# **Broward College Update**

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# Broward College-FIU Partnership Lauded at Site of New Center in Miramar

Broward College and Florida International University hosted a special dedication today to commemorate the construction of the joint-use facility in Miramar featuring a signing ceremony with President J. David Armstrong, Jr., and FIU President Mark B. Rosenberg.



"Broward College has seen consistent growth in the Miramar area, and this new, innovative mixed-used facility will address the need to provide affordable and advanced training to the community that we serve," said Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr. "We are excited to partner with Florida International University, and look forward to working together to offer quality education and workforce training to help students succeed."



South Campus President Sean Madison offered opening remarks highlighting the center's need and impact.

Slated to open this fall, the building will be LEED-certified, and will feature classrooms, science labs, meeting spaces and student commons. The student common area and dining facilities on the first floor will be shared by both institutions. The College's offerings will focus on business, supply chain management, and global trade and logistics. A number of credit-for-prior

learning options will also be available, as well as credit by examination.

Visit <u>www.BrowardCollegeSW.com</u> for more details about the center.



From left, FIU President Mark B. Rosenberg, FIU Board of Trustees Member C. Delano Gray, Broward College Board of Trustees Member Pamela Stephany, Broward College Board of Trustees Chair Sean C. Guerin and Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr.



South Campus Student Ambassadors assisted in the ceremony and guiding guests on the construction site.



The four-story, joint-use facility will house two floors of Broward College programs and two floors of FIU programs. The center will open for classes in Fall 2014.

### **South Campus Hosts February Board Meeting**



South Campus student leaders and administrators welcomed the Broward College Board of Trustees to South Campus for the February Board of Trustees meeting. The meeting featured an update on the growth and programs at the South Campus and its partnership centers by Campus President Sean Madison. A student marketplace held before the meeting highlighted student programs and involvement — the meeting also feature a student forum.

# College Celebrates Black History Month



South Campus: Dance Across the African Diaspora event.

February featured a wide variety of events in observance of Black History Month at the college's campuses and centers. The diverse slate of some 30 programs included presentations by motivational speakers, film screenings, a look at the history of hip-hop, poetry readings, poetry slams, a photographic exhibit by author and historian Edmund Abaka at North Campus, dances across the diaspora and the Seventh Annual Louise Bennett -Coverley Reading Festival at South Campus, a Nelson Mandela Tribute Festival on

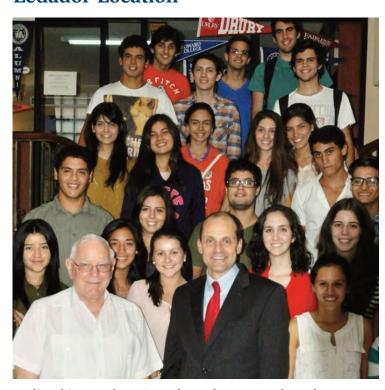
Central Campus and a presentation by Dr. Enid C. Pinkney — a longtime educator, historian — at the Willis Holcombe Center about her efforts in saving African American structures in South Florida.



Central Campus: Black is Beautiful with motivational speaker Stan Pearson (center).

Coming in March: Check the BC Homepage for a complete rundown of Women's History Month events at Broward College.

# Ambassador Visits Broward College's Ecuador Location



Earlier this month, U.S. Ambassador to Ecuador Adam E. Namm (pictured at left, in red tie) visited with Broward College students at the Broward College Center of American Education in Guayaquil, Ecuador. The center offers an Associate of Arts program of study. Students who earn the AA degree completely in Ecuador can transfer to Florida colleges and universities without losing any credits. The college also runs sites with this type of degree program in Sri Lanka, Peru and Vietnam.

In addition, the college has academic affiliations intended to create Broward College programs in Bolivia, Colombia, China, India, Guyana, and Singapore.

# Financial Aid Advice Now Offered Via Web Chat, Financial Aid Day Slated for March 15

Broward College is now offering regularly scheduled hours during which financial aid advisors are available via web chat. Students and parents can find answers and have discussions covering everything from cost of attendance and completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to types of aid and managing debt. The weblines are open Mondays through Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon and 8 to 10 p.m. and on Saturdays from 12 to 4 p.m.

The College will also hold Financial Aid Day on Saturday, March 15 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus in Davie. The event is free and open to the public and will provide hands-on assistance in completing the FAFSA, Financial Aid 101 presentations (in English, Spanish and Creole) and information on debt management and Bright Futures.

Visit or web chat at www.broward.edu/financialaid.



#### **Author Jeanette Walls Visits North Campus**

Jeanette Walls, whose memoir titled "The Glass Castle" documented her childhood in poverty and sold more than 2.3 million copies, met with dozens of students at North Campus earlier this month to discuss the book and that "...everyone has a story to tell." Later that evening, Walls spoke to hundreds of attendees of the Broward College Fort Lauderdale Speakers Series.









# Fort Lauderdale Speaker Series Continues

The series continues on March 12 with Presidential historian Michael Beschloss. Soledad O'Brien and Jean-Michael Cousteau round out the series in April and May.

Find out more at www.fortlauderdalespeakerseries.com.







Check out the entire slate of arts and entertainment at Broward College this spring – Accessing the Arts

#### United Way Campaign — A Mission United

Broward College, a military-friendly institution is committed to providing high-quality, affordable educational opportunities for active-military, veterans and their families. United Way of Broward County's Mission United initiative assists veterans as they make career and education decisions, matching their skills and interests, and helping them find which career is the best fit. Recognizing the convergence of these common goals to assist those who have so selflessly served our county, the Broward College Foundation and United Way of Broward County created the United Way's Mission United/Broward College Scholarship for Veterans. This is a unique opportunity to assist the men and women, who have honorably and selflessly served in branches of the United States military, with the costs associated with college attendance. Their loyalty to our country merits the award that is achieved through higher education.

To support this fund through the Broward College Foundation's secure, online giving portal, click here.

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(l-r) Jerome King, President, and Israel Kendall, Treasurer of the Student Veterans of American chapter at Broward College; Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr.; Dan Kearns, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of United Way of Broward County; Benjamin Guzman, Veterans Coordinator at Broward College; and German Catala, Veterans Administration work study student on Broward College's A. Hugh Adams Central Campus.

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