

May 2021

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Friday, May 14 🔶 1 & 4 PM

Saturday, May 15 10 AM & 1 PM

## Judge Darrell Missey to Deliver Graduation Address at Jefferson College 56th Annual Commencement Exercises May 14-15

Jefferson College will hold the 56th annual commencement ceremonies on Friday and Saturday, May 14 and 15, in the Field House on the Hillsboro campus. Due to health and safety concerns surrounding the pandemic, the College is holding four separate ceremonies while keeping the number of graduates to no more than 90 per ceremony and limiting the number of guests.

Those who do not have an admission ticket will not be admitted into the Field House, due to pandemic safety guidelines.

To maintain a safe environment for all graduates and attendees, the College will follow several safety health protocols including a mask requirement for all that enter the Field House, hygiene stations with hand sanitizer, appropriate spacing between all seats and chairs, and sanitization of Field House surfaces between ceremonies.

665 students are eligible to receive associate degrees or career and technical education certificates as the class of 2021. Because the College was not able to host an in-person graduation ceremony last year, all 2020 graduates have also been invited to attend this year's ceremonies.

Jefferson County Circuit Judge Darrell Missey will deliver a pre-recorded keynote address for each ceremony. Missey has led a distinguished law and judicial career and is known for his advocacy of and compassion for children. Missey currently serves on the Supreme Court's Family Court Committee and has served on the Juvenile Detention Standards Review Committee and the Children's Services Commission. He was also a finalist to be selected to the Eastern District Court of Appeals panel.



As a public service, all four graduation ceremonies will be shown live via streaming video on the Jefferson College Go Jeffco YouTube page as follows:



Friday, May 14 at 1 p.m. youtu.be/FNNNmwxaQtA Friday, May 14 at 4 p.m. youtu.be/IKzKWOUUffo



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Saturday, May 15 at 1 p.m. youtu.be/FzzDOuZ9wLk

The ceremonies will also be re-broadcast on JCTV (Charter Cable Channel 989) numerous times throughout the following weeks.

Attendees and their families are encouraged to post graduation-related photos and memories using #JeffcoGrad on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

All jackets, bags and backpacks will be searched upon entry to the Field House. Purses, diaper bags and other small personal bags are allowed, but will be inspected at the entrance. No large bags or boxes are allowed in the building without prior authorization. In the event that prohibited items are revealed in a search, guests will be asked to dispose of the items or return them to their cars before re-entering the building. Guests are encouraged to arrive early to allow adequate time to enter the building.

Any attendee who will need special seating or parking for someone attending graduation should contact the College's Disability Support Services Office at (636) 481-3158. Bottom tier seating and special parking are available by reservation and/or on a first come, first available basis.

Additional details about Jefferson College's 2021 Commencement are available on the Jefferson College website at jeffco. edu/graduation.

The College is a tobacco-free/smoke-free environment and the use of tobacco and all smoke-related products (including cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, smokeless/chewing tobacco, electronic cigarettes, herbal cigarettes, herbal smoke products, hookahs, and beedies) is restricted to inside personal vehicles.

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# All students, faculty, and staff are invited to the first annual **CELEBRATION OF CREATIVE WORKS**

### Tuesday, May 4 • 3 pm - 5 pm • Fine Arts Theatre

This is a free event, the official release party of JC Writing Club's journal of literature and art:



Journal of Literature and Ar Volume 1 • 202 Copies of the journal will be available.

**Enjoy** the literature, photography, and art of **Jefferson College Vikings.** 

Event will open with a special musical performance by the **Jefferson College Jazz Combo.** 

**Selected writers will read** from their published works of poetry, prose, and fiction.

**Meet** the artists.



Enjoy light refreshments.

#### Featuring creative works by:

Luke Adams, Karen Altenau-Smith, Victoria Avis, Serene Bardol, Makayla Boehme, Tim Boehme, Ph.D., Timothy Booker, Holly Boyer, Axel Brown, Elena Burgos, Colin Christenson, Dante Carlisle, Taylor Duncan, Lisa Ebert, Dylan Emge, Gabbi Ervin, Tyler Gillam, Emily Glidewell, Velouria Grace, Gavin Graves, Alec Huffman, Sahar Joakim, Ph.D., Emily Lowe, Taylor Meyers, Micah Mills, Tracy Moore, MaCeighla Nichol, Chris Otto, Megan Partney, Kenzi Porterfield, Jessica Prince, Alondra Reyes, Grace Rosenthal, Holly Ross, Madelyn Stafford, Bozena Svoboda, Jim True, Lilly Tschudin, Suzie Welch, Amanda Whitener, Wesley Whitfield



## Conversations on Diversity -St. Louis Women's Literary History May 6

The Jefferson College Diversity Committee will host another virtual program in the Conversations on Diversity series on Thursday, May 6, from 7-8:30 p.m. with a free presentation by Amanda Clark regarding St. Louis women's literary history.

The discussion will be presented virtually and is open to everyone. Participants can join via ZOOM at <u>www.bit.ly/COD-</u><u>AmandaClark</u>.

Clark will explore St. Louis's rich history of women writers, playwrights, and poets. She will uncover the historical context of the lives and work of several women, while providing a historical context for the lives they led. She will also talk about several women whose work has been lost to popular history, but whose genius and life stories are astounding.

Clark is the Community Tours Manager for the Missouri Historical Society, a new initiative aimed at providing bus, walking, and virtual tours of various St. Louis neighborhoods. She is also the founder of Renegade STL, which has provided tours and other creative programming for area schools, corporations, and private groups for more than eight years. In addition, Clark is involved with local architectural preservation and business development groups.

The Diversity Series is being hosted in an effort to address current issues related to diversity and is designed to engage people in productive, honest and respectful dialogue. Programs feature local and national speakers throughout the year as well as virtual forums facilitated by the campus community.

Jefferson College's diversity statement affirms that the college is a community leader dedicated to supporting and promoting diversity through opportunities and experiences that foster a culture of respect, inclusiveness, and understanding for everyone in the campus community, to engage in a diverse world. The statement was developed by the Diversity Subcommittee of the Accreditation Committee.

For more information about the Conversations on Diversity series, visit <u>www.jeffco.edu/PACE/Diversity-Speakers</u> or contact Elke Overton, Assistant Professor of Music, at <u>eoverton@jeffco.edu</u> or 636-481-3372.



St. Louis Women's Literary History - With Amanda Clark-





Ms. Clark will explore St. Louis's incredibly rich history of women writers, playwrights, poets, and even a muse or two. Join us to discover the historical context of the lives and work of these incredible women, while gaining a historical context for the lives they led. Ms. Clark will also talk about several women whose work has been lost to popular history, but whose genius and unbelievable life stories will astound you.

Amanda Clark is a St. Louis transplant, a French Toast connoisseur, and is currently the Community Tours Manager for the Missouri Historical Society, a new initiative aimed at providing bus, walking, and virtual tours of various St. Louis neighborhoods. She is the founder of Renegade STL – which provided tours and other creative programming for area schools, corporations, and private groups for over 8 years. In 2019, Renegade was featured in both the NY Times and the St. Louis Business Journal for their unique approach to history. In addition, Amanda is involved with local architectural preservation and business development groups. She currently lives in Webster Groves with her 2 kids, 2 cats, and 7 chickens.

## **College and County Host Electronics Recycling Event May 6**

The Jefferson College Environment and Safety Committee and Jefferson County will partner with Midwest Recycling Center to host an electronics recycling event on Thursday, May 6, from 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. on the Hillsboro campus at the Yellow parking lot near the Veterans Memorial and Fine Arts building.

For safety precautions, those who have items to drop off should remain in their vehicle during the unload process.

The annual public service event is held in an effort to identify simple, practical ways to make the campus and the surrounding region more environmentally friendly. Specifically, the E-Cycle Electronics Drop-Off is designed to protect the environment by providing the opportunity to dispose of unwanted electronics responsibly.

All electronics and appliances are accepted. The basic rule is that MRC will accept anything electronic (even if it is broken). The only items not accepted are thermostats and light bulbs. For a list of all items that are accepted, free of charge, visit https://mrcrecycling.net/list.

Some items will incur a recycling fee (cash only accepted for payment):

CRT Monitors - \$5 LED/LCD/plasma TVs - \$20 CRT TVs 26" or less - \$30 CRT TVs 27" or greater - \$50 Wood console and true big screen/projection TVs - \$50 Any Freon containing unit - \$10

Jefferson County will also be collecting non-electronic items for recycling, including paper, plastic, glass, and cans.

The community improvement project is funded by the St. Louis-Jefferson Solid Waste Management District and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. For more information about the E-Cycle Electronics Drop-Off event, call (636) 797-5043 or (314) 691-3469.



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**Jefferson College Hillsboro** 

Yellow Parking Lot (Near Veterans Memorial)

For safety, we ask that all participants remain in their vehicles during the unload process

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## **Communications Associate Professor** Selected as PTK Teacher of the Year

The Jefferson College Xi Zeta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa honor society has selected Associate Professor of Communications Lisa Pavia-Higel as the 2021 Teacher of the Year. Lisa will be recognized at the PTK Faculty Appreciation Ceremony and in this year's Commencement program.

# PHITHETA KAPPA

Softball Coach Tony **Cook Achieves 600th Career Win** 

That's a winner! Vikings Head Softball Coach Tony Cook recently notched his 600th career victory. Tony is in his 15th season and has led Jefferson College to 10 regular season tournament titles, 10 conference titles, 9 appearances in the Region XVI Championship game, and 2 trips to the national championship tournament. In all, 60 student-athletes under his leadership have gone on to continue their playing careers at fouryear universities across the Midwest.



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TUES	JULY 6	4 - 5 PM
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WED	JUL 21	5 - 6 PM

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After attending a PASS, you will be entered to win a \$25 AMAZON GIFT CARD!

Drawings will be held monthly.

Jefferson College Kaysie Dudley

Admissions Specialist

Jaclyn Birks

Admissions Specialist

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

All monthly agenda items and supporting materials are posted online via the Board Docs site accessible through the Jefferson College website homepage at jeffco.edu clicking on "About" > "Leadership" > "Board of Trustees" links.

#### April agenda items approved and/or discussed:

- Certification of Election Results
- Administering the Oath of Office
- Presentation: CARES Projects Update (Daryl Gehbauer and Dale Richardson)
- Presentation: Observatory Update (Daryl Gehbauer and Dale Richardson)
- Consent Agenda Items (Minutes, Financial Statement, Investments Report, Faculty Load Adjustments - Spring 2021, Curriculum Matters, and Continuing Education Course Offerings - Summer 2021)
- Organization of the Board
- Establish Time and Place of Regular Board Meetings
- Contract Abatement in Arts & Sciences I
- Contract Student Center Renovation
- Purchase Autoclave Sterilizer
- Classroom and Faculty Office Furniture in Arts & Sciences I
- Course Fees Changes
- Promotions in Accordance with Faculty Promotions in Academic Ranking System
- Jefferson College Foundation Board of Directors Nomination Bianca Eden

#### 2021 Board Meeting Schedule

May 13 – 5 p.m. June 10 – Noon July 8 – Noon August 12 - Noon

**September 9** – 5:30 p.m. **October 14** – 6 p.m. **December 2** – 5 p.m.

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## Virtual Auction Raises Nearly \$40,000 to Support Students

Thanks to the generosity of those who participated in the Virtual Auction, the Foundation nearly reached its goal of raising \$40,000 for student assistance. The funds raised at the auction provide students and the College with much-needed resources necessary to achieve a quality education and a successful future.

Special thanks goes out to the more than 110 Jefferson College faculty and staff who contributed to the auction. Nearly 20 departments, groups, or committees donated to the auction, and many people gave more than once.

More than 140 bidders participated in the fun event, which ended April 17. The three raffles raised more than \$2,500, and were won by Megan Braun (Apple Watch), Carla Crowson (Samsung TV), and Erin Bergman (Weber Grill).

Fund-a-Future donations can be made until May 25 at bit.ly/Foundation-Auction

This year's Virtual Auction sponsors included: Presenting Sponsor: Enterprise Bank & Trust Silver Sponsors: Mercy Hospital Jefferson, Production Castings Bronze Sponsors: Express Mart, First State Community Bank, H-J Enterprises Copper Sponsors: Ameren Missouri, Rick & Sue Francis, Twin City Toyota

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