Author, Educator to Visit Truman Campus

Catharine R. Stimpson, dean of the graduate school of arts and sciences and a professor at New York University, will begin her public visit as the next guest of the 2001-2002 Distinguished Visiting Scholar Program with a lecture titled “Genius: Evil and Otherwise” at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 4, in Violette Hall 1000. For a complete listing of Stimpson’s scheduled visit, refer to the sidebar on page 2.

Stimpson has been working as a professor and writer in the field of humanities and women’s studies for more than 20 years. She was the founding editor of “Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society.” Since her first book was published in 1979, Stimpson has edited seven books and has had more than 150 monographs, essays, stories and reviews about culture and women’s studies printed in publications such as The New York Times Book Review.

Stimpson graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor’s degree in English from Bryn Mawr College; she earned her master’s degree at Cambridge University and her doctoral degree with distinction from Columbia University. She holds 12 honorary doctorates and during her career has served on several boards and committees, such as the National Council for Research on Women, the MS Magazine Board of Scholars and the New York State Council for the Humanities. She now serves as the president of the Association of Graduate Schools and as the chair of the National Advisory Committee of the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation.

Stimpson currently has a book on Gertrude Stein under contract with the University of Chicago Press and continues to work as an editor and an educator at NYU.

Faculty/Staff Campaign Begins This Week

The 2002 Faculty/Staff Campaign will be led by Doug Daubert, director of the Student Union, and Jeffrey Gall, assistant professor of history and social science education. The campaign will run through February.

This week, coordinators from different areas will be contacting full- and part-time faculty and staff to ask for support of the Truman State University Foundation.

Through the Foundation, private gifts from faculty and staff help fund a wide variety of causes such as academic scholarships, study abroad programs, faculty development and research. Additional support for each of the academic divisions, cultural programs such as the Kohlenberg Lyceum Series and a variety of athletic programs are also included in the Foundation’s funding. In addition, this year faculty and staff can contribute to the Magruder Hall Campaign, Truman’s first national, institution-wide campaign. Contributions will meet the immediate need of renovating and expanding the science facilities and provide the best technology, laboratories, research facilities and learning environment for Truman students.

The goal of this year’s campaign is to further increase the faculty and staff participation rate. The last campaign’s participation rate was 73 percent, the highest rate among Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges (COPLAC), according to the COPLAC Cooperative Data Collection and Performance Indicators for 1999-2000.

For more information, contact Laura Cook, manager of the Annual Fund, at 785.4688. Campaign updates will be included in future Truman Todays.
Palmer to Present Baldwin Lecture

Parker J. Palmer, a writer, teacher and activist, will visit Truman State University Feb. 7-8 as the 2002 Baldwin Lecturer. His discussion sessions “Teaching is Not a Lost Art: Renewing the University’s Commitment to its Teaching and Learning Mission” will be from 3:30-5:30 p.m., Feb. 7, and from 10:30 a.m.-noon, Feb. 8, in the Student Union Building Alumni Room. His lecture “The Courage to Teach: Reforming Education From the Inside Out” will be at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 8, in VH 1000. A reception will follow in the Violette Hall Commons.

Palmer works independently on issues in education, community, leadership, spirituality and social change. His work spans a wide range of institutions including colleges and universities, public schools, community organizations, churches and retreat centers, corporations and foundations. He serves as senior associate of the American Association for Higher Education and as senior adviser to the Fetzer Institute. Palmer is frequently cited as a master teacher. His work has been featured by The New York Times, The Chronicle of Higher Education, Change Magazine, The Christian Century, CBS-TV News, National Public Radio and The Voice of America. The Danforth Foundation, the Lilly Endowment and the Fetzer Institute have all supported his work with major grants. His book, “The Courage to Teach: Exploring the Inner Landscape of a Teacher’s Life,” was published in 1997.

In 1998, The Leadership Project, a national survey of 11,000 faculty and administrators, named Palmer as one of the 30 “most influential senior leaders” in higher education and one of the 10 key “agenda-setters” of the past decade.

Change Magazine, Jan/Feb 1998, described Parker as a scholar who “…inspired a generation of teachers and reformers with evocative visions of community, knowing, and spiritual wholeness.”

The 2002 Baldwin Lecturer is sponsored by Faculty Development, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Residential College Program and the Frances Laughlin Fuller Lectureship Fund from the Advancement Office.

For more information, visit http://www2.truman.edu/facdev/Baldwin.html, call the Faculty Development Office at 785.4391, or e-mail facdev@truman.edu.

Forum on U.S. Highway 63 Scheduled Feb. 7

On April 2, Truman students, faculty and staff will have the opportunity to vote on a proposal that would expand U.S. Highway 63 to four lanes from Kirksville to Macon. In an effort to inform faculty, staff and students about this issue, Students for 63 Now will have an informational forum at 7 p.m., Feb. 7, in the Student Union Building Down Under.

David Clithero, chair of the Highway 63 Transportation Corporation, will discuss the highway expansion proposal at the forum. The proposal would involve a half-cent sales tax. This tax would be the same as the Aquatic Center tax that was removed April 2001 and would have a sunset clause of 10 years.

This project involves a 23-mile stretch of highway, starting at the end of the proposed Macon bypass at Route DD and ending at the proposed start of the Kirksville bypass at Millard.

For more information about the forum, contact Bethany Ordaz at 665.2007.

Romine Receives Outstanding Educator Award

The Missouri Society of CPAs (MSCPA) has named Jeff Romine, professor of accounting and coordinator of the master of accountancy program, the 2002 Outstanding Educator Award Recipient.

Romine serves as MSCPA’s LEAP (Lead and Enhance the Accounting Profession) Task Force Chairperson and is a member of the society’s nominating committee. He has also served as president of the Missouri Association of Accounting Educators and held various leadership positions in the American Institute of CPAs, the American Accounting Association and the Institute of Internal Auditors.
Notables

Monica Barron, associate professor of English, will have her poem “An Anniversary of My Father’s Death” published in Briar Cliff Review this spring.


John Ishiyama, associate professor of political science, had his article “Women’s Parties in Post Communist Politics” accepted for publication in the journal East European Politics and Societies. It will appear in volume 16(3) this year.

Sarah Yancey, junior communication and psychology double major from Sorento, Ill., was awarded a Phi Kappa Phi Internship Support Grant. She will use the grant to pursue an advertising internship in Kansas City, Mo., or St. Louis.

Twelve Truman Forensics Program competitors captured the Tournament Sweepstakes Championship at the Cornhusker Invitational Forensics Tournament, part of the “Goodlife Swing,” a weekend of joint forensics competition hosted by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the University of Nebraska-Omaha, Jan. 4-6. Forensics competitions are a combined effort by both individual events competitors and debaters. Along with the tournament championship at the UNL half of the tournament, the competitors earned the first-place overall finish in debate sweepstakes, and a third place overall ranking when the scores of the date tournament and two separate individual events tournaments were combined.

The Truman Forensics Program captured the overall sweepstakes championship, the debate sweepstakes championship and second place in individual events sweeps- stakes, Jan. 19, at Concordia University in Seward, Neb. Among the other institutions represented were Creighton University, Grinnell College, Kansas State University, Rice University, Central Missouri State University and three branches of the University of Nebraska system. Four Truman teams placed in the parliamentary debate elimination rounds, more than any other program. This brings Truman’s total number of awards for the year to 248.

Scholarship Opportunities Announced

Several scholarship opportunities have been announced.

The American Chemical Society Scholars Program is currently accepting applications. For more information, visit http://chemistry.org/scholars. Application deadline is March 1.

The Midwest Regional Center of the Institute of International Education is offering five $1,000 study abroad scholarships. Applications are available at http://www.iie.org/midwest/grant. Application deadline is March 1.

The 2002 Talbots Women’s Scholarship Fund is open to women who have earned a high school diploma or their GED on or before September 1992. Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103, or at http://www.talbots.com/about/scholar/scholar.asp. Application deadline is March 4.

The National Society of Accountants is now accepting applications for financial assistance. Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office at 785.4130 or visit http://www.nsacct.org. Applications must be postmarked by March 10.

The Iowa Head Start – Child Care Professional Development Initiative Grant is offering one $500 scholarship to a student from each of the following counties: Clarke, Decatur, Lucas, Monroe or Wayne. Applications are due March 15 and can be obtained in the Financial Aid Office at 785.4130.

The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis is offering interest-free student loans for students who have financial need and minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA. Undergraduate maximum is $4,500 and graduate maximum is $6,000. Application deadline is April 15. For more information, contact the Financial Aid Office at 785.4130.

Black History Month 2002

Movie Series: “Sankofa”
Moderated discussion led by Sharon Squires
7 p.m., Feb. 1
VH 1010

Symposium: Bamboozled and Ethnic Notions
Panel discussion led by Sharon Squires
2 p.m., Feb. 2
VH 1000

First Sunday Dinner at Multicultural Affairs Center:
Soul Food
6 p.m., Feb. 3
Multicultural Affairs Center

Movie Series: “Slam”
Moderated discussion led by Sharon Squires
7 p.m., Feb. 8
VH 1212

Poetry Night: Speakeasy
Chicago Poets
7 p.m., Feb. 9
SUB Down Under

Movie Series: “The Fire This Time”
Moderated discussion led by Sharon Squires
7 p.m., Feb. 15
VH 1010

For more information about upcoming Black History Month events, call 785.4142.
Starting Jan. 29, there will be a German Lunch Table every Tuesday from noon-1 p.m. in Centennial Hall Private Dining Area. Contact Stephen Grollman at sgroll2@truman.edu for more information.

Mostly Live Composers Society will host a Student Composition Recital at 3:30-4:30 p.m., Jan. 29, in BH 156. The event features original compositions by students in the music department and it is open to the public. For more information, contact Warren Gooch at 785.4429.

A Student Organization Programming Roundtable will offer helpful hints for students wanting to program on-campus events from 6-7 p.m., Jan. 29, in the SUB Down Under. A panel of students and staff will highlight resources and answer questions. For more information, contact the Center for Student Involvement at 785.4222.

Alpha Phi Omega, a national coed service fraternity, will have spring tourism information sessions at 7 p.m., Jan. 29, in VH 1000 and 8:30 p.m., Jan. 31, in VH 1000. For more information, contact Emily Hagemann at 665.9941.

The second annual January Conference “A Community of Learners: Reaffirming Our Promise” will be from 3-4:35 p.m., Jan. 30. For more information, contact the Vice President of Academic Affairs Office at 785.4105.

The Student Activities Board is currently accepting applications for new members. Applications are available in the Center for Student involvement on the lower level of the SUB. Applications are due by 5 p.m., Jan. 30. For more information, call 785.4722.

The Dobson Hall Film Series and the Fine Arts Division will show the film “Playtime” at 7 p.m., Jan. 30, in OP 2210. For more information, contact Dennis Leavens at 785.5145.

Students interested in applying to intern in Washington, D.C., during the spring 2003 semester can go to an informational meeting from 6-7 p.m., Jan. 31, in OP 2250. For more information, contact Julia DeLancy at 785.4430.

The Lutheran Student Fellowship will host Seminary Recruitment from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Feb. 1, at the Lutheran Campus Center. Dr. Wally Becker, director of student recruitment for Concordia Seminary, will answer questions from students considering a career in pastoral ministry and full-time church work. For more information, contact Ellen Axmear at 665.4078.

The selections process for the Phi Kappa Phi graduate fellowships will begin Feb. 1. Phi Kappa Phi will offer 52 $8,000 fellowships to first-year graduate students and 30 $1,500 Awards of Excellence. Senior Truman student members of Phi Kappa Phi can download the application at http://www.phikappaphi.org. Application materials can be forwarded by Feb. 1 to Terry Olson in MC 233 or Patricia Burton in MC 234. For more information, contact Olson at 785.4503 or Burton at 785.7247.

Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) is offering a defense class for women on Saturdays throughout February. The first course will be from 11-2 p.m., Feb. 2, in PB 325. The fee for the courses is $10. Call Officer Tiffany Easley at 785.4176 or visit http://rad.truman.edu for more information.

The Who’s Who luncheon will be from noon to 2 p.m., Feb. 2, in the SUB Georgian Room. The keynote speaker will be David Clithero.

The Student Activities Board is hosting a Super Bowl Sunday Party at 5 p.m., Feb. 3, in the SUB Down Under. For more information, call 785.4722.

Sam McClure, assistant professor of music, and Nancy Hueber will present a recital for violin and piano at 8 p.m., Feb. 4, in Baldwin Auditorium. The recital is free and open to the public. For more information, contact McClure at 785.4434.

The University Observatory will be open to the public from 8-10 p.m., Feb. 4 and Feb. 18. Weather permitting, visitors are welcome to come and look through the telescope. Access to the observatory is via the stairs to the roof from the lobby outside of MG 274.

ITB will sponsor a Microsoft Access 2000 Intermediate workshop from 10 a.m.-noon, Feb. 8, in Pickler Memorial Library 103. The class is limited to 20 people and will cover more advanced topics in Microsoft Access. R.S.V.P. to Kevin Hughes at 785.4079 or itistrain@truman.edu.

Cardinal Key National Honor Society will have Cardinal Key Rush from 1-3:30 p.m., Feb. 10, in the SUB Governors’ Room. Last names A-K can attend the event from 1-2 p.m. and last names L-Z can attend the event from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Applications can be downloaded from http://www2.truman.edu/cardinalkey/ beginning on noon on Feb. 4. Applications are due by 4:30 p.m., Feb. 8, in the Cardinal Key mailbox. For more information, call Elena Logue at 665.8712.

Phi Sigma Pi, a national coed honor fraternity, will have a spring rush information night at 8 p.m., Feb. 11, in the SUB Georgian Room. Eligible students must have 15-75 credit hours and a 3.0 cumulative GPA or above. For more information, contact Chris Miller at 785.5098.

Students interested in the Missouri-London Study Abroad Program should attend a special meeting from 4-5 p.m., Feb. 13 or Feb. 14, in SUB Room 4. Refreshments will be provided.

Upward Bound has employment opportunities available for the 2002 summer session June 9-July 19. Applications are due Feb. 15. For more information, available opportunities and application materials, contact Upward Bound at 785.5098 or at ubub@truman.edu.

The deadline for the art assistance applications is Feb. 15. Applications are available in the Fine Arts Division Office, BH 118, and James Harmon’s Office, OP 2227.

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