JSU seeks enrollment manager

Cherise Peters focuses on getting students to their ‘next place’

Dustin Fox
Staff Reporter

“I just love what I do. I love to find a young person and say ‘What are you doing? What school do you go to?’ And talk them into going to the school I am working at, or talk them into just going to school. To me, it’s just getting them to the next place.” Cherise Peters said to over 25 members of JSU faculty and students Friday at Houston Cole Library.

Peters participated in an open forum as part of her candidacy for vice president of enrollment management. She spoke about her love for students and her plans to get them enrolled at the university. Peters is currently vice president of enrollment management at Miles College in Fairfield, Ala., where she is responsible for enrollment and retention, admissions, housing and marketing.

She has over 30 years of experience in higher education, and for 25 of those years, she has worked in enrollment positions. In addition to Miles College, Peters has worked at Alabama State University and Georgia State University.

During the forum, she spoke about her childhood in upstate New York. Peters and her five siblings attended the local elementary, middle and high schools. Her parents insisted that they be a part of the environment and make a meaningful impact in it.

“It doesn’t matter what day you are born or what day you die, it’s the dash in between,” she said, referring to the time between one’s life and death.

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Jerrett Phillips emphasizes student relations, interactions

Lori Speakman
Staff Reporter

“I wanted to be able to look at your face and see that I have helped you achieve something that alone you couldn’t do,” said Jerrett Phillips, a candidate for the position of vice president of enrollment management, at an open forum event Monday in the Houston Cole Library. Jerrett Phillips is the current Director of Enrollment at Northeastern State University, a title that he takes pride in.

Phillips has been working in higher education for 16 years, since leaving a law enforcement job. Phillips said that law enforcement changed him, and that he started to view the world in a negative way. When asked about an experience that he was most proud of while working in higher education, Jerrett Phillips thought back to his first year at Northeastern State University. A young girl came to him crying because she felt as though she had no support in her decision to go to college.

Phillips empathized with the girl by letting her know that he once felt the same pressure. He said he hopes to bring that “level of care, compassion, and honesty” to JSU.

Phillips talked about how the girl approached him at graduation. She did not expect him to remember her, but thanked him for his compassion on her first day.

This is something Phillips says he will never forget. He explained how his experience working in higher education and his ability to build relationships qualifies him for the position.

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From Bolivian to American: English professor becomes US citizen

Alexander Cooper
Staff Reporter

Dr. Raina Kostova, a native of Plovdiv, Bulgaria, earned her American citizenship last month.

Kostova, an associate professor of English, has been teaching literature at JSU since 2006, and has lived in the United States for 16 years. Her pursuit of citizenship has been a long process. She said applicants seeking American citizenship must have lived in the country and possessed a green card for at least five years.

“The hardest part is actually getting a green card. You have to have an employer who sponsors you. I was my own sponsor, and I am eternally grateful to them for that,” Kostova said.

She explained that not everyone can get a sponsorship, and that obtaining her doctorate opened a lot of doors for her. Kostova said if she did not have that degree, she probably would not have received her green card until several years later.

“If you have that PhD degree, you have more possibilities to realize yourself professionally as an immigrant in the USA. It makes it easier.” Kostova said.

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Campus, city celebrates Arbor Day with planting of elm tree

Kara Morgan Burgess
Staff Reporter

The JSU Arbor Day celebration Feb. 25 attracted city officials, citizens and students, who all came to watch President John Beehler plant a bouquet elm tree at the International House February 25 as part of an annual Arbor Day celebration.

Tree Commissioner Kenny Griffin presented the Johnny Appleseed award to Scott Exum, an International House student February 25 as part of an annual Arbor Day celebration.

Dr. John Beehler, president of JSU, helps plant a tree at the International House February 25 as part of an annual Arbor Day celebration.

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Kinesiology offers internship, clinical opportunities

Mary Fowler
Staff Reporter

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DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

One of the lessons that Phillips started when first coming out in his career was the importance of trust in en-rolling students. Phillips had just started at Bacone College in Oklahoma. The college was affiliated with the American Indian tribes and had re- cently taken a new turn to rebrand their college. People were confront- ing him on the reservation saying that the college had failed their stu- dents. Phillips learned that in six years and plenty of small honorable gestures to gain trust in enroll- ment. This trust is something that he says the college still has not gained back. He said that this is the reason he is researching JSU and interacting with the faculty as well as the administra- tion. Phillips also talked about what he considers most important in en-rollment. He said that enrollment management is about recruitment, retention and graduation. Phillips said that he intends to tell JSU's story and create a legacy. He also focuses on making connections with faculty and students. He noted how important it is to get to know the community. He ended his speech with the final statement: "I think JSU is great fit for me and I hope to make a huge, incredible dif- ference." Mary Fowler

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"So what are you doing to im- pact those around you in a positive way?"

For Peters, that positive impact is getting students enrolled and en- gaged in college. She said the most important way to retain students is making them feel like they are part of the institu- tion. The biggest reason that students stay in college is the faculty engage- ment. At JSU, she said, students already receive this benefit. Enrollment is small enough that a student can feel like they matter as an individual to the university.

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Kostova arrived in the U.S. in 1999 when she was 21 years old. She enrolled as a graduate student at the University of Maine, and the English department immediately assigned her to teach a class. "I was still adapting to the culture, but I also had to go into the classroom and teach students who were not much younger than I was, and teach them English," Kostova said. From there, she went on to earn her doctorate from Emory University in 2006. Kostova plans to take advantage of her American citizenship, "I have more responsibilities as an American now," she said. "I feel that now I have a voice." Before becoming a U.S. citizen, Kostova would still participate in Bulgarian elections. Now that she can vote in U.S. elections, she said her interest in American politics has increased. "But because Kostova is now a U.S. citizen does not mean she is abandoning her Bulgarian heritage. As she sat in her office Monday, she wore a red and white bracelet let made of twine. Kostova said March 1 is a special day for Bulgarians because it signals the beginning of “Baba Marta,” a Bulgarian tradition that celebrates the arrival of spring. The bracelet on her wrist was called a martvila—they are placed on people’s wrists as a sign for health throughout the year. "It always white and red," Kostova said, referring to the colors of the martenvila. Her bracelet also contains a small bead that holds the red and white beads together—a representation of the two cultures that she now calls her own.
Trump continues to win while I continue to question the intelligence of our country.

When you can wear the same outfit two days in a row because the people in your Monday/Wednesday class aren’t in your Tuesday/Thursday classes.

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Monday Night Jazz energizes students

Katelyn Schneider
Arts & Entertainment Editor

As a crowd of students tried to have dinner with friends on the second floor of the Thron Autry Building and erase the dreary feelings of a Monday, a small group of students began to set up.

They placed chairs in a line and put the music stands in front of them. They also assembled certain instruments. When the clock hit seven, Monday Night Jazz began.

Some members of the crowd just happened to show up for the event while others came specifically to listen to their fellow students play. Regardless of who happened to be there, Kate, a worker in the TMBl said students always respond to these performances well.

She said “It’s very uplifting. It gets them very excited and energized.” As the jazz ensemble played, many students tapped their feet or nodded their heads with the beat of the music. One male student actually stood up and danced a little. Some students try to come out each week to support the members. For example, Benjamin Pryor came for the second week, so he could support his friend Ryan Fragozo.

First-time listeners who just happen to be there still tend to enjoy the music. JSU junior Haley Boneysteele said “I had a lot of fun. There wasn’t a dull moment. I feel like it shows a growth in the musical interests at JSU. I would definitely come back out and listen.”

On Monday, the ensemble played a variety of musical selections for the crowd to enjoy. Some of these selections included “Caribbean Clipper” by the Glenn Miller Band, “Crocodile Rock” by Elton John, “Funky Feeling” by Mart Amy and a few others.

Between pieces, the group only took a minute or less before jumping into the next one. Some of the pieces they played allowed for individuals to have short solos. Audience members were supportive and applauded the full ensemble as well as the individual performers.

The members of this jazz ensemble work under two men. The JSU Director of Jazz Studies, Dr. Andy Nevala is the instructor who is over them. However, a graduate student is also a director of the group and really does a lot of work for them.

The ensemble includes musicians playing a variety of different instruments. Some of these instruments include trumpets, trombones, saxophones and flutes. Students also played percussion instruments such as a drum set, and they used a couple of guitars.

Philip Treutel is the member who plays the drum set. He is a senior and is majoring in general music and minoring in communication. He has played in the Jazz Program for about two years and said he has enjoyed his time. The Monday Night Jazz ensemble will perform on various Monday evenings throughout the rest of the semester. They will play on the second floor of the TMBl and last from 7 until 9 p.m.

“I think it’s a cool way to get some exposure for the Jazz Program to the student body. It’s been fun in general,” Treutel said.

JSU freshman Ryan Fragozo is also a member of this jazz ensemble. Despite this only being his second semester at JSU, he has played jazz music for six years.

He said enjoys the ability to perform in the TMBl and loves being able to play jazz music. “It doesn’t really matter where we play because I enjoy it regardless,” he said.

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Far Cry Primal takes a different approach

Hector Lopez-Perez
Staff Reporter

In this era of video games, a lot of people usually want the same thing. When it comes to first person shooters, such as Call of Duty or Battlefield, it seems like the genre is moving to a futuristic approach.

That’s not bad at all, but it is getting somewhat repeti- tive that players have to double jump just to kill someone with a rifle that doesn’t even exist at all.

That is not the case with Far Cry Primal.

Primal is a game that doesn’t have fancy guns or even futuristic settlements. In fact, it has none of those things. Instead, it’s set dur- ing the Stone Age and the characters don’t even know how to speak fluent English.

It is a giant step back from modern games, which can be a good thing. You play as Takkar, the last warrior in a tribe called the Wenja, and players must seek out the land where the Wenja have fled so that the tribe can rise above extinc- tion.

Instead of using automat- ic weapons and grenades, players use weapons such as clubs and bow and arrows. You can also light up these weapons with fire.

It’s not a good idea when you are surrounded by saber-toothed tigers, though, because “I’ve actually lit the whole forest on fire and died.”

Speaking of the forest, the game is absolutely stunning. Players can see the Milky Way Galaxy stretch across the night sky due to no man- made lights or buildings.

“I’ve met some strange characters along the way. One person takes care of the main character’s small, growing tribe; another uses different voodoo type magic that allows me to hallucinate and see different animals.”

While hallucinating, the character can learn to tame different animals ranging from wolves to even main- medias.

The game plays very simi- lar to any Far Cry game in the past. For Far Cry veterans can rest assure that just be- cause this game is set way in the past, it still plays like a modern game today.

The story itself does have a solid plot. However, it takes a long time to develop.

The story doesn’t really have much to satisfy some- one who has played previ- ous Far Cry games since it is cut and to the point.

Overall, the game itself is not bad at all. I’ve been playing it for almost 10 hours into it and I only have about five percent of the entire story complete.

Far Cry Primal sets you in a different world with a different task far different than any game I have ever played. It also sets the tone very well.

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### Softball Standings

**Women finish season with loss on senior day**

**JACKSONVILLE** — Saturday’s game was not how anyone wanted the 2015-16 season to end.

With Senior Day festivities before tip, Rick Pietri and Co. honored six players from the Jacksonville State players — Destiny James and Courtney Howze, who are part of five JU players in doubles-figures, but the Gamecocks put a wrenching 70-66 loss to Morehead State.

In their final game wearing the Jacksonville State red and white, Strain and Strain both scored 11 points. Taylor Phelion added 10 points, with six rebounds. Pearson and Briana Ben- son both finished with dou- ble-doubles. Pearson had 10 points and 12 rebounds and Benson scored 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Chloe Long finished her final game of her fresh- man year as a Gamecock with six points and four rebounds.

Jacksonville State start- ed the game by shooting 67% during the first quarter and outscored Morehead State 24-15 af- ter the first 10 minutes of play. The two teams combined to score 17 points during the second quarter as the Eagles took a 35-21 lead into the locker rooms.

It was the third quarter which provided the difference as Morehead State outscored JU by 12 (13-4) during the 10 minutes. The Gamecocks trailed by six heading into the fin- al quarter, but couldn’t get any closer to taking the lead or close with three with less than 8:04 to play.

**Women’s Tennis**

- **JSU Sports Information**
The Gamecocks’ second loss

STATEBORO, Ga. – The Jackson-ville State women’s tennis team suffered its second loss of the weekend at Georgia Southern Invitational with a 4-1 set back to Nicholls State on Saturday.

The Gamecocks dropped their season’s second loss as it propels for the final non-conference match of the season next weekend against Lipscomb. Jax State dropped the doubles point as the Colonels won the only two matches they played.

The Gamecocks’ No. 3 duo of Isabella Conover and Taylor Cowen by de

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