

# Truman *today*

A weekly newsletter for students, faculty and staff

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## Campus Forums for Director of Student Involvement and Campus Activities

**Jeffrey J. Pal**

2-2:45 Sept. 10

Student Involvement Commons Area

**Laura D. Bates**

10-10:45 a.m. Sept. 11

Student Involvement Commons Area

## Allen Fellowship Nominations

Nominations for the \$10,000 Walker and Doris Allen Fellowships to recognize outstanding faculty members are being accepted by the Office of the Provost until Oct. 1.

The Fellowships are open to all tenured or tenure-track faculty with at least four years of full-time service at Truman.

For details on the nomination process visit <http://www.truman.edu/pages/131.asp>.

## Voter Registration Forms Now Available

Student Affairs Office  
Information Desk  
Cashier's Window  
Residence Hall Desks  
SERVE Center  
Multicultural Affairs Center

The last day to register to vote in the Nov. 4 election is Oct. 8. For more information visit <http://conduct.truman.edu> and click on the voter registration link.

## Dan Peterson Elected to Missouri Bandmasters Association Hall of Fame

Truman Director of Bands Dan Peterson was elected to the Missouri Bandmasters Association (MBA) Hall of Fame in June 2008.

Peterson is the 40th band director to be elected to the prestigious MBA Hall of Fame in the span of more than 100 years.

The Missouri Bandmasters Association represents approximately 900 junior high school and elementary school band directors, 750 high school band directors and 35 college band directors in the state of Missouri.

Peterson has been the director of bands at Truman for 30 years. Under his baton, the University's concert band has performed in

national and regional conferences on six different occasions for the Music Educators National Association and the College Band Directors National Association, with their most recent performance in March 2008.

Peterson and his band will also perform at the Missouri Music Educators Association conference in January 2009 for a record ninth time.

Peterson has 19 former graduate teaching assistants and undergraduate students who now hold positions such as director of

bands, director of athletic bands, jazz studies director, or professor of percussion at colleges and universities across the nation.



Dan Peterson

## Kirksville Businesses Invite Students to Welcome Back Celebration

Various community organizations are hosting a new student welcome in downtown Kirksville from 5-9 p.m. Sept. 11.

Local businesses, churches and organizations will have tables set up on the Courthouse lawn and will be offering coupons, product samples and more.

Students who show their ID will receive free food. Food will be served from 5-7 p.m., with entertainment provided from 5-9 p.m. All non-students will have the option of purchasing food.

All students from Truman, A.T. Still University and Moberly Area Community College are invited to attend.

In the event of rain, all events will be moved to the Kirksville Arts Association Building, located at 117 S. Franklin Street. The new student welcome is sponsored by the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce, Retail Merchants Committee and the Kirksville Downtown Improvement Committee. For more information contact Donna Brown at 660.665.3766.

## Blood Drive

The annual fall blood drive, sponsored by Cardinal Key and Blue Key national honor societies, will take place from 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sept. 10 in the Student Union Building.

CULTURAL  
COMPETENCY AND  
SPIRITUALITY IN  
MEDICINE  
CONFERENCE

Sept. 12-13

A.T. Still University Connell  
Technology Center, 800 W. Jefferson  
Street

Derek Daschke, associate professor  
of philosophy and religion will  
be one of several speakers. Cost  
to attend is \$10 for students, \$20  
for non-students. Registration  
includes conference materials and  
a continental breakfast and lunch  
Sept. 13.

For more information, or to register,  
call Carrie Gaines at 660.626.2057.

AIRPORT DAY  
2008

Saturday Sept. 13

Kirkville Regional Airport

*All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast*

7-10 a.m.

\$5 per person

*NEMO Car Club Show*

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

*Heart of America Air Show, Team  
Radio Controlled Air Show*

12 p.m.

*Dave Dacy Air Show*

12 p.m.

All-day activities include the Kids  
Zone with inflatables; STARLAB  
Planetarium; helicopter rides;  
static displays including a Chinook  
Helicopter, a Beech 18 and 1932  
Waco Wings of Hope.

For more information, or to buy  
tickets, go to <http://www.kvairfest>.

Fulbright Grants  
Due Sept. 23

The campus deadline for the 2009-2010  
Fulbright Grants for graduate study,  
research or teaching assistantships abroad  
is Sept. 23.

For more information contact Maria C.  
Di Stefano, Fulbright program advisor, at  
[mdistefa@truman.edu](mailto:mdistefa@truman.edu).

## Siegel Named New AmeriCorps \*VISTA Program Representative

Eugenia Siegel was recently selected as the new  
AmeriCorps \*VISTA program representative  
at Truman. She will be the Service-Learning  
Coordinator in the Center for Teaching and  
Learning.

Siegel, a graduate of Illinois  
Wesleyan University, said she was  
attracted to Truman because of its  
liberal arts mission. She was hired  
in August and succeeds Kelsey  
Aurand de Razo who recently  
moved into the University's Office  
of Admission.

As the service-learning  
coordinator, she will work with  
professors to structure classes  
that include service-learning  
assignments and serve as a resource  
for those carrying out the projects throughout the  
semester.

Siegel is also the contact for Service-Learning

Advantage, a program that helps student  
organizations incorporate service-learning  
into their volunteer efforts and affords student  
participants recognition on their transcripts.

Informational meetings for  
the Service-Learning Advantage  
program will take place from  
4:30-7:30 p.m. Sept. 9 in Georgian  
Room C of the Student Union  
Building and from 4:30-7 p.m.  
Sept. 11 in the Student Union  
Down Under.

These will be drop-in meetings,  
with presentations taking place  
at regular intervals. For more  
information, please visit

<http://servicelearning.truman.edu>

or contact Siegel at [vistamember@truman.edu](mailto:vistamember@truman.edu) or 785.7753.

Truman is currently in the second year of this  
three-year program.



Eugenia Siegel

## Kohlenberg Lyceum Series Begins Sept. 22 With Political Satire Group

The Kohlenberg Lyceum Series kicks off  
Sept. 22 with a performance by the political  
musical revue the Capitol Steps.

Comprised of several former Congressional  
staff members, the Capitol Steps perform a  
musical satire designed to keep the audience  
laughing about events and personalities in  
Washington, D.C.

The Capitol Steps will be the first of five  
Lyceum events during the academic year.  
Other performances include Canadian Brass  
in November, followed by the dance company  
Hubbard Street 2 in January and "The Mikado"  
in February. The Duke Ellington Orchestra will  
close out the Lyceum Series with a performance in

March.

Since its inception in 1899 as a lecture course,  
the Kohlenberg Lyceum Series has strived to  
broaden the cultural experience of students,  
faculty, staff and the community through speakers,  
music and drama. Each year the Series brings  
a wide selection of attractions to the Truman  
campus. Tickets are free for Truman students,  
faculty and staff and are available one week prior  
to each performance. Students may pick up their  
tickets at the Student Activities Board office in the  
Student Union Building. Faculty and staff may  
pick up their tickets at the information desk in the  
Student Union Building. For more information  
go online to <http://lyceum.truman.edu>.

## Hispanic Heritage Month Kicks Off With Dinner

The Multicultural Affairs Center has arranged  
several events to celebrate Hispanic Heritage  
Month, beginning with a "Spicy" First Sunday  
Dinner from 5-6:30 p.m. Sept. 14 in the Ryle  
Hall Main Lounge.

Dinner will include authentic dishes reflecting  
the rich food traditions of Mexico, Spain and  
other Latin American cultures. Free but limited  
quantities of food will be served on a first-come,

first-served basis.

Other upcoming events celebrating Hispanic  
Heritage Month include the Grupo Atlantico  
Dance Troupe at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 24 in the Down  
Under of the Student Union Building and "Many  
Mexicos," a multi-media examination of the  
diversity that is Mexico, will be presented by Dr.  
Marc Becker's Mexican history class at 7 p.m. Oct.  
15 in the Little Theater in Baldwin Hall.

# NOTABLES

**Phi Sigma Pi, a national coed honor fraternity, was recently awarded “Best in Region” and “Outstanding Website”** for the 2007-2008 academic year at Phi Sigma Pi’s National Convention in Nashville, Tenn. on Aug. 7-10. **Mallory Stites, a senior psychology and English major from Crystal City, Mo., and Joseph Grissom, a junior biology major from Hamilton, Mo.,** represented the Truman’s chapter of Phi Sigma Pi at the National Convention. “Outstanding Website” is awarded once a year to one of 103 active collegiate chapters in the nation. Truman’s chapter was awarded with “Best in Region” out of Central Region, which consists of 10 active chapters. Truman’s chapter has won “Outstanding Website” and “Best in Region” three out of the last four years.

**Dean De Cock, associate professor of statistics,** represented Truman at the Evolution 2008 Joint Annual Meeting of the American Society of Naturalists, Society for the Study of Evolution and

Society of Systematic Biologists in Minneapolis, Minn., from June 20-24. De Cock’s poster, “The W Statistic: A New Approach for Testing the Relative Abundance Structure of Communities in a Phylogenetic Context,” detailed the results achieved by his group of **Tracey Blasingame, a senior mathematics major from Belvidere, Ill.; Bryan Hartwig, a senior mathematics major from Lee’s Summit, Mo.; Nathan Whelan, a biology graduate from Eureka, Mo.; and Jonathan Gering, associate professor of biology;** within Truman’s National Science Foundation (NSF) funded “Research-focused Learning Communities in Mathematical Biology.”

**Warren Gooch, professor of music,** has two original musical compositions that have been selected for publication by Alliance Publications Incorporated (API Music). Gooch’s choral works “Sing Noel” and “A Christmas Prayer” were selected for the publication.

## First Global Issues Colloquium to Focus on Social Responses to Natural Disaster

**D**r. Paul Greenough from the University of Iowa will explore “Social Responses to Natural Disaster” in this semester’s first Global Issues Colloquium session at 7 p.m. Sept. 17 at the Kirksville Telecommunications Resource Center located at 315 S. Franklin.

Through the recent experiences of Hurricane Katrina and the Cedar Rapids flood, social responses to natural disasters are revealing not only of individual character, but also of regional resources, political forces and institutional preparation.

Greenough, a historian of health, will explore

three cases from South Asia to compare and contrast with domestic experiences, including: the East Pakistan cyclone of November 1970, the Gujarat earthquake in India in January 2001, and the Sri Lankan tsunami of December 2004.

Note that this session will take place on a Wednesday instead of Thursday and is in a different location than the usual place in Magruder Hall 2001.

Future global issues sessions are schedule for Oct. 23 and Nov. 20, and will focus on “Teaching About Terrorism” and “Strategies of Cultural Resistance,” respectively.

### Truman Intramural Recreational Sports Planner

Activity	Division	Deadline	Captains’ Meeting	Play Begins
Tennis-Doubles	Open/Org/Greek	Sept. 15	Sept. 18	Sept. 22
Flag Football	Open/Org/Greek	Sept. 15	Sept. 18	Sept. 22
Home Run Derby	Open/Org/Greek	Sept. 22	NA	Sept. 24 & 25
MLB Playoff Pick’em	Open	Oct. 3	NA	Oct. 3
Frisbee Golf	Open	Sept. 29-Oct. 3	NA	Play on own
Darts	Open	Oct. 6	NA	Oct. 13
Indoor Soccer	Open/Org/Greek	Oct. 6	Oct. 8	Oct. 13
Co-Rec Indoor Soccer	Open	Oct. 6	Oct. 8	Oct. 13
Billiards	Open	Oct. 13	NA	Oct. 20
Table Tennis	Open/Org/Greek	Oct. 27	NA	Nov. 1
Basketball Pentathlon	Open/Org/Greek	Nov. 3	NA	Nov. 10

All information, rules and registration requirements are online at <http://recreation.truman.edu/intramuralrec.asp>, or contact the Intramural Office at 785.4467.

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 [tmiles@truman.edu](mailto:tmiles@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.** Truman Today • Vol. 13 No. 3 • September 9, 2008

### UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN UPDATE

After the second Week of Truman’s United Way campaign, our faculty, staff, students and retirees have contributed more than \$27,000, which means we have reached 48 percent of our goal.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this effort. If you have not returned your pledge form, there is still time to do so. Also, if you have misplaced your pledge form and are in need of a replacement, contact Brad Chambers at [bchamber@truman.edu](mailto:bchamber@truman.edu) or Deb Kerby at [dkerby@truman.edu](mailto:dkerby@truman.edu).

Please join together to show Truman faculty, staff, students and retirees Live United in support of education, income and health.

### TEACH Program Informational Meeting

The Financial Aid office and the School of Health Sciences and Education are sponsoring an informational meeting on the new federal TEACH Program.

3:30 p.m.  
Sept. 30  
Violette Hall 1000

Under the TEACH Program, students could receive up to \$24,000 to pursue a teaching career in the following subjects:

- French
- Spanish
- Mathematics
- Vocal Music
- Science
- Special Education
- Speech/Language

The meeting is open to all interested students. Pre-MAE, MAE, and students thinking about the MAE are encouraged to attend.

# NOTES

**Lambda Pi Eta, a communication honor society, will be hosting an informational meeting** at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 9 in Barnett 1211. This meeting is open to all communication majors and minors who have a total of 60 credit hours, 12 of which must be in communication courses, a 3.0 cumulative GPA and a cumulative 3.25 GPA in all communication courses. For more information e-mail [lbmdapieta\\_tsu@yahoo.com](mailto:lbmdapieta_tsu@yahoo.com).

**The Women's Club Soccer team will be hosting tryouts** from 5:30-7 p.m. Sept. 9 on the fields behind Centennial Hall. For more information e-mail [tsuclubsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:tsuclubsoccer@gmail.com).

**The Student Council for Exceptional Children will have a meeting** at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 9 in Baldwin Hall 249.

**The Pre-Vet Club will have its first meeting** at 8:30 p.m. Sept. 9 in Magruder 2090.

**Alpha Sigma Gamma service sorority will host three Rush events** from 7-9 p.m. Sept. 9-11 in the Alumni Room of the Student Union Building.

**Sigma Chi Delta, a local social sorority, is hosting an information night for Fall Recruitment 2008** at 7 p.m. Sept. 10 in Baldwin 252. The first night of open recruitment begins at 7 p.m. Sept. 15 in Baldwin 314, followed by the second night at 7 p.m. Sept. 16 in the Baldwin Little Theater.

**Beta Beta Beta, Truman's biological honor organization, will host its first pledge meeting** at 9 p.m. Sept. 10 in Magruder Hall 1096.

**Delta Sigma Pi is hosting a free recruitment barbecue** at 6 p.m. Sept. 10 behind Ryle Hall. Delta Sigma Pi is open to business, economics and accounting majors.

**The Center for Teaching and Learning is sponsoring the Faculty Weekly Lunch Series** from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the Spanish Room of the Student Union Building. This week focuses on introducing Truman's Co-Curricular Record, with Lou Ann Gilchrist, dean of student affairs, and Sujit Chemburkar, Student Union director. For more information contact Linda Davenport at 785.4301 or e-mail [lindadav@truman.edu](mailto:lindadav@truman.edu).

**Phi Delta, Truman's newest social and service sorority, will host two nights of Rush.** Both events will take place at 7 p.m. in Magruder Hall 1094 on Sept. 10 and 11.

**The Advertising and Public Relations Organization will host an informational meeting** at 5 p.m. Sept. 10 in Barnett Hall 1215. This organization is open to all majors and anyone with an interest in advertising, public relations, graphic design and marketing. Come learn about an opportunity to receive hands-on experience and receive all of the benefits of being a part of the International Association of Business Communicators. The meeting includes free pizza and refreshments. For more information e-mail [adprorg@gmail.com](mailto:adprorg@gmail.com).

**Sigma Lambda Gamma, Truman's only multicultural sorority, will host informational meetings** from 6-8 p.m. Sept. 10, 11 and 16 in the Student Union Building 322.

**Phi Mu Alpha, a men's music fraternity, is hosting a Rush event** at 7 p.m. Sept. 12 in Georgian Room A of the Student Union Building. Join the men of Phi Mu Alpha for free Texas Hold 'Em poker, free food and free prizes. You do not need to be a music major or play an instrument to join the fraternity, just as long as you love music.

**The Student Activities Board Fall Drive-In** will take place at 6 p.m. Sept. 12 in Baldwin Hall. Free popcorn and ice cream will be available to students before showing "Iron Man" at 7 p.m. and "Sex and the City" at 9:30 p.m.

**Phi Sigma Pi will host Rush information meetings** at 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sept. 15 in the Activities Room of the Student Union Building. Phi Sigma Pi is a coed honor fraternity.

**The Career Center will host a Peace Corps Informational Video Conference** at 6 p.m. Sept. 25 at its McKinney Center office. This is an opportunity for anyone thinking about applying to the Peace Corps to talk and ask questions of the representative to Truman, who was a volunteer in the Kingdom of Tonga from 2003-2005.

**The Dean of Student Affairs Office has applications for the 2008-2009 "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award"** available for students. Faculty and staff may also nominate students for this prestigious award. Nominations are due by Sept. 26. Completed student applications need to be returned to the Student Affairs Office, located in the Student Union Building 3100, by Oct. 17. For more information visit <http://saffairs.truman.edu> or call 785.4111.

# CALENDAR

Check out the Master Calendar, available on the Truman home page and through TruView, for updated daily campus events.

## SPIRIT SHIRTS

Truman Spirit Shirts are on sale for \$5 in the Public Relations Office at 101 McClain Hall. There are a limited number of shirts available so don't waste time. You may also purchase a Truman drawstring bag for \$5.

## PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES WEEK ON THE QUAD

Kickboxing  
Sept. 10

Core Strength  
Sept. 11

Butts & Guts  
Sept. 12

*The instructional classes are sponsored by the Student Recreation Center's Fitness/Wellness Program and Phi Epsilon Kappa.  
All classes are from 11-11:45 a.m.*



## READ FROM HOME

You can read Pickler Memorial Library's electronic magazines and journals at home.

The instructions for how to connect your computer to the vast collections of electronic resources are located at the Pickler Memorial Library Help Page at <http://library.truman.edu/help/mainpage.htm>.

## BOOK SALE

The 3rd Annual Book Sale is scheduled from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sept. 23-25 in the Activities Room of the Student Union Building.

Donations are currently being accepted. For more information call 785.4038 or visit <http://library.truman.edu/booksale.htm>.