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 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.

Summer at ANC
There were many events held at ANC this summer, and construction continued on the Center for Allied Technologies building. Many of the faculty and staff will be coming back to campus soon and we are looking forward to it. Stay cool and read about the wonderful summer activities.

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A monthly publication
ANC Tours took 37 people on a Royal Caribbean cruise to Venice and Greece from May 31 - June 9. The group came from four different locations in the U.S. and gathered in Atlanta to start this once in a lifetime trip to the Mediterranean cities of Venice, Italy; Kotor, Montenegro; and the Greek islands of Corfu, Athens, Mykonos, and Argostoli.

New friends were made, and everyone is excited for more adventures in the U.S. and abroad. If you would like information on our next trip, please email Mary Ann Garren at mgarren@smail.anc.edu. We will be happy to add you to our mailing list!
Board of Trustees Updates

Members of the Arkansas Northeastern College Board of Trustees met Wednesday, June 19, 2018, where they voted to name several campus streets. Arkansas Northeastern College’s Richard A. Reid College Drive, which forms a circular loop through the campus, has been the only named campus street.

The opening of the new Center for Allied Technologies will introduce a new street as well as the expansion of an existing unnamed roadway that runs the north-south length of campus. Other unnamed streets are located on campus. ANC Staff recommended the addition of street names to provide a better guide for navigating campus by visitors and to provide directions easier.

The Board approved the naming of five campus streets in addition to Richard Reid Drive. The new street names are Allied Tech Drive, Success Drive, Opportunity Boulevard, Statehouse Drive, and Suns Drive.

The Board was also given an update on the new Center for Allied Technologies. The 90,000 square feet building is in the final stages of construction. Work continues in preparation for completion in time to accommodate fall classes beginning in August. Due to the size and timing of completion, equipment and furnishings will be moved into the facility in phases with the Aviation Complex already underway.

The Board approved the addition of several new certificate offerings in Computer Information Systems. The approval comes following a review of the CIS curriculum by instructors in the department. The existing program offered only the two-year Associate in Applied Science Degree with no options for short-term certificates.

Executive Vice President/Chief Academic Officer June Walters presented the proposal which included the following new certificates: Technical Certificate in Computer Information Systems, 30-32 credit hours; Certificate of Proficiency in Networking, 16 credit hours; Certificate of Proficiency in Coding, 16 credit hours; and the Certificate of Proficiency in Computer Repair Maintenance, 16 hours.

The newly approved certificates will give students the opportunity to earn certification after one or two semesters while working toward the CIS degree if desired.

ANC Director of Student Services Courtney Fisher gave a summer enrollment report. The 2018 Summer I headcount is 470 as compared to 442 last summer, a six percent increase, while the total credit hours were level at 2,445 as compared to 2,426 in Summer I 2017.
Board of Trustees Updates

In other business, The State of Arkansas Office of Personnel Management has released information regarding the awarding of merit bonuses for classified employees. These bonuses are based on the employee’s evaluation rating score with bonus rates varying between 1.5% and 4.5% depending upon the rating. The evaluation process is complete and exact bonus amounts have been determined. These bonuses will be made in lump sum payments in the last payroll cycle of June 2018. The bonus will not be added to the base pay of the employee.

The Board approved providing the one-time merit bonuses to classified staff members with payment made on or before June 30, 2018. Additionally, the Board approved a 2% raise for all eligible classified staff for fiscal year 2018-2019.

The Board approved the College’s Financial Report and the Personnel Report, which included the hiring of Cindy Hampton as Administrative Specialist for the Educational Opportunity Center (TRiO), Tina Moody as a Fiscal Support Specialist, Barbara Parks as a Financial Aid Advisor, and Jernal Woods as Administrative Specialist for Educational Talent Search (TRiO).

In other news, the Board received an update from Associate Vice President for Community Relations Dr. Blanche Hunt regarding the College’s recruitment and retention of minority faculty, staff and students.

Arkansas Northeastern College is committed to the recruitment and retention of minorities represented in its faculty, staff, and students. To this end, various programs and activities have been instituted to accomplish this goal.

The College has received notification of, and the Board approved, a continued grant award for the Career Coach Program in the amount of $143,821.50 for 2018-2019. This grant is designated for the purpose of ensuring that area students in grades 7-12 have the opportunity and support needed to increase their knowledge, skills, and educational attainment by providing them college and career guidance.

The Board also accepted additional grant funds of $24,164 for the Northeast Arkansas Community College Consortium (NEAC3) Regional Workforce Implementation Grant. These funds will be used to enhance the Welding and Advanced Manufacturing programs offered at ANC. This grant will provide for the purchase of equipment and supplies, as well as funds to assist with the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics) Camp for Girls. This camp will be held at ANC in July in cooperation with Nucor Steel Arkansas, Tenaris, American Greetings, Whitton Farms, Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce, Hampton Museum of Archeology, and the Arkansas Discovery Museum.
ANC Hosts Skills Days 2018

Arkansas Northeastern College recently hosted the 3rd annual Skills Days "Perfecting through Practice" for Mississippi County Hospital Systems nursing employees from both Great River Medical Center and SMC Regional Medical Center. "Skills Days" is a yearly event that offers an evidenced-based training opportunity for nurses to practice everyday skills in order to provide the highest quality competent skill level for the patients they serve. The skills for this year's event were: Heparin Protocol, Infection Control, Accessing Ports, Wound Healing Systems, Chest Tube Insertion/Care, and Blood Administration/Warmer. These skills are selected based on research, trends and needs in healthcare as well as employee suggestions.
M.A.S.H. Camp 2018

Ten junior and senior high school students from Mississippi County area schools attended a two-week Medical Applications of Science for Health (M*A*S*H) camp at Arkansas Northeastern College. The two-week summer camp is full of medical enrichment experiences that allows high school students to shadow health care professionals and attend various workshops that enhance their knowledge of healthcare related fields. The program hopes to encourage rural youth interested in medical fields to pursue their education and return to rural areas to work. Some of the experiences they are exposed to include: CPR training, Stop the Bleed, team building activities (adventure training course at EACC in Forrest City), healthy eating, HIPAA, organ donation, social media, D.A.R.E. program, infection control, a trip to UAMS hospital in Little Rock and much more. They also had the opportunity to engage in various shadowing experiences, such as physical therapy, medical surgical, surgery, emergency care, radiology, laboratory, obstetrics, family medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, and more.
ANC partnered with the Museum of Discovery in Little Rock to host a week-long Girls in STEM camp. Activities included building Mousetrap Race Cars, touring the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce/Associated Industries of Arkansas, Allied Health activities focusing on phlebotomy, pharmacy and EMT/paramedics, a trip to Whitton Farms to discuss agriculture, analyzing supply chain management with American Greetings in Osceola, material science and coding with Nucor-Yamato Steel, processing and optical illusions with Big River Steel, and an end of the week project with Tenaris in Blytheville. Thank you to the students, volunteers, mentors, and to the Museum of Discovery for making it a great week! #girlsinSTEM2018
Solutions Group Activities

Several employees of Nucor-Yamato and Nucor Steel recently received Emergency Medical Training through the Solutions Group. This customized training, taught by Donna Razer, Mark Razer, and Francis Lewis, certified nine employees to become first responders at their respective plants. After successfully completing the training, individuals received First Aid and CPR cards and earned the Certificate of Proficiency in Emergency Medical Technician. They now have the opportunity to take the national EMT exam.

ANC Solutions Group Link I

The ANC Solutions Group provided Active Shooter Training to Mississippi County EOC employees on May 29. The entire EOC staff was included and 21 people completed the training. Instructors Tim Bentley and Brandon Harper spent two hours teaching employees how to avoid, deny, and defend against an active shooter.

ANC Solutions Group Link II
I would like to thank the ANC Board of Trustees and my ANC family for the lovely plant sent during my recovery from back surgery. I also appreciate the thoughtfulness of every concerned call, text, and email that I received. Your good wishes truly encouraged me in this time of healing.

Sincerely,
Sherri Bennett

Dear College Family,

Thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy at a very difficult time. Your thoughts and prayers meant so much to me and my family. My brother-in-law, Bob, was an educator for many years and always encouraged his students to attend ANC. He would be pleased to know he was remembered by an institution he valued so highly.

Again, thank you for the beautiful plant and especially your support. It is very much appreciated.

June Walters
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

Community Education

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 Mary Ann Garren at mgarren@smail.anc.edu

COMMUNITY CHOIR

Join the ANC Community Choir and experience an enrichment of your life through music!

For more information, contact Gianluca Strazzullo at gstrazzullo@smail.anc.edu
August 1st: Last Day of Summer II Day Classes
August 2nd: Final Exams - Summer II Day Classes
August 13th: Reconvening
August 15th: Fall Registration Closes
August 20th: Classes Begin
August 24th: No Show Rosters/Payment Deadline/Last Day to Declare Audit Status
August 31st: Last Day for 100% Refund/Last Day to Charge Books on Deferment