Several activities are planned to honor the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. The Ecumenical Service of Love and Peace kicks off the activities at 3 p.m., Jan. 19, at the First United Methodist Church. The service will include reflective messages and performances on the teachings of Martin Luther King Jr.

Unity VIII, a celebration through dance, song and words, will take place at 3 p.m., Jan. 20, in Baldwin Auditorium. Unique Ensemble Gospel Choir, the High Street Dancers and Truman students will perform. Everyone is invited to attend the event.

The Unity Luncheon will be at 11:15 a.m., Jan. 21, in the Student Union Building Georgian Room. The centerpiece of the event will be a performance titled “Songs of Freedom: Voices from the Civil Rights Movement,” an innovative celebration of the music that shaped the civil rights. Cost for the luncheon is $6 and those who plan to attend should R.S.V.P. by Jan. 17 to the Multicultural Affairs Center at 785.4142.

The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium will begin at 3 p.m., Jan. 23, in the Student Union Building Activities Room. The moderated symposium will focus on insights and brief reflections from four panelists on King’s speech “Letter from the Birmingham Jail.”

In celebration of the memory and ideals of Martin Luther King Jr., the Multicultural Affairs Center, the SERVE Center, and the Education Division are hosting a Martin Luther King Day of Service.

Volunteers will read to children in the Kirksville schools and discuss the significance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Volunteers will read to children in the Kirksville schools and discuss the significance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Contact Donna Rhinesmith, associate professor of education, by e-mail at ed11@truman.edu or Bertha Thomas, interim assistant dean of multicultural affairs, by e-mail at bthomas@truman.edu. to volunteer.

The Martin Luther King Jr. READ OUT will be at 1 p.m., Jan. 18, at the Adair County Public Library. Volunteers will read children’s stories of different cultures and will share information about the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. This program is geared for ages 4-8 years old.

Another Martin Luther King service event will be reading multicultural stories and helping with young children at the Community Action Head Start Program. Contact Leah Hettinger, program adviser, at 785.4222 or Thomas at bthomas@truman.edu to volunteer for the READ OUT.
Osborn Awarded Three Grants from NSF

Jeffrey Osborn, assistant professor of biology, has been awarded three grants from the National Science Foundation for a total of $250,000 since June 2002.

The second grant was awarded to enhance undergraduate research opportunities at Truman through the acquisition of electron microscopy instrumentation. Funds from this grant will be used to purchase the following instruments: 1) a digital image system for an existing transmission electron microscope (TEM), 2) a digital image system for an existing scanning electron microscope (SEM), 3) an ultramicrotome, 4) a block trimmer, and 5) a critical point dryer.

Another grant titled “Increasing Diversity at the Annual Botanical Society of America Meeting” was awarded to Osborn along with Karen Renzaglia of Southern Illinois University-Carbondale for $59,955.

Europe in Transition to Visit Bergen, Stockholm, Copenhagen, Oslo and Amsterdam

An international study program titled “Europe in Transition” will leave for Bergen, Stockholm, Copenhagen, Oslo and Amsterdam on May 14, the day after finals end, and return May 31, in time for summer school, internships, or summer jobs. Students will earn 6 hours of academic credit. University policy allows students to fulfill 3 hours of the inter-cultural requirement and 3 hours of elective credit.

Students will study the European Union and the effects of the Euro. Bergen, Stockholm, Copenhagen, Oslo and Amsterdam will be explored. We will learn about and interpret cultural events and historical events as time permits. Beginning the first week of February, weekly study classes will be held. Readings are required. As a part of the study meetings, students will have speakers on the European Union, speakers from countries they will visit, and orientation sessions. The more one knows about these matters ahead of time, the more that will be learned from the on-site experience.

Each student is expected to keep a journal starting with the first study-orientation class. While traveling, the student will keep track of places visited, the people talked with and their impressions about the conversations and events. Upon returning to the United States, a paper is required. In the paper the student will combine information from readings and lectures with actual experiences. The paper will be due June 30.

Informational meetings will be held at 6 p.m., Jan. 14, Jan. 15 and Jan. 20, in Violette Hall 1400. Information is available from Giovannini, in Violette Hall 2448, call 785.4365 or e-mail maryg@truman.edu.

Got Passion?

The University Career Center and Residential Colleges Program are offering a series of five workshops titled “Finding Your Career Passion.”

The workshops begin the week of Jan. 27 and are designed for students who are interested in learning more about their interests and how they relate to majors and careers.

Dates, times and sign-up sheets are available in the Career Center.

Interested students should stop by the Career Center to enroll.

Contact the Career Center at 785.4353 or at http://career.truman.edu for more information.

Student W-2 forms for 2002 will be available
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Jan. 27 and 28
outside McClain Hall 105
A photo ID will be required

Faculty/Staff W-2 forms for 2002 will be in divisions/departments on Jan. 27

All W-2 forms not picked up by 5 p.m. on Jan. 28 will be mailed

Reissued W-2 requests will begin Feb. 17 with a 3-day processing time
Notables

Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence and professor of comparative literature, has a short story titled “Deacon Jim Miller’s Last Known Address: Ada Jail, 9 April 1909” featured in the current issue of The Connecticut Review. Barnes has had a translation from the German of Dagmar Nick’s poem titled “For the Time Being” accepted for publication in Natural Bridge, a St. Louis literary magazine. The same translation will be included in a forthcoming anthology titled “The Literature of Genesis,” edited by Howard Schwartz at the University of Missouri-St Louis. In addition, Barnes has had his original poem titled “Ithaka 2001” accepted for publication in the forthcoming anthology “Wings and Waking Dreams” (Abbeypresswood Press, 2003). He will also have his short story “The Wild Plum” appearing in the same anthology.

Amanda Combs, senior chemistry major from Lone Jack, Mo., was recently awarded an NSF-REU Leadership grant to partially fund her travel to present her REU summer research at the Spring 2003 American Chemical Society meeting in New Orleans.


Robbie Rader, freshman biology major from Marionville, Mo., attended the 75th National FFA Convention in October in Louisville, Ky. Along with three others from Missouri, she competed in the Nursery/Landscaping Career Development team event and placed second out of 43 teams from across the nation. Rader placed first overall in “Knowledge and Concepts” and second in “Techniques” in individual competition. She received a $900 scholarship from FFA for her accomplishments.


The Truman Forensics Union captured third place at the Ohio State University “Holiday Frolic” Invitational Forensics Tournament, and a comparable third place at Otterbein College’s twin tournament, “Frolic Some More,” Dec. 6-8 in Columbus and Westerville, Ohio, respectively. Their combined performance at the two tournaments made Truman first overall for the weekend.

Heather Collier, senior communication major from Charleston, Mo.; Jennifer Intihar, senior communication major from Oak Forest, Ill.; and Ryan O’Shea, senior communication major from Chesterfield, Mo., were awarded internships for summer 2003 from the Dow Jones Newspaper Fund. All three students are members of the Index staff. The Fund, founded in 1958 by editors of The Wall Street Journal to improve the quality of journalism education and the pool of applicants for jobs in the newspaper business, conducts an intensive nationwide search for 120 interns. These interns then work at internships in publications across the United States. Collier will be at the Nashville Tennessean; Intihar will be at the Knight-Ridder Washington Bureau in D.C.; and O’Shea will be at the Cape Cod Times.

Two Graduates Receive General Honors

Rachel Johnson and Jeremy Gray received General Honors medals at the General Honors medal ceremony Dec. 20.

Johnson received a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology. Dana Delaware, professor of chemistry, presented the award to Johnson.

Gray received a Bachelor of Arts degree and Bachelor of Science degree in political science as well as a Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy and religion. Candace Young, professor of political science presented the award to Gray.

Recycling Center Recycles Printer Cartridges

Do you ever wonder what to do with those laser and ink-jet cartridges that run out of ink? Simple, take them to the nearest recycling bin located in the residence halls and in campus buildings. If you are having trouble finding a bin, call the Recycling Center at 785.7672 and they will help you find the nearest location. The Recycling Center accepts all printer cartridges.

It is preferred that the printer toner cartridge be placed in the original box it came in. If that no longer exists you can put it in the box your new cartridge came in.

Those students living off campus can take their printer toner cartridges to the Truman Recycling Center located off LaHarpe Street, across from the repelling tower at the south end of campus.

The Recycling Center also accepts paper, plastic, aluminum and cardboard.

Thanks for doing your part to protect our environment for future generations.

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KOHLENBERG LYCEUM SERIES

JAN. 28
7:30 P.M.
BALDWIN AUDITORIUM

CALL 785-4016 FOR MORE INFORMATION
The Women’s Studies Committee announces a call for papers on gender trouble. The deadline to submit an abstract is Jan. 31. Members of the Truman and Kirksville communities are invited to submit abstracts to Linda Seidel at lseidel@truman.edu.

There will be a Truman Volleyball Banquet to honor the 2002 national runner-up volleyball team from 6-9 p.m., Jan. 18, in the SUB Georgian Room. Cost is $10 per person. Contact Jerry Wollmering at 785.4236 for more information.

The Faculty Development Committee as part of Faculty Development’s 2003 Weekly Lunch Series is hosting “An Inaugural Celebration: The Center for Teaching & Learning” from 12:30-2:30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 22, in the SUB Georgian Room. There is a $5 meal subsidy to Mainstreet Market that day and cake will be offered after a short program. Come and go as your schedule allows.

The Globalization Series will continue this semester with a panel discussion/lecture “Global Terror” from 7:30-9 p.m., Jan. 23, in the SUB Activities Room. Speakers will be Wolfgang Hoeschele, John Ishiyama and Betty McLane-Ills. The event is free and open to the public. Contact Linda Seidel at 785.4491 for more information.

May 2003 Graduates-If you have made any changes to the proposed class schedule(s) on your graduation application, please notify the Registrar’s Office soon to update your application. Timely updating helps you ensure that all degree requirements will be met and helps you avoid last minute concerns. Be sure to follow up on all comments written at the bottom of your application. If you have questions regarding comments on your graduation application, please contact the Registrar’s Office at 785.4143 for clarification.

Students, if you have recently moved to a new off-campus address, please update your address and phone number with the University. Updates can be made online at http://pipeline.truman.edu, or by contacting the Registrar’s Office.

Interested in a long term immersion experience in French and German without actually leaving the country? Then help create a French/German House by letting your faculty know you’re interested. Contact Timothy Farley at farley@truman.edu or Andrea Davis at andavis@truman.edu for French and/or German. They need student input.

Students interested in becoming public school foreign language teachers (French or Spanish) are encouraged to enroll in LLFL 101 Pre-MAE Seminar in FL Education. This second block course meets from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays. Contact Eric Jewell at 785.7646 or ejewell@truman.edu or Timothy Farley at 785.4520 or farley@truman.edu for more information.

Scholarship Opportunities Available

Several scholarship opportunities are available to Truman students with deadlines in February.

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada is pleased to announce the following scholarship opportunities.

George A. Nielsen Public Investor scholarship for $5,000 or two $2,500 scholarships to students who have been admitted on a full or part-time basis to an undergraduate or graduate program in public administration, finance, business administration or a related field.

The Frank L. Greathouse Government Accounting scholarship for $3,500 scholarships for senior students who are enrolled full-time in a university or college undergraduate accounting program in the U.S. or Canada.

Minorities in Government Finance scholarship for $5,000 for minority students of public administration, (governmental) accounting, finance, political science, economics or business administration with a specific focus on government or nonprofit management at the upper-division undergraduate or graduate level.

Candidates for each of the above scholarships should have a superior record of academic achievement and/or job performance and show promise of completion of their studies at a high level of performance. In addition, candidates should have plans to pursue a career in state or local government. All applications must be postmarked no later than Feb. 7. Contact the Financial Aid Office in McClain Hall 103 for more information or an application.

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