A variety of activities have been planned for Truman students and their families this weekend as part of the annual Family Day. Faculty, staff and their families also are invited to meet the visiting families and share in the events.

Following tradition, this year’s events are designed to provide families with information as well as opportunities for a wide variety of entertainment from the University.

Activities kick off at 8 a.m., Oct. 2, with coffee and doughnuts on the Mall outside the Student Union Building.

Parent Seminars will follow the reception at 9 a.m. in the SUB Governors Room and SUB Activities Room.

The festivities move to Baldwin Auditorium at 11 a.m., where parents will hear a few musical numbers from Franklin Street and will hear from Truman’s President Barbara Dixon and Student Senate President Laura Keck. Keck is a junior political science and sociology double major from Quincy, Ill.

After the assembly, families are invited to bring blankets and lawn chairs for a picnic-style lunch from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at Red Barn Park. The lunch will provide an opportunity for families to catch up with the details of their student’s life. Tickets are $5.50 and must be purchased in advance at the Public Relations Office in McClain Hall 101. Students with a purchased meal plan are free with their Truman ID.

Sporting events begin at noon when the women’s soccer team plays Winona State (Minn.) at the soccer field. The football team challenges Missouri Southern at 1:30 p.m. at Stokes Stadium. Tickets can be purchased Oct. 2 at Reception on the Mall.

The Red Barn Arts and Crafts Festival will be from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on the square in Downtown Kirksville.

Entertainment continues through the evening as Banachek speaks at 8 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium. Sponsored by the Student Activities Board, the event is free for students with a Truman ID and tickets will be available before the performance for $2.

The University Wind Symphony and the University Symphony Orchestra will perform at 2 p.m., Oct. 3, in Baldwin Auditorium. Admission to the concert is free.

Truman Alumna, Former Board Member Appointed to Missouri Supreme Court

Mary Rhodes Russell, Truman alumna and former Board of Governors member and president, has been named by Gov. Bob Holden to the Missouri Supreme Court.

“Judge Russell brings a wealth of experience to the bench,” Holden said. “She has an outstanding reputation as a knowledgeable and impartial jurist and a life-long commitment to community service.”

Russell was appointed to the state Court of Appeals-Eastern District in 1995 by Gov. Mel Carnahan. Prior to that, she was a partner in the Hannibal law firm, Clayton and Rhodes.

She received a bachelor’s degree from Truman and a law degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Russell serves as a mentor at the Matthews-Dickey Boys’ and Girls’ Club, a volunteer Truancy Court Judge at the North Kirkwood Middle School and a board member of the Sue Shear Institute for Women in Public Life. She served on the search committee for the new dean of the University of Missouri Law School, was presented the Woman of the Year award in 2003 by the Women Lawyers’ Association and is a member of the National Association of Women Judges.
Math Colloquium
Scott Alberts will talk about
“Minimizing Tactical Voting”
3:30 p.m.
Sept 28
Violette Hall 1236

Did the people who voted for Nadar in 2000 really “waste” their vote? Could the same thing happen in this year’s election? Could a different system minimize the need for “tactical” voting? The presentation will look at several criteria proposed to measure the success of such systems.

Contact Phil Ryan at 785.4592 for more information.

Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar
Andrea Liu
professor of physics at the University of Pennsylvania

Physics Colloquium “Jamming”
3 p.m.
Sept 30
Violette Hall 1000

The colloquium is open to Truman students and faculty.

“The Physics of How Cells Crawl and Listeria Spreads”
8 p.m.
Sept 30
Violette Hall 1000

Her lecture will discuss the unusual physics involved in these biological events.

The public is invited to this lecture.

Support for Liu’s visit is provided by the Phi Beta Kappa society and by Charles J. McClain, president emeritus of Truman State University.

Class of 1953 Funds Reach Scholarship Endowment Level at $10,000

In honor of its 50th anniversary in 2003, the Class of 1953 began a campaign to establish a scholarship. The Class of 1953 Scholarship was endowed at $10,000 this summer.

The Class of 1953 Scholarship is designed to support students who are active on campus and have significant financial need. A portion of the interest earned on the endowment will be awarded annually, indefinitely, and the fund will always remain open for additional donations. It will be awarded for the first time in 2005-2006. Members of the Class of 1953 Scholarship committee are Guy Burton (chair), Mary Balagna, Phyllis Belt, J. Paul Lane and William North. With their leadership and assistance, the fund was able to reach the endowment level.

Congratulations and thank you to the Class of 1953 for their support in providing permanent financial assistance to the students of Truman State University.

Kuworski to Speak About “The Genius of American Democracy”

The Lutheran Student Fellowship and the Funds Allotment Council are bringing Peter Kurowski to campus to present “The Genius of the American Democracy” at 7 p.m., Oct. 4, in the Student Union Building Activities Room.

Kuworski will be speaking about a “common thread” that ran through the head of the founders and framers of the Constitution. Our nation, Kurowski attests, was knit together with this thread. He will look at the ever-prevalent church/state relationship issue and will touch on the idea of democracy in Iraq.

Kuworski is a Lutheran pastor from California, Mo. He is the author of a book on marriage “The Lifelines of Love,” and a forthcoming book, “Tension Deficit Disorder.” He also has worked as a scriptwriter for the children’s video “Red Boots for Christmas” and has served as a guest chaplain for the United States Congress.

For more information, contact Rachel Schepeler at 785.7165 or d1780@truman.edu.

Truman Students Experience Nursing in the Philippines

Seven nursing students from Truman State University and one nursing student from Blessing-Reiman School of Nursing in Quincy, Ill., traveled to the Philippines last summer, May 22–June 13.

The students prepared for this trip with classes about cultural orientation last spring. During a week-long stay in Metro Manila, these students participated in maternal and nursery care at the nonprofit government facility, José Reyes Memorial Medical Center. Here students were exposed to working with mothers and infants who generally could not afford health care. They developed competencies in the assessment of birthing mothers and newborns and in cross-cultural communication.

From Manila, they traveled south to the central province of Iloilo City. Clinical experiences in the province included home visits, a pediatric unit, the social hygiene clinic, a leprosarium and an outpatient clinic for women and children. Cultural experiences involved interviews with patients in each of these settings as well as social interactions with nursing students from West Visayas State University.

These nursing students will present a program, Transcultural Experience in the Philippines, to the communities of Kirksville and Truman State University at 7 p.m., Oct. 7, in the Student Union Building Governors Room. The public is welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Truman Faculty Promoted

The following faculty were approved for promotion at a Board of Governor’s meeting this summer:

From associate professor to professor:
Stephen Allen, Charles E. Breed, Brent Buckner, Timothy Farley, Mark Hanley, Eric Howard, Diane Janick-Buckner, James Jereb, Huping Ling, Anne Moody, Jeffrey Osborn, Ramesh Rao, Peter Rolnick, Mohammad Samiullah and


Gregg Siewert.
From assistant professor to associate professor: R. Charles Apter, Becky Becker, Marc Becker, Sally Cook, Laura Fielden, Aaron Fine, Masahiro Hara, Sylvia Macauley, Daniel R. Mandell, James McCormick, Kevin Minch, Chad Mohler, Eric Patterson, Marc Rice, Philip Ryan, Karen Smith, and Carol Thatcher.

Lockhart to be Featured Technology Champion

Reference Librarian Carol Lockhart, is the featured Technology Champion for the week.

“It’s what you learn after you know it all that counts,” Lockhart said.

Lockhart is continually learning new technology. She assists people in learning more about the library research databases. She learned Camtasia and Turbo Demo to create demos for her library resources course. You can view one of these demos for using EBSCO Host at http://library.truman.edu/demo/EBSCO.htm.

She is chairperson for the Library Web committee. Lockhart uses the Microsoft Office suite, especially FrontPage, PowerPoint, Word, Outlook, Excel and Publisher, to increase her productivity. She also has used assistance technology to read books to hearing-impaired students. Lockhart is proficient with technology to allow Web pages to be read aloud. She can be contacted at clockhar@truman.edu or 785.7417.

Applications for Foundation Scholarships to be Available Oct. 1

The Truman State University Foundation is pleased to announce that the application form for spring scholarships will be available online Oct. 1. Foundation scholarships are made possible through generous contributions from alumni, parents and friends of the University.

All current Truman students are eligible to fill out an application. These scholarships will be awarded for the spring 2005 semester. The application and list of scholarships will be online at http://isupport.truman.edu/foundationscholarships/. The deadline for applications is Nov. 1.

The majority of the Foundation Scholarships are awarded annually, and applications for the complete list of 2005-2006 scholarships will be available on the Web site in December. E-mail Becky Pike at bpike@truman.edu for more information.

USA Today Academic Team Seeks Nominees

USA Today is now accepting nominations for its 2005 All-USA College Academic Team. Sixty students will be named to the first, second and third teams and will be featured in a two-page color spread in the USA Today in February 2005. The 20 members of the first team each will receive a $2,500 cash award.

Eligible students are any full-time undergraduate of at least sophomore standing at a four-year institution. U.S. citizenship is not required.

To nominate a student, go to http://allstars.usatoday.com and download the form.
Nominations must be postmarked by Nov. 30.

Winners will be selected by a panel of educators, chosen in cooperation with the program’s co-sponsors.
For more information, e-mail USA Today at allstars@usatoday.com.

STAFF COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to the following individuals for being elected to serve on the Staff Council.
Academic Affairs Hourly
Arletta Nelson–Math & Computer Science
Randy Bame–Fine Arts
Academic Affairs Contract
C. Jason White–Residential College Program
Academic Support Hourly
Susan Hamilton–Library
Kimberly Titus–Registrar’s Office
Academic Support Contract
Kasey Graves–Information Technology Services
Emily Taylor–Admission
Administrative Offices Hourly
Kelly Piggle–Business Office
Diane Bloskovich–Business Office
Administrative Offices Contract
Katie Best–Public Relations
At Large
Howard Worcester–Physical Plant
Dave Kincaid–University Career Center
Kay Anderson–Registrar’s Office
Physical Plant
Roger Johnson
Steve Baldwin
Harold Reeves
Student Affairs Hourly
Jerry Fielding–Student Union
Student Affairs Contract
B.J. Pumroy–Athletics
Erika Sterup–University Counseling Services
Andrea O’Brien–Residential Living
Students must be full time for at least three quarters of their first year in college.

SAB Upcoming Events

Movies
“Spiderman 2”
6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. • Oct. 1
Violette Hall 1000

“Super Size Me”
3:30 p.m. • Oct. 2
Violette Hall 1000

Student ID required to enter either movie up until five minutes before showtime. Admission is free.

Fall Concert - Yellowcard with Mae and Lucero
7 p.m. • Oct. 8
Pershing Arena

Tickets cost $10 with student ID and $20 for general admission. Tickets are available at the SAB office Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., with opening acts beginning at 7 p.m. No food or drink is allowed.
Advisers are needed for active student organizations. Any faculty or staff member interested in supporting student activities may contact Robin Taylor in the Center for Student Involvement at 785.4222 or robint@truman.edu.

Echo Yearbook pictures will be taken for the 2004-2005 yearbook from 9 a.m. - 11 p.m., now through Sept. 30, on the third floor of the SUB. Many copies will be available from local businesses as prizes. Contact Loreta Palmer at 785.4450 with any questions.

Truman’s chapter of Habitat for Humanity will be hosting its second annual “Habitat on the Quad” event this year from now until Oct. 1. Habitat for Humanity members will be staying in a cardboard shack to represent the more than one billion people worldwide who live in substandard housing. Those interested can stop by and visit with them as they raise awareness and collect donations to help people who do not have an adequate place to live. Contact Kevin Brown at 605.6897 for more information.

There will be an informational meeting about the Missouri Government Internship Program from 5:45-6:45 p.m., Sept. 28, in the SUB Room 308. The Missouri Government Internship Program offers a unique opportunity for students to intern at the Capitol in Jefferson City, Mo., with a public official, legislator or state agency during the spring 2005 semester. Contact Candy Young at 785.4650 or Heidi Templeton at 785.4016 for more information.

The Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda will have an open informational meeting at 8 p.m., Sept. 28, in Baldwin Hall Little Theater. Phi Beta Lambda is a coed business fraternity and is open to all majors. The fraternity has speakers, state competitions and much more. The open meetings also include free food. For more information, contact Jessica Tipp at 627.9879.

The Weekly Lunch Series will be from 12:30-1:30 p.m., Sept. 29, in the SUB Spanish Room. This week’s topic is “Scholars, Take Back Your Work: Open Access Journals.” Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

Informational meetings for Sacred Sites in Greece IV, a six-credit-hour Summer 2005 study abroad class, will be at 5 p.m., Sept. 29, in the SUB Alumni Room and at 6 p.m., Oct. 5, in the SUB Governors Room. Those interested will be able to view slides from previous Greece trips; go over the itinerary for the next class (planned for May 17 to June 7) and discuss ways to finance the program. For more information, contact M. Lynn Rose, lynnrose@truman.edu, 785.4057; or Steven Reschly at sdr@truman.edu or 785.4648.

Nominations for the Walker and Doris Allen Fellowship for Faculty Excellence are due Oct. 1 to the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, MC 203. Go to http://www.truman.edu/pages/125.asp for details.

The American Association of University Professors will meet from 4:30-6 p.m., Oct. 1, at the University Club. For additional information, contact Marc Becker at 785.6036.

The Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance is having an Iron Jawed Angels exhibition for the Get Out Her Vote effort at 7 p.m., Oct. 2, in VH 1000. Rock the Vote “Bite the Ballot” will have a table in Violette Hall during the event with voter registration cards and information. For more information, contact Kevin Chase at 785.5367.

The Heritage Hispanic Month Celebration continues with the “First Sunday Dinner: A Taste of Home Hispanic Fare” from 5-7 p.m., Oct. 3, in the Adair Building. R.S.V.P. required. Limited to the first 100 people who R.S.V.P. Call 785.4142 to make a reservation.

The University Art Gallery at Truman State University proudly presents “Rendering Gender,” an exhibit of artwork exploring gender roles and identities. The exhibit will run from Oct. 4-Oct. 30. There will be an opening reception at 6 p.m., Oct. 4, in the University Art Gallery. The gallery is located on the ground floor of the Ophelia Parrish Fine Arts complex. Gallery hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Saturday, noon-4:30 p.m. The Residential College Program and Career Center will present the Majors and Minors Fair from 1-5 p.m., Oct. 6, in the SUB Activities Room. The Majors and Minors Fair provides students with a chance to talk with faculty and staff representatives from Truman’s various disciplines about possible majors, minors, careers, internships, research opportunities, professional organizations, study abroad and more. For more information, contact Jason White at 785.5144 or e-mail jwhite@truman.edu.

The Department of Public Safety has scheduled several van driving classes that are required to drive Truman’s full-size vans at 3 p.m., Oct. 6 and Oct. 7, at the Public Safety Building. There is no fee. For more information, contact the Department of Public Safety at 785.4177.

The University Counseling Services will be sponsoring a National Depression Screening Day from noon-4 p.m., Oct. 7, in the Student Union Building. An information table will be set up outside of the Mainstreet Market. The screening is available free of charge to all Truman students and is confidential. For more information, contact Brian Kryłovicz at 785.4014.

The ninth annual General Honors informational reception will be at 4:45 p.m., Oct. 7, in the VH Commons. Information about new honors course listings, new work-sheets and competitive scholarships will be available. Representatives from Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi will give information about Truman’s honor societies. Refreshments will be served. Michelle Jones will provide piano music. For more information, contact Patricia Burton at 785.7247, Todd Hammond at 785.7510 or Christa Chappell at 785.4109.

In celebration of the 16th Annual National Coming Out Day, all members of the Truman community are invited to add their names to the 2004 GLBT Support List that will be included in the Oct. 7 issue of The Index. A more complete description of the Support List and directions for adding your name can be found at http://www2.truman.edu/~marte/ GLBTSupportListFall2004.htm. If you have questions, please contact Marty Eisenberg at martye@truman.edu.

Applications for the 2004-2005 Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges Award in the Doan of Student Affairs Office, Kirk Building 112.

For more information, visit http://saffairs.truman.edu, stop by Kirk Building 112, or call 785.4111.