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Second Presidential Candidate to Visit Campus

Barbara B. Dixon

provost and vice president for academic affairs at the State University of New York at Geneseo

Open Forum for Staff

1 p.m. • Feb. 24
SUB Alumni Room

Open Forum for Faculty

3:30 p.m. • Feb. 24
Violette Hall 1000

Open Forum for Students

5 p.m. • Feb. 24
Violette Hall 1000

For those who cannot attend the forums, they will be replayed on Channel 36 starting at 6 p.m. Feb. 25.

Business Week 2003 "Bringing it all Together"

"Leadership in the 21st Century: Integrating Masculine & Feminine Strengths"

Presented by
Virginia O'Brien
7 p.m.
Feb. 18

Baldwin Auditorium

"Making the Connection: How to Network Effectively & Make the Most of Your Business Education"

Panel discussion of local business professionals
6:30 p.m.
Feb. 19
SUB Georgian Room

Truman Scholarship of Assessment Grants Initiated

The Vice President's Advisory Committee on Assessment is pleased to announce the initiation of Truman Scholarship of Assessment Grants. This support is being provided in response to a call from the campus community for improved analysis and use of assessment data to guide and inform our decisions. In addition, the grants are designed to help promote the development of the scholarship of teaching and learning here on campus in keeping with the growing national push toward the development of such scholarship.

The grants are directed toward two basic goals: 1) to improve the quality of

student learning and development at Truman, and 2) to enhance the culture of assessment through faculty and staff participation in assessment research and scholarship. The guidelines are designed to encourage proposals that focus on promoting student success at Truman and will emphasize the use of assessment results to improve the learning experience of our students. The grant guidelines and the application form are available as PDF documents at <http://assessment.truman.edu/grants2003.pdf>. Applications are to be submitted to division offices no later than 5 p.m., March 17. Faculty and staff are invited to apply.

Division of Fine Arts to Present Theater Production, Symphony Orchestra Concert, Art Exhibit Opening

The Division of Fine Arts has several upcoming events including a theater production, symphony orchestra concert and student art exhibit.

The Truman State University Theater Department will present "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" at 8 p.m., Feb. 18-22, in the Ophelia Parrish Courtyard Theatre. "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" is Tennessee Williams' Pulitzer Prize winning play about the interaction of a 1950s family amidst the storm of a common crisis.

Gone is the cheerful and innocent "Leave it to Beaver" facade typically used to portray American family life in the mid-twentieth century. In its place is a reality where everyone is an "isolated individual unto themselves."

The cancer that slowly consumes the larger than life patriarch "Big Daddy" also spreads its corrosive deterioration to the rest of the family. "Brick," the ice-cold favorite son, is literally crippled by his dependency on alcohol. "Maggie," his wife, is the poor "cat" who has unknowingly jumped on this

"hot tin roof." She must decide whether to jump off or to bare her claws and fight to the death for her one shot at "happiness."

Lee Orchard will direct this main stage production. Tickets are \$2 at the door and in advance at the theatre box office, located on the first floor of Ophelia Parrish. Call 785.4515 for more information.

The Truman State University Symphony Orchestra will perform a concert at 8 p.m., Feb. 20, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. The orchestra will perform the music of Mozart, Wiesenberg and Beethoven. Admission is free. Contact Sam McClure at 785.4434 for more information.

The Opening Reception for the Annual Juried Student Exhibit will be at 7 p.m., Feb. 24, in the University Art Gallery. The exhibit contains the best artwork created by Truman State University students. The show is juried by a juror from outside Truman. The exhibit will be on display from Feb. 24-March 7. Contact Aaron Fine at 785.5386 for more information.

35th Annual Phi Mu Alpha JAZZ FESTIVAL

Featuring

Jazz Trumpeter
RANDY BRÉCKER

to perform with

THE TRUMAN JAZZ
ENSEMBLE

7:30 p.m.
Feb. 22

Baldwin Auditorium

General admission
is

Free for students
with a valid
Truman Student ID

and
\$6 for non-students

*Tickets will be available
at the door
or in advance
by contacting
Adam Claypool
at
665.5645*

The Registrar's Office
will be closed on the
following dates for
training on the
new student
information system:

Feb. 24

8:30 a.m. to noon

March 3

8:30 a.m. to noon

March 11

8:30 a.m. to noon

March 12

8:30 a.m. to noon

March 13

8:30 a.m. to noon

Health Fair Kicks Off with Norm Stewart

The 2003 Health Awareness Week will kick off with speaker Norm Stewart, the winningest basketball coach in the University of Missouri-Columbia history, at 6 p.m., Feb. 19, in Baldwin Auditorium.

The theme for this year's Health Awareness Week is "Look Good Naked and Feel Great, Too!"

Free HIV screening will be available from 1-7 p.m., Feb. 20, in the SUB Activities Room. The first 40 people tested for HIV will receive the oral test. All others will

receive a blood-drawn test.

Free health and fitness screening will be offered at the Health Awareness Fair from 1-7 p.m., Feb. 20, in the Student Recreation Center. All activities are free and open to the general public.

Health Awareness Week 2003 is sponsored by NSA, CODA, Phi Epsilon Kappa, the Women's Resource Center, the Student Health Center and Truman State University. For more information about the week's activities, contact Carrie Wells at 785.5371.

Students Interned at Danforth Center

Ben Millett, senior biology major from Wildwood, Mo.; Kerry Massman, spring 2002 graduate from Wright City, Mo.; and Julie Strandquist, spring 2002 graduate from St. Louis; participated in the Danforth Center's undergraduate research internship program last summer.

The Danforth Center, located in St. Louis, hosted eight interns from Missouri and Illinois in the 2002 program. Each intern worked with an experienced scientist, and the internships culminated in a symposium.

Massman's project was "Plants: The Future Platform for Antibody Production." Millett's project was "Disease Resistance Influenced by Levels of CDR1 Expression in *Arabidopsis Thaliana*." Strandquist's project was "A Signal Peptide Used to Study Membrane Trafficking to the Vacuole of Plant Cells."

This is the third year for the Danforth Center's undergraduate research internship program. The program is funded by the support of outside sponsors.

Chappell Featured as Technology Champion

Steven Chappell, assistant professor of Communication, is this week's featured Technology Champion.

The Technology Champions are a group of faculty and staff who collectively have expertise in 65 areas of technology, particularly software applications and their use. The Technology Champions have agreed to be available to answer your specific questions about their respective areas of expertise.

Chappell has an extensive professional background in publication editing and design. His software expertise includes Quark XPress, Pagemaker, Photoshop,

Illustrator and Freehand, as well as basic familiarity with most Web design programs.

He also consults on design projects in both print and online formats, and the students in his publication design and layout class design projects for real-world clients. So let Chappell know if you need something designed. In addition to working with design software, he is well versed in Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint, and prefers to work on a Macintosh.

Contact Chappell at 785.7227 or at chappell@truman.edu.

Upcoming Housing Fair Good Time to Consider University Internships

The Housing Placement Fair will offer live housing renewal for all returning students wishing to live in University housing for the 2003-2004 academic year from 1-5 p.m., Feb. 23, in the SUB Activities Room. Contact John Mounsey at 785.4227 for more information.

This is also a good opportunity to inves-

tigate on-campus housing for those considering to participate in University sponsored internships. An example would be the legislative internships at the Missouri State Capitol in Jefferson City. The legislative internship is during the spring semester as part of the Missouri Government Internship Program.

Notables

Christina Degenhardt, sophomore health science major from Perryville, Mo., and **Elizabeth Carpenter**, junior health science major from Cameron, Mo., had their manuscript "Safe Brake: A Highway Safety Legislative Advocacy Campaign" published in the journal *The Health Educator*.

Suzanne L. Pieper, assessment specialist, will have her article "From 8-Track to DVD: Updating Current Assessment Practice" published in the March/April 2003 issue of *Assessment Update: Progress, Trends and Practices in Higher Education*. The article was written with Keston H. Fulcher.

Pieper and Fulcher are doctoral students at James Madison University.

Mark Spitzer, assistant professor of English, recently had his translation of Rimbaud's "Fourth Evangelical Poem" published in the literary journal *Tight*, no. 2. **James L. Tichenor**, professor of psychology, recently completed a two-year tenure on a committee established through the Missouri Department of Mental Health. The committee developed and submitted a report titled "Practice Guidelines for Screening and Assessment for Children, Youth, and Families."

Students Recognized for High Scores

The President's Certificate of Recognition for Outstanding Academic Achievement was given to the following Fall 2002 graduates who achieved the 97th percentile or above on the required nationally normed senior exam prescribed by faculty in their respective major fields. Recipients' transcripts also list this achievement.

Those receiving the recognition include: Kimberly Carpenter, business; Charles Coffey, business; Robert Gray, business and

accountancy; Jeremy Gray, political science; Ryan Jennings, business; Brendan Kane, political science; Kristine Kuenker, sociology/anthropology; Austin Lepper, business; Kristina Neathery, psychology; Timothy Papuga, business; Michael Redding, business; Heidi Ross, accounting; Anna Rudroff, psychology; Thomas Schuette, political science; Thomas Spencer, business; Matthew Wilson, business; and Kimberly Winans, business and accountancy.

Scholarship Opportunities Available

Several scholarship opportunity deadlines are approaching.

The Talbots Charitable Foundation is pleased to offer a unique, national \$100,000 scholarship program (five \$10,000 scholarships and fifty \$1,000 scholarships annually) in keeping with its long-standing tradition of serving the community. The fund is for women who earned their high school diploma or GED at least 10 years ago, and who are now seeking a college degree. Application deadline is March 3. Contact the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103, for an application, or visit the Web at <http://www.talbots.com/about/scholar/scholar.asp>.

USA Funds, the nation's leading education-loan guarantor, is offering up to \$3 million in renewable scholarships to students with financial need. Full-time students are eligible for \$1,500 awards and half-time undergraduates may qualify for \$750 awards. Up to 50 percent of the scholarships will be targeted to students who, in

addition to demonstrating financial need, are members of an ethnic-minority group or are physically disabled. Application deadline is March 15. See the Financial Aid Office or visit the Web at <http://www.usafunds.org> for more information or an application.

The Journalism Foundation of Metropolitan St. Louis is inviting eligible students to apply for the 2003-2004 journalism scholarships. Students of journalism or related fields who are residents of the St. Louis metropolitan area (City of St. Louis; Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, St. Charles, St. Louis and Warren counties in Missouri; and Bond, Clinton, Jersey, Madison, Monroe and St. Clair counties in Illinois) are eligible to receive scholarships.

Recipients are chosen on the basis of aptitude and interest in pursuing a career in journalism or a related field. Academic achievement and financial need are also considered. Application deadline is March 18. Contact the Financial Aid Office for more information or an application.

All interested faculty and staff members are invited to attend a meeting to discuss the creation of an interdisciplinary environmental studies minor at Truman
4:30 to 6 p.m.
Feb. 27
Magruder Hall 124

If you have questions, would like more information, or would like to offer input but cannot attend this meeting, contact Michael Seipel at 785.4316 or mseipel@truman.edu.

Black History Month Events

Feb. 21

Performance: The Lincoln University Dance Troupe
7 p.m. • Ryle Hall

Feb. 21-22

35th Annual Phi Mu Alpha Jazz Festival
OP & SUB

Feb. 22

Performance: Spoken Visions Poetry & Live Music Group
7 p.m. • BH Little Theater

Feb. 23

Performance: Sights and Sounds of Africa
6 p.m. • SUB Down Under

Feb. 28

Black History Knowledge Bowl
6 p.m. • SUB Down Under

Sponsored by the MAC and the Residential Living Diversity Outreach Council

Notes

The Center for Teaching and Learning Weekly Lunch Series will meet from 12:30-1:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 18, in the SUB Spanish Room. The topic, "Internships," will be lead by Maria Di Stefano and Stephanie Chipman. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4391 for more information.

The Education Division will sponsor "The Pilots and Students FAA Safety Seminar" from 7-9:15 p.m., Feb. 18, in the SUB Activities Room. Randy Robinson, flight standards office safety specialist of the Federal Aviation Administration of Kansas City, will speak about "Aircraft Collisions at Airports: Runway Incursions." Contact Mark Thompson at 665.1880 for more information.

The College Greens and ECO will sponsor a lecture/video presentation titled "Iraq in the Balance: Rebuilding Infrastructure and Resisting War" at 7 p.m., Feb. 18, in VH 1000. Tom Sager, a former associate professor of computer science at UM-Rolla, will deliver the lecture. Contact Kayla Flynn at 785.5537 for more information.

Ekklesia will sponsor a devotional at 8 p.m., Feb. 18, at #9 Randolph Apts. Contact LaKeshia Dean at 785.7127 for more information.

Dobson Hall and Fine Arts Film Series will show the movie "Farewell, My Concubine" at 6 p.m., Feb. 19, in OP 2210.

The Center for Teaching and Learning will sponsor a Live Satellite Event "Copyright Issues Online" at 1:30-3 p.m., Feb. 20, in the SUB Governors Room. Key experts in higher education copyright law will analyze current issues. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4391 for more information.

The U.S. Department of Education is announcing the second year of the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholars Program. Under this initiative, college juniors, seniors or graduate students are eligible to apply for an eight-week, paid internship this summer in the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, D.C. Up to ten students will be selected, and can be from any field of study. Visit <http://www.ed.gov>, <http://www.studentjobs.gov> or the Truman Financial Aid Office in MC 103 for more information. The deadline for application is Feb. 21.

The African Student Association will sponsor "Sights and Sounds of Africa," a variety show concerning issues within the continent at 6 p.m., Feb. 23, in the SUB Down Under. It will be an evening of African tradition featuring dances, a fashion show, a skit, food, poetry, songs and more. Admission is free and open to the public. Contact Tara Kachipande at

349.9793 for more information.

Students interested in the Missouri-London Study Abroad Program should attend a special meeting from 4:30-5:30 p.m., Feb. 25 or Feb. 26, in the SUB Alumni Room. Dennis Leavens will lead the discussion. Refreshments provided. Contact Dennis Leavens at 785.4269 for more information.

SAB presents illusionist Dai Williams at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 25, in the SUB Georgian Room. Admission is free with a valid Truman ID. Call 785.4722 for more information.

The Globalization Colloquia Committee will present the lecture, "Globalization and its Discontents" by Bruce Coggins and Emmanuel Nnadozie at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 26, in the SUB Activities Room. The lecture is free and open to the public. Contact Linda Seidel at 785.4491 for more information.

The Ryle Hall SAs will be kicking off their fund-raising efforts for Heifer International with an informational meeting at 7 p.m., Feb. 26, in the Ryle Hall Main Lounge. A speaker from Heifer International will present at the meeting. For more information, e-mail TrumanHeiferProject@hotmail.com.

The Art of Living Club will offer an introduction and registration for a short course in meditation at 7 p.m., Feb. 27, in BT 202B. The focus is to reduce stress and realize a deeper potential. Contact Michael Heinz at 627.7482 for more information.

HALO and Sigma Lambda Beta will sponsor "Carnival," a Latin dance party, from 7:30-10:30 p.m., March 1, in the SUB Down Under. Cost is \$2.

A shuttle to the LaPlata train station for midterm break will depart at 9 a.m., March 8, from the Public Safety Building. Tickets are \$5 in advance with registration. Call Joyce at 785.4177 to reserve a space for the shuttle to LaPlata or for the return trip from LaPlata on March 16.

Additional 2003 Leadership Awards nomination forms are available in the Center for Student Involvement, lower level of the SUB. Nominations are due by 5 p.m., March 12, in the Center for Student Involvement.

The 2003-2004 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available on the Web at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>. Apply soon to be considered for all available federal and state funds. Contact the Financial Aid Office, MC 103, 785.4130, if you have questions.

2003 Educator of the Year nomination forms are available in the Center for Student Involvement, lower level of the SUB.

On Campus

18 TUESDAY

7-9 p.m.-**Business in the 21st Century, Baldwin Auditorium**; see Page 1
7-9:15 p.m.-**"Aircraft Collisions on Airports-Runway Incursions," SUB Activities Room**; see Notes 8 p.m.-**"Cat On A Hot Tin Roof" opening night, OP Courtyard Theatre**; see Page 1

19 WEDNESDAY

5:30 p.m.-**Women's Basketball vs. Rolla, Pershing Arena**
6 p.m.-**"Farewell, My Concubine," OP 2210**; see Notes
6:30-8:30 p.m.-**Bringing It All Together, SUB Georgian Room**; see Page 1
7:30 p.m.-**Men's Basketball vs. Rolla, Pershing Arena**

20 THURSDAY

6 p.m.-**Public Talk by Juror of Student Exhibition, OP 2210**; see Master Calendar
8 p.m.-**Symphony Orchestra Concert, OP Performance Hall**; see Page 1

22 SATURDAY

noon-**Baseball vs. Graceland, Truman Baseball Field**
7 p.m.-**35th Annual Jazz Fest with guest Randy Brecker, Baldwin Auditorium**; see Page 2

23 SUNDAY

1-5 p.m.-**Housing Placement Fair, SUB Activities Room**; see Page 2
5 p.m.-**Harry Cecil Recital, OP Performance Hall**; see Master Calendar

24 MONDAY

7 p.m.-**Opening Reception for Juried Student Exhibition, University Art Gallery**; see Page 2
8 p.m.-**Julianna Moore and Michael Bump Faculty Recital, OP Performance Hall**; see Master Calendar

25 TUESDAY

7:30 p.m.-**Illusionist Dai Williams, SUB Georgian Room**; see Notes

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