

THE WEEKLY INSIDER

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**Happy
Holidays**
From
**NorthWest Arkansas
Community College**

NWACC offices will be closed December 24 through January 1 for the holiday break.

Photograph by Gene Schneider

Corporate Learning goes live with Online Registration

Thanks to the diligence of a team of professionals at NWACC, Corporate Learning has gone live with Online Registration.

"This is a major accomplishment and the team members that made it happen are to be congratulated," said Dr. Becky Paneitz, College President. "I am very proud of each of them."

The team included Corbin, Diana Gower of Accounting, Web Programming & Administrative Webmaster Sean

Lucero, Director of Banner Administration Paige Francis and Ann Turner of Student Records.

"This was one of our Corporate Learning objectives for this year and a major milestone for our division, said Jim Corbin, Executive Director of CL Operations. "With this completed, we can register our customers on-line, real-time as opposed to a manual task of telephone interviews or having them stop in to register.

"Thanks to the team, we are now state of art with non-credit customers."

Dr. Derek Crews, Vice President for Workforce Development, said the team worked hard work on the project.

"This is huge for us," he said. "The ability for our students to register and pay on-line will be a very important part of our future growth."

See the website at:
https://www2.nwacc.edu/pls/nprod/bwcks.chd.p_disp_dyn_sched

Suggestion Box

Suggestion: NWACC has announced several donations this year. How about funding for the arts?

Reply: Ricky Tompkins, grants director, and Steve Gates, VP Advancement, have met with some of the Humanities faculty regarding funding opportunities and training sessions are going to be held in the future for faculty and staff.

Suggestion: A link to the library is needed on the front page of nwacc.edu.

Reply: A task force is reviewing the home page and will make recommendations to the Web Standards Committee in January. Those recommendations will then be made to Expanded Cabinet.

About The Weekly Insider

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Learning For Living



A pavilion recently constructed at the NWACC ropes course is nearly complete. The shelter was constructed by Crossland Construction and its carpentry class. Crossland donated their service for this project. The pavilion will provide a shelter and 'brain-storming' site for customers participating in the Ropes Team Building classes.

LETTER

Positive comments about NWACC

To Bob Hartman, Master Customer Relations Manager, Toyota of Northwest Arkansas

Bob

Kathy and I enjoyed meeting you last night at the holiday reception held at Toyota of Northwest Arkansas.

We were especially gratified by your positive comments about NWACC and the effective interactions you and your company have had with the College.

I'll let the administration and Patti

Mocivnik, who is coordinating the community needs survey in advance of the College's new master facilities plan, know that you appreciate the College seeking community input that respondents can use and understand.

I'll also let Emily Gil-Torres know of your compliments about her work for you previous to her current College employment.

Thanks, and Merry Christmas to you and your colleagues at Toyota of Northwest Arkansas.

- Gene Schneider, Ed.D., Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness

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Employee Birthdays

December

19 Jacqueline Pauly
21 Carl Collier
22 Murphy Gill
22 Tom Mattmann
24 Carey Chaney
25 Rebecca Ford
25 Christina Smith
26 Rebecca Webb
26 Chris Meyer
28 Conrad Krauft
28 Denise Nemec
28 Christopher Jacob
29 Theresa Collins
31 Donald Koelling

January

1 Linda Lovell
1 Cynthia Hammons
2 Sebastian Torres
4 Cristy Stamps
5 Elaine Holloway
6 Aimee Barker
8 Ann Engeler
10 Karen Weeks
10 John Honey
11 Judith Tobler
14 Michelle Ferguson
17 Randy Hillyard
18 Larry Hughes
18 Sean Lucero
18 Norma Garcia
19 Benjamin Aldama
19 Jamin Snarr
19 Kay Mathews
21 Dianne Phillips
21 Maria Interiano
22 Brooke Holt
23 Juanita Franklin
24 Martha Cortes
25 Nancy Smith
26 Barbara Rademacher
26 Michelle Cordell
30 Tami Scrivner
31 Sandy Tedder
31 Marshall McCall

NWACC employees are given a choice to have their birthdays announced in the newsletter. For more information, contact Jim Hall at jhall@nwacc.edu

'More Than Razorbacks' at CATC

Susan Young, from the Shiloh Museum of Ozark History, presented the CATC's final Brown Bag Seminar of the fall semester entitled "More Than Razorbacks."

Young (pictured right) told the audience of 20 about the founding of the University of Arkansas in 1871, and that at the time it was named Arkansas Industrial University.



The university opened in 1872 with eight students.

The building on "the hill," Old Main, was completed in 1875 and local materials were used in its construction including wood from near the War Eagle Mill and bricks made locally.

Many were curious about why the north tower of Old Main is taller than the south tower. Young spoke of one legend which says that "Yankees" were contracted to build Old Main and that they made the north tower higher as a reminder of the Union victory during the Civil War.

Another legend is that the contractor had a bit too much to drink and mixed-up the tower drawings.

The first dormitory for men opened in 1888 and the first women's dorm opened in 1903.

The Chi Omega sorority was organized at the University of Arkansas in 1895, and is the mother chapter of the national organization. The national headquarters of the sorority presented the Arkansas chapter with the beautiful and widely used Chi Omega Greek Theatre.

Young also discussed "Senior Walk." Beginning with the 1876 class, names of University of Arkansas graduates are inscribed in the miles of campus sidewalks. The first Arkansas football team was formed in 1894 and they were called the "Arkansas Cardinals."

After a 7-0 winning season in 1909, Coach Hugo Bezdek said his team played "like a wild band of razorback hogs."

The name stuck and in 1901 the Arkansas Cardinals became the Arkansas Razorbacks. "Woo, Pig! Soie" was added in the 1920s.

At the conclusion of the seminar, Susan Young and CATC Director Kay Mathews, both U of A graduates, led the group in a hog call.

Employee Free Classified Ads

FOR SALE: 1930's Vanity-Winged mirrors, 4 drawers, oak?, approx. 18 deep x 47" long \$250 Call- 936-5162 or 246-9880

FOR SALE: Refrigerator w/ice-maker (only three years old, like new); washer/dryer (12 years old; 0 repairs); 6' x 6' entertainment center (in good shape); cardio-glide; concrete bench with stained glass top; bird-bath. Contact Barbara Alexander, balexander@nwacc.edu or 479.586.2565.

FOR SALE: 1997 Saturn SL1, 197XXX miles, Dependable, One owner, 35 MPG, Great for 2nd car or teen vehicle, \$1,000 OBO

Call Ray at 303-4230 or Linda at ext.2255

VACATION: Whether it is Branson or Paris, Maui or Aspen; \$425 for seven nights lodging. Contact Linda Drew at ext. 2255

FOR SALE: Christmas Week time share in Scottsdale, AZ. Spend December 23-30 in a beautiful location! One bedroom, all amenities. Best offer. Contact Linda Long at llong@nwacc.edu or call 619-4331.

FOR SALE: 1999 Buick Century Custom. New brakes, new tires. 1 family, 2 drivers. \$3,000 OBO. Contact Carl at 479-263-6725.

WANTED: Good used Xbox

game system [not 360] for Christmas for my son.

Contact Kate at kate@kateburkes.com or 469-644-5433.

FOR SALE: Bella Vista - 2DR, 2Bath, 2 Car Garage Townhouse with beautiful view. Call Daveine Burgess 649-4340.

FOR SALE: American Bulldog puppies, ABA or NKC registered. Excellent bloodlines. Shots/wormed \$450 West Fork 479-761-0014 or 841-3919.

FOR SALE: 1997 Isuzu Rodeo, 4-door, 4-wheel drive/manual transmission. \$2900 OBO. Contact Genny 619-4307.

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Celebrate Learning for Faculty
January 8 & 9, 2008
Third Floor of the Student Center

Time	Session Title	Presenters
8:30-10:00 a.m. Student Center	Laughter Club	Dr. Regina Ryel
8:30-10:00 a.m. Student Center	Getting the Most Out of My NWACC Connection!	Pat Kelly
8:30-10:00 Student Center a.m.	Diversity	TBA Guest Presenter from Little Rock
10:00-10:30 a.m. Student Center –Third Floor Atrium	Break	Attending Faculty
10:30-12:00 noon Student Center	Savvy Searching 101: Making the Most of Your Library's On-line Resources	Rachel Ackerman
10:30-12:00 noon Student Center	International Student Panel Learning Needs & Cultural Issues A Question & Answer Session	Danny Sheffield, Dale Montgomery, Vivian Pagan, Gloria Mallow
10:30-12:00 noon Student Center	Web CT	Kate Burkes
10:30-12:00 noon Student Center	Virginia Tech: Lessons Learned How to Recognize Students in Distress and How to Respond	Dr. David Wilson, Dr. Mike Kirk, Dick Nelson, Steve Pelphrey

Tuesday morning, January 8, 2008

Wednesday afternoon, January 9, 2008

Time	Session	Presenter
11:00-noon Place: TBA	Faculty Brunch	NWACC Foundation, NWACC Organizational Development/Professional Development
Noon-4:00 p.m. Place: TBA	College Teaching & Learning: Research-Based Practice	Guest Presenter: Dr. Jeff King Dr. King currently serves as Director of the Koehler Center for Teaching Excellence at Texas Christian University in Ft. Worth, Texas.