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## Bailey endowment is underway

**A** newly-created endowment at Beaufort County Community College will memorialize a student who died shortly before her graduation from BCCC's Associate Degree Nursing program this spring.

Proceeds from the endowment, being established in memory of Shereda Tremaine Bailey, will eventually be used to provide a scholarship for a nursing student at BCCC. Bailey, 21, of 115 Juniper Drive, Washington, died Sunday, April 30, 2006 following a brief illness.

She was a senior in BCCC's nursing school and was scheduled to graduate with her class on May 12.

Bailey's mother, Sheila Brooks, said that Shereda always wanted to be a nurse because she enjoyed helping people and that Shereda loved the clinical work she did as a student nurse at BCCC.

Brooks said she wanted to establish the endowment not only to continue Shereda's memory, but also to help a deserving student pursuing a degree which her daughter so clearly loved.

Bailey was born in Beaufort County on August 30, 1984. She was the daughter of Sheila Gibbs Brooks and William Gray Bailey Jr. A 2002 graduate of Washington High School, Bailey worked as a teacher's assistant at the Children's House of Washington from February 2001 to September 2005 and as an advanced nursing assistant for Pitt Memorial Hospital from October 2005 until her death.

She also gained work experience while still in school through clinical rotations at Britthaven Nursing Home in Washington, the Howell Center in Greenville and Beaufort County, Washington County and Pitt Memorial hospitals.

Bailey was a member of The Temple of Jesus Christ United Church, Washington, where she served as a youth choir member, third Sunday nursery coordinator and worked with drama presentations.

The endowment was established by Bailey's mother, her brother, Jermain Gibbs, her aunt, Harriett Hickey, and other family and friends.

**Contributions to the Shereda Tremaine Bailey Endowment are welcome and can be made to the Beaufort County Community College Foundation, P.O. Box 1069, Washington, N.C. 27889.**



Shereda Tremaine Bailey

## Dahlman is new computer support specialist

Daniel Dahlman, new computer support specialist at Beaufort County Community College, doesn't mind being called a geek.



"I have always liked electronics and computers," he said. "And I always dabbled in taking things apart."

As a member of the computer network staff, Dahlman is responsible for setting up and maintaining the college's computer network servers and CISCO equipment, supporting its many computer work stations and helping with various campus projects such as

establishing wireless access and single-user log-ins.

Dahlman, a native of Stroudsburg, PA, grew up in Belhaven, where his uncle operated a marina. Dahlman attended Beaufort County Schools for most of his life but graduated from Plymouth High School in 1993 after his family moved to Washington County. He earned an associate's degree from BCCC and transferred to East Carolina

University, earning a bachelor's degree in information technology in May 2005.

From 1993 to 1998, Dahlman served in the Navy and, during his last two years of service, he served as a member of the Seabees, the Navy's construction arm. Dahlman said he enjoyed the opportunity to travel but after marrying his high school sweetheart, he wanted to spend more time at home and chose not to re-enlist.

After leaving the Navy, Dahlman worked briefly for his father-in-law at Dellinger's Pawn Shop in Washington before joining the staff at PCS Phosphate, where he worked preparing the mining company's products for shipment and as an accounting clerk.

But Dahlman's primary interest had always been computers, so after leaving PCS Phosphate, he decided to return to school and follow his dream. He considered studying computer programming but he wanted a career that was more hands-on.

"Computers are my job and my hobby," he said. "In this field, when you're responsible for services customers need, any down time for them is inconvenient."

He and his wife, Julianne, a teacher at P.S. Jones Middle School, live in Washington and have one daughter, Kelly.

## Foundation golf tourney set for September 29

The 13th annual Beaufort County Community College Foundation Golf Tournament will be held Friday, September 29, at the Washington Yacht and Country Club.

The event is held each year to raise money for scholarships to BCCC. Registration begins at 11:30 A.M. followed by lunch at noon and a shotgun tee-off at 1 P.M.

The tournament format is four-person super ball with teams pre-flighted based on each golfer's handicap. The entry fee is \$70 per player, which includes lunch, cart rental, greens fee and a gift bag.

The deadline for entries is September 15.

The largest single annual fund-raising event for the college, the tournament typically raises more than \$10,000 for scholarships and programs supported by the BCCC Foundation.

PCS Phosphate is the major sponsor of the tournament.

Co-sponsors of the tournament are First South Bank, Embarq, East Carolina Bank, P&G Manufacturing Inc., Stanadyne, Tideland Electric Membership Corp., Trade-Wilco, Lee Chevrolet-Pontiac-Buick and Park Boat Company.

The investments and money raised by the Foundation will provide more than 70 scholarships to BCCC students this year, make annual awards to outstanding faculty and staff and sponsor grants for equipment and programs that

improve the services offered by BCCC.

Hole-in-One prizes are sponsored by Lee Chevrolet-Pontiac-Buick and Park Boat Company. Prizes for closest-to-the-pin and longest drive will also be awarded.

Team and hole sponsorships are now being accepted.

**For more information about the BCCC Foundation Golf Tournament, contact Marcia Norwood at 940-6218 or Judy Jennette at 940-6326.**

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## Street signs to improve directions on campus

If you have been confused trying to find your way around the campus of Beaufort County Community College in the past, new street signs recently installed at key intersections and new parking lot signs should help you navigate.

“It’s going to be a very positive thing for the campus,” said Hal Swindell, chief of campus police. “People will have a lot clearer picture of where things are and how to locate things on campus.”

While the campus streets were given names and the parking lots given numbers in 1994, visitors often had difficulties finding their way around campus because of the lack of street and parking lot signs.

Swindell, who spearheaded the project, said the signs will make it easier to give visitors directions to specific locations on campus, make it easier for emergency vehicles to find their way around campus and make it easier to conduct police investigations on campus.

“In order to enforce campus regulations and to conduct investigations, you have to reference locations,” he said. “The signs will make it easier to reference those locations.”

A map of the BCCC campus, including street names and parking lot numbers, is available on the college website at [www.beaufortccc.edu](http://www.beaufortccc.edu)

The street and parking lot signs, in BCCC’s signature blue color, are part of an overall project to upgrade the signs on campus. Signs designating smoking areas have recently been installed. “No smoking” signs will be placed in certain areas and college officials are planning renovations to the large, brown directional signs on the campus.



**BCCC Police Chief Hal Swindell oversees installation of one of the street signs now on the BCCC campus.**

## BCCC College Night scheduled for October 4

Beaufort County Community College’s annual College Night is set for Wednesday, October 4, from 6:30 until 8:00 P.M. in the multi-purpose room of Building 10 on the BCCC campus. Admission is free of charge and is open to anyone thinking about starting or returning to college.

Over 50 colleges, apprentice schools, armed forces recruiters and financial aid representatives from North Carolina are invited to participate this year, according to Gary Burbage, BCCC admissions and recruitment director. They include area community colleges as well as most public and private four-year colleges and universities in the state.

Among those two- and four-year colleges expected to participate are Appalachian State University, Barton College, Beaufort County Community College, Brevard College, Campbell University, East Carolina University, Elizabeth City State University, Fayetteville State University, Gardner-Webb University, Greensboro College, High Point University, Johnson and Wales University, Lees-McRae College, Lenoir Rhyne College, Livingstone College, Louisburg College, Meredith College, Methodist College, Montreat College, Mount Olive College, N.C. A&T University, N.C. Central University, N.C. State University, N.C. Wesleyan College, Pamlico Community College, Peace College, Pfeiffer University, Pitt Community College, Salem College, School of Communication Arts, Shaw University, Trident Technical College, Wayne Community College, Western Carolina University, Wingate University, Winston Salem State University and representatives from the University of North Carolina at Asheville, Chapel Hill, Charlotte, Greensboro, Pembroke and Wilmington, among others. Armed forces groups scheduled to attend include representatives of the U.S. Air Force, Army, Navy and the N.C. National Guard.

**For more information, contact the Admissions Office in Building 9 on the BCCC campus, call 252-940-6233 or visit BCCC’s website at [www.beaufortccc.edu](http://www.beaufortccc.edu).**

## Eight graduate from BCCC BLET program

Graduates of Beaufort County Community College's Basic Law Enforcement Training Program were told during graduation exercises at the college on July 27 to "become the best that you can be."

"I hope that this will be the beginning of a long and prosperous career," said Lt. Clifton Hales of the Washington Police Department. "We do this job because we believe in right and wrong and we believe that people who commit criminal acts against innocent people should be held accountable."

Hales, who served as an instructor for the class, was the featured speaker at the ceremony held in the Multipurpose Room of the Public Safety Building on the BCCC campus.

Hales told the group that they have received the basic tools needed to begin their criminal justice careers but that they should build on this instruction to become the best they can be.

Those earning certificates were Christopher Atkinson of Greenville, Clinton Davis of Williamston, J. Patrick Davis, Gerard Fucito and Mark Oakley of Washington, Stephen Harding of Chocowinity, and Christopher Williams and W. Sean Williams of Blounts Creek. Donna Dunn, chairman of BCCC's Business Division, presented the certificates to the graduates.

J. Patrick Davis, president of the graduating class, thanked the graduates' families for their support.

About 100 people, family members, local law enforcement officers and college officials attended the ceremony.

During the graduation exercises, Fucito was recognized as earning the highest grade point average in the graduating class.

*For more information about BLET classes at BCCC, contact BLET School Director Benjamin Morris at 252-940-6374 or by e-mail at [benm@beaufortccc.edu](mailto:benm@beaufortccc.edu).*



*The eight recent graduates of Beaufort County Community College's Basic Law Enforcement Training Program are, left to right, W. Sean Williams, Jerry Fucito, Clinton Davis, Mark Oakley, Stephen Harding, Christopher Williams, Christopher Atkinson and J. Patrick Davis.*

## Upcoming Events

**September 4 - Labor Day Holiday.**

**September 5 - Gamma Beta Phi meeting, noon. For more information, contact Mandy Jones at 940-6242.**

**September 18 - Constitution Day.**

**September 19 - Hope Club meeting, noon, Building 11, room 27. For more information, contact Gregg Allinson at 940-6361.**

**September 26 - Student Government Association meeting, Building 9, room 927. For more information, contact Rebecca Spain at 940-6259.**

**September 29 - Thirteenth Annual BCCC Foundation Golf Tournament. For more information, contact Marcia Norwood at 940-6218.**

**October 2 - Deadline to apply for graduation.**

**October 3 - Gamma Beta Phi meeting, noon.**

**October 4 - College Night, 6:30 to 8 p.m., multipurpose room, Building 10.**

**October 9-10 - Faculty Work Days.**

**October 11 - Student/Faculty Vacation.**

**October 17 - Hope Club meeting, noon, Building 11, room 27. For more information, contact Gregg Allinson at 940-6361.**

**October 30 - Last day to drop without grade penalty.**

**October 31 - Celebrate Halloween with the SGA!**

**Students, faculty and staff: Publicize your campus-based fundraiser and/or other event in this column monthly. Contact the public relations staff no later than the 15th of the month in order to list your event in the next edition of Campus Connections. Please e-mail your announcements to Betty Gray.**