



Do not forget to help out with Preview Day this Saturday. The chili cook-off is covered below and has a nice montage of photos. Thank you, Tracy, Karen and all who contributed.

There are many things happening on campus this week-end. There are also several Jazz concerts, but the information about times and places is not clear. If you really love jazz, you might phone the Music Department.

Have a great week-end.

--Lou

#### Department News

##### **Spring Preview Day 23 Feb**

Spring Preview Day is fast approaching. Please see Stephen Tsikalas if you can help out. It is important to have faculty members from all our disciplines represented to answer questions from prospective students and their parents.

##### **Sexual Harassment Prevention Training**

Everyone is required to have annual training to prevent sexual harassment. The training program is new this year. To access it, to go: <http://elearning.ue.org>

You will need to register as a new user on the right-hand side of the page. The Institution Registration Code is: 1106-SC37-XY12

The session takes about 45 minutes and is, in my opinion, much better than the program we had in previous years. You are supposed have this completed by 15 March.

##### **Annual Chili Cook-off Results**

\$436 was raised and will be donated to the Honors Students Relay for Life team. First Place in this competition was Kelly Gregg with a very traditional chili. Second place was Joe Morgan with a venison chili accented with India spices and third place went to Karen Gregg with a traditional chili. We thank Tracy Casey and Karen Gregg for organizing the event. We also thank everyone who participated in the competition and everyone who helped to set-up, take down, collect money, tally scores, take pictures, etc. It was a lot of fun. If you missed it, you can enjoy some of the photos.



### Faculty Research Grants

I hope you will apply for the JSU Faculty Research Grants. The deadline for receipt of these in the **Associate Dean's** office (246 Martin Hall) is **Monday, March 18**, to provide time for review prior to the University deadline. Faculty should follow these instructions in preparing an application:

1. Please go to the Academic Affairs website for information on the Guidelines for Research

Proposal Format.

[http://www.jsu.edu/academicaffairs/research\\_grant.html](http://www.jsu.edu/academicaffairs/research_grant.html)

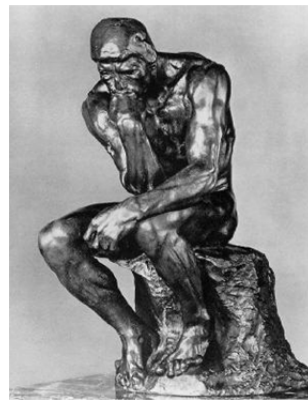
2. Submit the original signed copy of the submission form, using the current form available online at the above address. Please do not use old forms! Also, please do not send multiple copies of the application; our office will get the Dean's signature, make the Faculty Research Committee's requested ten copies, and deliver them to the committee chair, Dr. Jimmy Griffin.
3. Please print the detailed line item budget, in the requested format, on its own page on white paper. Our office will copy this onto the requested colored paper.
4. If you received a faculty research grant in 2012-2013, please attach the progress report for that grant to the back of the 2013-2014 proposal submission. These progress reports are also due to Dr. Griffin by March 1.
5. Please include a current CV for each researcher.
6. Note that a faculty member is limited to the submission of one proposal as a principal investigator per year.

#### iPad News

#### Thought for the Day

##### **iPad Users Group Meeting**

We will have our next iPad Users Group meeting on Wednesday, 27 February at 12:30 -1:30 in 202 Martin Hall. At our next meeting Glaucio Scremin will lead a discussion on using the iPads for "clickers" (student response systems). This will be another low-key meeting to answer questions and share ideas. You are most welcome to attend. Bring your iPad. We will discuss printing from the iPad. Please note the change in date to 27 Feb. for this meeting.



Some of the best lessons we learn,  
we learn by our mistakes and failures

#### College and University News

##### **Canadian Pianist to Perform at JSU's Foothills Piano Festival**

Pianist Jeremey Samolesky will be featured in recital as part of JSU's annual Foothills Piano Festival on Thursday, February 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Mason Hall Performance Center. Formerly of Canada, Dr. Samoleskyk currently holds the post of Associate Professor of Music at Auburn University. A recipient of doctoral degrees from the Eastman School of Music in both solo piano and collaborative piano music, Dr. Samolesky will delight audiences with the wonderful classical piano repertoire they love. Admission to the recital is free and open to the public.





### **Faculty Awards Nominations Sought**

The Faculty Senate is pleased to announce that nominations are sought for the following faculty awards:

- Faculty Scholar Lecturer Award
- Outstanding Teacher Award
- Ringer Faculty Development Award
- Thomas Award for Outstanding Community Education/Service
- Faculty Research Activity

All full-time faculty members are eligible. Nominations by self, students, colleagues or department heads are encouraged. Please refer to [Faculty Awards](#) for guidelines. The recipients will be recognized at the Faculty Awards Reception on May 14, 2013

### **African-American Soldiers in the Civil War are Subject of February Library Lunchtime Lecture**

JSU Instructor of History Ms. Antionette Hudson will speak about African-American soldiers serving in the Union Army during the Civil War at the February Library Lunchtime Lecture at the Houston Cole Library. The event will take place on February 22 at 12:30 p.m. on the tenth floor of the Library. Admission is free. For more information, please email [Charlie Pettway Vann](mailto:CharliePettwayVann@jsu.edu). ([cvann@jsu.edu](mailto:cvann@jsu.edu))

### **JSU Drama Presents 'Brigadoon' Feb 21 - Mar 3**

Jacksonville State University department of Drama is proud to present "BRIGADOON," February 21 - March 3 at the Ernest Stone Performing Arts Center Theatre.

#### **PERFORMANCE TIME AND DATES**

- February 21-23 at 7 p.m.
- February 24 at 2 p.m.
- February 28-March 2 at 7 p.m.
- March 3 at 2 p.m.

#### **TICKET PRICES**

- \$10 for Students and Military
- \$12 for JSU Faculty/Staff and Senior Citizens
- \$15 for Adults

For reservations, please call (256)782-5648.



### **Contact Details**

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