SBC Foundation Presents Contribution

SBC Southwestern Bell Missouri President and Truman State University graduate Cynthia Brinkley was on campus to present the second $50,000 of a $200,000, four-year donation from the SBC Foundation to establish the SBC Rural Link Program.

Using the grant from the SBC Foundation and support from the rural districts, Truman will offer scholarships and technology to a selected group of first-year MAE graduate students. In return, these students will complete one-year internships in rural districts and will commit to accepting employment in those same rural schools for at least the first two years of their professional teaching careers.

Dr. Sam Minner, head of the division of education at Truman, noted that “Large numbers of rural schools experience great difficulties recruiting and retaining quality teachers. It is our hope that the SBC students working in rural districts will gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of life and work in rural areas and will remain in those schools for many years.”

Five Truman students were placed in rural schools including schools in Kirksville, Ralls County and LaPlata during the first year of the Rural Link Program. Each student was provided with a technology package consisting of a laptop computer, a printer, a scanner, and other peripherals and software.

The Project Director of the Rural Link Program is David Bethel, associate professor of education.

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The International Club, International Student Office and the Funds Allotment Council will host the 52nd Annual International Dinner, “Spice Up Your Night” at 6 p.m., Nov. 3, in the SUB Georgian Room.

The 52nd annual dinner, which is prepared by international students and American friends, will feature more than 20 different main entrees.

The multicultural experience will include entertainment from Europe and Asia.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. General admission and student tickets are $10. Tickets for children 12 and under are $5. All tickets may be purchased at the International Student Office, Kirk Building 120.

For more information about the dinner, contact Melanee Crist at 785.4215.

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Jose Herrera, associate professor of biology, is the featured Technology Champion for the week.

The Technology Champions are a group of faculty and staff who collectively have expertise in 65 areas of technology, particularly software applications and their use. The Technology Champions have agreed to be available to answer your specific questions about their respective areas of expertise.

“Technology makes our lives easier and compensates for our deficiencies,” Herrera said. “For example, my penmanship is poor and I cannot draw for the life of me, so technology makes me a better teacher.”

Herrera uses Adobe Photoshop and digital imaging to present scientific information particularly about microbiology and mycology, the study of fungi. Call 785.4616 or e-mail jherrera@truman.edu to contact Herrera.

Truman to Host the Missouri Music Teachers Association State Conference

The annual state conference of the Missouri Music Teachers Association will be held on campus Oct. 30 through Nov. 3.

MMTA, founded in 1895, is a professional non-profit organization of more than 500 independent and collegiate music teachers, college students and performing artists.

The conference consists of workshop sessions ranging from a master class by guest artist William Wellborn, a session titled “Motivation and Competition Preparation” by Jack Winerock, and a session titled “The Piano, The Pianist, The Purchase” by Greg Hulme.

In addition to the conference, there will be several musical performances put on by the Fine Arts department for the public to enjoy.

The Truman State University Faculty Showcase will be at 5:30 p.m., Nov. 1, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Marc Rice, assistant professor of music, will give a brief introduction to the pieces. Truman faculty members will perform in the recital. Later that evening, the Truman President’s Quartet will perform at 8:15 p.m. in the Student Union Building Georgian Room.

Guest artist William Wellborn will perform a piano recital at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 2, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Wellborn has given concerts in 15 states and six countries. He is a faculty member at San Francisco Conservatory and teaches students from around the world each summer at the Masterclasses of Saint Malo, in St. Malo France. He will perform works by Mozart, Chopin, Ravel, Grandos and Liszt.

Several music stores also will participate in the conference. These stores will be situated in the lobby outside the Fine Arts Office in Ophelia Parrish.

Theatre Department Produces Fall Lab Show

The Truman State University Division of Fine Arts and Department of Theatre will be presenting Friedrich Duerrenmatt’s “The Visit” this week as the first show in the new Studio Theatre. “The Visit” is this semester’s student direction lab show, directed by Stella Veytsel, senior sociology/anthropology major from Lake Zurich, Ill. The show will start at 8 p.m., Oct. 30 through Nov. 2, in Ophelia Parrish room 2302.

“The Visit” is about revenge, unrequited love, and how the people of a small town change when presented with an offer they cannot refuse. Their inner turmoil is fascinating and forces the audience to look within themselves.

This three-act play lasts approximately two hours. Admission is free. However, there are only 100-115 seats available per night, so it is suggested to arrive 30 to 60 minutes before show time.

Schwent to Give Insight into Law Careers

Jason Schwent, a 1997 Truman State University biology graduate, will be on campus Nov. 6.

Schwent will be giving a presentation at 2:30 p.m. in Magruder Hall 011 about preparing for and attending law school, as well as practicing law from the perspective of someone who pursued an undergraduate degree in science.

He attended the Franklin Pierce Law Center and attained a juris doctorate. Schwent’s areas of specialty as an attorney are litigation, trademark, copy and life science.

The presentation is open to all faculty, staff and students. For more information, contact Diane Janick-Buckner, associate professor of biology, at djb@truman.edu.
Notables


Tanner Edis, assistant professor of physics, will give a talk titled “Intelligent Design: Creationism Evolves Again” at Iowa State University Oct. 29.

Timothy Farley, associate professor of French, and Andrea Davis, instructor in French and German, presented “Truman State University’s French and German Immersion Weekends” at the Foreign Language Association of Missouri annual conference Oct. 18-20 in Lake Ozark, Mo. Farley also presented “Beyond the Yellow Jersey: A Closer Look at the Tour de France” at the conference. In addition, Gregg Siewert, associate professor of French, presented “French Electoral Processes and Politics 2002” and “Britney Spears’ French Rivals” at the conference. In addition, Gregg Siewert, associate professor of French, and Andrea Davis, instructor in French and German, presented “Truman State University’s French and German Immersion Weekends” at the Foreign Language Association of Missouri annual conference Oct. 18-20 in Lake Ozark, Mo. Farley also presented “Beyond the Yellow Jersey: A Closer Look at the Tour de France” at the conference. In addition, Gregg Siewert, associate professor of French, presented “French Electoral Processes and Politics 2002” and “Britney Spears’ French Rivals” at the conference.

Terrence Gabel, assistant professor of business administration, presented two papers, “The Globalization of the Tortilla in Mexico” and “An Introduction to Politician-Targeted Marketing and the Political Customer in the United States,” at the annual Association for Consumer Research Conference Oct. 18-22 in Atlanta, Ga. The conference is the largest, most prestigious conference in the field of consumer research/behavior and brings in researchers from all over the world. Both papers were co-authored by Greg Boller of the University of Memphis, and they will soon be published in Advances in Consumer Research, vol. 30.

Members of the Truman Forensics Union attended two tournaments the weekend of Oct. 18-20 hosted by Ball State University and Indiana University/Purdue University-Indianapolis at the Ball State campus in Muncie, Ind. More than 20 colleges and universities were represented at the two tournaments, including long-time national champions, Bradley University and such powerhouses as Illinois State University and Western Kentucky University. Despite the stiff competition, Truman students were a force to be reckoned with throughout the three-day event. Truman took second in the tournament sweepstakes at Ball State and captured an equally impressive array of awards at the Indiana University/Purdue University-Indianapolis tournament. Truman competitors have ranked no lower than second place as a team all season, taking first at three tournaments and second at three others. The team collectively won a total of 41 awards.

Phi Kappa Phi to Honor Sophomores

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi will recognize students for their academic achievements during a Fall Gathering at 2 p.m., Nov. 3, in the SUB Alumni Room. Activities will include a sophomore recognition ceremony and a guest speaker, Michael Adams, who will present “Mathematics in the Liberal Arts.”

Sophomores to be honored include:

Melissa Allen
Collin Ashmore
Jared Atwood
Barbara Bacon
Pascalel Barclay
Jonathan Beary
Claire Berman
Diana Betsworth
Shanna Bivens
Ryan Blase
Leigh Bolton
Ashley Born
Sarah Brown
Emily Church
John Crossett
Elizabeth Eckardt
Whitney Fancher
Wyatt Feeler
Gina Fettig
Jennifer Finley
Elizabeth Gentry
Austin George
Amber Gordillo
Brandon Gutshall
Megan Haffey
Micah Hainline
Myra Hansen
Jeremy Henson
Rodney Hoover
Staci Imes
Jeanette Jackson
Michelle Jones
Steven Jones
Audrey Keith
Jason Kempf
Nicholas Kremer
Talia Linneman
William Manners
Brian Meyers
Evan Montgomery
Kelly Muncy
Erlin Northup
Jaclyn Payton
Katie Pederson
Cassandra Phillips
Lindsey Quinn
Sasha Rassi
Ross Reearck
Lauren Rich
John Rodemann
Sarah Schack
Rachel Schoepel
Lisa Schmalz
Danielle Schwartz
Abigail Schwepker
Nicholas Scott
Jamie Sharp
Leslie Sikes
Kristina Sis
Abigail Souders
Sarah Starnes
Mark Swanson
Mackenzie Taylor
Elizabeth Vanderhoof
Mark Vogel
Jonathan Waits
Nathan Wales
Ryan Walsh
Jason Weber
Janice Weddle
Brett Werenski
Kimberly Winton

Scholarship Opportunity Available

UNCF and Sprint are announcing the continuation of the scholarship/internship program for students who are pursuing degrees in accounting, computer science, computer engineering, economics, electrical engineering, industrial engineering, communications, finance, information systems, journalism, logistics, management information systems, marketing, public relations, statistics or other relevant technology or business majors. Applicant must be a junior with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 who is able to commit to an internship during the summer. Student must also demonstrate a financial need verified by the Financial Aid Office.

Please contact the Financial Aid Office in McClain Hall 103 for more information for an application. The deadline is Nov. 15.

May 2003 and August 2003 Graduates:

If you have already applied for graduation, and if you registered for Spring 2003 courses other than those that you originally listed on your graduation application, it is imperative that you update your graduation application by contacting the Registrar’s Office. Your application will then be revaluated to ensure that you are still on track to complete all of your degree requirements.
Phi Kappa Phi Informational Reception will be at 5:30 p.m., Oct. 29, in the Ryle Hall Main Lounge. Students are encouraged to visit with student representatives of Phi Kappa Phi to find out what the honor society is about, how to get involved and why joining can be beneficial to students.

The Multicultural Affairs Center will have a display for the Dia de los Muertos. The display will be up Oct. 28 and will last until Nov. 3. Come by to enjoy and learn about the ancient Mexican tradition and rituals of the Day of the Dead celebration.

College Democrats will sponsor Robin Carnahan on campus at 11:30 a.m., Oct. 30, in BH 100. She will talk about Missouri Sen. Jean Carnahan and be available to answer any questions people may have. For more information, contact Ross Macholan at 627.5765.

The Free Thinkers Society will host a short lecture followed by open discussion about pagan origins of Christian holidays at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 31, in Ryle Hall Main Lounge.

The Faculty Development Weekly Lunch Series will meet from 12:30-1:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 31, in the SUB Spanish Room. University Counseling Service staff will discuss the issues of “Support vs. Hand Holding: The Challenge of Meeting Students’ Emotional Needs.” Contact Faculty Development at 785.4391 for more information.

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 about this service project.

The next Speaker’s Forum will be at 9 p.m., Nov. 7, in the SUB Activities Room. The topic will be “Resolved that the U.S. Federal Government Should Establish A Uniform School Voucher System.” All COMM 170 students as well as the general public are welcome to attend.

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 a culminating performance with the Truman Percussion Ensemble at 8 p.m., Nov. 9, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Habitat for Humanity will host “Who’s Line is it Anyway?” at 7 p.m., Nov. 15, in the SUB Georgian Room. The cost is $1 for a raffle ticket. Come see Truman organizations compete to see who’s funniest and raise money for Habitat for Humanity. Contact Kevin Brown at 785.5841 for more information.

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. Contact Janice Grow at 785.4390 for more information.

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. Contact Janice Grow at 785.4390 for more information.

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

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

Bicyclists are asked to not park and lock bikes to railings for ramps, light poles or stairs. Doing so causes problems that an individual spent time repainting this summer.

The division of language and literature is offering two new foreign language courses for the spring semester. “Career Exploration for Classical and Modern Language Students” which is a one credit hour course that will enable students to plan internships, entry-level jobs and graduate programs for which language skills are valued. Contact Timothy Farley at tfarley@truman.edu. The other course, “PRE-MAE Seminar in FL Education,” explains both the MAE program and State of Missouri teaching/certification requirements. Contact Eric Jewell at ejowell@truman.edu for more information.