North Shore Innovent Team Invited to the White House

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Pictured, l-r: Paul Ventresca, Career Center Manager, North Shore Career Center; Kathleen (Katie) Crowder, Coordinator, Youth Workforce Initiatives, North Shore WIB; Dianne Palter Gill, NSCC Dean of Corporate & Community Education; Nancy Huntington Stager, Executive Vice President, Human Resources & Charitable Giving, Eastern Bank and NSWIB Chair; Mary Sarris, Executive Director, NSWIB; Edward (Ed) O’Sullivan, Director of Programs and Operations, NSWIB; Gina Frey, Director of Adult Basic Education, North Shore Community Action Program; Arthur Bowes, Senior Vice President, Human Resources, North Shore Medical Center; David Manning, Director, Program Accountability Systems & Support (PASS), MA Department of Workforce Development; Mark Whitmore, Executive Director, North Shore Career Center

Dr. Dianne Palter Gill, Dean of Corporate and Community Education at North Shore Community College was recently invited to the White House as part of a team that won a U.S. Department of Labor Challenge. The team, North Shore Innovent, along with Dr. Palter Gill, was comprised of workforce professionals from the North Shore Workforce Investment Board, North Shore Career Center, and North Shore Community Action Program. Honored at a day-long celebration and sharing of best practices at the White House on February 16th, the North Shore team had developed a program based on Human-Centered Design. The prototype design was developed to create processes that foster a faster match between employers and those seeking jobs. This innovative design will not only give a competitive advantage to our regions’ businesses, but also make the job seeking process more efficient. The North Shore Career Center has a location on the Lynn Campus of NSCC. This new initiative will support the job seekers in our greater North Shore community, and will provide an advantage for NSCC students who are ready to look for their new careers.
**Please inform your students - Summer 2016 Registration and Payment Options**

Summer registration will open on **March 2, 2016**. Please note that any unresolved balances or missing requirements may result in a hold on your account and that will prevent you from registering for classes or requesting transcripts.

Students who register for Summer 2016 classes must act on one of the payment options listed below prior **5:00 p.m on Thursday, May 05, 2016**. Students who fail to act on a payment option will be dropped from their classes for nonpayment. Details regarding the payment options can be found on the [Student Financial Services page](#), under Payment Options.

- Payment in full (through Campus Pipeline)
- NSCC Payment Plan (through Campus Pipeline)
- Financial Aid
  - *some aid award may require students to register for at least 6 credits. Pell eligible students may receive prorated aid if register for less than 6 credits*

Please contact Student Financial Services if you have any questions. We can be reached at 978-762-4189 or [sfs@northshore.edu](mailto:sfs@northshore.edu).

--**Wen-Hsin Chen**, Student Financial Services

**SEP Survey** - The North Shore Community College Strategic Enrollment Plan (SEP) that will last from fiscal year 2017 through fiscal year 2021 is a commitment to increasing enrollment, retention, and graduation. This plan represents an enrollment management approach that illustrates: awareness of our current students and those students we have an opportunity to serve; incorporation of the idea that we must develop and implement promising practices and successful strategies that research has illustrated can support the types of students we serve and those we plan to serve in the future; dedication and alignment with core values of our College and major plans that will guide the College for the next five years; and reinforcement of our goals to make data-guided decisions in support of community, state, and accreditation goals.

The process has included a number of internal and external stakeholders and a draft has been created. We are asking for your input to help ensure that this document receives wide-ranging review and feedback.

The following is a [link](#) to the Google site (please click `drafts` once you enter the site) so you can review the draft and a [link](#) to a feedback form. We would ask that you submit any comments by Friday, 3.11.16. Also, please email me directly at [jewilliam@northshore.edu](mailto:jewilliam@northshore.edu) if you would like me attend a meeting where I can listen to your feedback and/or present the plan.

On behalf of the Strategic Enrollment Plan Team, thank you for any time you can devote to this process.

Kind regards,

--**Stephen Creamer, Christopher Dufort, John Duff, Laurie LaChapelle, Samantha McGilloway, Laurel Messina Duluk, Elaine Mom, Cynthia O’Donnell, Kimberly Odusami, Mairim Soto, Cristy Sugarman, Jermaine Williams** (Chair), and **Nivedita Bagchi Williamson**
**NSCC Shuttle Bus Survey** - North Shore Community College (NSCC) is committed to supporting student access and success. One of the ways we do this is by providing a free shuttle bus service. Based on student feedback throughout the years, adjustments have been made. For example, the bus can now be tracked in real time and there is a regular review of the schedule.

Currently, the shuttle bus runs Monday through Friday on all days when classes are in session during the regular 15 week semester, including the exam period. The bus begins at the Lynn campus at 7:00 a.m., proceeds to Danvers and Middleton locations, and arrives back at Lynn at approximately 8:40 a.m. This loop occurs six times per day.

Students, faculty, and staff have encouraged the College to review other possible options for the shuttle bus. Before the financial impact of a new option is explored, we want to get the voice of the students, faculty, and staff who depend on the shuttle bus to attend courses, access NSCC resources, and actively engage in the College community in general. This survey will take approximately 5-10 minutes of your time. We are asking that you please complete the survey by Friday, 3.11.16.

Please click here to access the survey. If the hyperlink does not work, then please copy and paste the following link into your browser, https://nsccir.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3TNRFnkRInTKkly

Thank you,
--Jermaine Williams, Vice President of Student Affairs

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**20 Minute Online Professional Development** - The Monday Morning Mentor series will be available over the spring semester to bring you professional development in twenty minute snippets.

For the week of **February 29th – How Can I Effectively Use Class Preparation Assignments?**

*Directions for Accessing the Link to the Presentation and Supplemental Materials*

Select the URL link below to access the presentation and to print the supplemental materials. (You may also copy and paste the URL into your browser’s address bar.)
https://sites.google.com/a/northshore.edu/mmm/

New presentations go live at 10:00am each Monday morning and are only accessible through Sunday. The complete spring schedule of Monday Morning Mentor sessions is available at http://nscclets.blogspot.com/2015/12/20-minute-mentor-online-faculty.html.

The series is being brought to you by Instructional Technology and Design (ITD) along with the Center for Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CTLA) – we would appreciate your input!

**Andrea Milligan**
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**Chris Bednar**
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WHAT A GREAT WAY TO START YOUR WEEK!!
NSCC Alumni Faculty/Staff Luncheon

Seated, l-r: Elaine Greaney ’07, Surgical Technology; Cathy Anderson ’96, President’s Office; Alma Hoxhaj ’13, Fiscal Affairs; Kathy Sullivan ’93, Library; Sandy Rochon, Alumni Coordinator. Standing, l-r: Vedad Konjic ’05, Facilities; Joseph Mansell ’07, Radiologic Technology; Judson Lane ’07, Radiologic Technology; Bob Murphy ’91, Information Systems; Diane Caruso ’06, Physical Therapy Assistant; Jennifer Forte ’09, Surgical Technology; Sheila Girard ’01, Admissions; Tabatha Lord ’07, Information Systems; Kristine Babcock ’85, Veteran’s Services/Enrollment and Student Records; Tracy Callahan ’95, Marketing; Nancy Barker ’10, PR/New Media; Patty Bourgeois ’96, Fiscal Affairs; Donna Stefano ’89, Academic Affairs; Krzysztof Suchcicki ’90, Information Systems; Art Neuner ’72, Business Department, retired/ current adjunct; Reynaldo Ramos ’09, Fiscal Affairs.

NSCC alumni faculty and staff are pictured above at a pizza lunch last Friday hosted by the Alumni Association Board and the Alumni Office. Many thanks to those who came to share camaraderie and ideas for alumni engagement. At the lunch, plans were announced for an upcoming Alumni Association Board scholarship fundraiser featuring renowned spiritual medium and psychic Maria Halvorsen. Information about Maria can be found at http://mariahalvorsen.com/.

This evening of spiritual communication event will be held at the Danvers campus on April 14th from 6 to 8:30 PM. A limited number of tickets will be sold and tickets will be offered first to faculty and staff alumni (limit two tickets per person). Faculty and staff alumni may purchase their tickets online here or by check through the Alumni Office beginning March 1st.

All proceeds will benefit NSCC Alumni Association Board alumni scholarships. For more information or questions, contact Sandy Rochon srochon@northshore.edu, ext 5481.
Poetry Reading, Silent Auction Art Sale, & Magazine Launch - All Are Welcome - On Tuesday, March 29 in the Danvers old café, the Delta Alpha Pi Honor Society is holding an event to celebrate learning diversity and the arts. From 2-3 pm, enjoy a poetry reading by current NSCC students. Bring your class and encourage your students to consider reading at the event; please see the flyer attached to The Bulletin for details. Stop by the old café from 1-3:30 pm on March 29 to browse or bid on beautiful original artwork, pick up a free copy of Delta Alpha Pi's student-produced magazine Chrysalis, buy a baked good, or enter the raffle. This event is open to everyone at NSCC and the surrounding community.

-Aillie McKeever, Disability Services

Teaching Circles at NSCC - What is a Teaching Circle?
A Teaching Circle is a group of 5-6 faculty members interested in deepening their expertise in a targeted area of inquiry. Faculty members determine the topic, and the CTLA and ITD provide resources to support your work. It's simple, straightforward, and designed specifically to accommodate busy faculty work schedules.

For more information, click Teaching Circle FAQ and Teaching Circle topics.

--Chris Bednar, CTLA

Updates from HR/Payroll -

Our EAP provider, now E4Health, has upgraded their resources to provide a more enhanced online experience for you and your family. You may access them by logging on to www.HelloE4.com (User name: NSCC/Password: guest) or call (800) 828-6025. E4Health is a free, confidential service that includes resources for emotional well-being, health and wellness, family and caregiving, professional counseling services as well as legal and financial consultations and referrals. See the attached E4Health flyer to begin taking advantage of this resource. You may contact Mary Dowdell at X5558 or email mdowdell@northshore.edu if you need more information.
A Celebration of the Life of Lisa Milso, former NSCC Director of Student Life, will be held on Thursday, March 24 from 6-9 p.m. in the gym on NSCC’s Lynn campus. Lisa died suddenly on Christmas Eve following 28 years of dedicated service to the college and countless students and alumni. All who knew and cared for Lisa are welcome to come remember her and salute the very special life and contributions of our valued colleague.

The evening will feature a New Orleans theme in honor of Lisa’s commitment and leadership of the college’s near decade of work with rebuilding NOLA post-Katrina. Cajun & Zydeco music will be provided by Ralph Tufo and the Squeezebox Stompers, a light, Southern buffet will be available, and there will be testimonials from Lisa’s friends and colleagues from throughout her long North Shore career.

Information will also be available on the newly-created Lisa Milso Memorial Scholarship Fund as well as organ donation, seeing that Lisa’s final gift was to donate organs to seven people in whom she will continue to live on.

RSVP here

NSCC Seeks Candidates for Distinguished Alumnus Award – The North Shore Community College (NSCC) Alumni Association is seeking nominations for the annual Distinguished Alumnus Award, designed to recognize outstanding alumni of the College. Any interested party on behalf of an NSCC alumnus may submit nominations.

Candidates for the award will be chosen on the basis of integrity, professional accomplishment, and community or College service. The award recipient must be able to attend NSCC’s Commencement on May 26, 2016.

Please submit a letter of nomination describing the nominee’s special achievements and/or contributions, or complete our nomination form available at www.northshore.edu/alumni/award/nominate.html

Please forward the letter of nomination no later than March 18, 2016 to the NSCC Alumni Office, One Ferncroft Road, P.O. Box 3340, Danvers, MA 01923. If you would like further information, please contact Sandy Rochon, Alumni Coordinator at 978-762-4000 x5481 or e-mail srochon@northshore.edu
NSCC’s 2016 Scholarship application and recommendation submission process will be online starting February 1, 2016. The new scholarship application process requires faculty and staff to submit letters of reference online.

Email requests for reference letters will come from no-reply@academicworks.com. This link will open a window displaying the name of the student requesting a reference, along with the date and status of the request.

To submit an online letter of recommendation:

1. Write and Save your letter as a Word or PDF file
2. Click on the link provided in the reference request email
3. Click on the BEGIN button
4. Click on the "Add a file" link
5. Browse to find your saved letter
6. Upload the letter and click SUBMIT

Please note:

- You must wait until prompted by the email request to submit your recommendation.
- Applications are due March 11th
- Student applications are not considered complete until a letter of recommendation is uploaded. If it’s not possible to provide one prior to March 11th, kindly let the requesting student know with sufficient time to request another reference.

Your letter will remain confidential and visible only to the application review committee, not the student. The student will receive confirmation when you have successfully uploaded your letter.

If you have questions, please contact Teresa Lord at telord@northshore.edu or ext. 5502. Many thanks!

A few scholarships still accept paper applications.

As you know, NSCC’s scholarship application and recommendation submission process is now online. However, the scholarships listed below still require applications and recommendations in paper format. The application completion deadline is March 11, 2016.

Scholarships for current NSCC students
Uncommon Leader Scholarship Fund

Scholarships for NSCC graduates
Alumni Association Scholarship
For information regarding this scholarship please contact Sandra Rochon at ext. 5481 or srochon@northshore.edu.

Scholarships for High School Seniors
Daniel Callahan Memorial Scholarship
Believe in Lynn Scholarships
Gorton's of Gloucester Scholarships
Wayne Burton Presidential Scholarships
NSCC STEM Leadership Scholarships
Upward Bound Scholarships
East Boston Savings Bank Scholarship

To download and print these applications visit www.northshore.edu/scholarships/
North Shore Community College Alumni Scholarships
NSCC’s Alumni Association Board announces 2016 alumni scholarships...

Each year, NSCC’s Alumni Association Board awards scholarships to graduates of NSCC who are continuing their education at an accredited 4-year institution. Eligible graduates include members of NSCC’s Class of 2016 or any prior year.

Awards of $1,000 or more are made on the basis of merit, academic scholarship, and campus/community service. Further information about eligibility requirements and applications are available online at www.northshore.edu/alumni/association/scholarship.html, or at the Alumni Office. For more information contact the Alumni Office at 978-762-4000 x5481 or e-mail to srochon@northshore.edu. Applications may also be downloaded from the NSCC website at www.northshore.edu/alumni/association/scholarship.html. Application deadline is March 11, 2016.

--Sandy Rochon, Alumni Coordinator, srochon@northshore.edu

MSC Initiative - NSCC is once again participating in the Multi-State Collaborative (MSC) initiative. You may recall that last year a number of you submitted student artifacts (e.g., essays, journal entries, and quantitative papers) to examine the validity of the AAC&U rubrics in written communication, quantitative literacy, and critical thinking.

The MSC is continuing to test these rubrics and has requested additional artifacts (e.g., essays, journal entries, and quantitative papers) in the following areas:

- written communication
- quantitative literacy
- critical thinking
- civic engagement

We received a small grant to stipend faculty interested in participating. Depending upon the level of faculty participation, these stipends will be somewhere in the range of $50-$100 per faculty member. The process is entirely voluntary and is intended to assess the rubrics only, not the student work or scope of the assignment. If you are willing to partake, here's what the MSC would need:

- A completed Assignment Cover Sheet
- Your assignment sheet that generated the artifact
- 10-12 student artifacts (e.g., essays, journal entries, and quantitative papers) that demonstrate written communication, quantitative literacy, critical thinking, or civic engagement. These artifacts should be at least 3 pages in length. All names and identifying features will be scrubbed. No releases from students are needed for this project.

Please let Chris Bednar (cbednar@northshore.edu) know if you are willing to participate. We would need the materials by May 1, 2016.
Nominations Sought for NSCC’s “29 Who Shine” Honoree

Preparations for the sixth annual “29 Who Shine” celebration to honor outstanding graduates of the Class of 2016 and their faculty mentors are now underway by the MA Department of Higher Education. This year’s ceremony and reception will be held at the State House, Monday, May 9th, at noon.

Once again we call upon the college community to nominate your best and brightest students for this honor. Nominations are due on Friday, March 4. Like last year, the DHE also needs the name of a faculty member who played a pivotal role in the student’s education experience. Both the student and faculty member will be invited to attend the ceremony and will be honored during the luncheon.

The “29 Who Shine” initiative is part of DHE’s effort to call attention to the pivotal role that higher education plays in producing a well-educated citizenry and workforce for the Commonwealth. Massachusetts cannot succeed unless public higher education succeeds; our students tell this story better than any policy brief or data set. Criteria for student selection include:

- The individual student graduate of the Class of 2016 shows exceptional promise as a future leader in civic affairs or in business or professional activity in Massachusetts, having already demonstrated an ability to contribute to the civic and economic wellbeing of the Commonwealth. The student should have a strong record of academic achievement and civic engagement.

- He or she intends to pursue a career track or interest for which there is a demonstrated need in the Commonwealth, such as a high-demand STEM-related career (health care, life sciences, information technology), or a start-up business that will produce jobs, or a community service role to better the lives of fellow Massachusetts citizens (such as teaching, working in a social service agency or community organization, etc.)

- He or she is a Massachusetts resident who plans to continue living and working in the state upon graduation. A student who plans to live in Massachusetts after furthering his or her education, either in or out of state, would also qualify.

- He or she will complete his/her degree or certificate requirements at a Massachusetts community college, state university or UMass campus within the 2015-2016 academic year.

- He or she will be able to attend the 29 Who Shine awards ceremony at the Massachusetts State House scheduled for May 9, 2016.

The “29 Who Shine” is an award of recognition only and does not carry monetary value. Students will be honored by state officials and receive a trophy at the May 9th ceremony.

Please submit student names and description of how they meet the above criteria to Linda Brantley, Director of Public Relations & New Media at lbrantle@northshore.edu no later than March 4.
**Please spread the word and encourage your students!** The Commencement Committee is seeking nominations for student commencement speaker and student commencement singer. Faculty and staff are asked to encourage students to submit nominations no later than 4:00PM on Friday, March 25, 2016.

**Student Commencement Speaker**

Information on the eligibility and application requirement can be found by clicking here. Completed application and speech requirement can be returned to Student Life or emailed to commencement@northshore.edu. Students can also submit nominations online here.

**Student Commencement Singer**

Any currently enrolled students can be nominated for student commencement singer. Nominations can be submitted by visiting Student Life or emailing commencement@northshore.edu.

- **Bonie Williamson**, Dean of Students, commencement@northshore.edu

**Worthy Causes**

**Run to Home Base** - Last year we put together a team of walkers/runners for the "Run to Home Base" and we had a great day!! We are doing it again this year and we'd love to have you join our team!!!

We had so much fun last year!! I am really hoping to get a much bigger team this year, so if you can think of anybody who may be interested, please pass this on. **This year’s race will be on Saturday 7/23.**

Below are all the details about joining our team:

Both Walkers and Runners have to raise $750.00 this year (we have several months until July in which to raise $750 - plenty of time). On the website you will see that it says $1000.00 minimum because it's after the early bird registration. I was able to get the race people to give us the $750.00. All you have to do is, when you register on our team, you enter the **Promo Code of NSCC2016** and your fundraising will be reduced to $750.00.

If you can’t join the race but want to support us, donations in any amount will be gratefully accepted.

Here is the link to our page. Just click "Join My Team" Box or one of the “Donate” boxes.


Please consider joining us for a fun day for a most worthy cause! Thank you for your support!

- **Kristine Babcock**, Veteran’s Services Specialist, kbabcock@northshore.edu