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University Conference Schedule

“Preparing Truman Students to Meet the Challenges of the 21st Century”

Feb. 20

8 a.m.-Registration, outside Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall

8:30 a.m.-Opening remarks and introduction, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Garry Gordon, Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall

9:15 a.m.-Plenary Address, “Seven Revolutions,” Erik Peterson, senior vice president; William A. Schreyer Chair in Global Analysis and director of the Global Strategy Institute; Center for Strategic and International Studies, Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall

11 a.m.-Concurrent Session I

Noon-Lunch buffet, SUB Georgian Room

12:30 p.m.-Baldwin Lecture, “Inflation Dynamics,” William Poole, president, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, SUB Georgian Room

1:30 p.m.-Concurrent Session II

1:30 p.m.-Technology Fair begins, SUB Activities Room

2:30 p.m.-Concurrent Session III

3:30 p.m.-Concurrent Session Potpourri

4:30 p.m.-End-of-Conference Social, SUB Activities Room

Visit <http://provost.truman.edu/communications/universityconference/2008/> to view the complete schedule of events.

President of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis to Speak at Truman

William Poole, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, will visit Truman Feb. 19 and 20 to meet with Truman finance students and deliver the 2008 Joseph Baldwin Lecture at 12:30 p.m. Feb. 20 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room.

The visit, which is being sponsored by Alliant Bank and Truman State University, will mark the first visit of a president of the Eighth District Federal Reserve Bank to Kirksville.

The luncheon will be covered by Reuters News Agency who will transmit Poole’s talk to their Washington office so they can report their news on this event over their wire service. Tickets for the noon luncheon, which is open to the general public, are \$10 and can be purchased at the door.

On Feb. 19 Poole will give a presentation to Truman economics and business finance classes and then be a guest at a public reception in the Student Union Building Georgian Room B sponsored by Truman and Alliant Bank.

Poole took office in 1998 as the 11th chief executive of the Eighth District of the Federal Reserve. He serves as a voting member of the Federal Open Market Committee,

which brings his District’s perspective to policy discussion in Washington.

He received his A.B. degree in 1959 from Swarthmore College and an M.B.A. in 1963 and a Ph.D. in economics in 1966, both from the University of Chicago. Swarthmore honored him with a Doctor of Laws degree in 1989.

Poole began his career at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve in 1964 and worked as a senior economist there from 1969 to 1974. In 1974, he joined the faculty at Brown University in Providence, R.I., twice served as chairman of the economics department, and for five years directed the university’s Center for the Study of Financial Markets and Institutions. He was the Herbert H. Goldberger Professor of Economics there when he joined the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

The Eighth District of the Federal Reserve, which is located in St. Louis, covers the state of Arkansas, 44 counties in southern Illinois, 24 counties in southern Indiana, 64 counties in western Kentucky, 39 counties in northern Mississippi, 71 counties in central and eastern Missouri, the city of St. Louis and 21 counties in western Tennessee.

University Conference to Focus on Preparing Students for the 21st Century

Truman’s eighth annual University Conference will take place from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Feb. 20. “Preparing Truman Students to Meet the Challenges of the 21st Century” is the theme for the day.

The Conference is an opportunity for the entire University community, faculty, staff and students, to review and collectively address key issues affecting the future of the University and its ability to provide students with the best possible opportunities to learn and develop their talents both inside and outside the classroom. There will be no classes from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Feb. 20.

Erik Peterson will present the plenary address, titled “Seven Revolutions,” at 9:15 a.m. in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. He is senior vice president at Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), where he is director of the Global Strategy Institute. Peterson also holds the William A. Schreyer Chair in Global Analysis at CSIS.

Students, faculty and staff can participate in a variety of presentations and discussions during the day, including this year’s Baldwin Lecturer, William Poole. He will present “Inflation Dynamics” at 12:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building Georgian Room.

All Conference participants are invited to the Technology Fair in the afternoon on the day of the Conference.

Finally, the Conference will conclude at 4:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building Activities Room with the presentation of the Technology Fair and TruTech awards and recognition for Truman’s involvement in the United Way program.

Please register by Feb. 15 by completing the form e-mailed to students, faculty and staff and sending an e-mail to provost@truman.edu.

The Truman Writing Center to celebrate International Writing Centers Association (IWCA) week

Feb. 11-15

The Writing Center joins other centers across the globe in recognition of their devotion to supporting student writers of all disciplines.

Special events will include the chance to enjoy a snack, receive valentines, vote for favorite writing professors and more. Stop by the Center in McClain Hall 303 to join us for IWCA week proceedings and, as always, for your writing questions and concerns.

Physics Colloquium: "Particle Physics at the Energy Frontier"

Featuring speaker Phil Baringer from the Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Kansas

4:30 p.m. • Feb. 13
Magruder Hall 1096

This talk will focus on the D0 experiment at Fermilab and the CMS experiment at CERN. Snacks will be provided 10 minutes before the talk.

For more information about the colloquium series and upcoming talks, please visit: <http://physics.truman.edu/colloquia/mainstage.asp>

Student Ambassador Applications Available

Due 5 p.m. • Feb. 15

The Student Ambassadors are a group of approximately 150 students whose goal is to promote Truman State University to prospective students. They are in charge of visiting with prospective students, giving tours of campus and assisting with visit events.

Applications are available in the Office of Admissions, McClain Hall 205. Interviews will be conducted Feb. 19-22 and Feb. 26-29. Contact Jill Graves at jgraves@truman.edu for more information. Applications can be downloaded from the Web at <http://admissions.truman.edu/ambassadors.asp>.

The Career Center Schedules 2008 Spring Career Expo Activities

The 2008 Spring Career Expo is drawing near and will present the perfect opportunity for students to update their résumé and have it critiqued, practice their interviewing skills, and meet with research companies that will be present.

On Feb. 15 and 22, the Career Center will host the SCORE mock interviewers. Students interested in participating in this effective interview practice need to sign up in person in the Career Center. In order to interview, students must dress professionally and turn their résumé in 24 hours before the interview.

The deadline for applying for all jobs and submitting a résumé on eRecruiting for pre-selection of interviews is Feb 18. Recruiters will fill the remaining interview slots the day of Expo.

On Feb. 25, the Career Center will be hosting Expo 411 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. in the Violette Hall commons area. There will be popcorn, soda, music, résumé reviews, and advice on making the most of the Expo experience.

Also on Feb. 25, speaker Joe Mayne will present a program titled "Establishing Your Personal Brand" at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Building Georgian Room. This event is sponsored by Delta Sigma Pi, Alpha Kappa Psi, Beta Alpha Psi, Phi Beta Lambda, SIFE, National

Association of Black Accountants, and The American Marketing Association.

On Feb. 26, the Career Center and Delta Sigma Pi are co-sponsoring two "Map Out Your Future" events. First, Lauren Monks of Edward Jones will give a presentation titled "Backpack to Briefcase" in the Student Union Building Activities Room. Second, Ted Theobald of Eli Lilly will host "How to Approach a Recruiter/Networking" at 6 p.m. in the Student Union Building Activities Room. This popular and well-regarded session provides practical insight into handling different styles of interview questions.

On Feb. 27, students may attend the Career Expo from 1-5 p.m. in the Student Union Building. Students can pre-register for Expo at <http://career.truman.edu/CareerExpo/>.

On Feb. 28, companies will be conducting interviews with students who have applied for their jobs by the Feb. 18 deadline and been accepted for an interview. Many companies will still sign up students to interview on Feb. 27 after meeting them at Career Expo.

For more information, contact 785.4353 or stop by the Career Center Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

The Women's Resource Center Presents 10th Annual V-Week

The Women's Resource Center at Truman State University is proud to present the 10th annual V-Week. V-Week began with the production "The Vagina Monologues" and became a movement centered around replacing Valentine's Day with V-Day and replacing the traditional ideas of romantic love with awareness about sexual violence and abuse of women and girls.

"Until the Violence Stops," the official V-Day film documenting how the Vagina Monologues grew into an international movement, will be shown from 6-8 p.m. Feb. 12 in Violette Hall 1000. At this event, the Women's Resource Center will be collecting donations for Victim Support Services and the Adair County chapter of PFlag.

A presentation and forum of ideas titled "Meninists: Equality is for Everyone" will take place from 7-9 p.m. Feb. 13 in the Student Union Building Room 322. This

forum will raise questions about what the world would be like without sexual violence, how this would affect men and what it means to be a man and a feminist as well as discuss how the Monologues affect everyone, of every class, sex and gender.

The original V-Day, Feb. 14, will include an art workshop from 3:30-6:30 p.m. in the Student Union Building Room 322.

Finally, "A Memory, a Monologue, a Rant and a Prayer" will be presented from 7-8:30 p.m. Feb. 15 in Baldwin Hall Little Theatre. This groundbreaking collection of monologues by world-renowned authors and playwrights promotes awareness about how women and men are affected by sexual violence.

For more information about the events this week, contact the Women's Resource Center or Amber Jones at amj558@truman.edu.

Truman Piano Festival Presents Guest Artist

Esther Wang, assistant professor of piano at Gustavus Adolphus College, will serve as Guest Artist for the 25th Annual Truman Piano Festival.

She will present a solo piano recital at 8 p.m. Feb. 15 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. She will also serve as the adjudicator for the high school competition from 10 a.m.-noon Feb. 16, as well as present a master class for Truman piano majors from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

All events of the Piano Festival will take place in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall and are open to the public, free of charge.

NOTABLES

Alpha Phi Omega Epsilon Chapter was one of six chapters nationwide to be recognized two years in a row with the Chapter of Excellence Award at the coed national service fraternity's Region VIII convention Jan. 19-20 at the University of Oklahoma. This annual award is given to recognize chapters with excellent chapter operations, chapters which go beyond the national requirements and reporting, and those which excel in leadership and service.

Marissa LaRose, a senior theatre and communication double major from Ste. Genevieve, Mo., won the first Region 5 Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival held in Omaha, Neb. At the competition, LaRose attended workshops, seminars and performances in an effort to expand her knowledge of theatre and discover the possibilities available in a theatre career. To win the award, LaRose prepared a public relations

proposal and organizational plan for Paula Vogel's "How I Learned to Drive" which included budget allocations, letters to patrons and corporations requesting sponsorship, public service announcements, a news release, promotion possibilities and a plan of action for possible complaints of the producing theatre. LaRose and one other student were declared the winners of this conference and received an interview with Terrence Jones, the president and CEO of the prestigious Wolf Trap Performing Arts Organization in Washington, D.C. LaRose now has the potential opportunity to win a coveted paid summer internship at Wolf Trap.

Polly Matteson, career coordinator at the Career Center, received the Employee of the Year Award at the Kirksville Chamber of Commerce annual banquet recently.

WASHINGTON CENTER INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Nick Barrett, program coordinator for The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars Topics, will speak about summer 2008 London internship opportunities for all majors. This meeting will take place at 1:30 p.m. Feb. 14 in Barnett Hall 1207 and free chocolate will be provided.

An additional meeting about post-graduate internship opportunities in Washington, D.C., for May 2008 graduates will take place at 4:30 p.m. Feb. 14 in the

Barnett Hall Atrium. Free pizza will be provided. Barrett is a recent Truman alumnus who interned at the Pan-American Health Organization in Washington, D.C. Professors who would like him to speak briefly in their classes on Feb. 14 may e-mail him at NickB@twc.edu. For additional information about the Truman in Washington Program, contact Diane Tobin Johnson at 785.7852 or djohnson@truman.edu.

Career Center Receives First Bulldog Award

The Bulldog Award was given to the Career Center in January, marking the first time the distinction was awarded.

The Career Center was recognized for the exceptional service they provide to the campus community and employers who are interested in hiring Truman students. The career assistants are an integral part of this high service standard and undergo a prestigious training program which has been presented by supervisor Polly Matteson in various workshops at a regional career services conference.

Additionally, the Career Center provides service to all campus departments so they can list positions available for scholarship, work-study and institutional employment on eRecruiting, a Web-based program that allows all campus departments to have equal access



The Career Center staff receive the Bulldog Award recently.

to qualified applicants for their student employment positions.

Employers consistently rank Truman's Career Expo as one of the best career fairs they have attended, citing a high level of individualized attention provided for the duration of their campus stay and throughout the registration process.

The Bulldog Award will be given every other month to a department with practices and policies which lead to excellence in providing outstanding customer service consistently. The recipient of the award also must embody the University's shared values and exemplify community spirit.

Any faculty or staff member can nominate a department for the Bulldog Award by visiting <http://hr.truman.edu/recognition/bulldogaward/>.

Truman Bookstore Presents Book Signing

Featuring Tom Trimborn, author of "Encounters with Lincoln"

12:30-1:30 p.m. • Feb. 12
Truman Bookstore

This unique collection of images portrays Abraham Lincoln, one of America's greatest figures, from an artist's point of view.

WBCA's Think Pink

1 p.m. • Feb. 16 • Pershing Arena

Join the Bulldogs and more than 700 schools to raise awareness and funds to find a cure for breast cancer.

Fans who wear pink clothing will be admitted free. Pink shirts can be purchased in advance for \$10 with proceeds benefiting the Adair Co. Relay For Life. Survivors will be honored at halftime and fans may buy Luminaries for the upcoming Relay For Life event.

Also featured is a 50/50 drawing of which 50 percent of the money will be donated to the Kay Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund in the name of the student organization that is judged to be the "Craziest Pink Group." Prizes will be also be awarded for trivia questions and the "Biggest Pink Fan."

Applications for the 2008 First-Year Activities Coordinating Team (F.A.C.T.) are now available in the Center for Student Involvement

Selected members of F.A.C.T. will be required to participate in spring and fall training in order to provide Get Involved sessions and evening activities to incoming freshman during Truman Week 2008. Applications are due to the Center for Student Involvement (CSI) by 5 p.m. Feb. 19. Interviews will take place the weeks of Feb. 18 and Feb. 25. For more information contact the CSI at 785.4222 or Amy Currier at acurrier@truman.edu.

Truman Intramural Recreational Sports Planner

Activity	Division	Deadline	*Captains' Meeting	Play Begins
Cranium	Open	Feb. 25	N/A	March 2
Co-Rec Volleyball	Open	Feb. 25	Feb. 28	March 3
Volleyball	Open/Org/Greek	Feb. 25	Feb. 28	March 3

Entry forms and information sheets may be picked up at the Student Recreation Center (lobby area). Entry forms are to be deposited into the metal box located at the Member Services Desk in the Student Recreation Center. The entry deadline for each sport will be 11 p.m. on the date posted above. Online registration is available. *Captains' Meetings for each sport will take place on the Thursday evening following the entry deadline (unless otherwise noted) at 4:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Student Recreation Center. Official rules for each sport are available online at <http://recreation.truman.edu>.

NOTES

Alpha Sigma Gamma is sponsoring an Eating Disorders Awareness Week Panel Discussion from 7-8 p.m. Feb. 12 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room B. It will feature an open discussion about all aspects of eating disorders and self image. Representatives from the University Counseling Center, Student Health Clinic and the Adair County Health Department will be present. For more information, contact Julie Meyer at jcm932@truman.edu.

The Weekly Lunch Series will meet from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Feb. 13 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room A. This week's session will feature discussion about some of the publications of the Baldwin Lecturer, William Poole. He is the president of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

The Center for Student Involvement will present Pizza and Publicity at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 13 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room A. This event will be a short workshop with information regarding campus posting policies and publicity ideas. Everyone in attendance will receive free pizza, drinks and a publicity packet that includes free posters from the CSI. Contact Bonnie Treichel at bmt514@gmail.com for more information.

Weekly Lunch Extra Edition Thursdays will meet Feb. 14 and will feature Jay Bulen, associate professor of music and department chair. He will lead the annual Reading Circle on "Privilege, Power and Difference" by Allan Johnson. All Weekly Lunch Extra Edition Thursday sessions will meet at 12:15 p.m. in the Student Union Building Room 322. Lunch will be provided so people should go directly to the room. This series will also meet Feb. 28.

Benjamin Grossberg of Antioch College will present a reading from 4:30-5 p.m. Feb. 14 in Baldwin Hall 100. The reading will feature his collections of poetry, "Underwater Lengths in a Single Breath," and "The Auctioneer Bangs His Gavel." The Department of English and Linguistics is sponsoring this event. Contact Monica Barron at mbarron@truman.edu for more information.

Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) mock interviews will take place from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 15 and 22 in the Career Center. This is a great opportunity to gain interviewing experience with professionals from a variety of career fields. In-person advanced sign-up with a résumé is required at least 24 hours before the interview date. Interviews are 45 minutes in length including helpful advice to improve the skills of students, and professional business attire is required. Time slots fill quickly.

Eva Horne from Kansas State University will be featured at the Biology Seminar Series from 12:30-1:20 p.m. Feb. 15 in Magruder Hall 2001. Horne will present "Ecology of the Tallgrass Prairie: Research at the Konza Prairie Biological Station." Refreshments will be served at 12:15 p.m. outside of Magruder Hall 2001.

IT Services invites faculty, staff and students to TechBreak at 1:30 p.m. Feb. 15 in Violette Hall 1300. The topic of this week's discussion is Video

Conferencing. Additional details and the topic schedule can be found at <http://its.truman.edu/techbreak>.

A Folklore Colloquium from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Feb. 15 in the Student Union Building Down Under will present Charlie Parr, a musician and songwriter. The topic of his presentation will be "Folksongs: A Discussion and Demonstration." E-mail bdelmoni@truman.edu for more information.

Truman alumnus Jas M. Sullivan from Louisiana State University will present "Race, Identity and Leadership Preference: A Case of Barack Obama and Jesse Jackson" from 6-7 p.m. Feb. 15 in Violette Hall 1000. A reception at 7 p.m. at the University Club will immediately follow the presentation. Multicultural Affairs is sponsoring this event. Contact Laura Bates at lbates@truman.edu or 785.4142 for more information.

Jamie D'Agostino, temporary assistant professor of English, will present a reading from 3:30-4 p.m. Feb. 18 in Baldwin Hall 100. The reading will feature his poetry collection "Nude with Anything" along with other recent works. The Department of English and Linguistics is sponsoring this event. Contact Monica Barron at mbarron@truman.edu for more information.

A Health Awareness Fair will take place from 1-6 p.m. Feb. 21 in the Student Recreation Center. Community health professionals will be present. Various screenings for blood pressure, depression and HIV and information on eating disorders, nutrition, massage therapy as well as other health topics will be available. Door prizes donated from area businesses will be given at random to participants at the health fair. Eduardo Crespi, R.N., will speak about global health and the health of Latin America at 7 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium. Contact Jamie Weninger at jlw820@truman.edu for more information.

Truman State University is proud to present acclaimed vocal artist, Scott Piper, in a special performance of "Unchained Melodies: My Journey in Song" at 8 p.m. Feb. 21 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Cost is \$3 for students and \$8 for nonstudents. Tickets are available at Edna Campbell and Ophelia Parrish 1366. Piper is a Truman alumnus. Please call 785.5314 with any questions.

Beta Alpha Psi will be sponsoring Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 23, March 1, March 29 and April 5 in Violette Hall 1424. The members will give income tax assistance to students and the community and file their tax return electronically for free. Additional information is available at <http://bap.truman.edu/eventsVITA.htm>.

Educator of the Year nomination forms are now available. Students may nominate a professor to be this year's Educator of the Year. Forms are available at <http://senate.truman.edu> and are due by Feb. 15.

On-Campus Summer Employment Opportunities: Upward Bound open positions and application materials are available on the Web at <http://ub.truman.edu> or by contacting the Upward Bound Office in Kirk Building 220. Completed applications are due Feb. 15.

ON CAMPUS

13 WEDNESDAY

7:30 p.m.-**Wrestling vs. Missouri Baptist, Pershing Arena**

14 THURSDAY

4:30 p.m.-**Benjamin Grossberg to present a reading of his poetry, Baldwin Hall 100;** see Notes

15 FRIDAY

6 p.m.-**Jas M. Sullivan to present "Race, Identity and Leadership Preference: A Case of Barack Obama and Jesse Jackson," Violette Hall 1000;** see Notes

16 SATURDAY

1 p.m.-**Women's basketball vs. Washburn (Kan.), Pershing Arena**
3 p.m.-**Men's basketball vs. Washburn (Kan.), Pershing Arena**
7:30 p.m.-**Lyceum Series presents Peking Acrobats, Baldwin Auditorium**

18 MONDAY

3:30 p.m.-**Jamie D'Agostino to present a reading of his poetry, Baldwin Hall 100;** see Notes

Spring 2008 Faculty Forum Presents Gooch

Warren Gooch will present at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 18 in Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall on "How Do You Get Your Ideas: A Composer Talks About His Music." The forum will feature a brief discussion of the creative process as it applies to specific original musical works and will include performances of the musical works.



Fax Machine at the Library

A fax machine is available in the Computer Lab on the third floor of the Library. To use the fax machine, students must use either a phone card or a University assigned phone code. All students (both residential and off campus) have been issued a phone code which can be activated by presenting a University ID at the Telephone Services Office in the McKinney Center.