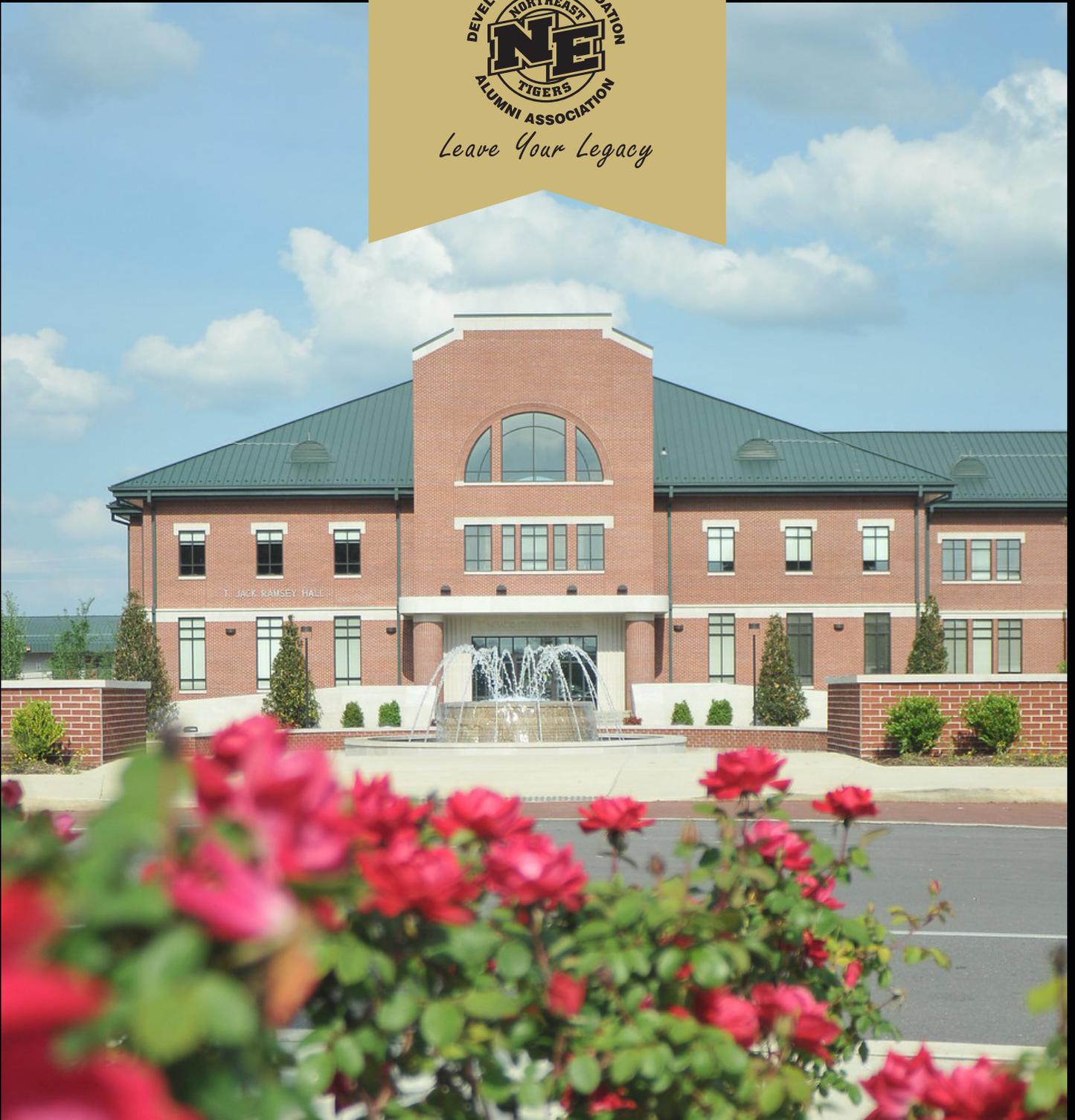




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DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION  
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2016  
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REPORT



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**Mr. Ricky G. Ford**  
NEMCC President



**D. Patrick Eaton,**  
**MBA, CFRE**

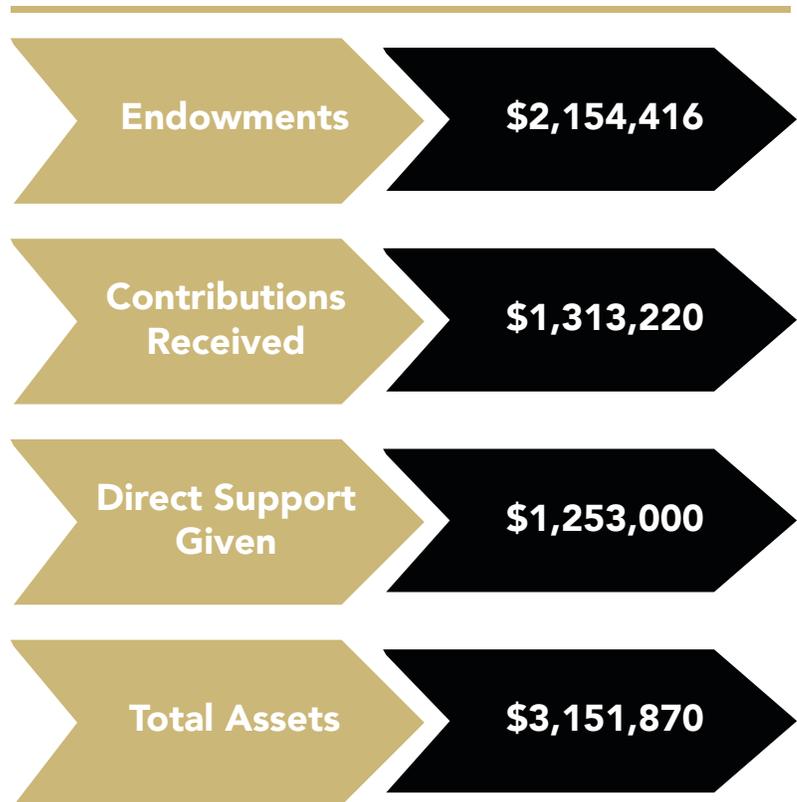
*Vice President of Institutional Advancement  
and Executive Director of the Development  
Foundation & Alumni Association*

### **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.

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 2016 At A Glance**

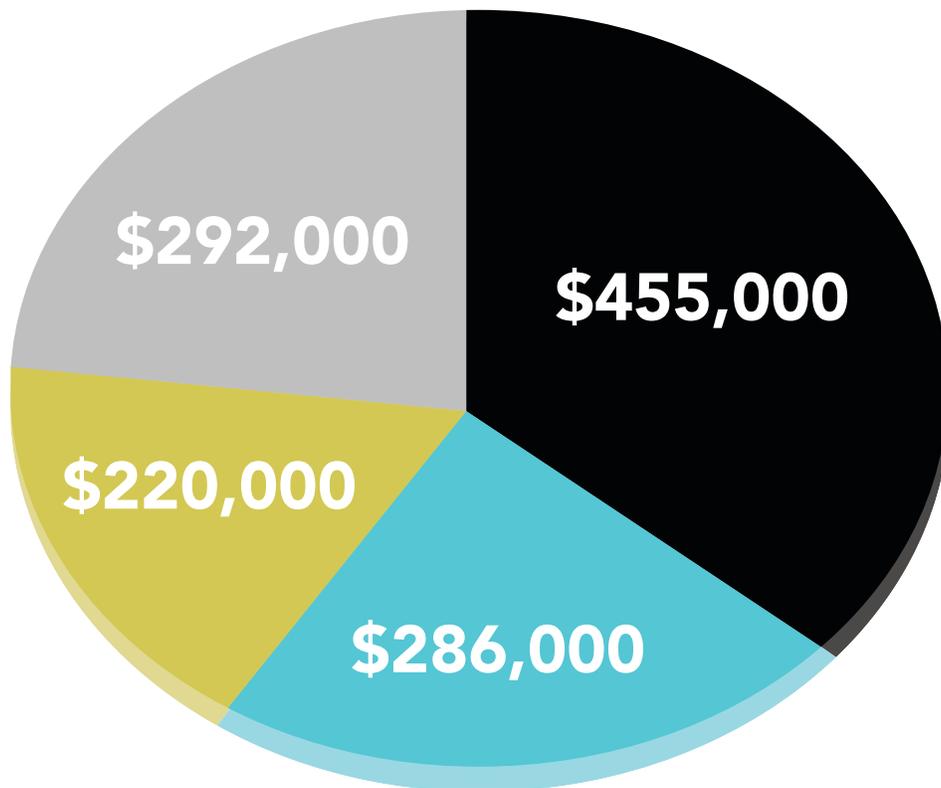


*The Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation, Inc. annually engages the services of an independent accounting firm to perform an audit of the Foundation's financial statements. As part of the audit, the firm also reviews the internal controls and various policies and procedures to ensure the Foundation staff is adhering to the most current accounting practices. The Foundation's auditor, Braxner, Vanstony, & Company, has issued an unmodified audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2016.*



## Fiscal Year 2016 Direct Support to NEMCC

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**Total Direct Support**

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**\$1,253,000**

-  **Scholarships**
-  **Program Support**
-  **Fine Arts/Athletics**
-  **Capital Improvements**



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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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.

**Alvia Blakney**, Tishomingo County  
**Beth Byrd**, Prentiss County (Secretary)  
**Bill Gray**, Union County  
**Bill Morgan**, Prentiss County  
**Chris Cornelison**, Tishomingo County (Vice President)  
**Daniel Tucker**, Prentiss County (Board Attorney)  
**Danny Dilworth**, Alcorn County  
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**Douglas Jackson**, Tippah County  
**Dr. William Jackson**, Alcorn County  
**Hal Wright**, Prentiss County  
**Jack Ramsey**, Tishomingo County  
**John Anderson**, Alcorn County  
**John O. Cunningham**, Prentiss County  
**Mona Lisa Grady**, Alcorn County  
**Madison Phillips** (SGA President)  
**Mark Segars**, Tishomingo County  
**Matthew Goolsby**, Tippah County  
**Rick Willis**, Alcorn County  
**Sam Tull**, Alcorn County  
**Vance Witt**, Union County

### **Ex-officio**

**Ricky G. Ford**, (NEMCC President)

### **Northeast Development Foundation Staff**

**D. Patrick Eaton**, Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association

**Tiffany Johnson**, Foundation Financial Officer

**Susan Pounds**, Part-Time Administrative Assistant

# Eaton Awarded Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) Designation

CFRE International has named Patrick Eaton as a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE).

Eaton, Vice President of Institutional Advancement for Northeast Mississippi Community College joins over 5,500 professionals around the world who hold the CFRE designation. Individuals granted the CFRE credential have met a series of standards set by CFRE International which include tenure in the profession, education, demonstrated fundraising achievement and a commitment to service to not-for-profit organizations. They have also passed a rigorous written examination testing the knowledge, skills, and abilities required of a fundraising executive, and have agreed to uphold Accountability Standards and the Donor Bill of Rights.

“The CFRE credential was created to identify for the public and employers those individuals who possess the knowledge, skills and commitment to perform fundraising duties in an effective and ethical manner,” states Jim Caldarella, CFRE, past chair of CFRE International.

“As the certification is a voluntary achievement, the CFRE credential demonstrates a high level of commitment on the part of David Patrick Eaton to himself, the fundraising profession, and, the donors who are served.”

“I truly appreciate the partner-

ships that have been developed which have created additional funding sources for the college’s pursuits and aid in our students’ success,” Eaton said.

CFRE recipients are awarded certification for a three-year period. In order to maintain certification status, recipients must demonstrate on-going fundraising employment and fundraising results, and continue with their professional education. Employers and donors who work with CFRE’s know they are getting a professional who is committed to the best outcomes for their organization and has the requisite knowledge and skills. CFRE International is an independent organization dedicated to the certification of fundraising executives by setting standards in philanthropic practice.

Governed by a volunteer Board of Directors and led by a small professional staff, CFRE International consistently meets the highest standards for certification excellence and is itself accredited by the National Commission of Certifying Agencies.

As the premier global credential for career fundraisers, the Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) designation is endorsed and supported by the world’s leading professional and philanthropic associations.

For more information please visit [www.cfre.org](http://www.cfre.org) or call +1 703.820.5555.

# Tuition Guarantee Program Initiative

Northeast Mississippi Community College's Development Foundation and Alumni Association recognized county supervisors for their role in supporting the Tuition Guarantee Program Initiative. Over the last six years, supervisors from surrounding counties have provided the following support toward students educational dreams: Alcorn County has provided \$312,000 to 411 Alcorn County students, Tippah County has provided \$303,000 to 406 Tippah County students, Tishomingo County has provided \$289,000 to 392 Tishomingo County students, Union County has provided \$391,000 to 531 Union County students, and Prentiss County has provided \$361,000 to 519 Prentiss County students.



Attending the recognition ceremony between the Tiger and Lady Tiger basketball games against Coahoma Community College on February 2 were (from left) Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton, Alcorn County second district supervisor James Woyles, third district supervisor Tim Mitchell, fourth district supervisor Steve Glidewell, first district supervisor Lowell Hinton and Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford.



Attending the recognition ceremony between the Tiger and Lady Tiger basketball games against Northwest Mississippi Community College on February 6 were (from left) Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton, Tishomingo County Chancery Clerk Peyton Cummings, Tishomingo County third district supervisor Michael Busby, fourth district supervisor Jeff Holt, fifth district supervisor Greg Collier, second district supervisor Nicky McRae, first district supervisor Brandon L. Grissom and Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford.



Attending the recognition ceremony between the Tiger and Lady Tiger basketball games against Itawamba Community College on February 16 were (back row left-right) Prentiss County Chancery Clerk David "Bubba" Pounds, Prentiss County district four supervisor Mike Huddleston, (front row left-right) Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford, Prentiss County fifth district supervisor Larry Lambert, first district supervisor James Ray Plaxico, third district supervisor Mike Kesler, second district supervisor Matt Murphy and Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton.



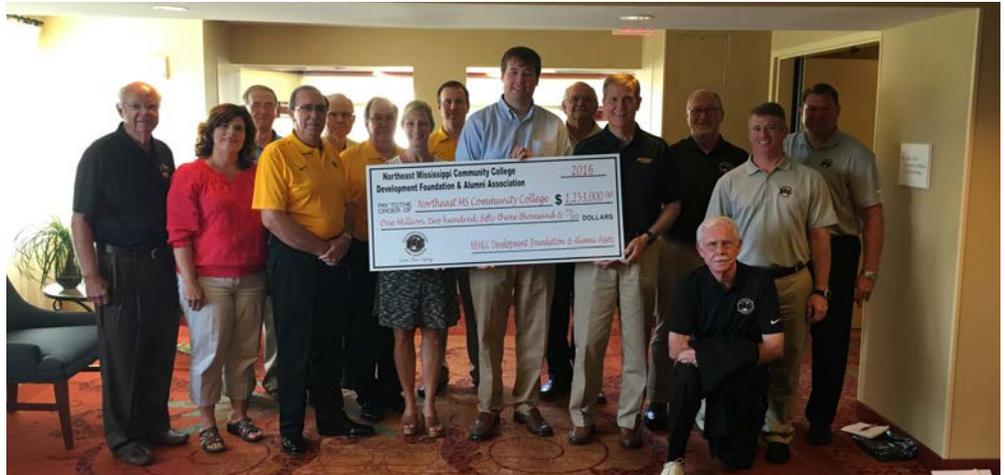
Attending the recognition ceremony between the Tiger and Lady Tiger basketball games against East Mississippi Community College on January 17 were (from left) Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton, Northeast Board of Trustee chairman Jack Ramsey, Tippah County fifth district supervisor Chad Newby, third district supervisor Mike Graves, fourth district supervisor Dennis Grisham, first district supervisor Jimmy Gunn and Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford.



Attending the recognition ceremony between the Tiger and Lady Tiger basketball games against Holmes Community College on February 13 were (from left) Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton, Union County second district supervisor Chad Cofley, fifth district supervisor Steve Watson, fourth district supervisor Randy Owen, first district supervisor Evan Denton, third district supervisor David Kitchens and Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford.

## Northeast Foundation Makes Presentation

During its recent retreat the Northeast Development Foundation Board of Directors presented college president Ricky G. Ford with a check for \$1,253,000 raised during the 2015-16 academic year and dispersed through awards and grants. The funds were directed to several different areas; \$292,000 in capital improvement/equipment, \$286,000 in program support, \$220,000 in athletics/fine arts, and \$455,000 in scholarships.



Pictured at the presentation was (back row l-r) Vance Witt, Alvia Blakney, Dr. William Jackson, John Anderson, Douglas Jackson, Rick Willis, Foundation Executive Director Patrick Eaton; (front row l-r) Bill Morgan, Beth Byrd, Jack Ramsey, Mona Lisa Grady, Foundation board president David Pounds, President Ford, Danny Dilworth, and Chris Cornelison.

## 2016 T.I.P./T.O.P. Awardees



Pictured at the presentation was (back row l-r) President Ricky Ford, James Hill, Janet Cox, Vickie Hopkins, Stephanie Freese, LaShay Blansett, and Foundation Executive Director Patrick Eaton; (front row l-r) Carrie Cobb, Amy Langley, and Beth Benson.

Patrick Eaton, executive director of the Northeast Development Foundation, and the Foundation Board of Directors awarded the 2016 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.



### **2016 T.I.P. Award Winners:**

**Beth Benson**  
**Carrie Cobb**

### **2016 T.O.P. Award Winners:**

**Amy Langley**, Division of Fine Arts  
**Janet Cox**, Division of Business & Engineering Technology  
**Wes Hill**, Division of Social, Behavioral, & Applied Sciences  
**LaShay Blansett**, Division of Humanities & Languages  
**Vickie Hopkins**, Division of Health Sciences  
**Stephanie Freese**, Division of Mathematics & Sciences

# NEMCC Employees Receive Foundation Grant



Pictured are EEF Steering Committee Members Melody Shinn (committee member), Beth Byrd (committee chairperson), Glenice Stone (committee member), Will Bowlin (committee member), Justin Treloar (committee member), and not pictured is Bonnie Bell (committee member).

Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation Board of Directors allocated \$15,000 for Employee Enhancement grants during 2016. These funds are fully funded through the contributions of the Northeast employees.



Pictured is Larry Ross of Corinth, NEMCC president Ricky G. Ford, Bobby Goddard of Booneville, Patrick Eaton, NEMCC vice president for institutional advancement; executive director of the Northeast Development Foundation and Alumni Association.



Pictured is Patrick Eaton, NEMCC vice president for institutional advancement with members of the Natchez Trace Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution Bettie Raye Akers, Vice-Regent and Kay Crow, Treasurer.

## Gift Campaign to Fund Veteran's Memorial

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

To recognize those and all US military veterans, a memorial statue and flag pole will be erected in the landscaped area near the east

end of Cunningham Boulevard at the turn-around near Ramsey Hall on the Northeast campus. Currently, the Northeast Development Foundation and Alumni Association is coordinating a fundraising effort in support of that project.

"We're calling it our Veteran's Memorial Campaign Project," said Patrick Eaton, vice president of institutional advancement and executive director of the foundation

and alumni association.

"Each gift of \$100 or more will be displayed in a marker recognizing your partnership with this campaign project. It is our privilege and honor to be a part of this project that will forever change Northeast campus. Our goal is \$30,000."

An initial gift to campaign was given by the Prentiss County Veterans Fund.

# 2nd Chance MS and Northeast Mississippi Community College:

## Collaborating on Pilot Program for Adult Students

**N**ortheast Mississippi Community College and 2ND Chance MS., Inc. are pleased to announce the start of a pilot program that will help fifty (50) low-income northeast Mississippi residents obtain both their High School Equivalency (“HSE”) and a Manufacturing Skills Basic Certification (“MSBC”), significantly enhancing these adults’ ability to obtain employment from the major employers and industries in the northeast Mississippi area.

The joint pilot program is based on the idea that modest support and financial incentives will significantly increase the number of undereducated, unskilled and unemployed adults in Mississippi that will enroll in and complete the outstanding adult education and workforce training programs that presently exist at all 15 of Mississippi’s Community Colleges.

Under the Pilot Program, NEMCC will select 50 low-income adults residing in northeast Mississippi region who do not have their High School Equivalency or the necessary work skills to obtain meaningful non-minimum wage employment. NEMCC will enroll these adults in their successful six (6) month dual Adult Education/ Manufacturing Basic Skills Certification Program which, upon completion, will bestow each graduate an HSE, several valuable skill certifications, and the ability to obtain immediate meaningful employment



from the major employers and industries in the area.

2nd Chance will provide modest financial support in order to enable and incentivize such adult class to enroll and complete the Program, including the following:

- Tuition assistance for each of the adult students;
  - Modest weekly financial support in the form of \$20 gas cards to each of the adult students in order to assist the adult students with transportation and/or food while they complete the program;
  - A graduation success fee of \$250 per pilot student upon completion of the program;
- 2nd Chance’s core mission is to

raise awareness, funds, and support for adult education and work skills training in Mississippi. Mississippi has the highest adult dropout rate and the second lowest labor participation rate in the United States. 2nd Chance believes that an educated and skilled workforce is Mississippi’s clearest path to prosperity and growth. September 12th, 2nd Chance MS will host a kick-off lunch for the students, instructors and other guests. 12pm at NEMCC 2759 S. Harper Road, Corinth, MS 38834. Please contact Catti Beals at 601-265-1895 or cbeals@2nd-ChanceMS.org for more information.



Pictured is 2016 recipient Kathryn Lee of Dennis, Northeast president Ricky G. Ford, vice president and executive director of the Northeast Development Foundation Patrick Eaton, and Dr. Marshall Hollis

# ALUMNI & FRIENDS



Dale and Emily Kendrick and David "Bubba" Pounds met with VP Eaton and Johnson during a Foundation/ Alumni retreat to discuss the future goals and projects for NEMCC Alumni & Friends.

## Hollis Family Establishes Scholarship Fund

Ripley pharmacist Dr. Marshall Hollis recently established the Dr. Marshall Hollis & Family Pharmacy Scholarship. The scholarship is a one-semester awarded to a sophomore pharmacy major with a 3.0 GPA who resides within the five-county district (Alcorn, Prentiss, Tippah, Tishomingo, Union) the college serves.

Dr. Hollis generously established a \$30,000 endowment. The Foundation currently administers 30 endowments and has a total asset value of over \$3.1 million

For more information on how to create or donate to a scholarship fund contact Patrick Eaton at the Northeast Development Foundation at 662-720-7165 or by email at [dpeaton@nemcc.edu](mailto:dpeaton@nemcc.edu).

Northeast's Foundation offers a comprehensive program of giving opportunities and is specifically responsible for gifts to the college involving estate planning, real estate, insurance, endowments, annuities, trusts, pooled income funds or other special donations that require ongoing management or binding agreements. It exists to serve Northeast by providing programs and benefits not fully provided by other sources. For more information about Northeast's Foundation contact Eaton at 662-720-7165 or [dpeaton@nemcc.edu](mailto:dpeaton@nemcc.edu). Visit the Northeast web site at [www.nemcc.edu](http://www.nemcc.edu).



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### How can I apply for a Development Foundation & Alumni Association scholarship?

1. Go to [www.nemcc.edu](http://www.nemcc.edu)
2. Click on the *Foundation & Alumni* tab at the top of the page.
3. *Foundation Scholarships* tab can be found on the left hand side of the page.

Or type the following link into your address bar:  
<http://www.nemcc.edu/foundation/foundation-scholarships/>

If you want to stay informed about new scholarships, scholarship deadlines, or just hear news from the Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation & Alumni Association be sure to follow us on facebook!



Northeast Mississippi Community College Alumni Association



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# Development Foundation & Alumni Association Scholarship Winners

Pictured with each group of donors and recipients are from left: Bubba Pounds, President of the Foundation Board of Directors; Ricky Ford, NEMCC President; and Patrick Eaton, Vice president of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association



### Alumni Association Scholarship

Recipient: Hannah Sheree Johnson (Iuka)



### Amber Peeks Memorial Scholarship

Recipients: Harper Hughes (Booneville)  
Jon Ross Michael (Booneville, not pictured)



### B.T. & Ida Knight Moore Endowment

Scholarship Representative: Kent Geno, Elizabeth Curlee  
Recipients: Chase Calvery (Booneville), Cora Geno (Booneville), Daniel Calvery (Booneville, not pictured), Alexander Fancher (Belmont, not pictured)



### Baptist Memorial

Donor: James Grantham  
Recipient: Faith Bullock (Ripley, not pictured)



### Ben Taylor Smith Memorial

Donor: Gloria Smith  
Recipient: Baley Hankins (Booneville)



### Beth VanWinkle Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Reed Green (Booneville)  
Donor: Jay VanWinkle (not pictured)



### BMH Volunteer Services Scholarship

Recipient: Breanna Evans (New Site), Cora Owens (Booneville)



### Bobby & Barbara Martin Family Endowed Scholarship

Donor: Bobby Martin, Mary Childs  
Recipient: Katie Bryan (Booneville)



### Bric Turner Memorial Scholarship

Donor: Tommy & Anita Turner  
Recipient: Anna Davis (Booneville)



**Carlos Ginn Memorial Scholarship**  
 Recipient: Jennifer Kennedy (Corinth)  
 Donor: Tom & Angela James (not pictured)



**Cecelia Tollison Memorial Scholarship**  
 Recipient: Preston Mayo (Booneville)



**Clifton Sawyer Endowed**  
 Recipient: Madelyn McVey (Glen)



**David Carnell Memorial Endowment**  
 Representative: Jody Long  
 Recipients: Hannah Cox (Columbus),  
 Molly Walden (Marietta)



**Dr. Marshall Hollis & Family Pharmacy Scholarship**  
 Kathryn Lee (Dennis)  
 Donor: Dr. Marshall Hollis (not pictured)



**F.L. "Spud" Rowell Endowment**  
 Recipient: Megan Anthony (Falkner)  
 Donor: Bill & Carol Harding (not pictured)



**Eddie Burns Memorial Scholarship**  
 Representative: Lavaile Shields,  
 Renee Newby, Angie Mason  
 Recipient: Levi Cox (Booneville)



**Fairey Eaton Miller**  
 Recipient: Brittany Gates (Ripley),  
 Megan Mauney (Ripley), Kylee Thomas (Ripley)



**Harold & Jane White Memorial**  
 Recipients: Joseph Price (Iuka),  
 Wesley Hardin (Rienzi)



**Jack & Faye Rolison Endowed Scholarship**  
 Representatives: Brian & Liz Ketchum  
 Recipient: Trevor Shoup (Ripley)



**Jack Gandy Memorial Scholarship Fund**  
 Donor: Regina Coats  
 Recipients: Jon-Mark Daily (Tishomingo),  
 Grace Pannell (Marietta)



**James L. Triplett Memorial Scholarship**  
 Donor: Luzene Triplett  
 Recipient: Deandrea Anderson (Booneville)



**Jane Williams Memorial Scholarship**  
Representative: Tina Bryan  
Donor: Harold Williams  
Recipients: Katie Bryan (Booneville)



**Janet Kutrip Memorial Endowment**  
Recipient: Kim Horton (Booneville)



**Jim & Judy Hopper, In Memory of Jeffrey Hines Hopper**  
Recipient: Laurie Bell (Walnut)



**Jimmy Murphy Memorial Scholarship**  
Representative: Mike & Amanda Mattox  
Donor: Martha Murphy  
Recipient: Molly Walden (Marietta)



**Joe Ray Langston Memorial Scholarship**  
Donor: Tracie Langston  
Recipient: Tyler Newby (Booneville),  
Harper Hughes (Booneville)



**Kappa Kappa Iota Gamma Chapter Memorial Scholarship**  
Representative: Moise Jones  
Recipient: James Turner (Rienzi)



**Kathy Carter Endowed Scholarship**  
Recipient: Savannah Hardesty (Ashland)



**Kiwanis Club of Corinth Scholarship**  
Representative: Chuck Counce  
Recipients: Taylor Durham of (Rienzi),  
Deanna King (Corinth), Baillie Lancaster (Corinth),  
Kasey McKee (Corinth), Amber Kelly (Corinth)



**Marathon Cheese Scholarship**  
Recipients: Peyton Gambill (Booneville),  
Madison Davis(Booneville)



**Matt Thornton Memorial Scholarship**  
Recipient: Ronald Whisenant (Booneville)



**Michael Hisaw Memorial Scholarship (Sponsored by Booneville Rotary Club)**  
Recipients: John Alexander Floyd (Booneville),  
Michael Kelley (Booneville)



**NASA Space Grant Scholarship**  
Recipients: Eli Henry (Tishomingo), Leigha Jackson (Booneville), Emily Long (Tishomingo), Zoe Thornton (Booneville), Breanna Loveless (Amory, not pictured)



**Foundation Excellence Scholarship**

Donor: Regina Coats  
Recipient: Michael Bennett (Ripley)



**Nedra Nabors Memorial Scholarship**

Recipient: Leah Alsup (Ripley)  
Donor: Dr. Larry Nabors (not pictured)



**North MS Education Consortium**

Donor: Dr. Cecil Weeks  
Recipients: Kerisa Thrasher (Belmont), Molly Walden (Marietta), Madilynn McAnally (Iuka), Ivy Johnson (Blue Mountain), Lenzi Sanderson (New Albany), Shannon Counce (Iuka), Cassie Hester (Baldwyn, not pictured)



**Oscar L. Shannon Memorial Scholarship**

Recipient: Kiska Johnson (Ripley)



**ProVia Products Scholarship**

Donor: Danita Cartwright  
Recipient: Haley Thornton (Booneville)



**Ralph A. Johnson Memorial Scholarship**

Donor: Mitzy Johnson Mills, Patsy Johnson  
Recipient: John Alexander Floyd (Booneville)



**Steven Allen Memorial Scholarship**

Donor: Sherry Allen  
Representative: Heather Skelton, Sabrina Mensi  
Recipient: Chandler Nix (Marietta, not pictured)



**The Peoples Bank of Ripley**

Donor: Bobby Martin, Mary Childs  
Recipient: Kelsee Leatham (Blue Mountain)



**The Peoples Bank of Ripley Charities Scholarship**

Donor: Bobby Martin, Mary Childs  
Recipient: Ashlyn Inman (Walnut)



**ThyssenKrupp Elevator Scholarship**

Donor: Readonna Farris  
Recipient: Ashlyn Inman (Walnut)



**Truitt Stockton**

Recipient: James Bellew

**Congratulations to all those who received scholarships this year!**

*The Northeast Mississippi Community College Development Foundation & Alumni Association awarded \$455,000 in Scholarships this year!*



# Northeast Inducts Four Standouts In Ninth Sports Hall of Fame Class



Pictured at the 2016 Homecoming Alumni & Sports Hall of Fame Recognition Luncheon from left to right are NEMCC President Ricky Ford, inductee Anthony Anderson, inductee John Cunningham, inductee Ronnie Key, inductee Maurice Stafford, and Director of Athletics Kent Farris.

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 ninth class of dignitaries to enter into the prestigious Sports Hall of Fame were Anthony Anderson, John Cunningham, Ronnie Key and Maurice Stafford.

This group of men together account for two National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) All-American awards, three Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges (MACJC) All-State selections and multiple postseason appearances in their respective sports.

## Childers Named to NEMCC Alumni Hall of Fame

Established in 2013, the Alumni Hall of Fame's purpose is 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.

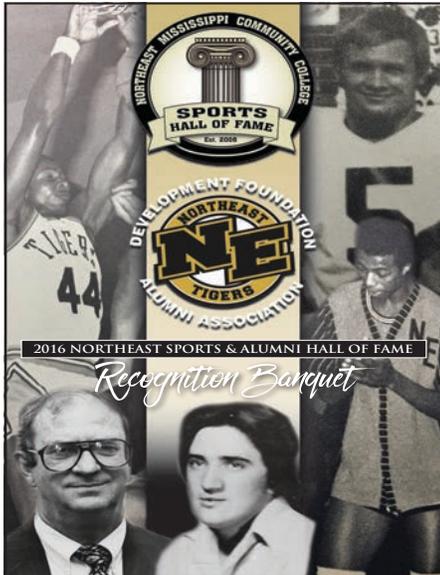
Business man, civil servant and U.S. congressman Travis Childers of Booneville is the newest inductee into the Northeast Mississippi Community College Alumni Hall of Fame. Childers attended Northeast in 1977-78 and earned a Bachelor's of Business Administration degree from the University of Mississippi in 1980.



Pictured at the 2016 Homecoming Alumni & Sports Hall of Fame Recognition Luncheon from left to right are NEMCC President Ricky Ford, inductee Travis Childers and his wife Tami Childers, and Vice president of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Development Foundation & Alumni Association Patrick Eaton.



# NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE ALUMNI



Alumni Hall of Fame Inductee Travis Childers (right) is recognized as the Grand Marshall at the 2016 NEMCC Homecoming Court Ceremony. Pictured with Travis Childers are NEMCC President Ricky Ford, Homecoming Queen Anna Claire Ivy and SGA Vice-President Nathan Cleveland.

For more information on who qualifies for the Northeast Mississippi Community College Alumni Hall of Fame or Sports Hall of Fame, please visit our website at <http://www.nemcc.edu/foundation/alumni-association/alumni-hall-of-fame>.



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# Field of Dreams



This rendering shows an overview of what will be a state of the art complex for Northeast Mississippi Community College and the Northeast Mississippi Region.



Recently Danny and Sue Ann Dilworth of Rienzi presented a \$20,000 check to launch the "Field of Dreams" capital campaign to construct a state-of-the-art baseball/softball complex on the Northeast campus. Pictured is (standing in back) VP and executive director of the Northeast Development foundation D. Patrick Eaton, (l-r) David "Bubba" Pounds, president, Northeast Development Foundation Board of Directors, Sue Ann and Danny Dilworth, and Northeast president Ricky G. Ford.

Northeast Mississippi Community College's baseball and softball programs have been blessed through the years to call Booneville City Park their home with no on-campus facility available.

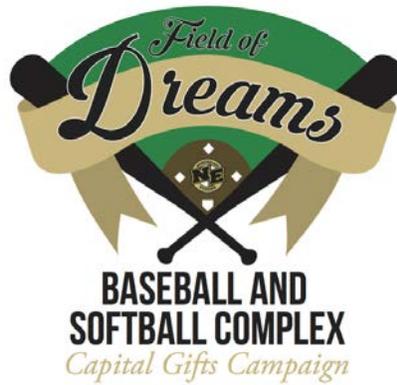
The baseball team is the second oldest sports program on campus behind only men's basketball. The Tigers originally played their home games on what is now the Babe Ruth League field at western most part of the Booneville City Park.

Harold T. White Field was constructed inside the Booneville City Park complex in the late 1980s and it has served as the home of the Tigers ever since. At the time it was one of the nicest parks in the league, but it lacks needed infrastructure of a modern facility such as permanent seating, Internet access (hard line or Wi-Fi) and a paved walking area. Northeast also shares this facility with Booneville High School's baseball team.

The softball program was founded in the late 1980s and originally played its home games on a field in the west side of the park as well. The Tigers now play their games on "Field 1," which was renamed three years ago as David Carnell Memorial Field in honor of the Hall of Fame former coach of Northeast softball.

Both programs have found success and hosted prestigious tournaments at their current facilities. Baseball hosted the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges (MACJC) State Tournament in 2014 while softball has hosted the TigerFest every February, which is considered one of the top tournaments in the nation.

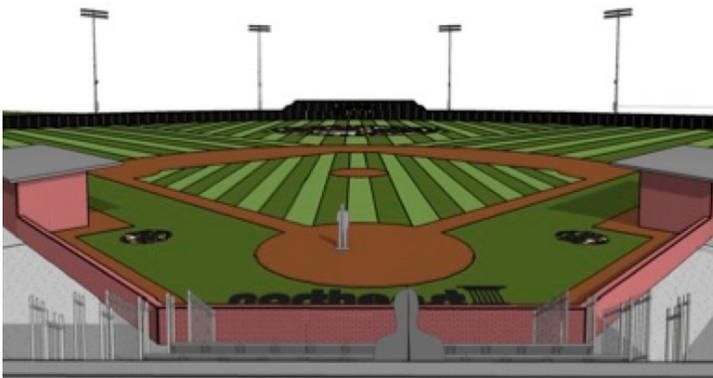
Northeast softball has won more MACJC North Division championships than any other program since its transition to fastpitch in 2001. The Tigers have



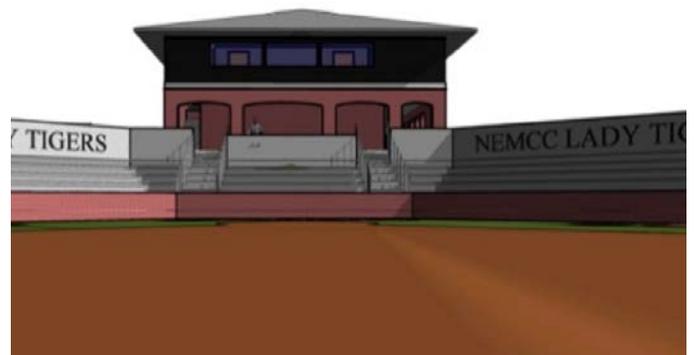
also appeared once in the NJCAA Division II National Tournament. Northeast baseball most recently won the MACJC North Division in

2013 and has captured nine playoff berths since the turn of the century.

Northeast looks to extend the foundation already laid by both the baseball and softball programs with a brand new complex that will be the nicest in the state featuring a two-story concession and pressbox building, an all-turf field and permanent bleachers just to name a few of the amenities. This complex will help both baseball and softball compete on not just a state, but on a national level for decades to come.



This will be the view from the 65 chair back seats that will be available at the new baseball stadium. The field will have artificial turf which will decrease the amount of maintenance needed.



View from second base of the softball field. The field will feature artificial turf and 35 chair back seats in the middle section of the stands.



The baseball and softball complex will be built on property that is owned by the college and is located on the corner of 3rd Street and Coach Bill Ward Drive.



The two story multi-purpose building will provide a ticket office, press box, restrooms, concessions, and a meeting room. The facility will also provide a covered waiting area and porches for fans.



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# Development Foundation & Alumni Association Recognizes the 2016-2017 Athletic All-Star Sponsors



At the recognition ceremony for Physician's Urgent Care were (from left) Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford, Physician's Urgent Care's Renee Flowers and Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton.

Northeast Mississippi Community College's Development Foundation and Alumni Association recognized the individuals, companies and corporations for their generous support in becoming an athletic all-star sponsor for the 2016-17 academic year between the Tigers and Lady Tigers basketball games against Holmes Community College on February 13. Members of the Athletic All-Star Sponsor program included Physicians Urgent Care, Coca-Cola, Modern Woodmen, BancorpSouth, Popeyes, MaxxSouth Wendy's, Baptist Memorial Hospital in Booneville, Dr. Erik Dukes and Dr. Sean Reynolds and Zaxby's.



At the recognition ceremony for BancorpSouth were (from left) Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford, BancorpSouth's Rick Willis and Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton.



At the recognition ceremony for MaxxSouth were (from left) Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford, MaxxSouth's Evan Ricks and Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton.



At the recognition ceremony for Coca-Cola were (from left) Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford, Coca-Cola's Randy Humphreys and Dennis Dilworth and Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton.



At the recognition ceremony for Modern Woodmen were (from left) Northeast Mississippi Community College president Ricky Ford, Modern Woodman's Steven Eaton and Zeb Taylor and Northeast Development Foundation executive director Patrick Eaton.

# Years of Service Recognition



*Leave Your Legacy*

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

Carrie Cobb  
 Brandon Elliott  
 Mark Hatfield  
 John Little  
 Erica Miller  
 Stephanie Moore  
 Chris Murphy  
 Lorenza Sorrell  
 Robin South  
 Mark Tomlinson  
 Susan Walker

## 10 Years

Camille Beals  
 Lynn Burns  
 Kent Farris  
 Tina Gambill  
 Debra Hazel-Lambert  
 Jason Mattox  
 Levi McDonald  
 Dale Michael  
 Bryan Mitchell  
 Kathern Pace  
 Peggy Russell  
 Bobby Walden  
 Jeff Williams

## 15 Years

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

## 20 Years

Ray Hall  
 Stevie Lovelace  
 John Yarber

## 25 Years

Rocky Hughes  
 Greg Moore  
 Janis Patterson  
 Ray Scott

## 30 Years

Rilla Jones  
 Marvin Ozbirn  
 Mike Snowden  
 Paula Stennett

## 30+ Years

William Johnson (30.5 years)  
 Vickie Huggins (31.5 years)  
 Christy Putt (32.5 years)  
 Terry Anderson (34 years)

## 35+ Years

Ricky Ford – 35 years



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## 2016-2017 ATHLETIC ALL-STAR SPONSORS



*Thank you for all  
your support!*



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