



HONORS PROGRAM

NEWSLETTER | SUMMER 2013



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

2012-2013

Elite Honors Scholars

Allison Clark (December 2012)

Jansen Harmon

Kristin Hays

Andrew Newsome

Courtney Newsome

Benjamin Parr

Joshua Wise

Honors Program

Zack Brown

Kenneth Floyd

Briana Wittman



Evan Mince

President

Student Honors Board 2013-2014

Dear Honors Students,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to JSU for the fall semester of 2013. For the first time, we are both welcoming a new group of incoming freshmen to the Honors Program and saying goodbye to the program's charter members. This year Allison Clark, Kristin Hays, Jansen Harmon, Andrew Newsome, Courtney Newsome, Ben Parr, and Josh Wise graduated after four years of putting their hearts into the growth of our Honors Program. I believe I speak for everyone when I say that we would not be where we are without their hard work and dedication over the last four years, and they will be greatly missed.

As your new president, I am excited to have the opportunity to help lead us forward in the coming year. After a year of hard work, the renovation of the basement of the Honors House is expected to be completed this semester. With a study area, picnic tables, wireless Internet access, and now a completed basement to serve as a hangout for any Honors student, I hope the Honors House will become our program's center for growth. Our annual Honors Bowl tournament is coming up in November. So keep an eye out for more information as the semester progresses and be sure to get your teams ready as soon as possible!

I am both humbled and honored to be your president, and I cannot wait to see all of the work we can accomplish together! Feel free to stop by the Honors House or join our JSU Honors Program Facebook page to see how you can get involved. This is not my program or the program of a select few, but rather, it belongs to every Honors student. You all have a voice in the direction that this program takes. I look forward to what this year holds for us!



**Special thanks to
Jansen Harmon**

who served as President of the Honors Student Board during his 4 years as an Elite Honors Scholar. Many things were accomplished in the Honors Program under his leadership.

We are proud of him and look forward to hearing good reports about his teaching career as part of the Oxford School System.



JSU Elite Honors Scholarship Recipients

**We look forward to welcoming our incoming
Elite Honors Scholars for 2013-2014.**

**Ms. Alyssa Cunningham
Meek High, Arley**

**Mr. Caelan Goss
Piedmont High, Piedmont**

**Ms. Abigail Jaskowski
Jacksonville High, Jacksonville**

**Mr. Dakota Johnson
Gaylesville High, Rainsville**

**Mr. Christopher Kyser
Corner High, Dora**

**Mr. Alex McFry
White Plains High, Anniston**

**Mr. James Schultz
Sparkman High, Harvest**

**Ms. Erin Whetzel
Lionheart Christian, Harvest**



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Thanks to everyone for all the hard work for Relay for Life 2013. Together we were able to raise \$6,006.31 and to receive the Gold Team honor as Top Fundraising/Education Team.



JSU Honors Students Visit China

On June 10, 2013, eight Honors students and two JSU professors left for a two-week course of study at Taizhou University as part of a June term EH 399 class. The students studied Chinese culture, literature, and history while there. The team was headed by Dr. Teresa Reed and Dr. Aaron Garrett and also included Zane Alexander, Lyndsey Bonner, Kayla Falvo, Greg Felch, Trent Ford, Whitney Gaut, Lea Isbell, and Noah Trudeau.

Taizhou Students Visit JSU

Our program was able to reciprocate the recent hospitality shown our Honors students at Taizhou University. Two professors and 15 students from Taizhou University were on our campus in July to complete a course of study in American culture. The evening of July 12, all guests from China were welcomed with a meal at Honors House and were made honorary members of the JSU Honors Program. They are now wearing our program's official t-shirts on their own campus.

