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WELCOME TO EDITION 8 OF THE NORTH LINDSEY COLLEGE CLIPPINGS NEWSLETTER.

COLLEGE'S AWARDS CEREMONY - A GREAT SUCCESS!

North Lindsey College held their fourth annual Level 3 & 4 Awards Ceremony recently to recognise the successes of learners who studied at this level across the full range of curriculum areas.

plus the Golden Jubilee award which is given each year to the student who has demonstrated the very highest levels of dedication and commitment, and who has been an inspiration to others. This year it was awarded to Daniel Charnock for outstanding achievement in the area of Construction.

In a packed hall that included friends, family, plus staff and special guests, the ceremony proved a real success and was an opportunity for all present to recognise the learner's achievements.

Each award winner received a shield or trophy, a gift voucher and a special certificate of recognition from the college.

A wide range of level 3 and 4 courses from across the whole college were represented, including Construction, Engineering, Sports, Art & Design, Computer Studies, Administration, Child Care and more.

Dr. Roger Bennett, North Lindsey College Principal, commented, "The event was a tremendous success and was a real celebration of achievement. Over one hundred learners received awards on the day and it was a truly excellent occasion. We have now had four events of this nature and it has now become part of the college calendar. Further education successes should be celebrated and North Lindsey College will play its part in full."

Since completing their courses, a large number of the students have since progressed to universities across the UK, studying Degrees and HNDs in their specialist fields, and many travelled back to Scunthorpe especially for the ceremony.

Guest of honour Viv Thorpe, Head of Service - Adult Education, presented the certificates and special awards to the successful students. Viv was accompanied on the stage by Dr. Roger Bennett, the College Principal, Nigel Dransfield - Chair of the North Lindsey College Corporation, and other members of the college management team.



Daniel Charnock, Golden Jubilee winner and Ged Lindsay, Construction Course Tutor.

In addition to the certificates that each learner received from the various exam boards for passing their courses, the college presented a number of special awards. These included five Outstanding Achievement awards, twelve Best Learner awards,



Sue Lucas NVQ3 Beauty Therapy Course Tutor, Lydia Espin (Best Learner award), Lindsay Gash, Stephanie Smith (Outstanding achievement award), Hazel McNeill NVQ3 Beauty Therapy Course Tutor, Katrina Lewis and Kayleigh Soper.

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WHAT'S ON

Wednesday 25th January 2006

Year 11 Advice Event

4.00pm - 7.30pm

Tuesday 4th April 2006

HE Progression Fair

Monday 24th April 2006

Advice & Enrolment 3.30pm - 7.00pm

HOSPITALITY EVENTS:

Chinese New Year - Tues 31st January
Evening of Romance - Tues 7th February
St Davids Night - Tues 28th February
St Patricks Evening - Tues 14th March

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STEREX STUDENT OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

Our very own Sarah Frazer won the regional final with glowing praise and feedback from both judges!

This meant Sarah and her client travelling down to London to compete in the grand final with 12 other finalists from all over the UK.

The final was held on 16 June at 'The Roof Gardens', Kensington High Street. It was judged by three well known names in the industry; Sheila Godfrey - Author, Jan Jones - Assistant Education Manager of CIBTAC and Marian Carr - Chair of the British Institute & Association of Electrolysis.

Sarah had to complete a practical treatment and answer theory questions, each finalist was judged on a long list of criteria; professionalism, hygienic work practises, client care, treatment technique to name but a few.

After a very long and stressful day, Sarah was awarded the runner up prize - 3rd place, an excellent and fitting end to months of preparation and effort! Sarah won a trophy, an epilation machine and a bag of Sterex goodies and she will always have this fantastic accolade of being so highly placed in such a prestigious competition.

WORLD AIDS DAY

Staff and students supported World Aids Day recently, raising awareness of the disease. College Chaplain Susan Walker organised the day, with the help and support of learners from the BTEC First Diploma in Care.

Throughout the day red ribbons were available throughout college and the day culminated with a giant red ribbon wrapped around staff and students.

Did you know?

- 40m people world wide are living with HIV
- 90% of these live in developing countries
- The World Health Organisation and UNAIDS are trying to persuade governments to help developing countries have access to life saving treatments.



Susan Walker, College Chaplain far left, with students at North Lindsey College

LOCAL COLLEGE OPEN TO ALL

The Annual Open Evening proved a real success, yet again, with visitors enjoying the opportunity to visit all areas of the college, see classrooms, enjoy displays of students work, meet staff and experience a taste of life at North Lindsey.

The Mayor of North Lincolnshire, Councillor William Eckhardt had the honour of opening the event, along with the Principal of the College, Dr Roger Bennett.

Staff, Governors and students were on hand to show visitors around. Wayne Dewick, Head of Learners Services commented "This occasion gives learners an opportunity to see what is on offer at the college, in terms of the wide range of excellent courses and the facilities which support these. There is also the chance to ask any questions of guidance staff, tutors and current learners. This year's event has been no exception and we have been delighted with the response and feedback we have obtained."

Visitors were able to enjoy a rolling programme of acting and dancing performances in the main hall. Enjoy a comprehensive Motor Vehicle display that included Virgin Yamaha Super Bikes, a 125 Road Racing Machine, a TJS Formula One car from the 80's and much, much more.

The Images Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy salons demonstrated a wide range of techniques including a "have a go" manicure session. With areas such as Hospitality and Tourism putting on "Food Tasting" in their catering facilities.

The Principal added "The amount of work put in by staff and students is incredible and a credit to them all, this is a great opportunity for the general public to come along and see what North Lindsey College is all about and we hope that all who visited enjoyed the occasion. The primary objective is to ensure that all visitors get the relevant information, advice and guidance and I feel that that was achieved."

The College has had very positive feedback, one visitor to Health and Social Care commented, "Everything was great, lots of people to help us and it was a very informative evening."



Painting and Decorating Students.



Childcare Students



Brickwork Students



Principal Dr Roger Bennett with the Mayor and Mayoress of North Lincolnshire Council, Cllr William Eckhardt and Mrs Jennie Eckhardt.

UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS BUCK THE TREND & ARE UP AGAIN!

There is growing evidence that nationally applications for university places for this year have fallen by up to 13% at some institutions, providing the first signs that top-up fees are deterring some potential students.

At North Lindsey College however applications to university will be 50% higher than this time last year, with a total of over 150 applications - this is half of all our level three learners.

This is thanks to the continuing support available to learners and the success of students on vocational courses at the college.

Traditionally it has been considered that A levels are the only direct route into university, however this is not the case and the vocational courses offered at North Lindsey College are a truly viable alternative for youngsters in our region.

Vocational courses such as BTEC National Diplomas are equivalent to three A Levels, and are widely accepted by universities.

Rachel Davey came to North Lindsey College on a Foundation course in childcare, then progressed to the level 2 Certificate and last year completed her level 3 Diploma in Childcare, Education and Counselling. Having applied to the University of Lincoln Rachel is now enjoying university life, based here at North Lindsey College and is looking forward to a rewarding career in the future. Cara Marsden also started at North Lindsey on the Certificate in Childcare and Education, progressed to the Diploma and is also studying for the BA (Hons) Degree in Social Sciences.

Tina Torrisi, the Aim Higher Coordinator at North Lindsey College has been working with student advisers to offer support, information and guidance for all learners who are interested in progressing on to University and have assisted the young people with their applications.

Tina commented "This really is a very satisfying job, it is great to see the students from so many backgrounds so keen to further their education. We are making a real difference to the youngsters from our region as whole new experiences and opportunities open up to them. Last year we had 100 applications and to see such a marked increase this year is great."

For 16 to 19 years olds who do not want to do traditional A levels and prefer courses that are specifically industry related and relevant to their area of interest then North Lindsey is the college for you.



Tina Torrisi (right) assisting a learner with her application.

REGION MOTORING AHEAD WITH HI-TEC DEVELOPMENTS

The Humber region is to benefit from outstanding facilities for the Motor Vehicle industry and hundreds of individuals and businesses will benefit.

North Lindsey College, located in Scunthorpe, recently opened a NEW Auto Diagnostic Centre.

This centre is the culmination of years of investment and now ensures that the Humber region is second to none in terms of resources and facilities.

The Auto Diagnostic Centre is also part of the Centre of Vocational Excellence (CoVE) awarded to a partnership of the Humber region's key providers of education and training for the automotive industry and industry representatives.

The main objective of the Auto Diagnostic Centre, and achieving the CoVE status, is to ensure that the community within the Humber region benefit from facilities and services second to none, to raise achievement and increase accessibility to these cutting edge resources.

The Centre was opened by Mark Haysom the Chief Executive, Learning and Skills Council who commented "During my visit to this college I have been very impressed by the facilities available to learners in North Lincolnshire - this hi-tec Auto Diagnostic centre will bring together the world of business and the world of education. I would very much like to congratulate the College on this fantastic facility and wish it every success in the future."

Representatives from local, regional and national agencies were present at the opening.

Dr Roger Bennett, Principal at North Lindsey College commented "This centre is the culmination of an incredible level of commitment, hard work and investment - we are very proud of the achievements of the CoVE steering group and its partners and of course the staff at North Lindsey. We are looking

forward to a future where we can lead the way in autotronic technology."

The CoVE is supported by North Lindsey College as the lead partner, in conjunction with Grimsby Institute of Further and Higher Education, Hull College, East Riding College, Learning and Skills Council, North Humber Motor Group Training Association and the IMI -Institute of the Motor Industry,

With investment of over £500K across the CoVE partnership over the next two years, the centres will continue to grow and develop. It aims to offer online e-learning materials and courses, to enable learners to experience and utilise the services, to increase links with Higher Education in the sector and offer career progression within the industry to wider groups.

The centre offers bespoke courses that meet ever changing retraining needs for the existing motor industry technicians. These programmes can be on a flexible basis thereby meeting individual companies requirements. These can range from the basic electrical & electronic testing to the highest level of fault diagnosis.

The motor vehicle facilities at North Lindsey College have already been nationally recognised this year, having received the IMI National Centre of the Year award. This recognises the standards achieved within the industry and puts the Humber region at the forefront of motor vehicle technology and innovation.

A wide range of motor vehicle courses are available at the College, at all levels - from NVQ's, and will in the future include Foundation Degrees and level 4 qualifications. These are aimed at the 16 - 19 sector and adult learners whilst encompassing the requirements of the motor industry and how best to train its employees in this increasingly technological industry.



Principal Dr Roger Bennett and Mark Haysom, Chief Executive, Learning and Skills Council

CHRISTMAS FAIR - MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

Staff and students at North Lindsey College have been trying to make a real difference this Christmas. As a traditional time for giving and receiving the Christmas Fair has proved a real success yet again. As an opportunity to raise money for lots of good causes, students and staff organised tombolas, games, stalls and raffles in aid of their favourite charities.

There was a chance to find out about Christmas around the world with colourful displays and food. Organisations such as Fair Trade, Amnesty International and Domestic Violence also had stalls at the event, to highlight some of the more serious ways in which our learners could be involved in making a difference.

The event raised over £650 for various charities including Macmillan's Nurses, Children in Need, NSPCC, Oxfam, Cancer Research, the Children's ward at the Hospital, and Christian Aid to name but a few.



Students getting involved and helping out.

NAVY PRESENTATION AT NORTH LINDSEY COLLEGE

Every year learners on the Certificate for Entry to the Uniformed Service course (CEUS) take the Royal Navy (RN) entrance test. Passing the test will enable students to apply for skilled jobs within the RN.

The test consists of a series of timed isometric tests, which assess student's ability for different skills within the RN.

The successful students received a certificate from the Royal Navy, Lincoln Office, setting out the careers they will offer them.

LOM (AWW) T. Marshall, also originally from Scunthorpe presented certificates to Leanne Coupland, Robin Goodwin, David Goulding, Peter Green, Andy Tilly, and Karl Leaning.

Val Armstrong, Head of School of Arts, Business and Leisure commented "It is always a pleasure to welcome the Royal Navy, the armed forces are very supportive of this course and I would particularly like to congratulate these learners on their achievement."

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PLAYING WITH TOY - SOLDIERS

A children's toy was brought back into play to get students geared up for a career in mechanics.

Members of the 7th Battalion REME (Royal Electrical Mechanical Engineers) made a special visit to North Lindsey College, in Scunthorpe.

They met 27 full-time students from the engineering and motor vehicle departments at the College and gave them exercises in team building. One of the exercises involved the groups getting into teams of six and constructing a crane from a large Meccano set.

Students had to build a crane using engineering principles which lifted a known weight one metre above ground.

Paul Charley a warrant officer for the 7th Battalion REME said the aim was to boost leadership skills, initiative, team-working and mechanical knowledge.

He said: "We taught students how to work as a team and gave them a problem they had to solve together within a set time limit."

"This is the first time we have been to the College with this giant Meccano set made by a company called MTA. The students have been excellent."

Army personnel from four different skill areas including weapons engineering and aircraft engineering visited the College.

Sheree Daly (17), a second year motor vehicle student, said: I am enjoying the course. I love it. The event has been good because we have met up with other people on the same course but in different groups. I am interested in joining the RAF but I did not know how many different types of jobs there are in the army."

Students were given information to find out more about the Army.

Steven South (17), who is also a second-year motor vehicle student added: "I have enjoyed the event, which has been focused on team work because we had to work together to make the crane work."

(Adapted from original article by Julie Curtis from Scunthorpe Evening Telegraph)



Students working on the giant crane.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ART & DESIGN STUDENT

Kealy Bedford, a first year BND Art and Design student, was awarded £30 WH Smith vouchers for the fantastic design of the College's 2005 Christmas card.

The College ran a competition for the Art and Design Students to come up with a unique design for the corporate Christmas card. Out of so many entries it was narrowed down to only two, where Kealy's masterpiece was chosen!

Kealy, who joined the college in September from Sir John Nelthorpe School in Brigg, commented "I wanted to keep it as simple as possible so that it appealed to a wider audience. I'm really pleased that my design was chosen!"

Well done Kealy!



Kealy Bedford and Wayne Dewick, Head of Learner Services.



1st Year Diploma in Childcare, Education and Counselling students (groupB) raising money for Children in Need.

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