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Upcoming Events:

- Oct. 7-11: *October Break, No School*
- Oct. 10-11: *Closed*
- Oct. 25: *Perfect Attendance Assemblies*
- Nov. 6, 7 a.m.: *EVITEF Annual Breakfast and Fundraiser, Culinary Banquet Hall*

Breakfast raises funds for EVIT scholarships



Nearly every student who attends the East Valley Institute of Technology has sacrificed something to be there. Sports and activities at their high schools may no longer be possible due to a tight schedule. The bus ride to EVIT may take 45 minutes to an hour. There may not even be time for lunch.

Every year, 3,000 to 4,000 high school students and adults make that sacrifice so they can train in a field they are passionate about, such as radio, cosmetology, welding, or veterinary science.

The EVIT Education Foundation recognizes that EVIT students often give up much to pursue their dream. So every year, the foundation raises money for scholarships to ensure that financial need doesn't keep these students from receiving high-quality career and technical education. The scholarships, funded by proceeds from the annual EVITEF Gourmet Breakfast, pay for uniforms and program fees for students in need.

"The foundation was established so there would never be a situation where a student was turned away from EVIT because they couldn't afford a welding helmet or a culinary jacket or other uniforms and fees," Superintendent Sally Downey said.

This year's breakfast will be 7 a.m. to 9 a.m., Nov. 6 in the EVIT Culinary Banquet Hall, 1601 W. Main St., Mesa. Individual tickets can be purchased for \$125 each (90 percent tax-deductible). Table sponsorships are also available ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

To RSVP and pay, go to <http://www.evit.com/evitef>.



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In the News

US Deputy Education Secretary tours EVIT early childhood program



Dr. Libby Doggett, U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Early Learning, toured the Early Childhood Education program at the East Valley Institute of Technology in September.

After touring with EVIT instructor Lisa Bradford and Superintendent Sally Downey, Doggett met with Valley teachers and state officials. She was joined by Linda Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary and Inter-departmental Liaison for Early Childhood Development for the Administration for Children and Families at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.



East Campus Spotlight

Speakers, alumni visits, and a plane build project at EVIT East

Compiled by Terri Pearson, Lou Amadee and Al Mittelstaedt

The Aviation program at EVIT East Campus is having a busy fall.

Aviation alumnus Matt Huerta, who attended EVIT in the fall of 2011 and received his private pilot license, recently visited the program. After leaving EVIT, Matt received his instrument rating and multi-engine and flight instructor certificates. And, he is now a flight instructor for the University of North Dakota next to Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport. His students include many current and former EVIT students. Matt and the other UND instructors have noticed a significant difference in how knowledgeable the EVIT students are compared to their other students, and that the details EVIT teaches really prepares them to fly. Matt plans to stay at UND as a flight instructor for a few years and then finish his 4-year degree and perhaps go into the International Guard or Air Force, or work for an airline.



Sherry Parshley from Women in Aviation, US Airways captain Tania Rocco, private pilot Theresa Farley, and Stacy Howard with the National Business Aviation Association were recent guest speakers. They were joined by EVIT Aviation alumni Becca Weinstock and Emma Allinger. Becca received two scholarships this summer and a fully-funded trip to Oshkosh, Wis., to attend Air Venture, one of the largest fly-ins in the world. She also attended helicopter ground school at Chandler-Gilbert Community College, courtesy of Quantum helicopter. Emma has been flying helicopters in Mesa, and has taken her

private pilot check-ride.

And finally, the Aviation program is building an airplane! EVIT airframe and power plant students volunteering for the EVIT-EAA SONEX Aircraft Build Project are meeting every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at EVIT East Campus to build a flyable SONEX Waix aircraft. The group will be mentored by volunteers from EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) Chapter #228 and pilots and mechanics based at the Falcon Field airport. The first meetings have been for orientation to acquaint the students with plans interpretation, project planning, manufacturing and basic fabrication skills. Work on the actual aircraft will commence on Oct. 26.



Main Campus Spotlight

Law Enforcement handcuff exercise; Mesa Police donation

The Law Enforcement program at EVIT Main Campus has been putting tools and skills to practice. On Sept. 25, the students practiced handcuffing each other. They also did an impressive speed round.

And recently, the Mesa Police Department donated cold weather jackets and helmets to the program. EVIT appreciates Mesa PD investing in our law enforcement students and instructors.



Program Highlights

PMT, Engineering Science receive machinery donations

EVIT loves big machinery. The two latest donations will be used by the Precision Manufacturing program and the Engineering Science and Technology program.

On Sept. 10, ME Global donated an 18-foot engine lathe, manufactured by Lodge & Shipley in 1944 and weighing about 18,000 pounds. Big thanks to Empire CAT, our new Diesel program partner, for helping get the lathe to the Precision Manufacturing program safely.

And also recently, EVIT welcomed the BEAST to the Main Campus.

This Battle Enhanced Ambulance Soldier Transporter robot will be used in the Engineering Science and Technology program. The BEAST was donated by the city of Chandler, which received the robot from Tom Madison, founder of Skynet Robotics, LLC.



Trip Reduction Program

In a partnership with Valley Metro, the EVIT Trip Reduction Program is designed to reduce single occupant vehicle (SOV) trips to the work site.

If you carpool, vanpool, walk, bike or ride the bus to school you are considered an Alternate Mode User (AMU), and you can register to win quarterly prizes valued at \$25.

For more information, or to sign up as an alternative mode user, contact Liz Bortkun at 480-461-4160 or e-mail lbortkun@evit.com.

You can find more information about carpooling at www.sharetheride.com or bus route information at www.valleymetro.com.

Program Highlights

Culinary students grow their own food at EVIT Main Campus



Culinary Arts students are learning to grow their own garden with help from grounds supervisor Marty Askins.



Program Highlights

Dental students practice proper way to floss patients' teeth



EVIT Massage students practice continuous massage techniques



Program Highlights

EVIT East Anatomy & Physiology for Medical Careers Lab

Students in Karen Cunneen's Anatomy & Physiology for Medical Careers lab study animal and human hair samples.

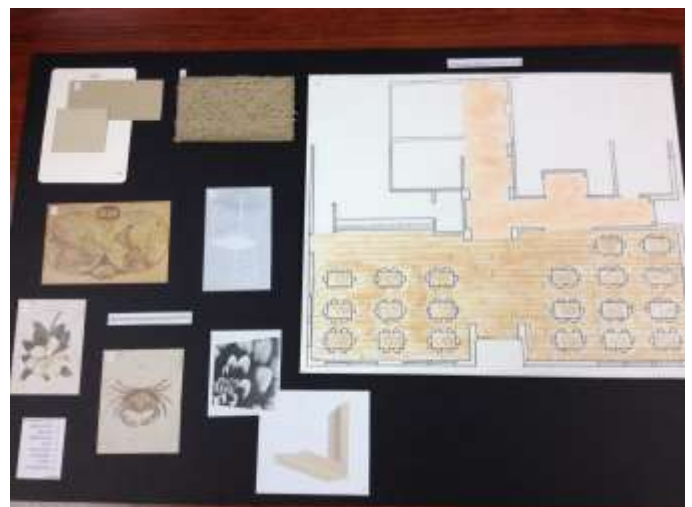


EVIT East Rotary Student of the Month

Hannah Siglar (pictured on the left) is EVIT EAST's Rotary student of the month! She is in Mr. Amadee's Aviation class and has shown great dedication and a strong work ethic.

EVIT FIT Redesigns Augusta Ranch

Interior students, (pictured below) have been selected to work on a remodeling project for Augusta Ranch Golf Club. Follow the students as they renovate the grill and pro shop into an event center with a coastal theme on the EVIT Facebook.



Program Highlights

Take the EVIT photo challenge on Instagram, every Friday. #EVITPhotoChallenge

Follow EVIT on Instagram: @EVITNews for great photos and photo challenges



SAVE THE DATE NOVEMBER 6, 2013

EVITEF, Inc. Gourmet Breakfast Fundraiser

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2013
7:00 - 9:00 a.m.
in the

EVIT Culinary Arts Banquet Hall
1601 W. Main Street
Mesa, Arizona 85201

\$125 per person (\$115 tax deductible)
OR
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General Announcements

Happy Birthday!



October Birthdays			
2	Terry Baugher	13	Brenda Fenwick
3	Sharon Black	20	Rusty Bowers
3	Jose Julio Rosas	20	Patrick Jervis
6	Maggie Fleming	24	Roberto Decarvalho
9	Kelley Grantham	25	Brittany Johnson
11	Rick Shearer	25	Anthony Toscano
12	Jerry Bauer	29	Mike Turcotte



Coming soon: EVIT backpacks!

Just like the employers they will work for one day, EVIT expects its students to show up every day ready to work. To encourage that, students with perfect attendance have a chance to win a car at the end of the school year. But throughout the year, other prizes are given out too. Students who make it to the Oct. 25 perfect attendance assembly will win an EVIT drawstring backpack!

Support Mesa United Way

If you still would like to participate in our Mesa United Way Campaign, you can contribute through payroll deduction, a one-time payment with either a check, credit card or cash. Last year, we raised over \$17,000 and each year we try and surpass the previous year's contributions.

If you need a pledge form, please see Barb Spielbusch in Bldg. 3, Liz in Bldg. 1 or Kathie Kopp at the East Campus. Thank you from the Mesa United Way Committee.

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