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Frontier Community College

September 2016

September Calendar

- 5 Volleyball @ Millikin Tourney
- 7 Volleyball Home vs. IL Central 6:30pm
- 11 Baseball @ KY Wesleyan 12pm
- 12 Volleyball Home vs. Kaskaskia 6:30om
- 13 Baseball @ Robinson City Park vs. Lincoln Trail 5:30pm
- 14-17 Fairfield Fall Fun Fest
 Softball Selling 50/50 Raffle Tickets
 Baseball Selling Tacos-in-a-Bag,
 T-shirts, Hat orders
 Auto Tech Club Car Show Sat. 9am
- 15 FCC Celebrating Constitution Day Video Trivia Questions (Constitution Day 9/17)
- 17 Baseball 🛽 John A. Logan 1pm
- 18 Baseball Home vs. Indiana Spikes Lakeside Park 1:30pm
- 18 Softball @ Oakland City 2pm
- 19 Volleyball @ Rend Lake 6:30pm
- 21 Softball Home vs. WVC 5pm DH
- 22 Volleyball Home vs. Lewis & Clark 6:30pm
- Volleyball Home vs. Lincoln 6:30pm
- 24 Softball @ KY Wesleyan 10am vs. Brescia 2pm
- 24 Baseball @ SIC 12pm
- 25 Baseball @ Lake Land 12pm
- 27-29 Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing Site Visit
- 28 See You at the Pole
- 31 Baseball Home vs. SIC 4:30pm

Tmy House, Big Project

The Construction Technology program at Frontier Community College already has the outer walls built for their new annual project of building a "tiny house." As seen on HGTV and other television networks, a tiny house is a living space a fraction of the size of many traditional houses.

The tiny house movement is a description of the social and architectual movement people are making to live more simply in smaller spaces. In order to make the Construction Technology program even more appealing, it was decided to add this cutting edge project to the curriculum of the program.

Great progress has been made and the students/instructors alike seem to be enjoying this project. The tiny house project will be chronicled in pictures throughout the school year. Stay tuned!







Top left: Construction Technology program instructor Steve Brokaw instructs two of his new students as they enter the beginning stages of tiny house construction. Bottom left: Progress on the tiny house is making quick progress with the exterior walls already constructed. Construction will slow, however, as finer details come into play. At right, area high school dual credit students measure a 2x4 to the correct height for door frames to be constructed.

A 100 FEET VIEW OF FRONTIER'S CAMPUS

Employees from the City of Fairfield Electric Distributions Department visited Frontier Community College recently to demonstrate proper techniques on pole climbing and bucket truck use for our Electrical Distribution Systems students. Staff took advantage of the 100 foot bucket truck lift by taking a camera up for aerial shots of campus.

You can easily see the progress being made on the baseball field currently under construction between the Learning Resource Center/Classroom Building West and the Bobcat Den Fitness Center. Each day brings a new development for Bobcats Baseball!

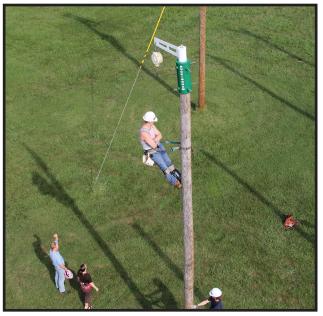
In the forefront, you can see the new Bobcats Crossing student housing built and owned by Kieffer Development.

Also pictured is a bird's eye view of the Electrical Distribution Systems students climbing poles during class, along with other students on campus walking to class.









CHANGES TO THE FAFSA PROCESS FOR 2017–18

SUBMIT A FAFSA EARLIER:

Students will be able to submit a 2017-18 FAFSA as early as Oct. 1, 2016, rather than beginning on Jan. 1, 2017. The earlier submission date will be a permanent change, enabling students to complete and submit their FAFSA as early as October 1 every year. (There is NO CHANGE to the 2016-17 schedule. The 2016-17 FAFSA became available Jan. 1, 2016.)

USE EARLIER INCOME AND TAX INFORMATION

Beginning with the 2017-18 FAFSA, students will report income and tax information from an earlier tax year. For example, on the 2017-18 FAFSA students (and parents, as appropriate) will report their 2015 income and tax information, rather than their 2016 income and tax information.

Here's a summary of key dates for submitting the FAFSA depends you plan to go to school:

| IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND COLLEGE FROM | YOU WILL SUBMIT THIS FAFSA | YOU CAN SUBMIT THE FAFSA FROM | USING INCOME AND TAX INFORMATION FROM |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017 | 2016-17 | January 1, 2016-June 30, 2017 | 2015 |
| July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018 | 2017-18 | October 1, 2016-June 30, 2018 | 2015 |
| July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019 | 2018-19 | October 1, 2017-June 30, 2019 | 2016 |

The 2017–18 Free Application for Federal Student Aid launches in less than ONE MONTH!

Starting this year, the FAFSA will be available beginning October 1 instead of January 1—that's three months earlier than usual.

To learn more, visit: http://bit.ly/2cakS2P

Numerous students participated in the Fall 2016 Game-a-palooza event hosted by the Learning Resource Center on Tuesday, September 6. The LRC provided food, games, and entertainment for students throughout the day from 11:30am to 9pm. Tacosin-a-bag were served for lunch, with DiMaggio's Pizza served for supper. Snacks and ice cream were available periodically with large groups of students and staff on hand to help enjoy the food!

The theme for the event was the Olympics, with Bronze, Silver, and Gold winners. Emily Mitchel won the Bronze with a \$10 Subway Gift Card, Devyn Colvin won Silver with a \$20 Mach1 Gift Card, and Teresa Simpson was the Gold Medalist winning both a \$10 Subway and \$20 Mach1 Gift Cards.

Fun was had by all as we look forward to the next Game-a-palooza event on campus! Thank you to the LRC for their hospitality!











Top left: Game-a-palooza Gold Medalist Teresa Simpson, with Silver Medalist Devyn Colvin center. Top right: Members of the Bobcats baseball team cheese it up for the photo booth with their fun props. Bottom left: Former Airtex workers and current Frontier Community College students took a break from their busy schedules to enjoy a game of hillbilly golf on the front lawn of the Learning Resource Center. Bottom right: a number of students packed the study area to play a variety of board games of varying difficulty.

FIREFIGHTING CLASSES WELL UNDER WAY

High school students from around the area have begun participating in basic firefighting technique classes at Frontier Community College.

Meeting each weekday, students are learning techniques needed to help them with the basics of becoming a firefighter such as rolling hose and how to use vitally important oxygen masks.

At left, Frontier Community College Program Director of Emergency Management Scott Meserole demonstrates proper techniqes with a student.

At right, a student practices the proper way to roll up a water hose effectively.





EVENTS, CLASSES, AND HAPPENINGS AT FCC!

40th Anniversary Celebration Planned!



Anniversary Celebration
FRONTIER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

FRONTIER COMMUNITY COLLEGE 1976 - 2016 A FISTFUL OF HOLLARS MYSTERY DINNER

> SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2016 6:00 d.m.

Fairfield Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Join us for dinner and entertainment as we celebrate 40 years of growth & success!

Tickets available for \$40 each at Frontier Community College

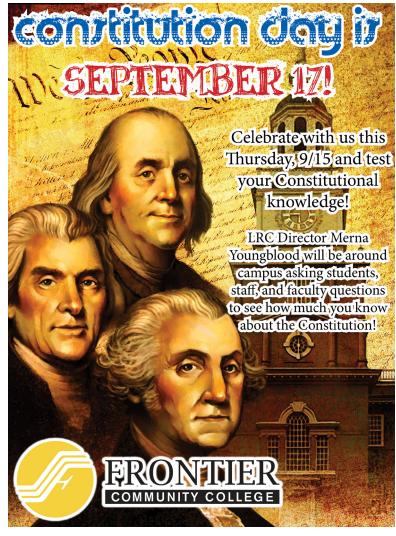


Several people from around the area participated in the inaugural Bobcat Dash 5k Color Run/Walk/Ride on Saturday, August 20. Runners, walkers, and riders of all ages seemed to enjoy the day with the washable color dust they ran through at various points of the track.

Above, Jessica Warren is powdered blue and pink by Bobcats Softball and Volleyball player Alyssa Kollak and FCC Student Ambassador Sarah Conrad.

Many participants and community members headed to the Meet the Bobcats Baseball scrimmage at Lakeside Park following the Bobcat Dash 5k.

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The Bobcat Beat

Baseball Field Construction Update







At left: The warning track is shown around the future outfield fence of the baseball field on campus. The Learning Resource Center, Classroom Building West, and Student Services can be seen in the background. This view is from right field.

Top left: An aerial view of the baseball field from late August when the infield was just being excavated.

Top right: Crews work diligently to spread materials to outline the entire field. This picture shows the tractor near home plate running down the first base line.

Bookstore Moving to the Bobcat Den!

Renovations have been underway at the Bobcat Den in the remaining former movie theater room. The room has been turned into what will soon be the new location of the bookstore on campus! Along with the move, more apparel will be on hand to purchase! The bookstore will be closed September 21-23 to move, and will re-open Monday, September 26 at the Bobcat Den!









BOBCATS RECEIVE ACADEMIC AWARDS

Several Frontier Community Bobcats student athletes received recognition for their academic achievements during the 2015-2016 school year. The National Junior College Athlete Association (NJCAA) recognized twelve Bobcats for their excellent academic performance this past year.

The highest honor bestowed is the Pinnacle Award for Academic Excellence which requires student athletes to obtain a 4.00 grade point average. Three Bobcats athletes achieved this award: Chloe Hinkle – softball, Nicole Jordan – softball and volleyball, and Shaeli St. Ledger – softball.

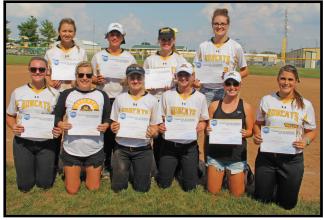
The Superior Academic Achievement Award goes to student athletes obtaining a 3.80 to 3.99 grade point average. Bobcats receiving this award are: Allanah Renner – softball and volleyball, Allison Tullis – softball, Jessica Rush – volleyball, Madalynn Henry – softball, and Michaela Beach – softball.

Exemplary Academic Achievement Awards go to those that were able to obtain a 3.60 to 3.79 grade point average for the year. Alyssa Kollak – softball and volleyball, Bobbie Lake – volleyball, Kaitlin Woolard – softball, and Sabrina Seitzinger – softball, received this honor.

In their inaugural season, the Bobcats softball squad received Honorable Mention by the NJCAA for obtaining the requirement of a team combined grade point average of 3.0 or better.

Of the 143 teams to meet the requirement, Bobcats Softball ranked tenth in the nation with a cumulative team grade point average of 3.53. The Bobcats also had ten of their players recognized with Academic Student-Athlete Awards for the 2015-2016 year: Allison Tullis, Alyssa Kollak, Chloe Hinkle, and Sabrina Seitzinger all of Fairfield, Nicole Jordan of Rinard, Shaeli St. Ledger of Albion, Allanah Renner of Steeleville, Kaitlin Woolard of Wingo, KY, Madalynn Henry of Franklin, IL, and Michaela Beach of Evansville, IN. With eight of those ten players returning this year, the Bobcats will strive to continue their academic success in 2016-2017.

Bobcats softball head coach Marty Slover expressed how proud he is of the softball squad. "We were really proud of our accomplishments on the field last year by making the NJCAA tournament in our first season, but having ten Academic All-Americans and finishing tenth in the nation with our GPA is a true reflection of the caliber of students, athletes, and people that make up our Frontier Softball club. We are very proud of all of the hard work that has been put into our Bobcat Softball program by the athletes and Frontier staff in these accomplishments."



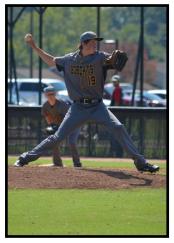


At left: Softball players recognized front row from left: Alyssa Kollak, Sabrina Seitzinger, Katie Woolard, Shaeli St. Ledger, Chloe Hinkle, and Nicole Jordan. Back row: Maddie Henry, Michaela Beach, Allison Tullis, and Allanah Renner. At right: Volleyball players recognized from left are Jessica Rush, Allanah Renner, Nicole Jordan, Alyssa Kollak, and Bobbie Lake.

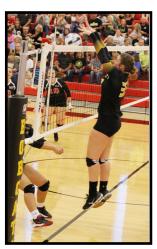


Bobcats Baseball, Softball, and Volleyball fall seasons are currently off to an exciting start. Baseball won their inaugural game at Rend Lake and have played in some exciting shootouts since. Softball has also started off strong, tying their first game of fall with Kaskaskia in an offensive showdown. Volleyball has already picked up a two wins on the road, and one coming at their second home match of the season against Morthland.

There is still a lot of ball to be played so we hope you can come out and catch some Bobcats Athletics! Check out some of the sights so far this fall. Thank you to baseball mom Trena Millsap for some of the baseball shots!









Clockwise from top left: Fairfield native Brandon Clevenger brings the heat for Bobcats baseball. Nicole Jordan has a look of determination in the Bobcats softball home opener as she motions to pitch. Bobbie Lake skies high to block the attempt in the Bobcats volleyball home opener. Taylor Allen rounds third to score, while Michaela Beach slides safely into third base as the ball arrives. Serenity Whitaker from Clarksville, Tennessee reaches back for the kill while Bobbie Lake, Jessica Rush, Abby Reeves, and Nicole Jordan prepare to return to defense. Chris Iltshishin stretches for the out against Rend Lake in a a recent outing.



