

# TRUMAN

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## Mathematics and Art Colloquium

presented by

**Joseph A. Gallian**  
from the University of  
Minnesota-Duluth

3:30-4:20 p.m.

April 9

Violette Hall 1212

April is Mathematical  
Awareness Month  
This year's theme is  
Math and Art

For more information, visit  
<http://mathforum.org/mam/03>

## Students to Present Research, Scholarship and Creative Achievement at Annual Conference

Truman State University will host a University-wide Celebration of Student Research, Scholarship and Creative Achievement April 10, in Ophelia Parrish and Violette Hall. This umbrella event will include two separate meetings, the 16th

Annual Undergraduate Research Conference and the Graduate Research Conference, that are united by a cohesive program. The Graduate Research Conference will become an annual event.

The daylong Celebration event is an expansion of Truman's successful Undergraduate Research Conference. Scheduled classes will not meet during the



Keynote speaker  
Joseph Gallian

day on April 10. This is a record year for the conference with 257 student presentations, 349 student authors and 146 faculty mentors representing all academic disciplines and divisions.

Joseph Gallian from the University of Minnesota-Duluth will present the keynote address, a new feature to the conference, from 11 a.m. until noon in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall. Gallian's topic will be "Undergraduate Research is Hot!"

Another added feature this year will be roundtable discussions. Students and faculty can bring a lunch and participate in sessions from noon-1:15 p.m. in the Student Union Building.

Check out the insert in this issue for the program at-a-glance or view the Web site for full abstract browsing capabilities and the full program: <http://src.truman.edu/>.

## UPCOMING FINE ARTS EVENTS

### GREEK COMEDY "LYSISTRATA"

THE FINAL PRODUCTION OF THE  
2002-2003 THEATRE SEASON

8 p.m. • April 8

Admission is free

8 p.m. • April 9-12

Admission is \$2

OP Courtyard Theatre

*This play contains  
strong sexual content*

### JAZZ COMBOS I CONCERT

8 p.m. • April 9

OP Performance Hall

### TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY

#### PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

#### SPRING CONCERT

*under the direction of*

*Michael Bump*

8 p.m. • April 14

OP Performance Hall

Admission is free

## Ishiyama Named Carnegie Scholar

The Carnegie Academy for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (CASTL) has selected John Ishiyama, associate professor of political science, as one of the 2003 class of Carnegie Scholars who will work together to invent and share new models for teaching, learning and research.

"The Carnegie Scholars Program supports the work of distinguished faculty who are contributing to an emerging scholarship of teaching and learning," said Lee Shulman, president of The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Shulman said such work is essential because teaching tends to be a private act, limited to the teacher and students. It is rarely evaluated by professional

peers. "The result is that those who engage in innovative acts of teaching rarely build upon the work of others. We work to make teaching public, subject to critical evaluation, and usable by others," he said.

The Carnegie Scholars Program is open to faculty from all types of institutions, and draws applicants from around the world. This year's applicants were selected from the many different academic disciplines that fall under the broad umbrella of liberal learning. Ishiyama will be joining 25 Carnegie colleagues this summer from institutions such as Georgetown University, William and Mary, California State University, Indiana University and the University of New South Wales.

## Children's Lit Festival Celebrates 20th Year

Approximately 1,500 fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade students will participate in the 20th Annual Truman State University Children's Literature Festival from 9 a.m. to 2:15 p.m., April 11, on the Truman campus.

Students will participate in 30-minute sessions with guest authors and illustrators. All children attending the program must be pre-registered. University students, faculty, staff and Kirksville community members are welcome to attend any of the sessions, but they must also be pre-registered. Interested people are welcome to attend an informal meeting with the authors and illustrators from 3-4 p.m. in the SUB Conference Room.

Visiting authors and illustrators include: William T. Anderson, Gladys Coggsell, Arthur Geisert, Valiska Gregory, Peni Griffin, Vicki Grove, Kristi Holl, Lynn McElfresh, Dorinda M. Nicholson and Stephanie Tolan. The authors' books are available at the Truman Bookstore.

The festival will conclude with a dinner at 6 p.m. in the SUB Alumni Room. The dinner is limited to pre-registered adults and children accompanied by an adult. The cost of the dinner is \$9.25. Coggsell will give a presentation at 7 p.m. in the SUB Alumni Room.

For more information, contact Ann McEndarfer at 785.6010.

## AMSA to Host the Second Annual Northeast Missouri Medical Conference

The Truman State University American Medical Student Association (AMSA) will host the Second Annual Northeast Missouri Medical Conference from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., April 12, in the Student Union Building.

The conference will feature a keynote speech from Michael Pierschbacher, vice president and research director of Integra Neurosciences. Pierschbacher graduated from Truman in 1974.

The program will include four breakout sessions with tracks targeting premedical students, medical students and physicians.

The sessions for premedical students

are: "Financing Medical School," "MCAT Made Easy by Kaplin," "Other Health Field Occupations" and "Gaining an Edge on Medical Applications."

The conference will give premedical students the opportunity to interact with physicians and medical students from around the state, as well as find out more information about Midwestern medical schools.

The Second Annual Northeast Missouri Medical Conference is free and open to the public. Contact Laura Main, conference chair, at 665.9652 or by e-mail at [trumanamsa@yahoo.com](mailto:trumanamsa@yahoo.com) to register.

## Peggy Ellis to Assess Truman's Nursing Honor Society

The Truman State University Nursing Honor Society will host Peggy Ellis, a representative from Sigma Theta Tau International, on April 9 and 10. Ellis will be assessing the Truman State University Nursing Honor Society to determine whether it meets requirements for chartered status as a chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International.

The purpose of the Truman Nursing Honor Society is to honor and recognize superior academic achievement, high professional standards and expertise and leadership in nursing. In addition, the nursing honor society fosters professional standards, encourages creative work and strengthens commitment to the purposes of the profession.

In 1998, a steering committee was formed to develop a Nursing Honor

Society at the Truman campus. On May 8, 1999, the Truman Nursing Honor Society inducted 57 charter members. It was at that time that the first slate of officers were elected and installed. The past four years have been spent further developing the Nursing Honor Society and working toward meeting the requirements of Sigma Theta Tau International. Four additional inductions have taken place bringing the current membership to 120 members.

The Truman Nursing Honor Society has sponsored activities including Senior Capstones for students each fall and a Capstones of Nursing with oral and poster presentations by students and nurse leaders each spring. The first Distinguished Nursing Scholars series will be held in the fall of 2003. It will include a speaker with national recognition in nursing research.

## Big Event Volunteers Assist Community

Students rake leaves on the Kirksville square during the Big Event held March 29 in the Kirksville community. The Big Event is a way for Truman students to say thanks to the Kirksville community through service activities such as washing windows, painting and much more.

Approximately 550 students participated in the Big Event organized by the SERVE Center. Volunteers included individuals and organizations.



## Notables

**Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence and professor of comparative literature**, has had two short stories, "At the Woodpile" and "The Sound of a Harmonica," accepted for publication in "Family, Friends and Strangers," an anthology of contemporary literature (Abbeywood Press, 2004).

**Michael Bump, assistant professor of music**, has recently received a composition award from the American Music Center of New York City. The award is from the Margaret M. Jory Fund for the creation of New Music. Bump won this award for his recent work, "Studie II: Ephytic," for solo timpanist and percussion quartet. He is planning on a campus performance of the work with the Truman State University Percussion Ensemble during the 2003-04 year, as well as performances scheduled in Champaign-Urbana, Ill., and Louisville, Ky.

**Huping Ling, associate professor of history**, has been selected as one of the 12 participants from the United States for the Japan Study Tour, June 1-11, 2003, sponsored by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business and the Keizai Koho Center. The selection process is competitive

and the participants are chosen from applicants who are program directors, deans, department chairs and faculty who lead or influence curriculum development. During the 10-day program in Japan, participants will experience Japanese culture, visit major Japanese corporations, interact with business executives and academics, and meet with government officials and key business leaders.

**Andrew Heitmann, a spring 2002 Truman graduate**, has been awarded one of Truman's Distinguished Master's Thesis Awards for 2003 for his thesis "This Little Span of Life: The Reader's Sentimental Journey." Heitmann also has been selected as Truman's nominee for the annual M.A.G.S. Distinguished Master's Thesis Award. His thesis will compete with works from master's degree programs in an 18-state region.

**Bin Zhang, a spring 2002 Truman graduate**, also received a Distinguished Master's Thesis Award for 2003 for his thesis "The Effects of Nicotine on a 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> Receptor-Mediated Behavioral Model of Tourette's Syndrome."

## Student Organizations Perform to Connect African American Students Lives Through Performance

Three student organizations, the Coalition of African-American Women (CAAW), the African Students Association (ASA) and Illusion Danz Troupe, collaborated March 21 on a joint project called "Exploring the Connections Between West African and African American Cultures." These three organizations began last fall preparing for the March 21 performance at the Kirksville Junior High School.

Bertha Thomas, interim assistant dean of multicultural affairs, and Melanee Crist, international student adviser, wrote a grant in March 2002 that was funded for \$5,000 from NAFSA, the Association of International Educators, for a program called "Connecting African American Students Lives Through Performance: Extending Cultures to Rural Missouri." The purpose of this project was to strengthen the connections between African and African American students on Truman's campus and to provide middle school children the opportunity to learn about West African and African American cultures by using various means. An exhibition showing West African and African American

clothing, art, pictures and a PowerPoint presentation was set up in the middle school library. An interactive portion was set up where students had the opportunity to explore different cultures by trying on traditional African clothes, playing musical instruments and eating West African and African American food.

Sylvia Macauley, associate professor of history, felt the program "was important because it helped junior high students from rural Missouri know who the African Americans are and where they came from."

Approximately 600 middle school students participated and attended the culminating performance, which included a multi-media presentation, as well as music, dance and poetry. At the end of the program, students answered questions about what they had learned that day.

Suzan Hazen, a teacher at the Kirksville Jr. High School said she could see and feel the student's excitement. "Cultural programs are really important in rural communities since the students have less experience with other cultures in their daily lives," Hazen said.

## Two Scholarship Opportunities Available

Two scholarships are currently available to Truman students.

The **Missouri Waste Control Coalition** is pleased to announce its Environmental Scholarship Program established for students who have an interest in or are focusing on classes in the environmental studies field. One \$500 scholarship will be offered to help with tuition, books and other educational expenses. Applicants must be current college sophomores, juniors or seniors and have a minimum GPA of 2.7. The scholarship will be awarded based on academic achievement, an essay, extracurricular activities, leadership potential, community service and recommendations.

Applications may be obtained in the Financial Aid Office, MC 103. The deadline is April 15.

The **Hispanic College Fund, Inc.**, is offering scholarships to U.S. citizens of Hispanic background pursuing a business, computer science, engineering, business-related, science or NASA-related major with a 3.00 GPA or higher. Applicants must be full-time college freshman, sophomores, juniors or seniors by the fall of 2003. Applications are available at <http://www.hispanicfund.org>. The deadline is April 15.

### Residence Hall Aluminum Can Competition April 10-17

Contact Howard Worcester,  
recycling coordinator,  
at 785.7672  
for more information

# Notes

**Graduation clearance packets were mailed** March 31 for May 2003 graduates. Please contact the Registrar's Office at 785.4143 or registrar@truman.edu if you do not receive your packet. This packet is a graduation requirement and must be completed by April 25.

**The Cardinal Key Service Club** at Truman is conducting a book drive for the Adair County Public Library. They will accept new or used books in good condition. There is not a demand for textbooks, but the library needs all other types of books, including children's books. Cardinal Key will accept monetary donations as well. Checks should be made payable to Cardinal Key. Please drop off the books in the designated boxes at the Adair County Public Library, the Kirksville Primary School, Wal-Mart, Hy-Vee, Hastings, the Centennial Hall lobby and the CSI. For more information, please contact Katie Sauer at 627.1336.

**The Child Development Center is celebrating the "Week of the Young Child"** April 7-11. Helen Haughness, a prominent early childhood educator and researcher from Chicago, will speak to kindergarten and early childhood teachers from northeast Missouri April 11. She will speak about celebrating teachers of young children. Contact the CDC at 785.4473 for more information.

**The Center for Teaching and Learning Weekly Lunch Series** will meet from 12:30-1:15 p.m., April 8, in the SUB Spanish Room. The Weekly Lunch Series will present videotaped excerpts from the PBS teleconference "Cheating and Plagiarism Using the Internet." The Weekly Lunch Series also will present Joseph Gallian on the role of undergraduate research at Truman from 12:30-1:15 p.m., April 9, in the SUB Activities Room. Contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4391 for more information.

**There will be a planning meeting for groups wanting to participate in fund-raising to help Brian Archibald with medical expenses** at 1 p.m., April 8, in VH 2351. Archibald, a MAE student, was recently diagnosed with cancer. Any organization wishing to help should send a representative to the meeting. Contact Susan LaGrassa at 785.7496 for more information.

**The Dobson Hall and Fine Arts Film Series** will show the movie "Jésus of Montréal" at 6 p.m., April 9, in OP 2210.

**SAB will present comedian Mitch Hedberg** at 7 p.m., April 9, in Baldwin Auditorium. Tickets are available in the SAB Office, lower level of the SUB. Tickets are free with a student ID.

**Walt Disney World will introduce its college internship program** in an informational meeting at 6:30 p.m., April 10, in the SUB Georgian Room. Attendance is mandatory to interview. Log on to <http://wdwcollegeprogram.com> or e-mail Tina Nash at [tinanash@hotmail.com](mailto:tinanash@hotmail.com) for information.

**The Department of Public Safety will sponsor a Rape Aggression Defense Class** from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., April 12, in the Student Recreation Center. Register and pre-pay the \$10 fee at the Department of Public Safety from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday. The entire 10-hour program must be completed to receive credit. Call Public Safety at 785.4177

for more information.

**The Society of Physics Students will host the zone 12 spring meeting** April 11-12 in VH 1000.

Presentations will run from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., April 12, in VH 1000. The cost is free to attend, or \$5 for a program, breakfast and lunch. Students from schools in Oklahoma, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Missouri will be in attendance. Contact Kevin Haworth at 665.1512 for more information.

**Phi Beta Kappa will have its annual new member initiation** at 3 p.m., April 13, in the SUB Georgian Room. Phi Beta Kappa is the United States' oldest academic honor society and celebrates academic excellence in liberal arts.

**Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society**, will have its annual dinner and initiation ceremony at 6:30 p.m., April 15, in the SUB Spanish Room. The speaker at this year's event is John Petrocik, a PSA member and the University of Missouri political science department chair. Contact James Przybylski at 785.4657 for more information.

**The Truman Society of Dance Arts will perform a Spring Recital** at 7 p.m., April 16 and 17, in Baldwin Auditorium. Contact Jessica Moe at 665.0456 for more information.

**Graduation applications for students who want to graduate in December 2003** are due in the Registrar's Office, MC 104, by April 25.

**The Public Relations Office is now accepting résumés for the fall 2003 internship position.**

Interns receive course credit and valuable experience in desktop publishing and public relations office duties. Interested students should stop by the Public Relations Office, MC 102, call 785.4016 or e-mail Katie Svoboda at [ksvoboda@truman.edu](mailto:ksvoboda@truman.edu), no later than April 25.

**The Writing Center is currently accepting applications for Writing Consultants in English and Spanish** for the 2003-04 academic year. A limited number of stipend positions are available. However, candidates may choose to fulfill scholarship hours as consultants. Stop by the Writing Center, MC 303, to pick up job descriptions and application forms or check the Writing Center Web site at <http://ll.truman.edu/wc/wchome.html>. The application process must be completed by May 1. Contact Mary Lou Woehlk, director of the Writing Center, by e-mail, [mlw@truman.edu](mailto:mlw@truman.edu) or phone, 785.4691 for information.

**Students wishing to attend next fall's French or German Immersion Weekend** to be held Sept. 27-28 must obtain a yellow card. The course titles are FREN 232 and GER 232. Each is worth one credit hour and costs \$35. Contact Ron Manning at 785.4018 for French. Contact Andrea Davis at 785.4085 for German. Intermediate proficiency is required for German.

**Applications are now available for the 21st Century Leadership Academy.** The Academy is designed to teach women leadership skills, allow them to meet key public policy people in government and learn more about public policy. The training program will be May 18-23 at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. For more information, contact Patricia A. Miller at 785.4260.

# On Campus

## 8 TUESDAY

12:30-1:15 p.m.-**Center for Teaching and Learning Weekly Lunch Series, SUB Spanish Room**; see Notes

1 p.m.-**Baseball vs. Graceland, Baseball Field**

2 p.m.-**Softball vs. SW Baptist, Softball Field**

8 p.m.-**Opening Night: "Lysistrata," OP Courtyard Theatre**; see Page 1

## 9 WEDNESDAY

3:30-4:20 p.m.-**Math Arts Colloquium, VH 1212**; see Page 1

6 p.m.-**Movie: "Jésus of Montréal," OP 2210**; see Notes  
7 p.m.-**Comedian Mitch Hedberg, Baldwin Auditorium**; see Notes  
8 p.m.-**Jazz Compos Concert, OP Performance Hall**; see Page 1

## 10 THURSDAY

7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.-**Student Research Conference, OP & VH**; see Page 1

10:45 a.m.-3 p.m.-**CBHE meeting, SUB Alumni Room**

6:30 p.m.-**Disney Internship Informational Meeting, SUB Georgian Room**; see Notes  
7 p.m.-**"Dear Lisa," Baldwin Auditorium**; see Master Calendar

## 11 FRIDAY

9 a.m.-4 p.m.-**Children's Literature Festival, SUB**; see Page 2

## 12 SATURDAY

8 a.m.-6 p.m.-**Rape Aggression Defense Class, Student Recreation Center**; see Notes  
8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.-**Society of Physics Students Zone 12 Spring Meeting, VH 1000**; see Notes

10:30 a.m.-5 p.m.-**AMSA Conference, SUB**; see Page 2

1 p.m.-**Men's Tennis vs. Rolla, Tennis Courts**

1:30 p.m.-**Rugby vs. CMSU, Rugby Field**

2 p.m.-**Amie Walter Graduate Recital, OP Performance Hall**; see Master Calendar

3 p.m.-**Baseball vs. CMSU, Baseball Field**

8 p.m.-**Alfredo Santa Ana Composition Recital, OP Performance Hall**; see Master Calendar

## 13 SUNDAY

1 p.m.-**Baseball vs. CMSU, Truman Baseball Field**

1 p.m.-**Men's & Women's Tennis vs. Graceland, Tennis Courts**

## 14 MONDAY

2 p.m.-**Softball vs. Mo. West, Softball Field**

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