

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

from President Gregory Adam Haile, Esq.



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COLLEGE NEWS

Groundbreaking Ceremony Marks Construction of The Main Las Olas Building



The official groundbreaking for The Main Las Olas building, being erected across from the Willis Holcombe Center in Downtown Fort Lauderdale, was held on Tuesday, October 16. The Main Las Olas construction is part of a 99-year lease agreement between Broward College and the Stiles Corporation. The revenue received (\$2 million per year) will be invested in student success initiatives and capital infrastructures.

In Memoriam

Trustee Gupta Remembered



On October 5, 2018, Broward College Trustee Dr. Rajendra Prasad Gupta passed away. Trustee Gupta had an outspoken and uncompromising passion for serving students, as reflected during his service on the Broward College District Board of Trustees, which began on September 25, 2015. During his tenure,

Trustee Gupta, a medical doctor, offered his personal and professional resources, including numerous relationships in the medical field, to support faculty, staff, and students. He often worked directly with the nursing team to place students in internships while completing their studies and in jobs after graduation.

Former President Larry Calderon Passes



Dr. Larry Calderon, who served as President of Broward College from 2004 to 2006, passed away on Saturday, September 29 in California. Dr. Calderon was a passionate educator who dedicated his life's work to education, serving in various positions within higher education.

This included Vice President for Academic Affairs of Oxnard College, President and District Vice Chancellor for Economic Development at Ventura College, Vice President for Community and Government Relations at Nova Southeastern University's Fischler School of Education, and most recently, as a leadership coach with Achieving the Dream, Inc.

President Haile Expands Conversation Cafes

President Haile continues the series of Conversation Cafes, which now include weekend sessions and office hours across the College's main campuses. Since the sessions started in August, more than one hundred faculty have met with President Haile.



Photo right: Participants share a photo moment following the Conversation Cafe at Cypress Creek on Monday, October 1.

Interesting Debate on Penny Tax Kicks Off Broward College Village Square

The first Dinner at the Square for the 2018-19 Village Square series was held at the Funky Buddha Brewery on Wednesday, October 10 exploring the topic, "A Penny for Transportation?" The evening was moderated by Kate Stein, reporter at WLRN News, and guests heard expert opinions from panelists Mayor of Broward County Beam Furr and Editorial Page Editor at the *Sun Sentinel*, Rosemary O'Hara. The panelists addressed the issue facing Broward County voters as they decide whether to vote yes or no on legislation that would increase the county's sales tax for the next 30 years to raise \$16 billion for local transportation projects.

The next Broward College Village Square Dinner at the Square is scheduled for February 20, 2019, on the topic "National Identity Crisis? The Open vs. Closed Border."



Left to right: Moderator and WLRN Reporter Kate Stein; President and CEO of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance, Bob Swindell; President Haile; Editorial Page Editor at the *Sun Sentinel*, Rosemary O'Hara; Mayor of Broward County Beam Furr; Former Mayor of Fort Lauderdale, Jack Seiler; and Mayor of Oakland Park, Tim Lonergan.

Virginia Tech Survivor Lisa Hamp Closes Campus Safety Awareness Month



Eleven years after the Virginia Tech shooting that left 32 people dead, survivor Lisa Hamp is sharing her journey to recovery. Hamp was a guest speaker at Broward College during Campus Safety Awareness Month in September. She travels around the country sharing her experience at workplace violence prevention training events, conferences, and schools. She offers advice about preparedness and handling the effects of

traumatic experiences. More than 200 students and employees attended her presentations, hosted on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus in Davie and North Campus in Coconut Creek.

Aviation Students Awarded \$36,000 in Scholarships from the Greater Miami Aviation Association (GMAA)

The GMAA Bachelor Aviation Scholarship Fund awarded 12 students a total of \$36,000 at the 91st GMAA Wright Brothers Memorial Gala on October 13, at the Trump National Doral Miami Resort. The scholarship is awarded annually to skilled aviation students in the South Florida region who are pursuing careers in the industry. The awardees are Lucas Botazini, Alex Gutierrez, Amit Kopit, Antonella Mancebo, Jacob A. Moore, Oscar Romo Ortiz, Francis Pineda, Juan Felipe Ramirez, Aramis Sanchez, Peter Sheppard, Nicholas W. Smallacombe, and Guillermo A. Suarez. They were selected based on their outstanding academic and aviation achievements, their leadership and financial needs.

Broward College Receives National Recognition for Achievements in Student Success



EAB, formerly known as the Education Advisory Board, which harnesses the collective power of more than 1,400 educational institutions, named Broward College as one of the winners of its 2018 Student Success Collaborative-Citizenship Award. EAB's Collaborative Citizenship Award recognizes institutions that selflessly share their student success practices with other peer institutions. This year, Broward College was one of two recipients of the award. This is the fifth year EAB has awarded achievements in student success. Awardees are chosen from among the colleges, universities, and individuals that use EAB's student success management system.

Three Broward College Students Named 2018 Siemens Technical Scholars

The scholars were selected by the Aspen Institute in partnership with the community colleges that won the Siemens-Aspen Community College STEM Award. Broward College was one of eight winners announced in February. A part of the \$50,000 prize went to program support. The other half will fund scholarships to the selected scholars:

- Edj Cadet
- Joel Zisholtz
- Karine Augustin

They are among 44 scholars nationwide who will serve as ambassadors for their programs. The Broward College Nursing program was honored for starting work early in the student journey and helping aspiring students gain the skills they need for admission.

Read more about the scholars at <http://browardcollegeblog.com/three-outstanding-nursing-students-named-as-siemens-technical-scholars/>



Left to right: College Provost and Senior Vice President, Dr. Marielena DeSanctis; Edj Cadet; Joel Zisholtz; Karine Augustin; and President of the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus, Dr. Sunem Beaton Garcia, at the reception to honor the Aspen Siemens Scholars on Monday, October 1.

EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Helping Hand

Broward College assistant professor, Teresa Diehl and her colleagues in the Visual Arts and Design Academy (VADA) have rallied to the support of student Skylar Lecoq who lost everything in a fire. To help Skylar continue her studies, faculty have reached out to organizations and individuals to assist. Lecoq recently received a replacement art kit from Ace Educational supplies. View her story at <https://youtu.be/qwKqV2tJ7pA>.



Left to right: Rick Ludwig, owner of Ace Educational Supplies; Teresa Diehl, assistant professor; Raven Lecoq, Skylar's sister; Skylar Lecoq, Broward College student; and Brandi Ludwig, store manager, Ace Educational Supplies.

Serving the Community Together

On Saturday, October 13, Broward College teamed up with Hugh Taylor Birch State Park for a BC Cares Day of Service. Close to 200 employees and their families volunteered over 376 hours to trail maintenance, cleaning, painting, weeding, among other preservation needs. The next BC Cares project is scheduled for December 1.



President Haile working with a group of BC Cares volunteers.

EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Creating Smiles

More than 30 Broward College Dental students and faculty joined United Way on Saturday, October 6, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. to offer dental services to Broward County School children who generally cannot afford dental care. Titled, 'Broward Smiles,' the event was organized in recognition of National Dental Hygiene Month in October and was hosted at the Broward College Dental Clinic on A. Hugh Adams Central Campus.



Left to right: Carolina Osorio (dental assistant student) and Lindsey Penn (dental hygiene student) perform a dental cleaning during the event.

Calling Future Nurses

Juniors and seniors from Blanche Ely High School on Friday, October 5, participated in the annual Nurse for a Day event at the Broward College Simulation Center at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus in Davie. Thirty students engaged in interactive sessions led by nursing students and staff aimed at encouraging their interest in the field and promoting nursing as a career.



Simulation Specialist, Eric Churchill demonstrates how to use a bag valve mask to assist a patient having an asthma attack.

EMPLOYEE ACHIEVEMENTS

- Andrea Apa, interim associate dean, Academic Affairs
Doctorate in Higher Education, Nova Southeastern University – February 2018
- Scott Cuthbert, district director, Online Learning
Bachelors in Information Technology, Broward College – May 2018
- Paul Felarca, analyst, Institutional Research
Masters certificate in Business Analytics, Michigan State University – January 2018
- Kandeice Gibson, district director, Institutional Planning and Effectiveness
Graduate certificate in Program Evaluation, Florida State University — May 2018
- Richard Louis, manager, BAS Support
Doctorate in Organizational Leadership, Nova Southeastern University – May 2018
- Minina McKie, assistant professor, Vision
Doctorate in Health Sciences, Nova Southeastern University – March 2018
- Karen Modrich, counselor, Academic Advisement
Doctorate of Philosophy, Barry University – June 2018
- Marc Tolman, adjunct instructor
Masters in Accounting with a concentration in Business Administration, Florida Atlantic University – August 2018

Upcoming Events

- Evening of Lights, November 10, Tigertail Lake Recreational Center — 4–7:30 p.m.
- American Dream Summit, November 7, Signature Grand Hotel, Fort Lauderdale — 1:30–4:30 p.m.
- Holiday Celebration, Friday, December 7, Embassy Suites, Fort Lauderdale — 5 p.m.

Broward College Celebrates Excellence in Education Day at Gulfstream Park

On Saturday, September 29, 140 people attended the Broward College Foundation's Excellence in Education Day at Gulfstream Park. The fifth race of the day was dedicated to Broward College. The event celebrated a \$35,000 gift towards the Gulfstream Park American Dream Scholarship.



Left to right: Broward College Foundation Board Member Derrick Roberts and daughter Kihana; Associate Vice President for Financial Accounting and Investment Management Shannon Roddy; Conner DeSanctis and his mother, College Provost and Senior Vice President Marielena DeSanctis; Gulfstream Park General Manager, Bill Badgett; Jockey Emisael Jaramillo; President Haile with his daughter Sloane, wife Chae, and daughter Hadley; Vice President for Information Technology Patti Barney; Associate Director for Institutional Events Teresa Simeon; and Senior Professor James Lansing.

New Directors Appointed to the Broward College Foundation Board

The Broward College Foundation appointed John Benz, Jarett Levan, and Bev Yanowitch to its board of directors during a meeting on September 27.



JOHN BENZ

Benz, who served on the Broward College District Board of Trustees for eight years, recently retired from his role as CEO of Operations at South Florida Community Care Plan, which services Medicaid, Children's Medicaid Services Network, and various self-insured employee health plans.

With more than 40 years of experience in the healthcare industry, Benz has spent his career committed to strengthening the community by focusing on accelerated performance in service, quality, finance, people, and growth.



JARETT LEVAN

As president of BBX Capital, Levan heads up the diversified investment and asset management company. BBX Capital includes real estate ownership, direct acquisition and joint venture equity in real estate, specialty finance, and the acquisition of controlling and non-controlling investments. The organization has ownership in

Bluegreen Corporation, Hoffman's Chocolates, and IT'SUGAR as well as the franchise for MOD Pizza in the state of Florida.



BEV YANOWITCH

Yanowitch, a Certified Public Accountant, served as a financial consultant to the Broward College Foundation for 11 years. Prior to that, she was CFO of Mackenzie Investment Management, Inc. (Ivy Funds), a publicly held \$7 billion multi-entity investment advisory firm. She was a member of the corporation's executive committee and

trustee of the company's 401(k) plan. Yanowitch also worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, where she conducted audit engagements for investment management companies.

Trustee Gupta Honored with Proclamation and Named Scholarship

At the October meeting of the Board, the Trustees presented a proclamation to the family of Dr. Rajendra Gupta, in honor of their former colleague who passed away on October 5. The Broward College Foundation also announced the establishment of a scholarship in memory of the Trustee. In her remarks following the presentations, Dr. Mona Gupta (daughter) commended the institution for its role in the community. Also an alumna of Broward College, she related her own experience in seeing how programs have transformed the lives of our residents. She committed to continuing her father's work with the Health Sciences department. A ceremony will be held on November 26, to celebrate Dr. Rajendra Gupta's service to the College.



Left to right: Shobha Gupta (wife), Mona Gupta (daughter) and Priti Maheshwari (sister).

Broward College Foundation Recognizes JM Family Enterprises

The organization was acknowledged for 25 years of philanthropic partnership with the College. Their support includes participation in the annual golf classic, funding for study abroad programs, sponsorship of the Distinguished Alumni programs, and the JM Family Enterprises American Dream Scholarship. Last year, JM Family Enterprises provided \$58,000 to the Broward College Foundation and recently committed to adding \$75,000 to the scholarship over the next five years.

Broward College Policy Changes

At the October 23, 2018 Board of Trustees meeting, the Board authorized revisions to the following policies. Click the links below to review a redline of the approved revisions to the policies.

- [Policy 6Hx2-1.14 Contracts and Authority](#)
- [Policy 6Hx2-8.03 College Communication via Email](#)
- [Policy 6Hx2-8.08 Cybersecurity](#)

Department of Defense Recognizes Caleb Cornelius



The Senior Associate Vice President of Student Financial Services was given the Patriot Award for his continued support of a member of his staff enlisted in the Army Reserves. The award was presented by Peter Caspari and Rebecca Henil on behalf of the Department of Defense. Cornelius was selected based on a nomination from Staff Sergeant (SSG) Ronald Lorenzana, district director of Accounts Receivable and Management. Lorenzana commended his supervisor for always providing support and flexibility, and allowing him to fulfill his commitment.

A statement of support was also signed between the College and the Department of Defense in recognition of the institution's commitment to those enlisted in active duty.

Retirements



CAROL BRINSON

Brinson joined the College in May 1996 as adjunct faculty in the Behavioral Science department. She became a full-time senior counselor in the Welfare to Work program in October 1997. She has served in several advising positions and contributed to multiple initiatives to help students learn and succeed.



DR. KEVIN KEATING

Professor Keating has worked at the College for more than 40 years. He started as an adjunct faculty member moving through several positions including full-time temporary professor, senior professor, associate dean, and dean. Dr. Keating most recently served as president of the Broward College Faculty Senate and United Faculty of Florida, Broward Chapter. Dr. Keating was also a member of the search committee for the College's seventh president between January and May.