

Campus Update Tuesday, January 30, 2018



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Nominations Being Accepted for the 2018 Father Stack Teaching Award

As one of the highest awards given at the University, the Reverend John J. Stack Award recognizes faculty excellence in teaching. The recipient of the award is selected in the spring from nominations by students and faculty, and is presented with the award at commencement in May. He or she is then the featured speaker at Convocation in the fall.

Submissions are due on Friday, Feb. 23. **Find out more and download the nomination form [here](#).**

Office Hours with President Rhona C. Free

President Rhona Free will be holding open office hours on **Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1–3 p.m.** in the President's Office, Room 1, Mercy Hall (at the far end of the hallway). Faculty, staff, and students are invited to sign up (recommended) or stop in for a 15-minute appointment with the President during this time.

Contact: Ruth Foxman, executive assistant to the President/secretary to the Board of Trustees at rfoxman@usj.edu or 860.231.5221



Queenes Companye Meeting

Queenes Companye—USJ's drama group and oldest student organization—is hosting our first general meeting of the semester to plan our spring 2018 production. All students, faculty, and staff are invited to attend.

General Meeting on **Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 6:45 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.** in Lynch Hall 212.

For more information please contact Professor Mark Zelinsky, Director of Queenes Companye, at mzelinsky@usj.edu or 860-231-5252

Campus Ministry Announcements

Wednesday, Jan. 31 - Mass at the Chapel. 12:05 – 1 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 1 – Participate in World Hijab Day; <http://worldhijabday.com/knowledge-base/what-and-why-hijab/>. All women of all faith backgrounds are invited to wear a Hijab on Feb 1 to increase awareness and support for our Islamic co-workers, classmates, friends, and families. At the end of the day, School of Pharmacy will be hosting a dinner and documentary film to support further discussion.

Download event flyer [here](#).

World Hijab Day

Beautiful. Confident. Empowered.

You are invited to wear a hijab for a day regardless of your faith background! Join us in solidarity on February 1 as we show that we are #StrongInHijab.



Thursday, February 1 @ 4 pm

USJ School of Pharmacy Student Lounge

Food will be provided as we enjoy "Young, Muslim, and French" a documentary about the hijab ban in a secular country.

"World Hijab Day is not an act of worship but rather an effective way to create global awareness of the issue that is being attacked unfairly." - Multi Ismail Menk

Don't Miss College Night!

For the second year, Hartford Consortium for Higher Education (HCHE) will be partnering with The Wadsworth Athenaeum to present, "Art after Dark: Fire and Ice | College Night" on Feb. 1, from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

All college students are free with ID.

Here are some of this year's highlights:

- DJ
- Free snacks, cash bar
- Prizes: books, gift certificates to MRG (Mill Restaurant Group) restaurants, mood rings, catalogs
- Infinity Music Hall gift certificates
- Events: Ice sculpting, "fire eater" performance, trivia game contest, tours, performances by The Dance Collective
- Art project: painting landscapes on postcards from either a warm or cold destination
- Film: THE BIG SICK
- After Party

**ART AFTER DARK
FIRE & ICE**

COLLEGE NIGHT!
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1 | 5–8PM | \$10/\$5 MEMBERS

College students receive free admission with a valid ID this month!

Visit the museum after hours for music, free snacks, cash bar, tours, a film, an art activity, and much more!

February's event features an ice sculpture demonstration and a fire eating performance, trivia contest with prizes, and dance performances by The Dance Collective. An 8pm screening of *The Big Sick* is included with admission.

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In collaboration with:
WADSWORTH ATHENAEUM MUSEUM OF ART
400 MAIN STREET | HARTFORD | CONNECTICUT

USJ Student Research Fair

The Center for Student Research and Creative Activities (SRCA) is happy to announce the inaugural **USJ Student Research Fair!**

If you are a student looking for an opportunity to conduct research with faculty/staff here at USJ, whether it is for a degree requirement, to bolster your resume and employment marketability, or you just want to ask important questions and learn something that NOBODY else knows, this is the event for you!

When: Friday, Feb. 2, 12–12:50 p.m.

Where: McDonough Hall, Room 200

What:

- Learn how to find research opportunities at USJ
- Hear mini Research Talks from faculty and staff across disciplines (Biology, Education, Pharmacy, Nutrition and Public Health, Counseling and Applied Behavioral Studies, and more!)
- Have time for Q&A and networking with the faculty/staff themselves



Super Bowl 2018 in the Café



Flash Fiction with Dennis Barone, Ph.D., and Ben Woodard, M.F.A.

Feb. 4, 5–6 p.m.

Pre-Game Appetizer's: crispy chicken wings, macaroni and cheese bites, garlic breadsticks, spinach and artichoke dip.

Take Out for the for the Big Game: Tortilla chips, cheese sauce, salsa and sour cream, rice crispy treats (two per person)

Join USJ Professor, Dr. Barone along with teacher and editor, Ben Woodard for an engaging storytelling session! These two local writers will be reading their short stories for the evening.

Thursday, Feb. 8, 7 – 8:30 p.m. at the Storytellers Cottage on 750 Hopmeadow Street in Simsbury, CT.

Register for this free event:

<https://www.storytellerscottage.com/flash-fiction>

Annual Recognition Dinner

You are invited to join the USJ Latino/a Social Workers Network at the 2018 Annual Recognition Dinner recognizing Latino/a Social Workers on **Monday, March 26 from 5:30–7:30 p.m.** in the Crystal Room in Mercy Hall.

Cost includes dinner and dessert:
\$15 Students with a valid ID
\$25 All others

Sponsored by the National Association of Social Workers Connecticut Chapter and the University of Saint Joseph, this event is open to the public.

Register by March 19 naswct.org | Download event flyer [here](#).

You're Invited! (To Innominate)
March 26, 2018
 University of Saint Joseph

Join us in celebrating Latino/a Social Workers!
 Our success is linked.
 Register by March 19:
naswct.org

NASW/CT Latino/a Social Workers Network

2018 Annual Recognition Dinner
 Recognizing Latino/a Social Workers
 Who Have Been NASW Members for 25+ Years

Co-sponsored by NASW/CT Latino/a Social Workers Network and the University of Saint Joseph

When: Monday, March 26, 2018, 5:30PM-7:30PM
Where: Crystal Room (1st Floor), Mercy Hall
 University of Saint Joseph
 1678 Aylam Avenue, West Hartford, CT 06117
 Guest/Volunteer Parking Available

Cost: \$25 Regular (includes dinner and dessert)
 \$15 Student (w/ID)
 (You do not have to be an NASW member to attend.)

Register Online by March 19 by going to naswct.org
 Questions? E-mail lus@naswct.org

USJ Blood Drive – Volunteer!

The University of Saint Joseph will be hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, **Feb. 28, from 9–6:45 p.m.** outside of McGovern Hall in the "Save a Life Bus." In partnership with the American Red Cross, this is an important day to make a difference in someone's life. Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.

To volunteer please call 1.800.RED.CROSS (1.800.733.2767) or visit redcrossblood.org or enter: USJ to schedule an appointment.

Download event flyer [here](#).

Give Blood.
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Blood Drive
University of Saint Joseph
 Save A Life Bus - McGovern Hall
Wednesday, February 28, 2018
9:00 AM to 6:45 PM

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: USJ to schedule an appointment.

Download the Blood Drive App today. Get your digital donation card. Blood by your own special schedule. Use the app to schedule, view your appointment, and follow your donation on its way to a hospital.

1-800-RED-CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | redcrossblood.org | Download the Blood Drive App

Coed Conversations

Join us on **Wednesday, Feb. 28, from 12 – 12:50 p.m.** in the McGovern Hall Community Room for a panel discussion, "Male and Female Development: Brain, Morality and Behavior" featuring USJ psychology and counseling professors. Open to all interested faculty and staff.

Download the event flyer [here](#).

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Male and Female Development: Brain, Morality and Behavior
Wednesday, February 28, 2018
 12:00-12:50 pm
 McGovern Hall Community Room

A Panel Discussion Featuring:
 Mary Whitley, PhD, Associate Professor of Psychology
 Elizabeth Truella, PhD, Professor of Psychology
 John Mahan, PhD, BCBA, Associate Professor of Counseling and Applied Behavioral Studies

As we, of all, prepare ourselves for the transition to a fully coeducational institution, this discussion explores the topic of similarities and differences in male and female neurological, moral and behavioral development.

How much is nature and how much is nurture?
 Please join us for this fascinating discussion!
 Open to all interested faculty and staff.
 (Feel free to bring or purchase lunch.)

RSVP to Carolyn Ruch cruch@usj.edu

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<http://usj.edu/center-learning>

TIAA Offering Individual Retirement Counseling

TIAA will offer individual retirement counseling for USJ employees on **February 14, 2018 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**, Mercy Hall, Conference Room 345 main campus.

To schedule an appointment: Call the TIAA office in Hamden, 866.842.2051 X252403
Contact: Lisa Peruccio, Benefits Administrator at lperuccio@usj.edu or at 860.231.5509

Alternative Spring Break

Looking for community service opportunities? Alternative Spring Break (ASB) will take place from Friday, March 9 to Wednesday, March 14. Attend an ASB info session to learn more.

Download informational flyer [here](#).

Hartford Symphony Orchestra

Discounted tickets are available for Hartford Symphony Orchestra's upcoming Masterworks concert, *The Keys to Romance*, coming up **Feb. 16-18** to The Bushnell in Hartford.

Student tickets are just \$10! We are thrilled to welcome the dynamic Anderson & Roe Piano Duo our stage for a concert celebrating epic love and romance! For more information, visit: <https://hartfordsymphony.org/concerts/the-keys-to-romance/>

Download event flyer [here](#).

Jays' Network Ultimate Prize Announcement

Points Update: Kelleher 438, McDonough 411, O'Connor 465. The points are very close; continue to get involved and attend USJ events to help your community win the Ultimate Prize and Community Cup for 2017-2018! Save the date for the **Spring Olympics on Friday, March 23**.

Stay up-to-date with the latest events with the January Points Eligible Calendar [here](#).

LIVE WELL, WORK WELL | FEBRUARY 2018



February Live Well Work Well Newsletter

Click [here](#) to download the February edition of *Live Well Work Well*, which provides you with health and wellness tips for your work and life—presented by 360 Corporate Benefit Advisors.

USJ Athletics: Discover the Latest News

Visit www.usjbluejays.com/ and like @usj_bluejays on social media for more updates!

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