Community Invited to Join Celebration

In celebration of Black History Month, Jefferson College is hosting a variety of community-centered programs and activities throughout February, highlighted by an exhibit from the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City titled “They Were All Stars.”

The self-guided exhibit features pop up displays containing historical information, photos and biographies regarding the Negro Leagues and the players who became Major League Baseball All Stars. It will be open to the public Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-7 p.m. through February 27 in the Student Center Cafeteria on the Hillsboro campus. There is no cost to view the display. It is suitable for all ages.

Founded in 1990, the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum (NLBM) is dedicated to preserving the rich history of African-American baseball. Although the museum thrives in Kansas City, the demand for Negro Leagues history is international. Thus, the museum has crafted a number of exhibits to take the history beyond its main gallery and explore diverse themes within the story of black baseball.

The travelling display is being sponsored by the Jefferson College Cultural Diversity Committee, President’s Office, and Foundation.

The Events and Community Outreach Committee, the Cultural Diversity Committee, and the Student Senate will host a public lecture by History Professor Dr. Scott Holzer on Friday, February 28, at 1 p.m. in the Library on the Hillsboro campus. Titled “The Harlem Renaissance: The Birth of a New Consciousness and the Origins of the Civil Rights Movement,” the presentation will address the political goals and artistic creations of the Harlem Renaissance of the 1920s. Starting with W.E.B. DuBois’ goal of promoting the “Talented Tenth” to achieve integration, the presentation examines the paintings, music, writings, and dance of the important artists that explored and created a new consciousness for African Americans. This movement, also sought to gain recognition and respect from white Americans to the intellectual accomplishment of African Americans in order to promote the goal of an integrated society.

Also included in the college's Black History Month recognition will be a “Look, Listen, Learn” public display in the Library on the Hillsboro campus throughout the month regarding black authors and books about African-Americans. Library hours are Monday-Thursday from 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday from 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Black History Month

Friday, February 28
1 p.m.
Hillsboro Campus Library
COL 101 Event Credit

Sponsored by
Events and Community Outreach Committee,
Cultural Diversity Committee, Library, and Student Senate

The Harlem Renaissance: The Birth of a New Consciousness and the Origins of the Civil Rights Movement

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Check-out the Library’s Black History Month Book Display and Web Pages

Look Listen Learn

Library Hours: Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m.- 9 p.m.,
Friday: 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., & Saturday: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Attendance Prize Kindle Fire for Students

WIN!

Prize provided by Cultural Diversity Committee

Did you know that Missouri’s community colleges educate 40 percent of our state’s undergraduates, but only receive 15 percent of the state funds appropriated to public colleges and universities? Whatever method of math you use, it’s not equal. It’s not fair.

One of the greatest strengths of community colleges in Missouri is that they all speak with one voice. They don’t lobby against each other. With this in mind, a delegation of Jefferson College administrators, Board of Trustees members, and faculty/staff from the Jefferson College-Mineral Area College Leadership Academy trekked to Jefferson City recently to talk with area legislators and advocate for adequate, equitable funding.

Despite the Governor’s budget recommendations during his annual State-of-the-State address that favor four-year universities, community colleges are specifically seeking a $15 million addition to their core operating appropriation. This is comparable to the $15.2 million in increases public four-year universities have received over the last two years.

Other legislative priorities advocated by Jefferson College that impact our community include:

*Keeping the A+ promise* – High school students who meet the requirements to receive A+ awards should receive what they were promised: full tuition and fees at a community college or area career/technical school;

*Maintaining funding for programs that enhance workforce competitiveness and economic development*; and

*Making a substantial, ongoing investment in facilities.*

As an advocate for our community and region, Jefferson College President Dr. Raymond Cummiskey remains in continuous contact with local, state and national legislators regarding the critical mission of community colleges. He recently travelled to Washington, D.C. to participate in the Association of Community College Trustees’ Annual Legislative Summit where he spoke with Senators Claire McCaskill and Roy Blunt, and Representative Blaine Leutkemeyer and their staff about federal issues, like Pell Grants and Perkins funding, that have a direct impact on local students.

More Jefferson County students choose to attend Jefferson College than any other two-year or four-year private or public institution in the region. It’s simple. . .community colleges should receive their fair share of state funding. Educating 40 percent of Missouri’s undergraduate students, while receiving only 15 percent of funding, just doesn’t add up.
Innovative JASSI Program Helps Students Improve Placement Scores, Save Time and Money

In order to improve beginning students’ reading, writing and math COMPASS placement test scores, Jefferson College will offer a six-week program beginning March 3 called JASSI (Jeffco Aspiring Student Scholar Institute).

JASSI is open to individuals who are unemployed; underemployed; low skilled in reading, writing or math; or are eligible for Trade Act Assistance. Funding for the program comes from the MoHealthWINs state grant.

By improving COMPASS placement scores, participants can decrease developmental education courses that will save them time and money toward their college career path. JASSI has the potential to positively impact students by strengthening their key academic skills and preparing them for future success in college.

JASSI will be held Mondays-Thursdays, March 3-April 17, from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Room 203 of the Library on the Hillsboro campus. There is no cost to participate; however, students must apply to Jefferson College and pay the $25 college application fee, and pre-test for reading, writing and math. Participants must be able to attend the entire six-week program. The JASSI application deadline is Friday, February 28.

JASSI participants will be allowed to retake the COMPASS placement test without any additional fees. Participants selected for the six-week JASSI program will also receive assistance with course registration for the summer/fall.

Benefits of the unique program include reduced developmental education coursework, receipt of a National Career Readiness Certificate, completion of the college’s computer proficiency requirement, and the creation of a personalized educational pathway.

For questions or additional information about JASSI registration and eligibility, contact Laura Klaus at (636) 481-3524 or email lklaus1@jeffco.edu. To learn more about the statewide MoHealthWINs initiative, visit www.mohealthwins.org for a complete list of available programs and additional information.

This workforce solution was funded by a grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Labor’s Employment and Training Administration. The solution was created by the grantee and does not necessarily reflect the official position of the U.S. Department of Labor. The Department of Labor makes no guarantees, warranties, or assurances of any kind, express or implied, with respect to such information, including any information on linked sites and including, but not limited to, accuracy of the information or its completeness, timeliness, usefulness, adequacy, continued availability or ownership.
Fourth Annual Mary Daniels Self-Defense Workshop Returns Feb. 22

How do you properly defend yourself from a surprise physical attack? Women and men ages 12 and older throughout the region are invited to participate in the fourth annual Mary Daniels Self-Defense Workshop at Jefferson College on Saturday, February 22. Proceeds from the event will go toward the Mary Daniels Memorial Scholarship to Jefferson College scholarship in memory of the Jefferson County resident who was the fatal victim of a violent physical attack.

Participants may select from two self-defense sessions, including a morning workshop from 9-10:30 a.m. or an afternoon workshop from 1-2:30 p.m. in the Field House on the Hillsboro campus. The cost of the workshop is $20 per person.

The program will teach participants how to defend themselves against standing attacks, weapons, attacks from behind, and ground maneuvers using a high degree of repetition and hands-on practice. Instruction will also include the proper use of knees and elbows, creating “space” when attacked, and being aware of environment and surroundings.

Each workshop will be taught using a variety of visual demonstrations and practice repetitions on a padded floor. All participants should wear comfortable clothing and tennis shoes. Sessions will be led by Kevin Hahn who is a North American Grappling Association (NAGA) national champion and operates Hahn MMA in Festus.

Registration is available online at www.jeffco.edu by clicking on the “Mary Daniels Self-Defense Workshop” logo, in person at the Field House Athletics Department offices, or by phone at (636) 481-3391.
Pathways to Progress: Strategic Plan Defines College Vision for 2015-2020

Following input and feedback from all institutional committees, constituent groups, and the Administrative Team, the revised Strategic Plan 2015-2020: Our Pathways to Excellence was approved by the Board of Trustees.

The updated plan is an active document that guides the college in its mission of providing quality education that is student centered, comprehensive, and accessible. The plan’s five broad strategic aims include: Student Learning and Support, Community Collaboration, Support for Employees, Environment and Infrastructure, and Financial Responsibility. By providing a process for widespread participation and discussion at all levels of the college, the Strategic Plan underscores shared governance, defines institutional vision, and establishes priorities for action plans and budget expenditures.

Bereavement Leave Policy Revisions Enacted

In order to reflect changes requested by faculty during last year’s Board Administration Team-Faculty Association Team (BAT-FAT) process, a series of revisions to Board Policy II-011.06, Leaves of Absence: Bereavement Leave, was approved.

Equipment Purchase Aids CTE Programs

To meet the respective institutional strategic aims for the EMT/Paramedic and Veterinary Technology programs, the Board approved the purchase of an ambulance simulator for $26,274 and an iCRco computed radiography system for $32,126. Both purchases were made using a combination of 75 percent/25 percent Enhancement Grant and institutional Plant funds.

Furniture Purchase Enhances Instruction

To advance the institutional strategic aims of the college, the Trustees approved the purchase of 419 classroom chairs for $50,551.78 to replace broken and worn classroom chairs in the Technology Center building.

Also approved was the purchase of additional computer classroom furniture (24 computer work station tables and 13 task chairs) for Room 139 of the Career and Technical Education building to expand the room for computer assisted learning. The action item is part of the annual replacement of instructional furniture as approved by the Strategic Planning Committee for FY14. Kruger International was the selected vendor at a cost of $19,554.27.

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Jefferson College will host a week-long series of free employment-related workshops and activities March 3-6 in the Student Center on the Hillsboro campus to prepare students and community members for the annual Job Fair and Health Care Job Fair later this spring.

Sponsored by the college's Employment Services and Student Services Departments, Career Prep Week events are open to everyone in the community. Pre-registration is not required. There is no cost to participate.

**Career Prep Week events include:**

### Monday, March 3
- **9 A.M.** Resume Writing - Viking Room
- **10 A.M.** Interview Skills - Viking Room
- **Noon** How to Work a Job Fair - Viking Room
- **1 P.M.** Mock Interviews - Viking Room
- **3 P.M.** One on One Resume Review - Viking Room
- **8 A.M. – 4 P.M.** Public drop off of donated professional clothing/scrubs Career Closet

### Tuesday, March 4
- **8 A.M.** Interview Skills - Viking Room
- **11 A.M.** Mock Interviews - Viking Room
- **12:30 P.M.** How to Work a Job Fair - Viking Room
- **3 P.M.** Resume Writing - Viking Room
- **4 P.M.** One on One Resume Review - Viking Room
- **8 A.M. – Noon** Public drop off of donated professional clothing/scrubs Career Closet

### Wednesday, March 5
- **Noon – 12:45 P.M.** Fashion Show - Cafeteria

### Thursday, March 6
- **12:45-4 P.M.** Career Closet - Viking Room
  (attendees may select two outfits from donated gently used business attire)

The annual Jefferson College Job Fair will be held on Thursday, March 27, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Field House and a Health Care Job Fair will be held on Tuesday, April 8, from 3-6 p.m. in the CTE Building West Lobby.

For information about clothing donations to the Career Closet, contact Resource Advisor Deb Shores at (636) 481-3286 or (636) 797-3000, ext. 3286 or email dshores@jeffco.edu.

For additional details about Career Prep Week or the Job Fairs, contact Employment Specialist Lora Warner at (636) 481-3223 or (636) 797-3000, ext. 3223 or lwarner@jeffco.edu.
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Ticket & Sponsorship Information to Follow
MARCH 6-9, (MARCH 6 @ 10 AM / MARCH 7&8 @ 8 PM / MARCH 9 @ 2 PM)
Spring Play “The Murder Room” ★ A Comedic Murder Mystery by Jack Sharkey

MARCH 11, 7:30 PM  Concert Band – “Through the Years” FREE!

MARCH 13, 4 PM (MASTERCLASS) / 7:30 PM (PERFORMANCE)
SPRING JAZZ SHOWCASE - Featuring Christian McBride & Peter Martin★
Bassist extraordinaire, composer, arranger, educator, curator administrator, and 3-time Grammy winner Christian McBride, is one of the most important & omnipresent figures in the jazz world. Peter Martin is an acclaimed jazz pianist, composer, arranger & educator.

MARCH 20-22  48 Hour Film Festival FREE!
Meeting, 3/14, Project 3/20-22, Screening 4/4 at 7PM
Form a team of 5 or less and write, film & edit your project in 48 hours! Specific guidelines will be given for your film. Present your creation and win fabulous prizes! Anyone can enter.

APRIL 6, 3 PM  Choir Concert – “Handel’s Messiah” parts II & III FREE!

APRIL 28 – MAY 9  Student Art Show

MAY 4, 1 PM  Backyard BBQ with the Funky Butt Brass Band FREE!
New Orleans-style brass with a St. Louis attitude- guaranteed to get your toes tapping, feet marching and kick any party into overdrive! BBQ Meals are $5 or free with PACE card.

MAY 6, 7:30 PM  Concert Band - “Summer Celebration” FREE!

MAY 7-8, 10-6 PM (WED) & 9-4 PM (THURS)  Student Pottery Sale

MAY 11, 3 PM  Choir Concert - “Spring Fling” FREE!

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