Explorer Visits Truman for Lyceum Event

Jean-Michel Cousteau, explorer, environmentalist, educator and film producer, will share his experiences during the second Kohlenberg Lyceum event of the semester at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 21 in Baldwin Auditorium.

For more than four decades, Cousteau has used his vast experience to communicate his love and concern for the earth and its water with people of all nations and generations.

Cousteau began exploring the ocean realm at the age of seven when his father “threw him overboard” with newly invented scuba gear on his back. The son of ocean explorer Jacques Cousteau, he spent much of his life with his family exploring the world’s oceans. After his mother’s death in 1990 and his father’s death in 1997, Cousteau founded Ocean Futures Society. He formed the non-profit marine conservation and education organization in 1999 in order to carry on the pioneering work of his family. Cousteau serves as president of the society.

Cousteau is an impassioned spokesman and diplomat for the environment, and he reaches out to the public through a variety of media. He has produced more than 70 films and has received numerous awards: the Emmy, the Peabody Award, the 7 d’Or (the French equivalent of the Emmy) and the Cable ACE Award.

In addition to his awards for film, his book, "Jean-Michel Cousteau’s America’s Underwater Treasures," has received two prestigious awards in the independent publishing world, the 2008 Benjamin Franklin Bill Fisher Award for Best First Book (Non-Fiction) and the 2008 IPPY Gold Medal Award for best book in the environment/ecology/nature category.

Acting on a childhood dream to build cities under the sea, Cousteau pursued a degree in architecture and graduated from the Paris School of Architecture in 1964. Recently, he has worked with the Jean-Michel Cousteau Fiji Islands Resort, designed to demonstrate an environmentally responsible and culturally appropriate ocean-oriented resort.

Tickets for Cousteau’s presentation are on sale now. Students can pick up their free ticket by presenting a Truman ID at the Student Activities Board Office, located in the lower level of the Student Union Building. Faculty and staff can receive their free tickets by showing their Truman ID at the Information Center in the Student Union Building. General admission tickets cost $7 for adults and $4 for those 18 and under and can be purchased downtown at Edna Campbell’s or at the Truman Cashier’s Window in McClain Hall.

Food Fast Offers Convenient Option for United Way Donation

Sodexo, Residence Life and the United Way are teaming up again this year for the 2009 Food Fast.

During the week of Oct. 19-24, students will be able to donate meals, dining dollars and bonus bucks to the United Way. Donations can be made at any of the residence hall cafeterias, with student advisers or online at http://reslife.truman.edu.

Last year, students donated more than $5,000 through the Food Fast, which helped to exceed Truman’s campaign goal of $56,000.

This year, Truman’s goal is again set at $56,000.

The United Way is an invaluable organization in Adair County and the greater Northeast Missouri community. Money raised for the United Way is used to fund programs and agencies that benefit the local community, including: the Boy Scouts, the Girl Scouts, the American Red Cross, the Salvation Army, Victim Support Services, Hospice and more.

For questions about the Food Fast, or other forms of pledging to Truman’s United Way campaign, contact co-chairs Joe Hamilton (hamilton@truman.edu), Deb Kerby (dkerby@truman.edu) or Elise Bailey (emb970@truman.edu).
New Music Festival to Feature Three Guest Composers, Six World Premieres

The 2009 Truman State University New Music Festival, taking place Oct. 29-30, will include two free public concerts featuring music by three guest composers and eight local composers, performed by more than 200 musicians.

Six world premiere performances will also be included.

Guest composers include: Vivian Fung, winner of the international 2009 Truman State-MACRO Composition Competition; John Mayrose, winner of the international 2009 Percussive Arts Society Competition; and Randy Haldeman, internationally-recognized composer, conductor and clinician of choral music.

Fung teaches at The Juilliard School of Music and has gained a prominent worldwide reputation for her stirring and highly original music, which reflects her interest in world cultures.

Mayrose has taught music and electronic music courses at Duke University. His work is widely performed and has gained international recognition.

Haldeman, director of choral studies at the University or North Carolina-Charlotte, is widely respected as a composer, performer and conductor.

All three composers have extensive performance histories and have been recipients of many awards and prestigious commissions.

Concert I of the New Music Festival will take place at 7 p.m. Oct. 29 in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. The concert will feature music by all three guest composers, including premieres of newly-commissioned works composed by Fung and Mayrose.

Truman ensembles performing that evening will include the Clarinet Choir, Percussion Ensemble I, Wind Symphony I, the President’s String Quartet and two choirs—Cantoria and the Chamber Choir.

Concert II will take place at 1:30 p.m. Oct. 30, also in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. The concert will feature acoustic and electronic music by Fung and by seven local composers and will be performed by Truman faculty and students.

The festival is sponsored by the Epsilon Pi chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota, the Upsilon Phi chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, the Mostly Live Composers Society and the Truman Department of Music.

For more information, contact Warren Gooch at 785.4429 or wgooch@truman.edu.
NOTABLES

Faculty from the School of Science and Mathematics recently received a $15,000 grant from the NASA-Missouri Space Grant Consortium titled “Establishing a Multidisciplinary Astrobiology Research Community.” Matthew Beaky, associate professor of physics, Laura Fielden, associate professor of biology, Eric Patterson, associate professor of chemistry, and Maria Nagan, associate professor of chemistry, will gather a team of students to collaborate on astrobiology research projects and take field trips to astronomy and astrobiology oriented sites.

Michael Bump, associate professor of music/percussion studies, recently served as the U.S. representative on a three-member adjudication panel for the 2009 Percussive Arts Society International Composition Competition.

Michael Goggin, associate professor of physics, and collaborators at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) recently had their paper “Optimizing type-I polarization-entangled photons,” published in Optics Express. The article is based on work done by Goggin while on sabbatical at UIUC and may be found online at http://www.opticsinfobase.org/oe/abstract.cfm?uri=oe-17-21-18920.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Scholarships are available through Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri, Inc., for the 2010-2011 academic year. Stop by the Financial Aid Office in McClain Hall 103 for more information on eligibility requirements or to obtain an application. One winner from each state may be submitted for the National Garden Club scholarship in the amount of $3,500.

The Missouri Travel Council will offer two $1,000 scholarships to currently enrolled sophomores, juniors or seniors in an accredited college or university in the state of Missouri. Applicants must be pursuing a hospitality-related major such as hotel/restaurant management, parks and recreation, etc., must be a current resident of Missouri, and must have a grade point average of at least 3.0. To obtain further information about how to apply for this scholarship, go to http://www.missouritravel.com. The deadline for applications is March 2, 2010.


Todd Phillips, director of the Student Success Center, recently had his proposal accepted by the College Reading and Learning Association, a learning assistance professional organization. In addition, Phillips will have a chapter published next spring in the 2010 International Tutor Training manual for the International Tutor Training Program. Phillips’ chapter discusses using technology for tutor training.

Editor Robert Fussell and the Truman State University Press were awarded the 2009 Will Rogers Medallion Award for the book, “Unbridled Cowboy.” The award honors books that represent an outstanding achievement in the publishing of western media. The winning books exemplify a combination of excellent content, high production values, and respect for cowboy heritage. Fussell’s grandfather, Joseph Fussell, wrote the true-life narrative of his life in the American Southwest in the late 1800s. Truman State University Press published the book in 2008.

TRUMAN AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY NAMED OUTSTANDING CHAPTER

Truman’s student chapter of the American Chemical Society (ACS) was honored as an Outstanding Chapter for the 2008-09 academic year.

This is the fifth time since 2004 that the chapter has been honored by the national organization and the third time they have received the highest award offered by ACS.

Truman’s ACS students were also honored for their dedication to the environment by the Green Chemistry Student Chapter Award. Both of these awards recognize the incredible work of ACS students throughout the past year, including their outreach activities to the community, National Chemistry Week and the annual Musical Demo Show.

Truman’s ACS presidents for the 2008-09 academic year were Dmitriy Chernookiy and Josh Blechle.

The students, advised by Barbara Kramer, associate professor of chemistry, will travel to the National ACS meeting in San Francisco in the spring to receive the awards.

Canned Food Drive
Sponsored by the Truman Student Athlete Advisory Committee

Collections will take place at the following events:

1 p.m. • Oct. 21
Men’s Soccer vs. Texas Permian Basin

7 p.m. • Oct. 23
Volleyball vs. Washburn

1 p.m. • Oct. 24
Football vs. Emporia State

GLAMOUR MAGAZINE 2010 TOP 10 COLLEGE WOMEN COMPETITION

The application for the 2010 competition can be found at http://www.glamour.com/about/top-10-college-women.

Direct any questions regarding the competition to attcw@glamour.com.

Deadline for entries is Dec. 1.

Rhapsody in Red
HEART GALA
Nov. 7
Student Union Building
Georgian Room

6 p.m., Cocktail Hour and Silent Auction
7 p.m., Dinner, Program and Live Auction

Red tie and red dress preferred
$75 per person
RSVP by Oct. 30
626.2272 or communications@atsu.edu

All proceeds benefit the American Heart Association. Sponsors by the SERVE Center, A.T. Still University and Northeast Regional Medical Center.

Head to Toe Clothing Drive
Oct. 21-28

Truman’s Staff Council is collecting hats, scarves, gloves, mittens and boots. Items can be donated in designated boxes located in the Student Union Building, the Career Center, Pickler Memorial Library, the Physical Plant Office, the Barnett Hall lobby and the McClain Hall lobby.
McNair Scholars Present Research at Conference

Nine McNair Scholars traveled to Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 25-27 to present their research at the 13th Annual Missouri-Kansas-Nebraska McNair Heartland Research Conference.

The conference program included individual student research presentations, a graduate school recruitment fair and speakers who provided useful information about application to, and strategies for success in, graduate school.

Kia (Hartfield) Johnson, Truman McNair alumna, was invited to be the keynote speaker at the conference. Recently, Johnson was awarded both the MO-KAN-NE and MAEOPP 2009 TRIO Achiever Awards for recognition of her civic and professional contributions.

Truman McNair Alumna Laura Casey was awarded the MKN Heartland Scholarship, which is given to a past presenter who is currently enrolled in graduate school. Laura is a second-year student in the political science doctoral program at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor.

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American Race
Artwork reflecting upon race in the year of Lincoln’s bicentennial
On display:
   Oct. 20-Nov. 20
   Truman State University
   Art Gallery
   Ophelia Parrish

SAB presents:
Pumpkin Carving and Decorating
12-3 p.m.
Oct. 30
On the Quad
FREE
Apple cider, hot chocolate, festive food, Halloween music and more.