



DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION & ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Annual Report 2018



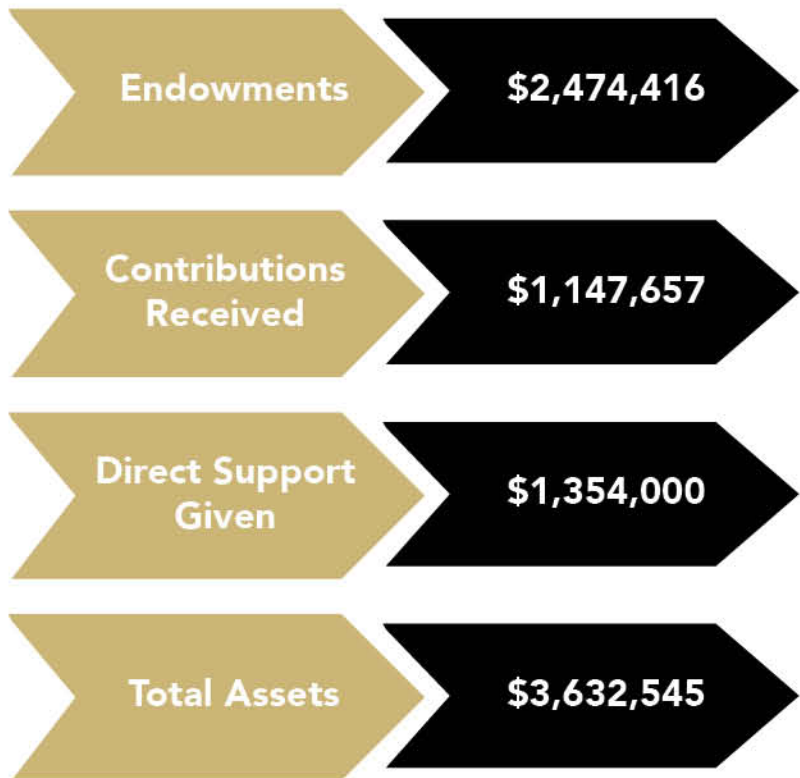
Mr. Ricky G. Ford
NEMCC President



D. Patrick Eaton,
MBA, CFRE
*Vice President of Institutional Advancement
and 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 2018
AT A GLANCE**

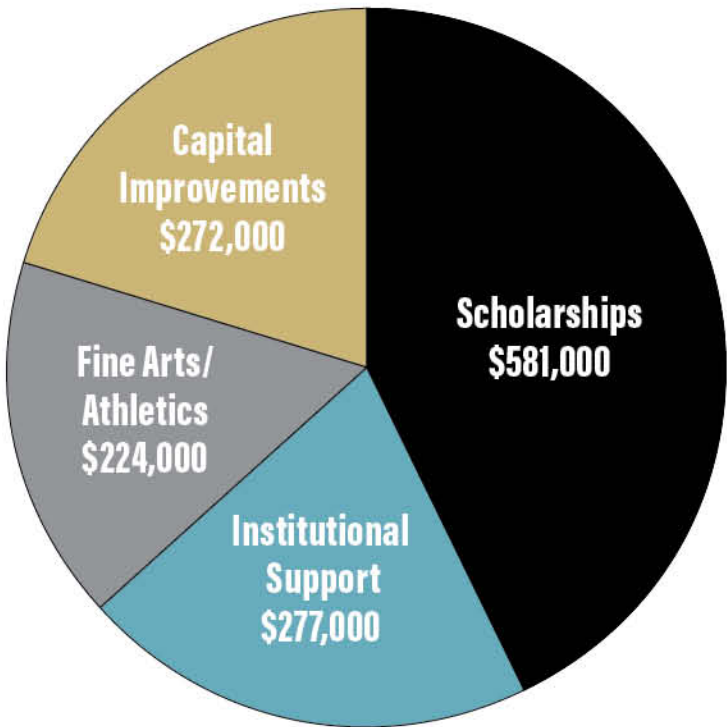


MISSION STATEMENT:

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.



Members of the NEMCC Development Foundation Board of Directors, Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association Patrick Eaton, and SGA President Weston Coggin gather to present NEMCC President Ricky Ford with a check representing the \$1,354,000 of direct support that the Development Foundation and Alumni Association provided to the college during the 2018 Fiscal Year.



FISCAL YEAR 2018 DIRECT SUPPORT TO NORTHEAST

- SCHOLARSHIPS
- INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT
- FINE ARTS/ATHLETICS
- CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

TOTAL DIRECT SUPPORT
\$1,354,000

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, 2018.

NEMCC EMPLOYEES RECEIVE FOUNDATION GRANT

Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation Board of Directors allocated \$15,000 for Employee Enhancement grants during 2018. These funds are fully funded through the contributions of the Northeast employees.

This year's EEF Steering Committee members are Ellice Yager, Amber Nelms, Melody Shinn, and Carlena Benjamin.



The Members of the 2019 EEF Steering Committee are: Ellice Yager, Amber Nelms (Committee Chairperson), Melody Shinn, Carlena Benjamin, Justin Treloar (not pictured), and Camille Beals (not pictured). Pictured with the members of the committee is Foundation Executive Director Patrick Eaton and Northeast Mississippi Community College President Ricky Ford.

TIGER PAW SUPPORTERS

Amber Nelms
Balfour
BNA Bank
Bo & Tiffany Johnson
Camille Beals
Cook Coggin Engineers
Crystal White
David "Bubba" Pounds
Debra Hazel Lambert
Donna Hill
Dr. William Jackson
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Patrick & Pam Eaton
Paula Stennett
People's Bank of Ripley
Phyllis Colson
Renasant Bank
Sam Tull
The Sparks CPA Firm



Pictured at the T.I.P./T.O.P. presentation are (l-r) Foundation Executive Director Patrick Eaton, Jeff Burchell, Michael H. Miller, Mark Hurley, Chasity Moore, Julie Davidson, Melody Shinn, Christy Grissom, Tiffany Lindsey, and NEMCC President Ricky Ford. Not pictured is T.O.P. award winner Amanda Garvin.

2018 T.I.P./T.O.P. AWARDEES

Patrick Eaton, VP & Executive Director of the Northeast Development Foundation, and the Foundation Board of Directors awarded the 2018 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 “Teach-

ing 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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2018 T.I.P. Award Winners:

Michael H. Miller
Jeff Burchell

2018 T.O.P. Award Winners:

Chasity Moore, Division of Social, Behavioral, & Applied Sciences
Melody Shinn, Division of Fine Arts
Julie Davidson & Tiffany Lindsey, Division of Health Sciences
Mark Hurley, Division of Mathematics & Sciences
Amanda Garvin, Division of Languages & Humanities
Christy Grissom, Division of Business & Engineering Technology



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DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION & ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Pictured with each group of donors and recipients are Ricky Ford, Northeast Mississippi Community College President and Patrick Eaton, Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association.



**Alcorn Career & Technology Center
Citizenship Student Scholarship:**
Recipient: Carleigh Faith Holt (Corinth)



Baptist Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Recipient: Brady Anglin (Iuka)
Donor Representatives: James Grantham (CEO, not present) and Sergio Warren (Director of Marketing)



Ben Taylor Smith Memorial Scholarship
Recipient: Morgan Goss (Booneville, not present)
Donor: Gloria Smith



Beth VanWinkle Memorial Scholarship
Recipients: Courtland Arnold (Baldwyn) and Brady Smith (Booneville)
Donor: Jay VanWinkle



Billy L. Jones Memorial Scholarship
Recipients: Andrew Herring (Booneville), Emma Padgett (Rienzi), Jon Ashton Grimes (Booneville), Kloeey Essary (Booneville), Lily Michael (Rienzi), Parker Padgett (Rienzi), and Rickie Cade Stewart (Rienzi)
Donor: Norma Jones



Bob Coggins Memorial Scholarship
Recipient: Braxton Nabors (Baldwyn)
Donors: Kenneth & Linda Windham



Bobby & Barbara Martin Family Endowed Scholarship
Recipient: Carley Hill (Dumas)
Donor Representatives: Cary & Mary Childs



Booneville Masonic Lodge Scholarship
Recipient: Courtland Arnold (Baldwyn)



Bric Turner Memorial Scholarship
Recipient: Channing Barkley (Booneville)
Donors: Tommy & Anita Turner



Bruce Tucker Memorial Scholarship
 Recipient: Dustin Norman (Iuka)
 Pictured with Dustin is his instructor (Construction Engineering Technology): Ray Gaillard



Bryan Steele Memorial Scholarship
 Recipient: Zachary Oden (Montevallo, AL)
 Donor Representatives: Maria Steele and Stephanie Laboe



B.T. & Ida Knight Moore Endowment
 Recipients: Trevin Moore (Booneville) and Kloey Essary (Booneville)
 Donor Representative: Marti Downs



Carlos Ginn Memorial Scholarship
 Recipient: Mackenzie Garner (Booneville)
 Donor Representatives: Tom & Angela James (not pictured)



Caterpillar Scholarship
 Recipients: Will Poindexter (Glen) and Peyton Jackson (Rienzi)
 Donor Representatives: Jamie Knight (Human Resources Representative), not pictured



Cecelia Tollison Memorial Scholarship
 Recipient: Jerrius Dye (Baldwyn)



Charles & Annee Conlee Foundation Scholarship
 Recipient: Veronica Griffin (Bruce)



Coke Scholarship
 Recipients: Carley Freeman (Corinth, not present), Bailey Reece (Tishomingo), and Cade Eaton (Booneville)
 Donor Representative: Dennis Dilworth



David Carnell Memorial Endowment
 Recipient: Lydia Lee (Corinth, not present)
 Donor Representative: Jody Long



Dodge Store Scholarship:
 Recipients: Erika Talley (Corinth), Alexa Donahue (Baldwyn), and Skylar Grissom (Mooreville)
 Donor Representatives: Melissa Nichols & Jordan Malone



Dr. Marshall Hollis & Family Pharmacy Scholarship
 Recipients: Laura Brown (Booneville)
 Donor Representative: Dr. Marshall Hollis (not present)



Eddie Burns Memorial Scholarship
 Recipients: Channing Barkley (Booneville)
 Donors: Burns Family, Jr. Burns, Angie Mason, LaVaile Shields, and Renee Newby



Etta "Jo" White Memorial Scholarship

Recipients: Mark Tomlinson (Walnut)
 Donor Representatives: Richard & Edythe Bishop,
 James & Sue White, & Thomas White



Fairy Eaton Miller Scholarship

Recipients: Dylan Goolsby (Ripley),
 Kaitlyn Pritchard (Blue Mountain)



Foundation Excellence Scholarship

Recipients: Erika Talley (Corinth), Blake Robinson
 (Iuka), Madeline Eaton (Dennis), Victoria Short
 (Booneville, not present), Olivia Pannell (Hickory Flat,
 not present), Chloe Blackard (Corinth, not present),
 and Paisleigh Sanderson (Iuka, not present).



Hall Adams Fund Scholarship

Recipients: Amanda Dorsett (Corinth), Ashton Palmer
 (Corinth), Brooke McCoy (Corinth), Haley Walker
 (Glen) Heather Pauss (Corinth), Lydia Lee (Corinth),
 Skylar Crenshaw (Rienzi), and Tayton Smith (Corinth)



Harold, Jane, & Hal White Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Amber Guyton (Ripley)
 Donor Representative: Mal White (not present)



Jack & Faye Rolison Endowment

Recipient: Ryan Lawson (Ripley)
 Donor Representatives: Jack & Faye Rolison (not present)



Jane Williams Memorial Scholarship

Recipients: Kayla Ross (Ripley)
 Donor Representatives: Harold Williams
 and Debby Massey (both not present)



Janet Kutrip Memorial Scholarship

Recipients: Shelby Taylor (Corinth)
 Donor Representative: Lauren & Daniel Horton



Jim & Judy Hopper Scholarship

(In memory of Jeffrey Hines Hopper)
 Recipients: Kylan Story (Walnut, not present)
 and Kyle Taylor Hilliard (Falkner)
 Donor Representatives: Jim & Judy Hopper (not present)



Jimmy Murphy Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Emily Brown (Booneville)
 Donor Representatives: Martha Murphy,
 Amanda, Mike, Erin, and Lauren Mattox



Joe Ray Langston Memorial Scholarship

Recipients: Reed Hill (Booneville),
 Carlee Cook (Booneville), Kayla Moore (Booneville,
 not present), and Harlee Cook (Booneville)
 Donor: Joey & Tracie Langston



Kiwanis Club of Corinth

Recipients: Autumn Woods (Walnut), Balleigh Derrick
 (Rienzi), Nathan Hodum (Corinth), Easton Isbell (Rienzi),
 Hannah Baker (Rienzi), Kaylyn Lavender (Corinth), Levi
 Seals (Corinth), Molly Mullins (Walnut), Ruby Carol Dixon
 (Walnut), and William Plaxico Pittman (Corinth)
 Donor Representative: Louanna Montgomery



Kappa Kappa Iota Gamma Chapter Memorial Scholarship

Recipients: Angelia Churchill (Myrtle)
Donor Representative: Donna Wilkerson(not present)



Marathon Cheese Scholarship

Recipients: Taylor Johnson (New Site, not present), Madeline Tucker (Booneville), Mackenzie Garner (Booneville), Cade Eaton (Booneville), Micah Gambill (Booneville), Channing Barkley (Booneville), Brady Smith (Booneville), Hunter Bullard (Booneville), Samantha Franklin (Booneville, not present), Krystal Hudson (Booneville, not present), Max Mauney (Booneville), Bailey Church (Booneville), and Weston Coggin (Booneville)



Marion W. Smith Scholarship

Recipients: Brady Smith (Booneville), William Reed Hill (Booneville), Max Mauney (Booneville), Breanna Stennett (Booneville, not pictured), and Keontae Starks (Baldwyn, not pictured)
Donor Representatives: Ann Floyd, Thom Floyd (Market President Booneville), and Blake Manley



Michael Epting Scholarship

Recipients: Brent Davis (Baldwyn, not present) and Austin Clark (Ripley)
Donor Representatives: Linda Epting, Tracy, Lennox and Maddox



Michael Hisaw Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Cade Eaton (Booneville)
Donor: Booneville Rotary Club



Nedra Nabors Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Victoria Wilbanks (Ripley)
Donor Representatives: Dr. Larry Nabors (not present)



North MS Education Consortium

Recipients: McKayla Burcham (Tishomingo, not pictured), Madeline Tucker (Booneville, not pictured), Sunny Acosta (Booneville, not pictured), Hannah Sandlin (Baldwyn, not pictured), Caleb Garner (Iuka, not pictured), and Kaylee Tankersley (Booneville, not pictured)
Donor Representative: Susan Scott



Oscar L. Shannon Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Giovanna Rangel (Ripley)



Pilot Club of Iuka Scholarship

Recipient: Sarah Odom (Iuka)



ProVia Products Scholarship

Recipient: Lydia Lee (Corinth, not present)
Donor Representative: Chris Wren



Robb Clement Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Caleigh Scroggins (Booneville)
Donor Representatives: Barbara Shackelford & Chris Hanna



The Peoples Bank of Ripley Charities Endowment

Recipient: Haley Harrell (Falkner)
Donor Representatives: Cary and Mary Childs



The Peoples Bank of Ripley Endowment
 Recipient: John Franz (Tiptersville)
 Donor Representatives: Cary and Mary Childs



W.E. Yancey Endowed Scholarship
 Recipient: Garrett Grisham (Ripley)



William & Mary Reese Memorial Scholarship
 Recipient: Haley Vick (Dumas)
 Donor Representative: Jo Rees (not present)

**Development
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 & Alumni
 Association**

**AGENCY SCHOLARSHIPS
 & TUITION GUARANTEE**

To view a complete list of Agency Scholarships or to learn more about the Tuition Guarantee Program:
 >>> Visit www.nemcc.edu
 >>> Click on Foundation and Alumni
 >>> Click on Foundation Scholarships

Applications for Agency Scholarships and the Tuition Guarantee Program are available online!

**AGENCY SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE IS MARCH 15.
 TUITION GUARANTEE DEADLINE IS MAY 31.**

**SCHOLARSHIPS CONTINUED
 (PHOTOS UNAVAILABLE)**

- Dodgeridge-Ajax Scholarship**
 Recipient: Anna Bullock (New Albany)
- Emma McDonald Street Memorial Scholarship**
 Recipient: Anna Bullock (New Albany)
- Clifton B. Sawyer Memorial Scholarship**
 Recipient: Alaina Blunt (Corinth)
- Corinth Rotary Magnolia Classic Scholarship**
 Recipient: Anna Burnett (Corinth)
- Donna Durham Scholarship**
 Recipient: Emma Padgett (Rienzi)
- FL. "Spud" Rowell Endowment**
 Recipient: Emma Forsythe (Ripley)
 Donor Representatives: Bill & Carol Harding
- Harvey Nicholson Memorial Scholarship**
 Recipient: Lexa Nicholson (Hickory Flat)
 Donor Representatives: Mr. & Mrs. Harold Nicholson
- Jack Gandy Memorial Scholarship**
 Recipients: Mallory Prather (Ripley), and Mary Alyse Jamieson (Booneville)
 Donor Representative: Regina Coats
- Jason McKinney Educational Memorial Scholarship**
 Recipient: Morgan Hatfield (Booneville)
 Donor Representative: Kim McKinney
- Jason McKinney Memorial Scholarship**
 Recipient: Luke McBrayer (Baldwyn)
 Donor Representative: Michelle Shaw
- Mary Floyd Nursing Endowment**
 Recipient: Amie Nichole Parrott (Booneville)
 Donor Representative: O'Neil & Sarah Parker
- Mt. Zion Cumberland Presbyterian Church Scholarship**
 Recipient: Katherine Grace Bryant (Falkner)
- New Century Club Scholarship**
 Recipient: Hannah Keith (Houston)
- ThyssenKrupp Elevator Scholarship**
 Recipient: Andrew Rainey (Kossuth)
- Tritt Stockton Memorial Scholarship**
 Recipient: Brady Whitten (Rienzi)
- ZonaDale & Charles Taylor Endowed Scholarship**
 Recipient: Jessica Bradley (New Albany)
 Donor Representatives: ZonaDale & Charles Taylor

Thank You
TO ALL OF OUR DONORS!

*With your help, the Northeast Mississippi Community
 College Development Foundation and Alumni Association awarded
\$581,000 in scholarships this year!*

DON LEE KEITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Applications for the Don Lee Keith Memorial Scholarship for Excellence in Writing are being accepted by Northeast Mississippi Community College's Development Foundation from sophomore students interested in creative writing and/or journalism. With funds donated through the years since the writer's passing, friends of Keith recently established a \$25,000 endowment. This scholarship has been established to honor the life and work of Keith, a Prentiss County native and alumnus of Northeast, whose 40-year career as an award-winning journalist in Mississippi and New Orleans defines the high quality of work hoped for in this award's recipient. This scholarship will be given to the sophomore student who has and maintains a 2.5 GPA and whose writing best promises that excellence as demonstrated by two original works submitted with the application. These works may be in any literary or journalistic genre and may be published



Pictured is (back row l-r) Brenda Tollison Rone, BHS Class of '58, Tony Franks, Peggy Robinson, Teresa Neaves, original members of committee to establish the scholarship, Peggy George Rinehart and Margie Robinson Hurt, members of the BHS Class of '58, (back row l-r) Larry Kendall member of class of '58 and Patrick Eaton, Vice President of institutional Advancement and Foundation executive director.

or unpublished (critical essay, short story, novel chapter, poetry, personal essay, news story, feature, etc.) but should not exceed 25 pages, double-spaced.

NORTHEAST RECEIVES GIFT FROM TVA

Amy Tate, government relations manager with the Tennessee Valley Authority in Tupelo (second from left), presents a \$2,500 gift to Northeast Mississippi Community College. According to Jason Mattox, associate Vice President/division head for Business and Engineering Technology, the college will use the funds to purchase equipment including Fluke 232 multi meters, a Victor Motor Meg-ohm meter and a Reed instrument to be used by students taking classes such as all electrical courses including residential and commercial wiring classes.

Having their hands on an industry-standard Fluke multi meter is very important to students' learning to monitor safety and efficiency in the workplace, as well as to check current flow by demonstrating proper techniques using an amp clamp. Access to a Victor Motor Meg-ohm meter allows students to be able to troubleshoot and diagnose the insulation of motor windings, ensuring that equipment is in proper working order, while a Reed instrument aids in the understanding



Pictured is (l-r) Northeast president Ricky G. Ford, Tate, John Boatner, Baldwin, Efrain Medina, New Albany, Will Brasel, New Site, Patrick Eaton, Vice President of institutional advancement and executive director of the Northeast Development Foundation and Mattox.

of three-phase power and three-phase motors. It will allow students to test which way a motor will rotate based on which line is connected to which winding.



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ADULT EDUCATION

GED GRANTS & GIFTS

BancorpSouth donates to the NEMCC Adult Education Department



BancorpSouth Representative, Christy Schell (Middle) presents Laurie Kesler, NEMCC Adult Education Director and Patrick Eaton, Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Foundation Executive Director with check to support higher education to those who have less than a high school diploma.



Representatives of the Dollar General Literacy Foundation present the grant check to Laurie Kesler (left), NEMCC Adult Education Director, and Patrick Eaton (right), Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Foundation Executive Director.

NEMCC Adult Education Receives Grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation awarded Northeast MS Community College Adult Education a \$9,000.00 grant to support Adult literacy. This local grant award is part of more than \$8.3 million in grants awarded to more than 1,000 schools, nonprofits and organizations across the 44 states that Dollar General serves.

“We are honored to receive this money on behalf of Northeast MS Community College and continue our mission to improve reading levels and overall educational attainment in our service area and we hope that this funding will help our enrollment

and better educate the students that we serve,” said Laurie Kesler, Adult Education Director of Northeast MS Community College. If you or someone you know needs a high school equivalency diploma or wants to achieve a higher reading level, please contact us @ Northeast MS Community College Adult Education @ 662-720-7184.

Northeast MS community College Adult Education is dedicated to serving 22,122 people who are 18 years of age or older with less than a high school diploma in Alcorn, Prentiss, Tippah, Tishomingo, and Union counties.

ACCOLADES, AWARDS, & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

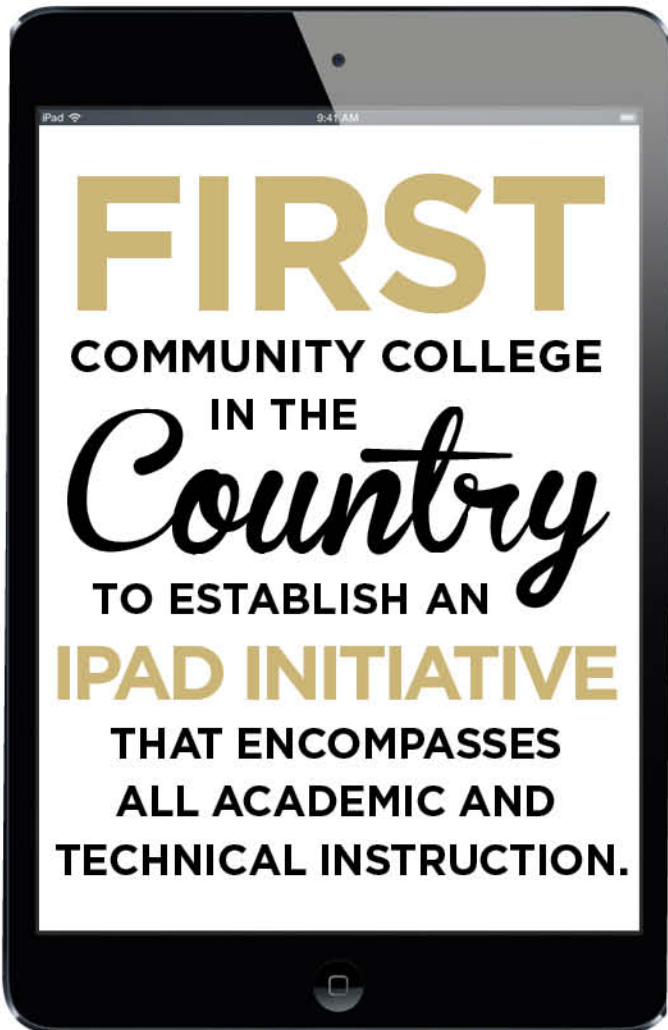
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TO OFFER STUDENTS A

Z-DEGREE
(ZERO-TEXTBOOK-COST-DEGREE)



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IN MISSISSIPPI FOR
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Field of Dreams

BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL COMPLEX

Groundbreaking Ceremony



An official groundbreaking ceremony for Northeast's "Field of Dreams" campaign occurred on Thursday, August 23, 2018.

The festivities took place on the construction site of the new state-of-the-art facility at the intersection of Coach Billy Ward Drive and Third Street, which is adjacent to Northeast's Armory complex and Booneville City Park.

The Northeast Board of Trustees approved a bid of \$8.16 million from Tupelo's McCarty King to build the "Field of Dreams" during their June meeting. The construction began on Monday, August 20.

Each playing surface will comprise of artificial turf with total seating capacities of 248 for baseball and 200 during softball contests. Other featured amenities are new scoreboards and lighting that meets NCAA specifications.

Three new buildings are in the plans for the complex, including a two-story pressbox that also holds ticketing and concessions on the first level, new locker rooms with players lounges plus an indoor hitting and throwing area.

This marks the first time in school history that either sport will compete inside an on-campus venue. Both baseball and softball have called Booneville City Park home since their foundation.

Baseball has played its contests at Harold T. White Field since it opened in the late 1980s while softball moved to what is now known as David Carnell Memorial Field near the end of its slow-pitch era in 1997.

The Northeast Development Foundation was a key factor in this venture with its "Field of Dreams" campaign. It raised almost half a million dollars for this undertaking through donations from local businesses and friends of the college.

NEMCC President Ricky Ford, NEMCC baseball coaches Richy Harrelson and Jon Andy Scott, NEMCC softball coaches Jody Long and Kevin Connell, current and former NEMCC baseball and softball players gathered along side distinguished guests from McCarty King Construction Company, Cook Coggin Engineering, the Northeast Board of Trustees, elected state and local government officials, and donors to break ground for the "Field of Dreams" Baseball and Softball Complex.

Ricky G Ford

COURT DEDICATION

The floor inside Bonner Arnold Coliseum has officially been named the “Ricky G. Ford Court” in honor of Northeast’s current president and national championship winning women’s basketball headman plus athletic director. A dedication ceremony took place on Tuesday, November 27.

“I am privileged to be honored simply because of the tremendous student-athletes that have played under my direction,” said Ford. “I am so appreciative of each and every one of them just as I am of our employees that make up the face of Northeast.”

“I must say thank you to all the loyal fans that have supported the Lady Tigers over the years. We have developed so many friendships that will forever be treasured. This is certainly a highlight of my career and I will be forever grateful.”

Ford built a dynasty out of a program that was less than a decade removed from its return after a 17-year hiatus that was forced when the Magnolia State’s junior colleges collectively stopped sponsoring the sport.

The Pine Grove native accumulated an overall record of 588-226 for a winning percentage of .722 during 30 years at the helm of the Lady Tigers. He had winning seasons 25 times, in-



cluding 21 straight to begin his career in the City of Hospitality.

He captured 15 Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges (MACJC) North Division titles, nine state championships and three National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Region 23 crowns while commanding the Lady Tigers from 1981-2011.

Ford’s name gracing the floor coincides with a complete court redesign and is the latest in a round of renovations to historic Bonner Arnold Coliseum, which opened for its first basketball games in December 1951 after being constructed by Northeast’s trades training program with support from the Prentiss County Board of Supervisors.

NEMCC ALUMNI

Leave your Legacy



Alumni Hall of Fame Inductee Harold Lomenick was recognized at the 2018 Northeast Mississippi Community College Homecoming Court Ceremony. Pictured here at the presentation of the queen are (l-r) NEMCC President Ricky Ford, Homecoming Queen Avaline Morris of Burnsville, 2018-19 SGA President and escort Weston Coggin, and Alumni Hall of Fame Inductee Harold Lomenick.



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



Alumni & Friends
**GUEST
HOUSE**



Alumni were recognized on the field during the 2018 Homecoming Activities at Northeast Mississippi Community College.

NORTHEAST HOLDS THREE REUNIONS DURING ANNUAL HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES

Northeast Mississippi Community College proudly welcomed reunions for the graduating classes of 1979 and 1981 during its 2018 homecoming festivities.

Northeast also welcomed back members of the 1968 football team, which was the first in over a decade after the program was temporarily disbanded following the 1956 season.

The Tigers won four games during their initial season back on the gridiron, including its very first contest against Southwest Mississippi Community College by a 33-20 margin.

Northeast, which was under the capable watch of the legendary W.B. "Bill" Ward, also won the first of three consecutive matchups versus rival Itawamba Community College with a 48-14 victory.

The Tigers featured several standout student-athletes that year, including freshmen Johnny Buskirk at quarterback and Donnie Clayton at tight end. The duo were recog-



Northeast Mississippi Community College classes of 1979 and 1981 gathered with the members of the 1968 football team during the 2018 homecoming festivities.

nized as National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) All-Americans during their sophomore campaigns and later inducted into the Northeast Sports Hall of Fame.

Northeast also featured a young man by the name of Sam Mosley, who went on to become a Grammy nominated blues musician that played alongside the likes of the legendary B.B. King.

Mosley had just returned from the Vietnam War and was looking to further his education. He and his fellow band mate Bob Johnson received that chance after Northeast reinstated football.

"I had a job sweeping floors down in Tupelo and that was the

only job I could get," said Mosley. "Bob called me and said 'I know how we can go to school.' So I went over to his house and coach Ward was sitting in his living room. We said we could make that team.

"Everybody can't make it at Ole Miss or (Mississippi) State to start. There was another group of football players that were just one little step down that needed an opportunity too. Boy did we get some good ones."

Mosley actually became the first African-American to score a touchdown in school history during that historic 1968 campaign that laid the groundwork over 50 years ago for where the Tigers are today.



2018 NORTHEAST SPORTS & ALUMNI HALL OF FAME

Recognition Banquet



LOMENICK INDUCTED INTO NEMCC ALUMNI HALL OF FAME

After attending Northeast where he was a member of the football team (1968-1969), Lomenick graduated from Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in physical education in 1972 and followed that by earning a Master of Science degree in education from MSU in 1976.

In 1977 Lomenick graduated from the United States Army command & General Staff College. He began a career as an agent with State Farm Insurance in 1980 and continues work with the agency today.

An active member of his community, Lomenick holds membership and has held office in a host of clubs and organizations including the Iuka Rotary Club (past president, Paul Harris Fellow), Tishomingo County Development Foundation (past chairman and Board member), Tishomingo County Soil & Water Conservation District (county commissioner/past chairman), Mississippi Association of Conservation Districts (past district Board member), Tishomingo County Forestry Association (member), Iuka Chamber of Commerce (past Board member), Northeast Mississippi Community College Alumni Association (past president/lifetime member), Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation (past president and Board member), Mississippi State University Alumni Association Patron of Excellence, Bulldog Club (Super Dog), National Guard Association of Mississippi (lifetime member), National Guard Association of the United States (lifetime member), Retired Officers Association of the United States (member), Yocona Area Boy Scout District (Board member), Tishomingo County High School Future Business Leaders of America (advisor), Mississippi State Veterans Monument Board (past member), chairman, Iuka



Pictured at the 2018 Homecoming Alumni & Sports Hall of Fame Recognition Banquet from left to right are VP of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association Patrick Eaton, inductee Harold Lomenick and NEMCC President Ricky Ford.

Battlefield Commission, Inc. (Civil War Preservation), Civil War Preservation Trust (member), Post 15 American Legion-Iuka (member), and Board member for the Mississippi State Civil War Battlefield Commission, the Tishomingo County Historic Society and the Iuka Country Club.

Honors include the Federal Legion of Merit Award and the Mississippi Magnolia Cross Award, Lomenick was named the Tishomingo County Development Foundation 2012 Volunteer of the Year and selected to serve as the Grand Marshal of the City of Iuka 2016 Christmas Parade. He was part of the 2002 Civil War Preservation Trust Organization of the Year, Iuka Battlefield Commission and the Order of St. George- US Amor Association in 1995.

Lomenick met his wife Judy Ross Lomenick while the two were students at Northeast. They have two daughters; Brandi Phillips of Guntown and Molly Daerr of The Woodlands, Texas and six grandchildren. Brandi and her husband Jeff have four children; Ellie White, Hank White, Pate Phillips and Rhett Phillips. Molly is the mother of two children Mason and Madi.

SPORTS HALL OF FAME'S 2018 CLASS INCLUDES THREE PRO ATHLETES, FOUR-SPORT COACH

Northeast Mississippi Community College Sports Hall of Fame was conceived in the interest of recognizing coaches, athletes, and administrators who coached and/or played or were loyal supporters of Northeast athletics.

Selected in the eleventh class of dignitaries to enter into the prestigious Sports Hall of Fame were Brandon Farley, Millard Lothenore, Mitch McNeely, and Jerome Woods.



Pictured at the 2018 Alumni & Sports Hall of Fame Recognition Luncheon is (l-r) VP of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association Patrick Eaton, Director of Athletics Ray Scott, inductee Jerome Woods, inductee Mitch McNeely, inductee Brandon Farley, inductee Millard Lothenore, and NEMCC President Ricky Ford.

BRANDON FARLEY

(Baseball 2009-10)

Brandon Farley was the 1,018th overall pick in the 33rd round of the 2012 MLB Draft by the San Francisco Giants following two successful seasons with the Tigers and another pair of campaigns at Arkansas State University.

Farley was recognized with Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges (MACJC) All-State first-team prestige following a sophomore year in which he had a team-high 67 strikeouts plus a 2.79 earned run average (ERA) in 672 innings.

The Cookeville, Tenn. native averaged over a strikeout an inning during his two-year stint at Arkansas State with 62 punchouts in 59.1 frames. He was a key piece in the Red Wolves' 2012 campaign that featured 34 wins and a berth to the Sun Belt Conference (SBC) Tournament championship game.

Farley was assigned to San Francisco's rookie level affiliate in Scottsdale, Ariz., in the summer of 2012 after graduating from Arkansas State. He spent a majority of his Minor League Baseball (MiLB) career in Augusta, Ga.

He retired from professional baseball after splitting time between Arizona and Augusta in 2014. Farley was 1-1 with four saves and a 4.45 ERA in 22 games during his last year as a member of the Giants organization.

MILLARD LOTHENORE

(Head Women's Basketball Coach 1973-76; 1979-81, Head Softball Coach 1982-89, Head Men's and Women's Tennis Coach 1990-96)

Millard Lothenore first entered into the athletic realm in the fall of 1973 at the request of legendary athletic director and coach Bonner Arnold. He was tasked with putting together a women's basketball team at NEMCC for the first time in 17 years.

Lothenore is also the only person in school history to serve as a head coach of the same sports program in two separate stints. His initial duties with the Tigerettes, as they were then called, ended in the spring of 1976 when fellow Northeast Sports Hall of Famer Jim Lamb took control of the team.

However, Lothenore returned to the Lady Tigers and ironically replaced Lamb prior to the 1979-80 campaign. He instructed Northeast for two additional years before Ricky Ford began his storied hall of fame career in 1981.

Lothenore accepted the position of assistant athletic director shortly after leaving the women's basketball team and embarked on yet another ambitious task. He started Northeast's softball program from scratch in 1982.

Softball was temporarily disbanded at Northeast following the 1989 season. He transitioned to another sport one year later and took over the tennis program from Northeast Sports Hall of Fame instructor Emma Braddock and served in that role until 1996.

MITCH MCNEELY

(Baseball, 1993-94)

Mitch McNeely was the 835th overall pick in the 30th round of the 1995 MLB first-year player draft by the Los Angeles Dodgers organization following two seasons with the Tigers and another at Centenary College of Louisiana.

The New Albany native started his journey to the professional ranks on the Booneville campus in the spring of 1993. He became the ace of the pitching staff during his sophomore campaign with a 6-4 record and a sensational 2.00 earned run average (ERA).

The W.P. Daniel High School graduate played ball across the nation during his three-year stint in the Dodgers farm system. McNeely worked primarily as a reliever for Los Angeles with just five starts in 79 total appearances.

The 6-6, 190-pound left-hander reported to Yakima, Wash., after signing his professional contract in the summer of 1995. He later split time between Class A-Advanced affiliates in Vero Beach, Florida, and San Bernardino, California.

McNeely retired from professional baseball after the 1997 season. His final Minor League Baseball (MiLB) statistics include a 6-9 record, five saves, 108 strikeouts, 54 walks and a 4.58 ERA in 168 innings between the three teams.

JEROME WOODS

(Football, 1992-93)

Jerome Woods was selected by the Kansas City Chiefs with the 28th overall pick in the opening round of the 1996 NFL Draft following a pair of stellar seasons at the University of Memphis.

The Memphis, Tenn., product moved into a starting role at free safety during the 1997 campaign. He was recognized as the AFC Defensive Player of the Week in the Chiefs' week five triumph over Seattle and was also picked as the AFC Defensive Player of the Month for November.

Woods started in 79 consecutive contests as a defensive back for the Chiefs over a five-year period from 1997-2001. He racked up 415 tackles with eight interceptions, seven forced fumbles and three sacks during the heart of his tenure in Kansas City.

The Melrose (Tenn.) High School graduate missed the entire 2002 campaign with an injury that threatened to end his career. But Woods returned to the Chiefs better than ever one year later with 76 takedowns, including 58 solo tackles, plus four forced turnovers to earn his first-ever selection to the Pro Bowl.

Woods was a three-way tool that saw time offensively, defensively and on special teams while at NEMCC from 1992-93. He garnered Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges (MACJC) All-State first-team recognition after finishing third in the league with 77 tackles.



**NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY
COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION
AND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

Alumni Hall of Fame

Purpose: 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, please email the Northeast Development Foundation & Alumni Association at tjohnson@northeast.ms

Deadline: August 31st

DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION & ALUMNI ASSOCIATION RECOGNIZES ATHLETIC ALL-STAR SPONSORS

Northeast Mississippi Community College's Development Foundation and Alumni Association recently recognized the individuals, companies and corporations for their generous support in becoming an Athletic All-Star sponsor for the 2018-19 academic year.

Members of this year's Athletic All-Star Sponsor program included Acco Brands, Modern Woodmen, North American Pipe, Coke, Renasant Bank, Langley Wealth Management, William G. Jackson, and Dr. Erik Dukes/Dr. Sean Reynolds.



Zeb Taylor represented Langley Wealth Management at the recognition ceremony. Pictured with the representative is Northeast Development Foundation Executive Director Patrick Eaton (left) and NEMCC President Ricky Ford (right).



Randy Humphries and Dennis Dilworth represented Coke at the recognition ceremony. Pictured with the representatives are Northeast Development Foundation Executive Director Patrick Eaton (left) and NEMCC President Ricky Ford (right).



Brian Thrasher represented North American Pipe at the recognition ceremony. Pictured with the representative is Northeast Development Foundation Executive Director Patrick Eaton (left) and NEMCC President Ricky Ford (right).



Dr. Erik Dukes represented the Family and Sports Medical Practice of Dr. Erik Duke and Dr. Sean Reynolds at the recognition ceremony. Pictured with the representative is Northeast Development Foundation Executive Director Patrick Eaton (left) and NEMCC President Ricky Ford (right).



Thom Floyd, Ann Floyd, Blake Manly, and Reid Bostick represented Renasant Bank at the recognition ceremony. Pictured with the representatives are Northeast Development Foundation Executive Director Patrick Eaton (left) and NEMCC President Ricky Ford (right).



NORTHEAST DEDICATES VETERANS' MEMORIAL

In the late 1940s when construction began on the original buildings that would become then-Northeast Mississippi Junior College, work crews were made up of United States military veterans having just returned home from World War II.

On September 13, 2018 a memorial statue and flagpole were unveiled in the landscaped area near the east end of Cunningham Boulevard on the Booneville campus.

According to Patrick Eaton, Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Northeast Development Foundation and Alumni Association, the dedication ceremony signals the culmination of a project initiated by members of the community and a gift from the Prentiss County



Veterans' Fund.

"We're calling it our Veterans' Memorial Campaign Project," said Eaton. "Donors of \$100 or more are displayed in a marker recognizing our partners in this campaign. It

was our privilege and honor to be a part of this project to permanently pay tribute to those who served in the United States military to protect our freedom and way of life in this great country."

YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNITION

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

- Amy Burks
- Ginger Cramer
- Felicia Crump
- Julie Davidson
- Christy Grissom
- Tim Henderson
- Valeria Henry
- Greg James
- Kristen Lambert
- Blake Long
- Lorie Mattox
- Tabitha McKay
- Brittany Moore
- Matthew Sandlin
- Shawna Smith
- Amanda Sullivan
- Justin Treloar
- Cord Wright
- Ellice Yager

15 YEARS

- Jennifer Davis
- Andrea Mathis
- Mary Miller
- Amber Nelms
- Maurice Stafford
- Helen Thompson
- Jeff Tuttle
- Crystal White

30 YEARS

Tony Finch

30+ YEARS

Ann Smith,
31 years

Ray Harris,
31 years

Paula Stennett,
32 years

Mike Snowden,
32 years

20 YEARS

- Beth Byrd
- Susan Cristo
- Greg Hardin
- Lori Michael
- Ben Shappley

35+ YEARS

Terry Anderson,
36 years

Ricky Ford,
37 years

Bonita Crump,
39 years

25 YEARS

- Brad Downs
- Nathan Harrison

10 YEARS

- Randy Baxter
- Jason Beghtol
- Liz Jackson
- Jeff Melson
- Michael H. Miller
- Randy Mitchell
- John Morelock
- Letha Nelson
- Emily Pollard
- Craig-Ellis Sasser
- Melody Shinn
- Rosalyn Singleton

Thank you

FOR YOUR CONTINUED DEDICATED SERVICE TO NORTHEAST!



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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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