Truman State University is seeking comments from the public about the University in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. The University will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit Jan. 31-Feb. 2, 2005, by a team representing the Higher Learning Commission, a Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Truman State University has been accredited by the Commission since 1914. The team will review the institution’s ongoing ability to meet the Commission’s Criteria for Accreditation.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the University. Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing and signed; comments cannot be treated as confidential. Please note individuals with a specific dispute or grievance with an institution should request the separate "Policy on Complaints" document from the Commission Office. The Commission cannot settle disputes between institutions and individuals whether those are faculty, staff, students or others, complaints will be not considered third party comments.

Comments should be addressed to:
Public comment on Truman State University
The Higher Learning Commission
30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400
Chicago, IL 60602-2504
All comments must be received one month (Dec. 31, 2004) before the visit.

Sylvia Macauley, assistant professor of history, and Alanna Preussner, associate professor of English, were recently presented the William O'Donnell Lee Advising Award.

Dr. Jeanne Stephens Lee Blackmar established the Lee Advising Award in honor of her late husband who was a member and chair of the University’s Board of Regents during the 1970s. The award pays tribute to excellent advisers, encourages professional development and demonstrates the importance of academic advising on the Truman campus.

Macauley and Preussner will each receive a $1,000 development fund to be used for travel to advising conferences or institutes, research materials and other relevant items. All full-time faculty advisers are eligible for the annual award.

Recipients of the Lee Advising Award are nominated by students and colleagues and are ultimately selected by a committee.
The University Art Gallery

proudly presents

Rendering Gender
An exhibit of artwork exploring gender roles and identities.

Oct. 4 - Oct. 30
University Art Gallery

Discussion
“Gender & Youth”
6 p.m. • Oct. 18
University Art Gallery

Screening
Artists’ Videos
6 p.m. • Oct. 25
Ophelia Parrish 2210
Curated by Cole Woodcox
Co-curated by Aaron Fine

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.

For more information, contact Alexandria Lockett at d1344@truman.edu or Woodcox at cwoodcox@truman.edu

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Graduates Receive President’s Recognition Award

The President’s Recognition Award is given to graduating seniors who have achieved the 95th percentile or above on the required normed senior exam prescribed by faculty in the respective major field. The graduating class of May 1998 was the first group of baccalaureate degree recipients to be recognized with this honor. Recipients’ transcripts also list this achievement.

The following spring 2004 graduates recently received the President’s Certificate of Recognition for Outstanding Academic Achievement:

Akhil Ahuja
Thomas Barnowski
James Baskett
Robert Beck
Matthew Beran
Joel Brockmeyer
Corey Byington
Cynthia Campbell
Christopher Candice
Courtney Carter
Gregory Christian
Shawna Cooper
Corey Crandall
Clarence Davis
Christina Dixon
Benje Douglas
Shawn Doyle
Andrew Drazen
Brendan Dudef
Stacy Epema
Matthew Fails
James Farnsworth
Jennifer Fuller
Dianne Galanos
Miriam Gibbs
Seth Graber
Nathanial Green
Shawn Guethle
Jeffrey Gustafson
Joseph Gutting
Heather Happ
Jane Harrison
Kevin Harrison
Karl Hendrickson
Trenton Holmes
Bryan Hotuic
We Huang
Jarret Johnson
Miglena Kaseva
William Kauffman
Gabriel Kennon
Cynthia Khan
John Kimball
Craig Knoth
Business Administration
Accounting
Business Administration
Accounting
Chemistry
Business Administration
Accounting
Chemistry
Business Administration
Business Administration
Psychology
Political Science
Psychology
Business Administration
Psychology
Political Science
Business Administration
Business Administration

Corey Koch
Kristopher Kueker
Michael Lawrence
Richard Lee
Christian Lenz
James Leslie
Sarah Linke
Sara Little
Jonathan Livengood
Adrian Lorincz
Chemistry
Accounting
Business Administration
Music
Business Administration
History
Psychology
Psychology
Philosophy & Religion
Justice Systems and
Computer Science
Sociology & Anthropology
English
Business Administration
Psychology
Psychology
Business Administration
Business Administration
English
Computer Science
Chemistry
Business Administration
Business Administration
Business Administration
Business Administration
Spanish
History
Physics
Accounting
Chemistry
Business Administration
Communication
History
Business Administration
Political Science
Business Administration
Business Administration
Math
Justice Systems
Psychology
Psychology
Business Administration
Business Administration
Spanish
Biologist
Psychology, Justice Systems
Sociology & Anthropology
Biologist
Business Administration
Math

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Midterm Break Hours

Student Recreation Center
6:30 a.m.-7 p.m. • Oct. 14
11 a.m.-7 p.m. • Oct. 15
11 a.m.-2 p.m. • Oct. 16
4-7 p.m. • Oct. 17

Pickler Memorial Library
7:30 a.m.-9 p.m. • Oct. 14
8 a.m.-5 p.m. • Oct. 15
noon-5 p.m. • Oct. 16
Resume regular hours • Oct. 17

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Hispanic Heritage Month
Sept. 15 - Oct. 15
Hispanic Heritage Festival
6-9 p.m. • Oct. 12 • Ryle Hall Main Lounge
There will be food samples, music, dancing and crafts for children and the young at heart.
Two musical compositions by Warren Gooch, professor of music theory and composition, will be performed at “Connections: Cedar Rapids Festival of New Music” this fall. “The Harvest Moon” for chorus will be performed by Chorale Midwest, under the direction of Bradley Barrett. “Monument” from the “Stones Speak of Eternity” will be performed by the Coe College Concert Band under the direction of William Carson. Both performances will take place Nov. 6, at the Coe College campus in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. At each concert, the composer will speak to the audience about his creative work.

The Truman chapter of the Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society has received a “Commendable Chapter” award for the 2003-2004 school year. This is the second highest recognition given to student chapters. This is the first time the students have received this award, which is given in recognition of the group’s activities for the previous school year. The students will be presented with the award at the National Meeting of the American Chemical Society in the spring in San Diego. Several students will be in attendance to receive the award and to present research they have performed at Truman.

Truman Reaches 40 Percent of United Way Goal

The Truman State University United Way campaign is off to an impressive start as faculty, staff, emeriti and retired staff respond to dedicated and enthusiastic group leaders in their areas. Truman reported a total of $20,139.38 in the first week of the 2005 Campaign which equals 40 percent of the Truman goal.

Mary Jane Kohlenberg coordinated the emeriti division. David Nichols also helped with the emeriti division. Gene Schneider worked with the retired staff division. The campaign ends in late October.

Ryle Hall Date Auction Benefits Diabetes Research

Ryle Hall Student Advisers Michelle Brown, Michael Herron and Malita Winge had a Date Auction for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. About 50 residents and staff volunteered to be auctioned off with all proceeds going toward the foundation. At the end of the night, $1,600 was raised. All of the couples had the chance to attend a buffet dinner provided by Sodexho on Sept. 24 in the Student Union Building Georgian Room.

The Ryle Hall staff would like to thank everyone involved in this fund-raising effort.

Recycling Center Offers Free Supplies

The Truman State University Recycling Center is now offering free school supplies (lots of notebooks, binders and folders) that have been lightly used. You may also select from books that have been saved from the bins. Furthermore, the Recycling Center has been collecting gift wrapping material. They now have an overabundance of gift wrapping paper, tissue paper and other materials that may be used to wrap gifts.

The Environmental Campus Organization (ECO) will have tables with this material available closer to the holidays. In the meantime, all are encouraged to check out the supplies at the Recycling Center.

The Recycling Center is located on the other side of LaHarpe, across from the Truman rugby field. It is open from 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and varying times on Saturdays. Call Howard Worcester at 785.7672 or Cassie Phillips at 785.7180 with questions.

Midterm Grades for all 100 and 200 level courses will be available via TruView after 5 p.m., Oct. 18.
The Writing Center will conduct outdoor conferences from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Oct. 12-13, at the McClain Hall south entrance. The rain site will be the Writing Center located in MCl 303.

Convertiblees are needed for the Homecoming Parade on Oct. 23 from approximately 8:30-11:30 a.m. Please contact Robin Taylor in the Center for Student Involvement at 785.4222 or robin@truman.edu for additional information.

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) Town Hall will meet to discuss faculty hires from 4-5:30 p.m., Oct. 12, in VH 1000. They will discuss how the University uses contingent, non-tenure-track faculty, the status of the changes from division heads to deans and whether there will be sabbatical replacements. For more information, contact Marc Becker at 785.6036.

The Weekly Lunch Series will be from 12:30-1:30 p.m., Oct. 13, in the SUB Spanish Room. This week’s topic is “Giving ‘Good’ Grades: Class Participation.” Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

The National Association of Scholars will have a meeting at 4 p.m., Oct. 13, in the SUB Conference Room. For more information, contact David Partenheimer at 785.4504.

Applications for students interested in joining Students Together Educating Peers (S.T.E.P.) can be picked up at University Counseling Services or completed online at http://ucs.truman.edu/step.htm. S.T.E.P. members educate the Truman community on issues related to sexual assault, sexual harassment and diversity. Applications are due Oct. 14. For more information, call 785.4014. Men and individuals from diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Community Day will be Oct. 16 at the Truman State University vs. Central Missouri football game at noon at Stokes Stadium. Children will be admitted free as part of the NCAA football and Powerade’s seventh annual “Take a Kid to the Game” program. Parents and adults will be admitted free with a canned good. Canned goods will be donated to the Central Missouri Food Bank.

The Center for Student Involvement is having the 2004 College Bowl Tournament from 6-11 p.m., Nov. 3, on the third floor of the Student Union Building. Registration will take place at the Center for Student Involvement, located on the lower level of the SUB. The registration deadline is 4 p.m., Oct. 20. Space is limited to 10 teams. Cost is $5 per individual to register and all participants receive a T-shirt. Both individuals and teams are encouraged to sign-up.

Competition begins at Truman State University to select the varsity team. The varsity team will advance to the Regional Championship Tournament in February 2005. Contact Robin Taylor at 785.4222 with any questions.

Your future begins now! Career Expo, Truman’s job and internship fair, is less than a month away. Career Expo will be from 1-5 p.m., Oct. 26, in the Student Union Building. Plan to attend and speak with representatives from more than 90 different organizations. What can you do now to prepare? If you have not written a resume or cover letter, or you aren’t sure how to tackle those tough interview questions, please come by the Career Center to visit with a career assistant or a full-time staff member. They look forward to helping you get ready. Also, don’t forget that company recruiters will have workshops on “Working a Career Fair” and “Ace the Interview” on Oct. 25, before Expo. Call 785.4353 if you have any questions.

The Truman State University Department of Public Safety is sponsoring the Adair County Sheriff’s Department K-9 Demonstration at 7 p.m., Oct. 26 in Baldwin Hall. The department will demonstrate the use of K-9s in law enforcement, including narcotic detection, protection, article search and trailing. Contact Joyce Burnett at 785.4177 with any questions.

Please join Human Resources for a series of informational meetings Oct. 29 regarding the insurance programs that will go into effect Jan. 1, 2005. Please be sure to mark this important date on your calendars. More information will follow at a later date.

The Women’s and Gender Studies Committee announces a call for papers “Renewing the Movement” for Truman’s 10th annual conference in honor of Women’s History Month, March 3-5, 2005. The committee invites abstracts from all members of the Truman and Kirksville communities, including Truman graduates. The deadline for abstracts is Jan. 26, 2005. For more information, contact Linda Seidel at lseidel@truman.edu.

Truman Today is a weekly publication of Truman State University for students, faculty and staff. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Tuesday’s publication. Entries should be submitted by sending an e-mail to kbest@truman.edu or by completing a Truman Today form available in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 101. The form may also be accessed online at http://trumantoday.truman.edu/submissionform.pdf. All submissions are subject to editing for clarity and style.

On Campus

12 TUESDAY
4-5:30 p.m.-AAUP Town Hall meeting, VH 1000; see Notes
6-9 p.m.-Hispanic Heritage Festival, Ryle Hall Main Lounge; see Page 2
7 p.m.-Volleyball vs. Quincy (Ill.), Pershing Arena

13 WEDNESDAY
12:30-1:30 p.m.-Weekly Lunch Series, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes
4 p.m.-National Association of Scholars meeting, SUB Conference Room; see Notes
7-9 p.m.-Fall 2004 Multicultural Study Abroad Forum, SUB Alumni Room; see Notes

15 FRIDAY
Midterm break, no classes
1 p.m.-Men’s soccer vs. Findlay (Ohio), soccer field

16 SATURDAY
noon-Football vs. Central Missouri, Stokes Stadium; see Notes
2 p.m.-Women’s soccer vs. Rockhurst (Mo.), soccer field

18 MONDAY
5 p.m.-Midterm grades available on TruView

REMINDER TO STUDENTS

Please check your Truman e-mail account regularly.

Official University communications are sent only to Truman e-mail accounts.