Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship Recipients Announced

Truman State University President Jack Magruder showed up unannounced in classrooms March 5 to present three outstanding Truman faculty members with a $10,000 award for their outstanding contributions to the University. The Walker and Doris Allen Fellowships for Faculty Excellence are the result of the generosity of Walker and Doris Allen.

Walker graduated from the University in 1939 and Doris attended the University from 1938-39. The Allens established the Fellowships with one of the largest outright gifts ever made to the Truman State University Foundation. As former teachers, who remembered the significant impact their own instructors had on them, the Allens wanted to create a way for Truman to recognize outstanding faculty members who have contributed to the success of the University and its students. The first recipients of their generosity are: Patricia Burton, professor of philosophy; Linda Seidel, professor of English; and Mary Shapiro, assistant professor of linguistics.

Up to three fellowships will be awarded annually to Truman faculty to recognize outstanding performance in the areas of teaching, scholarship and institutional service.

Distinguished Scholar to Visit Campus

Manning Marable will begin his visit to Truman State University as the final guest of the 2001-2002 Distinguished Visiting Scholar Program with a public lecture “Leadership and the Challenge of a Multicultural Democracy” from 7:30-8:30 p.m., March 27, Violette Hall 1000. A reception will follow the public lecture in the Violette Hall Commons.

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).

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.

Marable received his bachelor’s degree from Earlham College in 1971. In 1972, he received his master’s degree from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He received his doctorate from the University of Maryland at College Park in 1976.

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.

Marable’s visit will continue with a book signing at 11 a.m., March 28, at the Truman Bookstore. He will speak about “Diversity in the University” at the Faculty Development Luncheon from noon-1 p.m., March 28 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room. Marable will conclude his visit with a public colloquium about “Malcolm X” from 3-4:20 p.m., March 28, in Violette Hall 1000.
Students to Deliver Presentations at 7th Annual Psi Chi Research Conference

Psi Chi and the Social Science Division will present the 7th annual Research Conference from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., March 23, in Violette Hall. Research presented will relate specifically to the field of psychology.

There will be presentation sessions in the morning and afternoon by University students and students from surrounding schools. All student presentations will be in Violette Hall 1412. Poster presentations will be in the Violette Hall upper commons.

Kathleen McCann will be the keynote speaker of the conference at 10:35 a.m. in Violette Hall 1148. McCann is a Truman alumnae who received her bachelor’s degree in psychology in 1994. She received her master’s degree and doctorate in child clinical psychology from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. McCann is currently completing her post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Missouri-Columbia in the field of health psychology. She will address the issue of psychology in public policy.

Jeffrey Vittengl, Psi Chi faculty adviser, will also present original research at 12:45 p.m. in Violette Hall 1148. His research will explain the physical control of psychiatric patients.

For more information about the conference, contact Kelley Rudolph at 627.0964 or at a1489@truman.edu.

University to Celebrate Diversity Day on Campus

The Student Organization Center (SOC) will celebrate diversity on the Truman campus through Diversity Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 26, in the SUB.

The Truman Talent and Fashion Show will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the SUB Activities Room. There will be bands on the Mall from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m and an Activities Fair from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Quiet Lounge. Diversity Day will also feature speakers in the Alumni Room from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The SOC was originally created to promote diversity on the University campus. It includes the following organizations: African Students Association, Bacchus and Gamma, Conflict Resolution and Mediation, Lifestyle Advocacy Program, Phi Sigma Pi, Prism, and the Residential Hall Association.

For more information, contact the Student Organization Center at 785.4571.

CSEQ Part of Assessment Program at Truman

Truman began utilizing the College Student Experience Questionnaire (CSEQ) as a formative and outcomes assessment instrument in the 2000-2001 academic year.

The CSEQ measures student progress and the quality of students’ experiences inside and outside of the classroom. The instrument is administered as a homework assignment to first-year students in the Extended Freshman Week course and to juniors in the Junior Interdisciplinary Seminar (JINS). For juniors, the CSEQ replaced the locally developed Institutional Student Survey (ISS).

The CSEQ Student Advising Report includes five summary sections: learning activities, practices that promote better learning, opinions of the campus environment and making progress.

Sixty-six percent of the Truman freshman students who completed the CSEQ in fall 2001 and provided their student identification number received the CSEQ Student Advisory Report (SAR) in February from the Dean of the Residential College Program (RCP). A copy of the report has also been shared with each student’s RCP or business adviser.

Junior students who completed the CSEQ through a JINS course during the spring and fall 2001 semesters and provided their student identification number will receive a CSEQ SAR this month.

Beginning with the 2002-2003 academic year, students will be able to compare their scores on the CSEQ SAR during their junior year with scores from their first year at Truman if they provided their ID number and took the instrument both times.
Notables

Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence and professor of comparative literature, had his poem titled “In Aix-En-Provence” accepted for the special Elvis issue of River City, a magazine for the arts based in Memphis, Tenn.

Twenty one Truman students attended the Spring Conference of the Missouri Broadcast Education Association (MBEA) at Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., March 1. Luke Willman, senior communication major from Naperville, Ill., took first place in state competitions for dramatic audio production for his production “The Adventures of Edgeman No. 2” and for sports play-by-play announcing.

Andrew Ashbaugh, senior communication and computer science double major from Waunona, III., received honorable mention for the KTRM Web site. Elizabeth Clark, TruNews adviser and MBEA vice president, and Mary E. Hurley, KTRM adviser, accompanied the students.

The Speech and Hearing Clinic, under the special project direction of Janet Gooch, associate professor of communication disorders, and Melissa Passe, clinical supervisor for the clinic, has received the Outstanding Partner Award from the Missouri Head Start Association.

Truman’s Student Senate was mentioned in the winter 2002 edition of Student Leader for the development of a “hybrid” computer system which is available over Truman’s internal computer network. The system developed by two computer science majors allows students access to an electronic ballot which includes bios on the candidates, photos and descriptions of issues.

Nicholas K. Pianalto, senior exercise science major from Edina, Mo., was recently named the George C. Marshall Award winner from Truman. Given annually, this award is presented to the most outstanding cadet in the Army ROTC program at Truman. The award is named in honor of Army General George C. Marshall, who served as the Chief of Staff of the Army and Secretary of both State and Defense. Pianalto was selected for his professional excellence, leadership, personal integrity and selfless service to the nation. Pianalto will be commissioned May 18 and will be assigned to Fort Rucker.

Scholarship Opportunities Available

The following scholarships are being offered through the Financial Aid Office.

The Missouri Travel Council Scholarship is open to students pursuing a hospitality related major, residents of Missouri, and those with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Applications must write an essay on “The Value of Missouri’s Tourism Industry.” Deadline for applications is March 28. For more information, contact the Financial Aid Office at 785.4130.

The American Institute for Certified Public Accountants is offering the John L. Carey Scholarship. This $5,000 award is open to students pursuing a graduate accounting degree. Applications are due April 1. Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office or by visiting http://www.aicpa.org/members/div/career/educc/lcs.htm.

The Zipf Fellowship has been established to encourage students who are planning careers in information management. Applicants should be studying information science, information technology, engineering and/or business. Award amount is $8,000 and the application deadline is April

1. Applications and instructions may be obtained at http://www.clir.org/fellowships/zipf/zipf.html.

USA Funds, one of the nation’s leading student-loan guarantee agencies, is offering a variety of scholarships. Application deadline is April 15. For details and an application, visit http://www.usafunds.org.

The Volunteer Service Organization, Inc. of Columbia Regional Hospital is offering a Healthcare Scholarship that is open to students who have been accepted into an accredited clinical healthcare program. Applications can be obtained in the Financial Aid Office and the deadline is April 22.

Beta Zeta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International is offering a recruitment grant in the amount of $120 to a female student who graduated from a high school in Atchison, Holt, or Nodaway county in Missouri. The qualified applicant must be an education major with a 2.5 GPA or higher. The student must also apply in the spring of her sophomore or junior year. For an application, contact the Financial Aid Office in McClain Hall 103.

Global Feminisms: Past and Present

Women’s Studies Conference at Truman State University

March 21
9:10-20 a.m.-Women Feminism and Contemporary Issues, VH 1000
10:30-11:50 a.m.-Sexuality and Theories: New Perspectives, VH 1000
1:30-2:50 p.m.-Women, Feminism and Literary Approaches, VH 1000
4:30 p.m.-Performance of Amy Beach’s “Piano Concerto in C# Minor” by Christine Banaskavich and Jan Saffir, Baldwin Auditorium
7:30 p.m.-Documentary presentation and discussion, “Beyond the Veil,” VH 1000

March 22
8:30 a.m.-Women and Religion in China, VH 1000
9:30 a.m.-Gender and Religion in Japan, VH 1000
10:30 a.m.-Women in Columbia, VH 1000
1:30 p.m.-Women and Contemporary American Society, VH 1000
2:30 p.m.-Women, American Society and Social Issues, VH 1000
3:30 p.m.-Women in Community, VH 1000
7 p.m.-“Reading Virginia Woolf,” performance by Christy LeMaster, VH 1000

March 23
9-10 a.m.-Coalition of African American Women, VH 1000
10 a.m.-noon-Women in Africa: Contemporary and Historical Perspectives, VH 1000
1 p.m.-South Asian Women: From India to the United States, VH 1000

For those who were already registered to vote, but have moved since the last election, you need to call the County Clerk’s Office at 665.3350.
On Campus

The French play “La Grammaire” by Labiche will be at 8 p.m., March 19-20, in the SUB Down Under. For more information, contact Patrick Lobert at 785.4062.

The Faculty Development Weekly Lunch Series will present “Designing and Teaching JINS Courses” from 12:30-1:25 p.m., March 20, in the SUB Spanish Room. Guest speakers will be Matt Beaky, Taner Edis and Laura Fielden. For more information, contact Faculty Development at 785.4391.

The Dobson Hall Film Series and the Fine Arts Division will show the film “A Geisha” at 7 p.m., March 20, in OP 2210. For more information, contact Dennis Leavens at 785.5145.

Organizations that have adopted a street or highway have been asked to clean up their adopted areas in a city effort from 4-6 p.m., March 21. They will be honored for their efforts at 6 p.m., March 21, on the Mall. For more information, contact the Center for Student Involvement at 785.4222.

The annual High School District Music Festival will be held March 21-23, in Baldwin Auditorium and the SUB.

Truman faculty and staff are invited to stop by for complimentary food and drink from 4:30-6 p.m., March 22, at the University Club.

A Campus Coffeehouse, sponsored by Beta Beta biology honor society, will be from 7-10:30 p.m., March 22, in the SUB Down Under. Contact Robbi Kupfer at c1558@truman.edu for more information.

Beta Alpha Psi and Accounting Club will offer Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 23, in VH 1010. This service is free of charge. For more information, contact Chad Epps at 785.5760.

Faculty Development invites a team of faculty to attend the Wakonse Conference on Teaching May 23-28 in Shelby, Mich. Interested faculty must submit a letter of application by March 25 to Faculty Development, Kirk Memorial 203D, or by e-mail to facdev@truman.edu. For more information, visit http://www.wakonse.org/.

Faculty Development will fund a small team of faculty to the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity May 29-June 2 in New Orleans. Interested faculty must submit a letter to apply for funding by March 25 to Faculty Development, Kirk Memorial 203D or by e-mail to facdev@truman.edu. For more information, visit http://www.occe.ou.edu/NCORE/.

The Division of Fine Arts will host a Juried Student Art Exhibition at 7 p.m., March 25, in Ophelia Parrish Atrium.

The Student Activities Board presents Mike Enrico live in concert at 7 p.m., March 26, in SUB Down Under. Admission is free and tickets are not required. For more information, contact the SAB office at 785.4722.

Nominations for the Leadership Recognition Program are due by 5 p.m., March 27, in the Center for Student Involvement. Nomination packets are available in the Center for Student Involvement. For more information, call 785.4222.

Sigma Delta Pi, the Spanish honorary society, will sponsor a Latin Dance Party from 8-11 p.m., March 28, in the SUB Down Under. Lessons in Latin dances such as the Salsa and Merengue will be provided by the Latina social sorority. Admission is $2 for advance tickets and $3 at the door. For more information, contact Coralie Gill at 785.7303.

Truman will host the Truman Open Track and Field Meet on March 30. Any faculty, staff or students interested in helping with the meet can contact John Cochrane at cochrane@truman.edu or Michelle Baier at mbaier@truman.edu or call 785.4341.

Omicon Delta Kappa Student Hall of Fame nomination forms may be picked up in any division office or the Center for Student Involvement. Nomination forms are due by 5 p.m., April 2, in the Center for Student Involvement. The Student Hall of Fame is a chance to recognize students for an outstanding contribution to Truman. For more information, contact Andy Lewis at 785.4982.

The Truman Forensics Showcase will be from 7:30-9 p.m., April 3, in the SUB Georgian Room. This event is an annual presentation of work by members of the Truman Forensics Program. For more information, contact Kevin Minch at 785.5677.

PRISM is sponsoring SHOULDstock (Students Helping Others Understand Love of Diversity) at noon, April 6, on the Quadrangle. Organizations will have information tables and booths with food and items for purchase. For more information, contact Alexandra Lockett at 785.5178.

The 2nd Annual Big Event, an opportunity for organizations clean up adopted streets or highways; see Notes

Detailed Master Calendar
20 WEDNESDAY
4 p.m.-Truman Men’s and Women’s Tennis vs. Graceland (Iowa), Truman Tennis Courts
4 p.m.-“Tragedy and Transcendence: Reflections on Sept. 11, 2001,” Henry Smits lecture by John K. Simmons; see Page 1
7 p.m.-Dobson Hall Film Series, “A Geisha,” OP 2210; see Notes
8 p.m.-French play “La Grammaire,” SUB Down Under; see Notes

21 THURSDAY
4 p.m.-Truman Men’s Tennis vs. Westminster, Truman Tennis Courts
4-6 p.m.-Organizations clean up adopted streets or highways; see Notes

22 FRIDAY
8 a.m.-4 p.m.-Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, VH 1010; see Notes
7:30 p.m.-Campus Coffeehouse; SUB Down Under; see Notes

23 SATURDAY
10 a.m.-4 p.m.-7th Annual Psi Chi Research Conference, Violette Hall; see Page 2
1 p.m.-Bullets Rugby vs. Kansas City Irish, South Field; see Master Calendar
7:30 p.m.-Jazz Combo 1 Concert, Selby House; see Master Calendar

25 MONDAY
7 p.m.-Juried Student Art Exhibition, OP Atrium; see Notes

Notes

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