

BROWARD COLLEGE UPDATE

FROM PRESIDENT J. DAVID ARMSTRONG, JR.

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COLLEGE NEWS

Laila Ali Motivates Audience During Broward College Speaker Series



L to R: Pamela Riguard, Jodi-Anne Champagnie, Laila Ali, Tarah Leon, and Bianca Daniel.

On Tuesday, March 27, Laila Ali was featured in the 2018 Broward College Speaker Series held at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. Almost 600 people gathered to hear Ali's story of personal inspiration of overcoming adversity to become the successful athlete, broadcaster, and CEO that she is today. The evening was moderated by Dr. Germaine Smith-Baugh, president and CEO of Urban League of Broward County.

During a special Fireside Chat at the Judson A. Samuels South Campus earlier in the day, Broward College students and Professor Kari Hebert had the opportunity to hear Ali discuss her relationship with her father (the iconic Muhammad Ali), the creative process behind her first book, as well as fitness and wellness concepts which are core to the Laila Ali lifestyle brand.

Finalists Named as Search for New President Narrows

The Broward College Presidential Search Committee has announced the names of five finalists under consideration for the position of President when J. David Armstrong, Jr., transitions to the role of president emeritus on June 30, 2018.

They were selected from a pool of 22 local, state and national applicants. Three of the finalists have accepted consideration for interviews. They are:

- Cliff Davis, president, Table Rock Campus and vice chancellor of the system, Ozarks Technical Community College
- Greg Haile, general counsel and vice president, Public Policy and Government Affairs, Broward College
- Elliot Stern, vice president of instruction, Lake Washington Institute of Technology

The Broward College Board of Trustees will conduct follow-up interviews with each finalist, including campus visits, which are scheduled during the week of April 30.

Please visit bcpresidentsearch.com/finalists for additional information.

Broward College to Host Debates in Florida U.S. Senate and Governor Races



The debates organized by Leadership Florida and the Florida Press Association will be hosted at Bailey Hall on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus in Davie on October 23 and 24. Each event will consist of an hour-long, live, televised broadcast from 7-8 p.m. The debates will take place two weeks before voters go to the polls, for mid-term elections. This is the third time Broward College has been selected to host major political debates, including the gubernatorial debate in 2014 and the U.S. Senate debate in 2016.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Shelter in Place Preparedness Day

April 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., college-wide

Broward College Community Health Fair

April 28, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., North Campus, Bldg. 62 (Library)

Dinner at the Square: A Free Market for Education

May 2, 6:45–8:30 p.m., Funky Buddha Brewery, Oakland Park

Broward College Commencement Ceremony

May 8, 11 a.m., BB&T Center, Surnise

Village Square Hosts Discussion on The Right to Die

On April 17, the Broward College Take-Out Tuesday series discussed the legal implications of euthanasia. This civil dialogue examined the rights of patients to take their own lives with medical assistance when they and a medical professional believe all options to a cure for their condition have been exhausted.

The event was moderated by Circuit Court Judge in the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Florida, the Hon. Ari Porth. Panelists were Howard Simon, executive director, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Florida; and Dr. Marin Gillis, chief of the Division of Ethics, Humanities and the Arts (DEHA), at the Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine at Florida International University.

Take-Out Tuesday is a regular part of the Village Square programming where audience members are invited to bring and enjoy their favorite take-out dinner while learning about local, state or national topics. The events are free and open to the public.



L to R: President Armstrong; Howard Simon, executive director, ACLU of Florida; Ari Porth, Circuit Court Judge; Dr. Marin Gillis, chief of ethics, Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine at FIU, and Jeff Hirsch, Greenberg Traurig, PA.

Mass Casualty Drill Helps Nursing and EMS Students Prepare for Real-Life Emergencies



A mass casualty simulation exercise, organized by Broward College and the Hospital Corporation of America, was held on Friday, April 13 at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. Participants included nursing and EMS students from Broward College and Florida Atlantic University, as well as Davie Police and Davie Fire and Rescue.

The two-and-a-half-hour drill was designed to realistically simulate an actual mass casualty event including the use of emergency response vehicles, training firearms, simulated

victims, and other interactive devices. The exercise provided first responders with the opportunity to assess capabilities, plans, policies, and procedures while focusing on coordination and integration with other organizations during an emergency. It was also an excellent opportunity for students to gain real-world experience in their chosen fields of employment while completing a portion of their program curriculum.

Hundreds Participate in Future Leaders Conference

More than 300 young men, teachers, parents, faculty, and staff attended the 2018 Future Leaders Student Success Conference (FLSSC) on Saturday, April 14 at the at Broward College Junior Achievement World Huizenga Center on North Campus in Coconut Creek. Guest speakers were award-winning journalist, political contributor for CNN, and host of BET News, Dr. Marc Lamont Hill and renowned speaker, educator and author Robert Jackson.

The conference forms part of the Minority Male Initiative being spearheaded by the College. Its objective was to bring together minority male students to discuss their educational and professional goals while learning valuable skills to fuel their success. Morning breakout sessions included topics on identifying your personal brand, setting successful goals, financial wellness, healthy relationships and thinking beyond the bachelor's degree.

Discussion of Florida Job Growth Grant with Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Executive Visiting Broward College

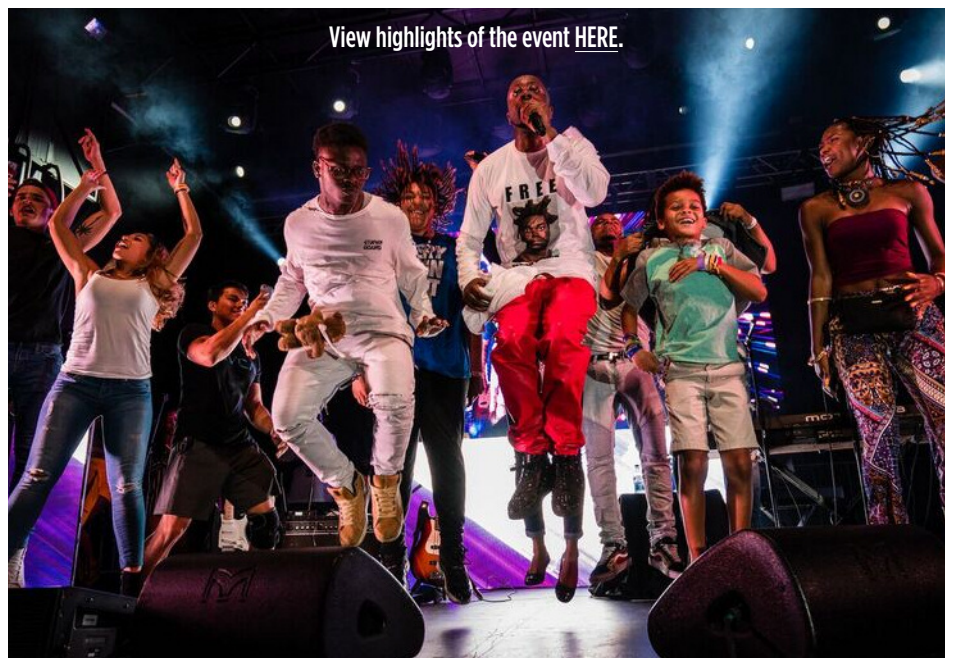
Broward College, Urban League of Broward, CareerSource Broward and the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance recently hosted Cissy Proctor, executive director of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, at the Emil Buehler Aviation Institute. Ms. Proctor toured the facility located on the Judson A. Samuels South Campus in Pembroke Pines, spoke with staff and learned how the \$3,187,500 Florida Job Growth Grant for Workforce Training will be implemented. The grant is expected to train 1,500 students and create 1,275 jobs locally, which aligns with the goal of creating and filling local aviation, advanced manufacturing, and information technology employment opportunities through engagement with the South Florida business community.



Dr. Tom Ayers, dean, Information Technology; Ron Drew, senior vice president, Marketing and Communications, Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance; Dr. Mildred Coyne, executive director, Workforce Education and Economic Development; Cissy Proctor, executive director, Florida Department of Economic Opportunity; President Armstrong; Dr. Germaine Smith-Baugh, president and CEO, Urban League of Broward County; Leslie Backus, associate vice president, Center for Supply Chain Management and Carol Hyton, CareerSource Broward.

First Seahawk Festival a Success

More than 1,000 students, professors, and alumni attended the Broward College Seahawk Festival on Thursday, March 29. The event, which took place at the A. Hugh Adams Central featured hours of entertainment including student-led musical acts and spoken word performances. The festival culminated with performances featuring Wyclef Jean, Walshy Fire (a member of Major Lazer) and Miami's own IRIE. The Festival was presented by Brightline® and sponsored by Landshark, Brainfuse, the Miami Dolphins, Intellus Learning and MADD.



Broward College Aerospace Maintenance Club Wins Multiple Awards



Two teams from the Aerospace Maintenance Club (AMC) won multiple awards at the recent Aerospace Maintenance Competition during the MRO Americas convention in Orlando, Florida. Competing against 26 schools and colleges from across the country and 43 companies from around the world, both teams were able to come out on top with prestigious awards.

Team One was awarded the United Airlines Professionalism Award which includes a \$1,500 prize. In addition, the team placed first in the Eastern Florida State College (EFSC) Space Vehicle/Vacuum Loading Operation event and the

FedEx Express Turbine Engine event. Winners received a fully paid SpaceTec Aerospace Core Certification course which only 400 technicians nationwide have completed to date. The team placed third overall, in the school/college category.

Team Two won the prestigious Airbus Cat III Certification individual event and, in recognition, Airbus awarded the students with EASA Airbus A320 type certifications. These coveted certifications mean that each student, upon graduation, will be certified to work on Airbus A320 aircraft anywhere in the world.

Broward College Math Team Wins Awards

The Math Team won several prizes at the 2018 Annual Math competition in Jacksonville, Florida. The team placed third in the overall team competition with more than 20 state colleges participating. In addition, two students won individual awards for their performance: Neehal Hussain – 1st Place (best overall score in the state competition) and Tuan Le – 2nd Place (second best overall score in the state competition.) The team was coached by Professors Sanford Geraci and Angie Matthews.



L to R: Neehal Hussain, Hector Fuentes, Tuan Le, and Megan Eaton.

Seven Outstanding Faculty Recognized with Endowed Teaching Chair Awards



Lidia Berbeci Robert Gallagher Dyanne Martin Lisa Rockford Yvonne Simone Lynn Slossberg Jillian Wojcik

During a surprise visit from President Armstrong on Wednesday, April 11, seven faculty members were informed of their Endowed Teaching Chair awards and presented with a check for \$10,000 in recognition of their hard work and academic achievements!

The 2018 Broward College Foundation Endowed Teaching Chair Award recipients:

- Lidia Berbeci, Emil Buehler Endowed Teaching Chair - Assistant Professor, Physics Department, South Campus
- Robert Gallagher, Southeast Banking Corp. Foundation Endowed Teaching Chair - Assistant Professor, Social & Behavioral Sciences & Human Services Department, South Campus
- Dyanne Martin, John S., and James L. Knight Foundation Endowed Teaching Chair - Assistant Professor, English Department, North Campus

- Lisa Rockford, A. Hugh Adams Endowed Teaching Chair - Assistant Professor, Art Department, North Campus
- Yvonne Simone, Wanda Thomas Endowed Teaching Chair - Instructor, Cardio Department, North Campus
- Lynn Slossberg, Sun Sentinel Endowed Teaching Chair - Assistant Professor, Business Department, Broward College South Campus
- Jillian Wojcik, Stephen C. Barker Endowed Teaching Chair - Assistant Professor, Behavioral Science, Cypress Creek

The Endowed Teaching Chair Award is now in its 27th year and is funded through annual grants by local businesses and donors. The grant’s goal is to provide deserving faculty with one year of professional development and funded projects to assist them in furthering classroom excellence and efficiency.

Dr. Willis Holcombe Meets His American Dream Scholar



On Tuesday, March 27, Dr. Willis Holcombe had the opportunity to meet Shawna-Lee Wright, the recipient of the Dr. Willis Holcombe American Dream Scholarship. The two met at a dinner prior to the Broward College Speaker Series featuring the renowned Laila Ali. Shawna-Lee, an accounting major, looks forward to graduating this May and continuing her bachelor’s degree studies at Florida Atlantic University.

In addition to being the fourth president of Broward College, Dr. Holcombe and his family have been long-standing leaders and champions of higher education in the community.

More than 170 Participate in Annual Golf Classic

Thursday, March 29 was a beautiful day for the Cigna/Broward College 31st Annual Golf Classic. The tournament attracted a full field of golfers who played on the North and South courses at the Fort Lauderdale Country Club.

North Course foursome winners included: first place – Mark MacLeod, Doug Wiener, Scott Krause and Payam Savar; second place – Paul Tunik, David Allen, Nick Brown and John Kubs; and third place – Robert Diaz, Matt Jones, Russell Izerman and Phil Joseph.



North Course first place winners Scott Krause, Mark MacLeod and Doug Weiner.

South Course winners included: first place – David Sama, Anthony Paradise, Keith Dellovo and Jamie Smith; second place – Steve Postema, Ki-Jana Carter and Marcus Carr; and third place – Ken Stiles, Scott Campbell, Randy Zerra and Ryan Abbate.

Golf Classic Chair Lloyd R. Rhodes, a member of the Broward College Foundation Board of Directors, led an outstanding



South Course first place winners David Sama, Anthony Paradise, Keith Dellovo and Jamie Smith.

committee comprised of: Jack Paltani, Terri Justice (a distinguished alumna of the College and Foundation Director), Nathan Sade, Andy Chabassol, Sal Giorlando, Chelsea Young, Marla Stenger, Daniel Rioseco, Sam Eppy, Reid Holden, Nancy Botero, Jorge Miralles, Cindy Schutt, John Coolican, Mark Van Dyke and Lorne Cleaver.

“Over the last 31 years, our Golf Classic has had an amazing impact by generating \$2.5 million to benefit students and adult learners here at the College,” said Nancy R. Botero, Broward College Foundation executive director and Broward College vice president for advancement. “We look forward to continuing our golf tradition next year in support of our Broward College students.” Proceeds from this year’s event will be matched by the state of Florida and support the First Generation in College Scholarship.

Knowledge and a Side of Pizza



Students at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus sat down for an open dialogue with Coral Springs Commissioner Dan Daley on Friday, April 13 in another Political Pizza organized by the Government Affairs department and Student Life.

L to R: Dr. Lulrick Balzora, Stephanie Repaci, Lucas Barreto Villalba, Mia Biggs, Jazmin Nicole Sotomayor, Stone Schweiker & Dan Daley.

...and they're off!



Members of the Broward College Plays running team led by President Armstrong were among more than 8,000 participants at the annual Mercedes-Benz Corporate run in Fort Lauderdale on Thursday, April 5.

A-MAZ-ING!



Participants in the A-MAZE-IN Bot Wars, workshop, and competition held on Friday, April 13, funded by the HSI Pathway and CAPTURE grants. The event allowed students to team up, build and program their robots. Four teams competed in the event, and Team Three, along with their robot "Clifford", won the prize. Congratulations to Team Three and A-Maze-In robot Clifford!

#FirstGenProud



Faculty participants at the March 28 event held for the #firstgenproud campaign take a group photo. The campaign, launched this year seeks to increase the visibility of the first-generation faculty, and encourage meaningful connections with students through mentoring practices aimed at supporting first-generation student success.

Broward College Faculty and Staff Show How Much They Care

More than 200 employees and their families participated in the BC Cares Feeding South Florida event on Saturday, April 21. This is the third college-wide activity since the program was launched to coordinate volunteer efforts.

The Broward College Cares program offered events in October, December and April in Broward County, making it easy for faculty, staff and their families to roll up their sleeves in support of local causes. Broward College has always considered itself a partner in the community and believes that together we can make our county a better place through education and community service.



Foundation Recognizes Nancy Bryant and Jerry Taylor

During of the April Board meeting, Jerry Taylor and Nancy Bryant were formally recognized by the Broward College Foundation for their gifts to the facilities, curriculum development and student scholarships at the Emil Buehler Aviation Institute. Among the initiatives for which they were commended is the Avionics Honors scholarship which will help ensure students interested in the field have the

opportunity for an honors education at Broward College. The Jerry Taylor and Nancy Bryant Foundation is a private, not-for-profit philanthropic organization, established in 1999 by Jerry Taylor and his wife, Nancy Bryant. The Foundation is family managed and believes firmly in the importance of education and the arts.



Front row (L to R): Russ McCaffery, dean of Transportation Programs; Jim DeChant, Major Gifts Officer; Don Cook, executive director for Marketing and Strategic Initiatives; Quakish Liner, district director of the Robert “Bob” Elmore Honors College; Nancy R. Botero, vice president for Advancement and executive director of the Broward College Foundation; Nancy Bryant and Jerry Taylor, trustees of the Taylor-Bryant Foundation; and President J. David Armstrong, Jr.

Back row (L to R): Broward College District Board of Trustees Mike Rump, Gloria Fernandez, David Maymon and Rajendra Gupta.

Broward College Proposes Change for Out-of-State Tuition Fees

The proposed increase will be an additional \$15.00 per credit for out-of-state fees, while all other out-of-state charges remain the same. Florida Statute 1009.23(3) & (4) grants authority to Florida College System institutional board of trustees to establish out-of-state fees. The increase is expected to be approved at the May 22, meeting of the Board of Trustees. Once finalized, the new fees will take effect for the 2018-2019 academic year. The funds collected from this increase will be used to support student success initiatives related to retention and completion.

Policy Changes

At the April 24, 2018 Board of Trustees meeting, the Board adopted the following College policy. Click on the Policy name to review.

[Policy 6Hx2-6.46 Return of Title IV Funds](#)

Tennis Star Bianca Vitale Recognized



Bianca Vitale (center), Tennis Coach Marlena Hall (right) with President Armstrong and members of the Broward College Board of Trustees.

Bianca Vitale, captain of the Broward College Women's Tennis team was recognized at the April Board meeting for receiving the 2018 Vicki Schnurr Academic Scholar-Athlete Award.

Vitale, originally from Italy enrolled at the College in January 2017. She started playing number four singles and remained undefeated from state to the national level of the competition, earning the National Champion title that year. She is presently competing at the number two singles and number two doubles position. Vitale's exceptional abilities are reflected on and off the tennis court. She will graduate this summer and has already been offered a full scholarship to attend Eastern Michigan University in the fall. She is also being scouted by several other universities across the U.S.

Online Students Present at April Board Meeting

At the fourth and final student forum for 2018, administrators were commended for addressing the issues highlighted in the previous academic year and for ongoing improvements. Among them, the need for 24-hour academic advising, improving the online learning experience with more advanced technology, the establishment of a Student Government Association and additional student engagement activities.



L to R: Hector Arellano, Abigail Reilly, President Armstrong, Tamarsha Brown and Priscilla Corvetto.



Retirement

Merrie Meyers, PhD, APR, Fellow PRSA

Meyers has worked with Broward College for six years working in the Grants Development department. As the sole grant-writer, she has worked diligently to develop grant proposals that have brought over \$40 million to help support the strategic plan goals and mission of the College. In her spare time, Meyers participates in many community activities, including Broward Public Library Foundation, Jr. League and Humane Society of Broward County.