Early-Vreeland Lecture Looks at Middle East

The 2009 Barbara Early-Vreeland Lecture will be given by Kenneth Stein, the William E. Schatten professor of contemporary Middle Eastern history, political science and Israeli studies at Emory University, and director of the Emory Institute for the study of modern Israel. The lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m. April 29 in the Student Union Building Activities Room.

Stein’s presentation, “U.S. Policy in the Middle East: Learning from Successes and Failures in Forging an Arab-Israeli Peace,” is co-sponsored by the Office of the Provost and Hillel, the Foundation for Jewish Campus Life.

Stein is the author of numerous books and publications. Among them are Hebrew and English editions of “Heroic Diplomacy: Sadat, Kissinger, Carter, Begin and the Quest for Arab-Israeli Peace,” “Making Peace Among Arabs and Israelis: Lessons from Fifty Years of Negotiating Experience” and “The Land Question in Palestine, 1917-1939.” Additionally, he has written extensively on the modern Arab world, as well as, Palestinian and Israeli history. He served as the first director of the Carter Center from 1983-1986 and as the Middle East Fellow of the Carter Center from 1983-2006.

The lecture will examine the broad history of a vital and problematic aspect of United States foreign policy. Despite many administrations and changes in world events, since the end of World War II, U.S. policy toward the Middle East has showed remarkable stability. U.S. objectives have consistently assured the stability of moderate Arab states, ensured the flow of access to Middle Eastern oil and continued the development of a strategic relationship with Israel. In keeping with these objectives, since the June 1967 Middle East War, Washington has played a significant role in Arab-Israeli peace-seeking, peace-making and peace-keeping.

As the Obama administration considers its role in Arab-Israeli diplomacy, Stein addresses what lessons can be learned from Washington’s engagement from the presidency of Richard Nixon to that of George W. Bush.

In addition to the lecture, Stein will lead a breakfast discussion at 8 a.m. April 30 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room B speaking on “The Benefits and Liabilities of using Oral Interviews in Writing Contemporary History.” To join in the breakfast, RSVP to Daniel Mandell at dmandell@truman.edu.

The Early-Vreeland Lecture was established by Joseph Vreeland through the University Foundation in memory of his wife, who passed away at age 40. A 1973 Truman graduate, Barbara Early-Vreeland graduated magna cum laude with bachelor’s degrees in history and French.

Inaugural Tru-Leaders Class to be Honored at Banquet

Members of the inaugural class of Tru-Leaders Future Executive Academy will be honored at the School of Business Annual Recognition Banquet April 25.

Supported by the Boeing Company, Tru-Leaders Future Executive Academy is a selective program for students with demonstrated high potential in leadership skills and is designed to provide advanced professional development and personal mentoring for participants.

As part of the Academy, students are expected to be actively involved in a business-related student organization. Members have unique opportunities to visit corporations, receive co-curricular advisement, participate in seminars designed especially for development of leadership and professional attributes, and attend special sessions with business leaders and visiting executives.

The inaugural class was accepted into the Academy in Fall 2008. Members include: Phillip Abernathy of St. Louis, Mo.; Noah Chung of St. Peters, Mo.; Michelle Hines of La Plata, Mo.; Anthony Ringwald of Fenton, Mo.; and Erin Williamson of Kansas City, Mo.

Truman’s School of Business is one of only 167 in the world accredited in both business and accounting by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International), the foremost world-wide accrediting agency for schools and programs of business.
SIFE Wins Regional Competition, Receives Gift from State Farm for Community Projects

Truman Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) captured the SIFE Regional Competition, March 27 in Rogers, Ark. With the win, the team advances to compete at the 2009 SIFE USA National Exposition in Philadelphia, May 10-12.

In addition to continued success in competitions, Truman SIFE has launched projects to help educate the campus and the community about finance. State Farm Insurance recently donated $5,000 to Truman SIFE to help fund the organizations projects.

The first project targets the international community at Truman. Every year about 100 international students and 20 exchange students arrive at the University. Many have no prior knowledge of the American banking system. Truman SIFE members will create an informational brochure on bank accounts, credit cards, and buying and selling textbooks. SIFE plans to distribute the brochures to incoming international and exchange students during the 2009 Fall International Orientation.

Truman SIFE is also taking their financial skills outside of the Truman community. to Milan, Mo., a small town with a large number of Spanish-speaking residents. Due to the language barrier, some residents have trouble managing their personal finances. SIFE has teamed up with Hablantes Unidos, a Spanish student association at Truman, to provide education in basic personal finance to members of the Spanish-speaking community. Some topics covered by the course include how to open a bank account, writing and recording checks, balancing a checkbook, debit and credit cards, and instruction of basic financial terminology.

For more information about SIFE and upcoming projects visit their website at http://sife.truman.edu/home/.

Truman Program and Senior Receive Awards

Truman received honors at the recent BACCHUS Area 5 Conference, Meeting of the Minds in Kansas City, Mo. Sleep Awareness Week won the Outstanding Program Award. It was sponsored by University Counseling Services, the Student Public Health Association and the Health 440 class. Events included hammocks on the Quad, sheep on the Quad and a pajama day. All events were focused on providing information and tips about healthy sleep.

Courtney Perrachione a senior health science major from Kirksville, Mo., received the Outstanding Senior Award at the conference. Perrachione has been a member of BACCHUS and GAMMA for three years and has served as president, vice president, alcohol awareness week chair and speaker committee co-chair. BACCHUS and GAMMA is a peer education network focused on alcohol abuse prevention and other related student health and safety issues.

The Meeting of the Minds: Networking for Success in Prevention is a regional prevention and health education conference for college and university peer educators, their advisors, administrators, and campus and community law enforcement.

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Humane Society Fundraising Events

sponsored by
Alpha Phi Omega

Bake Sale
10 a.m.-3 p.m. April 27
Barnett,Violette and Magruder halls

“Adopt-A-Puppy”
10 a.m.-3 p.m. April 29
Quad
Play with a puppy for a donation of $3.

Seniors: Give your Own “Last Lecture”

Truman seniors can share their words of wisdom. Submissions have the chance to win a $100 gift certificate to the Truman Bookstore. Submissions are due by April 24.

To enter visit http://conduct.truman.edu/form_builder.asp?testId=108.

Open Forums Scheduled for Finalist for the Dean of Science and Mathematics Position

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Jon Grant, a senior psychology major from Columbia Mo., and applied psychophysiology research team lab manager, received a student scholarship and presented the research poster, “Sitting Position Influences Heart Rate Variability,” at the Biofeedback Foundation of Europe (BFE) meeting in Eindhoven, Netherlands, Feb. 24-28.

Fred Shaffer, professor of psychology, also delivered an invited address, “Breathing Effort Disrupts Diaphragmatic Breathing,” and taught a workshop with Donald Moss on “Respiratory Training and Heart Rate Variability Biofeedback for Medical and Functional Disorders” at the BFE meeting.

Truman Psychology majors Chris Wally, a sophomore from St. Charles, Mo.; Igor Korenfeld, a sophomore from St. Louis, Mo.; Aaron Truitt, a senior from St. Louis, Mo.; and Michael Urlakis, a senior from Naperville, Ill.; won the Best Student Paper award at the 40th Annual Conference for Applied Psychophysiology and Biofeedback (AAPB) meeting in Albuquerque, N.M., April 1-4. Their winning research paper was entitled “Inhalation-to-Exhalation Ratio Affects Heart Rate Variability Training Success,” Thought Technology Ltd. of Montreal presented Wally, assistant lab manager for professor of psychology Fred Shaffer’s applied psychophysiology research team, with a $3,000 BioGraph Infiniti data acquisition system. This was the second time in three years that Truman students won this prestigious graduate competition. Urlakis also discussed his Psychological Research capstone project, “The Physiological Effects of Kargyraa Throat-Singing: Paradoxical Arousal.”

Rebecca Harrison, professor of classics, presented a paper on “Exercises to Build Predictive Reading Skills,” at the 105th Annual Meeting of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South in Minneapolis, Minn., April 1-4.

Sandy Rempe, instructor in justice systems and manager of the Department of Public Safety Juvenile Justice Program, is the winner of a national award that recognizes excellence in the field of juvenile justice. The Tony Gobar Award recognizes a state juvenile justice specialist who exemplifies service to others, dedication and commitment to improving the juvenile justice system, and compassion and concern for juveniles and their advocates. Rempe has worked as the Department of Public Safety Juvenile Justice Program Manager for 12 years. Under her leadership, the Juvenile Justice Program administers approved four federal grants that provide annual funding to 60 state and local agencies in Missouri to help support juvenile justice and delinquency prevention initiatives. In addition, Rempe serves on numerous advisory groups, committees and commissions. She will receive the award at the annual Coalition for Juvenile Justice National Conference in Washington, D.C. May 4.

Ryan Campbell, a junior French major from Manchester, Mo., was selected for the 2009 Walter Jensen Scholarship for study abroad. In addition to the $1,500 scholarship, Campbell will receive a one-year complimentary membership in the American Association of Teachers of French.

Spring 2009 Staged-Reading Series Concludes

Staged-readings, an advanced theatre course, will be performing “Rebel Voices,” its final act of the semester, at 4 p.m. April 25 in Violette Hall 1000.

“Rebel Voices” is an adaptation by Rob Urbanati of “Voices of the People of the United States,” by Howard Zinn and Anthony Arnove. It is a documentary that looks at the U.S. through the “prism of history.” A history of dissent in America emerges through the voices of the dissenters, such as Frederick Douglass, Susan B. Anthony, Sojourner Truth and Malcolm X.

The theatre class will also sponsor the inaugural Ten-Minute Playwriting Competition. Truman students, faculty and members of the Kirksville Community will perform in Baldwin Auditorium May 5-6. For more information contact Dana Smith at dasmith@truman.edu.

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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A BULLDOG?

All Truman students are eligible to submit responses regarding how Truman’s Community Values have been important to their college experience.

Submissions can be completed online at http://conduct.truman.edu. Entries are due by April 24.

Phi Beta Kappa Initiation

3 p.m.
April 26
Student Union Building
Georgian Room

The students to be initiated are:
Elise Marie Bailey
Grant Michael Berry
Emily Marie Bevington
Brigette Anne Bloom
Kara Marie Bollinger
Michael George Borchardt
Kinsey Ann Coker
Adam Daniel Conway
Reed Evans Cope
Samuel Richard Cummins
Hannah Ruth Feldner
Sarah Elizabeth Feltis
Kara Elizabeth Fillman
Amy Sue Fleming
Kendal Lewis Geno
Lindsay Jeannine Gill
Andrew David Haws
Rebecca Danielle Hess
Felicia Renee Hinds
Joshua David Huber
Sarah Jean Huber
Jennifer Corine Jalack
Robert Morgan Jones
John Ryan King
Tison Michael Koenig
Jeffrey Steven Kurz
Jennifer Lyn LaChapell
Kelsey Marie Landhuis
Kristina JoAnn Laughlin
Andrew Taylor Lewis
Megan Kathleen Lutz
Christa Ann Manton
Andrew James McCall
Molly Mosher McCleery
Kelly Lynne Merritt
Michael Scott Merritt
Karen Elaine Laura Miller
Christopher Daniel Moe
Nadia Shabnam Mozaffar
Erica Lynn Nesbit
Karen Eileen O’Connell
Rebecca Lynne O’Connell
Erin Nicole Pauli
William Kevin Petry
Kenneth Lee Raby
Phillip Randall Rainie
Cole Eugene Rakow
Katharyn Anne Reed
Karen Marie Rohrer
Mary Elizabeth Rudder
Justin Michael Ryder
Jeffrey Michael Sachs
Jennifer Diana Schmidt
Jacob Edwin Schrum
Maria Christine Sunner
Amanda Felicia Tougas
Kurt James Warnhoff
Nicholas J. Wilsey

Phi Beta Kappa is the nation’s oldest liberal arts and sciences honors society and has had a chapter at Truman since 2001.
Graduate Education Week Continues

Kirkville Mayor Martha Rowe signs a proclamation recognizing Graduate Education Week, which takes place April 20-25. Rowe was joined by Truman students and faculty representing all six graduate programs. Pictured, first row, from left; Adam Yanick, Michelle King-Porter, Rowe, Jane Song and Amy Little. Second row; Laura Fielden, Warren Gooch, Maria Di Stefano, Tim Rebers, Alanna Preussner, Janet Gooch, Scott Fouch and Wendy Miner.

Information about each graduate program will be available during the following daily promotions from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

- April 21 Ophelia Parrish
- April 22 Student Union Building
- April 23 Magruder Hall
- April 24 McClain Hall

NOTES

Earth Week festivities continue through April 25. For a complete list of events go to http://earth.truman.edu.

General Honors candidates for May 2009 graduation who have not submitted a General Honors application worksheet should do so ASAP. The form can be printed off the General Honors website at http://honors.truman.edu or can be obtained from Rebecca Harrison in McClain 321. General Honors candidates who have submitted an application but have not received an e-mail about the May 8 medal ceremony should contact Harrison.

The Faculty Weekly Lunch Series will host “Everybody Can Be Great: How Service, Co-Curricular Activity and the Liberal Arts Converge,” a presentation given by Eugenia Siegel, the Service-Learning Coordinator and AmeriCorps VISTA Member in The Center for Teaching and Learning. The Weekly Lunch Series will take place at 12:30 p.m. April 22 in the Student Union Building Spanish Room.

Rotaract Club will sponsor TOMS Shoes from 4-7 p.m. April 23 in the Student Union Building Activities Room for those interested in learning more about the company’s philanthropic mission. For every pair of shoes purchased, a pair is donated to children in a developing country. TOMS traveling interns will be present to answer questions and sell shoes. Supplies to decorate shoes will be available.

The final Observatory Open House of the semester will take place from 8:30-11 p.m. April 23 at the University Farm. It will feature Saturn near its maximum height, a possible viewing of Mercury shortly after sunset, the colorful double Iota Cancri and the interacting spiral galaxy M51. Delta Sigma Pi will host “5K Taking Steps to Cure Cystic Fibrosis” at 10:30 a.m. April 25 at the Red Barn Park. The $10 entry fee will benefit the Great Strides Walk of Kirksville. The first 30 to register will receive a free t-shirt. E-mail Molly Bender at mkb880@truman.edu to register.

The 35th annual Service Recognition Banquet is scheduled for April 28. Approximately 132 current and retired members of the University will be honored for their commitment to the University. Tickets are available for $10 each in the Human Resources Office located in McClain 106.

Last Chance to Enroll for the Professional Development Institute

Enroll now to be included in the program for the 2009-2010 school year. The program can be completed in as little as 2 semesters and participants will receive Cocurricular Credit. Application information is available at http://pdi.truman.edu/

Drop off a cover letter, resume and application to Elizabeth Bauer at the Career Center.

Upcoming PDI Event at the Career Center

4:30 p.m. April 21 “Negotiating Benefits Packages”

Food for Fines Extended

Food for Fines has been extended until April 24 at Pickler Library.

One food item equals one dollar of fine waived. The food will go to the Central Missouri Food Bank.