Intramural Program Celebrates 75 Years at Truman State University

The intramural program is celebrating its 75th year on the campus of Truman State University. Nationally, the first Intramural Departments began in 1913 at Ohio State University and the University of Michigan. Don Faurot, the University’s football coach, developed the program which began in the spring of 1927.

The first sports available through the program were volleyball and basketball. Faurot was the high scorer and most valuable player in the basketball championship. Women were not a part of the Intramural program until 1977. Until that point women competed in the Women’s Athletic Association and Women’s Recreation Association.

Currently the Truman Intramural Recreational Sports offers more than 20 different activities during the school year. The most popular sports during the past year were basketball with 95 teams, volleyball with 79 teams and soccer with 81 teams. Tennis with 182 participants and the 3K run with 147 participants were the most popular individual sports.

The Intramural Recreational Sports Program employs approximately 25 students each year. Students, faculty and staff are eligible to participate in Intramural Recreational Sports, however there are certain limitations regarding current and past varsity athletes.

For more information about intramurals, call the Student Recreation Center at 785.4847.

Alpha Sigma Gamma Sponsors Breast Cancer Awareness Week Activities

The Women of Alpha Sigma Gamma will hold their second annual fund-raiser in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Week from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Oct. 22-24, on the Quadrangle.

A “Show your Support” display will be featured all week with decorated bras made by faculty, staff, students and the members of the Kirksville community. Individuals may sponsor and decorate a bra in exchange for a $3 donation. The donation goal for organizations is $20. T-shirts also will be available for $7.

There will also be a candlelight vigil from 7-9 p.m., Oct. 24, by the Flame to the Second Century for a ceremony that will feature speakers and poems from individuals who have felt the effects of breast cancer in their own lives. Votive candles can be dedicated for $1.

The goal of the week is to join together the University campus and the Kirksville community in raising money to help fight breast cancer. All donations are welcome. All proceeds received during the week will go to the National Alliance for Breast Cancer Organizations to be used for breast cancer research.

Alpha Sigma Gamma is a local service sorority. The purpose is to assemble university women in the fellowship of developing leadership, promoting friendship, providing service to humanity and furthering the freedom that is their national, educational and intellectual heritage.
Reception for Rhonda Vincent
7 p.m.  
Oct. 24  
Centennial Hall  
Main Lounge  

Vincent is the 2001 and 2002 Bluegrass Music Association Entertainer of the Year. She will speak about her involvement with Bluegrass music, as well as its origins and influence.

Truman State University Baseball Scholarship Fund Benefit performance by Rhonda Vincent and the Rage
2 p.m. and 7 p.m.  
Oct. 27  
Baldwin Auditorium  

Advance tickets may be purchased for $8 per person at Bogie's Restaurant. Tickets cost $10 per person at the door. Kids three and under are free.

For more information, call 665.3333 or visit http://rhondavincnet.com.

Technology-Mediated Learning seminar for faculty and staff featuring Gordon E. McCray associate professor of information systems at Wake Forest University 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.  
Oct. 26  
Violette Hall 1010  

For more information, contact Faculty Development at 785.4391

Truman Forensics Students Sweep Nebraska Double-Up Tournament, Take Home 70 Awards

While many of the University community members were celebrating Homecoming, members of the Truman Forensic Union were busy in Omaha, Neb., representing the University in the Nebraska Double-Up tournament.

Twenty-four members of the speech and debate team traveled to the tournament Oct. 11-13. The tournament was hosted by Creighton University in Omaha, Neb. and Concordia University in Seward, Neb.

The event featured two separate tournaments in individual events, a debate tournament and combined honors for the weekend. There were 24 other colleges and universities in attendance, which included schools such as Rice University, the University of Nebraska, Purdue and Colorado State.

Truman topped the competition bringing home first place overall sweepstakes for the weekend, as well as first place in individual events at the Concordia portion of the tournament, second in individual events at the Creighton portion of the tournament, and first place in overall debate sweepstakes.

A total of 70 awards were won by Truman students, including 11 individual tournament championships in speech and debate events, making this the largest total cache of awards ever won by Truman students in a single weekend.

The individual events, the Concordia portion of the tournament, included first place finishes by Amy Carmack, senior communication major from St. Joseph, Mo., in after dinner speaking; Heather Carmack, senior communication major from St. Joseph, Mo., in informative speaking; Nate Dendy, freshman theatre major from Liberty, Mo., in prose interpretation; Jaci Devine, junior communication major from Inverness, Ill., in persuasive speaking; and Ian Samuel, sophomore computer science major from Pueblo, Colo., in extemporaneous speaking. At Creighton, more tournament championships were captured by Heather Carmack in rhetorical criticism and Dendy in after dinner speaking.

Dendy and Carmack ranked in the top five among individual speakers at a each portion of the tournament, with Dendy taking second place honors in quadrathlon at the Concordia tournament.

Ben Holley, freshman political science major from Neosho, Mo., and Justin Perkins, freshman economics major from Holts Summit, Mo., captured the tournament championship in junior varsity parliamentary debate, while senior colleagues Cory Owens, freshman from Blue Springs, Mo.; Samuel; Marie Tenny, sophomore psychology major from Villa Ridge, Mo.; and Tyler Unsell, senior communication major from Parkville, Mo.; received semifinals of the varsity division in the debate portion of the tournament. Ryan Walsh, sophomore philosophy/religion major from Cassville, Mo., and Unsell shared the tournament championship in junior varsity parliamentary debate division, Samuel was ranked best in the varsity division, and Walsh was ranked second among speakers in the Lincoln-Douglas division.

The campus United Way committee is looking for faculty and staff pledge cards if they have not been returned to the group leader. Truman State University is still short $15,000 in making the 2003 goal of $48,000. It’s been a busy month and the group leaders will be following up on the unreturned pledge cards in the next week.

The United Way is trying to meet the needs of residents of the total community. It is possible to designate a donation for one agency or all agencies on the United Way pledge card.

“The students understand the importance of being here, and I think the community understands how important Truman is to the Kirksville community,” said Doug Daubert, Truman State University’s United Way 2003 co-chair.

“That’s a driving force in keeping people motivated for things like the United Way.”
Notables

Casie Curfman, senior health science major from Kahoka, Mo., presented her research “Bone density difference between selected female athletes and non-athletes” at the American College of Sports Medicine and MO/KS Association for Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation regional conference Oct. 11-12 in Kansas City, Mo.

Nichole Grasch, senior health science major from Springfield, Ill., was selected as the American Association for Health Education Major of the Year. She will receive the award at the Association’s national convention this spring in Philadelphia, Pa.


The Financial Aid Office has announced several scholarship opportunities.

The Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri is offering scholarships up to $1,000 to qualifying junior, senior or graduate students enrolled in a Missouri college or university who are majoring in horticulture, floriculture, landscape design, botany, plant pathology, forestry, agronomy, environmental concerns, city planning, land management or allied subject.

The Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri is also offering scholarships up to $3,000 through the Ernest and Lillian Swanson, the Tek Neuner and the Ida Morrow Scholarship Trust Funds to qualifying freshman, sophomore, junior, senior or graduate students who are residents of Missouri and are enrolled in any accredited college or university. The students must be studying botany, plant genetics or related subject.

The Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri is also offering a Virginia Thomas Scholarship to a foreign student studying horticulture or related field at a Missouri college or university who is planning to return to his own country after graduation. This student must be a junior, senior or graduate student who is recommended by the college or university.

For more information or to pick up entry forms and guidelines on any of these scholarships, contact the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103.

2002 New Music Festival to be Held in November

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Truman State University faculty and student musicians will perform music by Lewis, Thomas Ritchie, Robert Martin, Ralph Kendrick, Santa Ana, Brad Fowler, Gooch and Menachem Wiesenberg from 1:30-3 p.m., Nov. 8, in the Ophelia Parrish Music Performance Hall.

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Career Expo
Get a head start on your future

1-5 p.m.
Oct. 29
SUB

Pre-register to attend at http://career.truman.edu/CareerExpo/home.asp.

Check out Expo employers and posted job/internship listings online at http://career.truman.edu.

Stop by the University Career Center in the McKinney Center for assistance in preparing for the Expo.
The Faculty Development Weekly Lunch Series will meet from 12:30-1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 23, in the SUB Spanish Room. Patricia Burton, Linda Seidel and Mary Shapiro will discuss “Fellowship for Faculty Excellence.” Contact Faculty Development at 785.4391 for more information.

Tau Lambda Sigma and Tau Kappa Epsilon will host a date/service auction at 7 p.m., Oct. 23, in the SUB Down Under. Money raised from the sale of TKE men will be donated to the American Cancer Society. For more information, call Julie Schaper at 785.5532.

The Student Activities Board will present “An Evening with Death,” at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 23, in the SUB Georgian Room. Hear stories about the history and horror of Halloween from Doug Bradley, Pinhead from the “Hellraiser” movies.

Registration for the College Bowl Tournament on Nov. 5 and 6 will be at the Center for Student Involvement in the lower level of the SUB. The deadline to register is Oct. 24. Both individuals and teams are encouraged to sign-up and there will be a limit of 16 teams. For more information, call 785.4222.

The next Speaker’s Forum will be at 9 p.m., Oct. 24, in the SUB Activities Room. The topic will be “Resolved that the Student Activities Fee Should be Designated for Academic Purposes.” All COMM 170 students as well as the general public are welcome to attend.

Faculty and staff who want to order denim or white dress shirts or polo shirts embroidered with the Truman logo can do so at http://hr.truman.edu/sources/shirts before Oct. 25. Shirts will be ordered Oct. 28 and should arrive on or after Nov. 11.

Truman State University’s fraternities and sororities will team up with local heroes from the police, EMS and fire department to raise money for the Adair County Ambulance District Education Fund in “Helping Give the Breath of Life,” a softball benefit. Festivities will begin at 10 a.m., Oct. 26, at the North Park Softball Complex north of Wal-Mart. Children can participate in activities and tour a police car, ambulance and fire truck. The first pitch is at 11 a.m. Food and drinks will be available.

Faculty and staff are invited to attend the 2002 Athletic Hall of Fame activities Oct. 26. There will be a reception at 6 p.m. in the SUB Quiet Lounge. The banquet and induction ceremony will begin at 7 p.m. in the SUB Georgian Room. Tickets are $15 for the banquet and reception, and are available in the Athletic Office, PB 213.

The Multicultural Affairs Center will have a display up for the Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) Celebration. The display will be up from Oct. 28-Nov. 3. Come in anytime and enjoy and learn about the ancient Mexican tradition and rituals of the Day of the Dead Celebration.

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi will hold an informational meeting from 5:30-6:30 p.m., Oct. 29, in the Ryle Hall Main Lounge. Phi Kappa Phi honor society is the oldest, largest and most selective all-discipline honor society. Students can come to this meeting to learn about the eligibility requirements and the benefits of becoming a member.

The Missouri Departments of Transportation and Conservation are sponsoring a video contest for the statewide anti-litter campaign “No More Trash.” Anyone age 22 or under is welcome to participate in the project as an individual or on a team. The producers of the best 30-second videos that convince 16-22 year-olds to stop littering will receive $200. Deadline is Oct. 31. Visit http://www.nomoretrash.org for more information.

Steven Chavez, Mexican marimba artist and scholar-historian, will be on campus Nov. 4-9 as the artist-in-residence. During the week he will take part in guest class lectures, master classes and and a culminating performance with the Truman Percussion Ensemble at 8 p.m., Nov. 9, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is offering grant opportunities for students planning to study abroad or do internships during 2003. These grants, valued at $1,000 each, are awarded by the national headquarters of Phi Kappa Phi annually and are open to qualified members and non-members in all fields of study. For more information, contact Janice Grow at 785.4390 or e-mail igrow@truman.edu.

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is offering members two unique opportunities. The first opportunity is a graduate fellowship for the support of first-year graduate or professional study, valued at up to $8,000. One applicant per chapter will qualify as a finalist for national competition. The other opportunity is Promotion of Excellence Grants for the support of members and chapters wishing to develop programs/activities that advance the goal of excellence in higher education. Up to $100,000 is awarded every three years. For more information, contact Janice Grow at 785.4390.

USA Today is searching for the best undergraduate students in the nation to be honored on the All-USA College Academic Team. Nominations must be post-marked by Nov. 30. For more information, contact the Public Relations Office at 785.4016 or go to http://allstars.usatoday.com or e-mail allstars@usatoday.com.

The Adair County Public Library is looking for student organizations to volunteer for the “After School Connections” program. The program is held every Tuesday from November through April with the exception of December from 3:30-4:30 p.m. The organizations will participate in the program for one month. The program targets grades third through fifth. For more information about this service project opportunity, please call Diane Burger, children’s librarian, at 665.6038.

On Campus

22 TUESDAY
8 p.m.-Peace and Democracy Film Series “The Hidden Wars of Desert Storm,” SUB Room 309; see Master Calendar

23 WEDNESDAY
4:30 p.m.-American Film Classics Series, “In a Lonely Place,” OP 2210; see Master Calendar

7:30 p.m.-“An Evening with Death,” SUB Georgian Room; see Notes

24 THURSDAY
Registration due for College Bowl, Center for Student Involvement
7 p.m.-Reception for Rhonda Vincent, Centennial Hall Main Lounge; see Page 2
7-9 p.m.-Breast Cancer Awareness Candlelight Vigil, Flame to the Second Century; see Page 1
9 p.m.-Speaker’s Forum, SUB Activities Room; see Notes

26 SATURDAY
noon-Women’s soccer vs. Missouri Southern
1 p.m.-Football vs. Northwest Missouri State, Stokes Stadium
2 p.m.-Men’s soccer vs. Missouri-Rolla
7 p.m.-Athletic Hall of Fame banquet; see Notes
7 p.m.-GLBT Film Series, “Scout’s Honor,” BH 252; see Master Calendar

27 SUNDAY
1 p.m.-Women’s soccer vs. Emporia State (Kan.)

28 MONDAY
7 p.m.-GLBT Film Series, “Treyf,” Dobson Hall 247; see Master Calendar
8 p.m.-GLBT Film Series, “Tongues Untied,” Dobson Hall 247; see Master Calendar

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