Step it up for Career Expo

An Evening with Expo Experts

4-7 p.m. Feb. 15
Student Union Building
Georgian Room

Learn the perfect handshake approach, get a free hair cut and stop by the tie-tying station. Appetizers and drinks will be served. Cost is $4 and must be paid by 12 p.m. Feb. 12.

Networking Brunch

9:30-10:45 a.m. Feb. 24
Student Union Building
Down Under

Network with potential employers while enjoying a complimentary brunch co-sponsored by Delta Sigma Pi and the Career Center.

Spring 2010 Career Expo
11 a.m.-4 p.m. ♦ Feb. 24
Student Union Building
Register for the Career Expo events at http://career.truman.edu.

Big Read Includes Exhibition of War Artifacts

As part of The Big Read activities and events, a group of Truman art history students volunteered to interview local Kirksville Vietnam War veterans concerning their experiences. These volunteers also collected momentos from the veterans and have curated an exhibition of artifacts and photos. The exhibit, “The Things They Carried: Mementos from Kirksville Vietnam War Veterans,” will be on display in the Kirksville Arts Center through Feb. 26.

The opening reception for the Vietnam War exhibition will take place at the Kirksville Arts Center at 6 p.m. Feb. 8 at 117 S. Franklin St.

The event is free and open to the public.

Contact the Kirksville Arts Center at 665.0500 or at http://www.kirksvillearts.com/newsite/ for hours.

Kirksville’s Big Read was made possible by a grant awarded to a group of local citizens, including members of the Truman community.

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts and the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Its aim is to give communities across the country the opportunity to read and discuss a selected work from American or world literature.

Kirksville’s Big Read will focus on “The Things They Carried,” a book by Tim O’Brien that discusses the lives of American soldiers during the Vietnam War.

For more information on Kirksville’s Big Read, visit http://bigread.truman.edu.

CourseCast Now Allows Lectures on Demand

As a new Blackboard feature, Panopto CourseCast allows professors to replay difficult material, as well as post and share a brief lecture or commentary before class. CourseCast also allows students to catch up on class lecture and discussion missed due to illness or activities.

Using this technology, instructors can capture their voice, the teaching station computer screen and even video of themselves talking, teaching and demonstrating. All this is packaged in a web-friendly format via links in Blackboard. Students can review the content on their own time to better understand concepts, take better notes, learn new processes or make up absences.

Instructors and students alike have reported positive experiences after trial uses of course capture technologies. Panopto’s CourseCast was recently selected as Truman’s solution for long-term course capture and re-delivery. Available now in the C-Level Smart Classrooms, course, lesson, tutorial or speech capture is possible on any computer with a webcam or microphone. Instructors can record material in classrooms, offices or even on-the-road situations with little preliminary set-up.

For a complete introduction to this technology, go online to http://ids.truman.edu/coursecast or contact the Instructional Design team via the IT Services Help Desk at 785.4544 or on the web at http://hdo.collegis.com/truman/.

Those interested can submit a case requesting a consult for Panopto CourseCast.
**Scholarship Priority of Campaign Tops $10 Million**

Donors to Truman’s “Bright Minds Bright Futures” campaign have now committed more than $10 million in current and future gifts toward student scholarships, according to Mark Gambaiana, Vice President for University Advancement.

As of Jan. 31, 2010, a total of $10,005,606 in gift commitments have been designated for scholarship programs. This total includes $4,103,018 in cash and pledges, and $5,902,588 in future gifts through the estate plans of donors.

Overall, the campaign has generated $19.44 million toward its goal of $30 million. In October, Truman publicly announced the effort and a total of 11 regional kickoff events are slated for 2010 as the University seeks contributions from all constituencies.

**Faculty Research Conference Aims to Share Projects with Colleagues**

The Faculty Research Conference will take place from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Feb. 13 in the Student Union Building. The idea for the Faculty Research Conference came out of conversations during the 2008-09 school year about supporting faculty scholarship and sharing it with colleagues.

The call for papers asked for presentations that communicate to a non-specialist audience why individual faculty studies are fascinating. This is the second conference this academic year, due to numerous submissions, representing a range of disciplines.

Each presentation will be 20 minutes in length with 10 minutes for discussion and questions. Those faculty members planning to attend are asked to RSVP at http://www.doodle.com/zyl7vq65nkwpwqg4. Box lunches are provided for those who RSVP by Feb. 5.

Presenting faculty members include:

- Scott Alberts (“Cognitive Distortions in the Mathematics Classroom”);
- Christopher Maglio (“I DON'T WANT TO GO TO SCHOOL: Anxiety and Anxiety-Related Disorders in Children”);
- Chad Mohler (“If You Can't Trust Your Friends...: What to Believe When Your Peers Disagree with You?”);
- Peter Rolnick (“Do Mass Populations Behave Like a Mass on a Spring?”);
- Wynn Wilbur (“Ceramics: Conceptual Basis and Process in Utilitarian Work”);
- Cole Woodcox (“Architectural Style of the Masonic Temple in Kirksville, Missouri in Social and Historical Context”);
- Pam Ryan and Tony Weisstein (“Distinguishing Evolutionary Mechanisms with Tajima's D Statistic”); and

Jason Miller will lead a roundtable discussion on support for faculty research to close the conference.

**Upward Bound Summer Employment at Truman**

Upward Bound summer employment application reviews begin this week. Completed packets include application, résumé, transcripts and recommendations. For questions go online to http://ub.truman.edu or call Donna at 785.4244.
Warren Gooch, professor of music, had three choral works accepted for publication recently. “Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise,” “Were You There?” and “Alleluia! Christ is Risen!” will be published by Alliance Publications, Inc.

Maria Nagan, associate professor of chemistry, was selected to serve a three-year term on the National Science Foundation’s Teragrid Resource Allocation Committee. The committee is responsible for granting supercomputer time for the nation’s supercomputing centers. Last year, the committee allocated more than 1.2 billion cpu hours.

Truman’s Student Chapter of the American Chemical Society (ACS) was recently declared a winner in the national 2009 ACS “I am proud to be a chemist” Presidential Challenge. The chapter submitted a video on YouTube entitled “P-R-O-U-D to be a Chemist” featuring Truman chemistry students and faculty performing a rap about chemistry. The video was written and directed by sophomore chemistry majors Amanda Krus and Jenny Zweifel with help from the rest of the chapter. The chapter received a $1,500 prize and will be honored at the Spring 2010 National Meeting of the American Chemical Society in San Francisco where their video will be shown during the awards ceremony. While there, the students will also receive awards for Outstanding Chapter and Green Chemistry Chapter for 2008-09.

John Richard Freese, a graduate music composition student, had an original composition accepted for performance at the 2010 University of Nebraska-Kearney New Music Festival IX. Richard’s guitar composition, “Scattered Memories,” will be performed as part of the two-day festival Feb. 15-16.

The following will be presented during the Psi Chi poster sessions of MPA:

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Psychology Research Accepted for Regional Conference

Nearly 30 Truman undergraduates and seven faculty of the Psychology department have had their research accepted for presentation at the 2010 annual meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association (MPA) in Chicago this April.

TruScholars Summer Undergraduate Research Program

Apply to be one of 25 full-time student researchers during the eight-week summer term and receive a $3,000 stipend. Application deadline is 5 p.m. Feb. 12. For more information, visit http://osr.truman.edu/truscholars/, e-mail osr@truman.edu or call 785. 4455.
Visiting Scholar to Share Chinese Culture

Qiuyu Bi of China is Truman’s newest visiting scholar. Bi arrived in Kirksville Jan. 18 and will be giving public talks and presentations on topics such as the status of English education in China today and family life. Bi is an English teacher at the Wuhan University of Technology in Hubei, China.

A public reception in honor of Bi will take place at 2 p.m. Feb. 3 in McClain Hall 213. All are welcome to attend.

Wuhan University is allowing her to stay at Truman for up to six months and Bi plans to stay through the end of the semester.

Notes

Show your Truman Spirit by participating in Purple Fridays. Wear purple or Truman apparel every Friday. Truman Spirits shirts are still available in the Public Relations Office, McClain 101, for $5. Small and medium sizes only.

Alpha Phi Omega will be hosting a rush bake sale from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 3-5 in McClain, Magruder and Violette halls. Puppy chow, brownies and cookies will be available for 50 cents.

The Weekly Lunch Series continues at 12:30 p.m. Feb. 3 in the Student Union Building Spanish Room. This week’s presentation is titled “Threatening Situations and Emotional Struggles,” by Brian Krylowicz, director of University Counseling Services.

The Department of Classical and Modern Languages will sponsor “Five Things You Didn’t Know about Kleopatra” at 7 p.m. Feb. 4 in Magruder Hall 2001. The presenter is Duane W. Roller, professor emeritus of Greek and Latin at the Ohio State University. Roller also is the author of several books, including a biography on Kleopatra.

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) will meet at 4:30 p.m. Feb. 5 at the University Club House, located at 516 E. Patterson. Contact Marc Becker at marc@truman.edu or call 785.6036 for more information.

The Board of Governors will meet at 1:30 p.m. Feb. 6 in the Student Union Building Conference Room. For more information, visit http://governors.truman.edu/.

Faculty and staff are invited to a Microsoft Access 2007 Presentation from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 10 at the Kirksville TCRC, 315 S. Franklin. This one-day course teaches the basic functions and features of Access; how to design and create databases; how to work with tables, fields and records; and how to sort and filter data and create queries, forms and reports. This course is offered to faculty and staff for a reduced rate of $52 by the TCRC. For more information, call 785.2530 or e-mail kvtcrc@missouri.edu.

A Peace Corps Presentation will take place at 6 p.m. Feb. 11 in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. Those interested in opportunities with the Peace Corps can stop by. For more information, visit http://career.truman.edu.

Truman’s Mathematical Biology Program is currently accepting student applications for Summer 2010 (May 24 - July 30).

A $3,500 stipend plus room and board for the 10-week period are included.

For more information, e-mail pjryan@truman.edu or stop by Violette Hall 2154. Application materials are available on the U drive at U_MT Student File Area\mathbio\mathbio2010app.docx.

The deadline for applications is Feb. 12.