

Campus Connection February 10-21, 2014

**CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

All Piedmont Technical College students are encouraged to attend each event.

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## **PTC College News You Can Use**

### **Graduating? Please fill out your graduation application by February 28!**

- **HOBET:** For testing information, dates, and registration, please visit [www.ptc.edu/hsresources](http://www.ptc.edu/hsresources).
- **Next Inter-Club Council meeting:** Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 12:45 p.m.
- **Save the Date!** Employers Day will be Thursday, March 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **Stay on campus**—Eat with Merry Oaks in the cafeteria Monday—Thursday!
- **Try the NEW Class Scheduler in Pathway!** Use this new system to help you see all the schedule options available to you for Spring 2014 classes at PTC. You can find the link on the Student tab in the “registration tools” box.
- **The Passport to Success Newsletter** is an academic resource guide to inform students about workshops, open centers and drop in labs for many general education courses. The newsletter can be found on the website under *College Resources and Testing, Tutoring and Counseling* tab, and in Pathway under the *Student* tab and on the homepage of D2L.
- **Student Life webpage:** <http://www.ptc.edu/college-resources/clubs-organizations>
- **Parking stickers & PTC Photo IDs are mandatory.** Picture ID's are made on the Greenwood, Newberry, and Laurens campuses. Please get one. Parking decals are given at the Greenwood Campus library and at each PTC county campus. Both will be expected to be displayed properly. Students are to park appropriately in designated parking areas. Violators will be issued traffic citations. For assistance or for questions, contact Public Safety at 864-941-8000.



**Krispy Kreme doughnut sale!** The ECD Club will be selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts on Wednesday and Thursday, February 12 & 13 for \$.75 each 3/\$2 or a box for \$7. **For every 6 doughnuts purchased, you will receive a free cup of Starbucks coffee from the Campus Book Store!** The money raised will help to fund the ECD Clubs Literacy event that will be held later on this spring.

***Please contact Tanasha Amaker in the Student Success Center if you are interested in reading/performing at the BHM Poetry Jam session.***

- **Pancake Breakfast at Fatz Cafe** in Greenwood to benefit the March of Dimes. The event will take place on March 1, 2014 from 7 am until 10 am. Breakfast includes 3 pancakes, 2 sausage links a fruit cup and drink. Tickets are \$7 and may be purchased from Lambda Chi Nu members or PTC Nursing faculty. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Stephanie Yonce at (864) 941-8534 or via email at [yonce.st@ptc.edu](mailto:yonce.st@ptc.edu)



### **PTC HONORS PROGRAM!**

Are you interested in an academic challenge? Do you want to travel? The new Honors Program at PTC is a rigorous program designed for highly prepared students who want to explore intriguing topics, cultivate leadership skills, and broaden their horizons through travel excursions within the U.S. and internationally. The first trip will be to Costa Rica in spring 2015. To learn more about the program, please visit [www.ptc.edu/honors](http://www.ptc.edu/honors). Applications are currently open!

### **Emergency Alert System!**

Piedmont Technical College will soon be implementing a new Emergency Alert System. This service will only be used by the college's administration when an emergency situation has been determined which presents a safety or security threat to students or employees on our campuses. In order for this system to be effective, it is imperative that all information for students, faculty and staff be complete and up-to-date. We are asking that ALL students check their information through their Pathway account (found through the Academic Services link under the Student tab). If the information is incorrect or missing, please submit a Change of Information form along with a current driver's license to the Student Records office. Forms can be found at <http://www.ptc.edu/college-resources/student-records-office/printable-forms> or in the Student Records office.



# *UNITY FEAST*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

ROOM 102C—CONFERENCE CENTER

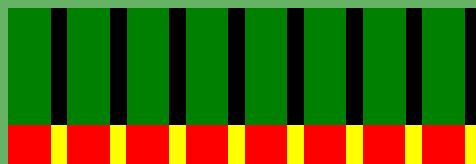
12:30—1:30

*DON'T MEET ME THERE...BEAT ME THERE*

*FELLOWSHIP! EDUCATION! HOT LUNCH!*

TISHA MAE'S CATERING

*"COME ON...BREAK BREAD WITH US"*



*ALL PTC STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND*

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES  
**Academic Success Workshop**  
***Financial Wellness -  
Getting Ahead of the  
Game and Staying There***

**Chris King, Business Development  
Representative, Wells Fargo Dealer Services,  
Speaker**

**Tuesday, February 18, 2014  
12:45 - 1:30 p.m. • Room 155-B • Admissions & Financial Aid Building  
All Students Invited to Attend**

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**Workforce Investment Act (WIA)  
Information Session**

Come learn about  
**Scholarship Opportunities**  
for the following programs...

**Tuesday, February 18th, 2014**

**10:00am & 4:00pm**

**Room 159B at PTC**

Accounting \* Automotive Tech \* Business \* Cardio Tech \* CNC Certificate  
Computer Tech \* Electrical Maintenance \* Electronic Engineering  
Emergency Medical Tech \* Engineering Graphics \* HVAC \* Industrial Electronics  
Machine Tool Tech \* Mechanical Engineering \* Medical Assistant \* Mechatronics  
Nursing (RN & LPN) \* PC Technician \* Precision Metrology \* Radiological Tech  
Respiratory Therapy \* Surgical Tech \* Welding

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About to graduate?  
Need help landing a job?

**WIA can help!**

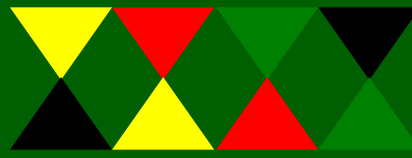
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**Room 159B at PTC**

You have waited a year! It's that time again! Spread the word!



It's time for YOU to be heard & refreshments will be served!



# Black History Month

Wednesday, February 26

12:30—1:30 in 136 B (Auditorium)

*Event begins with an open mic session featuring...YOU*

Hosted by *Adam's Rib* with Special Guest Poet *3rd Sunday*

Contact Tanasha Amaker (101A, 941-8614) to sign up ahead of time!

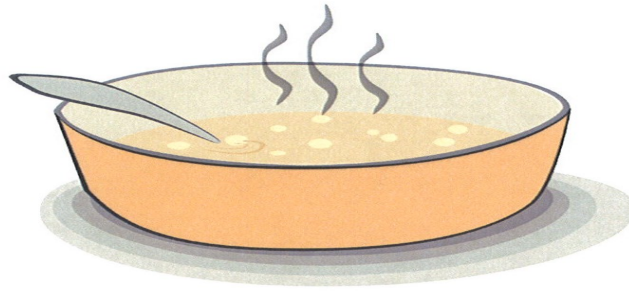
*All PTC students are encouraged to attend and participate.*

# Poetry Jam Session



# PTC Respiratory Care Club

## Soup Sale

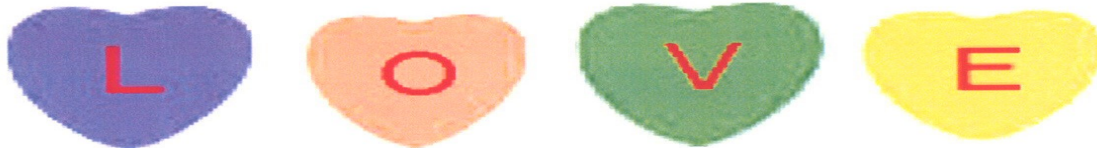


February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014

11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

We will be located outside the H building and the Student Center.

## Show Ashley Some



Ashley Bond, a native of Abbeville SC, will be competing in the National Special Olympics in New Jersey being held in June of 2014.

You can join us in sponsoring Ashley by donating to help fund her trip.

The Photo Arts Club will be taking donations from February 11 to March 8th and would like to create some encouraging "conversational hearts" to give to her.

If you have any questions please contact:

PAC President - Jennifer Adams [jennhill96@hotmail.com](mailto:jennhill96@hotmail.com)

Vice-President - Tabatha Malone 864-344-3775 call, text or email [tabathajmalone@yahoo.com](mailto:tabathajmalone@yahoo.com)

Secretary - Cherry Martin 864-344-4664 call or text

Treasurer - Rachel Minor 864-993-3039

Susan Buchanan [suthulhu@gmail.com](mailto:suthulhu@gmail.com)

Advisor - Kendall Adams [adams.k@ptc.edu](mailto:adams.k@ptc.edu)

There will be a box located in the lobby of the offices located in the D building just above the Student Center along with members of the PAC with supplies for the hearts.



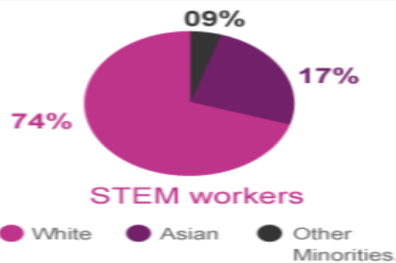
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## Facts on Women and Science, Technology, Engineering, Math

- ◇ The wage gap between women and men is much smaller in STEM occupations than other occupations. For computer programmers, women earn \$0.95 for every \$1 earned by men, compared to \$0.77 for all occupations.<sup>1</sup>
- ◇ In the past 10 years, growth in STEM jobs has been three times greater than non-STEM jobs.
- ◇ 80% of the fastest growing occupations in the United States depend upon mastery of mathematics and scientific knowledge and skills.
- ◇ While women comprise 48% of the US workforce, just 24% are in STEM fields, a statistic that has held constant for nearly the last decade.
- ◇ 75% of all college students are women and students of color, they represent only 45% of STEM degrees earned each year.
- ◇ While Almost 30 percent of all male college freshmen planned to major in a STEM field in 2006 compared with only 15 percent of all female freshmen.
- ◇ Women with STEM jobs earned 33 percent more than comparable women in non-STEM jobs – considerably higher than the STEM premium for men.
- ◇ Although women fill close to half of all jobs in the U.S. economy, they hold less than 25 percent of STEM jobs.<sup>2</sup>
- ◇ Between 2010 and 2020, STEM-related employment is projected to increase by 16.5% to over 8.5 million jobs. Yet, women still represent only 25% of the STEM workforce.<sup>3</sup>
- ◇ Women and minority groups represent about 70% of college students in the U.S., but receive only 45% of the undergrad degrees awarded in STEM fields of study.<sup>4</sup>

### STEM Facts on Women & Girls



Women comprise more than 20% of engineering school graduates, yet only 11% of practicing engineers are women



Women were 28% of all workers in S&E occupations in 2010, up from 21% in 1993

Women's presence among computer/mathematical scientists declined from 31% to 25% over the period, but only because men's rate of growth in this area was higher than women's. The number of women working in computer/mathematical sciences has increased more than in any other broad occupational area.



Of 100 female bachelor students, 12 graduate with a STEM major but only 3 continue to work in STEM fields 10 years after graduation.



The wage gap between women and men is much smaller in STEM occupations than other occupations. In STEM fields, women earn \$0.92 for every \$1 earned by men, compared to \$0.77 for other fields.



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Women with STEM jobs earned 33 percent more than comparable women in non-STEM jobs, considerably higher than the STEM premium for men. As a result, the gender wage gap is smaller in STEM jobs than in non-STEM jobs.



## Transfer Rep Visits

Tuesday, February 11, 11-2, USC Aiken (Kathy Brantley)

Thursday, February 20, 9:30-1, Lander (Gavin Bethea)

Wednesday, February 19, 10-2, Anderson University (Tiffany Blackwell)

Monday, April 14, 10-2, Anderson University (Tiffany Blackwell)

Wednesday, April 9, 11-2, USC Aiken (Kathy Brantley)

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**Who:** Lambda Chi Nu will be selling Blue Jeans for Babies stickers and badges

**What:** Blue Jeans for Babies! Faculty and staff – wear jeans to work to raise money for Healthy Babies 5\$ per day or 10\$ for a badge for the week!

**When:** February 17 -21<sup>st</sup>