

September 2014

WELCOME



We waited until the end of summer and for the official school year to begin before sending you this September newsletter, which we hope you will find enjoyable. You will find an update on the 18th Annual ANTSHE Conference, an introduction of the new ANTSHE Academic Advisory Board and the ANTSHE Spotlight for this quarter.

We also have taken this opportunity to inform you of the call for nominations for the ANTSHE Board of Directors, and the call for proposals for the upcoming conference.



-R. Lee Viar IV

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ANTSHE is an organization that exists for the betterment and furthering the educational journey of our members who are nontraditional students, and strive to provide support to our academic professionals to be able to better facilitate the classroom experience of our student membership. ANTSHE provides for our members to continue their education with aide from our support networks, scholarships, and academic opportunities, and the chance to publish in an established peer reviewed journal.

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What's New?

This has been a very busy year for ANTSHE. We welcomed the New Year with a successful conference at Kennesaw State University in March. We would like to Thank Kennesaw State University for hosting our annual conference, Todd Powell, Assistant Director, part-time Instructor of Education, and Vice President of ANTSHE, as well as the staff and volunteers at Kennesaw. We appreciate all of your hard work and support of ANTSHE and our members.

We have been also working diligently to establish a stronger Internet presence with the roll out of our new website and social media sites, have assembled a new board of academic professionals to sit on the newly established Academic Advisory Board that is available for all of ANTSHE members. In addition, we have named The National Conference Center as the location for our 18th Annual Conference. We have been working to bring those details to you quickly through the new website and social media to include Twitter and Facebook. We have also started new blogs on the website and are working on additional resources for ANTSHE members.

We have recently added on several volunteer positions. We have selected two individuals to conduct research for ANTSHE, and have chosen an individual to assist ANTSHE with social

media. As the next few months press on we look forward to meeting with different organizations seeking additional sponsorship for the annual conference, and are working hard to organize the conference to make it an experience to remember. We anticipate the 2015 Conference to be a much larger event and an even greater opportunity to

network with other academic professionals and to learn more about how you can empower adult learners for academic success.

ANTSHE Academic Advisory Board

Our recent addition of an Academic Advisory Board is made up of a diverse group of talented academic professionals yielding both industry and academic experience. The Academic Advisory Board was established to support academic program accountability and provides guidance and feedback while serving as partners in research and community collaborations. The Academic Advisory Board serves a growing academic presence within the ANTSHE community and helps to shape academic forums at the annual ANTSHE conference. The Academic Advisory Board provides guidance in the



development of academic programs focusing on nontraditional students, educational leadership programs, establishing performance standards, evaluating program content, address community/student needs, administrator-faculty engagement, provide assistance, direction, and recommendations. To learn more about the Academic Advisory Board visit www.myantshe.org.

18th Annual Conference Update

Conference registration is now available on ANTSHE's website: www.myantshe.org. The rate to register for the March 27-29 Conference is significantly discounted if you register prior to November 15th. When you log on to register for the conference, it is important to remember to reserve your room as well. This is done separately, the link is provided on the registration page, and since this is an "all inclusive" conference, you are not charged separately for the room, it is included in your ANTSHE Conference Registration. A Call for Proposals was posted several weeks ago and those interested in presenting at the 18th Annual Conference should visit ANTSHE's website and review the guidelines posted under the conferences link. It is advised that you submit your proposal early for proper review and consideration. If you are interested in sponsoring the event or would like exhibit, or advertising information, an information packet is available

on the ANTSHE website under the Conferences link. Have you published an adult education-based book, or do you know of someone who might be interested in sharing their work with others, please contact us at 301-992-2901 or email: president@antsheboardofdirectors.org.

For the latest in ANTSHE Conference news and updates visit our website: www.myantshe.org, or check us out on Facebook or Twitter @myantshe.



ANTSHE Spotlight

This past quarter we introduced the ANTSHE Spotlight that focuses on Nontrads, Academic Professionals, or adult learner programs, that provide assistance for nontraditional students or work directly with nontrads or other academic professionals to help them succeed in reaching their educational goals. Our first ANTSHE Spotlight was on Dr. Michael Dillon. His background is in student services, academic counseling, financial aid and admissions positions in higher education, and personal finance

positions at financial corporations. Dr. Dillon states that his "talent is to help people promotion of self-awareness of succeed educationally and organizationally through strengths, and development of leadership attributes. To learn more about some of the ways that Dr. Dillon contributes to the field of education and nontrads, check out the ANTSHE Spotlight at www.myantshe.org. This quarter the spotlight is on Dr. Angelia Griffin. Dr. Griffin's mission is to facilitate a positive exchange of information whereby students are

encouraged and empowered to develop a strong academic foundation and become lifelong learners. In her quest to help develop a community of leaders and lifelong learners, she has learned throughout her learning journey there are multiple ways to achieve learning goals. Essentially, sharing knowledge and facilitating an exchange of understanding are key



ingredients for learning to occur. Gaining a deeper understanding has often been the result of providing adult learners an opportunity to internalize and apply what they often already know. Therefore, Dr. Griffin enjoys challenging learners to apply critical thinking skills, which occurs typically when learners buy into the learning experience. This can be a challenge for some; however, Dr. Griffin believes we can strive to achieve more when learners are inspired to take a personal interest in the learning process. Visit the ANTSHE Spotlight to learn more about Dr. Griffin and her mission to encourage and empower the nontraditional student.

What's Going On?

It's that time again! The **Call for Nominations** for all of ANTSHE's



Board of Director positions is now open, and will remain open to ANTSHE members from about early September to October 15th biennially. All active members of ANTSHE are eligible to nominate candidates for the Board of Director positions. Other potential candidates and/or self-nomination may be made with the support of an additional ANTSHE Board Member. ANTSHE Board Members may serve a total of two, 2-Year terms. Criteria for each position and nomination information can be found at: www.myantshe.org/Nominations.

Call for proposals for the 18th Annual ANTSHE National Conference is also now open for academic professionals, administrators, nontraditional students/leaders who are interested in submitting proposals for presentations or a poster for the poster session at the 2015 conference. The tracks for the 2015 ANTSHE Conference are available on our website. The call for proposals will open until Friday, January 30, 2015. Proposals can be submitted online, and all proposals will be reviewed and individuals chosen to present will be contacted within 30 days of submission. Early submission is recommended.

Important Dates:

- **Advertising Opportunities are still available to publish in the upcoming version of *The Nontrad Journal* in October! Advertise your adult learning program, nontrad friendly school, or have you published a book? We'd love to promote it through *The Nontrad Journal*.**
- **Submit nominations for Board of Director positions by October 15, 2014.**
- **Register for the 18th Annual ANTSHE Conference by November 15, 2014 for **EARLY BIRD RATES!****
- **The Call for Proposals for the 2015 conference is open until January 30, 2015.**
- **Submit your Nominations for your Nontrad Friendly School through January 30, 2015.**
- **January 16, 2015 is the Deadline to Submit an ANTSHE Scholarship Application for consideration of a 2015 award.**

ANTSHE Board of Directors



(from left to right: Dr. Lee Viar, Lori Viar, R. Todd Powell, Dr. Esther Powell, Dr. Joseph Cappa, Ashley Kelley, Dr. Bryan Forsyth [not pictured])

Thank You for your dedication to the success of our members, both professional and academic! We also Thank You for your support throughout the year and contributions to ANTSHE events!

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