It’s been another uneventful week in the department. June Term seems to be proceeding smoothly, the six week May Terms are about over, and several of us are beginning to prepare for July. In getting a syllabus together for my class, I was surprised how much July had "shrunk" compared to previous years. Since it starts on the 6th and Finals are the 29th, and since classes only meet Monday to Thursday, there are only 14 class meetings!

My major announcement is that I have decided to abdicate as of 4:30 Friday from my position as Acting Department Head. I’m looking forward to my new position of "Emeritus Acting Department Head". Thanks!

-Kelly

Department News

REMINDER--GRADES DUE: May Six Week Term on June 11, 2010 by 1:15 p.m.

IMPACTSEED Summer Institute June 7-18
IMPACTSEED (Improving Physics And Chemistry Teaching in Secondary Education) is funded by the Alabama Commission on Higher Education. Project Director is Dr. Nouredine Zettili. Dr. Laura Weinkauf and Dr. Al Nichols also teach in the Summer Institute. We welcome all the high school teachers to Physical and Earth Sciences at JSU.

University News

John Sebastian, Abbey Road LIVE! to Headline Seventh Annual Music at McClellan
The seventh annual series will be June 18-19 and is being combined with the Mountain Longleaf Festival. The venue will also move to the Longleaf Village this year.

Abbey Road LIVE! will kick the festival off on Friday evening, June 18 at 8 p.m. Since 2002, Abbey Road LIVE! has been rocking the music of the Beatles at clubs, theatres, festivals, and private events.
John Sebastian will close the festival the following evening with a concert at 8 p.m. Over four decades the contributions of John Sebastian have become a permanent part of our American musical fabric. His group The Lovin' Spoonful played a major role in the mid-'60s rock revolution, but what leader, singer and songwriter Sebastian had in mind was actually a counter-revolution.

All other acts are scheduled to perform beginning at 1 p.m. on Saturday during a day filled with music, arts, children’s activities and family fun. In addition to the music, there will be live Alabama animals and birds of prey shows and demonstrations, arts and crafts vendors, moon bounce, parachute waves and plenty of food.

Advance tickets will be $20 for a single-day or $35 for a weekend pass. At the gate, single-day tickets will be $25 and $45 for the weekend pass. Children’s tickets are $5; however, children 3 and younger will be admitted free.

Tickets are available online at the Music at McClellan website, or at the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce, JSU Bookstore, Tyson Art & Frame, The Anniston Star, Cosmic Debris and the Center for Cultural Arts in Gadsden. For more information call 256-782-8518.

Degenerate States

For Lexophiles

1. A bicycle can’t stand alone; it is two tired.
2. A will is a dead giveaway.
3. Time flies like an arrow; fruit flies like a banana.
4. A backward poet writes inverse.
5. In a democracy it’s your vote that counts; in feudalism, it’s your Count that votes.
6. A chicken crossing the road: poultry in motion.
7. If you don’t pay your exorcist you can get repossessed.
8. With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.
9. Show me a piano falling down a mine shaft and I’ll show you A-flat miner.
10. When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.
11. The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine was fully recovered.
12. A grenade fell onto a kitchen floor in France, resulted in Linoleum Blownapart.
13. You are stuck with your debt if you can’t budge it.
14. Local Area Network in Australia : The LAN down under.
15. He broke into song because he couldn’t find the key.
16. A calendar’s days are numbered.
17. A lot of money is tainted: ‘Taint yours, and ‘taint mine.
18. A boiled egg is hard to beat.
19. He had a photographic memory which was never developed.
20. A plateau is a high form of flattery.
21. A fortune telling dwarf escaped from prison: Police are searching for a small medium at large.
22. Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.
23. When you’ve seen one shopping centre you’ve seen a mall.
24. If you jump off a Paris bridge, you are in Seine.
25. When she saw her first strands of grey hair, she thought she’d dye.
26. Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead to know basis.
27. Santa’s helpers are subordinate clauses.

NOTE: No trees were killed in the sending of this message, but a large number of electrons were terribly inconvenienced.

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