

# Tech Monthly

## SAU Tech's Employee Newsletter

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### Gearing Up For 2010



SAU Tech's enrollment for 2010 is reflecting the increase of the fall enrollment in 2009. More students are seeking their first two years of education at two-year colleges and more adults are returning to college to learn new skills for a new career or to move ahead in their present career. While the college has experienced a dramatic increase in enrollment, the state funding for the year has been cut back due to lower than expected state revenues. What does this mean? Doing more with less money! This seems to be the norm for two-year colleges across the country, especially in rural areas. The solution? Everyone has to do their part by conserving energy, carefully considering purchases, scaling back travel and sharing departmental resources as needed. The good news is that the increase in students means that the workforce in the south Arkansas area is becoming more educated and better skilled. This is exactly what Arkansas needs to boost the economy! Two-year colleges like SAU Tech are vital to improving the economy and to bringing the country out of the current recession.

Please submit departmental information before the 15th of each month by contacting Mary Beth Kilgore : 574-4482 or email: [mkilgore@sautech.edu](mailto:mkilgore@sautech.edu)

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**SAU Tech to Host Black History Event**

*Join SAU Tech. in the Celebration of  
Black History Month!*

**A Black History Community Celebration Promoting Diversity  
in Honor of the Betty J. Lewis Scholarship.**



The event guest speaker will be Pearlle S. Reed, Assistant Secretary for Administration for the USDA in President Obama's administration in Washington, DC. Mr. Reed is a native of Heth, Arkansas and graduated from UAPB and later from the American University in Washington, D.C. Mr. Reed has served on the Civil Rights Action Team within the USDA and over his career has received numerous honors and awards including the George Washington Carver Public Service Hall of Fame Award and the USDA Silver Plow Award.

**Join Us at: the Ross Center in Camden on February 18th at 6:00 p.m.  
Individual Tickets are \$10.00 - Tables are \$100.00 - Covers Admission & Dinner  
Call Today to Get Your Tickets!  
870.574. 4495**

## Aviation Graduates in December



Kenneth Potts, Tioga High School, (LA); Larry Inscore, Prescott HS; Cameron Buchanan, Texas High School; Jonathan Robardey, Pleasant Grove HS; David Leslie (Instructor); Mark Hoskins, Liberty Eylau HS; Steve Luebbert, Nathan Watkins, Texas High School; Chris Frey, Pleasant Grove HS; Jeremy Symonds,

## SAU Tech Participates in Pilot Program

SAU Tech is one of Arkansas's two-year colleges chosen to participate in a three-year pilot program which places three career coaches at the college to work with area students and potential students in helping them prepare for their future. This pilot program is part of Governor Beebe's Arkansas Works Initiative and is an expansion of the College and Career Planning System in Arkansas. The pilot project is designed to inform students and young adult about education skills and training requirements for today's 21<sup>st</sup> century jobs, to help them explore careers interests and create a career plan. The project will also connect students with colleges and universities that offer training and degree programs that meet their interests as well as assist businesses in finding job candidates to meet workforce needs. The program is designed to serve unemployed and adult job seekers, 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students, parents and educators, students enrolled in college, colleges and business, industry and government agencies. You can find out more about the program by going to [www.arworks.arkansas.gov](http://www.arworks.arkansas.gov). The career coaches at SAU Tech are located in the Community and Secondary Education Department under the Extended Education Division. The coaches are Ophelia Lindsey, Temeke Butler and Neatrice Strickland.

## SAU Tech Distinguished Speaker Series

### SOUTHERN ARKANSAS UNIVERSITY TECH'S DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS SERIES



**COLONEL MIKE MULLANE,  
former NASA astronaut**

**SAU Tech is proud to announce Colonel Mike Mullane as the third annual distinguished speaker for 2010. Mullane was selected a Mission Specialist in 1978 in the first group of Space Shuttle Astronauts. He served in the US Air Force and Vietnam and is a member of the International Space Hall of Fame.**



**March 15, 2010 at 6:00 pm  
Charles O. Ross Center**

**Call For a Complimentary Ticket - 870.574.4521**

## College Calendar

Feb. 18	Black History Event— Ross Center— 6:00 p.m.
Feb. 25	Quiz Bowl—Library at Noon
Feb. 26	Deadline to Apply for Graduation

## Helping Others



**SHOW LOVE  
TO A HAITIAN CHILD  
By  
DONATING A STUFFED ANIMAL**

SAU Tech's Career Pathways Office is lending a helping hand to Ouachita Technical College's Career Pathways Program.

DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL MARCH 26<sup>th</sup>. STUFFED ANIMALS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE HAITIAN CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN RELOCATED TO THE UNITED STATES.

Please bring stuffed animals of all kinds to the Career Pathways office (Career Academy Building). We will deliver the stuffed animals to OTC the following week.



It's time for the Camden Poker Run! If you ride a bike, you can join in the fun...just fill out the registration form and get ready for a great time! You can support the event with a sponsorship or by buying a t-shirt! T-Shirts come in all sizes and are \$15.00 each. All the forms you need are attached! The funds raised go to the Zach Hooper Memorial Scholarship! Join in today for the ride of your life!!!! Contact Gaye Manning to sign up to ride, buy a shirt or to sponsor the event! Call Gaye at 870.574.4509 or contact her by email at [gmaning@sautech.edu](mailto:gmaning@sautech.edu).