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Sophomore Ben Dansby poses a question to freshman Jon Grant, playing President Bush, as the two Tag members stage a press conference at a March 8 performance.

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Each individual member brings something different to the group and its performances. It allows for everyone continuously to make the shows better, Worthington said. His favorite aspect of Tag simply is

being with the audience, he said.

"It's kind of a good validation to be recognized as funny," Worthington said.

Even though presentations are all fun and games, Scholfield said he still needs to do some groundwork.

"It was easy to get everything started through the Center of Student Involvement, but writing the constitution was [difficult]," Scholfield said.

Members recognize Scholfield's work. "The president is doing a lot of keep us

organized and keep us funny," Worthington said. "He's a really good leader for a little band of misfits."

Scholfield said he doesn't mind putting in the extra work.

"I'm 110 percent glad I've created

Tag," Scholfield said. "I plan to be in Tag until I graduate, then when I leave I can pass all responsibilities off to other people. I want to show my kids someday, 'Hey, your dad wasn't such a lame-ass, look at what he did.'"

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Truman students are big on sports, as evidenced by another sports-themed club. The Men's Cycling Club enters races together, and members also cycle as a team for safety. Although rain and snow can stop them from riding, you might see them around once spring decides to show her face.

One club is amazing for something as simple as pure good-heartedness. People Caring on Campus also is new this semester, and its mission is to provide emotional support for anyone in need. Members describe it as a big support group for those who don't feel comfortable visiting a church or counseling center when they need a friendly ear to listen or shoulder to cry on.

The Art of Living Club also emphasizes self-improvement. A branch of a national organization, club members take classes in relaxation, similar to yoga. They practice breathing techniques for relaxation and health. The overall goal of the club is to learn to cope with stress in a positive way and to enjoy life.

The National Rendezvous and Living Club is another lifestyle-changer. Members of this organization recreate the 17th and 18th centuries in terms of abandoning today's technology. Look for their 18th century ball on the Quad in late April. It will be one last event for the founders of the organization, who are graduating seniors.

Last, but not least, don't miss this week's Sex in the 'Ville column by Lauren Miller. Fans of her previous columns should be sure to check out her take on dating within organizations, and newcomers to Sex and the 'Ville hopefully will enjoy an introduction to Miller's fresh voice.

All in all, the ClubLife section is a good place to start if you are looking to join an organization — or even if you just appreciate knowing all that Truman students do in their spare time. And if do you sell your soul to Truman extracurriculars, you'll know you've lived your Truman experience to the fullest.



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Ad and PR President senior Sara Miller and client Brad Edwards work during a meeting as senior Ashley Morris watches.

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The regional conference, which hosts 16 or 17 states, will be in Kansas City, Mo., this year, said Diane Johnson, assistant professor of communication and adviser for the group.

Student leadership and opportunities such as these both are great advantages to joining the organization, Johnson said. She also said the organization welcomes those who just want to see what it's like.

"We encourage people to try the organization on for size," she said.

Johnson said this focus on drawing clients is relatively new.

"The movement from 2001 to now has been from [bringing in speakers] to working with clients," Johnson said. "That hands-on work is very important. [The focus] has changed over the years, primarily because we've had a couple of presidents that were really good. They had a vision."

That vision can be a big help

to campus organizations, but first they need to discover all the ways the organization can aid them.

Brad Edwards, publicity chairman for social fraternity Delta Chi, said he learned about the Advertising and Public Relations Organization when he was working on promoting Community on the Quad.

"They were very receptive, very helpful," Edwards said. "One of the things they did for Community on the Quad was hook us up with balloons."

Edwards not only said he would recommend the organization and their work, but he also took his own advice by presenting several new projects to the group at a recent meeting.

After talking to organization members about Delta Chi's upcoming sponsored speaker, Bruce Siddle, Edwards discussed promoting local band The State.

"That would be a really good chance for someone wanting to go into the entertainment industry [to

get experience] because the band's career is really taking off right now," Edwards said. "They're being looked at by Sony."

Edwards said he is ready to tackle all these upcoming events with the Advertising and Public Relations Organization's help.

"If you need planning, there's not a better group to work with," he said. "They are very professional and easy to work with. They're quick to respond to all communications and very thorough. They

thought of some things I wouldn't have thought of."

Unfortunately, many people on campus might not know about the organization. Miller said a frustration is that the Advertising and Public Relations Organization does a lot of work and people don't always realize it is behind the promotional campaigns.

"I just want people to know that we exist," she said. "We love when people come to us, and we love working on projects."

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