Marable to Replace Gates as Upcoming Distinguished Visiting Scholar

Manning Marable will replace Henry Louis Gates Jr. as the upcoming Distinguished Visiting Scholar March 27-28. Gates had to cancel due to his selection as the 2002 Jefferson Lecturer. This selection is the highest honor the federal government confers for distinguished intellectual achievement in the humanities.

Marable is one of America’s most influential historians and political interpreters of the black experience. He is the author and editor of nearly 20 books and anthologies including “Let Nobody Turn Us Around” (2000). He has also written more than 200 scholarly articles in academic journals and edited volumes over his teaching career beginning in 1974.

In 1976, Marable began writing “Along the Color Line,” a syndicated political affairs series that regularly appears in more than 400 black-owned and black-oriented mass publications throughout the United States, as well as in Canada, the United Kingdom, the Caribbean and India.

Marable is the founding director of the Institute for Research in African American Studies and serves as professor of history and political science at Columbia University in New York City. Previously he was founding director of Colgate University’s Africana and Hispanic Studies Program and chaired the Black Studies Department at Ohio State University. In 2001, he initiated the Malcolm X Project at Columbia University.

Transportation and U.S. Highway 63 Forums Scheduled

Truman students, faculty and staff will have the opportunity to learn more about local and state transportation issues and the U.S. Highway 63 proposal at two forums scheduled this Thursday and next Monday.

Rep. Bob Behnen will sponsor the first forum and will feature speakers Henry Hungerbeeler, Missouri Department of Transportation director; Estel Fretwell of the Missouri Farm Bureau; Barry Orscheln of the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission; and Elsie Gaber, a representative for the Highway 63 Transportation Corporation. The forum is at 6:30 p.m., Feb. 21, in the Kirksville Junior High Auditorium.

On Monday, Feb. 25, voters will have two opportunities to hear about the U.S. Highway 63 proposal. The first forum is scheduled at 5:30 p.m. and the second forum is scheduled at 7 p.m. in the Kirksville Junior High Auditorium. Two times have been scheduled to allow voters flexibility in attending the informational sessions.

David Clithero, chair of the Highway 63 Transportation Corporation, will discuss the highway expansion proposal at the forums. The proposal would involve a half-cent sales tax that will be decided by voters on April 2.

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 forums, call 785.4016.
Lecture to Focus on St. Louis Waterfront

Dr. Andrew Hurley, associate professor of history at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, will present the annual Kohlenberg-Towne lecture at 7 p.m., Feb. 28, in Magruder Hall 274. His presentation is titled “Back to the River: Urban Reconstruction and Civic Identity on the St. Louis Waterfront” and will be followed by a reception.

Hurley has written two books. His most recent “Diners, Bowling Alleys and Trailer Parks: Chasing the American Dream in Postwar Consumer Culture” by Basic Books, 2001, marked him as one of the most innovative environmental historians of the United States.


Since 2001, Hurley has been engaged in “The Virtual City Project,” a large project involving the Internet funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.


Hurley received his bachelor’s degree and his master’s degree from John Hopkins University. He received his Ph. D. from Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. He served as an associate professor from 1995-2001 and he currently serves as a professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

A group of Truman alumni and friends established the Kohlenberg-Towne Lecture Series in March 1988, upon the retirement of Gilbert Kohlenberg, professor emeritus of social sciences, and Ruth Warner Towne, professor emeritus of history and dean emeritus of graduate studies.

The Series honors the contributions of Kohlenberg and Towne and offers the campus an opportunity to listen to nationally-acclaimed social science scholars.

For more information, contact David Robinson at drobinso@truman.edu or at 785.4321.

University Career Center Schedules Activities

The Career Center has several upcoming programs for students.

A Mock Career Expo will be from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Feb. 25, at the Student Union Building on the second floor. The Career Center will critique students’ approaches to employers. This low pressure situation is great for students wishing to learn how to perfect their introduction skills.

Philip Morris will present “How to Work a Career Fair” from 7-8 p.m., Feb. 26, in the SUB Conference Room. They will present the best ways to approach the Career Fair.

All students are invited to attend the Career Expo from 1-5 p.m., Feb. 27, in the SUB. A list of employers looking to fill many different jobs is available at http://career.truman.edu/CareerExpo/MasterList.asp. All majors are encouraged to attend.

Students interested in interviewing on the day after the Career Expo and who wish to submit a resume for preselection should visit http://truman.erecruiting.com to apply for positions that interest them. The interview sign-up deadline is at midnight Feb. 25.

A reception will follow the Career Expo from 5:30-6:30 p.m. giving students, employers and faculty the chance to mingle. Food and drink will be available and there will be prizes.

The Career Center will have the workshop, Resumania, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., March 1, in Ophelia Parrish. The Career Center will be critiquing resumes and cover letters, and answering any career related questions students may have.

For more information about any of the programs, call 785.4353 or e-mail...
Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence and professor of comparative literature, will give a reading from his new book of poetry “On a Wing of the Sun” at Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., in April. The book has been nominated for an Oklahoma Book Award and is currently a finalist in the competition.

Marc Becker, assistant professor of history, gave a presentation on “Gender and Popular Protest in Latin American Indigenous Movements” to the Latin American Studies Program (LASP) at the University of Iowa. He also discussed his work with Native Web, an Internet Web site dedicated to indigenous issues, at a faculty seminar and in several classes.

Casi Curfman, senior health science major from Alexandria, Mo., received grant funding for her project “Workplace Stress Prevention” and Laura Green, senior health science major from Columbia, Mo., received grant funding for her project “Workplace Violence Analysis and Intervention.” Both grants were from the national office of Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Science Honoray.


Steven Hadwiger, assistant professor of nursing, presented “Management of Diabetes by a Latin Woman: A Case Study” at the Elder Lynk Interdisciplinary Multi-Ethnic Series at the Northeast Regional Medical Center Cafeteria Conference Room on Feb. 5.

Lynn VanDolah, part-time lecturer in justice systems, was recently elected President of the Missouri Sociological Association (MSA). The MSA is a statewide organization dedicated to providing sociologists and others an opportunity to share ideas and discuss current areas of research. Within the justice systems program, Van Dolah teaches Contemporary Correctional Treatment Methods and Victimology.

Sixteen students from the Truman Forensics Team competed in the largest weekend of forensics competition in the United States Jan. 30-Feb. 4. Students amassed an impressive record at three different tournaments: The Pt. Loma Round Robin-Tournament of Champions, the Southwestern College Invitational, and the Sunset Cliffs Invitational at Pt. Loma Nazarene University. The team swept the tournament sweepstakes championships at both Southwestern and Pt. Loma, and also captured the overall sweepstakes championship by a sizeable margin over the nearest competitor, California State University Long Beach. The team won 49 awards for the weekend.

The Truman State University Percussion Ensemble, under the direction of Michael Bump, and Cantoria, under the direction of R. Paul Crabb, were selected to perform for the Missouri Music Educators Association 2002 Conference/Clinic Jan. 24 at Tan-Tar-A Resort. The competitive audition process was conducted out-of-state, by certified music departments and state universities in New Mexico, Iowa, Nebraska and Oklahoma. Groups were selected from the unaltered taped performances of Missouri school music programs during the 2001 school year.

Study Abroad Scholarship Available

A study abroad scholarship opportunity is currently available for Truman students.

The Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship offers students the opportunity for postgraduate study in a foreign country. To be eligible for this scholarship program, students must be 18-30 years of age, be proficient in the language of the host country and be a citizen of the country in which there is a Rotary Club.

The academic year scholarship covers transportation between home and the study city, some educational supplies, academic fees, and on-campus housing and meals.

An informational meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m., Feb. 19, in Violette Hall 1408. Additional information is also available at the Rotary International Web site at http://www.rotary.org.

For more information about the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship, or to pick up an application, contact Marilyn Romine at 785.4303 or Sandra Fleak at 785.4359. Applications are due to Romine and Fleak by 5 p.m., March 18, for planned international study between July 1, 2003 and June 30, 2004.
On Campus

19 TUESDAY
11 a.m.-4 p.m.-American Red Cross Spring Blood Drive, SUB Activities Room; see Page 3
7 p.m.-"Musical Adventures in the Bayou: An Ethnomusicology Field trip Through the Swamps of Louisiana," VH 1000; see Notes
8-10 p.m.-Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honor Society Fraternity quiet study hall, VH 1110; see Notes

20 WEDNESDAY
11 a.m.-4 p.m.-American Red Cross Spring Blood Drive, SUB Activities Room; see Page 3
12:30-1:20 p.m.-Faculty Development Weekly Luncheon, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes
3:30 p.m.-Math and Computer Science Colloquium, VH 1200; see Notes
7 p.m.-Dobson Hall Film Series "Shadows of Forgotten Ancestors," OP 2210; see Notes

21 THURSDAY
11 a.m.-4 p.m.-American Red Cross Spring Blood Drive, SUB Activities Room; see Page 3

22 FRIDAY
7 p.m.-Tom Thumb Gallery, The Aquadome, 121 N. Main St.; see Notes
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23 SATURDAY
8 a.m.-4 p.m.-Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), VH 1010; see Notes
1:30 p.m.-Women's basketball vs. Missouri Southern, Pershing Arena
3:30 p.m.-Men's basketball vs. Missouri Southern, Pershing Arena
7:30 p.m.-Phi Mu Alpha Jazz Fest, Baldwin Auditorium; see Page 2

24 SUNDAY
3 p.m.-Faculty Chamber Music Recital, Faith Lutheran Church; see Notes
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