May to Deliver Phi Beta Kappa Fellows Lecture

Medical ethicist and religious scholar William F. May, the Cary M. Maguire University professor of ethics at Southern Methodist University, will deliver a Phi Beta Kappa Fellows Lecture at Truman State University titled “Contending Images of the Healer: Teacher, Parent, Technician, Fighter.” The talk will take place at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 15, in the Student Union Building Alumni Room.

May is the author of “A Catalogue of Sins,” “The Physician’s Covenant: Images of the Healer in Medical Ethics,” “The Patient’s Ordeal” and “Testing the Medical Covenant: Active Euthanasia and Health Care Reform.” He also founded and chaired the department of religious studies at Indiana University and served as chair of the religion department at Smith College. He is past president of the American Academy of Religions and a founding fellow of the Hastings Center, where he co-chaired its research group on death and dying. He is currently a visiting professor at Yale University.

The Phi Beta Kappa Fellows Lectureship was established in 1942 to foster the academic ideals of the Society’s chapters and alumni associations and to contribute directly to the intellectual life of their campuses and communities. May’s address is sponsored by the Phi Beta Kappa National Honor Society and the Phi Beta Kappa Association of Northeastern Missouri.

For more information, contact Dereck Daschke, PBKA-NEMO vice president of programming, at ddaschke@truman.edu.

Mohler to Speak in Linda Hall Library Series

Chad Mohler, assistant professor of philosophy and religion, will present the sixth and final lecture of the 2001 Linda Hall Lecture Series at 5:30 p.m., Nov. 15, in the Main Reading Room at the Linda Hall Library in Kansas City, Mo. His topic will be “The Development of Science: Progressive or Revolutionary?”

The Linda Hall Library of Science and Engineering and Technology is one of the nation’s leading specialty research libraries. It houses numerous major collections and reference materials and an education program that features onsite and online exhibitions, a U.S. Patent and Trademark Depository, a rare science history collection and the annual Linda Hall Lecture Series.

The 2001 Series marks the fifth year for the event and features Truman faculty from several departments. They are the first invited lecturers from a public university.

Mohler graduated in 1994 summa cum laude with his bachelor’s degrees in physics and philosophy from the University of Notre Dame. In 1999, he earned his doctorate in philosophy from Princeton University. His area of specialization is epistemology, and he is competent in topics such as philosophy of science, early modern philosophy, action theory, metaphysics and logic.

The Linda Hall Lecture Series is part of several outreach programs that promote an interest in science among the general public. Linda Hall Library is located at 5109 Cherry Street and the lectures are free and open to the public. For more information, check http://www.lindahall.org.
The Public Relations Office is now accepting resumés for the spring 2002 internship position.

Interns receive course credit and valuable experience in desktop publishing and public relations office duties.

Interested students should stop by the Public Relations office, McClain 102, call 785.4016 or e-mail Katie Svoboda at ksvoboda@truman.edu, no later than Nov. 8.

Kevin Swick, professor of early childhood education at the University of South Carolina and the director of Service-Learning and Teacher Education program (SLATE), recently spoke about service-learning to a foundations of education class and several Kirksville community leaders. Pete Kelly and Pat Smiser, both assistant professors of education, were each given grants to add a service-learning component to the curriculum of their classes on campus through Missouri Campus Compact Studies supported by the Kaufman Foundation.

Swick addressed service-learning and mentioned several ideas for service-learning projects.

Service-learning entails slightly more than community service. Like community service, service-learning fulfills a need in the community, but then uses that need as a foundation to examine society, the future and each other. It is a reciprocal relationship in which the service reinforces the learning and the learning reinforces and strengthens the service.

“We are a nation so busy we forget to get to know each other,” Swick said. “Service-learning will bring us together by developing personal values, self-confidence, beliefs, social awareness and responsibility, and a sense for caring for others.”

Community leaders were invited to speak briefly about the needs of their organizations so Truman would have an understanding of their service needs. The ultimate goal is for MAE graduates to develop leadership skills in service-learning to be used for the school districts that employ them in the future.

Speaker Discusses Service-Learning with Education Department, Community Leaders

David Nichols, professor emeritus of music, recently discussed his new college textbook, “Musical Encounters,” with President Jack Magruder. The goal of the textbook, according to Nichols, is to bring people to a new level of both understanding and enjoying music. The textbook also has an online study guide that can be accessed at http://www.prenhall.com/nichols.
Notables

Julia Delancey, associate professor of art, has been selected to serve as adviser to a Wellcome Trust History of Medicine Large Project Grant titled “Selling Health in Renaissance Italy: Consumers and Consumption in the Tuscan Apothecary 1350-1600,” to be administered through the University of Sussex in the United Kingdom.


Matt Kingston, Dobson Hall director, and Andrea O’Brien, director of residential living, will be presenting programs at the Upper Midwest Region meeting of the Association of College and University Housing Officers (UMR-ACUHO) Nov. 7-9 in Green Bay, Wis. Kingston will present a 50-minute workshop session titled “Using the Internet to Facilitate Communication Between Staff and Residents.” O’Brien and Matt Hansen, director of residence life at St. Ambrose University in Dubuque, Iowa, will present a 2-hour workshop titled “The Value of Benefits: A Look at Your Compensation Package.” Kingston is a member of the media and technology committee for UMR-ACUHO, and O’Brien is a member of the financial and operations advisory committee. Presentations are sponsored by their committees.


Paul Crabb, professor of music, recently had his arrangement of Mozart’s “Kyrie” (Litaniae Lauretanae, K. 109/74e) accepted for publication by Colla Voce Music Publishers.

New Lists for Outstanding Undergraduate Academic Achievement Replace Dean’s List

The Dean’s List has been replaced by the President’s and the Vice President for Academic Affairs’ Lists. These changes are contained in the 2001-2003 General/Graduate Catalog. Outstanding academic achievement will also now be recognized for summer work.

To qualify for the President’s List, an undergraduate student must attain a semester 4.0 GPA and must complete 12 semester hours (fall or spring) and nine semester hours in the summer and receive no F, WF, IC (Incomplete) grades for that semester.

To qualify for the Vice President for Academic Affairs’ List, an undergraduate student must attain a semester 3.50-3.99 GPA and must complete 12 semester hours (fall or spring) and nine semester hours in the summer and receive no F, WF or IC grades for that semester.

Students will be notified of being selected for either list via mailed announcements from the Vice President of Academic Affairs after semester grades are mailed.

Jefferson City Legislative Internship Program

Interviews are now being scheduled for Spring 2002 Legislative Internships.

Interns receive a $2,200 stipend and up to 15 hours of credit.

All majors and those students with junior status are encouraged to apply.

Applications are available in McClain Hall 102 or at http://www.truman.edu/newsevents/mogov_app.pdf.

Information about the program is available at http://www.truman.edu/newsevents/mogov_brochure.htm.

Call 785.4016 for more information.

Career Center Corner

Traditional business attire is discussed, as well as three levels of business casual, during the 90 minute-long session “Dress for Success” at the Career Center.

This session is tailored for an all-male or all-female audience. Coed groups can either schedule the male and female sessions back-to-back on a single evening or on two different evenings.

Contact the Career Center at 785.4353 for more information.
The College Bowl Tournament will begin at 6 p.m., Nov. 6, and continue at 6 p.m., Nov. 7, in the SUB Activities Room. For more information, contact Robin Taylor at 785.4222.

The Faculty Development Weekly Lunch Series will discuss “What Faculty and Students Learn through the Co-curriculum” from 12:30-1:20 p.m., Nov. 7, in the SUB Spanish Room. For more information, contact Faculty Development at 785.4391.

A special mathematics and computer science colloquium will be held at 3:30 p.m., Nov. 7, in Violette Hall 1010. Dan Ashlock, professor at Iowa State University, will give a talk titled “Darwin Solves Engineering Problems.” Following the colloquium, he will talk about graduate study opportunities in mathematics at Iowa State University. For more information, contact Phil Ryan at 785.4592.

A physics colloquium will be held from 4:35-5:25 p.m., Nov. 7, in Barnett 251 and 252. Ta-Pei Cheng, professor from the department of physics and astronomy at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, will speak on “The Accelerating Universe.” For more information, go to http://physics.truman.edu/~colloquia.html.

An informational meeting for the spring 2003 Washington Center internships will be held from 6-7 p.m., Nov. 7, in SUB Room 4. There are positions available for all majors, and all applicants must have at least a 3.25 GPA. For further information, contact Julia DeLancey at 785.4484.

The Dobson Hall International Film Series will continue with a screening of “Landscape in the Mist” at 7 p.m., Nov. 7, in Dobson Hall 247. For more information, contact Dennis Leavens, Dobson Hall College Rector, at 785.5145.

The Student Health Center and the nursing department will provide free HIV screening from 2-7 p.m., Nov. 8, in the Student Health Center. Call Melissa Lehmann at 785.7163 for more information.

Students interested in applying to one of the military academies should submit an application by Nov. 8 to U.S. Rep. Sam Graves’ district office. Application packets are available at http://www.house.gov/graves/. Packets can also be received by contacting Jacob Dipietre, Graves’ academy coordinator, at jacob.dipietre@mail.house.gov.

The Fall Harvest Canned Food Drive, sponsored by Blue Key, Cardinal Key and Delta Sigma Pi, will take place Nov. 10. Students will collect non-perishable goods from all community residents leaving food at their front door. For more information, contact Brian Truschinger at 627.1825.

A program on winterizing homes will be sponsored by the University League at 10:30 a.m., Nov. 10, at the University Club. Mike Baker of the Northeast Missouri Community Action Agency will speak. Baby-sitting is available with advance reservations by calling Barbara Mandell at 665.6781.

Applications to the McNair Program are due by 5 p.m., Nov. 10, at the Adair Building. Please call Teresa York at 785.5393, e-mail her at tyork@truman.edu or visit the office in the Adair Building for more information or to pick up application materials.

A Parents’ Night Out will be sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega from 6-11 p.m., Nov. 10. Children can be brought to the Pershing Building for an evening of fun and games. Call Rachel at 785.7150 for more information.

Alpha Phi Omega will sponsor a blood drive 11-4 p.m., Nov. 13-15, in the SUB Activities Room. There will be a pizza party given to the organization with the most donors. For more information, contact Jamie Bateman at 665.3817.

The Zydeco band Zydeco Force will be on campus from Nov. 15-17. They will appear in a Residence Hall program 8 p.m., Nov. 16, in Ryle Hall. They will also hold a dance party beginning at 8 p.m., Nov. 17, in the Down Under. Contact Marc Rice at 785.4427 for more information.

Students needing a ride to and from the LaPlata train station for Thanksgiving break can take the Department of Public Safety’s shuttle which departs at 9 a.m., Nov. 20 and returns at 8:30 p.m., Nov. 25. The service’s round-trip cost is $5. Call 785.4177 to sign-up.

The Department of Public Safety is offering several van driving training opportunities throughout the months of November and December. For specific dates and more information, call 785.4176.

The Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Essay Contest will accept applications through Dec. 1. Entrants must be juniors or seniors. For a list of suggested topics and more information, contact the Financial Aid Office, MC 103.

The Writing Center offers help with any writing. Stop by MC 303 or call 785.4484 for an appointment.

Certified lifeguards are needed to work morning and afternoon hours. If interested and qualified, please apply at the Truman State University Natatorium in the lower level of Pershing Building.

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