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HIGHER LEARNING COMMISSION ACCREDITATION TEAM VISIT

8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Jan. 31-Feb. 3
Various campus locations

A team of eight peer reviewers, selected by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association, will be on the Truman campus culminating a process of self-study which began in fall 2003 and which has involved a large number of faculty, students and staff.

Contact Karen Smith, associate professor of psychology and interim HLC self-study co-coordinator, at 785.6033 or 785.7753 for more information.

Now Accepting WebCheck Payments

Students can now make student account payments online using WebCheck.

Students will be required to enter their name, address, checking account number and their bank's routing number from their personal check.

Click on the secure "Make Payment by WebCheck" link on the student tab in TruView to make a payment.

Beck Receives Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching

Jon Beck, associate professor of computer science, received special recognition from Gov. Bob Holden during the luncheon at the 2004 Governor's Conference on Higher Education in Columbia, Mo.

Beck was one of 73 outstanding faculty members, each representing a Missouri college or university, to be recognized for his commitment to excellent education for Missouri citizens. Beck was chosen for his effective teaching, innovative course design



President Barbara Dixon (left) and Gov. Bob Holden (right) congratulate Jon Beck (center) on receiving the Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

and delivery, effective advising, service to the institutional community, commitment to high standards of excellence and success in nurturing student achievement.

Beck began his career at Truman in 1993. He received his bachelor's degree from the George Washington University, his master's degree from Hood College and his doctorate from West Virginia University.

He also received Truman's Educator of the Year Award in the spring of 2004.

Campus Activities Planned to Honor Martin Luther King Jr. Legacy

The Multicultural Affairs Center, Residential College Program, SERVE Center, Sodexo and the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Statewide Commission will be sponsoring several activities to honor the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.

A 20 minute performance titled "Alabama 1963: Jazz Musicians Respond" will be the featured event at the fifth annual Unity Luncheon at noon, Jan. 26, in the SUB Georgian Room. Doors will open at 11:15 a.m. and the buffet lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. Tim Aubuchon, musical director for Truman's jazz ensemble, will direct the performance piece on the jazz music and culture of the Civil Rights Movement.

Cost for the luncheon is \$7.50 per person. Students can pay \$1 at the door if they agree to utilize two of their meal blocks. Students

must provide their Banner ID number with a reservation. R.S.V.P. by Jan. 21 to Liz Bradley in the Public Relations Office at 785.4016.

The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium begins at 3:30 p.m., Jan. 28, in the SUB Activities Room. The moderated five-person panel symposium will include insights and brief reflections on King's speech, "Bring Us the Ballot." Refreshments will be served.

Truman student and community volunteers will read to children at the Read Out at 1 p.m., Jan. 29, at the Adair County Public Library. Volunteers will read children's stories of different cultures.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to sign up with the SERVE Center to volunteer to read to children at the Read Out. All those interested should contact Amy Currier at 785.4222.

Missouri International Music Studies Faculty to Perform with University Symphony Orchestra

The Truman State University Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Sam McClure, will perform a concert at 8 p.m., Jan. 22, in the Ophelia Parrish Performance Hall.

Members of the Missouri International Music Studies program and Festival Musicale della Toscana will join the orchestra for a performance of the Beethoven's "Violin Concerto," Bottesini's "Grand Duo Concertante for violin and contrabass," and Rossini's "String Sonata No. 1."

Featured performers will include Gregory Sandomirsky, violin; Sergio Grazzini, bass; Alberto Bogni, violin; and Mira Frisch, assistant professor of music, cello.

Bogni, professor of violin at the Lucca Academy of Music in Italy; Sandomirsky, violin faculty at Park University and associate concertmaster of the Kansas City Symphony; and McClure, associate professor of violin/viola and director of orchestras at Truman State University; have formed a collaboration between three schools of music to establish a new International Music Studies program.

They believe the language of music can build valuable relationships between students and faculty in the United States and Europe. Their mission is to give music students of all ages an opportunity to perfect their art and expand their artistic expression through the study of music and to gain new experiences in performance and cultural exchange. This year's festival will take place July 31-Aug. 14 in Montaione, Italy.

Truman Ranks Second in the Nation on CPA Exam

According to a recently released report by the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy, Truman State University's Master of Accountancy students ranked second in the nation for the percentage of students passing all four parts of the May 2003 Certified Public Accountant exam on the first attempt. Truman students earned the fourth spot in the nation on the May 2002 exam.

Fifty-three percent of the Truman students passed all four parts on the first attempt, compared to the national average of 20 percent. On the individual exams, Truman students ranked first in the nation on the accounting and reporting exam, second in the nation on the auditing exam, and sixth in the nation on the financial accounting and reporting and the business law and professional responsibilities exams.

Missouri was named one of 18 honor roll states. This designation is reserved for states whose candidates achieved passing grades in every subject area at a rate higher than the

national average.

One Truman student earned the bronze medal for the third highest score in the state of Missouri. Four of the top 10 scores in Missouri were earned by Truman students.

Truman students have consistently scored well on the CPA exam. During the last five years, Truman has had the highest percentage pass rate in Missouri among students with advanced degrees. Sixty-two percent of Truman students that took the CPA exam between 1999 and 2003 passed all four parts on their first attempt. This is compared with a pass rate of 41 percent at Washington University and a 40 percent pass rate for the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Truman is one of only 165 business schools in the world accredited in both business and accounting by The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International), the premier accrediting agency for business schools.

Truman and SCC Sign Transfer Agreements

Truman and St. Charles Community College (SCC) have finalized 33 articulation and credit transfer agreements in December that will allow SCC students who complete an associate's degree to transfer the maximum number of credits and make a seamless transition to Truman.

The agreements are in the areas of accounting, business administration, art, art history, studio art, visual communication, theater, communication, English, French, German, Spanish, mathematics, biology, chemistry, physics, economics, history, justice systems, philosophy and religion, political science, psychology and sociology/anthropology.



Truman State University President Barbara Dixon (left) and St. Charles Community College President John McGuire (right) sign articulation and credit transfer agreements Dec. 6 on the SCC campus.

Foundation Study Abroad Scholarship Applications Available, Due Next Week

The Truman State University Foundation has 10 \$1,500 scholarships available for study abroad.

The Foundation Study Abroad Scholarships are supported by gifts donated by alumni and friends of the University and were established to encourage students to consider a faculty-led study abroad experience.

A special application is required and is avail-

able in the Center for International Education Abroad Office, Kirk Building 120. There is a special application deadline for Study Abroad Scholarships of Jan. 28.

The Study Abroad Scholarship Committee meets immediately after the deadline and recipients are announced in the first weeks of February.

PINs to be Used to Access Library Accounts

A new security feature was implemented in the Library catalog Jan. 3. To access your Library account or to borrow books from the LANCE cluster you will need to enter a Personal Identification Number (PIN) in addition to your name and campus ID plus TSU; you will be notified of this change by the system when you try to perform these functions.

The PIN can be any alpha-numeric string, four to 30 characters long. The system will provide onscreen information for creating a PIN, but if you have any questions or problems please call the Pickler Memorial Library Circulation Desk at 785.4533, or the department supervisor, Gayla McHenry at 785.4037.

If you forget your PIN, please call the telephone numbers mentioned above and staff will clear it out of your Library record so you can enter a new one. PINs are encrypted in the Library system when they are created; staff will not know your PIN, they can only clear it from your record. At this time, a PIN will be needed for access to your Library account or to borrow from the LANCE cluster only; a PIN is not required to borrow from the MOBIUS Central Catalog.

The Library system is separate from the Banner system and TruView and the PIN you use for the Library system does not affect PINs you use for other systems.

Dell to Provide PDAs as Grand Prizes for TruTech Challenge

Truman's TLTR (Teaching/Learning Technology Roundtable) is proud to announce that Dell, Inc. has donated two Dell X50v PDAS (personal digital assistants) as grand prizes for the first annual TruTech Challenge.

The TruTech Challenge is a juried competition of projects that use technology to achieve some learning outcome. Students, faculty, staff and student organizations are invited to submit projects to the Challenge. Submitters will be asked to present their projects at Truman's Technology Fair during the University Conference, Feb. 16.

To be a part of the TruTech Challenge, you should include the following in your project submission:

- a 250-1,000 word description of the project. The description should include a statement of ...
 - the project's purpose (what learning outcome it attempts to achieve)
 - the ways in which the project uses technology
 - the ways in which the achievement of the project's purpose is facilitated by the use of technology
 - the progress that has been made in executing the project

- what assistance, if any, was received from others in executing the project
- any supporting materials for the project that you would like the TruTech Challenge jury to consider. These materials might include (but are not limited to) links to Web sites, printed or electronic documents, CD-ROMs, videotapes/DVDs, audio recordings or artwork.

Project submissions should be made by Jan. 26 to Chad Mohler, either via e-mail at chmohler@truman.edu or campus mail (Chad Mohler, Division of Social Science, 214 McClain).

By submitting a project, you agree to...

- allow its description to be posted on TLTR's Web site, <http://tltr.truman.edu>;
- present your project at the Technology Fair on Feb. 16;
- have your project showcased in greater depth on the TLTR Web site, should you be a winner of the competition.

The TLTR committee will judge each of the submitted projects on the degree to which its use of technology enhances the project's attempt at achieving its learning outcome. Prize winners will be announced at the Technology Fair on Feb. 16.

Nader Donates Books to Pickler Memorial Library

Ralph Nader, a consumer advocate, lawyer and author, donated several books to Truman's Pickler Memorial Library during his visit to campus in December 2004.

He donated "Case for the Civil Jury" by Joanne Doroshow; "Civic Arousal" by Nader; "Civics for Democracy" by Katherine Isaac; "Click on Democracy" by Steve Davis, Larry Elin and Grant Reeher; "Credit Card Nation" by Robert D. Manning; "Frugal Shopper Checklist

Book" with an introduction by Nader; "How to Appraise and Improve Your Daily Newspaper" by David Bollier; "If the Gods had Meant Us to Vote They Would Have Given Us Candidates" by Jim Hightower; "Silencing Political Dissent" by Nancy Chang; "Student's Manual for Public Interest Organizing" by Nader and Donald Ross; and "Women Pay More" by Frances Cerra Whittelsey and Marcia Carroll.

New Art Exhibit to Open Jan. 24

The University Art Gallery at Truman State University presents "Society of Illustrators -An Historical View," an exhibit of 50 original illustrations, five from each of the 10 decades of the 20th century. The show opens with a public reception at 6 p.m., Jan. 24, in the University Art Gallery. The show will be open until Feb. 25.

The show, produced by the prestigious Society of Illustrators based in New York, will explore the changing role of the illustrator. It will feature early black and white illustrations, story illustrations and advertising art for cigarettes, automobiles and travel among others.

There will be several events in addition to the opening reception. "A Night at the Gallery by Daryl Fazio," assistant professor of art, will be at 6 p.m., Jan. 31, in the University Art Gallery.

Rusty Nelson, associate professor of art, will speak at a "Gallery Talk" at 6 p.m., Feb. 7, in the University Art Gallery.

The University Art Gallery at Truman is located on the ground floor of Ophelia Parrish. Gallery exhibits, talks and most other events are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., and Saturday from noon-4:30 p.m.

This exhibit is sponsored in part by AIGA and the Residential College Program. Financial assistance for this project has been provided by the Missouri Arts Council, a state agency.

Foundation Scholarship Applications Now Available Online

Applications are now available for the 2005-2006 Truman State University Foundation Scholarships. All current Truman students are welcome to apply and scholarships are available in all divisions. Students can access the application by going to the Truman Web site at <http://www.truman.edu> and clicking on "Current Students" and then "Foundation Scholarships."

These scholarships are made possible through generous contributions from alumni, parents and friends of the University. More than 370 scholarships were awarded through the Foundation last year to deserving Truman students. Unless otherwise noted online, the deadline for applications is March 1, and recipients will be announced in May.

Note: Foundation Study Abroad Scholarship applications are available in the CIEA Office and are due Jan. 28.

Color Copier Now Available on Campus

A coin-operated color photocopier for public use is now available in Pickler Memorial Library first floor Browsing section.

Color copies are \$.50 each for either letter or legal size copies. This is a coin-op copier, however if offices wish to use this color copier and have their budgets backcharged for the copies, they should contact Wanda Cagle in the Library Director's Office at 785.4038. If you have any questions about the color copier, please call 785.4038.

Truman Students Compete at Regional Criminal Justice Conference

Nine Truman students along with Scott Chenault, chapter adviser and instructor of justice systems, participated in a series of competitions designed to test their abilities in the various areas of criminal justice. Truman's Lambda Alpha Epsilon local chapter attended this regional conference Oct. 22-24, 2004, in Omaha, Neb.

The competition was divided into four areas: academic testing, physical agility, crime scene investigation and firearms. The competition was split into three divisions. The lower division consists of those who have completed less than 70 hours of college credit. The upper division consists of those who have completed more than 70 hours including graduate students. The professional division includes those who are currently employed in the criminal justice field.

Truman finished fourth as a team out of 10 schools in a competitive region. Kenny Jacobs, junior justice systems major of Kirksville, Mo., received third place in Police Management Lower Division. Chenault received third place in Police Management Professional Division



Pictured are the Truman representatives who attended the Lambda Alpha Epsilon regional conference (front row, left to right) Amanda Salas, Taryn Spoon, Kristi Schneider, Lindsay Lambert and Kenny Jacobs; (second row left to right) Scott Chenault, Carin Thumm, Sarah Brucks, Sarah Wisdom and Aaron Smoot.

and second place in Juvenile Justice Professional Division. Sarah Wisdom, sophomore justice systems major from Grandview, Mo., received first place in Corrections Lower Division. Aaron Smoot, senior justice systems major from Shelbina, Mo., received first place in Juvenile Justice Upper Division.

Lindsay Lambert, sophomore biology major from Maryland Heights, Mo.; Sarah Brucks junior justice systems major from Grandview, Mo.;

Amanda Salas, sophomore sociology/anthropology major from California, Mo.; Taryn Spoon, sophomore justice systems major from Beardstown, Ill.; Kristi Schneider, junior justice systems major from Rolla, Mo.; and Carin Thumm, sophomore English major from Ballwin, Mo.; are team members who also competed.

The American Criminal Justice Association-Lambda Alpha Epsilon (ACJA-LAE) is a national organization devoted to furthering academic goals and professionalism for both students and professionals in the area of criminal justice.

Registrar's Office Releases Degree Audit System

Computer-generated degree audits will be available via TruView beginning Jan. 18 for all degree-seeking undergraduate students who first attended Truman in fall 2004.

Implementation of the degree audit module, named CAPP (Curriculum Advising and Program Planning), is a component of the overall Banner Computer Systems Implementation Project and is part of Truman's commitment to providing convenient, online services to students.

Students will access their degree audit via TruView in much the same manner as they currently view their class schedule, semester grades, transcript, account detail, and financial aid information. Students can request degree audits for their current degree program and/or

request audits for other programs using a "what-if" scenario. CAPP degree audits will include all coursework completed at Truman, all coursework in progress at Truman, and all courses that have been transferred to Truman from another institution.

CAPP will provide a quick and convenient method for students to track degree progress, to prepare for registration, and to plan for graduation. Students who will be able to audit their records using this system and their advisers will receive an e-mail this week providing them with information and instructions for using the system. For additional information concerning the degree audit system, please contact the Registrar's Office, McClain Hall 104 at 785.4143.

Notables

Mark Appold, associate professor of philosophy and religion, had his essay, "Peter in Profile: From Bethsaida to Rome" published in "Bethsaida: A City by the North Shore of the Sea of Galilee, vol. 3," edited by Rami Arav and Richard Freund. This new volume, published by Truman State University Press, is one of four volumes to report on the ongoing archaeological excavation and research that continues at the biblical city of Bethsaida. Truman State University is one of 17 schools participating in the Bethsaida Excavation Project. The book is available in paperback (\$30) and hardback (\$45).

Sarah Charnes, a junior economics major from Lawrence, Kan., will be interning with the Department of Treasury in Washington, D.C., during this spring. **David Gillette, professor of economics**, is Charnes' on-campus supervisor. James Carter, a Truman graduate, is her on-site supervisor. Charnes also will earn 15 credits for her internship this semester.

John Ishiyama, professor of political science, had his article "The Sickie and the Minaret: The Communist Successor Parties in Yemen and Afghanistan after the End of the Cold War" accepted for publication in the *Middle East Review of International Affairs*.

Daniel R. Mandell, associate professor of history, recently published a review of Evan Haefeli and Kevin Sweeney, "Captors and Captives: The 1704 French and Indian Raid on Deerfield" (Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2003), in *The Journal of American History* 91 (2004): 991-992.

Judy Mullins, controller, has been reappointed to serve on the Audit Committee of the Central Association of College and University Business Officers (CACUBO).

M. Lynn Rose, associate professor of history, was one of 13 recipients internationally of the 2003-2004 Mary E. Switzer Distinguished Fellowship, awarded by the National Institute for Disability Research and Rehabilitation through the Department of Education, for her

research project on intellectual disability in ancient Greece. Rose spent the fellowship year with the Institute of Classical Studies at the Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg in Germany, where she held a biweekly colloquium on her research in the department of ancient history. She was also invited to present her work at the University of Cologne (April 2004), at the Mary Switzer Fellowship Seminar in Washington, D.C., (May 2004) and at the International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual Disability in Montpellier, France (June 2004). She served as an adviser for the FWF (The Austrian Science Fund), as a reader for the periodical *Mental Retardation*, and continues to serve as an editorial board member and author for the *Encyclopedia of Disability* (Sage Publications, forthcoming). Rose has been invited to present her scholarship at the Katholieke Universiteit in Leuven, Belgium (March 2005), and will present papers at the Classical Association of the Midwest and South (April 2005) and the Association of Ancient Historians (May 2005). The University of Michigan Press published Rose's first book, "The Staff of Oedipus: Transforming Disability in Ancient Greece," in November of 2003.

Steven Reschly, associate professor of history, and Rose are preparing to lead the fourth "Sacred Sites in Greece" Study Abroad course in May and June 2005. Twenty-four students are enrolled.

The Truman State University chapter of the Society of Physics Students has been selected as an Outstanding SPS Chapter for the 2003-2004 school year. Less than 10 percent of the SPS chapters nationwide receive this honor. The selection is based on the depth and breadth of SPS activities conducted by the chapter in such areas as physics research, public science outreach, physics tutoring programs, hosting and representation at physics meetings and providing social interaction for chapter members. **Taner Edis, assistant professor of physics**, is the Truman chapter adviser.

Adviser Access to Advisee Records Now Available

Academic advisers will be able to access their advisees' transcripts and course schedules via TruView beginning Jan. 18. Advisers with undergraduate advisees who matriculated at Truman in fall 2004 or spring 2005 will also be able to run degree audits for these students.

This access is being released as part of the Banner Computer Systems Implementation

Project, and is designed to support the advising process by providing more immediate and efficient access to advisee records.

Instructions for accessing advisee records will be distributed through division offices. For additional information regarding adviser access, please contact Nancy Hoffman, nhoff@truman.edu, or A. Kay Anderson, aka@truman.edu.

Tel Alumni Seeks Help

Students interested in a part-time job this semester are encouraged to apply to work the Tel Alumni campaign. Tel Alumni is hiring 30 to 40 students to work from Feb. 15-April 26.

No experience is necessary but they are looking for students who have good communication skills, an outgoing personality, a strong work ethic and a willingness to ask parents and alumni for financial support.

Students must be available to work at least two of the following shifts each week: Sunday, 4-7 p.m.; Monday, 6-9 p.m.; Tuesday, 6-9 p.m.; or Thursday, 6-9 p.m.

Tel Alumni offers nightly prizes (gift certificates, clothing, food, etc.); a relaxed, fun environment; paid training; a flexible schedule and an hourly wage of \$5.15. Tel Alumni is an excellent résumé builder for students majoring in fields such as business and communication.

Applications are available in the Advancement Office, McClain Hall 100. The application deadline is Feb. 2. Contact Charles Hunsaker, manager of the annual fund, at 785.4028 or hunsaker@truman.edu for more information.

The tentative summer 2005 and fall 2005 schedules are now available via TruView.

To view the schedules, select "search open course list" from either the student or the faculty tab.

Notes

May 2005 Undergraduate Degree Candidates-

If you have made any changes in your course schedule(s) since you submitted your graduation application and have not yet updated your application with the Registrar's Office, you need to do so immediately. Updates can be made in the Registrar's Office, MC 104, Monday through Friday between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. You do not need to complete a new application. To remain on the graduation list, all changes to your degree plan and all required substitutions must be on file in the Registrar's Office no later than Jan. 31.

The Center for Student Involvement has reduced the cost of Homecoming 2004 apparel. Long-sleeve and short-sleeve T-shirts are \$5 each. Hooded and crew sweatshirts are \$10 each. Purchase the shirts at the Center for Student Involvement located on the lower level of the SUB. Call 785.4222 for more information.

The Writing Center will open for consultations Jan. 24. The Writing Center is located in MC 303. Call 785.4484 for more information.

Applications for Student Adviser positions in the residence halls are due by 5 p.m., Jan. 24, in BH 110. References are due by Jan. 31. Applicants will be asked to sign up for an interview time on either Feb. 5, 6 or 7. Contact Mike Houlahan at 785.5343 or houlahan@truman.edu for more information.

The Weekly Lunch Series for Truman faculty, teaching staff and GTRAs begins the semester with an open house with boxed lunches from 12:30-1:30 p.m., Jan. 26, in PML 204. Contact The Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information.

Students interested in studying U.S.-U.K. comparative educational systems at Edge Hill College in northwest England this summer are invited to an informational meeting at noon or at 6 p.m., Feb. 3, in VH 2351. Edge Hill is one of the leading teacher training institutions in England. The recommended criteria for admission is junior status or above with a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA.

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. The committee invites abstracts from all members of the Truman and Kirksville communities, including Truman graduates. The deadline for abstracts is Jan. 26. For more information, contact Linda Seidel at lseidel@truman.edu.

Phi Kappa Phi announces Graduate Fellowships worth \$2,000-\$5,000 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. Details and applications may be picked up in the Center for International

Education, or from Wynne Wilbur, OP 1229 or 785.4435.

The Lincoln Contest will offer winners in each division a trip to Washington, D.C. Applicants can submit their work in the form of artwork, an essay or an oratory. The deadline for submission is Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12. These contests are made possible by alumni Ethel Schwengel and the late Fred Schwengel. For more information about the contest or prompt, contact Barry Poyner at 785.4063. **The Upward Bound Project is offering on-campus employment opportunities for the 2005 high school summer session (June 12-July 22).** Upward Bound is a college preparatory program serving northeast Missouri high school students. Positions are available for instructors in language arts, chemistry, physics and journalism/yearbook; residence hall staff; night supervisor; photographer and videographer. Also available is a position as a mentor/tutor for college freshmen (June 5-July 28). Application materials are available on the Web at <http://ub.truman.edu> or by contacting the Upward Bound Office in KB 220. Completed applications are due Feb. 14.

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. 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 gsiewert@truman.edu for more information. Applications must arrive in Chicago before Feb. 15.

The 2005 Annual Baldwin Lecture will be featured on Feb. 16 as part of the University Conference. Donald Harward, a senior fellow from the AAC&U Center for Liberal Arts and Civic Engagement, will speak on "Liberal Arts For Democracy." Contact The Center for Teaching and Learning at 785.4477 for more information about Harward's visit.

The Graduate English Organization is looking for abstracts for the Second Annual Environmental Studies Conference. This year's theme is "Different Worlds, Same Planet: An Interdisciplinary Discourse on the Environment." The conference will take place April 21-23 and the keynote speaker will be David Gessner, a nationally renowned environmental writer. Anyone may submit a 200-600 word abstract concerning a project to lauren@truman.edu. The abstract deadline is March 11.

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

18 TUESDAY

Spring semester classes begin

19 WEDNESDAY

7:30 p.m.-**Wrestling vs. Missouri Valley, Pershing Arena**

22 SATURDAY

Winter open house visit day

1:30 p.m.-**Women's basketball vs. Central Missouri, Pershing Arena**

3:30 p.m.-**Men's basketball vs. Central Missouri, Pershing Arena**

8 p.m.-**Truman State University Symphony Orchestra concert, OP Performance Hall; see Page 2**

23 SUNDAY

2 p.m.-**Wrestling vs. Upper Iowa, Pershing Arena**

24 MONDAY

5 p.m.-**Student Adviser applications due, BH 110; see Notes**

6 p.m.-**Art exhibit public reception, University Art Gallery; see Page 3**

Students living off-campus should update their local mailing address and telephone numbers with the University via TruView.

Address and telephone number changes can also be made in the Registrar's Office, McClain Hall 104. Students are responsible for all information sent to their local mailing address from University offices and personnel conducting University business.