Hurricane Efforts Continue at Truman

Several Hurricane Katrina relief efforts will continue on campus this week.
Cardinal Key and Blue Key are sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive from noon until 5 p.m., Sept. 13-15, in the Student Union Building Activities Room.
Phi Epsilon Kappa will be sponsoring a block party with ice cream Sept. 15 on the Mall. Habitat for Humanity will be hosting a water balloon fight on the Quadrangle Sept. 15.
Interfraternity Council will be sponsoring a dunk tank Sept. 16 on the Mall.
Delta Chi will be having a jailing Sept. 17. Blue Key, Cardinal Key and the Residential College Program will be hosting a bandfest called Rockin Sunshine for the Gulf on Sept. 17 on the Quadrangle.
Check out http://www.truman.edu/pages/491.asp for updates.

Truman Forensic Union to Host “Truman Speaks” Campus Forums

The Truman Forensic Union, the University’s intercollegiate speech and debate program, will host “Truman Speaks,” a series of public debates and forums, during the next 90 days. These events are part of a national program called “The People Speak.” “The People Speak” program is sponsored nationally by the International Debate Education Association, the Soros Foundation and the United Nations Foundation. The program’s goal is getting as many people as possible to come together in discussions about issues of international concern. Specifically these events focus on discussions of America’s role in the United Nations and its cooperation with the world body in addressing issues of war, poverty, terrorism and environmental degradation.

The Forensic Union will sponsor seven such events, including one featuring the National Debate Team of the United Kingdom. The first event is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Sept. 13, in the Student Union Building Spanish Room.

Students, faculty and community guests are encouraged to attend, watch the debate, and engage in audience discussion and commentary at the conclusion. Each debate features representatives of Truman’s nationally-recognized debate team.

The debate on Oct. 3 will be against the British National Team. It will be the first such international exchange with Truman since the British battled the then defending national champion Bulldogs in a demonstration debate in October 2000.

“We hope the British presence will add some flavor to the series,” Kevin Minch, associate professor of communication and director of forensics, said. “They are the best the UK—if not the world—has to offer and they are always intelligent, witty and formidable speakers.”

Students in various communication courses are participating in the “Truman Speaks” events in an effort to integrate the forums with their classroom experiences. Professors across campus are encouraged to use these events to the benefit of their classes as well. Faculty interested in working with the Forensic Union to develop assignments or class discussion ideas related to the events are encouraged to contact Shane Puckett, assistant forensics coach and instructor in communication, who will be coordinating the events.

For more information on “Truman Speaks,” contact Puckett at spuckett@truman.edu or 785.7645.
Pi Kappa Phi Members Raise Money and Awareness for People with Disabilities

Six members of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity’s Delta Delta chapter at Truman State University participated in national team events of Push America this summer. Push America is the national outreach project of Pi Kappa Phi.

The local members who participated raised more than $17,000 to benefit people with disabilities.

Nick Hart, a senior political science and communication double major from Peculiar, Mo., participated as a Gear Up Florida cyclist. Gear Up Florida is an 800-mile bicycle ride during the course of two weeks across Florida. Thirty-four cyclists and crew members left May 14 from Miami and completed the ride in Tallahassee.

Nick Cloud, a Truman graduate from Chesterfield, Mo., was the Journey of Hope project manager. Matt Ratliff, a junior Spanish major from Jacksonville, Ill., was a Journey of Hope crew member.

The Journey of Hope is a cross-country bicycle trek similar to Gear Up Florida, but with a much greater distance. Twenty cyclists and crew members embarked June 3 from Portland, Ore., to travel more than 4,000 miles over two months to Washington, D.C.

Scott Lesinski, a junior business administration and mathematics double major from Hazelwood, Mo.; Joe Baumann, a senior English major from St. Charles, Mo.; and Andrew Greiner, a sophomore from Des Moines, Iowa; were Build America members.

Build America is a relatively new project of Push America and just celebrated its third year. The 14 team members spent six weeks traveling across the country to six camps making them more accessible for people with disabilities.

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, from Sept. 23 until Sept. 25.

The Forensics Union needs judges for this tournament. All volunteers are welcome including faculty, staff, graduate students and community members. Current Truman undergraduate students are not eligible to be judges.

No previous experience with forensics is necessary.

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

Interested candidates can fill out the volunteer form at http://forensics.truman.edu/tournament.html.

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

Who’s Who Applications Now Available for Students

Students may pick up applications for the 2005-2006 Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award in the Dean of Student Affairs Office, Kirk Building 112.

Faculty and staff also are invited to nominate students for this prestigious award.

Nominations are due Sept. 30 in the Student Affairs Office. To qualify, the students should be active in campus and community activities, have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average, and be a senior eligible for graduation in December, May or August of the 2005-2006 academic year.

Completed student applications need to be returned to the Student Affairs Office by Oct. 21. For more information, visit http://saffairs.truman.edu, stop by Kirk Building 112 or call 785.4111.
Marijke Breuning, associate professor of political science, and Kate Sanders, a junior political science major from Crestwood, Mo., co-authored a paper titled “Gender and Journal Authorship Across the Discipline.” Breuning presented it at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association Sept. 1-4 in Washington, D.C.

Kit Hadwiger, assistant professor of nursing, attended the Wakonse Conference on College Teaching May 26-31 at Camp Miniwanca located in Stony Lake, Mich. Hadwiger was also a panelist for “Cross-Cultural Issues in Health Care,” on Aug. 11 in Kirksville. The panel was sponsored by Northeast Missouri Health Clinics.

Stephen Hadwiger, associate professor of nursing, recently had his manuscript, “Acculturation and Diabetes in a New Hispanic Community,” accepted for publication in Hispanic HealthCare International. Hadwiger was also a panelist for “Cross-Cultural Issues in Health Care,” on Aug. 11 in Kirksville. The panel was sponsored by Northeast Missouri Health Clinics.

Masahiro Hara, associate professor of Japanese, presented a paper titled “A Poverty of the Stimulus Problem and its Triggering Input” at the 14th World Congress of Applied Linguistics Association/Internationale de Linguistique Appliqueé 2005 on July 26 in Madison, Wis.

Melissa Blagg Holcomb, assistant professor of nursing, was a co-presenter for “Preserving Instinctual Birth” at the Future of Birth conference that took place April 30-May 2 in Columbia, Mo.

Sherri Palmer, professor of psychology; Jo Agnew, associate professor of education; and Natalie Trent, a Truman graduate from Reeds Spring, Mo., presented their original research titled “The Use of an Intergenerational Program in a Developmental Psychology Class” to the April 2005 meeting of The Society for Research in Child Development in Atlanta. Beth Zimmerman, an elementary education graduate student from Edwardsville, Ill., also worked on this project and participated in the Atlanta presentation.

Teak Nelson, lecturer in nursing, attended the Wakonse Conference on College Teaching May 26-31 at Camp Miniwanca located in Stony Lake, Mich.

**Buford Named New Public Relations Intern**

The Public Relations Office has announced Bradi Buford, a senior communication studies major, as its intern for the fall semester. Buford, a graduate of Clark County High School, is from Kahoka, Mo. She is the daughter of Kevin and Rhonda Buford and has three siblings, Britni, a 2003 graduate of Truman; Brian, a high school senior; and Brenna, a high school sophomore.

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

Buford is a member of International Association of Business Communicators, Public Relations and Advertising Organization, and St. Paul United Church of Christ.

Buford’s interest in obtaining experience and skills in various communication outlets has lead her to this position.

**Prospective Students to Visit Campus**

About 850 visitors, including prospective students and their families, will be visiting campus as Truman prepares for its annual high school “Fall Premiere Visit Event” on Sept. 17.

Participants will have the opportunity to learn more about the Kirksville community and the educational opportunities offered at Truman.
Expanding Environmental Consciousness, Truman’s only student-led discussion class, will take place on Mondays from 6:30-8:20 p.m. Students who wish to take the class should register under BIO444: Section 05, CRN: 7968. The $50 add/drop fee will be waived for a limited amount of time. Contact Cassie Phillips at 785.7225 for more information.

National Education Association will have their first meeting from 5:30-6:30 p.m., Sept. 13, in Violette Hall 1300. The National Education Association-Student Program (NEA-SP) is an organization for students interested in education and the MAE program. The student representative from the state level, Steve McLuckie, will be speaking. Contact Jessica Winders at trumannea@yahoo.com for more information.

Tau Lambda Sigma, a local service sorority, will have a recruitment game night at 7 p.m., Sept. 13, in the SUB Governors Room. The sorority will have a service night at 7 p.m., Sept. 14, in the SUB Alumni Room. Contact Sarah Anderson at 627.5673 or sarahanderson317@hotmail.com for more information.

The American Marketing Association will have an informational meeting at 7 p.m., Sept. 13, in Violette Hall 1010. This meeting is for students who may be interested in joining AMA. This organization is open to all students. For more information contact Carla Tillman at 627.2473 or cdt325@truman.edu.

Alpha Sigma Gamma, a service sorority, will have an information night from 7:30-9:30 p.m., Sept. 13, in the SUB Alumni Room. They will host a service night from 7-9 p.m., Sept. 14, in the Ryle Hall Main Lounge. A fellowship night will be from 7-9:30 p.m., Sept. 15, in the SUB Governors Room. Contact Emilee at 665.8131 or ecs807@truman.edu for more information.

An open meeting for Alpha Phi Omega will be from 4:30-5:30 p.m., Sept. 14, in the SUB Georgian Room. Alpha Phi Omega is a national coed service organization dedicated to leadership, friendship and service. Additional meetings will be from 7-8 p.m., Sept. 14 and Sept. 15, in Violette Hall 1010. Students interested in joining may attend one of the three open meetings.

Rotaract Club will have an information night at 7 p.m., Sept. 14, in the SUB Room 309. Truman’s Rotaract Club is a professional service organization sponsored by Rotary International for young men and women ages 18 to 30. Rotaract focuses on community service, professional development and international awareness. They are looking for new members to join them in their mission. For more information, contact Lauren Durand at 665.1082 or lind221@truman.edu.

Sigma Lambda Gamma and Sigma Lambda Beta will have an informational meeting from 7-8 p.m., Sept. 14, in the SUB Room 307. Sigma Lambda Beta is an international, multicultural social and service fraternity; Sigma Lambda Gamma is a national, multicultural social and service sorority. For additional information, contact Tamaka Mann at 627.5466 or laportera31@yahoo.com.

The final application deadline for potential spring 2006 Washington Center Program Interns is Sept. 15. The first application deadline for summer 2006 is also Sept. 15. For more information, visit http://www.twc.edu or contact Diane Tobin Johnson at 785.7852 or djohnson@truman.edu.

Sigma Alpha, a professional agriculture sorority, will have recruitment events until Sept. 15. They will have an event at 7 p.m., Sept. 15, in Barnett Hall 268. Contact Catherine Zivnuksa at 785.7303 or d1963@truman.edu for more information.

The Global Issues Colloquium will take place from 7-9 p.m., Sept. 15, in Violette Hall 1000. Wolfgang Hoeschele will be presenting “Allocating Scarcity.” Contact Julie Lochbaum at lochbaum@truman.edu for more information.

The Biology Seminar Series continues from 12:30-1:20 p.m., Sept. 16, in Magruder Hall 2050. Johannes Schul, associate professor in the division of biological sciences at the University of Missouri-Columbia, will speak about “Acoustic Communication in Katydids (Orthoptera: Tettigonilidae): Mechanisms, Evolution and Evolutionary Mechanisms.”

The faculty/staff Tech Break will feature Diane Richmond discussing “TruView Groups vs. Group Web Sites” from 2-3 p.m., Sept. 16, in the SUB Governors Room.

Rotaract Club presents “Motorcycle Diaries” from 6-9 p.m., Sept. 16, in Violette Hall 1000. This is the first show in the semester-long foreign film series presented by Rotaract Club. Contact Brynn Weimer at 665.3452 or bew935@truman.edu for more information.

The Student Activities Board (SAB) presents a double-feature drive-in movie at 8 p.m., Sept. 16, in Red Barn Park. Students are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket. Popcorn and soda pop will be provided. Call 785.4722 for more information.

Sigma Chi Delta recruitment will be Sept. 19-23. Go to http://sigmachidelta.truman.edu for more information or contact Jamie Larson at 314.330.9344.

The last day to drop a full-term fall 2005 course without a W appearing on transcript is Sept. 23. Students may drop courses via TruView using their fall 2005 RAC number, or in person in the Registrar’s Office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. A $50 add/drop fee will be assessed. Contact A. Kay Anderson at 785.4143 or registrar@truman.edu for more information.

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) will meet at 4:30 p.m., Sept. 23, at the University Club. Contact Marc Becker at 785.6011 or marcbecker@truman.edu for more information.

Truman’s Equestrian Team will be hosting a Western IHSA Horse Show beginning at 10 a.m., Sept. 24, at the University Farm. The show will continue at 8 a.m., Sept. 25, at the University Farm. Contact Noelle Hunt at neh207@truman.edu for more information.

David Dillard and Shannon McGinnis will perform Franz Schubert’s Winterreise from 7:30-9 p.m., Sept. 26, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Dillard will be featured on baritone; McGinnis will be featured on piano. For additional information, contact McGinnis at 785.4446.

The Women’s and Gender Studies Committee invites Gender and Empire Papers from members of the Truman and Kirksville communities. Please send abstracts to Linda Seidel, Division of Language and Literature, Truman State University or lseidel@truman.edu. The deadline is in Jan. 31, 2006.