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## **[“Ties of Time” Now on Display in the Cabinet of Curiosities](#)**

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 05, 2021 08:00 am*



### Cabinet of Curiosities: "Ties of Time"



Dr. Fraley, Bryson Massey, Kim Stokes, Laney Curry, Samantha Forehand, Allie Snapp, Abbie Benson, Disa Tierce, Jon Borland, and Austin Hayes POCAHONTAS, AR

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latest exhibit called "Times of Time." Dr. Dianna Fraley's  
U.S. since 1876 and World Civilizations since 1660  
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## **BRTC's LPN Program Ranked #1 in the State**

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 04, 2021 08:00 am*



BRTC Nursing Students POCAHONTAS, AR Sept. 24—  
Black River Technical College's Practical Nursing Program  
has been ranked #1 in the state by nursingprocess.org.  
Nursingprocess.org ranked BRTC's LPN program #1 in  
Arkansas for 2021 and states, "Working towards the  
objective of inculcating wholesome learning spirit among  
students, Black River Technical College, Pocahontas is one  
of the ... [Read in browser »](#)

## **Start Your Small Business Now!**

*By Cally Shore on Oct 01, 2021 03:31 pm*

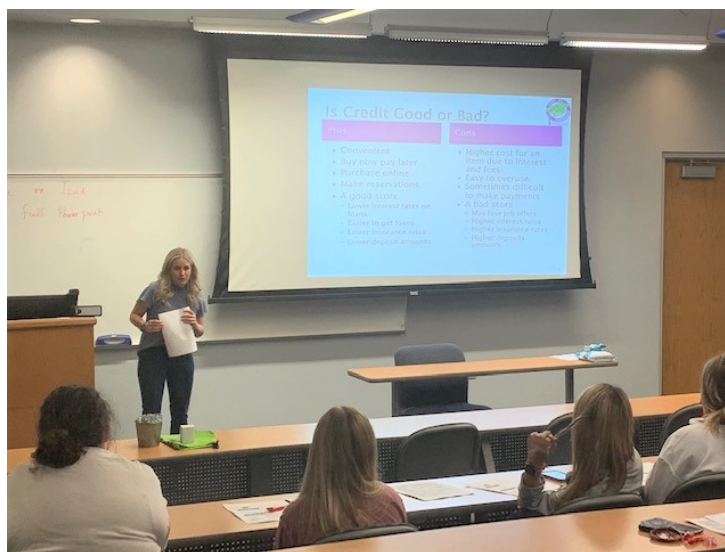


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grow your business! One-on-One Consulting with Arkansas Small Business and Technology Development Center (ASBTDC) is also available between 1 – 3 p.m. Call 870-972-3517 to register. There is no cost for ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC's Career and Technical Center Welcomes Guest Speakers](#)

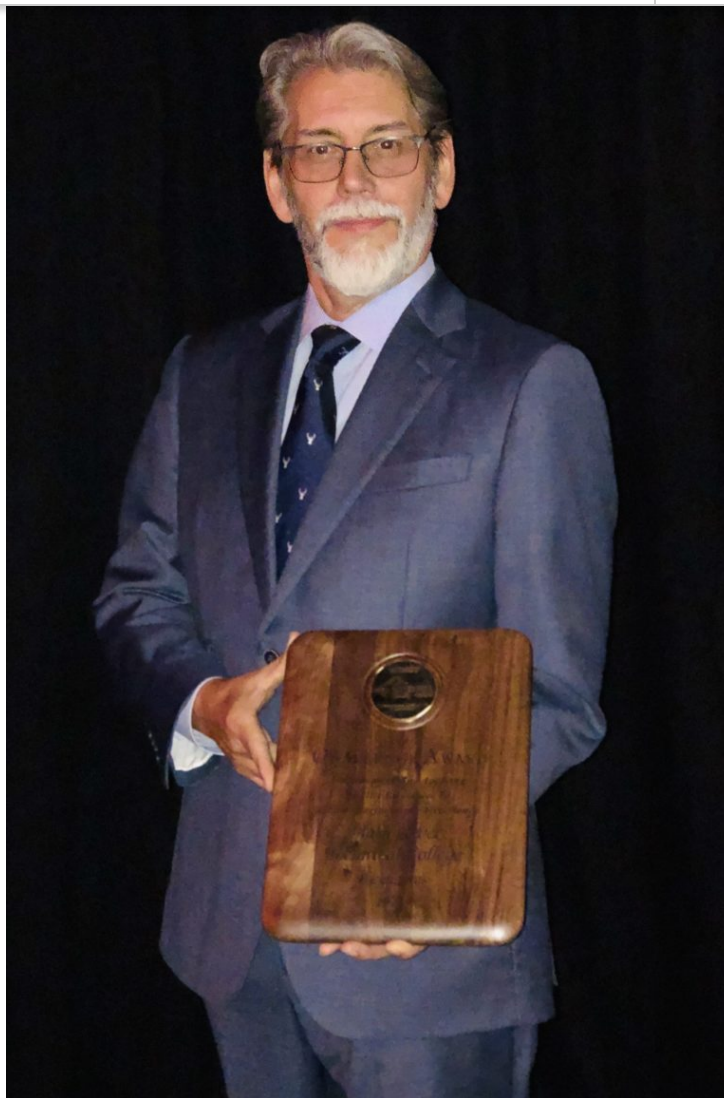
*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 01, 2021 08:00 am*



Graycen Bigger speaking at BRTC POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 1— Tonya Henderson of Southern Bank in Paragould and Graycen Bigger of Farmers & Merchants Bank in Pocahontas spoke to BRTC's Career & Technical Students on Friday, September 3. The two covered financial management topics relevant to college students such as credit scores/credit reports, the importance of ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC Governor's Quality Award Recipient](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Sep 30, 2021 08:00 am*



Dr. Martin Eggensperger with the Governor's Quality Award POCAHONTAS, AR Sept. 30— On Wednesday, September 15, Dr. Martin Eggensperger accepted a Governor's Quality Award on behalf of Black River Technical College. The Governor's Quality Award Program recognizes high performing organizations who apply at one of four award levels. Award winners are recognized at an awards ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Be Pro Be Proud Mobile Workshop Visits BRTC's Paragould Campus](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Sep 29, 2021 08:00 am*

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Darbie Thomas, BRTC Student, and Brad Baine, VP of Academic Affairs PARAGOULD, AR Sept. 29— Arkansas’s Be Pro Be Proud Mobile Workshop visited Black River Technical College’s Paragould campus on Tuesday, September 14. Students and community members had hands-on experiences with the 12 in-demand professions represented in the mobile unit: truck driver; diesel tech; locomotive ... [Read in browser »](#)



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## [Tammy Greer Joins Black River Technical College Staff](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 12, 2021 08:00 am*



Tammy Greer, Food Preparation Specialist  
 POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 12— Tammy Greer of Pocahontas has accepted the full-time position of Food Preparation Specialist at Black River Technical College. Greer is a graduate of Hazelwood Central High School in Florrisant, MO who later attended BRTC and was a student worker in the cafeteria. Most recently, she worked ... [Read in browser »](#)

### [Instant Pot Cooking with Carla](#)

*By Cally Shore on Oct 11, 2021 09:33 am*

# Instant Pot Cooking with Carla



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accessories or an instant pot, the dos, and don ts or cooking with the instant pot, specific recipe shortcuts, how to complete a 3-course meal, and learn additional favorite recipes. ALL SUPPLIES PROVIDED The class will be on Tuesday, ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Former White House Press Secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders Visits Black River Technical College](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 11, 2021 08:00 am*



Sarah Huckabee Sanders touring BRTC's Robotics Lab with Susan Shanlever POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 11—Former White House Press Secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders visited Black River Technical College's Pocahontas Campus on Monday, October 4. President Martin Eggensperger, his cabinet, faculty, and staff welcomed Sanders to campus and took her on a tour of the campus. Sanders visited ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC to Host Flu and Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 08, 2021 08:00 am*



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**October 12**  
 Randolph County  
 Development Center  
 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
**Flu Vaccines**  
**COVID-19 Vaccines**  
**BRTC**

POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 8— On Tuesday, October 12, Black River Technical College will host a flu and COVID-19 vaccination clinic. BRTC nursing students will assist the Randolph County Health Unit with annual influenza vaccines as well as Moderna and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccines. Vaccines will be given in the Randolph County Development Center (RCDC) ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC Foundation 28th Annual Golfing FORE Scholarships Tournament](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 07, 2021 08:00 am*



Patrick Davis; Melissa Wright-Davis, BRTC Foundation Chair; Phillip Davis POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 7 — The 28th Annual Novaria/BRTC Foundation Golf Tournament, held Friday, September 24 at Rolling Hills Country Club in Pocahontas, was a success, raising over \$46,000. Proceeds from the event are used by the BRTC Foundation to fund student scholarships. Winners of the ... [Read in browser »](#)

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## [14 Graduate from BRTC's Industrial Maintenance Technician Program](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 06, 2021 08:00 am*



Chris Blackshear, Utility Trailer; Garrett Groves, Anchor; Clayton Boler, Anchor; Justin Parrish, Anchor; Justice Beck, Anchor; James Ness, Southworth Products; Charles Jones, Tenneco/DRIV; Ben Luke, Tenneco/DRIV; Adrian Dees, Tenneco/DRIV; Andrew Carter, Anchor; Dana Bradford, BRTC Not pictured: Chris Baugh, Jiggs Compton, Jessie Herron, Lee McMinn, John Petty PARAGOULD, AR Oct. 6 — Fourteen Paragould industry ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Paint Yourself Happy “Chicken Life”](#)

*By Cally Shore on Oct 05, 2021 01:32 pm*

## Paint Yourself Happy "Chicken Life"



Come join BRTC for the Paint Yourself Happy "Chicken Life" class, instructed by art enthusiast Rayna Beaver. How to Create an Abstract Painting Similar to Clarissa Hagemeyer Designs on canvas, fun & easy paint techniques, and the method of mixing colors. ALL SUPPLIES PROVIDED The class will be on Tuesday, October 26, from 6:00 to ... [Read in browser »](#)

### Dance Fitness Line Dance Class

*By Cally Shore on Oct 05, 2021 12:51 pm*



Take this opportunity to: learn how to dance, improve your balance and confidence, support mental wellness, and burn calories while having fun. Join BRTC for Dance Fitness, taught by line dancing enthusiast, Rhonda Blevins. This class will be held on Tuesdays, October 26 – November 30, from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. The deadline for registration ... [Read in browser »](#)

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## [ServSafe Food Safety Ttraining Certification](#)

*By Cally Shore on Oct 19, 2021 09:59 am*

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Food  
Safety  
it's our business

The ServSafe® training and assessment program is a complete solution that delivers consistent food safety training to employees. This training is offered on Saturday, November 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the BRTC Pocahontas Campus. Registration will be taken through the deadline, Monday, November 1, or until class is full. For additional information: ... [Read in browser »](#)

### [BRTC's Academic All-Star 2021](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 19, 2021 08:00 am*



Aaron Bradley POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 19— Aaron Bradley, BRTC's 2021 Academic All-Star, will complete his Associate of Arts degree at Black River Technical College in December 2021. While at BRTC, he has made the President's List or the Dean's List every semester. Bradley plans to transfer to the University of Arkansas Little Rock to complete ... [Read in browser »](#)

### [Sissy Gray, BRTC's Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness, Serving on HLC's Annual Conference Advisory Committee](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 18, 2021 08:00 am*



Sissy Gray, Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 18—Sissy Gray, BRTC's Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness, is serving on the Higher Learning Commission's (HLC) Annual Conference Advisory Committee. Gray was nominated by her peers and/or HLC staff to serve on the committee, and then she was selected to serve by members of the ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC's Firefighter Essentials Students Practice Life-Saving Techniques](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 15, 2021 08:00 am*



BRTC's Firefighter Essentials Students Practicing Searching Skills POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 15—During



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practicing specialized fire-saving techniques. Firefighter students have been learning how to search burning buildings for survivors, how to ventilate buildings that are full of smoke and other toxic gases, how to ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BREATH ALCOHOL TESTING \(BAT\) PROGRAM INSTRUCTOR](#)

*By jedington on Oct 14, 2021 04:35 pm*

Black River Technical College is looking for qualified applicants for the following position. This is a full time, twelve-month instructional position contingent on continued funding by the Blood Alcohol Testing Program Grant. REQUIREMENTS: Bachelor's Degree required, Master's Degree preferred, CLEST Certified Law Enforcement Officer, CLEST Certified Law Enforcement Instructor; Standardized Field Sobriety Instructor Certification and ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Commercial Driver's License \(CDL\)Instructor](#)

*By jedington on Oct 14, 2021 02:17 pm*

Position Description: This is a full-time, twelve-month, position beginning as soon as possible. The person filling this position will be responsible for assisting with the development of the training program along with supervising and training students to prepare for the Class A, B, and C Commercial Driver's License (CDL). Primary duties involve instruction focusing on ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Get Started with Cricut](#)

*By Cally Shore on Oct 14, 2021 09:41 am*

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# Get Started with Cricut Design Space Series

with *Karman*

Got a Cricut Air, Air 2 or the Maker? Need help setting up and getting started? Need guidance in using Design Space? This is the class for you! **Let's get Crafting!**

Come join BRTC for a Cricut Workshop, instructed by crafting enthusiast Karman Matthews. Participants will learn how to set up the Cricut machine, about different materials, tools, and the Design Space program. The class is Thursday, October 28, from 5::30 to 7:30 p.m. on the Pocahontas Campus. The deadline for registration is Tuesday, October 26, ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Student Spotlight: Alexander Rodriguez](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 14, 2021 08:00 am*

### Student SPOTLIGHT

Alexander Rodriguez



POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 11—Alexander Rodriguez is a graduate of Jonesboro High School. He is seeking a technical certificate in Auto Collision Repair Technology. After graduating from BRTC, Alexander plans to open his own body shop. Alexander chose Black River Technical College because he “loves how welcoming the school is.” He says that the advice he ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC's Outstanding Staff 2021](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 13, 2021 08:00 am*

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Ron Patterson PARAGOULD, AR Oct. 13— Ron Patterson, BRTC's 2021 Outstanding Staff, joined the Black River Technical College team in August 2012 as a mathematics tutor and adjunct mathematics instructor. Ron had retired from Poplar Bluff, Missouri High School as a secondary mathematics teacher after thirty-one years. In Spring, 2014, Ron stepped in to fill ... [Read in browser](#) »



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## [BRTC's 15th Annual Holocaust Survivor Series Guest Speaker Named](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 26, 2021 08:00 am*



Steven and Estera Fenves POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 26— Steven Fenves, Holocaust Survivor and United States Holocaust Memorial Museum volunteer, will be BRTC's 15th Annual Holocaust Survivor Series guest speaker. According to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum's website, Steven Fenves was born Steven

## [BRTC's Certified Nursing Program Completes a Week of Full Activities](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 25, 2021 08:00 am*



BRTC Concurrent CNA Students (Rector High School) POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 25— Black River Technical College's Certified Nursing Assistant instructors, Holli Nitzsche and Holly Winslow, visited Rector High School to observe Kocaina Blount's, one of BRTC's concurrent CNA instructor, class. BRTC's instructors observed Instructor Blount's high school students learning how to bathe a bedridden resident. Black ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Tammy Greer Joins Black River Technical College Staff](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 22, 2021 08:00 am*

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Tammy Greer, Food Preparation Specialist  
 POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 22— Tammy Greer of Pocahontas has accepted the full-time position of Food Preparation Specialist at Black River Technical College. Greer is a graduate of Hazelwood Central High School in Florissant, MO who later attended BRTC and was a student worker in the cafeteria. Most recently, she worked ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Student Spotlight: Marcy Howard](#)

*By Elizabeth Collins on Oct 21, 2021 08:00 am*



Written by Marcy Howard PARAGOULD, AR Oct. 21— Being told that you have breast cancer is a life changing moment. Your heart drops and your mind goes in so many directions, but calling on God in these times of trouble will help bring calmness and peace in your life. I am Marcy Howard (Shatley), and this ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC's Outstanding Alumni 2021](#)



Shane Baldwin POCAHONTAS, AR Oct. 20— Shane Baldwin, BRTC's 2021 Outstanding Alumni, was born and raised in Paragould and graduated from Greene County Tech High School in 2002. After graduation, he served in the United States Marine Corps from 2003 until 2007, and deployed overseas with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit. After his service ended, ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Fall Cupcake Decorating Workshop](#)

*By Cally Shore on Oct 19, 2021 03:31 pm*



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# Fall Cupcake Decorating Workshop



## Three Decorative Designs

Join BRTC for the Fall Cupcake Decorating Workshop with Stephania Edwards, just in time for the holidays. Participants will learn about materials and equipment required for each cupcake design, basic butter buttercream icing techniques, how to use pastry bags and piping methods, and the art of cupcake design. The class will be on Thursday, November ... [Read in browser »](#)



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