SAU Tech, in conjunction with UofA’s Cooperative Extension program, hosted a youth entrepreneurship conference at SAU Tech on Saturday, November 5. Forty-two students in the 5th through 12th grades attended from Bearden, Harmony Grove, and Hampton public schools. The program introduced the students to entrepreneurship as a career and specifically how, as youth, they can begin to think in terms of entrepreneurial development now. The students heard presentations on various aspects of entrepreneurship from Dr. George Betts, Jerri Lephiew from UofA Cooperative Extension, Phyllis Hutson, SAU Tech entrepreneurship instructor, and advice from local business owners, Kathy Boyette and Susan Ables. The keynote speaker was Jim Brock from the Arkansas Department of Career Service. The event was concluded with a tour of What’s Cookin’ in Camden, a locally owned and operated restaurant. The event was led by Robert Gunnels, VC for Extended Education, Dr. George Betts, and Jerri Lephiew with the extension office.
GED Week

SAU Tech’s Adult Education Center celebrated GED week with a balloon liftoff on Thursday, October 13. Camden Mayor, Chris Claybaker, signed a proclamation claiming the week of October 10-14 as Adult Education Week and October 10 as GED pride day.

Camden Mayor, Chris Claybaker pictured here with SAU Tech Adult Education Director, Barbara Hamilton.

Library Events

The SAU Tech Library hosted a Constitution Day contest and the winners are as follows:

1st prize winner-Brandy Gulley, 2nd prize winner-Michael McMahan and 3rd prize winner Shirley Purifoy.

Above: Students listen as David Tester with the Arkansas Fire Training Academy talks to them about fire safety, smoke alarms and fire extinguishers at the SAU Tech Library.
Board members for the OCCLC pose with program director, Linda Nelson, and Verizon Representative, Ginger Daril, with the donation of an $8,800 grant from Verizon. Pictured from left to right are: Jamela Bradford, Emeka Nnoli, Ginger Daril, Linda Nelson, Sandy Neely, Sharron Ekpe, Elenor Thompson and Bishop Chester Thompson.

AATYC Academic All-Star

Education is something that Akelia Russell values and now she is being rewarded for her dedication. As an SAU Tech student, Akelia works on campus in the Registrar’s office and Wayne Banks, SAU Tech’s Registrar, says this about Akelia, “Ms. Russell is an enthusiastic, dedicated employee with great work habits. She works hard and possesses a character not often seen in someone so young. She has core values, is trustworthy and is very respectful and kind to others.” Akelia was nominated for the Arkansas Association of Two-Year Colleges Academic All-Star Award due in part to her work ethic but more importantly her academic record. Akelia’s long range goal is to complete a master’s degree and the All-Star Award will help her reach that goal. Recipients of the award are eligible for transfer scholarships to all of Arkansas’s public four-year universities. Akelia will graduate from SAU Tech in May 2012.
AATYC Faculty Award

Nomination Information:

“Nowhere to go but UP” is Brannon West’s philosophy for himself, his students and the SAU Tech Aviation Maintenance program. Brannon’s experience and expertise and his willingness to go the extra mile with his students is what sets Brannon apart. Brannon West, a former SAU Tech student himself, returned to the college a few years ago to instruct students in the aviation maintenance program. It was soon evident that Brannon cared a great deal about the success of his students as he began to tutor them individually to pass their FAA exams and helped them gain experience by taking them with him after hours and on weekends to work on airplanes around the state. Due to Brannon’s willingness to do whatever is best for his students, he was awarded the 2011 Arkansas Association of Two-Year Colleges Outstanding Faculty Award by SAU Tech.

AATYC Staff Award

Nomination Information:

To say that Allison Malone exceeds the expectations of a college librarian would be an understatement. Her service to our students and staff far exceed the requirements of the job. Believing everyone pulling together can make the college a better place to work and a better place for students to get a true education, Allison led the way for The Tech Learning Center, a state of the art tutoring program, to become a reality. The TLC was long coming, but it is “one giant leap” for our students. Sure, Allison wants to keep the noise down in the LRC, but it’s not the kind of place where silence is golden or where books are better on shelves. She focuses on flexibility and encourages students to collaborate. She works to make the LRC a warm and welcoming place. Not only does Allison support the college’s curriculum and provide essential information services to our students and staff, she provides creative programs to encourage and foster lifelong reading and learning. Enthusiasm, initiative, a great sense of humor, and a proactive attitude help her get things done whenever needed.
SAU Tech, with help from CashCourse®, an online resource from the National Endowment for Financial Education® (NEFE®), is taking a proactive approach to improving its students’ financial well-being. The college recently joined the more than 550 colleges and universities across the U.S. that are using CashCourse, a free, unbiased and noncommercial financial education solution for students and recent graduates. The course is open to anyone wanting to know more about managing money, improving credit ratings, paying off debt and more! Check it out at www.cashcourse.org/sautech and get started on your journey to a more stable financial future!

**State Fair Winners**

SAU Tech Multimedia students submitted photos and an illustration to the Arkansas State Fair and they visited the fair on October 14 to receive their awards. The results are as follows:

Jessica Farmer: 2-1st Place Ribbons, 1-6th Place Ribbon, and 2-Honorable Mentions.

Kate Fields: 3-2nd Place Ribbons and 2-3rd Place Ribbons.

Calvin Bramlett: 1-2nd Place Ribbon, 2-Honorable Mentions, and 4th Place on a Pencil Illustration.

**Halloween Contest Winners**

Calvin Bramlett, First Place  
Richard Ball,  
Second Place  
Dylan Law,  
Third Place

See the Honorable Mentions on the back page.
On October 26, 2011, seven Career Academy students and two Career Academy instructors attended the annual SkillsUSA Fall Leadership Conference at Pulaski Technical College at the North Little Rock campus. During this year's officer training, students were given an opportunity to learn more about what it takes to become a leader in SkillsUSA, at school, at work, and in the community.

The students received leadership training in the following areas:
- Communications-wriring skills, public speaking skills, conversation and listening skills;
- Etiquette-professional appearance, formal table etiquette, and global travel;
- Officer Essentials-basic officer duties, opening and closing ceremonies, parliamentary procedures, SkillsUSA knowledge, professional development and goal setting; and
- Team building-hands-on learning activities conducive to team development.

The following students are enrolled in the TV/Radio Broadcasting program of study under the direction of their attending instructor, LaVant Randall: Andrea Oliver, Hampton High School; Justin Elliott, and Kionna Lee, Harmony Grove High School. LaVant Randall taught two sessions, in the place of a SkillsUSA Board member who could not make the meeting.

The remaining four students attending are enrolled in the Health Sciences Technology program under the direction of their attending instructor, Jessica Young: Angelica Robles, Hampton High School; Kaleah Hegwood, Camden Fairview High School; NaCenya Hogan and Summer Hornaday, Harmony Grove High School.

Upon arrival, the health science students performed the opening and closing ceremonies as acting SkillsUSA state officers for a crowd of 126 students and 30 advisors. All of the Career Academy's health science students that attended passed the Arkansas SkillsUSA Statesman Exam and will receive their Statesman Award which will be presented by SkillsUSA State Director, Jeremy Brevell.
SAU Tech is offering a course of study in aerospace defense manufacturing at the request of the industries located in the Highland Industrial Park in Camden, Arkansas.

The courses provide students the basic requirements to work for the industries located in the park. Students complete the courses in one semester, and with successful completion of the program, students receive priority for hire when they sign-on with ESA or Manpower.

To qualify to enter the program, students must have a bronze or higher Career Readiness Certificate (CRC).

**When:** Jan. 12, 2012 - May 1, 2012 (Monday, Tuesday & Thursday)

**Where:** SAU Tech’s Building at the Camden Airport

**Time:** 5:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

Scholarships are limited based on the availability of funds.

Call 870.574.4712 TODAY!

Space and funding is limited!

Get in on a great opportunity to start a new career!
Instructor Micheal Cossey from the Arkansas Fire Training Academy looks on during the patient pick-off completion at the AFTA.

The first annual Industry Rescue Competition was held at the Arkansas Fire Training Academy on November 3, 2011. Participants from Lion Oil, Chemtura, Great Lakes, and Clean Harbors all came out to show their company’s rescue skills. Competition categories included: confined space rescue, patient pick-off, knot tying and hydrant speed drill. All four companies did a great job with Lion Oil receiving the award for best overall.

Participants compete in the confined space rescue drill at the AFTA.
Learn to Use FACEBOOK!

Get connected and stay connected! Facebook now has 600 million+ users and baby boomers are its fastest growing demographic using Facebook. Keep in touch with friends, loved ones, or business contacts on Facebook! Set up your profile, chat, invite friends and learn to use security settings. Learn how to communicate with friends and family on Facebook! Learn how to post photos, music, and videos to your Facebook page and learn about tagging.

This is your opportunity to learn how to use the fastest growing social network tool. Participants can bring photo(s) that are saved to a disc, CD, DVD or jump drive to load on Facebook. Each participant will receive a how-to guide to take home.

Location: TBA
Date: Monday, December 5 - 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Cost: $20
Instructor: Ophelia Lindsey

A minimum of five participants are required to have a class.

Register by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 1, 2011

Call 870.574.4495 or by email at rgivens@sautech.edu

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Basic Pageant Prep

This class is designed for parents that want to learn pageant tips for children ages six months to twelve years of age. The class will give each child an opportunity to practice in an effort to increase their on stage confidence. Each participant will receive a pageant prep guide.

Learning Objectives:
• When is the right time to enter your child in pageants?
• Learn about the different pageant systems.
• Learn basic walking techniques for entry-level pageants.
• Learn how to select clothing.
• Learn how to fill out pageant applications.
• Learn more about the judging process.

Location: TBA
Date: Saturday, December 3, 9:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m.
Cost: $20 per Child (Parent can attend for free.)
Limit: 20 Participants
Instructor: Ophelia Lindsey

A minimum of five participants are required to have a class.

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College Calendar

November 7-25  Early Registration (All Returning Students)
November 21  Last Day for Instructor Drops
November 24 & 25  Campus Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
November 30  Last Day to Drop with Grade of “W”
December 6-8, 12-13  Final Exams
December 8, 12, 13  Book Buyback
December 14  Final Grade to Registrar
December 15  Fall Semester Ends
December 15  Texarkana Aviation Graduation
December 15  LPN Classes End
December 23–January 2  Campus Closed for Christmas Holidays

Halloween Contest Photos

Honorable Mention: Taylor Seamen, Tim Osteen and Jessica Farmer.

Jessica Farmer  Tim Osteen & Taylor Seamen