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BCC welcomes President Armstrong

J. David Armstrong, Jr. is coming to BCC as its sixth president on July 9. He was elected unanimously by the District Board of Trustees.

Armstrong, 50, served as chancellor of Florida's Community College System for the Department of Education in Tallahassee for the past five years. Before that, he was interim chancellor for one year and for the four years before that, he held the position of executive director of the Florida Community College System.



J. David Armstrong, Jr.

The incoming president, a native of Wilsonville, Ala., earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in social science from the University of Montevallo (Ala.) and his Master of Management Science degree from Troy State University (now Troy University). He has completed the coursework and comprehensive examination in Florida State University's Higher Education Leadership doctoral program, where he focused his studies on higher education and organizational effectiveness.

Ten honored with Endowed Teaching Chairs

Ten outstanding classroom educators were awarded Endowed Teaching Chairs at BCC last spring, marking the 16th year of the program. The 2007 recipients are:

Dr. Todd E. Bernhardt
*Cleveland Clinic Florida
Endowed Teaching Chair*



Dr. Todd Bernhardt with his Cleveland Clinic ETC award and Lloyd Rhodes, chair, BCC Foundaition Board.

Dr. Todd Bernhardt is an assistant professor of sociology on BCC's A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. He joined BCC's faculty in 2003 and was granted tenure in 2006. Bernhardt received his Bachelor of Science degree in law enforcement administration and sociology and his Master of Arts in sociology at Western Illinois University (Macomb). He earned his Doctor of Philosophy in sociology at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale.

Mary F. DiStefano Diaz
*International Education
Endowed Teaching Chair*

Mary Diaz is an assistant professor of English as a second language and reading on the Adams Central Campus. She also serves as Ecuador project coordinator for BCC's International Education Institute, working with Brookdale College of Ecuador and Universidad Panamericana de Cuenca. She earned her

Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan and her Master of Arts degree from Michigan's Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Education. She is working toward her doctorate at the University of Miami. Professor Diaz joined the BCC faculty in 1990 and earned tenure in 1993. She was named recipient of the first Children's Opportunity Group Endowed Teaching Chair, awarded in 1997.

Dr. Sharry Kimmel
*Sheldon J. Schlesinger, P.A.
Endowed Teaching Chair*

Dr. Sharry Kimmel, an associate professor of behavioral science and education, joined the BCC faculty in 2003 and received tenure in 2005. Previously, she served as assistant principal and principal of elementary schools, an Annenberg grant coordinator, an elementary and middle school teacher and an adjunct professor. Kimmel received her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Florida, a Master of Science degree from the University of Miami and a Doctor of Education from Nova Southeastern University.

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Dr. Willis Holcombe, left, with Dr. Sharry Kimmel, who was awarded the Sheldon J. Schlesinger, P.A. ETC, and Lloyd Rhodes.

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Charlene Koonin
Bank of America I
Endowed Teaching Chair
(C&S Bank/NationsBank I)



Dr. Lois Bolton, A. Hugh Adams Central Campus provost, left, congratulates Charlene Koonin on winning the C & S Bank/Nations Bank I/ Bank of America ETC.

Charlene Koonin is an assistant professor of reading and English as a second language at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. She joined the BCC faculty in 1997 and received tenure in 2000. Koonin received a diploma in education from the Johannesburg College of Education in South Africa, then came to the United States to earn a Bachelor of Science degree from Empire State College (Saratoga Springs, N.Y.) and a Master of Arts in reading from the Herbert H. Lehman College of the City University of New York.

Frederick J. "Rick" McCawley
John S. and James L. Knight
Foundation
Endowed Teaching Chair

Rick McCawley is an assistant professor of graphic design technology at the Willis Holcombe Center in Fort Lauderdale. He joined the BCC faculty in 2001 and received tenure in 2004. McCawley's photographs taken in the wake of Hurricane Andrew in 1992, were part of the *Miami Herald's* Pulitzer Prize-winning coverage of the storm.

McCawley earned his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Florida and a Master of Arts degree from Barry University. He is completing work on a Master of Fine Arts degree at Florida Atlantic University.

Did you know?

BCC is the first community college and only one of five in the country to endow teaching chairs for its faculty.

Dr. Barry Mowell
Sensormatic Electronics
Corporation
Endowed Teaching Chair

Barry Mowell is an associate professor of social science and honors program coordi-



Dr. Barry Mowell, Sensormatic Electronics Corporation ETC winner, shakes hands with Nancy Botero, BCC Foundation executive director.

nator for the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. He joined the BCC faculty in 1996 and was named recipient of the A. Hugh Adams Endowed Teaching Chair in 2000, a year after receiving tenure. Mowell began his higher education at Walters State Community College (Morristown, Tennessee), where he earned an Associate of Science degree. He earned Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts degrees, at East Tennessee State University (Johnson City). He earned a second Master of Arts degree at Florida International University, and an Education Specialist degree from the University of Tennessee and a Doctor of Education degree from the University of Georgia. He is currently working on a third master's degree, in non-profit management, at Florida Atlantic University.

Dr. Peggy Wright Nash
Donald D. and Reba H. Schaffer
Endowed Teaching Chair

Dr. Peggy Wright Nash is a senior professor of social and behavioral science on North Campus. She is the second three-time Endowed Teaching Chair recipient, with previous ETCs in 1993 and 2001. Nash also is a three-time Professor of the Year for the North Campus. In 1995 the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching named her Florida's Professor of the Year. A graduate of Edison Community College in Fort Myers, Nash moved to Boca Raton to attend Florida Atlantic University, where she earned her bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees. She joined the BCC faculty in 1976 and received tenure in 1979.

Dr. Greg Reeder
Wanda Thomas
Endowed Teaching Chair

After Dr. Greg Reeder graduated from Morehead State University, Kentucky, with Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees, he became a high school teacher, teaching math, biology and chemistry. After a few years, he applied and was accepted to the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry. He then went into family dentistry in Lexington and soon became an adjunct faculty member of UK's dental hygiene program. He then joined Lexington Community College as a voluntary faculty member. When he retired from his dental practice in 1993 and moved south, he became an adjunct faculty member at BCC and a fulltime faculty member in 1994-5. He was granted tenure in 1999. In 2001, he was named recipient of the Emil Buehler Trust Endowed Teaching Chair.

Fred Searcy, Jr.
Emil Buehler
Endowed Teaching Chair



Fred Searcy, Jr., Emil Buehler ETC winner.

A senior professor of biology at the Judson A. Samuels South Campus, Fred Searcy received his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Science degrees from the University of Mississippi. He later added a Master of Library Science degree from Florida State University. Searcy moved to Florida and joined BCC's faculty in 1985.

He was awarded tenure in 1988. He has served as BCC's Faculty Senate president and president of the faculty union (United Faculty of Florida). He was named Professor of the Year at South Campus in 2007 and 1999 and Sensormatic Electronics Corporation Endowed Teaching Chair in 1999.

Joyce Walsh-Portillo
Causeway Lumber Company
Endowed Teaching Chair

Joyce Walsh-Portillo is an assistant business professor at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus in Davie. She first came to BCC as an adjunct professor in 2000, became fulltime in 2003 and was granted tenure in 2006. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in anthropology from the University of South Florida, a Master of Business Administration from the University of the Americas (Puebla/Mexico City, Mexico) and has completed coursework on her doctorate in higher education administration at Florida International University.

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Joyce Warden retires after 31 years

Joyce Warden's retirement party on April 30th was held in the board room at the Willis Holcombe Downtown Center, attended by about 180 people, including family members, colleagues and friends, some of whom had traveled a considerable distance to be with her on this momentous occasion.



Dr. E. Ann McGee, president of Seminole Community College and former BCC vice president for development had come from Sanford. Another former BCC vice president, Dr. Eileen Holden, now president of Polk Community College, came from Winter Haven.

"There are so many reunions going on here," said BCC President Dr. Willis Holcombe, who hosted the event.

BCC Board of Trustees Chair Levi Williams and members Lourdes Garrido, Georgette Sosa Douglass and Cheryl Krause, BCC Foundation Chair Lloyd Rhodes and Broward County School Board member Maureen Dinnen, a former BCC faculty member, also attended.

(Photo left) Joyce Warden and Dr. Irmgard Bocchino, BCC associate vice president of the Honors Institute.

(Photo right) Joyce Warden with Florence Bessac, BCC computer graphics specialist, and the gift of original art work Bessac gave her.



Professors of the Year

2007 Professors of the Year are BCC stand-outs . . . Congratulations to A. Fuad Khan, Eunice Hargett, Teresa Diehl, Gregg E. Brickman and Fred Searcy Jr. Kudos also go out to Adjunct Professors of the Year Dr. Ehsan Siddique, Lisa Houlihan, Gary Fallon, Dr. Nancy Estes, and Deanne Martel.



Gregg E. Brickman



Eunice Hargett



Teresa Diehl



A. Fuad Khan



Fred Searcy, Jr.

PTS award winners



Professional Technical Staff Outstanding Employee Award winners, left to right, standing, Pam Shaw, PTS Council chair, Marta Barcelo, Mark Apicella and Valerie Powell, with Dr. Willis Holcombe. Seated, left to right, Gino Galli, Kim Brodsky, Claudette Burke, Connie Beal, Alicia Smith-Wroble and Laura Ozment. Not pictured: Joseph Gormely.

Four staff members were named recipients of the third Peer Choice Awards at the May 18 PTS Retreat. They are: **Letrice Artis**, lead human resources specialist, Human Resources, WHC; **Mike Fertic**, interim grounds maintenance supervisor, Adams Central Campus; **Elizabeth Kenealy**, technical education programs adviser, North Campus and **Kurt Liner**, senior landscape specialist, Adams Central Campus. **Congratulations!**

Dr. George Stalliard appointed North Campus Business Dean

The new dean of business affairs on BCC's North Campus is Dr. George Stalliard.

"I oversee campus safety, the physical plant, cashier's office, the Omni Auditorium and two contracts – custodial services and lawn maintenance," Stalliard said. "They are all under my umbrella."

Stalliard has a background that includes a stint as director of administration for the Lauderhill Police Department and, for approximately the past nine years he was at the Lake County and Port St. Lucie school districts as director of maintenance, warehouse and grounds.

"I think North Campus is in a growth mode," he said. "We're getting ready to renovate buildings numbers 50 and 51 and we're setting up 11 portables for one year." The dean added that the portables will have everything that a regular classroom would have and that they are safe. "They will be anchored down and are built to support hurricane force winds. They meet all the requirements of the Florida Building Code," he said.

Born in the U.S. Virgin Islands, Stalliard got his Associate in Business degree from Central Texas College, and both his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science from the University of Central Texas. His Doctor of Science degree in Human Resources Management is from Nova Southeastern University. In addition, he has been in the military for about 30 years, between active and reserve duty.

He is married and the father of three grown children, the youngest of whom is a student at BCC.



Dr. George Stalliard

BCC supports autism walk



BCC staffers participated in the Broward County Walk for Autism, an annual fundraiser, which supports autism research. Team Captain Laura Choudhury, left, Juan Salinas, Diana (Carolina) Andrade, Laura Peruzzi, Svitlana Shvank, Marsha Jean Marie and her sister-in-law, Donald Jacobsen. Andria Estevez, Nayeli Estevez, Melissa Utvich, Farhan Bandedi, Elena Gabrian, Jacquelyn Lopez and Joanna Herrera.

Endowed Teaching Chairs (continued)



Dr. Peggy Wright Nash, Donald D. and Reba H. Schaffer ETC winner, with Lloyd Rhodes.



Dr. Greg Reeder, right, Wanda Thomas Endowed Teaching Chair, is congratulated by Dr. Dianne Ruggiero.



Joyce Walsh-Portillo, Causeway Lumber Company ETC winner, with Dr. Holcombe.



Rick McCawley, center, winner of the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation ETC, with Ken Williams, left, associate dean of architecture at the Willis Holcombe Center; Dr. Lois Bolton, Lloyd Rhodes, Dr. Willis Holcombe, Dr. Diane Ruggiero and Cheryl Krause.



Mary Diaz, center, holding the International Education ETC, with Dr. David Moore, left, AVP International Education; Dr. Willis Holcombe; Dr. Dianne Ruggiero, Central Campus Dean of Academic Affairs; Lloyd Rhodes; Mary Diaz; Cheryl Krause, member of BCC's District Board of Trustees; Dr. Lois Bolton and Antonio Seminario, member of the ETC committee.