



IN THIS ISSUE:

Meet the Security Staff

Campus CERT Team

Cell Phones in Class?

Student Referrals

Meet the Security Staff



NRCC welcomes a new supervisor for its Security Office – **Joey Williams** (Sgt., Pulaski County Sheriff's Office, retired).

Joey comes to NRCC with more than 25 years of experience in law enforcement. He has supervised and trained other law enforcement officers and has more than 17 years of SWAT team experience. Most recently, Joey served as Resource Officer at Pulaski County High School. While he will be primarily working weekdays, you may see Joey occasionally on evening shift and on weekends.

Stop by the Security Office and welcome Joey to NRCC!

Since there have been some changes recently to the Security staff, a re-introduction of sorts might be valuable. In fact, it is beneficial for all employees to know which guards are available at various times of the day and night.



James Lyons
Weekdays 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.



Jackie Moore
Weekdays 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.



David Flanagan
Monday-Thursday,
alternating
Fridays, 4 p.m. - midnight



Garnett Lindsey
Monday-Thursday, alternating
Fridays, 4 p.m. – midnight



Thomas Warden
Thursday-Sunday,
4 p.m. – midnight
(and fill-in coverage)



Dana Jackson

Monday-Friday, 12 – 8 a.m. Saturday-Sunday, 12 – 8 a.m.
(and fill-in coverage)



Phillip Morrison

Campus CERT Team

New River Community College is participating in a new program through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management and Virginia Citizens Corps – *the Campus CERT Team Initiative*. CERTs – or Community Emergency Response Teams – gained popularity after 9/11 as an effective means for mobilizing resources within communities as small as a single street or as large as a town. The new initiative aims at equipping college and university campuses with volunteers trained to perform specific tasks during an emergency.

In early November, NRCC's Emergency Coordination Officer (ECO), Amy Hall, and Alternate ECO, Tony Nicolo, will participate in a three-day Campus CERT Team Train-the-Trainer workshop. Subsequently, the college will put together a training program and solicit volunteers. Some of you have already volunteered! (Thank you.) Please consider what role, if any, you might want to play in this new effort.

Watch for updates and additional information in December/January.

Cell Phones in Class?

The classroom policies seem to run the gamut. Many faculty ban cell phones – or at least the sight and sound of cell phones -- in their classrooms. Others don't seem to mind either way, and still others are finding ways to make use of the devices in the context of teaching

and learning.

Regardless of where you stand on the issue, please consider the benefits of having your own cell phone with you in the classroom. Should an emergency occur that takes out the college's phone system, or in some way prevents you from getting to the handset in the classroom, your cell phone may be the only means you have of contacting Security or dialing 911.

Just a little food for thought.

Student Referrals

As a reminder, the Faculty/Staff Action Guide for Handling Student Situations is attached (again). You should find a laminated copy of this poster in each classroom. Should you need extra copies, please contact Amy Hall (ahall@nr.edu) or Kathy Ridpath (kridpath@nr.edu).

Another valuable resource was provided recently by Peggy Taylor – a faculty handbook for recognizing students in distress. A PDF version of the handbook is also attached to this email. Faculty who wish to do so can easily store this document on their iPads for quick reference using DropBox (a free app available in the iTunes store) or email.