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September E-Newsletter

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Small Business Development Center Workshop Set for September 17th

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The Clarion University Small Business Development Center will hold its next *First Step: Starting a Small Business* workshop on Saturday, September 17th at 9:00 a.m. at the Armstrong Education Center.

Some of the topics covered at the workshop include regulations governing a business, guidelines on how to finance your business plan, license and tax information, and other resources you can use to help your business succeed.



**Small Business Development Center
Clarion University**

Helping businesses start, grow, and prosper.

For more information or to register, contact the Clarion SBDC at **877-292-1843** or the Trust at **724-543-2599** or pataet@windstream.net.

PLATO WEB LEARNING AVAILABLE FOR ADULTS IN ARMSTRONG COUNTY



The Armstrong Educational Trust offers the *PLATO Web Learning* courseware for adults of Armstrong County at no charge to help meet individual learning needs.

PLATO Web Learning offers basic to advanced courses in reading, writing, math, science, social

studies, life and job skills, as well as GED, nurse entrance test, and Praxis preparation. Once you are enrolled, you can access the courseware at any site with Internet access.

To find out more or enroll, contact the Trust at **724-543-2599** or amaet@windstream.net.

WELCOME BACK AMERICORPS MEMBER!

The Armstrong Educational Trust is pleased to announce it has been selected to host an AmeriCorps member through the Pennsylvania Mountain Service Corps for 2011-2012.

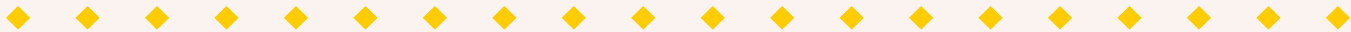
The AmeriCorps program is the domestic version of the Peace Corps, serving local communities in the areas of education, environment, public safety, and human needs.

Our returning AmeriCorps member is Chante Nee, who attended IUP where she majored in Psychology. She will be assisting with programs and services at the Armstrong Education Center and the Crooked Creek Environmental Learning Center throughout the year.

Welcome Back Chante!!



Chante Nee, AmeriCorps member



FALL WORK DAY SCHEDULED FOR THE ELC



A work day is scheduled for the Environmental Learning Center on **Saturday, October 1st** beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Come out and help the ELC prepare for fall. There are many projects planned such as yard work, performing trail maintenance, pruning trees and shrubs, collecting firewood, and other inside projects. Lunch will be provided.



For more information or to see how you may help, call the ELC at 724-763-6316 or email elcaet@windstream.net.



MINING ELECTRICAL QUALIFICATIONS COURSE TO BE OFFERED AT AET

Lenape Tech will be offering an upcoming course in **Underground & Surface Mine Electrical Qualifications** at Armstrong Educational Trust.



LenapeTech
Education at Work

This MSHA approved coursework is for the miner who can provide a minimum of one year documented work experience.

A resume needs to be submitted two weeks in advance of start date of class of approval by MSHA. (Mine Safety Health Association)

Perfect attendance is required.

The class will be held
Monday through Friday
from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Classes will run from
October 10th through October 18th.

For more information or to register, contact
Cathy Champagne at (724) 763-7116 Ext. 3316 or
by email chamkat@lenape.k12.pa.us

Computer Skills for Senior Learners Course Scheduled

The latest session of the *Basic Computer Skills for Senior Learners* course will be starting September 17th. These four hour classes will be held at the Armstrong Educational Trust in the computer lab.



.Participants will spend time identifying the parts of a computer system, navigating the Internet safely, and using electronic mail to connect with others. For our older citizens, building this technical literacy helps to bring the world closer to Armstrong County.

The Armstrong Educational Trust would like to take the time to recognize and thank the following sponsors for their generous donations that help keep this popular program running:

- Sugar Creek Rest
- Davis Consulting Inc.
- PA State Representative Jeff Pyle
- Nolan B. Raraigh, State Farm Insurance
- Jeffrey J. Rood, Health Care Advisor

The Trust would also like to thank Michele Cogley for her excellent instruction and her dedication to this program and the participants.

For more information contact the Trust at
724-543-2599 or pataet@windstream.net.

Work Certified Class



The next session of *Work Certified*, the nationally recognized work readiness program, is set to run from September 26th through October 14th.

This three-week, *free* program teaches individuals the skills employers need most. Intensive job search assistance is available with incentives following completion of the program.

**For more information,
contact the
Armstrong County
Career T.R.A.C.K. at
724-763-1999 or
1-800-841-1852**

HEALTH CARE WORKER RECOGNITION LUNCHEON



The **Armstrong County Health Care Consortium** is preparing for the annual *Health Care Workers Recognition Luncheon*, scheduled for November 2, 2011 at Lenape Heights Golf Course.

Approximately thirty health care workers from health care organizations through out the county will be honored.

Applications to nominate a health care worker will be available at the Trust.

**To purchase tickets or to become a sponsor for the event,
please call Mary Salony
of the TCWIB at
(724)355-5362 Ext. 35 or msalony@tcwib.net**



Fall Foliage 5K Run/Walk

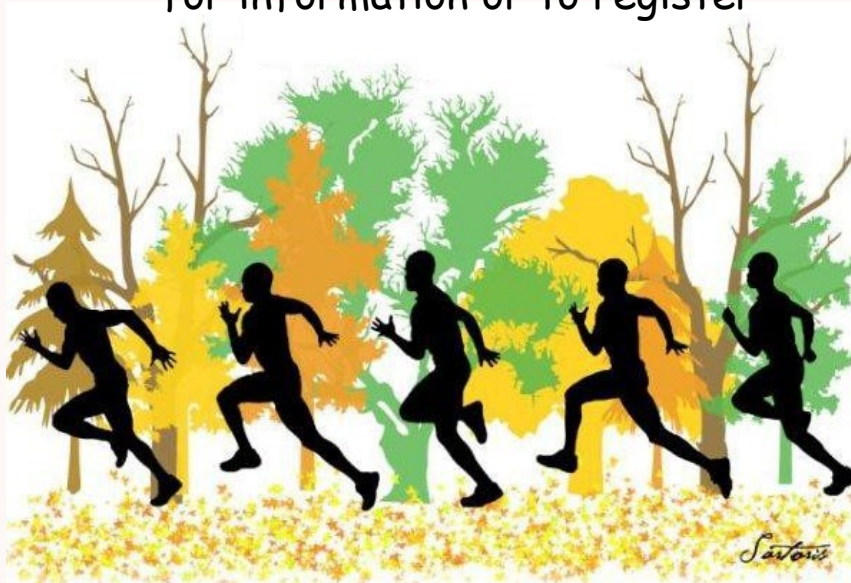
Saturday, October 8

Crooked Creek Lake Park – Race begins at Tunnelville Beach

\$15 before September 23 (shirt guaranteed)
\$20 before October 7 ~ \$25 Race Day

**RACE-DAY REGISTRATION
BEGINS AT 8:00 AM.
RACE BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 10:30 AM**

Call 724-763-6316
or email elcaet@windstream.net
for information or to register





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AET Mission Statement

To strengthen and promote career awareness, post-secondary continuing education, occupational training, workforce development, and certification programs on a timely basis for business, industry, and general economic development in Armstrong County and surrounding areas.

AET Vision Statement

To prepare a world-class workforce to meet the evolving economic development needs of the community by:

- developing a skilled workforce for existing businesses and new emerging industries
- improving workplace skills of incumbent workers
- increasing environmental and conservation knowledge and education
- improving literacy rates in Armstrong County
- promoting life-long learning
- increasing professional development opportunities locally
- providing funding for education and training opportunities
- brokering and promoting post secondary education
- increasing knowledge and participation in community development
- promoting career development and providing career development services