Native American Heritage Month

“Smoke Signals” movie
8:30 p.m. Nov. 4
Violette Hall 1000
Snacks provided.

Musician
Howard Lyons
7:30 p.m. Nov. 8
SUB Activities Room
Join the renowned Howard Lyons for a jam session, food provided.

Flintnapper
Tim Murphy
1:30 p.m. Nov. 12
Violette Hall 1332
Demonstration of how to make stone knives and arrowheads. Light snacks will be provided.
Contact Multicultural Affairs at 785.4142 for more information.

International Dinner to Showcase Multicultural Cuisine and Entertainment

The International Club, International Student Affairs Office and the Funds Allotment Council will host the 54th Annual International Dinner at 6 p.m., Nov. 7, in the SUB Georgian Room.

The annual dinner, which is prepared by international students and American friends, will feature foods such as Feijoada com Arroz (Brazil), Dahi Bhalle (India), Banitza (Bulgaria), Danga (Japan), Dutch Apple Pie (Holland), Tacchino alla Marenmana (Italy), Goulash (Austria/Hungary), Oliv’e Salad (Ukraine) and more.

Cross-culture entertainment will showcase performances from various parts of the world. The performances include an Irish folk dance, Nepalese dance, a Native American dance performed by Americans, an American step dance, an Argentinian tango dance, songs from China, Japan and Nepal, an African poetry act and more.

Tickets for the dinner cost $10 each and are available in the International Student Affairs Office, located in Kirk Building 120. Tickets must be purchased in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. For more information, contact the International Student Affairs Office at 785.4215.

Division of Fine Arts to Present Juried Student Exhibit and Musical Performances

The Division of Fine Arts will host several upcoming events, including musical performances and two student art exhibits.

The Wind Symphony will perform at 8 p.m., Nov. 3, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

The Truman State University Symphony Orchestra will present a concert of music for chamber orchestra and string orchestra at 8 p.m., Nov. 6, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. The concert will be conducted by Sam McClure, associate professor of music. Selections will include Weber-Overture to “Oberon,” Vaughan Williams’ “Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis” and “Haydn-Symphony No. 88.” Nine string soloists will also perform “Last Round” by the acclaimed Argentinian composer Osvaldo Golijov.

The Jazz Lab Band and Combos will perform at 8 p.m., Nov. 8, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

The University Art Gallery at Truman State University presents the “2004 Juried Student Exhibit,” displaying the artwork of talented Truman students, as well as “A Strong Foundation,” featuring selected works from the studio foundations program. The shows open with a public reception at 6 p.m., Nov. 8, at the University Art Gallery.

Artworks in the Juried Student Exhibit vary greatly, from paintings to sculptures and fibers. The show is juried by Robert Hower, professor of art at Kansas State University (Manhattan). The gallery brings a juror in from outside Kirksville to ensure impartiality.

Several honors will also be bestowed on artists in the exhibit. Five students will be selected by the juror for Juror’s Recognition Awards. Three students will be selected by a committee for Student Union Purchase Prizes. These artworks will be displayed, along with past winners, in the Student Union Building.

University Art Gallery programs are presented by the Division of Fine Arts and include national, regional and student and faculty exhibits. The Gallery also relies on support from numerous other organizations and individuals in the Kirksville community.

For more information about any of these events, contact the Division of Fine Arts Office at 785.4417.

Truman Webcam Now Live

Check out Truman’s new Webcam at http://webcam.truman.edu

The Webcam showcases the Truman Quadrangle.
The camera was funded by the Truman parents project.
Two additional cameras at other campus locations will be online soon.
Assessment Internships at Truman Offer Students Chance to Explore Truman’s Program

Truman State University is announcing that Assessment Internships are now being offered. The Assessment Internships offer students a chance to explore the University’s assessment program in a variety of ways, including, from the vantage point and methodological practices of their own discipline. Because assessment is implemented in numerous ways and on a variety of levels within the University, students may choose the area(s) in which they are most interested for further investigation. Assessment Internships are designed to be flexible, allowing students from many majors the opportunity to enjoy an internship experience directly applicable to their particular field of study. These internships allow students to further their own understanding of the role of assessment at Truman while also learning the role that people from every discipline play in assessment. The University will benefit from increased publicity of the assessment program on campus, greater student awareness of the program and student support. Internship projects are designed to suit the needs and interests both of the student and of the assessment program.

Assessment Internships are recommended for, but not limited to, students from the following areas: communication, computer science, education, English, history, marketing, political science, psychology, statistics and visual communication. Students must have junior or senior status and a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Students must also meet University internship guidelines.

Four credits are awarded for the completion of an Assessment Internship. Three of the four credits are pass/fail credits awarded for the completion of the internship project objectives. The remaining credit is a graded (A-F) evaluation and analysis credit based on the reflective academic component of the internship. Credits may be either major (DISC) or elective (INDV), based upon the individual participating in the internship.

Students must work a minimum of ten hours per week for one semester for full credit (based on 40 hours of work per credit hour).

Each intern is assigned both a project and a faculty supervisor. The project supervisor will directly oversee and direct the student’s work while the faculty supervisor will aid in coordinating the internship into a student’s major and evaluate the academic component. Students will be supervised and assessed based on pre-determined learning objectives agreed upon by the intern as well as the project and the faculty supervisor.

Possible internship projects include, but are not limited to, the following: Publicity or Web site Design, Student Interview Project, History of Assessment and Assessment Grants Publicity. Students may also wish to coordinate an internship program to suit the needs of their particular major(s) and/or minor(s). The creation of programs in conjunction with project and faculty supervisors is encouraged.

Interested students should contact David Gillette at 785.4334 or gigillette@truman.edu or Marcie Kottemann at 785.4801 or marcie@truman.edu. Applications can be picked up from the Vice President for Academic Affairs’ Office and should be returned to Erika Woehlk in the same office (McClain Hall 203).

Internships at Truman Presidential Library Offer Unique Experience for Students

Truman State University is pleased to announce the annual paid internship for two Truman State University students at the Harry S. Truman Presidential Library and Museum, located in Independence, Mo. The internships have been made possible by a generous endowment from the family of Fred and Ethel Schwengel.

The internships are for the summer 2005, and are open to all Truman juniors and seniors who meet University requirements for an internship. Students can earn up to 10 hours of credit for this full-time internship. After being selected by a University committee and the Truman Library staff, the interns may work in a variety of areas of the library including archives, public relations, marketing, educational programming, museum development or visitor services. Assignments will be based on the interns’ abilities and interests.
Notables


Two Truman State University music students have received recognition in the 2004 Missouri Music Teachers Association Composition Competition. Carol Perry, senior music and pre-education double major from Cumberland, Wis., received second place for her composition “Four Songs After Anna Ahkmatova.” Adam Hardin, senior music major from Louisville, Ky., received fourth place for his composition “Fantasia for Two Pianos.” Perry and Hardin are students of Warren Gooch, professor of music theory/composition.

The Truman State University collegiate chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma has been recognized as an Exemplary Chapter for its superior level of membership acceptance in the 2003-2004 academic year. By receiving the Exemplary Chapter award, the Truman chapter is being recognized for its high level of success in recruiting top business students into the Society. Each year, collegiate Beta Gamma Sigma chapters extend invitations to the top seven percent of business juniors, the upper 10 percent of business seniors, and the highest 20 percent of business graduate students. Chapters reporting a 70 percent acceptance rate of invited potential members at both the graduate and undergraduate level, and those chapters indicating an 85 percent acceptance rate at one academic level, are considered to be Exemplary. With Exemplary Chapter status, the Truman State University BGS collegiate chapter is now eligible to award a $1,000 Beta Gamma Sigma scholarship in the 2005-2006 academic year. Truman’s Beta Gamma Sigma chapter will also receive a certificate commemorating its Exemplary accomplishments. Of the 417 Beta Gamma Sigma chapters currently established on college and university campuses, only 52 were recognized as an Exemplary Chapter in 2004.

Huping Ling Presents Book to University

Huping Ling, convener and professor of Asian history, (left) recently presented her new book “Chinese St. Louis: From Enclave to Cultural Community” to Truman State University President Barbara Dixon (right).

Ling spoke about her book at a book signing held at the Truman Bookstore. Copies are available to purchase at the Truman Bookstore.

The book is the first empirical and comprehensive study of a Midwest Asian American community. It reconstructs the history of Chinese Americans in St. Louis from the mid-19th century to the present.

Scholarship Opportunities Available

The Truman State University Financial Aid Office would like to announce scholarship opportunities available.

The Missouri Retired Teacher Foundation is offering seven $1,000 scholarships that will be awarded to students enrolled in a Teacher Education Program and to teachers actively employed in Missouri public schools. Applicants must be Missouri residents. Applications must be postmarked by Dec. 15 and the scholarships will be awarded in March 2005.

To obtain an application for this scholarship, stop by the Financial Aid Office located in McClain Hall 103.

Glamour magazine is sponsoring a 2005 Top Ten College Women Competition. Winners receive a $2,000 cash prize, coverage in the October 2005 issue of Glamour, and the opportunity to meet with top female professionals in their field, usually during a trip to New York City, where the winners have a chance to meet each other. Applicants must be full-time juniors for the 2004-2005 academic year and have leadership experience, involvement on campus and in the community, excellence in their field of study and unique aspiring goals. Applications must be received by Feb. 10, 2005, and may be obtained through the Truman Financial Aid Office in McClain Hall 103 or by e-mailing ttcw@glamour.com.

Graduate School Week
Nov. 8-12
Hosted by the Career Center

Meet with Graduate Program Representatives
10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Outside Mainstreet Market

Webster University
All graduate programs
Nov. 8

University of Missouri
Graduate programs in law, M.B.A. and public affairs
Nov. 10

University of Missouri
Graduate programs in plant science, biochemistry and biological science
Nov. 11

Rockhurst University
Graduate programs in physical therapy, occupational therapy and communication science & disorders

University of Missouri
Science and Math Academy for the Recruitment and Retention of Teachers
Nov. 12

Walk-in Graduate School Assistance
2-4 p.m. • Nov. 8
Career Center

Kaplan Test Prep
10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. • Nov. 9
Outside Mainstreet Market

Law School Expo
Sponsored by the Pre-Law Club
11 a.m.-5 p.m. • Nov. 9
SUB Activities Room

“Bound for Graduate School?”
Presented by Donald Asher
1-2 p.m. • Nov. 9
Violette Hall 1000

Walk-in Graduate School Assistance
3-5 p.m. • Nov. 10
Career Center

“Writing the Personal Statement”
Presented by Royce Kallerud
6-7 p.m. • Nov. 10
SUB Governors Room

“Show Me the Money”
5-6 p.m. • Nov. 11
SUB Governors Room

For more information, call the Career Center at 785.4353.
The Center for Teaching and Learning will have its Weekly Lunch Series for faculty, teaching staff and GTRAs at 12:30 p.m., Nov. 3, in the SUB Spanish Room. This week’s topic is “Giving ‘Good’ Grades: Oral Presentations.” Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is sponsoring the “Help...I’m Drunk in College” presentation from 5-6:30 p.m., Nov. 3, in VH 1212. This event will talk about the effects of alcohol on students socially and physically.

The Center for Teaching and Learning will have a bonus session for the Weekly Lunch Series at 12:30 p.m., Nov. 4, in the SUB Spanish Room. This bonus session will feature Huping Ling speaking about “Is a Japan Study Tour in Your Future?” Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

The Truman Child Development Center 2004-2005 Seminar Series continues with a presentation by Jo Agnew at 5 p.m., Nov. 4, in VH 1320. Agnew will speak about “No Child Left Behind?: A Critique of the New ‘Kindergarten.’ ” Light refreshments will be served. Childcare can be arranged by contacting the education division office at 785.4383 at least two days before the event.

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) will meet from 4:30-6 p.m., Nov. 5, at the University Club. Contact Marc Becker at 785.6036 for more information.

SAB will show “The Village” at 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m., Nov. 5, and at 3:30 p.m., Nov. 6, in VH 1000. Student ID required to enter up until five minutes before showtime. At that time, if seats are still available, those without student ID will be seated. Call SAB at 785.4722 for more information.

The Fall 2004 pledge class of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia is having a Date and Service Auction from 7-8 p.m., Nov. 5, in OP 2340. Pledge class members and active members will be auctioned off for odd jobs and dates. For more information, contact Bradly Gassner at 636.667.8593.

Applications for Omicron Delta Kappa, a national honor leadership fraternity, are currently available in the Office of Student Affairs, KB 112. Juniors and seniors who meet the academic requirements are encouraged to apply and the deadline is Nov. 5. For more information, contact Pascael Barclay at 785.4798 or David Hoffman at 785.4111.

The Campus Diversity Committee and Student Senate are sponsoring the “Fostering Diversity in a 21st Century Liberal Arts University” at 7 p.m., Nov. 12, in VH 1010, and at 11 a.m., Nov. 13, in VH 1000. The retreat consists of a movie night Friday and workshops Saturday that will be led by faculty members and students. They will discuss nurturing diversity awareness as well as promoting student involvement in upcoming on-campus events and issues. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please sign up in advance during the week prior to the retreat at the Student Senate Office, located in the Student Union Building. Snacks and lunch provided. Contact Ebube Nwazota at enwazota@truman.edu for more information.

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BIOL 444: Expanding Environmental Consciousness, a two-hour elective, will be offered again for the spring 2005 semester to any interested students. The class will meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m., Mondays, in PB 331. The course offers broad exposure to the foundations of environmentalism and environmental ethics, while providing a unique discussion-based classroom setting. Contact Stephanie Malin at 665.0173 for more information.

Phi Kappa Phi announces Study/Internship Abroad grants worth $1,000 for Phi Kappa Phi members and non-members in all fields of study. Eligible students must have between 56 and 90 semester hours as of Jan. 15, 2005, and have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. The study abroad experience must take place between May 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006. Applications are due Jan. 15, 2005. Details and applications may be picked up in the Center for International Education, or from Wynne Wilbur, OP 1229 or 785.4435.

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.

Phi Kappa Phi announces Graduate Fellowships worth $2,000-$3,000 for graduate study. Truman PKP active members who plan to be a full-time graduate student next year should submit applications to the local chapter office by Feb. 1, 2005. Details and applications may be picked up in the Center for International Education, or from Wynne Wilbur, OP 1229 or 785.4435.

Teach English in France. In the coming spring, the French government will hire up to 1,700 American speakers of English between the ages of 20 and 30 to serve in paid internships of 12 hours per week as English assistants and teachers’ aides in their elementary and secondary schools. Currently, three Truman alumni are teaching in this program and dozens have done it in the past. Learn more about the program on the Web site at http://www.ciep.fr/en/assistantetr/pays/usa.htm and http://frenchculture.org/education/support/assistant/index.html. Students do not have to be a French major or senior to apply, but their language skills need to be good enough to function in the country. Contact gsiewart@truman.edu for more information. Applications must arrive in Chicago before Feb. 15, 2005.

On Campus

2 TUESDAY
Election Day
7 p.m.-Volleyball vs. Indian Hills (Exhibition), Pershing Arena

3 WEDNESDAY
12:30-1:30 p.m.-Weekly Lunch Series for faculty, GTRAs and teaching staff, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes

4 THURSDAY
Last Day to drop Fall 2004 full semester courses
12:30 p.m.-Bonus Weekly Lunch Series session featuring Huping Ling, SUB Spanish Room; see Notes

5 p.m.-Child Development Center Seminar Series, VH 1320; see Notes
8:30 p.m.-“Smoke Signals,” VH 1000; see Page 1

5 FRIDAY
4:30-6 p.m.-American Association of University Professors meeting, University Club; see Notes
5 p.m.-Bulldog Swimming Invitational, natatorium
6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.-SAB to show “The Village,” VH 1000; see Notes

6 SATURDAY
President’s Distinguished Scholar Visit Day
9 a.m. and 3 p.m.-Bulldog Swimming Invitational, natatorium
11 a.m.-Women’s soccer vs. Southwest Baptist, soccer field
noon-Football vs. Southwest Baptist, Stokes Stadium
2 p.m.-Men’s soccer vs. University of Missouri-Rolla, soccer field
3:30 p.m.-SAB to show “The Village,” VH 1000; see Notes

8 p.m.-University Symphony Orchestra concert, OP Performance Hall; see Notes

7 SUNDAY
noon-Women’s soccer vs. Northwest Missouri, soccer field
6 p.m.-Annual International Dinner, SUB Georgian Room; see Page 1

8 MONDAY
7:30 p.m.-Musician Howard Lyons, SUB Activities Room; see Page 1

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