



### MISSION STATEMENT:

The Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation, Inc., a non-profit corporation, has worked and will continue working to strengthen the college through its private fund raising efforts. The Foundation solicits and receives gifts to support students, faculty and administration for Northeast Mississippi Community College.



**Dr. Ricky G. Ford**Northeast Mississippi
Community College President

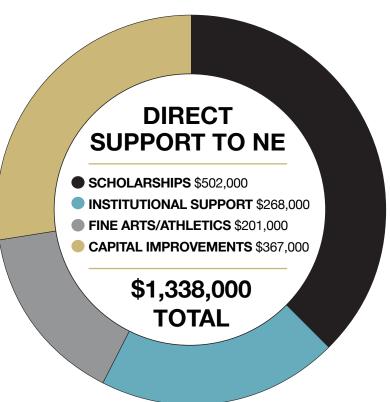


**D. Patrick Eaton, MBA, CFRE**VP of Institutional Advancement/
Executive Director of the Development
Foundation & Alumni Association

This report includes many impressive statistics on the Foundation's growth, as well as analysis of how these activities have occurred. More important, the following pages illustrate the growing need for all Northeast Mississippi Community College and how donors, alums, and businesses are working with us to meet that need. While the information told here accounts for only a small portion of Northeast's large impact in providing higher educational opportunities in Northeast Mississippi; all can take great pride in the achievements highlighted in this report.

#### **FISCAL YEAR 2021 AT A GLANCE**





The Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation, Inc. annually engages the services of an independent accounting firm to perform an audit of the Foundation's financial statements. As part of the audit, the firm also reviews the internal controls and various policies and procedures to ensure the Foundation staff is adhering to the most current accounting practices. The Foundation's auditor, Sparks CPA Firm, has issued an unmodified audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2021.

# Leave Your Legacy

THIS YEAR THE DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION & ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WAS ABLE TO PRESENT NEMCC WITH A TOTAL DIRECT SUPPORT OF

\$1,338,000



### **GIVING TO NORTHEAST**

### WHEN MAKING A GIFT TO THE NEMCC DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, YOU ARE:

- Joining a group that has a major goal of making Alcorn, Prentiss, Tippah, Tishomingo, and Union counties more economically viable through higher education.
- Investing in an organization to proactively pursue additional funding sources that will impact the future growth of Northeast Mississippi Community College.
- Participating in economic and community development.
- Supporting an organization that promotes NEMCC on a local, state, and national level.
- Supporting an organization that will aggressively search for grant opportunities that will benefit the entire Northeast Mississippi region in which the college serves.
- Offered the opportunity to serve on committees that will dramatically impact the direction of the organization. Please become part of our mission to better NEMCC.

#### GIFT OF SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

The beauty of an endowment is apparent, It is a legacy that continues for generations to come. The contribution may be in the form of a one-time gift or a pledged gift with portions given over a period time. The gift is invested, and only a portion of its annual investment return is used for purposes specified by the donor. The goal is to ensure that the principal maintains its value over time. Thus, a donor who creates an endowed gift today can be confident that it will grow and continue to support NEMCC in the years to come. For a list of the endowed scholarships the Northeast Development Foundation manages, visit www.nemcc.edu/foundation.

#### **GIFT OF ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP**

For a list of the scholarships the Northeast Development Foundation manages, please see the "Foundation" page. Visit www.nemcc.edu/foundation. to develop your Annual Scholarship Plan.

#### **GIFT-IN-KIND**

Many businesses and individuals take part in the worthwhile project. This is done by making a gift-in-kind donation to the Northeast Development Foundation, which may be designated to a particular area or left to the discretion of the Foundation to place where it is most needed. (A gift-in kind donation includes anything except monetary gifts.)

#### **GIFT OF AN IRA**

You can currently make a lifetime gift using funds from your individual retirement account (IRA) without undesirable tax effects.

#### **GIFT OF STOCK**

Your gifts of non-cash property such as stock may provide an ideal way for you to make a contribution. These gifts may be more advantageous than outright cash gifts because you can make a larger gift at less cost.

#### **GIFT THROUGH ESTATE PLANNING**

Through planned giving, donors receive assistance in establishing gifts that will help the college for generations to come. Planned gifts can be arranged through wills, trusts, insurance, and gifts of property. With proper planning, you can make wonderful gifts in support of the college while maintaining or even improving your financial status. It is actually possible to make gifts while increasing income for you and/or loved ones, providing for inheritances, and reducing or eliminating income, gift, and estate taxes.

#### **GIFT TO THE ANNUAL GIVING PROGRAM**

The Northeast Development Foundation encourages all individuals and businesses to make a donation to the Annual Giving Program.

#### **GIFT OF REAL ESTATE**

Your gifts of non-cash property such as real estate may provide an ideal way for you to make a contribution. These gifts may be more advantageous than outright cash gifts because you can make a larger gift at less cost.

However, you choose to give, you can be assured that your generosity will help to secure the future of Northeast Mississippi Community College.



#### Make payable to:

Northeast Development Foundation

#### Mail to:

Northeast Development Foundation 101 Cunningham Boulevard Booneville, Mississippi 38829



Contact Patrick Eaton in-depth information on any aspect of giving: 662-720-7165 or dpeaton@nemcc.edu.

### PLEASE HELP US WELCOME Lexie Fields





### NORTHEAST

MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION & ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

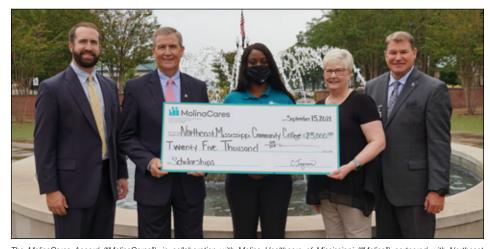
Lexie joins our team as the Foundation Scholarship Specialist. She lives in Booneville with her husband Tyler. Lexie graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from the University of Mississippi and a Master of Business Administration degree from Western Governors University. Please help us welcome Lexie and her family to the Northeast Foundation & Alumni Family.

### THE MOLINACARES ACCORD LAUNCHES HEALTH CARE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AT NORTHEAST

The MolinaCares Accord ("MolinaCares"), in collaboration with Molina Healthcare of Mississippi ("Molina"), is partnering with Northeast Mississippi Community College (NEMCC) to launch a scholarship program for new students enrolling in various health care workforce programs. MolinaCares is investing \$25,000 to fund the education professional advancement of individuals seeking to become certified nurse aides, dental assistants. emergency medical technicians, first responders, commercial truck driving, and part time reserve law enforcement.

"We are excited to partner with Northeast Mississippi Community College and provide students with the chance to achieve their professional goals," said Bridget Galatas, plan president of Molina Healthcare of Mississippi. "An important component of addressing social determinants of health includes increasing equitable access to high-quality education and workforce development opportunities."

The scholarship program will support high school graduates, GED certificate holders, and any young adult seeking

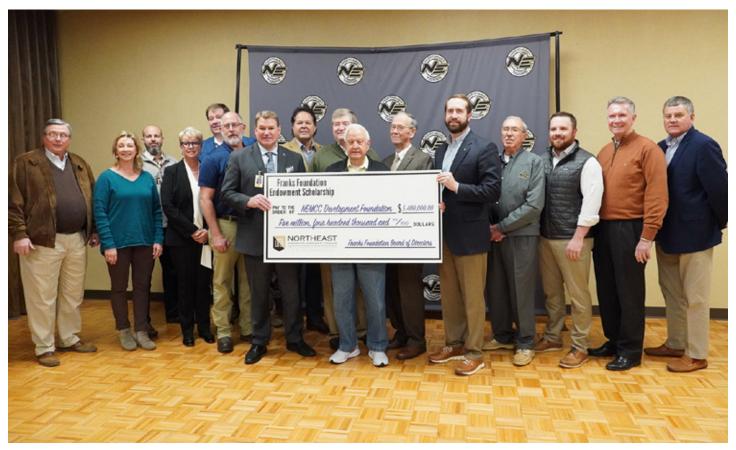


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job training. In addition to funding tuition, the MolinaCares will cover the expenses of all necessary supplies and equipment, such as books and personal protective equipment. MolinaCares will also pay for CPR and First Aid certification that is required for health care programs.

"We are grateful for MolinaCares' generous donation," said Patrick

Eaton, Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association, of Northeast Mississippi Community College. "These scholarships will provide the funds necessary to help students achieve their goals and join the healthcare workforce, providing quality care for those in their communities."



Members of the Northeast Mississippi Community College's Development Foundation Board of Directors celebrate the establishment of a scholarship endowment fund by The Franks Foundation Board of Directors which generously donated \$5.4 million to the NEMCC Development Foundation to continue the legacy in Northeast Mississippi of former Booneville attorney, the late Mr. Donald Franks, who was instrumental in the establishment of the country/western music program at Northeast in the early 80s.

# The Franks Foundation PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

Northeast Mississippi Community College's Development Foundation Board of Directors and Patrick Eaton, Northeast vice president of institutional advancement and executive director of the Northeast Development Foundation officially announce the establishment of a scholarship endowment fund that funds scholarships that affords a very unique opportunity for recipients following graduation from Northeast.

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"We are appreciative and thankful for the confidence that the Franks Foundation Board of Directors has in the NEMCC Development Foundation," Eaton said.

"We are excited about the opportunity to carry on Mr. Donald Franks legacy of providing scholarships to students from the Northeast Mississippi area."

Scholarships generated from the Franks Foundation Endowment are reoccurring (maximum of 4

consecutive semesters at Northeast) semester by semester scholarships awarded to full time students attending Northeast from its five-county service district (Alcorn, Prentiss, Tippah, Tishomingo and Union Counties). To qualify for this scholarship, a student must have an ACT score of 20 or above and maintain a 3.0 GPA.

Upon graduation from Northeast, qualifying students can receive a transfer scholarship to a university (4 consecutive semesters). To qualify for this transfer scholarship, students must maintain a 3.0 GPA, full time status, and submit documentation following each semester.

### KEN AND BARBARA SHACKLEFORD ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Prior to the Tigers' recent game versus Pearl River, Ken and Barbara Shackelford of Booneville presented Patrick Eaton and Reid Bostick, President of the Foundation Board of Directors, a \$25,000 check to establish the Ken & Barbara Shackelford Endowment Scholarship.

The Ken & Barbara Shackelford Endowment Scholarship is awarded to a Booneville High School graduate (freshmen or sophomore) who is majoring in Education or Accounting. The selection is based on academic achievement and financial need.

Ken and Barbara Shackelford both attended The Northeast Mississippi Junior College and were active within the campus community. As alumni, Ken and Barbara have continued to serve Northeast as they did when they were students. Ken (1966-68) was a two-year member of the Student Association Government worked as the scorebook keeper for the Tiger Basketball team. Barbara (1967-68) was the editor of the student newspaper, The Beacon. Professionally, Ken became a teacher and coach before working



Pictured during the check presentation is President of the Development Foundation Board of Directors Reid Bostick, Ken and Barbara Shackleford, and Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Northeast Development Foundation Patrick Eaton.

27 years as a Nationwide Insurance agent. He was instrumental in the creating of Northeast's Officer Program. Barbara Reserve returned to Northeast as a recruiter in 1982 and became director of Public Information in 1987. Her title changed to Associate Vice-President of Public Information in 2000. During her professional time on campus, Barbara served as Secretary for Alumni Affairs (1991-2006), Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Adviser, and director of the Miss NEMCC Pageant. She retired in 2006, but worked as an alumni associate until 2011.

### FESTIVAL SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarships have been created and will be given to one Northeast Adult Education, one Tishomingo County High School, and one Tishomingo County Career & Technical Center student attending Northeast Mississippi Community College beginning this August. Each scholarship will be for \$500 and will be awarded to a student from Tishomingo County.



Pictured is Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Northeast Development Foundation Patrick Eaton and luka Heritage Festival Committee member Martha Biggs.

#### **COOK COGGIN ENGINEERS, INC. ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**



On hand for the donation were (front row I-r) Northeast executive vice president Dr. Craig-Ellis Sasser, Northeast president Dr. Ricky Ford, Kent Geno, president of Cook Coggin Engineers, Inc., Northeast vice president of instruction Dr. Michelle Baragona, Northeast vice president of public information Tony Finch along with (back row I-r) Northeast associate vice president of career and technical education and division head of business and engineering technology Jason Mattox, Northeast vice president of finance Chris Murphy, Kenny Paul Geno, Cook Coggin Engineers, Inc. marketing director, Northeast vice president of student service Ray Scott, Northeast vice president of institutional advancement and the executive director of the Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation and Alumni Association Patrick Eaton and Northeast's vice president of marketing and community relations Will Kollmeyer.

Cook Coggin Engineers, Inc., understands the importance of a community college to its local workforce and economy and that is why the veteran engineering firm donated a \$25,000 scholarship endowment to the Northeast Mississippi Community College's Development Foundation and Alumni Association to help fund the education of future students in the area in mid December. Cook Coggin Engineers, Inc. currently has over 27 employees, who went to Northeast Mississippi Community College and over 45 percent of its workforce has a degree from the Booneville based educational institution. In addition to its 27 current employees with Northeast degrees, four retired employees are also Northeast graduates.



# NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION & ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Scholarship Decipients

Recipients are pictured with Vice President of Institutional Advancement/Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association Patrick Eaton and NEMCC President Dr. Ricky G. Ford.

\*Denotes recipients or representatives who were unable to be present for the photo.



**60TH ANNIVERSARY SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Desiree Falkner\* (Booneville), Hannah White (Guntown), Tabatha Lewellen\* (Baldwyn)



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Tyriek Duckett (luka), Megan Cornelison (luka), Cara Hilliard (Corinth), Sophie Johnson (luka), Desiree Falkner\* (Booneville)



**ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Megan Cornelison (luka), Allison Underwood (luka)



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP Recipients (I-r): Jackson McCoy (Booneville)



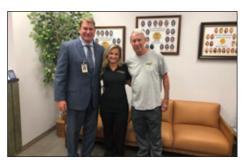
**B.T. & IDA KNIGHT MOORE SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Jack Eaton (Corinth), John Eaton (Corinth) Donor Representative: Manfred Saylors



BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL **ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Hannah Goldman (luka) Donor Representative: Jason Coley



BEN TAYLOR SMITH ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Jaycee Janzen (Booneville) Donor Representative: Gloria Smith\*



BETH VANWINKLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: JoAnna Barton (Columbus), Easton Morgan\* (Booneville)

Donor Representative: Jay VanWinkle



**BILLY L. JONES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Carson Nash (Booneville), Clayton Herring Herring (Booneville) and his son Tucker, Sam English (Booneville), Jackson Cobb\* (Booneville), Hayden Donahue\* (Rienzi), Olivia Massey\* (Dumas) Donor Representative: Norma Jones\*



BOBBY & BARBARA MARTIN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP Recipient: Ava Palmer (Falkner) Donor Representatives: Mary Childs & Family\*



BRUCE TUCKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipient: Keaton Melson (Booneville)



CASEY AND AMANDA LOTT SCHOLARSHIP
Recipient: Shawn-Dalton Weatherbee (Rienzi), Zeke
Cook (Pheba)
Donor Representatives: Casey and Amanda Lott



CECELIA TOLLISON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipient: Sydney Morgan (Booneville)



CLIFTON B. SAWYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipient: Nakia Strickland (Rienzi)



COKE OF CORINTH SCHOLARSHIP
Recipients: Gracen Reece (Tishomingo), D'Kyndrick
Gaines\* (Corinth)
Donor Representative: Dennis Dilworth and Randy
Humphreys



CYNTHIA ANNE LANGSTON SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Khi Holiday (Belden) Donor Representative: Casey and Amanda Lott



DODGE STORE SCHOLARSHIP
Recipients: Sydney Morgan (Booneville), Molly Borden\* (luka), Madison Dipietro\* (luka), Jasmine Hearn\* (Holly Springs), Brody McCammon\* (New Albany)
Donor Representatives: Melissa Nichols and Jessica Hughes



DON LEE KEITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Annie Clausel (Corinth)



EMMA MCDONALD STREET MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Ivy Loden (Marietta)



ETTA JO WHITE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Recipients: Gracen Reece (Tishomingo)
Donor Representatives: Tom White and Currie Malone



F.L. SPUD ROWELL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Lesley King (Falkner)

Donor Representatives: Bill Harding\*, Carol Harding\*, and Carl Rowell



FAIRY EATON MILLER SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Loren Elliot (Blue Mountain)



GO BE GREAT SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF LOGAN HARR Recipients: Kurtis Hare (Booneville) Donor Representatives: Amelia Harr, Vince Harr, and

Family\*



HAROLD T., JANE CARLISLE AND HAL WHITE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Carley Simmons\* (Walnut) Donor Representative: Malcolm White



HARVEY NICHOLSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Jenna Poff (Ashland) Donor Representative: Harold Nicholson\*



HOWARD L. NEWBY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT Recipients: Bricen Stroupe (Ripley)



ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Recipients: Lucas Cartwright (Ripley)
Donor Representative: Liz Ketchum\* and Brad Rolison



JACK GANDY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Brianna Lowrey (luka) Donor Representative: Regina Gandy Goats\*



JANE WILLIAMS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Recipients: Olivia Massey\* (Dumas)
Donor Representative: Tina Bryan and Harold Williams



JANET KUTRIP MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT Recipients: Chloe Bearden (Booneville) Donor Representative: Lauren Horton



JASON MCKINNEY EDUCATIONAL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Molly Hamblin (Booneville) Donor Representative: Kim Mckinney\*



JASON MCKINNEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Molly Hamblin (Booneville) Donor Representative: Michelle Shaw & friends\*



JIMMY MURPHY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Whitney Tucker\* (Booneville) Donor Representative: Dr. Amanda Mattox and Lauren Mattox



JOHN CAREY BOLEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: John Horn (Booneville) Donor Representative: David and Brenda Bolen



**JUNIOR AUXILIARY OF BOONEVILLE SCHOLARSHIP Recipients:** Ivy Loden (Marietta), Ben Mauney\* (Booneville)

Donor Representative: Bridget Watson



KIWANIS CLUB OF CORINTH SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Dayton McCalister (Corinth), Lainey Waldrep (Corinth), Mary Goad\* (Glen)



LARRY AND TRUDYS TUCKIER SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Keb Brawner (Corinth), Kaitlyn Robinson (Tishomingo)

Donor Representative: Rex Tuckier



LAURA TUCKIER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Bryce Bullard (Rienzi), Molly Hamblin\* (Booneville), Madyson Little\* (Blue Mountain) Donor Representative: Rex Tuckier



MARATHON CHEESE SCHOLARSHIP
Recipients: Anna Devaughn\* (Booneville), Connor
Eaton (Booneville), Jourdan Mathis (Bonneville),
Macy Matthews (Booneville), Eli Murphy (Booneville),
Dalton Pounds (Booneville), Brody White (Booneville),
Cole Floyd (Booneville)



MARION W. SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Donor Representatives: Thom Floyd, Blake Manley, and Ann Floyd

Also pictured is Reid Bostick President of Foundation

Board of Directors.



MICHAEL HISAW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Sponsored by the Booneville Rotary Club Recipients: Connor Eaton (Booneville), Sam English (Booneville)



MISSISSIPPI LAND BANK SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Lainey Waldrp (Corinth)



MT. ZION CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP

Recipients: Jeremiah Mitchell (Falkner)



NEDRA NABORS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Lesley King (Falkner) Donor Representative: Dr. Larry Nabors, family & friends\*



NEMCC MAINTENANCE SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Ben Mauney\* (Booneville), Jaliyah White (Rienzi)



NORTH MISSISSIPPI EDUCATIONAL **CONSORTIUM SCHOLARSHIP** Recipient: Jackson McCoy (Booneville) Donor Representative: Dr. Jimmy Weeks\*



NORTH MISSISSIPPI EDUCATIONAL **CONSORTIUM SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Jaliyah White (Rienzi), Jacob Fraiser (Booneville)

Donor Representative: Dr. Jimmy Weeks\*



NORTHROP GRUMMAN SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Megan Cornelison (luka)



**RALPH A. JOHNSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Kyle Church (Booneville) Donor Representatives: Mitzy Johnson-Mills and Patsy Johnson\*



**ROBB CLEMENT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Mary Houston Ivy (Booneville), Annika

Jones\* (Bonneville) Donor Representatives: Barbara Shackleford, Chris

Hanna\* and friends of Robb Clement\*



ROBERT B. HILL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Lane Elliot (Ripley) Donor Representatives: Nell Hill and Tom Hill



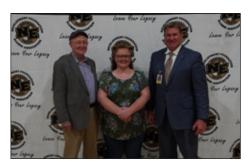
TALMADGE L. FINCH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Katelyn Haycraft (Guntown), Madison Pruitt\* (luka) **Donor Representatives:** Tony Finch



TALMADGE L. FINCH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Donor Representatives: Linda Finch, Tanya Finch, Tony Finch, and Dana Finch\*



THE PEOPLES BANK OF RIPLEY SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Cheyenne Geller (Dumas) Donor Representatives: Mary Childs and family\*



TRUDYS CURLEE TUCKIER MEMORIAL **ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Desiree Taylor (Fulton) Donor Representatives: Rex Tuckier



TUCKIER FAMILY ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Aly Mitchell (Corinth), Ally Melton (Ripley), Ella Mask (Corinth), Hobert Grayson (Gonzales, La), Ben Mauney (Booneville), Hetleys Smith (Pontotoc) **Donor Representatives: Rex Tuckier** 



WILLIAM AND MARY REESE MEMORIAL **SCHOLARSHIP** Recipients: Johnny Ross (Ripley) Donor Representatives: Joe Rees\*



WILLIAM MURPHY JONES SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Kailey Herman (Dumas), Torrance Griffs\* (New Albany)

Donor Representatives: Will Cook, Jade Cook, Matthew Estes\*, and Janae Estes\*



**ZONADALE AND CHARLES TAYLOR ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP** 

Recipient: Cailyn Rape (New Albany)

Donor Representatives: ZonaDale and Charles Taylor



ZONADALE TAYLOR ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Recipients: Callie Smith (Guntown)

Donor Representatives: ZonaDale and Charles Taylor



JUANITA W. HILL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP Recipients: Lane Elliot (Ripley) Donor Representatives: Nell Hill and Tom Hill



JOE RAY LANGSTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipient: Carson Nash (Booneville), John Mark Taylor (Baldwvn)\*

Donor Representatives: Joey and Tracie Langston

#### SCHOLARSHIPS CONTINUED

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ASHLEY FURNITURE SCHOLARSHIP

Recipient: Kagan Nolley (Myrtle)

BRIC TURNER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipient: Alivia Blankenship (Booneville) Donor Representatives: Tommy & Anita Turner

**BRYAN STEELE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** 

Recipient: Carter Putt (Columbus)

Donor Representatives: David & Maria Steele

CORINTH ROTARY MAGNOLIA CLASSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Recipient: Megan McCormick (Corinth)

DAVID M. CARNELL JR. MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Recipient: Kelly Hood (Kosciusko)

DODRIDGE-AJAX SCHOLARSHIP

Recipient: Callie Smith (Guntown)

DR. BONITA LYONS MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Recipient: Katie Wallace (Myrtle)

Donor Representatives: ZonaDale Taylor

FL CRANE & SONS, INC. SCHOLARSHIP

Recipient: Sarah Davis (Greenville)

FRANKS FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Recipients: Awarded to 64 students

HORTON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

Recipient: Danica Shelton (Walnut)

Donor Representatives: Dr. Marshall Horton & Family

JACKIE D. WHITLEY SR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipient: Cody Williams (Booneville)

KATHY CARTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Recipient: Sada Horton (Ripley)

MARY FLOYD NURSING ENDOWMENT Recipient: Katelyn Welton (Corinth)

OSCAR L. SHANNON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Recipient: Adrienne Wilbanks (Falkner)

THE PEOPLES CHARITIES OF RIPLEY SCHOLARSHIP

Recipient: Ashley McGough (Walnut)

Donor Representatives: Mary Childs and Family

TK ELEVATOR SCHOLARSHIP

Recipients: Jourdan Mathis (Booneville), Kailey Tedford (Ramer), John Wilbanks (Corinth), Sara Ellsworth (Corinth)

WILLIAM EDWARD YANCEY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP Recipient: Savannah Thrasher (Ripley)

Thank you to all our donors.

WITH YOUR HELP WE WERE ABLE TO AWARD \$502,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS THIS YEAR!





The Northeast Mississippi Community College athletic department is bringing back two of its longtime offerings that have produced several successful champions in the past. Northeast is reinstating its men's and women's tennis programs following a four-year layoff. The Lady Tigers and Tigers will officially return to head-to-head competition during the 2021-22 academic year.

Northeast has four tennis courts on campus nestled between the Haney Union, Ramsey Hall and the aquatics center. They are the only courts available for use in the entire county. Local high schools such as Booneville and New Site utilize these courts for their practices and "home" matches.

We are excited to launch the "Game. Set.Match." Tennis Complex Capital Gifts Campaign. This beautiful complex will be built just west of Tiger Stadium and have 8 courts and 4 seating pavilions. Would you consider making a gift to this campaign? No gift is too large or too small.

As we have in past Capital Giving Campaigns, we need you, our alumni, donors, and community friends, to step onto the court and come together to help us reach this milestone. We need your support in building this superior complex which has a total cost of \$2 million. Please review the campaign information and "Game. Set. Match." your contribution today!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Northeast Development Foundation at (662) 720-7165 or dpeaton@nemcc.edu.



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### \$2 MILLION

### **WAYS TO DONATE:**



- Scan the QR Code
- Contact Patrick Eaton at 662-720-7165 or dpeaton@nemcc.edu
- Mail checks to: NEMCC Foundation 101 Cunningham Boulevard Booneville, Mississippi 38829



# Naming Opportunities

**COMPLEX** - \$100,000

• The tennis complex has been named "The Tiger Tennis Complex"

**COURT** (6 of 8 available) - \$25,000

- Court #1 has been named "Kathleen Arnold Court"
- Court #2 has been named "Joe Ray Langston Court"

Alumni & Friends Court - \$500 minimum to be listed on the signage

Seating Pavilion (4 available) - \$10,000



Homecoming 2021

Northeast Mississippi Community College's student body elected Ripley native Ally Melton to reign as the college's 2021 Homecoming Queen during campus-wide elections in early October.

Northeast's 2021 Homecoming Court was presented during halftime of the Tiger's National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) football game against Mississippi Delta Community College on Thursday, October 14.

Melton, a graduate of Ripley High School, is the daughter of Bill and Amy Rolison Melton.

At Northeast, Melton has been actively involved in the lota Zeta chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society and was chosen as a freshman maid to the 2020 Homecoming Court.

Currently, Melton is in her second season as part of the 20-person Northeast cheerleading squad.

After her time at Northeast, Melton plans to focus on physical therapy as a major and finish a two-year physical therapy assistantship program.

Joining Melton on the 2021 Homecoming Court are sophomore maids Colby Cockrell of Ripley, Lynleigh Crabb of Rienzi, Morgan Drewry of Corinth, Addison Finch of Saltillo, Paige Knight of Booneville and Yalani Smith of Blue Mountain.

Freshmen maids include Maddie Grace Bennett of Myrtle, Melly Gardner of Baldwyn, Kassi Grimes of Belmont, Mary Houston Ivy of Booneville, Jaycee Drew Janzen of Booneville and Brianna Lowery of luka round out the 13-member court.

Escorts for the sophomore maids include Tray Evins of Starkville, Antwon Guyton of Ripley, Chandler Moody of Corinth, Levi Sides of Walnut, Mason Thompson of Belmont and John Whiteside of Haleyville, Alabama.

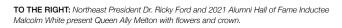
Escorts for freshmen maids include Keb Brawner of Kossuth, Hayden Donahue of Rienzi, Luke Gaines of Myrtle, Seth Ivy of Decatur, Alabama, Brock Seago of Kossuth and Lane Young of Dennis.

Pinedale native Luke Willard will serve as escort of Melton during the 2021 homecoming festivities.





ABOVE: Pictured at the 2021 Homecoming presentation of the queen are (I-r) NEMCC President Dr. Ricky Ford, Queen Ally Melton of Ripley, 2021 Alumni Hall of Fame Inductee Malcolm White, and Escort Luke Willard of Pinedal.







During the 2021 Homecoming festivities, Northeast Alumni from graduating classes of 1979, 1980 and 1981 gathered for a reunion.



### 2021 NORTHEAST SPORTS & ALUMNI HALL OF FAME

### Recognition Banquet





Pictured at the 2021 Alumni Hall of Fame Reconition Banquet is (I-r) Northeast President Dr. Ricky Ford, inductee Malcolm White, inductee ZonaDale Lyons Taylor, and Vice-President of Institutional Advancement/Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association Patrick Eaton

# INFLUENTIAL PAIR HEADLINE ALUMNI HALL OF FAME CLASS

Two of Northeast Mississippi Community College's most influential alumni were inducted into the college's Alumni Hall of Fame on Thursday, October 14.

ZonaDale Lyons Taylor of Collierville, Tennessee (formerly New Albany) and Malcolm White of Jackson (formerly Stone County and Booneville) -- are the newest inductees into the college's Alumni Hall of Fame.

Taylor and White are the twelfth and

thirteenth inductees into the hall of fame since its founding in 2012.

Taylor and White join Sam Mosley (2019), Harold E. Lomenick (2018), Hugh McLarty (2017), Travis Childers (2016), Vance Witt and Earline "Woodsie" Woods (2015), Dr. William G. Jackson (2014), James Seth Pounds and Cathy M. Robertson (2013) and Major General Augustus Leon Collins and William "Billy Joe" McCoy (2012) as inductees into the Northeast Mississippi Community College's Alumni Hall of Fame.

Due the worldwide coronavirus pandemic, there was not a class selected for 2020.

To be selected for the college's alumni hall of fame, an individual must be an alumnus of either Northeast Mississippi Junior College

or Northeast Mississippi Community College with a verifiable academic transcript on file. Nominees must also show outstanding traits of leadership and character, be distinguished in their chosen profession, recognized for their career, service or volunteer efforts and have an elevated level of integrity in their personal lives along with gaining the recognition of their peers and demonstrating continued interest in Northeast Mississippi Community College.

As a member of the alumni hall of fame, members are recognized at the annual homecoming Alumni and Sports Hall of Fame Recognition Dinner and serve as grand marshal for the homecoming ceremonies including the crowning of the queen at halftime of the homecoming contest.

#### 2021 ALUMNI HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

### Zona Dale yons Taylor (1958-1959)

ZonaDale Lyons Taylor has turned a life of journalism and education into one where others will benefit from her actions.

After being named the student with the best personality in 1958-1959 at Northeast Mississippi Junior College, Taylor began a career that would see her become an industry leader throughout the southeastern United States.

Originally from New Albany, Taylor was one of the founding editorial staff members of the Southern Living and Progressive Farmer magazines, however, having a prominent spot in most Southern homes through her work, Taylor was focused on education and helping Mississippi and Southern students find their ways in life.

Taylor is a graduate of Northeast Mississippi Junior College, holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Mississippi and a master's degree from McNeese State University and finished post-graduate work at both Mississippi State University and the University of Southern Mississippi.

With a background in education, Taylor was an assistant professor at Mississippi State University and the former head of the Department of Home Economics at McNeese State University.

Taylor has been active in the community throughout her life which has led to prestigious honors for the New Albany native including being named amongst the Outstanding Young Women in America, the Who's Who in American Women, the Personalities of the South and a Foremost Woman in Communications.

In addition to being elected the student with the best personality while at Northeast, Taylor was a home





economics officer, a Sigma Tau Sigma officer, a Wesley Foundation officer, an SCA officer and a member of The Torch, the college's yearbook.

Taylor has turned her educational and journalistic background into her main career and was even a manager of Consumer and Public Affairs at GlaxoSmithKline, a multi-national pharmaceutical company.

Taylor is also a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and Kappa Omicron Nu along with being the Northeast Mississippi Junior College Alumna of the Year in 1980, the Mississippi State University College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Alumna Achievement Award recipient in 2014 and the

Mississippi State University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Distinguished Fellow in 2017.

Taylor has been active in many local, state and national organizations throughout her professional career such as a member of the Board of Directors for the Mississippi State University Foundation, a life member for the Mississippi 4-H Foundation Advisory Council, the past president and director of the national board for the Electrical Women's Round Table. Inc, the past president of the American Association of University Women, the past president of the Business and Professional Women's Club, the past president of the Southern Club of Pittsburgh, the past chairman of the National Home Economics Administrators and served on the board for the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals.

When not active in her community through work or professional organizations, Taylor is a volunteer on the Hospitably Committee at Hope Presbyterian Church, a longtime volunteer for the FedEx - St. Jude Golf Classic and has supported the efforts of students through scholarships at Northeast Mississippi Community College, Mississippi State University, the University of Mississippi, the University of Memphis, McNeese State University and The Mississippi 4-H Foundation.

Taylor has always held a special place for Northeast and has donated over \$100,000 to the college's Development Foundation and Alumni Association in the way of three endowed scholarships - the ZonaDale Taylor Endowed Scholarship, the ZonaDale and Charles Taylor Endowed Scholarship and the Dr. Bonita Lyons Memorial Endowed Scholarship.

#### 2021 ALUMNI HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

### Malcolm White

(1970 - 1971)

Malcolm White is one of Northeast's native sons and has turned his career into promoting the hospitality and tourism industry in Mississippi throughout southeast, the nation and the world.

White is the son of former Northeast Mississippi Junior College president Harold T. White (NEMCC Sports Hall of Fame inductee in 2008) and spent time on the 1970 and 1971 football teams under the tutelage of Northeast Mississippi Community College Sports Hall of Fame member William "Bill" Ward.

A native of Stone County and Booneville, White holds a bachelor's degree in social studies from the University of Mississippi in Hattiesburg and has been turning his love for history into a passion throughout his life.

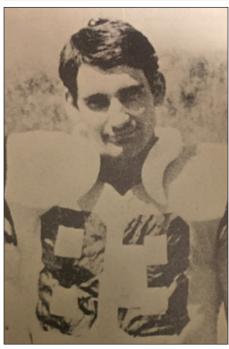
White has served on various civic and professional organizations, boards and commissions throughout his working career including being the chairperson for the Mississippi Blues Commission and the Jackson Historic Preservation Commission.

However, White may be known most for his ownership and operating of a historic and iconic gathering spot in the capital city - Hal & Mal's - which pays homage to the two founding members of the restaurant and both of Harold T. White's son.

Throughout the years Hal & Mal's has become a cultural melting pot for extraordinary events and festivals throughout Mississippi and the restaurant owner is credited with creating the Hal's St. Paddy's Parade in Jackson that benefits the Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children at the University of Mississippi Medical Center and generates over \$10 million in economic impact for the City of Jackson each year.

Hal & Mal's received the 2020





Keeping The Blues Alive Award from The Blues Foundation for its work toward the Mississippi tourism industry. White has even authored a book about his family's 36-year business enterprise entitled, The Artful Evolution of Hal & Mal's, which takes readers through stories about the famed Jackson landmark.

In addition to The Artful Evolution of Hal & Mal's, released in 2018, White has become an accomplished author with Little Stories: A Collection of Mississippi Photos (2015) and was featured in the 2014 edition of Mississippi Entrepreneurs. The Mississippi Humanities Council has honored White with the Preserver of Culture Award at the state level.

White's love for hospitality was only matched by his love for tourism in the state and the Northeast son wrapped up a 12-year career with the Mississippi Arts Commission, an art-based granting and service agency, in September 2020 that saw him help bring tourism and the film industry to the Magnolia State.

White also served as the director for Visit Mississippi, the state's tourism office, where in his capacity, he developed and implemented plans to bolster economic growth and opportunities throughout Mississippi through tourism and promoted the state's creative economy as a travel destination and film location.

Currently, White is the co-host for the weekly radio show, Deep South Dining on Mississippi Public Broadcasting and contributes to the Mississippi Arts Hour - a project he began while with the Mississippi Arts Council. White was instrumental in starting a \$25,000 scholarship endowment in the memory of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold and Jane White and brother Hal White.

Today, White enjoys his early retirement and is focused on gardening and being a grandparent.



Pictured at the 2021 Sports and Alumni Hall of Fame Reconition Banquet is (I-r) Northeast President Dr. Ricky Ford, inductee Tim McDonald, inductee Eric Batchelor, Lana Harrelson representing inductee Jerry "Lefty" Harrelson, inductee Mario Stevenson, Athletic Director Kent Farris, and Vice-President of Institutional Advancement/Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association Patrick Eaton.

#### **NEMCC SPORTS HALL OF FAME'S THIRTEENTH CLASS**

The Northeast Mississippi Community College Sports Hall of Fame returns following a one-year hiatus due to the continuing coronavirus pandemic to recognize its 13th class of inductees.

Eric Batchelor, Jerry "Lefty" Harrelson, Tim McDonald and Mario Stevenson were inducted into Northeast Sports Hall of Fame on Thursday, October 14 in the Claude Wright Room of the Haney Union.

They were also honored at Tiger Stadium prior to the kickoff of Northeast's homecoming football game against Mississippi Association of Community Colleges Conference (MACCC) North Division opponent Mississippi Delta Community College.

Four former student-athletes make up the class of 2021. Three of them played for the men's basketball program, one was a two-sport standout while another was an award-winning star on the gridiron.

#### **ERIC BATCHELOR**

(Men's Basketball, 1998-2000)

Eric Batchelor played a key role for the Tigers, who were coached by hall of famer Mike Lewis, as they ran the tables through the north half, state and regional competitions to clinch a berth to the prestigious national tournament in Kansas.

He contributed in every major game on the "Road to Hutch." He was one of three Northeast standouts to score more than 20 points in a 98-81 win against Northwest in the division title tilt.

The two teams met once more on February 22, 2000 inside legendary Bonner Arnold Coliseum with the then-MACJC championship on the line. Batchelor topped all players with 33 points in the Tigers' 109-92 decision over the Rangers.

Northeast proceeded to claim its first NJCAA Region 23 crown in five

years with an 88-68 victory versus Mississippi Gulf Coast at Mississippi College's A.E. Wood Coliseum. Batchelor posted 21 of his 31 points in the second half and drained seven big treys.

He reached double figures in three of the Tigers' four matchups at "The Tournament." Batchelor had a tournament-best 32 points and 10 made three-pointers against Brevard (Fla.).

Batchelor became the 14th NJCAA All-American in program history following his sensational sophomore campaign. He signed a scholarship to continue his career at UAB.

#### JERRY "LEFTY" HARRELSON

(Baseball/Men's Basketball, 1962-65)

Jerry "Lefty" Harrelson accepted scholarship offers to continue his athletic career at Northeast. Harrelson suited up for multi-time hall of fame headman



Eric Ratcholor

Bonner Arnold on the hardwood and for coach Hal Hughes on the baseball team.

Harrelson helped the men's basketball program capture the then-MJCC north half championship during the 1963-64 campaign. The Tigers defeated Holmes by a score of 62-48 in the title contest.

He was listed as a "stocky" guard and forward. Harrelson had a season-high 11 points during his sophomore year in a 100-71 victory by Northeast over rival Northwest.

Harrelson was stellar both at the plate and on the mound for the Tigers. He topped Northeast in 1963 with a .381 batting average, which included a three-hit effort in an 8-4 triumph over Northwest.

He was one of the aces of Northeast's pitching staff one year later. Harrelson collected a pair of wins versus Holmes, including a five-hitter in an 8-2 decision by the Tigers in their home opener.

Harrelson spent the majority of his professional career as a coach and an educator. He held various positions for baseball, boys basketball, girls basketball and football teams at Burnsville, luka and Jumpertown schools over the course of 16 years.



Jerry "Lefty" Harrelson

He officially retired in 2006 with a total of 35.5 years in the public school system between his five stops in the tri-state area. Harrelson, who is also a member of the NEMCABB Hall of Fame, died in October 2016.

#### **TIM MCDONALD**

(Men's Basketball 1985-86, 1986-87)

Tim McDonald won a division, state and regional championship during the first two seasons of Harvey Childers' historic tenure as head coach of Northeast's men's basketball program in the 1980s.

Northeast marched through the regular season with a 20-2 record during McDonald's freshman year. The Tigers first captured the then-MJCAA North Division title with a victory over Holmes and then nationally ranked Copiah-Lincoln to hoist the state championship trophy.

The Tigers were once again the number one seed out of the MJCAA North Division heading into the 1987 postseason. Northeast went on to win the NJCAA Region 23 Tournament and advance to the national tournament in Hutchinson, Kan., for the first time in more than three decades.



Tim McDonald

to He was named the NJCAA All-Region 23 Tournament team. McDonald, who had shooting percentages of 51.5 overall and 46.1 from three-point range as a sophomore, never lost a game inside legendary Bonner Arnold Coliseum.

McDonald was successful outside of the gymnasium as well. He was selected by his peers as Mr. Northeast for 1987 and also earned Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges distinction.

He signed a scholarship to continue his career under the watch of headman Joe Dean, Jr., at Birmingham-Southern (Ala.). McDonald is recognized in the Panthers' record book three times, including the school record for top three-point percentage at .519.

#### **MARIO STEVENSON**

(Football, 2002-03)

Mario Stevenson helped the Tigers capture their first then-MACJC North Division championship in 22 years during his freshman campaign in 2002.

A four-game winning streak during the month of October lifted Stevenson and the Tigers to the top



Mario Stevenson

of the division standings. Northeast secured its first playoff berth since 1987 and the second north half title in program history with a thrilling 7-6 victory over Holmes.

Stevenson was part of a talented unit at Northeast, which was directed by head coach Bobby Hall, that finished the regular season with a number one ranking in total defense inside the MACJC.

The Memphis, Tenn., native was rated as the top cornerback in the entire country ahead of his sophomore year with the Tigers. Stevenson lived up to his rating by receiving first-team All-MACJC honors after grabbing three interceptions for Northeast.

He signed a scholarship for coach Nick Saban's LSU Tigers during their preparations for the 2004 national title game against Oklahoma. The 6-2, 200-pounder made his official debut with the Tigers on September 11, 2004.

Stevenson is currently in his second season as the assistant football strength and conditioning coach at Nevada. The Wolf Pack went 7-2 and won the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl during his inaugural year on the staff.

#### ALUMNI HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

2012

Major General Augustus
Leon Collins

William "Billy Joe" McCoy

2013

James Seth Pounds Cathy M. Roberson 2014

Dr. William G. Jackson

2015

Vance Witt Earline "Woodsie" Woods

2016

**Travis Childers** 

2017

**Hugh McLarty** 

2018

Harold Lomenick

2019

Sam Mosley

#### SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

2008

Bonner Arnold Charles "Doodle" Floyd

Gene Garrett Kenneth Lindsev

Kenneth "Cat" Robbins

David "Nub" Strickland

Adrian Smith

W.B. "Bill" Ward

Harold T. White

Earline "Woodsie" Woods

2009

Harvey Childers Gerald Caveness

Clyde Jones

Larry Parker

**Evelyn Thompson** 

2010

David M. Carnell, Jr.
Phyllis Stafford Dilworth
Mike Grier
Kunshinge Sorrell Howard

la als Mantin

Jack Martin

2011

Jim Drewry
Johnny Buskirk
Vincent Del Negro
Sherry Slayton Holland
Ricky Ford

2012

Audrey Covington
Benjamin Guy Gardner
Freddie Copeland
Brandi Vondenstein Dannelly
Malcolm Kuykendall

2013

Ellis "Myrl" Crowe Mike Lewis Ray Scott Larry "Jerry" Reno Harry T. Crosby

2014

Gaylon Baird
Nathan "Ned" Davis
Jerry Long
Brenda Mayes
Chase Porch

2015

Phillip Chapman Robert Henry Tamica Pierce Jones Tim Kesler Donnie Clayton

2016

Anthony Anderson John O. Cunningham Ronnie Key Maurice Stafford

2017

Emma Braddock
Dontae' Jones
Jim Lamb
Josie Lingrin

2018

Jerome Woods Brandon Farley Mitch McNeely Millard Lothenore

2019

Anthony Gamble Billy Southward Shirley Hall White

<sup>\*</sup>Due the worldwide coronavirus pandemic, there was not a class selected for 2020.

<u>PURPOSE</u>: To recognize the achievement of an outstanding Northeast alumnus who has excelled personally and professionally, making a continued and significant difference in their community on a local, state, national, or international level.

#### **CRITERIA:**

- 1. Individual must be an alumnus of Northeast Mississippi Junior/Community College. An alumnus is any person that has a verifiable academic transcript with the college.
- 2. Award is presented to the alumnus who has demonstrated outstanding traits of leadership and character to such an extent that it has brought great credit to the recipient and to the alma mater.
- 3. Nominee is distinguished in his/her chosen profession.
- 4. The accomplishments to be recognized may be achieved through the nominee's career, service, or volunteer efforts.
- 5. Nominee has demonstrated a high level of integrity in his/her personal life and has gained the recognition of various other persons around him/her.

#### ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS INCLUDE:

6. Preference will be given to nominees who have demonstrated continuing interest in and support of Northeast through contribution of time, talent, or resources.

#### **NOMINATION PROCESS:**

1. Nominations can be initiated by anyone including the nominee. All nominations must be received in an electronic (email) written format and include the following:

- A. Completed nomination form
- B. A written nomination letter explaining why the nominee should be considered for the award and summarizing the nominee's collegiate, professional accomplishments, and community involvement. (community service, awards, organizations, etc.)
- C. At least two letters of support
- D. Electronic headshot of the nominee

#### **SELECTION AND AWARD PROCESS:**

The Northeast Alumni Relations Council members will review and select from the nomination documents. A maximum of five individuals will be inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame each year.

#### **AWARDEE WILL RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING:**

- 1. Award recognition at the annual homecoming Alumni & Sports Hall of Fame Recognition Luncheon.
- 2. 'Grand Marshall' during homecoming court ceremony during half time of homecoming game.

#### **TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION FORM:**

Email the Northeast Development Foundation & Alumni Association at tjohnson@nemcc.edu or scan the QR code below to download the form.



Nominate someone today!

DEADLINE: AUGUST 31ST



### WILTARY ADDRECTATION NECEST





Northeast Mississippi Community College celebrated all the men and women who have served or are actively serving in the United States Armed Forces with its Military Appreciation Game on September 9, 2021. In addition to recognizing those who served at the pep rally on the lawn in front of the Ramsey Student Services Building during Activity Period, veterans were honored before the Tigers took on the Bulldogs of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. While some veterans took to the playing surface of Tiger Stadium, others stood in place in the stands to be honored. In addition to the momentary salute, Triple D Bucket Truck Service out of luka was on hand with a large American flag to help honor military personnel as well.



## Alumni & Friends GUEST HOUSE

If you are visiting Northeast Mississippi Community College remember the Alumni & Friends Guest House for your stay!













## Special Thanks



Emily Robbins, 27, is primarily a wedding photographer/videographer. A native of Saltillo, Mississippi and 2013 Saltillo High School graduate, she attended Northeast Mississippi Community College from fall 2013 to spring 2015, where she studied liberal arts and music. She played acoustic guitar (occasionally the ukulele) and was a part-time vocalist as a member of Campus Country. She was also a member if Phi Theta Kappa member served as a and Tiger Ambassador. Emily was elected to the 2015

class of the Northeast Hall of Fame. Since graduating from Northeast and the University of North Alabama ('17), Emily began to fall in love with the art of photography and videography. In late 2018 she worked her first wedding and hasn't looked back, but it was her desire to branch out into real estate photography that sparked her interest in working with the Foundation on the Tiger Bed and Breakfast promotion project. Emily's business, Finch Collective Studios, offers a variety of photo and video services "to help tell couples' love stories in a creative, fun, and timeless way." Emily and her husband Kurt, who she met while at Northeast in Campus Country, live in Germantown, Tennessee with their dog "Josie the Corgi."



My name is LaVaile Shields and I graduated from NEMCC in 1998 with a Marketing Degree. I am married to Johnny Shields and we have three boys named Channing Barkley, Logan Barkley, and John Rylan Shields. I am currently serving as an Alderman for the City of Booneville. An important asset to our city is Northeast Mississippi Community College and working together only helps us to grow. I have enjoyed working with NEMCC on this project and look forward to many more to come.



#### **APPRECIATION LUNCHEON**

Northeast Mississippi Community College's Development Foundation and Alumni Association held an appreciation luncheon for its athletic all-star sponsors on March 3, 2022. Catered by Ricky Prather and the crew of Ricky Prather Catering, sponsors got a chance to mingle with Northeast softball and baseball coaches and share stories of bygone athletic careers before the Tiger baseball team took on the Warhawks of Calhoun Community College. Booneville attorney Casey Lott was voted by his peers to throw out the first pitch and spurred the Tigers to a sweep of the Warhawks 11-3 in the lidlifter and a dramatic 7-6 one-out, bases loaded walkoff single by Tupelo's Noah Foster in the night cap.















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In 2005, the Northeast Foundation & Alumni began the Years of Service Recognition Program for all full-time employees. Each year at our annual faculty/staff in-service meeting, employees are recognized for their years of service. The recognitions are done in five year intervals...5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, and plus.

#### **5 YEARS**

Noel Childress Shanna Cole Kevin Connell Josh Culpepper Jesse Dickerson Raleigh Downs Debbie Essary

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#### 10 YEARS

Carrie Cobb
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#### 15 YEARS

Camille Beals Tina Gambill Jason Mattox Bryan Mithcell Bobby Walden Jeff Williams

#### 20 YEARS

Nick Alexander Robbie Coleman Phyllis Colson Laura Gilham Jennifer Hastings Jenniffer Newell Heath Robinson

#### 25 YEARS

Ray Hall Stevie Lovelace John Yarber

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Kathy Rutherford, 31 years
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Paula Stennett, 35 years
Terry Anderson, 39 years
Ricky Ford, 40 years
Bonita Crump, 42 years

Thank you for your dedicated service!



#### **EMPLOYEE ENHANCEMENT GRANT**

Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation Board of Directors allocated \$15,000 for Employee Enhancement grants during 2021. These funds are fully funded through the contributions of the Northeast employees. This year's EEF Steering Committee members are Will Bowlin (Chairperson), Beth Byrd, Michael Byrd, Tony Finch, Paige Sasser, and Christopher Schager.







**Beth Byrd** 



Michael Byrd



**Tony Finch** 



Paige Sasser



**Christopher Schager** 

#### 2021 T.I.P./T.O.P. AWARD WINNERS

Patrick Eaton, VP & Executive Director of the Northeast Development Foundation, and the Foundation Board of Directors awarded the 2021 T.I.P/T.O.P. Awards. Because of the continued dedication and commitment to Northeast, the Northeast Development Foundation created the T.I.P/T.O.P. ("Tremendous Individual Performance" and "Teaching Outstanding Performance") Awards. The T.I.P. Awards program is designed to recognize "Tremendous Individual Performance" for non-administrative staff members of Northeast Mississippi Community College. The T.O.P. award is given to one outstanding faculty member from each of the academic divisions who show innovative teaching methods.



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The Northeast Development Foundation is governed by a Board of Directors, which establishes policy for all its functions – fundraising, public relations, administration, accounting and investments. The Board of Directors of the Northeast Development Foundation is composed of twenty members, which are made up from the five county areas the college serves. Firms, corporations, and individuals may become members of the Northeast Development Foundation subject to approval by the entire board.

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At its quarterly Board of Directors meeting on May 20, 2021, two Northeast Development Foundation Board members were recognized for their service. Tony Smith finished his term as president and Mary Childs finished her term as Vice-President for the 2020-21 year. Both have served on the Board since 2017. Pictured is (back I-r) Harold Lomenick (Tishomingo County), Reid Bostick (Alcorn County), Hal Wright (Prentiss County), Matthew Goolsby (Tippah County), Douglas Jackson (Tippah County), Brian Thrasher (Alcorn County), Steve Morgan (Prentiss County), David Pounds (Prentiss County), (front row I-r) Northeast president Dr. Ricky Ford, Tony Smith (Prentiss County), Mary Childs (Tippah County), Northeast Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton, Mona Lisa Grady (Alcorn County), and Tracie Langston (Prentiss County).

