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Have items of interest you would like featured in the NewsLink online newsletter? Please send your departmental news, upcoming events, etc., to James Hartley at jehartley@smail.anc.edu
The deadline is 5 pm on the last Thursday of the month.

ANC Mission

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

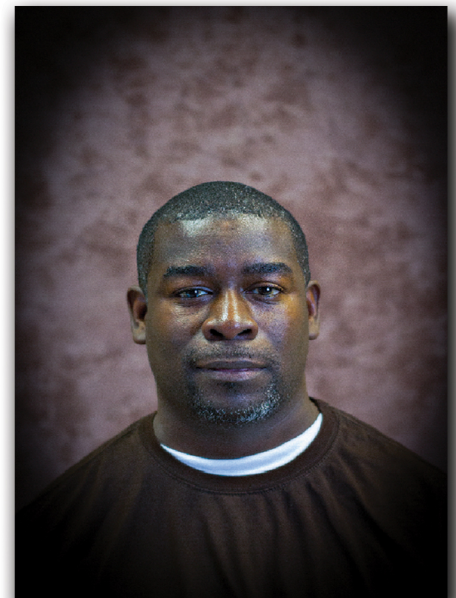
Team Up Mentoring

Arkansas Northeastern College's mentoring program is just one of the many resources available to students. The objectives and goals are clear. The program is designed to help students develop and strengthen their ability to succeed in an educational environment. It also helps improve and cultivate student-faculty relationships while providing the tools necessary for collaboration with peers. In addition, it helps develop leadership skills.

For more information, contact Doug Echols Jr. at dechols@smail.anc.edu



Doug Echols Jr.
Mentoring Coordinator



Willie D. Williams
Success Coach

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ANC Graduate/Intern Secures Employment



He graduated with an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Steel Industry Technology in December 2016. In January 2017, NYS offered him a full-time position in the Shipping Department as a Shipper/Loader of railcars.

Johnson described his experience in ANC's internship program as follows:

"For me, the internship meant an opportunity for myself and my family. It gave me a route to achieve my goals that I would not have had, had I not found out about the program. I am very grateful for the opportunity, and I would absolutely recommend it to someone considering a career in this line of work."

Allied Technologies would like to congratulate recent ANC graduate and intern, Dustin Johnson, on securing full-time employment.

Johnson, a Steel Industry Technology graduate, secured an internship at Nucor-Yamato Steel (NYS). As an intern and student, Johnson excelled.

Osceola Leadership Academy 2016-2017

The Solutions Group had a wonderful opportunity to provide training to the Osceola/South Mississippi County Chamber of Commerce's 2016-2017 Leadership Academy. The purpose of the Leadership Academy is to seek, identify, educate, and motivate potential leaders to become involved in the future of their community. The participants went through a variety of training, some of which was provided by The Solutions Group.

For more information, click the link below:

[ANC Solutions Group Blog](#)



ANC Promotes Taking a Different Path to Success

According to the Arkansas Chamber of Commerce, Arkansas' workforce is facing a challenge with over 23% of the current skilled professionals at or near retirement age.

Unfortunately, our workforce is not prepared to fill the positions our retiring workers are creating. Now is the time to act.

By changing how Arkansans think about the job opportunities provided to skilled professionals, we can inspire today's youth and lead them, and our state, down the path to prosperity.

Arkansas Northeastern College is partnering with county school districts to provide students with hands-on experiences that will increase students' awareness of, interest in, and pursuit of career and technical opportunities leading to prosperity.

One such experience is the Be Pro Be Proud Workforce Workshop, a mobile interactive trailer provided by Arkansas Chamber of Commerce.

This trailer is on tour throughout the state providing simulated experiences with the skilled

professions while showing the jobs in depth.

The interactive trailer is loaded with information, skill challenges, and more as it makes its way across Arkansas.

January 30th – February 3rd, Rivercrest, Gosnell, Osceola, Blytheville, and ANC Technical Center offered students the opportunity to learn about high demand and high wage career and technical skills.

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Path to Success Continued...

Over 400 students in grades 8-12 experienced interactive demonstrations of skilled career pathways such as a welding, plumbing, electrical, and CNC operation. Students were also introduced to the beprobeproud.org website that provides information on high demand technical careers throughout the state of Arkansas. This site also lists information such as average salaries, potential employers, and education/training programs offered at Arkansas colleges to prepare students for these careers.

This Be Pro Be Proud Workforce Workshop visit to county schools was provided by Arkansas Northeastern College with funding from two consortia grants awarded by the Arkansas Department of Career Education- Office of Skills Development and the Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

For more information on the Be Pro Be Proud initiative and how to get started in one of these career and technical pathways, please visit beprobeproud.org.

For more information on how to prepare for any of these career and technical pathways contact the Advising Center at Arkansas Northeastern College at (870) 762-1020 or visit the website at anc.edu.



Associate Degree Student Nurse Club

The Associate Degree Student Nurse Club participated in making Valentine's Day cards for the children at Le Bonheur Children's Hospital. The students hope that these cards will help brighten the days of some sick children. Both first and second year ADN students from the Blytheville and Paragould campuses contributed to this project.

The students really participated in this project and we are very proud of their effort. There were more than 200 cards that were made and will be taken to Le Bonheur Children's Hospital. April Nutt, MSN, RN and Shauna Winchester, MSN, RN are the sponsors for the ADN Student Nurse Club.



ANC Career Coaches Collaborate

Arkansas Northeastern College Career Coaches collaborated with Arkansas State University to provide 40 students from Mississippi County the opportunity to attend the "Celebrating Future Women Leaders in STEM" conference on February 3rd at ASU.

The students from Rivercrest, Gosnell, Osceola, and Armorel learned about a variety of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) careers and were able to interact with ASU STEM Faculty and local female STEM business and industry leaders. The students were also able to get some hands on experience grafting plants, compounding basic minerals, and using communication to solve group problems.



ANC - UAPB Recruiting Event

The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff and Arkansas Northeastern College hosted area high school students and interested parents on the ANC campus to learn about the services and opportunities available to them on Thursday, February 16, 2017.

ANC and UAPB had applications for admissions, scholarship and financial aid information, information about student services and programs, academic program information, and college professors available to answer questions. The UAPB marching band performed and held on-site band auditions.



ANC Celebrates Black History Month

Arkansas Northeastern College Celebrated Black History Month with an Art and Music event on Wednesday, February 22nd and Thursday, February 23rd in the Adams/Vines Recital Hall on main campus.

The event featured the ACE Club, Blytheville Elementary School, the ANC Singers, and Miss Lights of the Delta.



ANC Instructor Earns Certification



The Arkansas Northeastern College Associate Degree Nursing Program is pleased to announce that its Director, Tonya Pankey, has earned the designation Certified Nurse Educator (CNE) after meeting strict eligibility criteria and successfully completing a rigorous certification examination developed and administered by the National League for Nursing.

Blytheville native, Tonya Pankey graduated from ANC (formerly Mississippi County Community College) in 1990 with an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing before earning her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing in 1999. In 2009, she completed the Master of Science Degree in Nursing with a focus in Nursing Education. Prior to becoming an educator, she spent time working in the field in the areas of oncology, home care and hospice, and case management. She was named in the Top 100 Nurses in Shelby and Fayette Counties, Tennessee, in 2006.

Because of her success in the nursing field, Ms. Pankey was named as Arkansas Northeastern College's Distinguished Alumni in 2011. That same year, she came back to the College as an instructor in the Associate Degree Nursing Program. She was promoted to the director of the program in August, 2013. Ms. Pankey is married to Danny, pastor of Ruddle road Church of God in Blytheville, where she volunteers as a Sunday School teacher and church pianist. They have three children, sons Caleb and Joshua live in Fayetteville and their daughter Katie Beth is a senior at Blytheville High School.

In her spare time, Ms. Pankey enjoys reading and spending time with family and friends. She is a devoted teacher who chose to take on the difficult task of becoming a Certified Nurse Educator because she is committed to her profession and viewed the accomplishment as a personal success and a display of "best practices" for her students.

"Ms. Pankey's dedication to her profession is a testament to the quality of the Arkansas Northeastern College's Nursing Program. Becoming certified in any field is a mark of professionalism. Ms. Pankey's efforts to become a Certified Nursing Instructor communicates to students, peers, and the academic and health care communities that the highest standards of excellence are being met," stated ANC President Dr. James Shemwell.

ANC INTRAMURALS

Intramurals are a vital part of student life on the Arkansas Northeastern College campus! ANC offers 3 on 3 basketball, 5 on 5 basketball, volleyball, flag football, dodgeball, indoor soccer, table tennis, wiffle ball, and more!



The ANC intramural basketball team has won several games at various sports jamborees during February. Congratulations!



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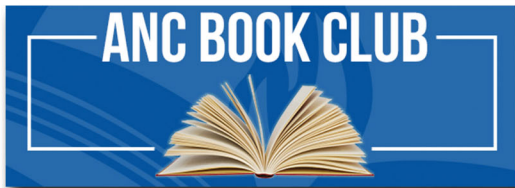
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ANC (no particular order): Issac Kelly, Darius Williams, Joey Howard, Walterius Daniels, William Winfrey, Dana Jones, Michael Caruthers, David Thomas, Jerome Newby, Colby Covington - mgr., Tyrone Morris, Taigianna Fore, Alexis Cruz, Ambyr Washington, Bethany Thomas, Eireona Flowers

Social

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS



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.

The book of the month is:
The Girl on the Train

For more information, contact Karen Ellis at kellis@smail.anc.edu



The Community Education department at Arkansas Northeastern College is a non-credit, lifelong learning program that meets the changing needs of the community. Educational opportunities are continually developed and offered for citizens of all ages for a reasonable cost.

For more information, contact
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Join the ANC Community Choir and experience an enrichment of your life through music!

For more information, contact Dr. Keith Hearnberger at khearnberger@smail.anc.edu

March

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar 9th: Stay in Touch

Arkansas Northeastern College is proud to present a showcase of work by Ellen Dempsey.

The opening reception will be from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Adams/Vines Gallery.

Ellen Dempsey is an artist living and working in Memphis, TN. She is currently completing her Master of Fine Arts Degree at the University of Memphis. Her primary medium is Sculpting and Printmaking. She enjoys finding new ways to combine the two.

Mar 15th-16th: Graduation Fair

The Graduation Fair is **REQUIRED** for all graduates who plan to participate in the May 2017 ceremony. This event is when you will be fitted for your cap and gown as well as reserve tickets for your friends and family.

Mar 20th-24th: Spring Break

Spring break will be observed.

Mar 31st: Women's Fair

Arkansas Northeastern College and the Career Pathways Initiative are sponsoring the "It's Our Time" Women's Fair, March 31st. The meet and greet will begin at 8:30 am in the ANC Ballroom at Arkansas Northeastern College.

Registration will begin March 1st on the ANC portal. Lunch will be provided. If any additional information is needed prior to March 1st, please contact Mrs. Parks at: plinam@smail.anc.edu.



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