Arkansas Northeastern College

# NewsLink

#### Community

#### Education

If you would like to teach a non-credit class for the community, contact: mgarren@smail.anc.edu 870-762-3168 New Schedule Online Now!

#### **Submissions**

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 3 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.

#### Fall Semester is Zooming Along

It has been a beautiful fall semester on the ANC campus. Faculty and students are adapting well to Zoom classes. We hope you continue to have a successful term. Please try to stay safe and well.



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#### 30th Yamato Kogyo/ANC Foundation Scholarship Golf Tournament

This year would have marked the 30th anniversary of the Yamato Kogyo/ANC Foundation Scholarship Golf Tournament. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, this year's tournament was cancelled with hopes of bringing the event back next September. Because the Yamato Kogyo Company of Japan recognizes that the need for the scholarship still exists, they made the decision to continue to support the Yamato Kogyo Scholarship Fund at Arkansas Northeastern College. In honor of the 30 year anniversary, the company donated \$30,000 to the scholarship fund. Pictured is Mr. Nick lino (right), President of the Yamato Holding Company, presenting ANC President Dr. James Shemwell the donation.

Several other businesses who have been past supporters of the golf tournament have joined the Yamato Kogyo Company in supporting the scholarship fund this year. To date, donations include: Southern Bancorp (\$1,000), American Roller Bearing Company (\$300), Hays Stores, Inc. (\$250) and Farmers Bank & Trust (\$200). Arkansas Northeastern College is fortunate to have the support of each of these companies and is honored to provide scholarships through the ANC Foundation - Yamato Kogyo Scholarship Fund. The continued support by the Yamato Kogyo Company and these other businesses will allow this important fund to continue to assist students during these difficult times.

Arkansas Northeastern College and its Foundation are extremely appreciative of their generosity and support. While we will miss having a golf tournament this year, our students will not miss the scholarship opportunities it normally provides and for that we are truly thankful.



#### 2nd Annual Spark Magazine Winners

ANC officially wrapped up the second edition of *SPARK* in September by visiting the winners at their respective schools. *SPARK* is ANC's newest magazine that displays art, writing, and photos from our county schools. This year, ANC worked with Armorel, Blytheville, The Delta School, Gosnell, KIPP, Manila, Osceola, and Rivercrest.

ANC would like to thank the school administrators, art teachers, and writing teachers for helping submit and contribute student work to the magazine. This year there were over 200 entries from the 8 participating schools. After a careful selection process, 140 pieces made the final cut into the magazine. A total of 40 awards were given out to students for their beautiful work. ANC's mascot, Ray, went to visit each school, announce the winners, and hand out awards. SPARK award winners were given a plaque, magazine, and an ANC gift bag that included a Ray mascot doll. ANC would like to thank ACE Glass and The Sophisticated Stitch for their help in making the awards for the students. We are very proud of all the students for their contribution to the magazine.



















#### Food Pantry Advisory Council Meeting

The ECMC Foundation announced the launch of its Basic Needs Initiative on November 19, 2019, funding grants for seven entities, including the Arkansas Community Colleges (ACC). ACC seeks to scale a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) outreach model across Arkansas' 22 community colleges. The four pilot colleges involved in the ACC grant are the Arkansas Northeastern College, North Arkansas College, Phillips Community College of the University of Arkansas, and UA-Pulaski Tech. Each college will develop and implement a SNAP outreach plan to address food insecurity among students by operating a campus food pantry and/or partnering with external providers to provide access to meals, as well as encouraging qualifying students with food insecurity needs to apply for SNAP benefits.

In January 2020, ACC signed the Memorandum of Understanding with the four pilot colleges. Arkansas Northeastern College received a total of \$30,000 per year over two years as part of the ECMC Foundation grant. ANC is spending the bulk of the grant funds on meal stipends through our on-campus Sunshine Grille, along with supplementing the College's inventory of non-perishable food items already used to provide emergency nourishment for under-resourced students, including homeless students. The Community Relations division will lead the project for ANC.

To successfully guide the food pantry initiative launching and implementation, Dr. Blanche Hunt, Vice President for Community Relations, created an Advisory Council consisting of the following individuals: Dr. Bridget Shemwell, Pauline Linam-Parks, Courtney Fisher, Kaci Bell, Michelle Bennett, Tonya Harris, Lisa McGhee, Willie D. Williams, Daryl Young, Holly Rice, and Tiffany Nettles. Bobbi McDaniels, SNAP Outreach Advocate for Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance, was the guest speaker for the first meeting of the Food Pantry Advising Council.



#### Arkansas Single Parent Scholarship Fund

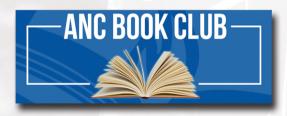
In the first round of awards for Fall 2020, fifteen single-parent students will receive scholarship award checks from the Arkansas Single Parent Scholarship Fund of Mississippi County. The awards ceremony took place as a drive-thru presentation on the campus of ANC in September. Students enrolled in 12 credit hours or more receive a check for \$1,200. For 9-11credit hours, the award amount is \$900 and \$600 for 6-8 credit hours. Single parent students enrolled in 3-5 credit hours receive \$300. The total amount of award dollars for Mississippi County recipients is \$13,200.

Receiving scholarships at the ceremony were Reshun Wiggins, Jakayla Williams, Kyla Warren, Jernal Woods, Haley Middleton, Darneshia White, Tiffany Nettles, Andrea English, April Palmer, Kayla Burden, Mary Simpson, Dymon Dixon, Aleece Chappelle, Walter Wright, and Dona Bell. Arkansas Single Parent Scholarships are funded by donations from businesses and individuals in Mississippi County. A team of committed volunteers including Denese Bogard and Tyler Dunegan help raise funds as well as review student applications and provide encouragement and support for the single-parent students.

The volunteer team's efforts are supported by the state office of ASPSF, headquartered in Springdale, AR, and a Program Manager, Wendy Stotts, located in northeast Arkansas. For 30 years, the Arkansas Single Parent Scholarship Fund has empowered single parents to attain self-sufficiency through post-secondary education. ASPSF opens doors for low-income single parents, helping them pursue education, secure employment, and transform the future for their families. With the help of volunteers and community support, ASPSF creates multigenerational change, transforming lives for both single parents and their children. For information about scholarships, volunteer opportunities, and ways to give, visit aspsf.org or contact Wendy Stotts at 870/273-2059.

### Social

**Local Engagements** 



Join ANC Librarian Karen Ellis for intellectual stimulation and livelydiscussion 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



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. The current schedule is available here:

#### **SCHEDULE LINK**

For more information, contact Mary Ann Garren at mgarren@smail.anc.edu

### Media College Resources

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.



**CONNECTIONS** 

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## October

**Calendar of Events** 

October 2: Mid-Term Grades Due at Noon

October 5: 2nd 8 Weeks Begins

October 9: 2nd 8 Weeks No Shows | Purge

October 26: Spring 2021 Registration Opens









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