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### Center for International Education Abroad Seeks Host Families

This summer Truman State University is hosting 24 Taiwanese High School students who are studying the English language and American culture.

The Center for International Education Abroad is seeking host families for single or paired Taiwanese students for the weekend of June 25-27.

For more information or to volunteer as a host, contact the CIEA at 785.4076.

#### Independence Day Hours

#### Pickler Memorial Library July 3

Regular hours

July 4 1-5 p.m. July 5 (Offices closed) 1-5 p.m.

#### Student Recreation Center July 3-5 Closed

# Ishiyama Selected as Truman's McNair Program Director

Garry Gordon, vice president for academic affairs, announced John Ishiyama, professor of political science at Truman, has been selected to be the next director of the Truman State University Ronald E. McNair Program.

Ishiyama began his duties as director this summer. He most recently served as research coordinator for the McNair Program.

"Dr. Ishiyama will bring his expertise, commitment, and dedication to the directorial position," Gordon said. "I have full confidence that John will continue the great traditions of Truman's McNair Program begun by Dr. Emmanuel Nnadozie."

Nnadozie, professor of economics, had served as Truman's director since the program's initiation in 1992.

The Ronald E. McNair Program was established by the federal government principally to address the lack of minority, first-generation, low income among the professorate. The program is designed to provide targeted college students with effective preparation for doctoral studies.

## Staff Representation Exploratory Committee to Present Recommendations at Open Forums

The Staff Representation Exploratory Committee will present its recommendations at two open forums for Truman staff members. The first open forum will be from 9-10 a.m., June 24, in Violette Hall 1000. The second forum will be from noon-1 p.m., June 29, in Violette Hall 1000.

Committee members will share the group's recommendations for a Staff Council, including mission, structure, membership, membership selection, and implementation. These recommendations are outlined in a report that is currently available online at http://hr. truman.edu/staffcouncil/. Printed copies of the report are also available in the Human Resources and Physical Plant offices. Staff members are encouraged to review the committee's report before attending the forums. Feedback forms and pencils/pens will be provided at each forum for you to provide input and comments on the committee's recommendations. If you cannot attend, you may print the feedback form from the Web site after June 29 and submit it to the committee. All comments are due no later than July 2.

For more information, please contact any of the following committee members:

Kay Anderson, Registrar's Office Steve Baldwin, Physical Plant Lou Ann Gilchrist, Student Affairs Dave Kincaid, University Career Center Michael McManis, President's Office Diane Moore, Fine Arts Maureen Slaughter, Human Resources Howard Worcester, Physical Plant

## Notables-

John Ishiyama, professor of political science, and Marijke Breuning, associate professor of political science, recently signed a contract with the Taylor and Francis Publishing Group to be editor in chief, and editor, respectively, of the Journal of Political Science Education. This new journal is the official publication of the Undergraduate Education Division of the American Political Science Association and is published by Taylor and Francis. Its inaugural issue will appear in January 2005. Katrina Korte ('03), Child Development Center

teacher, has had her graduate research article accepted for publication in the National Association for the Education of Young Children's journal titled Young Children. Her article is titled "To Study or to Stomp: Madagascar Hissing Cockroaches in the Classroom." Daniel Mandell, assistant professor of history, recently presented a paper on "Religion and Reform Among Southern New England Indians, 1790-1830," at the Tenth Annual Conference of the **Omohundro Institute of Early American** History and Culture, in Deerfield, Mass.

### Notes

The Student Recreation Center has several fitness/wellness programs for the sum**mer.** FITTE personal training sign-ups have started. Limit to 10 participants for the summer. Instructional programs will continue until July 30. Body compositions will take place June 28. Sign-ups are required and will start June 23.

**August 2004 Graduation Candidates:** Graduation clearance packets will be mailed to your current local address on June 21. Packets will be mailed to your permanent home address if you do not have a current local address on file. If you do not receive your packet, please contact the Registrar's Office at 785.4143 or registrar@truman.edu. This packet is a graduation requirement, and must be completed by July 16.

The next issue of the *Truman Today* will be July 6. The Truman Today is printed biweekly during the summer. Submissions for this issue are due by June 30 to kbest@truman.edu.

Graduate student applications for December 2004 graduation are due Aug. 6. For more information, contact the Graduate Student Office at 785.4109.

# Truman Faculty and Students Assist With Ray Miller Prairie Day

**C**everal Truman faculty **D**members and students assisted with Laura Ingalls Wilder Day on May 14 at Ray Miller Elementary School. Organized by Ruth Delaware, senior biology major at Truman, the group helped with stations at the Prairie plot located at the east side of the Kirksville R-3 school



Students at Ray Miller Elementary School participate in Laura Ingalls Insects (Cynthia Cooper); Wilder Day.

grounds. Fourth graders rotated to the various stations to learn about prairie animals and plants. Emphasis was placed on learning about plants and animals that were familiar to the pioneers, settlers, and Native Americans during the time of Laura Ingalls Wilder.

Stations included: Plant Dyes, Spinning

and Weaving (Stephanie Fore, the Kirksville Spinners Guild and Dana Delaware); Prairie Mammals and Birds (Scott Burt); Prairie Grasses and Plants (Steve Carroll); Geology and Paleobiology (Anne Bergey); Prairie Reptiles (Don Kangas); Prairie

Edible and Medicinal

Plants (Lisa Hooper and Sarah Delaware). Truman students who helped included: Shawna Cooper, Julie Rubley, Mary Green, Patrick Hudson, Benjamin Delaware, Laura Riess and Kelly McGrath. Students from Karen Keck's biology classes at Kirksville High School also assisted with the Prairie Day Activities.

## **On Campus**

2 FRIDAY First five-week graduate session ends

**5 MONDAY Independence Day holiday** No classes, offices closed

6 TUESDAY Second five-week graduate session begins

**Student Union Summer Building Hours** Monday through Friday 7 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday Open for special reserved events only. \*Please contact the office for more information, 785-4186.

**Student Union Administrative Office** Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Truman Bookstore** Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Center for Student** Involvement Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Sodexho Food Service** Office Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Mainstreet Market** Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

During the summer, the Truman Today is a biweekly publication. The next issue will be July 6. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., the Wednesday preceding Monday'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 also may be accessed online at http://trumantoday.truman. edu/submissionform.pdf. All submissions are subject to editing for clarity, style and space.