

Faculty forum speaker discusses rhetoric



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Communication professor James Cianciola speaks during the faculty forum Feb. 10 in Baldwin Hall. The presentation was titled "Rhetoric, Common Sense, and the American Revolution."



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Left: Cianciola gestures during his presentation Tuesday night. Cianciola related ancient rhetorical concepts from philosophers such as Aristotle and Cicero to the American Revolution. Above right: The audience listens to Cianciola's lecture. The presentation argued the rhetoric of the American Revolution applied older philosophical principles of common sense to its style of debate.

NEWS

IN BRIEF

Bear Creek restoration project continues with student-organized rain garden

A group of Truman students organized a rain garden as part of the Bear Creek restoration project started last spring.

The rain garden, a section of planted land that absorbs and filters water runoff, is intended to improve the water quality of the creek. The students intended the rain garden to increase the attractiveness of the area, protect native wildlife and plants, save University money and provide a natural biological learning environment for classes.

Biology professor Michael Kelrick and alumnus Daniel Creagor initially developed the plans to restore the creek. Last year, about 80 students participated in the restoration project by planting more than 300 trees along the creek.

Seniors August Kersten and Michele Woolbright worked with the Missouri Department of Conservation and the University to secure resources for the tree planting and rain garden.

Emergency notification system extended to University computers

In addition to the emergency text message notification system, Truman computers now will be able to display these notifications.

The new system, called Alertus, will work in conjunction with the existing text alert system. Whenever an emergency message is sent, the message will now be displayed on all Truman computer systems. Students, faculty and staff can sign up to receive Truman emergency alert notifications on TruView under the personal information tab.

For more information about Truman's emergency notification policy, visit its.truman.edu.

STUDENT SENATE

IN BRIEF

Faculty advisor Margaret Edwards advised the Senate that tobacco will be banned on Truman State's campus starting July 1.

The Senate discussed an absence policy test that would allow students to appeal unexcused absences given by professors.

After a second read, the Senate unanimously approved its resolution to amend the bylaws of the Funds Allotment Council.

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2/8 Shoplifting reported at the 2100 block of N. Baltimore St.

2/6 Theft reported at the 2200 block of N. Baltimore St.

2/8 Burglary reported at the 500 block of S. Franklin St.

2/4 Domestic disturbance reported at the 100 block of Valley Forge Dr.

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2/6 Hit and run reported at the 2500 block of N. Baltimore St.

2/2 Vandalism and shoplifting reported at the 0 block of Cascade Dr.

2/6 Domestic disturbance reported at the 300 block of S. Osteopathy St.

2/2 Theft reported at the 2200 block of N. Baltimore St.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SAB Presents Spring Speaker RJ Mitte
 7-9 p.m.
 Feb. 17
 Baldwin Hall Auditorium

RJ Mitte, co-star of AMC's "Breaking Bad" and equality and diversity activist, will speak. Doors for the event will open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are free for students and cost \$10 for general admission and faculty. Tickets can be purchased or picked up at the SAB office between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Soundtrack to a Revolution
 7-9 p.m.
 Feb. 18
 Baldwin Hall 176

Sountrack to a Revolution tells the story of the Civil Rights Movement through music, featuring freedom songs sung on picket lines and in jail cells as protestors fought for equality. The documentary features new performances of freedom songs sung by current top artists, archival footage and interviews with Civil Rights leaders.

Translations Theatre Production
 8-10 p.m.
 Feb. 18-21
 James G. Severns Theater

The Truman theatre department presents its production of "Translations" by Brian Friel. The play is set in Ireland and tells the story of the British army's campaign to replace the native Gaelic place names with English ones. Admission costs \$3 and tickets can be purchased at the box office in the lobby of Ophelia Parrish.