Grand Opening Celebrations

HEALTH SCIENCES SIMULATION CENTER

A standing-room only audience of College and community leaders turned out for the grand opening of Broward College’s new state-of-the-art Health Sciences Simulation Center at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus last month.

The three-story, 32,000-square-foot center is designed to provide a hospital-like setting with computerized “manikins” that provide real-life simulated clinical experiences students would encounter at an acute-care facility. The manikins can be programmed to mimic specific symptoms of various diseases and conditions for the students to diagnose and respond to. “Simulations are healthcare’s new pedagogy, the new clinical design,” said keynote speaker Dr. Pamela R. Jeffries, nursing professor and vice provost for digital initiatives at Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing in Baltimore.

The bottom floor of the center features the Dr. Michael A. Chizner Auditorium, three examination rooms, a cardiovascular suite, triage area, lunchroom and classrooms. The second floor features the mother and child-birthing suite, medical-surgical suite, adult and pediatric critical care suites, waiting rooms, debriefing rooms and offices. The third floor consists of classrooms.

The Health Sciences Simulation Center was designed by the architectural firm ACAI and built by Gerrits Construction, Inc. and D. Stephenson Construction, Inc.

MIRAMAR WEST CENTER

Hundreds gathered last month as President Armstrong and Florida International University President Mark Rosenburg joined students and South Campus President S. Sean Madison to cut the ribbon on Broward College’s latest center — a joint venture with FIU.

Already serving hundreds of students this semester, course offerings focus on business, supply chain management, and global trade and logistics. A number of credit-for-prior learning options are available, as well as credit by examination. The facility is also home to a variety of FIU offerings, including undergraduate programs focusing on liberal arts, business and construction management, and graduate programs in business, engineering, education and public administration.

The 89,000-square-foot, four-story building was designed by Perkins+Will and built by Kaufman Lynn Construction.
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Broward College has partnered with The Village Square, a non-partisan public educational forum, to provide Broward’s citizens with a safe environment for civic engagement, allowing the community to come together to learn about a variety of topics on matters of local, state and national importance. The first dinner, at which Florida’s “Stand Your Ground Law was the topic of discussion, was held in November. Two more dinners, which will include guest speakers on pre-selected topics, are coming in 2015 and are open to the public; however seating is limited, and advance registration is required to attend.

The cost to attend is $50. For more information or to register, visit www.broward.edu/villagesquare.

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**Broward College Speaker Series Returns for 2015**

Broward College has announced its 2015 Broward College Speaker Series. Lectures will take place at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts (201 SW 5th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale) monthly on Wednesday evenings from Jan. 21 – May 20 featuring five distinguished speakers who will share their experiences and insights. Each lecture will be followed by a Q&A session with questions submitted by audience members.

Tickets are available as a full series subscription (all five speakers) or individually (starting Dec. 10) by calling 954-462-0222 or visiting www.BrowardCollegeSpeakerSeries.com.

- **ANTHONY ROBLES**
  NCAA Championship Wrestler, Motivational Speaker & Author
  Jan. 21, 2015, 7:30 p.m., Amaturo Theater

- **MARK HALPERIN**
  Managing Editor, Bloomberg Politics, Co-Host and Author
  Feb. 18, 2015, 7:30 p.m., Au-Rene Theater

- **ELIZABETH SMART**
  Advocate for Child Abduction Victims & Recovery Programs
  March 25, 2015, 7:30 p.m., Au-Rene Theater

- **DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN**
  Pulitzer Prize-Winning Historian & Biographer
  April 15, 2015, 7:30 p.m., Au-Rene Theater

- **CHRIS BERMAN**
  Longtime host of ESPN’s NFL coverage and SportsCenter anchor
  May 20, 2015, 7:30 p.m., Au-Rene Theater

**Relay La Vida Soars for the Cure**

The annual Relay for Life/Relay La Vida was held on the lakeside walking trail on South Campus last month. The 12-hour event included a Polynesian luau show, a movie under the stars, lots of children’s crafts and games, and the enthusiastic participation by many campus and collegewide organizations. Memorial luminaria placed around the walking path were lit in the early evening and participants gathered for a first lap around the lake. Funds raised by the Relay La Vida benefit the American Cancer Society. South Campus has been Broward College’s home for the Relay for Life/Relay La Vida since 2008.

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President Honors Broward Brain Bowler

Noah Yudewitz and his teammates on Broward College's Brain Bowl team welcomed President Armstrong and Honors Institute director Dr. Sheila Jones to a practice session recently. It also gave the President the chance to present Yudewitz (pictured), a graduate of Cypress Bay High and a second-year member of the Brain Bowl squad, with the Brain Bowl Student of the Month Award from the Florida College System Activities Association. Yudewitz is the first Broward College student to receive the award. Broward College is a powerhouse in the Brain Bowl, an academic quiz competition modeled after the “General Electric College Bowl,” a television competition than ran from 1959 to 1970. Brain Bowl started in Florida’s community colleges in 1982 and Broward won FCSAA state titles in 1989-93 and 1997-98. Broward teams finished as runners-up in 1986, 1997, 2006 and 2014 and team members are looking ahead to the 2015 state championships, which will be held March 12-14, 2015 at Pasco-Hernando State College’s Porter Campus.

Foundation Honors Benefactor at National Philanthropy Day Luncheon

Dr. Floyd F. Koch was the Broward College Foundation’s Table Honoree during the annual Association of Fundraising Professionals National Philanthropy Day Luncheon on Nov. 12. Dr. Koch truly believes in the transformative power of education. Over the decades, his charitable assistance has helped thousands of students pursue higher education. In addition to his legacy gifts as a member of the Heritage Society, he has established three scholarships for students in Broward College’s Dental Hygiene program and Emergency Medical Services program. The Broward College Foundation believes anyone who is determined to change his or her life through the pursuit of higher education should be provided that opportunity. The foundation is truly grateful to Dr. Koch and like-minded individuals who support its mission.

(L-R) Nora Powell, associate dean, Dental Assisting; Dr. Floyd H. Koch; and Barbara Hammaker, assistant professor, Dental Hygiene at the Association of Fundraising Professionals National Philanthropy Day Luncheon.

Graduation Slated for December 18

Nearly 1,000 graduates will attend the Fall 2014 Commencement Ceremony later this month. Graduates from more than 100 countries will walk to receive bachelor’s and associate’s degrees as well as certificates. They will also once again be invited to show off their shoes as part of #GradSHOEation — a social media event.

Calvin Hughes, news anchor of WPLG Local 10, will offer the commencement address. Find out more at www.broward.edu/graduation.
Happenings

North Campus hosted to the first **Guyana Trade, Tourism and Investment Expo** earlier this fall at the Omni Auditorium offering presentations and workshops addressing issues such as doing business with South Florida companies and in other American markets, supply chain management and logistics, and navigating the requirements of various U.S. regulatory agencies. North Campus President Avis Proctor welcomed the group to South Florida and State Rep. Hazelle P. Rogers and Broward County Mayor Barbara Sharief, also spoke.

A Collegewide **Preview Day** was held on Nov. 8. The day offered prospective students a chance to visit the campuses and find out about degree programs, student life, financial aid and admissions. Hundreds of students visited the three campuses and a number of our sites.

The 8th Annual Broward Asia Conference was held Nov. 2-6 in Suzhou, China and the College hosted partners from several cities within China, including Shanghai, Wuxi and Xuzhou, other Asian and Middle Eastern partners from Sri Lanka, Vietnam, India and Dubai — in all, 30 delegates from six countries and 11 institutions. A particular highlight of the week was a presentation to more than 100 students at Broward College partner Wuxi South Ocean College, about studying in the U.S. after completing an A.A. or A.S. degree in China.

More than 375 students from 12 Broward County public high schools visited North Campus on Nov. 7 for the college’s annual **Health Science Careers Day**. Students spent the day learning about the health careers open to them at Broward College, along with Student Affairs and scholarship information to make applying to the college and getting accepted easy.

**Sports Beat:** Three members of the Seahawks’ volleyball team were named to the Florida College System Activities Association’s All-Southern Conference team for their play during the 2014 season.

**Gabriel and Grazioperative Recognized for Service**

Susan Gabriel and Cheryl Grazioperative — both Broward College graduates — were recognized for their combined 35 years of dedication and service to the College. Gabriel, who is retiring after 18 years at Broward, originally served as an accounts payable supervisor. She advanced and ends her service to the College as its senior analyst for business services and resource management. Grazioperative joined Broward in January 1998 as a learning lab specialist in the North Campus Learning Resource Center. She moved to the staff development department in human resources to become the college’s first staff development training specialist and ends her service to the college as director of professional development and training.