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### Fall 2016 Academic Calendar

ANC Fall Schedule of Classes is available for viewing online only at

[www.anc.edu/schedule](http://www.anc.edu/schedule)

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| August 10      | Fall Registration Closes                          |
| August 15      | Classes Begin                                     |
| August 18      | Payment Deadline/Last Day to Declare Audit Status |
| August 26      | Last Day to Drop with a Refund                    |
| September 5    | Labor Day (COLLEGE CLOSED)                        |
| October 31     | Spring 2017 Registration Opens                    |
| November 11    | Graduation Application Submission Opens           |
| November 18    | Last Day to Withdraw from Class with a "W"        |
| November 23-25 | Thanksgiving Break (Students)                     |
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| November 29    | Last Day of Classes (Tuesday/Thursday)            |
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| December 1,5-7 | FINAL EXAMS                                       |

# MEET THE STAFF...



## STUDENT AFFAIRS

(BACK L-R) **Emily Peridore** - Administrative Specialist II, Student Affairs, **Johnny Moore** - Admissions Counselor,  
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# 3rd Annual ANC Best Practices Symposium

The 3rd Annual Arkansas Northeastern College Best Practices Symposium was held Friday, May 6th on the ANC main campus in Blytheville. The event featured three different 50-minute breakout sessions on a variety of topics, including research on 8-week Internet classes, using Focus 2 to advise students, “Rigging the Game with Students” to help them learn, digital marketing, serving underserved communities, stress management, customer service, Zoom, Windows 10, Early Alert, and a brainstorming session with the President. Lunch was provided as part of a picnic on the plaza.

Advancement by Collaboration (ABC) and/or Best Practices Merit (BPM) Award recipients included *Unlimited Ability to Retake Exams for General Biology Lecture* submitted by Lance Morris; *Energy: An Arkansas Northeastern College Publication* submitted by Julie Dorris, Editor-in-Chief; *Development of the Associate in General Studies Credential* submitted by Dr. Keith Hearnberger; and *Advancement by Collaboration Award Proposal* submitted by Pauline Linam Parks, Deborah Lyles-Benedict, Maci Jones, Tara Hice, Beth Thompson, Sherryl Cooley, Sue Puckett and Joan Eveland. This annual event is designed to celebrate and learn from our many successes and best practices at Arkansas Northeastern College.



(TOP LEFT) Jillian Hartley, ANC Instructor (TOP RIGHT) Danna Deaton, The Butterfly House (BOTTOM L-R) Crystal Robinson, ANC Institutional Assistant; Dr. Blanche Hunt, ANC Associate Vice President of Community Relations; and Doug Echols, ANC W.O.R.K. Coordinator

# Students Complete Materials Handling Class



Three cycles of the Material Handling training program have received certificates of completion with certification in OSHA 10 Hour Construction/CPR/First Aid, Conducting a Hazard Analysis/ Workplace Etiquette, Class IV Lift Truck/Class V Lift Truck/Class VII Lift Truck, Elevated Work Platform/ Scissorlift, Mini Excavator/Bobcat, Remote/Pendant Overhead Cranes, and Rigging Awareness/Fall Protection/Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The class is taught by Jim Shephard, a consultant who works through The Solutions Group. The program is free to the public, is four weeks in duration, and offers excellent job training skills for industry employment.

For more information or to sign up for the next cycle, contact Courtney Cooper at Arkansas Northeastern College.

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## Rural IMPACT Demonstration Site Visit to Blytheville, Arkansas

The White House has named 10 communities as Rural IMPACT (Integration Models for Parents and Children to Thrive) Demonstration sites and Blytheville, Arkansas is one of them. The Rural IMPACT Demonstration will help communities adopt a two-generation approach to programs, policies, and systems to better meet the needs of low-income rural and tribal families and use a comprehensive, holistic whole-family framework for addressing child poverty by improving alignment among service providers to the poor. The Demonstration Site initiative is a yearlong program with the first six months being spent planning and developing a combined strategy. The six months following will implement a pilot program based on the first

six months' research. Although no grant funds are associated with the Demonstration Site initiative, private philanthropic groups will closely monitor strategies and outcomes at the Demonstration Sites for future funding considerations. Doug O'Brien, Senior Policy Advisor for Rural Affairs with the White House Domestic Policy Council and Coordinator of the White House Rural Council, visited the ANC campus on January 13, 2016, along with Chris Masingill, Federal Co-Chairman of the Delta Regional Authority, as the first Demonstration Site visit among the 10 selected sites. Both guests addressed over 100 civic and community leaders in attendance.



(LEFT) Bill O'Brien, Senior Policy Advisor for Rural Affairs with the White House Domestic Policy Council and Coordinator for the White House Rural Council and (MIDDLE) Chris Masingill, Federal Co-Chairman of the Delta Regional Authority, speaking to community leaders at Arkansas Northeastern College.

## Big River Steel Holds Series of Local Job Fairs

Big River Steel in partnership with Arkansas Northeastern College and the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services, held a series of job fairs in April of 2016. These events were one of the ways interested individuals can apply for positions at the company's steel mill currently completing construction in Osceola, Arkansas.

The company is seeking applicants for General Production Operators as well as other positions. Hiring plans call for the creation of 450 direct jobs with an average annual wage of \$75,000. Indirect job creation is underway, with eight companies having announced investments and the creation of more than 300 jobs with an average annual wage of \$45,000.



"Our goal is to hire locally first," said Dave Stickler, Chief Executive Officer at Big River Steel. The company's Flex Mill™ is based on equipment and technology that is the newest in the steelmaking industry. When fully operational, it will produce 1.6 million tons of the niche and specialty steels currently under-supplied and much in demand in the North American market.

## ANC Instructors Travel To Germany



Steve Crosskno—ANC Electrical Instructor, Rob Semmell—ANC Manufacturing & Steel Industry Instructor, Jegor Bergen—SMS-TECademy Instructor, and Scott Follett, ANC Mechanical Instructor in a presentation on the operation of the continuous galvanizing line, one of which Big River Steel will run.

## Drs. Carraway and Shemwell Collaborate for Upcoming Book

In the summer of 2015, Dr. James Shemwell, ANC President, was contacted by Dr. Vernon Carraway of Penn State University. Dr. Carraway, who works as a Counselor at the Penn State University Multicultural Resource Center, is co-authoring a book with Dr. William J. Rothwell (also of Penn State) and Dr. Patrick Gerity (Westmoreland County Community College in Pennsylvania) entitled *How Community College Leaders Regard Workforce Development: Opinions, Observations, and Future Directions* to be published by Rowman & Littlefield.

Dr. Carraway was referred to Dr. Shemwell by the American Association of Community Colleges based on past projects with which AACC has worked with Arkansas Northeastern College. Dr. Shemwell was one of only 20 selected worldwide to be featured in the book. Dr. Carraway has collaborated with Dr. Shemwell on a chapter featuring best practices at ANC. Dr. Carraway visited Arkansas Northeastern College for several days in June to conduct more in-depth research into promising best practices related to workforce development and to share the results of his research.



(L-R) Dr. Vernon Carraway, Counselor at the Penn State University Multicultural Resource Center; Dr. James Shemwell, President of Arkansas Northeastern College

## ANC Community Chamber Chorale Visit and Perform on European Tour



The ANC Community Chamber Chorale traveled through three countries (Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Germany) in ten days to visit and perform concerts. The group had the opportunity to sing at amazing cathedrals and historic locations that included the Imperial Palace in Vienna, the Salzburg Dome, and St. Thomas Church in Leipzig which is the burial place of Johann Sebastian Bach.

## Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society Spring Induction



(FRONT ROW L-R) Shelby Lynn, Rhonda Carter, Christopher Caveney, Candace Hill (BACK ROW L-R) Cody Hogan, Lynn Lisk, Stephanie Twyman, Rhoda Yost (NOT PICTURED: LaDonna Thrasher)

## More than 200 Compete in T.O.P.S. Challenge

Arkansas Northeastern College hosts the annual T.O.P.S. (Tomorrow's Outstanding Professionals Skills) Challenge each February at the Burdette Center and on the Blytheville main campus. The competition is followed by an awards ceremony on each campus. The T.O.P.S. Challenge is held in conjunction with the National Career and Technical Education Month and is designed to promote career preparation and technical education for the academic enrichment of students still attending school.

Each year more than 200 students from 13 local high schools and the ANC Technical Center, attend the Challenge. Competitions were held in Accounting, Word Processing I and II, Computer Applications: Excel and PowerPoint, Impromptu Speaking, Public Speaking, Business Communications, Introduction to Business, Business Law and Medical Professions-Quiz Bowl. At the Burdette Center, students competed in Aviation, Welding Combination, Welding SMAW, and Plate-cutting, Criminal Justice Felony Traffic Stop, Early Childhood Hands-on and Bulletin Board, Job Interview and Crime Scene Investigation team competition.

These students compete in the approximately 20 competitions for a chance to win individual or team awards. ANC Technical Scholarships are awarded to the 1st place winners of each competition.

## Area High Schools Compete in ANC Quiz Bowl

Arkansas Northeastern College is proud to host an annual Quiz Bowl competition each year as an important component of academic rigor and good sportsmanship on the ANC campus. Students from area high schools in Arkansas and Southeast Missouri compete in a tournament of knowledge to compare their skills of memorization, critical thinking, and mathematic prowess. This tournament is a model platform for students who actively pursue excellence in academic achievement and cultural enrichment. The 2016 Quiz Bowl champions were: 1st place—Greene County Tech, 2nd place—Kennett, MO, and 3rd place—Portageville, MO.

## President's and Dean's Lists for Spring 2016

**SPRING 2016 PRESIDENT'S LIST:** Students are named to the President's List when they earn a grade point average of 4.00 for 12 or more semester hours of work completed in any semester. *(College preparatory courses are not included)*

**ARKANSAS:** **Blytheville** - Brandon Akers, Lester Beverly, Michael Bradford, Claudia Burnett, Ilene Canty, Christopher Gilliam, Natalie Johnson, Victoria Kellems, Venecia Middlebrooks, Deborah Moore, John Redmon, Fred Smith, Mark Taylor, Emily Tilley, Dewey Walker; **Caraway** - Brian Hardwick; **Gosnell** - Cecilia Cook, Haley Pruitt, Hannah Simmons; **Joiner** - Dwight Bennett; **Jonesboro** - Nathaniel Armstrong, Michelle Hooks; **Lake City** - Shannon Timms; **Leachville** - Cody Hogan, Amber Sparkman; **Luxora** - Malcolm Smith; **Manila** - Larry Brown, Madison Crawford, Chelsea Harper, Haley Henderson, Abbie Jolliff, Taylen Smith, Ty Tyler, Ashley Watson; **Monette** - Lacey Cloud, Doyle Roberts, Cherie Watson; **Osceola** - Nicholas Blackman, Rhonda Carter, Kimberly Guy, Aneshia Logan, Hayden Palmer, Dylan Smith, Tristian Vaughn, Pamela Walker, Patrick Warren; **Paragould** - Nina Jamison, Tammy Massey, Jeffery Murphy; **West Memphis** - Brennan Bryant, Kyle Killgore; **Wilson** - Harry Parish  
**MISSOURI:** **Caruthersville** - Sarah Prater, Joshua Robertson, John Travis, Hannah Whitley; **Hayti** - James Blurton; **Senath** - Dustin Johnson; **Steele** - Courtney Baker, Shaun Hilburn, Brittney Hoskins, Haley Middleton, Anna Raymond, Steven Wheatley

**SPRING 2016 DEAN'S LIST:** Students are named to the Dean's List when they earn a grade point average of 3.50 to 3.99 for 12 or more semester hours of work completed in any semester. *(College preparatory courses are not included)*

**ARKANSAS:** **Blytheville** - Kathleen Banks, Fabian Barrera, Christopher Bebout, Michael Bonds, Barry Bunch, Terry Byrd, Bailey Cason, Byron Dixon, Charity Dyer, Sarah Ellis, Eric Flowers, Chelsea Galbraith, Kimbria Hayes, Ari Holliman, Brett Jenkins, Suzanne Jones, Maurice Lewis, Michelle Luttrull, Marcy Mays, Queen Mbonu, John Mitchell, Rachel Money, Jack Pierce, Hannah Smith, Dalton Stallings, Antonio Thompson, Mary Wheeler, Racheal Williams; **Bono** - Travis Kimberling; **Burdette** - Kamesha Jackson, Chris Loven; **Caraway** - Chelsea Nichols; **Dyess** - Wesley Easley; **Gosnell** - Kelsey Brents, Paul Cook, India Kuykendall, Amber Mask, Patricia McClurg, Austin Mitchell, Hannah Pounds; **Jonesboro** - Francis Armstrong; **Lake City** - Tristan Arquitt, Bailey Davis; **Leachville** - Emily Burke, Adam Guthrey, Larry Waters; **Luxora** - Krista Tucker; **Manila** - Anita Cole, Lindsay Copeland, Heather Hollis, Katie Lancaster, Sarah Lee, Cameron McCormick, Allyson Stankiewicz, John Williams; **Marion** - Charlie Price; **Monette** - Monecia Clark; **Osceola** - Chesney Andrew, Keidrick Bolton, Jarrett Brown, Megan Davidson, Bradley Davis, Andrea English, Caitlyn Hill, Jason Jones, Sydney Whitney, Catressa Young; **Pocahontas** - Chelsea Murphy; **Trumann** - Amy Morgan, Madeline Ragan; **West Ridge** - Chase Ferrell; **Wilson** - Austin Griffin, Taylor Harston  
**MISSOURI:** **Caruthersville** - Jonathan Stateler; **Hayti** - Hanna Wells; **Steele** - Kathryn Callens, Zachary Dent, Rosibel Garcia, Anthony Jay; **Dyersburg** - James Via  
**TENNESSEE:** **Tiptonville** - Michael Work  
**TEXAS:** **Weslaco** - Sergio Gomez

# SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHT:

## Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Scholarship

Members of the Blytheville Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. have established a scholarship through the ANC Foundation to assist local students with gaining a college education.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated was founded in 1913 in Howard University and is an organization of college educated women committed to constructive development of its members and to public service with a primary focus on the Black community. The organization is a sisterhood of predominantly Black, college educated women. The sorority currently has 1,000 collegiate and alumnae chapters located in the United States and other countries, with the Blytheville Alumnae Chapter now celebrating its 40th year.

Recipients of the annually funded **Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Scholarship** must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA and be Mississippi County residents with preference going to minority females who are majoring in education. They must be full-time students, and the scholarship award is for \$500 per year or dependent on funds available. The scholarship may be used toward tuition, fees, and/or books.



Members of the Blytheville Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. recently met with ANC President Dr. James Shemwell to be recognized for the organization's establishment of a new scholarship at Arkansas Northeastern College. (Pictured L-R) Ms. Vera Lucas, ANC President Dr. James Shemwell, Ms. Carolyn Rodgers, and Ms. Vera Thompson.

## Foundation Scholarship Recipients

**SCHOLARSHIPS SPRING 2016:** **Drs. Tommy and Mabelee Carney Scholarship:** Stephanie McCoy; **Col. J.M. Crane Memorial Scholarship:** Brandon Akers, Kathryn Ashley; **Dr. Eldon Fairley and Dr. John Williams Scholarship:** Pamela Ford, Katelyn Watkins; **Hoskins-Whitener Scholarship:** Ethyl Morris; **The Hospital Gift Shoppe Auxiliary Scholarship:** Tyler Taylor; **Paul C. Hughes Scholarship:** Angela Shoup; **Tom and Jane Miller Scholarship:** Hannah Martin; **Martha Ann Moore Memorial Scholarship:** Stephanie McCoy; **Nelson Nursing Scholarship:** Samantha French; **Judge Graham Partlow Honorary Scholarship:** Kaylynn Razor; **Pay It Forward Scholarship:** Bryce Cameron, Kimberly Jeffers, Taylor McCoy, Megan McGinnis, Elizabeth Parks, Theodora Taylor; **Savannah Paige Pollock Memorial Scholarship:** Chelsea Murphy; **Wayne Taylor Memorial Scholarship:** Kirsten Adcock, Justice Aguilar, Cidnie Brooks, Kala Duffel, Heather Hollis, Taylen Smith; **Temple Israel Scholarship:** Alexis Johnson, Hanna Wells, Stephen Wilbanks; **THANK YOU RNs Scholarship:** Tessa Fulling, Madison Gifford; **George Moore Trimue and Nancy McCauley Trimue Scholarship:** Karen Absher, Jimmy Aldridge, Courtney Baker, Christopher Bebout, Nicholas Blackman, Shariona Bolden, Taneika Branch, James Branum, Shelby Brennan, Schnell Britman, Claudia Burnett, Jessica Cody, Jacob Collier, Emily Cook, Anglee Davison, Sarah Ellis, Dena Estell, Billy Lane Finley, Chelsea Galbraith, Thomas Garey, Jacob Gonzalez, Austin Griffin, Michelle Harris, Samantha Hayes, Tareuna Heard, Hannah Hearman, Caitlyn Hill, Allison Hinson, Cody Hogan, Marshala Hughes, Alexis Johnson, Beverly Johnson, Jacob Johnson, Tiffany D. Johnson, Shalonda Joiner, Jason Jones, Kara Jones, Derrick Latham, Denise Lourcay, Wendi Massey, Queen Mbonu, Patricia McClurg, Stephanie McCoy, Yvonne McLaurin, Dylan Mireles, Amanda Moresco, Desiree Morris, Evelyn Olivares, Morgan Owens, Amber Pate, Leigh Ann Pentecost, Karla Ray, Devione Sherman, Haley Simmons, Alexis Smith, Ashley Smith, Sharisha Smith, Allyson Stankiewicz, Tamia Stitts, Brittany Stockton, Rhonda Stovall, Alba Tampion-Sanchez, Cynthia Tate, Ali Thomas, Seth Thompson, Khadijah Tribble, Whitney Tubbs, RheAnna Turner, Ta'Shune Vance, Megan Ward, Sherell Warren, Sunny Wells, Stephen Wilbanks, Chalise Wilborn, Willie Williams, Veonia Wilson, Hannah Yost, Lakishian Young; **Yamato-Kogyo Scholarship:** Dakota Abbott, Alicia Avalos, Genesis Bowden, William Brown, McKenzie Burgess, Emily Burke, Briggett Corcoran, Kristin Drope, Alexandria Farrow, Amanda Hackney, Bridgette Hastings, Lakeshia Hulm, Amanda Klipfel, Sydney Lyell, Trevor Mafnas, Tammy Massey, Alison McDaniel, Kelsey McVay, Amy Morgan, Chelsea Nichols, Autum Pierce, Carrah Reed, Krystle Rubbo, Lanisha Sargent, Taz Shipley, Keyla Tapia, Roscina Taylor, Jessica Terrett, Cody Waters, Hanna Wells, Theresa Wiley, Nickolas Willis, Jeremy Wilson

**SCHOLARSHIPS SUMMER I 2016:** **Tom and Jane Miller Scholarship:** Hannah Martin; **Wayne Taylor Memorial Scholarship:** Kala Duffel, Taylen Smith; **Temple Israel Scholarship:** Hanna Wells; **George Moore Trimue and Nancy McCauley Trimue Scholarship:** Christopher Bebout, Shelby Brennan, Misty Burgess, Vivian Caldwell, Cari Glass, Sarah Graham, Allison Hinson, Karla Ray, Monica Reed, Alexis Smith, Deshinelle Snead, Brittany Stockton, Juliane Veach; **Yamato-Kogyo Scholarship:** Richard Barnum, Emily Burke, Lyndsay Burkhart (Rowland), Lindsay Davidson, Kristin Drope, Alea Reddick, Keerstin Silvey, Tracy Standley, Jessica Terrett



# ANC Hosts CTE Completer Event

Approximately 500 students from nine area high schools were on the ANC campus in recognition of their Career and Technical Education (CTE) accomplishments. The CTE completers and their teachers were welcomed by Sherri Bennett, ANC Vice-President for College Readiness. Keynote speaker, Brooks Harper, engaged the audience with the motivational topic, “How to turn your education into your paycheck.”

Activities during the day featured events in the ANC Sunroom, a Four Corners program in the Governors Ballroom, an opportunity to hear how “Every Day is an Interview” from the keynote speaker, and skits by the ANC Acting II class entitled “Way to Blow Your College Interview.”

Participating schools included: Armorel, Blytheville, Buffalo Island Central, East Poinsett County, Gosnell, Manila, Osceola, Paragould, and Rivercrest. Congratulations CTE completers!



(LEFT) ANC Acting II Class performed skits on “Ways to Blow Your College Interview.” (MIDDLE) Approximately 500 high school seniors were honored for academic achievements in CTE programs. (RIGHT) Presentation of Colors by the Rivercrest High School JROTC.

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|                                     | Associate Degree | Bachelor Degree |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE       | \$43,854         |                 |
| University of Arkansas—Little Rock  |                  | \$40,864        |
| University of Arkansas—Fayetteville |                  | \$39,933        |
| Harding College                     |                  | \$39,418        |
| Arkansas Tech University            |                  | \$37,779        |
| Arkansas State University—Jonesboro |                  | \$34,838        |
| University of Central Arkansas      |                  | \$34,832        |
| Black River Technical College       | \$34,146         |                 |
| Arkansas State University—Newport   | \$34,118         |                 |
| Hendrix College                     |                  | \$32,426        |
| University of Arkansas—Pine Bluff   |                  | \$29,342        |
| Arkansas State University—Mid-South | \$26,362         |                 |
| Lyon College                        |                  | \$25,965        |

\* Figures provided by the Arkansas Research Center & Arkansas Department of Workforce Services—2016 Economic Security Report per Arkansas Act 852 of 2015.

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RECENT  
COLLEGE  
GRADS  
STACK UP

# JAPAN



(L-R) India Kuykendall; Mr. Hiroyuki Inoue, President of Yamato Kogyo Company Ltd.; Beth Prater



"I didn't want to come home," said India Kuykendall after her return from 14 days of traveling and visiting the beautiful country of Japan. As one of this year's ANC ambassadors to Japan, Kuykendall of Blytheville joined Beth Prater of Caruthersville, MO, on the trip sponsored by the Yamato Kogyo Company and the ANC Foundation.

Prater echoed Kuykendall's enthusiasm about the trip. "I enjoyed it very much and I am very thankful for the opportunity to go. I would recommend applying for the trip to anyone who was interested in Japan whatsoever."

This marks the 21st year for the ANC Ambassadors to Japan program, which was created by Mr. Hiroyuki Inoue, President of Yamato Kogyo. This trip provides an opportunity for ANC students to travel to Japan for a two-week stay to learn about that country and bring that knowledge back to share with the people of this area. The trip is totally paid for by the Yamato Kogyo Company with the ANC Foundation paying the airfare.

"Japan taught me that no matter how far you are from where you come from, you can always find a kind person to help you when you need it, a friendship that crosses language barriers, and a feeling of being home even while you are immersed in a different culture than your own," said Prater of her visit to Japan.

Both Kuykendall and Prater expressed their appreciation to the Yamato Kogyo Company for its support of this program and for the wonderful hospitality they received while in Japan. Both girls made wonderful new friends in Japan and were very happy to have had the opportunity to represent Arkansas Northeastern College abroad.

# THE BUTLER DID IT.

The Arkansas Northeastern College Division of Arts & Sciences presented three performances of the theatrical murder mystery comedy "The Butler Did It" on April 28-30, 2016 in the Adams/Vines Recital Hall. "The Butler Did It" is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC. "The Butler Did It" was directed by Michael Fisher.



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## Celebrate Music Choir Concert

The ANC Community Choir, Concert Singers, Treble Chorale, Small Ensemble and Chamber Choir presented "Celebrate Music" on Thursday, April 7th and Sunday, April 10th. The program featured the music of Martin, Wilberg, Parry, Mendelssohn, and others. The ANC Division of Arts and Sciences event was under the direction of Dr. Keith Hearnberger with organist/accompanist, Dennis Hay. You can view the performance on our YouTube channel at <http://bit.ly/CelebrateMusic2016>.



## Community Band Concert

The ANC Community Band, directed by Jon Fulkerson, presented Music Around the World in concert on Sunday, April 3rd in the Adams/Vines Recital Hall. If you weren't able to attend this wonderful performance, you can check out the full video: <http://bit.ly/MusicAroundTheWorld>.



# Technical Center Students Win SkillsUSA Awards

The Arkansas Northeastern College Technical Center at Burdette took 24 high school competitors and four post-secondary competitors to the Arkansas SkillsUSA State Competitions. Twenty-two of the competitors traveled to Hot Springs, AR, where they competed in the Welding, Criminal Justice, Crime Scene Investigation, and Medical Terminology competitions. Six of the students traveled to Southern Arkansas University in Camden, AR, to compete in the Aviation Maintenance competition. Ryan Crouch of Manila placed 2nd in Criminal Justice, Michael Rawson of Manila placed 2nd in Aviation Maintenance, Landen Stutts of Manila placed 3rd in Aviation Maintenance, and Cody Hearyman of Blytheville placed 3rd in Welding. Chase Farrish won the post-secondary State Championship in Welding Sculpture, and Chase Walker placed 2nd in the post-secondary Aviation Maintenance competition.

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps each student excel, and is a national non-profit organization serving teachers and high school and college students who are preparing for careers in trade, technical and skilled service occupations, including health occupations. The ANC Technical Center offers Skills memberships to all of its students, and encourages Club involvement, even sending students to the National competition in years past.



(L-R) Landen Stutts, Michael Rawson, Chase Walker, and Brian Dennis, Instructor

For more information about the ANC Technical Center, please visit [www.anc.edu/technicalcenter](http://www.anc.edu/technicalcenter) or call 870-763-1468.

## ANC Job Fair



The ANC Job Fair was held Thursday, April 7th in the Briggs/Sebaugh Wellness Center. Hundreds of job seekers visited with approximately 50 area employers from private industry, business, state and local government, military service, and health care providers at the annual Job Fair. To prepare students and the public for the Job Fair, ANC hosted a series of Job Readiness Workshops April 4th-6th on the ANC main campus.

## ANC Hosts First Technology Day



ANC hosted members of Rivercrest High School's Cyber Patriot Team for its first "ANC Technology Day." Joseph Jones, Computer Information Systems instructor, led the students through a series of activities that included: computer hardware installation, installing Windows and Linux operating systems, and building a website from scratch. Students had the opportunity to use high-end gaming systems provided by current ANC PC Hardware & Software students Cody Hogan, Jerry Brown, and Jay Hamilton

## ANC Hosts ACT Boot Camp

Arkansas Northeastern College recently hosted 25 students from Osceola and Rivercrest High Schools at a week-long Career and College Readiness Planning Program event. The ANC Career Coaches facilitated an ACT Boot Camp from June 6th to June 10th, which was the culminating event of a year-long ACT Academy. Participating students completed a rigorous instruction-based learning curriculum designed to improve their ACT test taking skills, and raise both section and composite scores. Arkansas Northeastern College has hosted the ACT Boot Camp for two years and has helped 83 Mississippi County students raise their scores to meet the eligibility requirements to qualify for the Arkansas Academic Challenge.

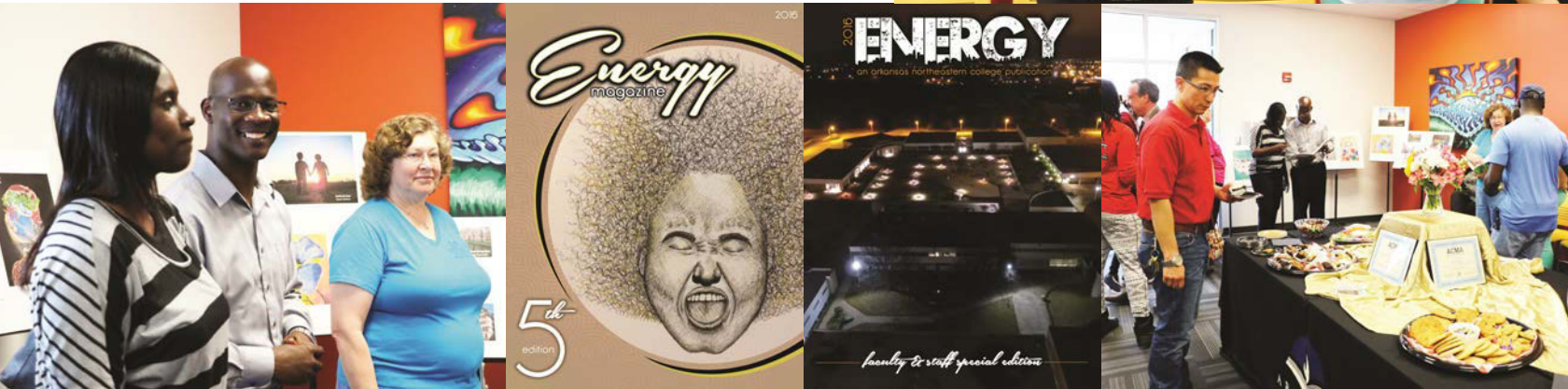


# Award-Winning Energy Magazine Launches New Editions

A celebration of the launch of the 2016 publication of *Energy* was held by the ANC English faculty in The Sunroom Tuesday, April 26th. It is the 5th publication of the student literary and art online magazine. This year a special *Energy: Faculty & Staff Edition* was published also. The celebration encompassed the 5 awards the 2015 *Energy* publication brought home from the ACMA (Arkansas College Media Association). Those awards were:

- ▶ **Magazine of the Year: 3rd Place**  
Julie Dorris, Dustin Kemper, Cameron Klein, Mallory Burnette, Deanita Hicks, Danny Graham, Rosa Lloyd
- ▶ **Cover: 1st Place**  
Julie Dorris, Rosa Lloyd, Danny Graham
- ▶ **Poetry: 3rd Place** “Blueberry Sky/Good Son” by Terrance Redmon
- ▶ **Non-Fiction Writing: 2nd Place** “Before I Was Here” by Chelsey LaRue
- ▶ **Art/Illustration: Honorable Mention** “On the Inside” by Rosa Lloyd

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## A BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENT FORMER NEGRO LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYER Dennis Biddle

The Yesterday’s Negro League Traveling Baseball Exhibit was on display in the Adams/Vines Gallery in honor of Black History Month. Dennis Biddle, the youngest living player from the league, spoke about the history of the league and how it has impacted Major League Baseball and the lives of many people.



Mr. Biddle visits with Dr. Blanche Hunt, ANC Associate Vice President of Community Relations, as he talks about the Yesterday’s Negro League Traveling Baseball Exhibit

## Allied Health Skills Day



The ANC Allied Health Division participated in a Skills Days event with Mississippi County Health Systems (MCHS; Great River Medical Center & South Mississippi County Medical Center) during the weeks of June 1st-3rd and June 6th-10th. All full-time, part-time and PRN nursing staff were able to visit the ANC clinical lab and rotate through various stations to be able to practice their skills using ANC's latest, most innovative equipment. This is the first year for ANC to be a host site in the skills event, and it has proven to be a wonderful networking opportunity.

## Michael Davis' Art Featured in Gallery



The Community Education Department at Arkansas Northeastern College presented a gallery showing of local artist Michael Davis. Blytheville native Davis is a self-taught artist working in several mediums with a primary focus in oils. His work has been shown and sold in multiple galleries in Florida and, most recently in The Coconut Grove Art Expo. The subjects of Davis' work range from dusk on Mallard Lake to sidewalk cafés in Venice, to the Red Rocks of Sedona, Arizona. Davis has traveled extensively in Europe, South America, Mexico and the Middle East, and numerous locations in the United States photographing a library of subjects for his paintings. The pieces in this exhibit ranged in size from 30"x40" to 5'x4' and represented 200-300 hours of work from canvas preparation to finish glazing. The collection is available for purchase.

## MASH Program Held at ANC

The MASH (Medical Applications of Science for Health) Program on the ANC campus was held during the last week of June. This program is for area high school rising juniors and seniors who are interested in a career for which the focus is that of a health care related field. Five area high schools—Armored, Blytheville, Gosnell, Osceola, and Rivercrest—were the high schools for which recruitment efforts took place to share the dynamics of the MASH program. The event is a fun-filled 2 weeks of health related activities, as well as team building activities. From touring the UAMS campus in Little Rock to dissecting and suturing hearts, CPR training and job shadowing, these students have the opportunity to experience a vast variety of healthcare related adventures. The MASH participants chosen were Akeyla Barksdale, Blythe Booker, Kayla Burks, Talaysia Cole, Brianna Dunham, Sydney Lane, Corina Martin, Jenna McCullar, Peyton Sullins, and Erin Tilley.



The MASH Program participants learned how to cast on one of the days of the two week healthcare related camp.

## ANC Names Outstanding Faculty and Staff



Dr. Keith Hearnberger (LEFT) and Michelle Bennett (RIGHT) were awarded Outstanding Faculty and Eugenia Hale Outstanding Staff respectively.

# NURSING PINNING CEREMONY



The Associate Degree Nursing Pinning ceremony was held Wednesday, May 11th in the Briggs/Sebaugh Wellness Center. Twenty-four students from the Blytheville and Paragould ANC campuses participated in the time-honored tradition of receiving the Nursing pin, the lighting of the lamp, and the recitation of the International Pledge for Nurses. A reception hosted by the first-year nursing students immediately followed the ceremony.

## Women's Leadership Conference

Arkansas Northeastern College was host to the annual Women's Leadership Conference in recognition of Women's History Month. The event celebrates women from all walks of life and features speakers that are representative of the diversity that makes up our community. Keynote speaker for the 2016 conference was Rhonda Hodges, Founder and Director for Pursuing Excellence Marriage Ministries and The Revolutionary Woman. More than 200 participants had the opportunity to hear from area women leaders with break-out discussions designed to enrich women's lives and empower them to positively influence the world around them.



Keynote Speaker Rhonda Hodges



Sherri Bennett, ANC Vice President for Advancement



# Graduation

2016







# ITALY

An ANC Tours Adventure



Italy was the site of ANC Tours latest, overseas adventure. Through the assistance of Travel Consultants travel agency of Blytheville, ANC was able to host a trip to Italy from March 16-27, 2016. Sixteen people from ANC Tours joined others in traveling through northern Italy where they experienced beautiful scenery, amazing architecture, and delicious food.

The amazing trip began with three and a half days in Rome where participants toured the Vatican, the Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Square and Basilica, the Trevi Fountain, the Colosseum and much more. With free time also built into the schedule, several members traveled to Assisi—a hill town in central Italy's Umbria region. There they toured the Basilica of St. Francis, a 2-level church consecrated in 1253.

The group also visited San Gimignano, a small walled medieval hill town in the province of Siena, Tuscany, north-central Italy. Known as *The Town of Fine Towers*, San Gimignano is famous for its medieval architecture, unique in the preservation of about a dozen of its tower houses. From there they traveled to Florence—the gorgeous capital of Tuscany and birthplace of the Renaissance. Florence is home to masterpieces of art and architecture. One of its most iconic sites is the Florence Cathedral, with its terra-cotta-tiled dome engineered by Brunelleschi and bell tower designed by Giotto. The group received a VIP pass to the Galleria dell'Accademia which displays Michelangelo's "David" sculpture, which was an amazing sight to behold. Several travelers also visited the Uffizi Gallery which exhibits preeminent works such as Botticelli's "The Birth of Venus" and da Vinci's "Annunciation."

Other highlights included a stop in picture perfect Pisa to see the "Leaning Tower." There was also a wine-tasting event and lunch at Verrazzano Castle and a spectacular drive through the Apennine Mountains to the romantic city of Venice. While in Venice, the group enjoyed excursions to St. Marks Square and Basilica and a private water taxi to see Venice by night, as well as a visit to the island of Murano where they watched a glass artisan create a beautiful, hand-blown glass vase and an amazing glass horse figurine.

Before returning home, they made their way to Verona—the setting of *Romeo and Juliet* before traveling to Milan for more amazing sights. Milan is a global capital of fashion and design. Home to the national stock exchange, it's a financial hub also known for its high-end dining and shopping. It was a trip filled with many beautiful sights and travelers enjoyed a delicious farewell dinner together before heading back to the United States.

# SPRING OPPORTUNITY FAIR

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On Saturday, April 30th, ANC hosted a Spring Opportunity Fair to highlight for all interested members of the area what the College has to offer in terms of programs and services. The event featured great food and activities for kids to encourage attendance by potential students with children. ANC also hosted a 3-on-3 basketball tournament with a \$300 prize for the winning team. While the Opportunity Fair was open to everyone, the event was part of a grassroots effort to recruit participation by the hard-to-reach, underserved segment of the local community. Accordingly, the Opportunity Fair featured special emphasis upon short-term programs and training that lead to marketable skills quickly. The Student Services area worked closely along-side the Office of Community Relations to plan the event, with both areas collaborating with the Healing in the Hood organization and the President's Council on Underserved Communities, comprised of area civic and faith-based leaders.



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ANC students (L - R) Cole Hardy of Blytheville, Andreas Gonzales of Steele, MO, and Chandler Hipwell of Osceola enjoy playing games in the Sun Room before heading to class.

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