

Some Assembly Required: The CSI Newsletter

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Welcome to the Ninth Edition of Some Assembly Required!





Custom bookcases made for Westmont Elementary School. Made in Shops 29 (Wood Shop @ OCC)





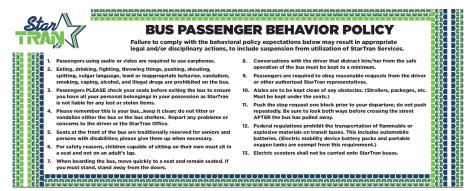
Above: Wildcat Hills State Park Terrarium built in Shop 29 (Wood Shop @ OCC)



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3 Questions With a CSI Employee -Danley Walkington - Shop 23 - Print Shop Supervisor

- 1. What is something the print shop makes that not a lot of people know about? The print shop makes are large variety of printed products, that I don't think a lot of people know about. The print shop produces a lot of materials for Lincoln StarTran. We print their bus route maps, the BigRed Express Bus Passes for Husker Football games, the UNL Student and Faculty/Staff Bus Passes. Recently we completed a new project for them. (See example below)
- 2. What was one of the bigger printing projects you were a part of with the print shop? The shop constantly has big projects going on. The shop works on the Nebraska Tourism Calendars every year where we place postcards for each month of the year, that line up to the image of the calendar. This is a very large project for the shop and very time-consuming. The shop also gets bigger orders such as the Development Wheels for DHHS that we put together every year. We complete a good amount of these in English and Spanish. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the shop has made a lot of metal DiBond Signs for DHHS. These are for testing sights. We worked hard to get these out as soon as possible.
- 3. What is the type of training you have to give the incarcerated individuals to run some of the printing programs? A lot of the printing programs in the shop are Adobe-based. Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign are the three main programs we use. The training we use for these programs is a class from Adobe. This class has videos and tutorials on how to run and create within these programs. After going through this class, our workers learn more by just creating new things in the programs with guidance from me. Working with these programs every day, they can help one another create better designs. If there is something they do not understand and I don't know how to do it myself, I will watch a YouTube tutorial. I then pass along that information, so I'm constantly learning new skills as well. The shop uses Illustrator and InDesign for the work we print, so I try to have my workers focus mostly on those two programs. As we are constantly creating and recreating new graphics and typesetting for our customers.







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Congratulations on Retirement!

Linda Wendt - Shop 28 - NSP Sign Shop Supervisor

Margie Hoss - Shop 16 - OCC Sewing Shop Supervisor

Welcome to the Team!

Nick Lee - OCC Operations Manager

Congratulations on Committee Appointment!

Jeremy Elder - ACA Chairperson for the Correctional Industries Committee

Congratulations to Danielle Sanders (OCC) and Brandon Beam (Driver) on 5 years of service and Anna Strasburg (Supply Manager) on 30 years of service!









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Lincoln Manufacturing Council Class Kickoff!









On Friday, March 19th, Cornhusker State Industries (CSI) kicked off a four-week program with the Lincoln Manufacturing Council (LMC) for incarcerated individuals to learn more about the manufacturing industry. Business representatives from Bison and TMCO spoke about their businesses and employment opportunities. Class instructor Kevin Mattran, gave a class on the history of manufacturing, what to expect while working in manufacturing, and an introduction to math and measurement.