Career Center News

During the week of January 24 the Career Center placed 11 graduates. Companies include: Spartan College, AvMattys, Flight Safety, Valair Aviation, Camtronics, Stronghold Inspection, IHI Southwest Technologies and one graduate joined the US ARMY. The center also received 27 job orders. Keep your attendance right and remember the end goal. Get your certification and ratings as soon as you can as they are important in gaining those first rate jobs. For those of you graduating soon, it’s time to get your resumes ready. If you need assistance with resumes or want to find out more about companies you are interested in working for, come to the Career Center and we will be glad to assist you.

Desert NDT -Welcome to Spartan

Desert NDT will be visiting Spartan on Tuesday, February 4. Desert is a sister company of Spartan and a part of the Sterling holdings. The Desert NDT President and Director of Human Resources will tour the NDT classes between 8:00am and 1:00pm. Let’s make them feel welcome. Desert NDT is a high-performing market leader with more than 30 years’ experience providing mission-critical services to more than 300 customers in the midstream and upstream sectors of the oil & gas industry. Their services are a critical step in the new construction process that enables their customers to bring new wells into production and new infrastructure online. Desert also provides nondestructive testing solutions at the time of new construction and throughout the in-service life of assets. Being a known leader in their industry starts with adhering to their values – Safety, Quality and Service. They are the foundation upon which their business is built. Desert NDT was founded as Desert Industrial X-Ray in Odessa, TX in 1989. Acquired by Doug Frey in 1999, Mr. Frey drew on his engineering and production experience with Amoco to establish a strategic plan to expand the business with a focus on the unique needs of safety-conscious E&P and midstream firms. The company flourished and expanded from a single location to 10 branches in 2012. In 2012, Desert received a majority investment from Sterling Partners, which has enabled a new stage of growth. In late 2012 this growth included the acquisition of two regional leaders in nondestructive testing services: Midwest Inspection of Perryton, TX and T&B Inspection of Williston, ND. Today, Desert NDT is a sector leader providing unmatched nondestructive testing services for E&P and midstream firms across every major oil and gas production region of the US. To learn more about Desert NDT, go to www.desertndt.com. Welcome to Spartan.

Visit from Ric Peri

Ric Peri, Vice President, Government & Industry Affairs for the Aircraft Electronics Association will be visiting Spartan on February 7th. Mr. Peri will be conducting a presentation to our avionics students from 11:30am until 2:30pm. All avionics students are invited to attend.

Tutors Needed

Mr. Crawford is looking for 2 tutors for math/physics/algebra to work in the library. Students may apply in the Financial Aid office. They will tutor at lunch time and after class for about 4 hours. See Mr. Crawford for more details.

Bookstore Used Book Buy Back

The bookstore is buying back the following used book: Applied Physics, 10th edition. Please see Ellen Smith in the bookstore if you have one of these books and would like to sell it back.

Way to go Gang

The following students passed FAA Exams last week. Good Job all. Joshua Moore, Adam Holloway, Kevin Sidener, Christian Reyes, Aldo Casillas, Rocky Murr, Tyrone Hernandez. Remember, these exams are important. Please try to schedule and take all required FAA exams as soon as possible.

A Note from an Employer

From the Home Depot Hiring Manager - I wanted to let you know I received a call from one of my Store Managers last night who interviewed four of your students and extended offers to all four. He couldn’t stop talking about their level of professionalism and the way they stood out from the other candidates. I was at a hiring event today in OKC and met 2 more of your students who drove from Tulsa looking for job opportunities, they also did an excellent job representing. You and your team should be very proud!!!

The college always enjoys receiving notes like this one. How you project yourselves during an interview is key to getting the job. We want to let all of you know how proud we are to have you here at Spartan. We love receiving notes like this. Spartan Students are the beat in the world. Thanks for all your efforts.

Facility and Program Improvement

Facility and program improvements are on the rise here at Spartan; many of them based upon feedback presented by students on the end of term critiques. The improvements include, improved wireless network connection speed on North Campus, new parts cabinets for the NDT shop, vertical blinds in the frame structure classroom on south campus and four new computers for AD research in A4 and P4 (six more are on order). Also, Spartan recently purchased a Snap-On torque tester. Calibration of torque wrenches is a periodic requirement that must be fulfilled when using torque wrenches to perform maintenance on certificated aircraft and their parts. The addition of this tool to our program will allow in-house calibration of our torque wrenches, eliminating the need to send them to an outside agency. The tester will also give us the ability to check calibration if a torque wrench is accidentally dropped. Expect to see more improvements in the near future!

Class Representative Meeting

Mr. Yost will be holding a Class Representative meeting on Wednesday, February 5th in room 803 starting at 2:35 pm on the North Campus. This meeting is for the AMT Class Representatives.

Student Employment

If you need assistance finding part or full time work remember to see the Career Center on the North Campus on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Beverly Thompson will be at the Main Campus on Tuesdays and Bruce Blankenship will be on the Main Campus on Thursdays. Finding a job takes work. They won’t just fall into your lap. We get many new leads each week so stop by and see what is new. If you need help updating your resume, please come to the Career Center.

Free Private Pilot Ground School

Spartan will be running a free Private Pilot Ground class on February 15, 16 and 22, 23 at the Flight Campus in classroom 7. The class will run from 8:00am until 5:00pm with a 1 hour lunch. You will need to get the following supplies from the bookstore:

- ASA Private Pilot 2014 test prep
- E6B (paper one is fine)
- Plotter with rotating compass rose
- Dallas Sectional

NOTE: These supplies will be available on Monday, January 20 and your financial aid will not cover the cost of these books. Once you have purchased the above supplies you will be placed on the confirmed list for the class. You must have your supplies purchased before Monday, February 10. Contact your Academic Program Head if you have any questions.

This Week In Aviation History

3 February 1964 (U.S.A.) — The Federal Aviation Agency launches “Operation Bongo Mark 2” to investigate the effects of supersonic flight; over the coming months, a Convair B-58 “Hustler” will fly through the sound barrier at low altitude over Oklahoma City.