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9TH ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP GALA

A LOOK INTO THE 2018 EVENT!

It's always fun to attend a fundraising event! You walk in and everything looks so nice, the fun lasts all evening and you walk out having given to a good cause. But what about the days before the event? You've heard the old adage it takes a village... Well in the case of a fundraising event that old adage is true...



RUTHIE AND CHELSIE, PREPPING

Many hours go into the planning and implementation of this event. It is a labor of love and the finished products help support the students with that live in Anderson and Franklin Counties attending NCCC with scholarships. Last year the NCCC Foundation gave seven (7) \$500 dollar scholarships to deserving students from funds raised at the Gala. In addition, the Foundation was able to put more funds into an endowed scholarship account. An endowed account earns interest that is used for scholarships and is there for perpetuity or for as long as there is a Neosho County Community College.

After the work of getting ready for the gala, comes the fun. From an auction entertainment by a Kansas City based Improve group, Ham Kitty, and comedian, Brad Ellis..



TJ SOLANDER, PREPPING

**NEOSHO COUNTY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**



UPCOMING EVENTS

[12/22] CAMPUS CLOSED
End of Fall Semester

[1/5] NCCC vs PRATT
Women's Basketball at 5:30 PM
Men's Basketball at 7:30 PM

[1/14] NCCC vs INDEPENDENCE
Women's Basketball at 5:30 PM
Men's Basketball at 7:30 PM

[1/16] NCCC vs PRATT
Wrestling at 7:00 PM

[1/23] NCCC vs BUTLER
Women's Basketball at 5:30 PM
Men's Basketball at 7:30 PM

[1/30] NCCC vs CLOUD
Women's Basketball at 5:30 PM
Men's Basketball at 7:30 PM

[12/21] CAMPUS CLOSED
Martin Luther King Day

[1/22] CLASSES RESUME
Start of Spring 2019 Semester

[1/29] NCCC vs LABETTE COUNTY
Wrestling at 7:00 PM, Chanute, KS

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With stories and up-to-date information regarding events, programs, and more by connecting with us on-line.



To be added to the mail list for Neosho Quarterly, or to submit a story idea please call 620-432-0327 or email: cchristiansen@neosho.edu.

SEASON OF GIVING HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

I'm sitting in my office listening to Holiday music and wondering what words could I write that would encourage people to give to Neosho County Community College Foundation this holiday season.

What can I say that would touch you so much that you'd reach for your check book right now and give to NCCCF. Would the fact that 70% of our students are Pell eligible do the trick? Would it help if you knew that we gave out over 200 scholarships and still could have given more or given larger amounts, so our students left NCCC with less debt?

That our Nursing students make an impact in the lives of people every day, that our Occupational Therapy Assistant students help people get better and back to work? Would you give if you knew we gave over \$12,000 in book scholarships to help our students be able to study?

Would it help if you knew that we had over 300 students in our Adult Basic Education classes and of those 134 had a goal of graduating with the high school diploma and 117 accomplished that (87%) of the group and of those 117 student 60 went on to further their education.

"GIVING IS NOT JUST ABOUT MAKING A DONATION. IT IS ABOUT MAKING A DIFFERENCE."

Neosho County Community College is making a difference by enriching our communities and student's lives! Won't you join us?

Send your difference making donation to: Claudia Christiansen, 800 West 14th Street, Chanute, KS 66720. Thank you!

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT ELIAS MANZANARES

Sophomore Elias Manzanares, from Pueblo South High School in Pueblo, Colorado is a returning national qualifier wrestler as a Sophomore, weighing in at 174lbs. His mother is Denise Manzanares. His favorite food is macaroni and cheese. He loves the small community atmosphere of Chanute. He enjoys the small classroom sizes and the Wrestling program. He



ELIAS MANZANARES, SO

is looking forward to graduation and moving on to a 4-year program.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT ALEXIS CASHER

Alexis came from Theodore High School in Irvington, Alabama to play basketball. After loving the facilities from her visit to campus, the now Sophomore athlete made the decision to make the move to Chanute to join the women's basketball team. Although the facilities were one of the draws to campus, Alexis mostly loves the friendly people and that she feels safe at Neosho County Community College. She has 2 older brothers, as well as a younger sister who is also playing college playing basketball at Coastal Alabama. Her plans are to graduate and move on to a 4-year college. Her favorite thing about NCCC is the people. Her favorite food is Shrimp Alfredo, she misses seafood.



#14 ALEXIS CASHER, SO



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FULFILLING A DREAM SOUTH KOREAN BASKETBALL PLAYER HAS HOPES OF NBA CAREER

Jae-Min Yang is the middle child of Wonjun and Kugnee Yang, his father is responsible for 6 teams in a Women's basketball league in South Korea, his mother takes care of the family. He has an older brother, Jaehuck playing basketball in South Korea and a younger sister (Jiwon) playing at the middle school level. He came to the United States to fulfill a dream of playing in the NBA; with little hope of being recruited by a DI school he chose to take the community college route. Jae-Min has been to the United States a few times to play at basketball camps and training opportunities. He thought that taking the community college route would mean poor facilities and poor experiences. Has experience at Neosho County Community College has changed his mind. He loves the facility, thinks there are good people here and as a student athlete the programs of study have been great. His family can watch him play by live streaming the games, which they watch in morning in South Korea. His favorite food is pepperoni pizza.



JAE-MIN YANG

ALUMNI WE'VE LOST

- Thelma Marie Benedict
- Inez L Berthot
- Evelyn M Boone
- Ruth Naomi Farmer
- Ronda Jo M Haines
- Gladys E Henshall
- Dan R Johnson
- Rob Krumm
- Greta M Ladd
- William C Megenity
- Monica S Meza
- Ruby Nantz
- Carolyn S Nicewaner
- Carolyn Norman
- Mildred Ostrander
- Tricia K Ostrander
- Genevieve Phillips
- Ruth N Ponce
- Janice J Stodola
- Betty L Stroh
- Mary Etta Taylor
- Charles G Towne
- Robert Washburn
- Mary L Webb
- Richard Worley
- Ronald H Wulf

ALUMNI CORNER WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



JOE LUAL ACUIL JR.

Lual-Acuil played two seasons for Neosho County Community College. His sophomore year, he was named 2015 Jayhawk Conference Defensive Player of the Year and earned a spot in the All-Conference First Team and All-Region First Team. Lual-Acuil joined Baylor University in the summer of 2015 where he continued his basketball career and graduated with a degree in Health Studies and Kinesiology. He is currently playing professionally for the Hapeol Jerusalem basketball team in the Israeli Premier League.



FREDDIE MCSWAIN

After a successful career with Neosho County Community College, Freddie McSwain moved on to play Division 1 Basketball for the Indiana Hoosiers and is currently under contract with the Canton Charge of the NBA G-League, the Charge are affiliated with the Cleveland Cavaliers.