



ARKANSAS NORTHEASTERN COLLEGE

# NEWSLINK

An ANC Digital Publication

## *Falling in to the Holidays*

The fall semester at ANC is coming to an end as final exams and the winter holidays approach. Keep up the good work! Please try to stay safe and well. You've got this!



## ANC MISSION

Arkansas Northeastern College is committed to providing accessible, quality educational programs, services, and lifelong learning opportunities.



# Mid-Term Pancake Breakfast

Students, faculty, and staff were treated to a pancake breakfast for mid-terms. The idea was to help everyone “fuel up their brain.” The staff cooked bacon, sausage, and pancakes for all to enjoy!





## National Hispanic Heritage Celebration

Arkansas Northeastern College recently hosted its annual National Hispanic Heritage Celebration event. This remarkable gathering provided our college and community with a unique opportunity to acknowledge and rejoice in the myriad contributions, rich cultures, and extensive histories of our American-Latino community. Embracing the theme for 2023, "Latinos: Driving Prosperity, Power, and Progress in America," ANC wholeheartedly immersed itself in this meaningful occasion.

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# Community Relations



# Student Appreciation & College Fair

ANC recently hosted its annual Student Appreciation and College Fair event, where local high school students had the opportunity to explore a wide array of educational prospects provided by colleges in the region. Alongside this enriching experience, students enjoyed food and games.





# ANC Presents at Arkansas Community Colleges Conference

Several ANC Faculty and Staff members made presentations at the Arkansas Community Colleges Conference in Little Rock. Scott Follet presented “Using Data Analysis to Predict Student Success.” His presentation detailed how it is possible to mathematically model what factors affect student success.

Dr. Blanche Hunt, Isabella Campbell, and Willie Williams presented “Breaking Barriers, Bridging Communities.” Their presentation detailed how ANC created the Department of Community Relations to put the most vulnerable current and prospective students on a path from poverty to prosperity.

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Dr. Blanche Hunt  
Vice President for  
Community Relations



Isabella Campbell  
Director for  
Career Pathways



Willie Williams  
Success Navigator



Scott Follet  
Industrial Mechanical  
Systems Specialist



## *ANC Faculty, Staff, Students, & Alumni Recognized*

The Arkansas Community Colleges Conference recognized ANC faculty, staff, students, and alumni in October. Education Instructor/Coordinator Kim Hart was recognized as the Outstanding Faculty Member. Stacey Walker, Dean for Customized Training, was recognized as the Outstanding Staff Member. ANC student Sydney Branscum was recognized as the Academic All-Star. Melissa Logan, Mayor of Blytheville, was recognized as the Outstanding Alumni.

Congratulations to all!

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Kim Hart  
Education Instructor/  
Coordinator



Stacey Walker  
Dean for Customized Training



Sydney Branscum  
ANC Student



Melissa Logan  
Mayor of Blytheville



## *ANC Employee Earns Recognition*

TRIO staff members attended the “Back 2 the 90’s” themed Arkansas Association of Student Assistance Programs (AASAP) Annual Conference in Rogers, Arkansas. Brooke Siegler, ETS Assistant Director and the 2023 AASAP President, led the conference, which was well organized, and provided information to all TRIO programs in attendance.

During the conference, she presented four TRIO students with the 2023 AASAP scholarships and recognized Dr. Leslie Yingling as the 2023 AASAP TRIO Achiever. Dr. Yingling is a TRIO graduate who is now serving as the Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs at the University of Arkansas. Brooke also had the honor of presenting ANC’s SSS Assistant Director, Trina Anderson, a Certificate of Appreciation for 20 years of service with TRIO.



# *Student Support Services*



## ANC ADN Student Nursing Club

The Associate Degree Student Nursing Club of Arkansas Northeastern College eagerly dedicated their time and expertise to support the St. Bernards Flu Vaccination Clinic in Jonesboro. It marked the fourth consecutive year of their involvement, and they enthusiastically embraced the opportunity.

Joining the students were ANC instructors, Tonya Pankey, Shauna Winchester, and Courtney Kueter. The SNC is proudly co-sponsored by Shauna Winchester and Dr. Kim Weathers.







# National Cupcake Day

ANC recently celebrated National Cupcake Day. Cupcakes were provided for students, faculty, and staff. They were delicious!





# Breast Cancer Awareness Event

The ANC Lifeline Club recently hosted “Pink Out” in the Sunshine Grille to support Breast Cancer Awareness.





# Halloween Costume Contest

ANC held the annual Halloween Costume Contest, and the entries did not disappoint! Look at some of the costumes featured.





## *ANC Employee Elected ACC President*

Michael Smith recently achieved a significant milestone by being elected as the President of the Arkansas Community Colleges Conference Board. Considering his appointment, Smith expressed his feelings, stating, “It is indeed a great honor to have assumed the position of the conference board president, but I must admit that the journey to this esteemed role was not without its challenges and doubts. When Dr. Chris Heigle initially approached me with the idea of serving on the board, my first instinct was one of self-doubt. I questioned whether I possessed the qualifications and attributes required for such a significant responsibility.”

“However, as the years unfolded, my reservations began to dissipate. Through hard work, dedication, and the recognition of my peers, I found myself ascending the ranks of the board's leadership. Now, three years have passed, and I am humbled and thrilled to be serving as the board president. This journey from initial doubt to assuming a leadership role is not only a personal achievement but a testament to my commitment to the organization and the trust and confidence that my colleagues have in my abilities. I am excited to leverage my newfound position to make meaningful contributions and help shape the future of our organization in a positive and impactful way.” Congratulations to Michael on this remarkable accomplishment!

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Michael Smith  
WAGE & W.O.R.K Program Coordinator/Perkins Coordinator



## Sunroom Pool Tournament

Congrats to ANC's Sunroom Pool Tournament Champion, Josh Blagg. Josh is a Steel Tech major from Manila, AR. Way to go!



# Student Center



# HR CORNER

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## Welcome New Hires

Please welcome our new and promoted employees!

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Melissa Donner - [Early College Specialist](#)  
Sonya Lane - [Administrative Specialist II, Community Relations](#)

## Service Recognition

We would like to recognize the following employees for 10 years or more of service at ANC for November, December, and January. Congratulations on this recognition!

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June Walters - 44 years  
Rene Marshall - 26 years  
Kammie McGee - 26 years  
Lisa McGhee - 24 years  
James Odom - 24 years  
Stacy Clark - 23 years  
Lance Morris - 23 years  
Danny Graham - 22 years  
Trina Anderson - 21 years  
Teresita Cashman - 18 years  
Shauna Winchester - 12 years  
Emily Crosskno - 10 years

# Human Resources

[Click Here for ANC Employment Opportunities](#)



# HR CORNER

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## Wellness Benefits

Have you scheduled your yearly wellness exam for 2023?

Wellness visits basically provide your doctor with a status update on your overall health. They can help guide you to make choices that promote better health, and they can catch health problems early. Examples of a wellness visit include: Mammogram, colonoscopy, vision exam, dental cleaning, and/or yearly wellness physical.

If you have had your wellness exam and are enrolled in one of the following - Accident Insurance, Cancer Insurance, Critical Illness, and/or Hospital Confinement, make sure to file your wellness claim for your annual reimbursement for 2023. Each one of these plans have a wellness reimbursement each calendar year, with just one wellness exam visit. See below for reimbursement benefits.

If you are unsure if you have one of these benefits and/or need assistance filing a claim, contact Tabatha Hampton at ext. 1136. If you do not have any of these plans and would like to add one, open enrollment would be the time to do that. Open enrollment dates are listed at the bottom of the page.

## Employee Assistance Program

Did you know as a full-time employee of ANC that you have access to an Employee Assistance Program? Employee Connect is available 24/7 for you and your dependents through Lincoln Financial Group – at no additional cost to you for: depression, marital or family difficulties, managing stress and anxiety, substance abuse, legal and financial matters, locating child or elder care, moving and relocation, planning for college, events or vacation, and family planning and pregnancy health.

For more information about the program, visit [GuidanceResources.com](https://www.guidanceresources.com), download the GuidanceNow mobile app, or call 888-628-4824.

GuidanceResources.com login credentials:

User name: LFGSupport Password: LFGSupport1

Open Enrollment Dates: Nov 14th - 16th



# SOCIAL

Community Engagement

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## ANC Book Club

Join ANC Librarian Karen Ellis for intellectual stimulation and lively discussion in the ANC library. Make new friends, share your knowledge, and if you don't have a card— sign up for a library card to take advantage of the excellent reading material available at the ANC Library.

For more information, contact Karen Ellis at  
[kellis@smail.anc.edu](mailto:kellis@smail.anc.edu)

## Community Education

The Community Education Department at Arkansas Northeastern College is a non-credit, lifelong learning program that meets the community's changing needs. Educational opportunities are continually developed and offered to citizens of all ages for a reasonable cost. The current schedule is available here:

[SCHEDULE LINK](#)

[Click Here](#)

For more information, contact Ammi Tucker at  
[atucker@smail.anc.edu](mailto:atucker@smail.anc.edu)







# SOCIAL

Notes of Thanks

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Thanks to the ANC faculty and staff for all the prayers, phone calls, and food. We appreciate all you did for us.

Thanks,  
Denese Bogard

Sharing Appreciation



# MEDIA

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The following clickable links house current editions of our various media endeavors and social media accounts. There is also a link to our virtual campus tour. All these efforts, especially the virtual campus tour, may be used for recruitment.

Utilizing these fantastic resources can also help us get the word out about the wonderful opportunities available at ANC.

CAMPUS TOUR

CONNECTIONS

NEWSLINK

SPARK

ENERGY



*Social Media & Publications*



# NOVEMBER

Calendar of Events

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November 2nd - ANC Harvest Party | 6:30 pm

November 2nd - I am thankful for... | Sunshine Grille 9-1

November 7th - Try it Tuesday! | Sunshine Grille 9-1

November 14th - National Pickle Day! | Sunshine Grille 9-1

November 16th - Turkey Bowling! | Outside the Student Center 10-12

November 17th - Last Day to Withdraw from Classes

November 20th - 24th - Fall Break | Faculty & Students

November 23rd - 24th - Thanksgiving Holiday (College Closed)

November 28th - National French Toast Day! | Sunshine Grille 9-1

November 30th - Last Day for Tuesday/Thursday Classes

# #BeASun



## Arkansas Northeastern College

*Start Here. Go Anywhere!*

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2501 S. Division St.  
Blytheville, Ar 72315

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Osceola, Ar 72370

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105 N. Main St.  
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