hours of credit. Information about filing a graduation application and upcoming deadlines is available at <http://registrar.truman.edu>.

Writing Center

McClain Hall 303
785.4484

Open for Consultations
Monday - Thursday
8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Friday
8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday
closed

The Public Relations Office would like you to get your event on the Master Calendar.

University divisions and active/chartered student organizations can submit on-campus events at <http://www.truman.edu/pages/203.asp>.

Notes

The University Art Gallery at Truman presents an art faculty exhibit, "The Truman Show," until Sept. 25. Contact Aaron Fine at 785.5386 or e-mail afine@truman.edu for more information.

The Society of the Prim Roses will have Fall Recruitment the week of Sept. 13-18. Prim Roses is an independent social sisterhood and all interested females are invited to attend. Contact Christina Collison at 665.0101 for any additional information or visit the Prim Rose Web site at <http://primroses.truman.edu>.

Campus PALS will have an informational meeting from 5:30-6:30 p.m., Sept. 14, in VH 1000. This meeting is for receiving pairing information. It is open for anyone interested in joining the organization.

Minor Detail will have auditions from 7-10 p.m., Sept. 14. People interested must have signed up for an audition time slot by Sept. 13. First round auditions will take place Sept. 14-15. Applicants need to have a 30 second selection of music (any style) prepared, no original songs. Songs must be sung a cappella. Contact Kristin Samuelson at 665.1666 or Minordetail02@yahoo.com with any questions.

The Homecoming organization chairs meeting will be at 10 p.m., Sept. 14, in VH 1010. For any additional information, e-mail homecoming@truman.edu.

The Center for Teaching and Learning will continue its Weekly Lunch Series for faculty, teaching staff and GTRAs at 12:30-1:30 p.m., Sept. 15, in the SUB Spanish Room. The subject is "E-Fellows Profile." Participants may receive \$3.00 towards their Sodexo meal by signing the attendance sheet at any of the Student Union checkout counters. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

Where will you be for New Year's Eve? Study abroad in Cairo, Egypt, during the winter interim. Information sessions for the Cairo Field Study (Dec. 29, 2004 - Jan. 9, 2005) will be at 5 p.m., Sept. 15 and at 6 p.m., Sept. 16. Both sessions will be in OP 2210. Interested students can also contact Sara E. Orel, OP 2221, 785.4419, or by e-mail at orel@truman.edu.

High Street Dancers will have tryout clinics in the Pershing Building Small Gym from 6-8 p.m., Sept. 15 and from 7:30-9:30 p.m., Sept. 16. A review will be from 7:30-9:30 p.m., Sept. 17, in the Pershing Building Small Gym. Tryouts will begin at 9 a.m., Sept. 18, in the

Pershing Building Small Gym. For more information, contact the High Street Dancers faculty sponsor Melody Jennings at 785.7259 or at jennings@truman.edu.

Sigma Chi Delta will have an informational meeting from 8-9 p.m., Sept. 16, in the SUB Alumni Room. Sigma Chi Delta is the only local social sorority on Truman's campus, is part of the Panhellenic Council and participates in Greek week events on campus. For more information, contact Ashley Phillips at 627.5856 or afp211@truman.edu.

The Women's and Gender Studies Committee will have an informational picnic from 4-6 p.m., Sept. 17, on the Quadrangle. All students interested in learning more about majoring or minoring in women's and gender studies are encouraged to attend. Changes to the course of study, including the inclusion of gender studies and the new ability to major in women's and gender studies will be discussed. There will be live music, snacks and beverages. Faculty and staff will be available to answer questions. For more information regarding women's and gender studies at Truman or for questions regarding the picnic, please contact Keri Bodensteiner at 785.5885 or at kbode@truman.edu.

Phi Epsilon Kappa is sponsoring the Health and Exercise Science Barbecue from 5-7 p.m., Sept. 19, at Red Barn Park. All health and exercise science majors are invited to attend this free barbecue as a better opportunity to meet fellow students and faculty. Contact Abby Souders at d1469@truman.edu for more information.

Last day to drop fall 2004 full semester courses without a W on the transcript is Sept. 24.

The second annual Women's Retreat sponsored by the Catholic Newman Center will begin at 9 a.m., Sept. 25 and end at 11 a.m., Sept. 26, in Edina, Mo. This year's theme is "Reflection." The retreat will cost \$25 per person with a T-shirt included. Registration forms can be picked up in the Newman Center lobby. Contact Jessica Hoelzer with any questions at 785.7316.

Echo Yearbook pictures will be taken for the 2004-2005 yearbook at 9 a.m.-11 p.m., Sept. 27-30, on the third floor of the SUB. There will be free stuff and coupons from local businesses. Contact Loretta Palmer at 785.4450 or lkp404@truman.edu with any questions.

Truman Today is a weekly publication of Truman State University for students, faculty and staff. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Tuesday's publication. Entries should be submitted by sending an e-mail to kbest@truman.edu or by completing a *Truman Today* form available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 101. The form may also be accessed online at <http://trumantoday.truman.edu/submissionform.pdf>. All submissions are subject to editing for clarity and style.

On Campus

14 TUESDAY

11 a.m.-4 p.m.-**Blood drive, SUB Activities Room**; see Page 2

4 p.m.-**Men's and women's tennis vs. Quincy (Ill.), Truman Tennis Courts**

10 p.m.-**Homecoming organization chairs meeting, VH 1010**; see Notes

15 WEDNESDAY

11 a.m.-4 p.m.-**Blood drive, SUB Activities Room**; see Page 2

12:30-1:30 p.m.-**Weekly Lunch Series, SUB Spanish Room**; see Notes

5 p.m.-**Cairo Field Study informational meeting, OP 2210**; see Notes

16 THURSDAY

11 a.m.-4 p.m.-**Blood drive, SUB Activities Room**; see Page 2

6 p.m.-**Cairo Field Study informational meeting, OP 2210**; see Notes

8-9 p.m.-**Sigma Chi Delta informational meeting, SUB Alumni Room**; see Notes

17 FRIDAY

7 p.m.-**Volleyball vs. Emporia State (Kan.), Pershing Arena**

8 p.m.-**SAB presents Drive-In Movies, Red Barn Park**; see Page 1

18 SATURDAY

Fall Premiere Visit Day

11 a.m.-**Men's soccer vs. Northwood (Mich.), Soccer Field**

1:30 p.m.-**Football vs. Washburn (Kan.), Stokes Stadium**

5 p.m.-**Volleyball vs. Washburn (Kan.), Pershing Arena**

19 SUNDAY

11 a.m.-**Women's soccer vs. Washburn (Kan.), Soccer Field**

1 p.m.-**Men's soccer vs. Benedictine (Kan.), Soccer Field**