Kohlenberg Lyceum Series Begins with Harlem Blues and Jazz Band

The 2004-2005 Kohlenberg Lyceum Series will kick off the season with a performance by the Harlem Blues and Jazz Band at 7:30 p.m., Sept. 21, in Baldwin Auditorium.

This band was formed in 1973, and a veritable Who’s Who of jazz musicians have been a part of this group. The current members are Joey Morant, trumpet and vocals; Fred Staton, tenor saxophone; Lloyd Mayers, piano; Art Baron, trombone, composer and arranger; Michael Max Fleming, bass; Shelton Gary, drums; Ruth Brisbane, vocals; and Bill Wurtzel, electric guitar.

Morant electrifies audiences with his dazzling horn techniques, skillful scat singing and humorous asides. Staton is one of the senior members of the band. He has performed with Billy Eckstine, Howard “Sticks” McGhee, Art Blackey and Errol Garner. Mayers was the pianist to Sammy Davis Jr. for 11 years. He also took over the piano chair in the Duke Ellington Orchestra following Ellington’s death. Fleming has performed with Mary Lou Williams, Sammy Davis Jr., Jimmy Witherspoon, Clifford Jordan, Chet Baker and Billy Eckstine. Gary studied drums with the great Jo Jones of Count Basie fame. His background includes drumming for such luminaries as Jay McShann, Illinois Jacquet, Howlin’ Wolf, Freddie King and vocalist Joe Turner.

Brisbane has appeared in jazz clubs across the United States as well as the Caribbean and Europe. She performed off Broadway in her own one-woman show, “The Legacy of Bessie Smith” and on Broadway in “Wiz,” “Raisin” and “South Pacific.” Wurtzel spent seven years with organist/pianist Bill Doggett of “Honky Tonk” fame and 11 years with Count Basie Alumni Groups, primarily “The Countsmen.” He is also the director of The Jazz Foundation of America.

Free tickets to the Harlem Blues and Jazz Band will be available to students, faculty and staff beginning Sept. 14 with a University ID at the Student Activities Board Office and the Center for Student Involvement, lower level of the SUB.

Mackey Mitchell Associates, a professional service firm of architects, planners and interior designers, is a gold level sponsor of the Series.

For more information about the Kohlenberg Lyceum events, visit the Web site at http://lyceum.truman.edu.

Truman’s Rock the Vote to Provide Electoral Action Training

The Bite the Ballot Campaign, United States Student Association and Rock the Vote will be hosting a session of Electoral Action Training Sept. 18-19.

This training will help students understand student electoral power, plan comprehensive campaigns to mobilize student voters and identify, register and turn out student voters through grassroots field organizing efforts.

For more information, contact Stephanie Nigus by e-mail at c1580@truman.edu.
McNair Program Showcases 2004 Summer Research Efforts

The McNair Program will present the research efforts of the 2004 summer research interns at the 12th Annual McNair Research Presentation and Luncheon.

Presentations are from 8:50 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Sept. 22, in Violette Hall 1000. All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend one or more of the presentations that day. Faculty is also invited to bring classes to the presentations.

**Session One**
- 8:50 a.m.-Jennifer Drake
  “Comparing Mortality Trends in Rural and Urban Missouri”
- 9:10 a.m.-Emily Dunn
  “A Study of Genetic Diversity at the Stowaway Containing y1 locus of Maize and Teosinte”
- 9:30 a.m.-Elisea Avalos
  “Brazil and the United States: The Fight Against HIV/AIDS”
- 9:50 a.m.-Natalie Churchey
  “Media Maintenance: Hispanics Use of Spanish and English Media”
- 10:10 a.m.-Harry Cecil
  “Retaining the Authenticity: A Comparative Analysis of Traditional Negro Spirituals and Contemporary Gospel Music”
- 10:30 a.m.-Patience Rhodes
  “Demographics & Attitudes of Shoppers at Missouri &Wisconsin Farmers Markets”
- 10:50 a.m.-Shawna Jackson
  “Audio Books versus Live Reading: A Comparison of Early Childhood Literacy Comprehension”

**Session Two**
- 1:50 p.m.-Phil Esposito
  “The Effect of Interscholastic Athletics on Academic Achievement”
- 2:10 p.m.-Eugene Walton
  “Public Opinion and Military Intervention in Iraq: The Impact of Race, Gender, and Political Alienation”
- 2:30 p.m.-Donivan Foster
  “I’ll Help You Carry On: An Examination of Black Male-Male Friendships at the College Level”
- 2:50 p.m.-James Harrington
  “The Role of Prisoner’s Dilemma in Assessing Competition in a Web versus Pencil and Paper Media”
- 3:10 p.m.-Tiara L. Pettis
  “Minor Modifications for Major Changes: Increasing the Achievement Level of African American Students in Mathematics”

**Luncheon**
- noon-1:30 p.m.-Luncheon in the Student Union Building Georgian Room

Keynote Speaker: Keisha Farmer-Smith, McNair alumna, currently pursuing a doctorate in urban planning and public policy at the University of Illinois-Chicago

Judges Needed for Forensics Tournament

The Truman State University Forensics Union will be hosting its annual inter-collegiate speech and debate tournament, the Show Me Swing, Sept. 24-26.

The Forensics Union needs judges, preferably individuals with a Bachelor of Arts degree or higher. Undergraduate students may not be judges.

No previous experience with forensics is necessary. Optional judge training is available.

Judges may volunteer their services or receive a $10 per round honorarium.

Interested candidates can fill out the Judge Volunteer Form at http://forensics.truman.edu/tournament.html.

Contact Kevin Minch, assistant professor of communication and director of forensics, at kminch@truman.edu or 785.5677 for more information.

Cardinal Key and Blue Key Red Cross Blood Drive

11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 14-16, in the SUB Activities Room
Nick Hart, senior political science major from Peculiar, Mo., was the first recipient of a highly competitive environmental scholarship from the Missouri Waste Control Coalition. Applicants were judged on leadership experience, academic achievement, community service and extracurricular activities.

Sarah Shelton, junior health science major from St. Louis, will receive the Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Science Honorary’s “Founder’s Scholarship Award” at the American School Health Association’s National Conference on Oct. 16 in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mark Spitzer, assistant professor of English, has had the following poems accepted for publication in Hazmat Review and Struggle: “Dick Trickle Was the Driver for McDonalds,” “Sucking on my Biggie,” “North of Naropa/Rising White the Everswirl/I Contemplate the Whole Ordeal/Swilling in My Head,” “Our Bodies Not Connecting...,” “It’s a Weird Time in Space” and “There’s a B.S. Commercial.”

Beta Theta Pi’s Xi chapter from Truman State University won the Sisson award at the 165th General Convention in Atlanta, Ga. The chapter was one of 41 chapters to win the award by meeting 19 various requirements in the areas of scholarship, philanthropy, alumni affairs and public relations. This is Truman’s fifth Sisson award. In addition, seven members of the Truman chapter teamed up with six individuals from the Washington University chapter in a MS 150 Bike Tour with proceeds going to benefit multiple sclerosis. Each participant had to raise a minimum of $200, translating into a minimum of $2,600 raised.

Truman’s Gamma Rho chapter of Eta Sigma Gamma National Professional Health Science Honorary received the honorary’s highest award, “Chapter of Excellence.”

Campus United Way Fund Drive Seeks Group Leaders

The campus fund drive for the Adair County United Way is calling for about 100 group leaders to conduct another successful drive this year.

The responsibility entails contacting about 10 neighboring colleagues, informing them about United Way and extending the opportunity to contribute.

The advanced drive will be Sept. 13-29. The opening banquet for the main drive will kick off the Truman campaign Sept. 30. The campaign will last until late October. The theme is “Investing in Our Community is What Matters,” and the goal is $51,000.

If interested in being part of the campus fund drive team, contact drive co-chairs Kay Anderson at 785.4143 or e-mail aka@truman.edu or David Connor at 785.4075 or dbconner@truman.edu.

Students living off-campus should update their local mailing address with the University via TruView. Address changes can also be made in the Registrar’s Office, McClain Hall 104. Students are responsible for all information sent to their local mailing address from University offices and personnel conducting University business.

December 2004 Undergraduate Degree Candidates: If you have made any changes in your course schedule(s) since you submitted your graduation application and have not yet updated your application with the Registrar’s Office, you need to do so immediately. Updates can be made in the Registrar’s Office, McClain Hall 104, Monday through Friday between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. You do not need to complete a new application. To remain on the graduation list, all changes to your degree plan and all required substitutions must be on file in the Registrar’s Office no later than Sept. 30.

Effective immediately, the Registrar’s Office will accept undergraduate degree applications only after a student has completed 90 hours of credit. Information about filing a graduation application and upcoming deadlines is available at http://registrar.truman.edu.
The University Art Gallery at Truman presents an art faculty exhibit, “The Truman Show,” until Sept. 25. Contact Aaron Fine at 785.5386 or e-mail afine@truman.edu for more information.

The Society of the Prim Roses will have Fall Recruitment the week of Sept. 13-18. Prim Roses is an independent social sisterhood and all interested females are invited to attend. Contact Christina Collison at 665.0101 for any additional information or visit the Prim Rose Web site at http://primroses.truman.edu. Campus PALS will have an informational meeting from 5:30-6:30 p.m., Sept. 14, in VH 1000. This meeting is for receiving pairing information. It is open for anyone interested in joining the organization.

Minor Detail will have auditions from 7-10 p.m., Sept. 14. People interested must have signed up for an audition time slot by Sept. 13. First round auditions will take place Sept. 14-15. Applicants need to have a 30 second selection of music (any style) prepared, no original songs. Songs must be sung a cappella. Contact Kristin Samuelson at 665.1666 or Minordetail02@yahoo.com with any questions. The Homecoming organization chairs meeting will be at 10 p.m., Sept. 14, in VH 1010. For any additional information, e-mail homecoming@truman.edu.

The Center for Teaching and Learning will continue its Weekly Lunch Series for faculty, teaching staff and GTRAs at 12:30-1:30 p.m., Sept. 15, in the SUB Spanish Room. The subject is “E-Fellows Profile.” Participants may receive $3.00 towards their Sodexho meal by signing the attendance sheet at any of the Student Union checkout counters. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

Where will you be for New Year’s Eve? Study at 785.4477 for more information. It is open for anyone interested in joining the organization.

On Campus

14 TUESDAY
11 a.m.-4 p.m.-Blood drive, SUB Activities Room; see Page 2
4 p.m.-Men’s and women’s tennis vs. Quincy (Ill.), Truman Tennis Courts
10 p.m.-Homecoming organization chairs meeting, VH 1010; see Notes

15 WEDNESDAY
11 a.m.-4 p.m.-Blood drive, SUB Activities Room; see Page 2
12:30-1:30 p.m.-Weekly Lunch Series, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes
5 p.m.-Cairo Field Study informational meeting, OP 2210; see Notes

16 THURSDAY
11 a.m.-4 p.m.-Blood drive, SUB Activities Room; see Page 2
6 p.m.-Cairo Field Study informational meeting, OP 2210; see Notes
8-9 p.m.-Sigma Chi Delta informational meeting, SUB Alumni Room; see Notes

17 FRIDAY
7 p.m.-Volleyball vs. Emporia State (Kan.), Pershing Arena
8 p.m.-SAB presents Drive-In Movies, Red Barn Park; see Page 1

18 SATURDAY
Fall Premiere Visit Day
11 a.m.-Men’s soccer vs. Northwood (Mich.), Soccer Field
1:30 p.m.-Football vs. Washburn (Kan.), Stokes Stadium
5 p.m.-Volleyball vs. Washburn (Kan.), Pershing Arena

19 SUNDAY
11 a.m.-Women’s soccer vs. Washburn (Kan.), Soccer Field
1 p.m.-Men’s soccer vs. Benedictine (Kan.), Soccer Field

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