



Photo: Chelsea Borcherding '11

## STUDENT NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2009

### OUTLOOK FROM THE HILL

*"The building was not ready for occupancy until April, 1879, when we took possession, broke home ties with old associations and came to breathe purer air and command a brighter outlook from the hill."*

—Reminiscences of Juniata College by David Emmet

Founders Hall is ready for occupancy once again—June 2009. Faculty offices from the English department are located on the fourth floor; History department offices, and the President and Provost Offices now occupy the third floor; the Registrar, Bursar Services, Academic Support Services, Dean of Students Office, and the Vice President of Finance and Operations are located on the second floor, and Advancement and Marketing offices are located on the ground/first floor. There is also an assortment of classrooms, meeting areas, and study nooks. You're going to love it!

You may notice another change along Moore Street when you return. Dale Hall had some facial surgery during the summer and now has its own distinctive entrance. Changes to Eagles Landing and the former faculty lounge in Ellis Hall will also provide new perspectives.

An impressive class of 2013 will be mixed into the community. We met most of the class during the June orientations and they seem well-qualified Juniatiens . . . bright, interesting, and enthusiastic. We're looking forward to a new year. Let us know if we can help. We'll see you around campus.

Cheers,  
Kris, Dan & Betty

*"Beautiful . . . deeply involving . . . there is a sense of triumph at its conclusion . . ."*  
—Newsday review of Year of Wonders by Geraldine Brooks (summer reading 2009)

### "Come As You Are" Opening Picnic

President and Mrs. Kepple invite new students and families to attend a picnic at the president's home at 2201 Washington Street on Friday, August 21, from 11:30 A.M. until 1:30 P.M. Look for your invitation in the mail the first week of August! Dress is "student move-in" and picnic casual.



Photo: Christopher Shannon '11

Van service is available departing/returning from steps of Ellis Hall beginning at 11:15 A.M.

Rain location is the Memorial gym in Kennedy Sports and Recreation Center.



## POST OFFICE

The Campus Post Office will be open for the distribution of mailbox keys on Friday, August 21, from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. and the again Saturday, August 22, from 8:30 A.M. until noon.

### Student Mailing Address Examples:

#### Regular USPS Mail Example:

John Doe  
Juniata College  
Box Number  
1700 Moore Street  
Huntingdon, PA 16652

#### UPS, FEDEX and Other Carriers:

John Doe/Box Number  
Juniata College  
1700 Moore Street  
Huntingdon, PA 16652

Always use box number along with the correct address on mailing of anything, or it will slow the process of you receiving it. Improper addressing may result in things being returned. Always include your box number on subscriptions to magazines, papers, etc.

Questions? Contact Lori Hughes at [hughesl@juniata.edu](mailto:hughesl@juniata.edu) or **814.641.3370**. Office hours are 10 A.M. till 4 P.M. Monday thru Friday.

## CAMPUS MINISTRY

Join Campus Ministry on Sunday mornings for the Church Search program. This program takes place on Sundays during the first few weeks of the semester. We visit Christian churches to help students find a potential church home and to learn about the worship styles of various denominations.

The Campus Ministry offers other activities. For more details, check out <http://www.juniata.edu/services/ministry/index.html>

## ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

### THE GANG OF FOUR

The Office of Academic Support Services is pleased to welcome Anne Millar to its staff. She begins on August 3 in the role of academic counselor and will work especially with students who face learning challenges. Anne comes to the job after serving as an academic advisor at the blended learning charter school in Huntingdon, as an enrollment director for Global Works, and as high school English teacher and coach in Montana. If her name or face is familiar, it may be because she has served as an assistant coach for the Juniata's women's basketball team for the past two seasons and she taught a section of CWS in the fall of 2007. A resident of nearby Donation (in Huntingdon), Anne is married to Judson Millar and has two pre-school aged children, Wyatt (3) and Molly (1). In a recent conversation, Anne said, "I am thrilled

to be a full-time member of Juniata's staff, and I am excited at this opportunity to work with the fine students here." As Juniata's reputation and appeal has grown, it has attracted a more diverse array of learners. "We are so fortunate to have Anne help us make the college experience in general, and the Juniata experience in particular, a positive and confidence-building one for all of our students," said Sarah May Clarkson.

Academic Support Services is comprised, now, of Renee Lucas, (2008 Juniata graduate) Jared Smith, Sarah May Clarkson, and Anne Millar—a happy gang of four, ready to assist.

We hope that when you stop by to visit us in our swanky new offices, you will introduce yourself to Anne and welcome her to the student affairs staff.

### *NOW! Found on the 2nd Floor of Founders Hall*

Sarah May Clarkson  
Renee M. Lucas  
Anne Millar  
Jared M. Smith

**814.641.3160**

<http://www.juniata.edu/services/acadsupport/>



Anne Millar, our new academic counselor.

### *The Office of Academic Support Services coordinates and/or can provide:*

- Academic advising
- Peer tutoring in any subject offered
- General academic and study skills counseling
- The Conditionally Admitted program for freshmen
- Assistance and advocacy for students with learning challenges

### *In addition, Academic Support Services works in collaboration with the persons or offices below to help students along the way:*

- Dean of Students Office
- Academic Advisors
- The Registrar's Office
- Residential Life staff
- The Counseling Center staff and Health & Wellness staff
- Career Services
- Coaches and the Athletic Department
- The Enrollment Office
- The Writing Center

## CLASS SCHEDULES: DROPPING, ADDING

Just a reminder that the first seven class days is a period of drop/add for all students, and will run from Monday, August 24 to end-of-day Tuesday, September 1. Changes can be made to class schedules during this period without it being reflected on the final transcript.

Drop/add is a paper-and-pencil process, and students need the signature of their advisor(s) on the drop/add form.

It is understandable and expected that some students will want, or need, to change their schedules, but we do hope that a thoughtful conversation with advisors will precede any decision to drop or add.

After September 2, a student can withdraw from a class, with instructor *and* advisor permission, but it will be reflected on the final transcript as WP (withdrawn passing) or WF (withdrawn failing) and, of course, no credits will be earned.

## WORD CLOUDS FROM THE JUNE ORIENTATIONS

Follow each URL below to look at the word clouds created from student input at the sessions on the first afternoon of each June orientation. David Sollenberger (class of '10) was our faithful scribe, and after his notes were committed to paper, we used the program Wordle ([www.wordle.net](http://www.wordle.net)) to create what are called "word clouds" out of the notes that were taken. We want to kindly acknowledge the creativity of Wordle and encourage any of you to give it a try yourself. As a snapshot of student orientation thoughts and contributions, these word clouds provide a remarkable visual representation.

**JC Orientation 1:** [www.tinyurl.com/jcorientation1](http://www.tinyurl.com/jcorientation1)

**JC Orientation 2:** <http://tinyurl.com/jcorientation2>

**JC Orientation 3:** <http://tinyurl.com/jcorientation3>

**JC Orientation 4:** <http://tinyurl.com/jcorientation4>

## YOU HAVE MAIL!

Just a friendly reminder that we hope students will check their Juniata e-mail accounts over the summer. If there are any questions or quandaries about your schedule, your financial aid, your housing, or other matters, we are likely to try your Juniata e-mail account first. So check it early and often, and respond promptly if you have e-mail from any college office or personnel.

## THE MAGIC NUMBER: 24

We want to be sure that students and families know that when it comes to *credits earned* over an academic year, there is a magic number, and it's 24. The college expects each of its students to show *24 credits earned (different from credits attempted)* over the course of a calendar year (August to August). A varsity athlete needs to carry a minimum of 12 active credits to participate by NCAA regulations; the college and its office of student financial planning look for students to make reasonable progress toward the degree by earning a minimum of 24 credits in a calendar year; and a student's class standing depends on his or her earning 24 credits, at least, per year. It's important; please keep this number in mind.

## ADVISING + ADVISEE + ADVISORS = ADVISING SUCCESS

Juniata has many things about which it can be proud, but our program of academic advising is one particular bright spot. Speak to high-achieving students and recent grads with impressive credentials, and you will find a strong advising relationship during their Juniata careers. Thus, two things:

- 1) We want to strongly encourage students to invest in academic advising at Juniata; spend the time, make the effort to know your advisors, and you will reap benefits you cannot even imagine.
- 2) Please be timely and responsive with your advisors; choose your own second/general advisor in the spring semester and be sure you get the signatures and advisor approvals you need well before deadlines approach. That means paying attention to the academic calendar and getting things done within the reasonable timeframes set out for students.

By the end of your fourth semester, you should be able to identify at least two people who would write you sterling letters of recommendation; if an advisor isn't one of those people, then you know you should be working harder on getting to know your advisor(s).

*Many thanks!*

## ABOVE GROUND . . . NEW LOCATION

This is to let all faculty, students, and staff know that Academic Support Services has moved back to Founders Hall after eighteen months of separation. We missed the old girl while soldiering away in vLB basement and are SO glad to be back. Renee Lucas, Jared Smith, Sarah May Clarkson, and Anne Millar are again on the second floor of Founders, but it is easiest to find us by entering the building through the double doors facing Beeghly Library. *We are the first office suite on the left.*



## REGISTRAR

**Welcome All!** We are back in our new refurbished home base—Founders! We are located on the 2nd floor and as you enter from the quad entrance, go all the way down the hall and make a left.

*Always be on the look-out for emails from the Registrar's Office staff:*

- **Chris MacEachern—maceacc**  
Degree Verification—The POE Lady
- **Carrie Rhodes—rhodesc**  
Registration Questions and Verification Letters
- **Jodi Prough—proughj**  
Academic Transcripts—transfer credit info
- **Athena Frederick—fredera**  
Registrar—all other decisions

Please note **that your Juniata email address is where all OFFICIAL BUSINESS will be carried out** and it is very important to keep it up to date and respond accordingly; excuses could be costly.



## REMINDER

**DROP/ADD will remain a paper process where signatures of BOTH advisors are needed** (new students only have one) and you **MUST STOP BY** and hand in to our office to process. You will need to wait while we enter in your schedule into the system to ensure there are no problems.

The drop/add form is available on line at our website:  
<http://services.juniata.edu/registrar/forms>

**Drop/Add ends September 1, 2009.** A late fee of \$50 may be applied for any additions or deletions after this date. You must see the Registrar for any problems or questions.

## CHECK YOUR SCHEDULE

Go to ARCH, sign into WEBAdvisor and LOOK at: My class schedule. Check your schedule carefully. What you see is what we have in the system!

## REMEMBER:

- Register for no less than 12 credits—maximum of 18 with no over-credit charge
- Completing only 12 credits a term means 10 semesters to achieve the 120 credits to graduate. The average student carries a load of 15 credits.
- If you fall below 12 credits by withdrawing in a semester, you may be ineligible for some PHEAA grants for lack of progress. You **MUST** earn 24 **new** credits EACH year.
- Corrections after drop/add could result in withdrawal fail (WF) if you are not registered for the right section or class.

**We wish you an interesting, healthy,  
productive and smart term!**

**Our office hours are M-F, 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.  
open during lunch**

## CAMPUS TECHNOLOGY

### NETWORK REGISTRATION SYSTEM

Students will need to re-register their computers when returning to campus. When you arrive, just plug in to the network, open your browser window (Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari) and follow the instructions. If your computer is up to date and has a proper anti-virus package, with updated signatures, the process should be fairly brief.

### SOME THINGS TO REMEMBER

*Make sure you have all of the latest updates for your system.*

- For PCs, go to <http://windowsupdate.microsoft.com>
- For Macs, go to <http://www.apple.com/support/downloads>

*Make sure you have an anti-virus package installed.*

- If you already have an anti-virus solution in place, check for the latest updates before you arrive.
- If you do not have an anti-virus package, Juniata provides all students, at no cost, with a copy of Sophos, which can be downloaded from:  
<http://www.juniata.edu/services/cts/security/antivirus.html>

Juniata supports 'business-class' versions of Microsoft operating systems, such as Windows XP Pro, Vista Business, Enterprise or Ultimate.

- Other versions of Windows, such as XP Home, XP Media Center, Vista Home Basic, and Vista Home Premium are not supported due to their lack of support for a network-based environment. Although students have been successful in registering these versions, Juniata's help desk cannot provide support for these 'home-based' editions. Also, since Windows 7 has not yet been fully tested in our environment, we cannot support this operating system at this time.
  - As a reminder, the following operating systems are not permitted on Juniata's network and will NOT pass the registration process due to Microsoft's lack of support for security updates:
    - Windows 95, 98, ME, NT, 2000

Bring all system CDs and resources that came with your computer in the event that you might need them to either supplement or restore system files.

- Don't forget: students can receive SIGNIFICANT discounts on software packages, including operating system upgrades—<http://www.selectstudent.com/aicup/>.

## NOW AVAILABLE

Do you want to scan your computer before you come to campus to see if it's compliant?

- Go to <https://jccm2.juniata.edu/authentication/remotescan.html>
- Follow the online instructions and read the associated policies to complete the process.
- You may have to re-run this process once you reach campus if updates have been released after you've run this at home.

## TECHNOLOGY UPDATES

Campus Technology Services has been busy over the summer making many updates to the services we provide on campus. Here are a few things you will notice when you return:

- Wireless enhancements have been made that will no longer require the use of VPN to access the network when on campus.
- Upgrades have been performed to the computer labs located in BAC B201 (new PCs), Good 201 (new Macs, capable of running either the Mac OS or Windows), VLCS 2073 (Macs capable of running either the Mac OS or Windows), and the Library (new thin-client terminals to connect to the Appserver).
- Adobe CS4 is now available on the Appserver and elsewhere on campus.

## RESIDENTIAL LIFE

### NEW RDS

- **Dan Lauletta—Sunderland RD/Assistant Sports Information Director**  
B.A. Elizabethtown College
- **Ramin Mazaheri—Sherwood RD/Assistant Women's Basketball Coach**  
B.S. and M.Ed Auburn University
- **Lauren O'Donnell—Cloister RD/Head Swim Coach and Aquatics Director**  
B.S. and M.Ed College of New Jersey
- **Kristin Brewer—Leshner RD/Assistant Director of Student Activities**  
B.S. Juniata College
- **Keenan Drenning—Raystown Field Station/Teaching Assistant**  
B.S. Juniata College

### RETURNING RDS AND ASSIGNMENTS

- **Matt Lovell—East RD/Assistant Director Of Residential Life**
- **Jared Smith—Off campus RD/Academic Support**
- **Neil Rager—South RD/Assistant Men's Basketball Coach**
- **Keith Blankenship—Tussey and Terrace RD/Center For International Education**

### FURNITURE CHANGE

In effort to allow students living in Sunderland more space in their rooms, we have had all the computer carrels removed from the rooms. Beds can be bunked in Sunderland, but the option to loft will no longer be available. A survey of Sunderland residents was conducted last year and the majority of Sunderland residents felt that the carrels were taking up too much living space and should be removed. The computer carrels were very outdated for today's students.

### THE FOLLOWING IS THE POLICY FOR MOVE-IN DAYS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 09-10:

MOVE-IN DAYS FOR 09-10 ARE AS FOLLOW:

**Freshmen**—Friday, August 21 after 9 A.M.

**Returning students**—Saturday, August 22 after 9 A.M. or Sunday, August 23 after 9 A.M.

Students who are part of an approved group or organization will be granted permission to return early. The sponsor/advisor of the group and the coaches of fall sports will notify and work with the Office of Residential Life in establishing the return date.

All other students are required to return to campus on the designated return date. Exceptions will only be granted for extreme situations. Plan accordingly!

These are not legitimate reasons to return early: your roommate is already back, parents cannot take off work, want to return early to get moved in and settled. Plan ahead for move-in day.

Residential Life staff will not issue room keys to upper-class students until Saturday, August 22 after 9 A.M. and Sunday after 9 A.M.

Students will not be permitted to move anything into their rooms before the scheduled move-in day. Due to continuous work by facilities and residential life right up until the move-in days, we are unable to allow this.

Meal plans/DCBs will start on Saturday evening August 22 for upper-class students who have elected to return on that date.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is very important information in regards to making plans for your return to campus. Mark this down, make plans now, plan ahead for move-in day. Again, returning students may return on Saturday, August 22 or Sunday, August 23 this year. We are notifying students now, so you can make the appropriate and necessary arrangements to return on Saturday, August 22 or Sunday, August 23.

Again, please plan accordingly and enjoy the rest of your summer.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### WHAT YOU CAN DO TO STAY HEALTHY; COMMON-SENSE APPROACH

*There are everyday actions people can take to stay healthy.*

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. Germs spread that way.

**Try to avoid close contact with sick people.** Influenza is thought to spread mainly person-to-person through coughing or sneezing of infected people. If you get sick, CDC recommends that you stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them.



## BURSARS OFFICE

### REMINDERS

- Statements for the 2009 fall semester were mailed around July 11, in the student's name, to your home address.
- To avoid late fees, appropriate payment arrangements should be made no later than August 14.
- For billing questions, or to access your student account online, please contact our FAQ section, which is located at: <http://www.juniata.edu/services/bursar/faqs.html>

**Stafford loans** for Juniata students are scheduled to be received in our office on Wednesday, September 3. The majority of funds are received electronically. If your funds are disbursed in the form of a check, you will be notified to come to the Accounting Office and endorse it. It is imperative that you come in immediately to avoid late fees. **We will begin processing credit checks Thursday, September 17.**

We look forward to serving you during the coming academic year. Please contact us to discuss any questions or concerns you may have about your student account!

Bursars Office  
Founders Hall Second Floor  
1931 Moore St.  
814.641.3302  
email: [bursarsoffice@juniata.edu](mailto:bursarsoffice@juniata.edu)

Our office hours are M-F, 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.  
open during lunch

## SUMMER READING BOOK

### WONDERS-FUL!

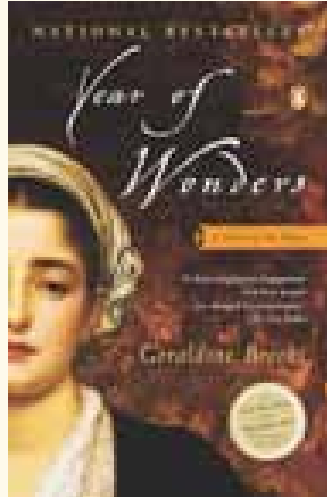
Having had at least three years of non-fiction summer selections, this year we decided to go with a novel: *Year of Wonders* by Geraldine Brooks.

The subtitle is *A Novel of the Plague*, but please don't let that put you off. This book characterizes the best features of historical fiction (vivid characters, contextual accuracy, a great story grounded in the historical record), but it is so much more. It is a scientific and psychological investigation, an examination of community, a test of strength and faith for the main character, and an opportunity to be transported back to seventeenth-century England. The author, Geraldine Brooks, spent eleven years as a correspondent for the *Wall Street Journal*, working on assignment in some of the world's most fascinating and volatile places (Asia, Africa, and eastern Europe). *Year of Wonders* was her first novel and was recognized as a Notable Book in the year of its publication (2001) by the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*. Widely lauded and well reviewed by

the public (average customer review on Amazon is four stars) and the press. Brooks is also the author of two other novels and two other works of nonfiction.

We will follow up with a program, or film, or events in the fall, and some sections of CWS may use the book as one of its required texts.

Mostly, though, we hope that students, their friends and families, and other members of the Juniata community will read a book together and share thoughts and feedback about that common experience.



## LIST OF WEBSITES

### LOOKING FOR INFORMATION OR ANSWERS? TRY THESE LINKS FIRST:

*Academic calendar for 2009—2010:*

<http://www.juniata.edu/services/registrar/calendars/acad09-10.htm>

*Academic Support Services:*

<http://www.juniata.edu/services/acadsupport/>

*Accounting Services & Student Financial Planning  
(Frequently Asked Questions):*

[http://www.juniata.edu/billing/faq\\_billing.html](http://www.juniata.edu/billing/faq_billing.html)

*Athletic Facilities:*

<http://www.juniata.edu/athletics/facilities.html>

*Campus Technology Services:*

<http://www.juniata.edu/services/cts/>

*Health & Wellness Center:*

<http://www.juniata.edu/services/health/>

*Juniata College Athletics:*

<http://www.juniata.edu/athletics/index.html>

*Residential Life Office:*

<http://www.juniata.edu/services/reslife/>

*Student Clubs and Organizations:*

<http://www.juniata.edu/life/clubs.html>

*Student Employment:*

<http://www.juniata.edu/services/finance/payroll/student.html>

*Security Services (Security Procedures):*

<http://www.juniata.edu/services/security/Secure%20in%20place%20procedure.html>

*Security Services (Frequently Asked Questions):*

<http://www.juniata.edu/services/security/Questions%20in%20regard%20to%20WENS.htm>

## PHOTO CONTEST

Juniata's student photo contest invites JC students to submit shots of campus life, their travels, things of interest, one another—whatever—with the only caveat that it's an open forum and anyone can have a look. Each week, a winner is picked and displayed on the College Website, and at the end of the year, an overall winner for the year is chosen. The prize? We buy the books for the winner's classes the next semester (or a gift card, if the winner is a graduating senior). **And starting this year, each weekly winner will receive a \$25 prize.** So get your camera ready!

To see what it's all about, visit

[www.flickr.com/groups/juniataphoto](http://www.flickr.com/groups/juniataphoto)

Photo: Melanie Judy '11



## Abbreviated Class Schedule for Monday, August 24, 2009

8:00 A.M. – 10:55 A.M. Students will meet with Advisors

8:00 A.M.	Classes will meet	11:00 A.M. – 11:25 A.M.
9:00 A.M.	Classes will meet	11:30 A.M. – 11:55 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	Classes will meet	12:00 P.M. – 12:25 P.M.
11:00 A.M.	Classes will meet	12:30 P.M. – 12:55 P.M.
12:00 noon	Classes will meet	1:00 P.M. – 1:25 P.M.
1:00 P.M.	Classes will meet	1:30 P.M. – 1:55 P.M.
2:00 P.M.	Classes will meet	2:00 P.M. – 2:25 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	Classes will meet	2:30 P.M. – 2:55 P.M.

### OPENING CONVOCATION

Monday, August 24, 2009  
3:30 P.M.  
Rosenberger Auditorium  
Halbritter Center for the  
Performing Arts

Join all students, faculty, and staff to  
celebrate the opening of  
*Juniata's 134th academic year*

Dr. James Tuten,  
Associate Professor of History  
Henry H. '57 and Joan R. Gibbel  
Award for Teaching Excellence  
will be the speaker

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