Tobacco Land No More

by Brian Moss
Photo by Janis Francis

Tobacco land no more, say WHAAAAA? Yeah, that’s right, Jefferson College is transitioning to a tobacco free campus starting in fall of 2014. Until then, you can only smoke in the little posts they allow you in your car or dorm room.

But when it does go completely tobacco free on September 20, you will not even be able to do that. If you do, you will be violating the school’s tobacco policy and can either be faced with legal prosecution or dismissed from the school. You will be referred to the Vice President of Student Services or another appropriate College official for disciplinary action.

Students needing assistance in dealing with drug/alcohol dependency are encouraged to make contact with College staff who will provide confidential assistance, information, or appropriate resources in the area. Jefferson College is making Jeffco safer and healthier by doing this, and they are trying to promote health for students. Britney Adams has opinion.

Students like Ali Dunman will no longer be able to smoke on campus in fall. Adams understands the college’s intent. She said, “I think they are doing this because they want to make the campus cleaner and that they are trying to promote health, and this is one way of doing this. They also won’t have to pay people to pick up the bits of cigarettes anymore, so the campus will look nicer.”

Alex Kennedy and Emily Martin don’t smoke, but they were both against the new policy making Jeffco a tobacco free environment, stating that, “People should be able to smoke in the little posts anytime they want. Their not hurting anybody, its outside and they have their own section.”

They also thought it would affect people’s enrollment just like Britney did, stating “People who smoke won’t enroll at Jeffco anymore.”

Some students say they know Jeffco is trying to make a cleaner and healthier campus, but they wonder why the change when everything thing is fine just the way it is. Some people don’t like change, and others do, but this kind of change is pretty big. It could affect enrollment, but who knows for sure, only time will tell.

48 Hours to Make Your Mark

by Andrew Poe

Do you have a passion for filmmaking, writing, or acting? If the answer is yes, then Jefferson College’s upcoming 48 hour film festival may just be what you are looking for.

This will be the fourth annual 48 hour film festival hosted by Jefferson College. This year’s film festival will take place at noon March 20 until noon March 22, 2014. A meeting will be held on March 14 where more information will be given; contact Nick Nihira at mnihira@jeffco.edu for details.

There will be one change to who can enter into the film festival this year. Prior to this year, the film festival has only been open to the people of Jefferson County. Starting with this year’s film festival, anyone in the St. Louis Metropolitan Area will be eligible to enter.

Organizers of Jefferson College’s 48 hour film festival hope this year there will be an increase in submissions as last year there were only three submissions. According to Prof. Timothy Boehme, last year every group that entered “was a winner.” The previous two years had between eight and ten submissions each year.

It is recommended that if you participate in this year’s film festival that you try to set up a group you would like to work with as soon as possible. Contestants are required to set up their own groups if they wish to enter. Also, the sooner you have a group, the sooner you will be able to divide responsibilities accordingly. The earlier you plan, then the earlier you will be able to “scope out decent locations” to shoot your film, Boehme says.

Typically what happens on the first day of shooting is that a meeting will take place an hour before shooting is to begin. It is here that sponsors will have a guest speaker that will help encourage people and give helpful advice to the groups. It is also here that you will get several required elements that must be included in your short film. Required elements typically include a required character, line of dialogue, prop, and theme.

Typically the first twenty-four hours consists of writing and filming while the second twenty-four hours will consist of editing. The MadLab will be opened in the second twenty-four hour period. Nick Nihira who is also a sponsor has been there in the past to help anyone with the editing process that will need it.

Unlike with other film festivals, Timothy Boehme says that there is “no fee to enter the film festival.” This makes it easier for anyone who wants to enter.

Another good reason to enter is you will get to see your short film be screened. Each year the top ten films are screened. There will also be cash prizes for the top three entries. First prize will get $300, Second prize will be $200, and Third prize will be $100. Timothy Boehme also offers some final words of advice: “Just have fun with it.” Boehme also says that you should “try to surround yourself with good people.”

So if filmmaking is a passion of yours then Jefferson College’s 48 hour film festival may just be the challenge that you are looking for.


**Cupid's Arrow Misses the Mark**

By Allison Foote

Imagine a world where trans-plant patients would be guaran-teed a new heart, when they need it. No wait lists, no disabilities or drug rejection. In this world, every man, woman, and child would only be a quick sprint to the er from death. In this world, trans-planting a human heart is being made easier. With 3-dimensional printing, the human heart would be on the way to becoming real.

According to Stephanie Crawford, an online journalist for HowStuffWorks.com, the concept is one that continues to draw interest from scientists, engineers, and medical professionals alike. "The idea of 3-dimensional printing is to produce specific organs or Glasgow, UK. Researchers at MARC in Louisville, Kentucky, discovered that stem cells can help to repair damaged tissue in the body. Specifically, the team found that the shape of the tissue, but not the normal texture of the organ. Surprisingly, some of these 3D printed objects have already been used to repair defects in the heart and kidneys. The research suggests that this technology could be used to repair damaged organs in the future.

In another article for LifeScienceJournal.com, Dr. Mark Miodownik discusses the potential of 3D printing in healthcare. He argues that the technology could be used to produce artificial organs that are customized to the patient's specific needs. "This technology could revolutionize the way we think about organ transplantation," he writes. "It could allow us to print organs on demand and provide a more personalized approach to patient care."

**Magical Illusions and the Art of Persuasion**

By Jane Francis

A lone table stands on the corner of the stage, covered with a black tablecloth. As the audience settles in, a man walks up to the table. He is dressed in all black with a very powerful Mohawk.

This may sound like the opening act to some ob-scene rock concert when in fact, it was actually its first glimpse at St. Louis resident and Master Illusionist Keith Jozsef. The IMF: Press conference gets off on the right foot when it came to the first performance of the Spring Semester. There was standing room only for the show, which took place on January 27, 2014 at the Film Studio. Jozsef entertained the three basic types of magic into his performance: sleight of hand, mentalism, and grand illusions. He started the night with an ex-ample of the power of the mind and positive connection.

Jozsef took a man from the audience and asked him to choose a word from a selection cards held up. Without tell-ing Jozsef the word that he had chosen, the man was able to pronounce the word that Jozsef was thinking of. He said, "he is just the beginning of what you will see tonight."

An example of sleight of hand was the first trick that most student magicians forget. This is the trick that most people think they are going to learn. But, surprisingly, it is one of the easiest tricks to learn and one that anyone can do. All you need is a deck of cards and a little bit of practice.

Jozsef then went on to show the audience how to perform a basic trick called "the three card Monte. In this routine, the audience member is only to the position that you have chosen a card. The trick is simple. You have changed all three cards to the top card of the deck, it will only be the back of the cards that are facing up. One of his illusions might have been more of a little quirk. He took several pieces of candy and asked the audience to put them in their mouths. When he opened the mouth and then closed them, the candy pieces were gone.

The trick was simple. He had simply tricked the audience into thinking that they had put the candy in their mouths. This was a classic example of how we can only be so sure about what we see.

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A Tale of Two Campuses
by Brian Moss

Being an athlete is great, but being an athlete in college is even better. You can learn so much just playing sports, and getting an education just makes it that much better. It prepares you for life. Being a student-athlete isn't easy now, but it will teach life lessons along the way and will make you tougher and stronger for the real world. Not to mention building lifelong friendships with your teammates and coaches. This will also help you in college making it easier to get settled in.

One important piece of advice for student athlete is to follow the rules. Not every college has the same rules; in some colleges, you might be able to get away with things that other colleges won’t let you get away with. For instance, your grade point average might be need to be higher at some schools than others. Some set certain rules like curfew or making tutoring mandatory, or others might not. To see how different being an athlete at colleges can be, I interviewed an athlete from Greenville college and one from Jeffco.

The athlete I interviewed at Greenville was Ryan Carter who is a starting point guard for their basketball team. Greenville is a Christian college and has different rules than Jeffco. The players can’t drink, have sex, or smoke. Breaking these rules can result in their being suspended or dismissed from the team. I asked Ryan how it is being a student athlete at Greenville. Do the advisors put you in the easiest classes? Do the advisors put you in the easiest classes?

“I’m busy, busy, busy. Having to schedule time between classes, practices, games, and work isn’t easy, but it’s worth it in the long run because it makes me a stronger person for the world.”

Then he said, “The advisors do not put me in the easiest classes. They treat me like any other student and they don’t favor the athletes like other colleges might. The friendships I’ve made are incredible, my teammates are like brothers, and my coaches are like another father. They’ve taught me many things, like never to give up, and to always follow what I believe.”

The other athlete that I interviewed was Alex Kennedy who is a cheerleader at Jeffco. I asked him how it was being a cheerleader at Jeffco. He said, “It’s a great learning experience to be able to work as a team and not just by myself. He said it’s pretty easy scheduling his class time, practices, games, and his homework.”

I also asked him how his relationship was like with his teammates, and coaches, and if he learned anything from them. He said, “I have great relationships with my teammates, and coaches, and have learned a lot from both. They taught me to work hard and if I do, I will be successful in life.”

Being a student athlete will teach you many things, like never to give up, and working hard will transfer in being successful in life. Being an athlete will create friendships that will last for life.

Drama Dept. Presents The Murder Room
by Jordan Freeman

Spring is just around the corner, and for the drama department it means only one thing: the spring play! That’s right, all you loyal patrons of theater, the Fine Arts Theatre here at Jefferson College will house the next play in its long history of drama. Even if you are not a familiar with Jefferson College’s plays, you can still witness a play that is sure to entertain all who attend.

The play is a comedy-mystery called The Murder Room. If you want to see your fellow students on stage or want (or need) to attend a culture event, why not come out and see something you will be glad you saw. A play is a good way to spend an evening, but do you enjoy yourself and try something new? It’s much cheaper than seeing a comedian. But why go alone? Bring your significant other or some friends; the more the merrier.

The students and staff always work hard to put on these plays but it is you, their audience, who make the theatre thrive. It is a passion that is fueled by the audience. It is always good to see new faces in the crowd and if you are new to theater, The Murder Room is an excellent play to start with.

There are many things to like about murder mysteries alone, but adding comedy insures the audience will get a laugh while following the plot of mystery and can only be kept guessing until the end.

Moving on or Moving Up?
by Jordan Freeman

It’s no secret that Jeffco’s baseball team has had a very successful history on the diamond. From the coaching staff to the Vikings on the field, their talent has been present year after year with championship after championship. Jefferson College’s baseball team has been a bridge for many of its Vikings to take for a career in major league baseball. Between the years 1965-2013, a total of 61 Vikings have been drafted into an MLB organization, with many more still to come.

While 12 former Vikings were drafted as independent, 4 have been drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals: Rob Helvey in 1992, Cliff Pollitte in 1995, Jeremy Paterson in 2011 and Brett Wiley in 2013. The most Vikings were drafted in one year is five; one in 2003 and again in 2005. Today there are currently 11 former Vikings playing pro baseball, including Brett Wiley.

This season will mark head coach Sam Carel’s eighth year as head coach at Jefferson College and he has done very well in his seven years of coaching Viking Baseball thus far. Jefferson College has been picking up seven consecutive championship titles since 2007, being the MCCAC champs throughout the time Carel has been head coach.

Is he the key to Viking baseball players moving on in the world of baseball? While no one was drafted his first year at Jeffco, 15 former Vikings did get drafted into major league. So since Carel has been head coach, 24% of all drafted Viking baseball players have been drafted into professional baseball. Even though the coaches played a part in their players’ recognition, the athletes have placed themselves in a position to make all of their hard work take them to places they could only dream of as a kid. The coaching staff along with the players’ talents and work ethics have been a positive force for not only them, but the team they play for.

The number of Vikings baseball players who have been drafted since 1965 has had its own ups and downs. While up to five players were picked up in a single year, there have been many years where Jefferson College’s baseball team sent no one up to a professional level. The longest time Viking baseball players being drafted was a drought of fourteen years. From 1966 to 1980, no one got a call from a major league affiliation. Since then, only four years have passed without a Viking baseball player being sent up. Not too bad for a junior college.

Of course not every player who is drafted plays for the team who chose them. While the number of Vikings who actually played in major league baseball is small compared to the number of them who were just drafted, just being drafted is something for them to be proud of.

For Jeffco’s baseball team, there is no end in sight for the amount of success this team is having and the high amount of recognition its players are receiving. So as the 2014 season rolls around, keep in mind in the next time you see those players, it might be at Busch Stadium.