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New BCCC Public Service Building takes shape



Exterior view of building 11.

A new 24,225 square foot building that will house the cosmetology, early childhood development and human services technology programs at Beaufort County Community College will soon move from the drawing board to reality. Scheduled to open in the fall of 2005, the building will upgrade the programs to be housed there and will free up needed space in other buildings for some of BCCC's fastest growing programs, according to college officials. Dubbed the Public Service Building, it will be located at the eastern edge of the BCCC campus. Building planners hope to advertise for bids for its construction within the month. Construction should begin in late summer or early fall of this year. With an estimated construction cost of \$2.7 million, the building is the last of three new construction projects on the BCCC campus financed by a voter-approved bond referendum in 2000 for state-supported universities and community colleges. The community college also expects to spend about \$363,000 renovating two buildings housing its nursing and business programs when its cosmetology and early childhood programs move to their new headquarters. The new Public Service Building will help BCCC meet expected growth in early childhood and teacher associate programs and address outdated facilities for cosmetology programs. As a byproduct, the new building will help the college address expected growth in its associate degree nursing, information technology and medical office administration programs when the cosmetology and early childhood programs move to the new building. The building, designed by Greenville architect John J. Farkas, will include a new 6,000 square foot advanced cosmetology lab that will replace the school's 30-year old facility. As a result of the new cosmetology lab, BCCC will be able to offer more classes in the growing field of aesthetics – such as microdermabrasion and other skin care techniques – giving its graduates more skills that they can take into the work force, according to Eunice Williams, lead cosmetology instructor at BCCC. It will also enable the general public the opportunity to receive these services at BCCC for the first time, she said. "It will be a lift to the entire program and a place the entire campus can be proud of," she said. "It will also encourage more people to take cosmetology and better prepare our students who are entering the field." In the new building, the Early Childhood Development program will have a new laboratory space for a hands-on teaching experience. It will also include three large classrooms - two separated by a movable wall - faculty offices and workrooms. It will also contain classrooms and offices for the college's human services technology program.

Read more about BCCC's new Public Service Building at www.beaufort.ccc.edu.

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Here is an interior view of the new cosmetology department that will be housed in Building 11.

Former BCCC student trains new generation of drafting students

On a recent rainy Wednesday afternoon, Jacquelin Lawrence, teacher at Southside High School, was walking through her classroom helping her beginning drafting students with their assignment and answering questions about the day's problem. Using worksheets, the students were learning how to make multi-view, two-dimensional drawings of three-dimensional objects. It's just one step in the process of learning how to draw machine parts that can be produced by manufacturers. The process involves using sets of lines where each line has a specific meaning. One student posed a question that, as a drafting student at Beaufort County Community College in the early 1990s, Lawrence had once wrestled with herself. "This is important for the entire class and this would make a good quiz," she said to the dozen students in the class. "What's the heaviest line on a drawing? The border." Lawrence, a 1994 BCCC graduate, has been teaching drafting at Southside High School since 2001 under a program known as the "Huskins Bill," named for the late state Rep. Joseph P. Huskins, an Iredell County Democrat, with a life-long interest in education.



Read more about BCCC graduate Jacquelin Lawrence at www.beaufort.ccc.edu.

BCCC strives to provide cultural programming



Ugandan performer, Ssunna, provided a lively program of his culture's dancing, drumming, singing, and storytelling at the Washington Civic Center on February 22. More than 200 people attended this event which was cosponsored by the NC Museum of Art and Beaufort County Community College.

BCCC was one of three sponsors that provided a performance by the Moore Square Dixielanders at Mattamuskeet High School on March 26. Raleigh's Moore Square Dixielanders presented a free concert featuring lively, foot-tapping music in the school's gymnasium. East Carolina Bank and the Hyde County Government were also sponsors of this event.



Red Cross Blood Mobile visits BCCC campus



Rhunell Boyd, foreground, Beaufort County Community College career center and co-op coordinator, recovers from giving blood on the BCCC campus March 17 while BCCC student Phillip Reese, background, prepares to give. Boyd and Reese were two of the many students, faculty and staff that stopped by Building 10 to "give the gift of life." Because of the solid support the Red Cross receives at BCCC blood drives, the agency brought a special piece of equipment that would allow donors who met a specific set of criteria to double their red cell donation with just one visit. The blood drive was sponsored by BCCC's chapter of Gamma Beta Phi honor society.

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Dual enrollment student receives scholarship to attend BCCC

Kelly Sue O'Neal, a Hyde County high school student, has received a scholarship help defray the costs of enrolling in classes at Beaufort County Community College. The scholarship was one of several awarded to college students in several North Carolina counties this year by the N.C. Association of Directors of Elections, a professional organization of county election directors. The scholarship will be used to defray the costs of textbooks and other supplies. O'Neal, 18, of Fairfield is a senior at Mattamuskeet High School. She is the daughter of Myla O'Neal, a secretary at the high school, and the late Sam O'Neal. O'Neal is a member of Mattamuskeet High School's volleyball and softball teams, the school's Beta Club and the Future Farmers of America. After graduating from high school, she plans to attend East Carolina University and study business. O'Neal is studying world civilization and sociology at BCCC through a program known as Dual Enrollment which lets advanced high school students take college level courses while they are still in high school.



Kelly Sue O'Neal, left, received a scholarship from the N.C. Association of Directors of Elections. Representing the association and presenting the scholarship are Cindy Carawan, center, Hyde County director of elections, and Portia Gibbs, deputy director.

BCCC library receives grant for book purchase

The library at Beaufort County Community College will soon receive new books and other materials to support BCCC's Allied Health curriculum thanks to a \$20,000 grant, Learning Resources Center Director Penny Sermons announced this week. The grant, called a Strengthening Library Collections Grant, is from the State Library of North Carolina and its Department of Cultural Resources.

It will enable the library to replace outdated books, videos and other learning materials used by students in the school's Associate Degree Nursing, Early Childhood Associate, Human Services Technology, Medical Laboratory and Practical Nursing programs. "The strengthened and updated library collection that results from these monies will benefit our students, staff, faculty and community for years to come," said Gregg Allinson, chairman of BCCC's Allied Health Division. "We're very appreciative of being granted these funds." Replacing outdated materials for programs in the BCCC's Allied Health Division is particularly important because three of the five curricula are skill-based programs that must meet certification and licensing standards. These standards often place age limits on library materials, Sermons said. Some 264 books, videos, CDs and DVDs will be purchased with proceeds from the grant.

Forty-one BCCC students inducted into Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society

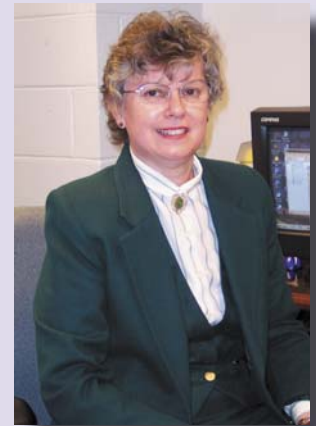
Forty-one BCCC students were inducted into the Gamma Beta Phi Honor and Society in a ceremony held on the BCCC campus Friday, March 19. Those inducted include Jennie Ange, Diane Baker, Sheri Oakley Barber, Kristi Walls Bass, Mary Alice Bond, Veronica Blango, Dallas Ray Boyd Jr., Stephanie Ann Buck, Juracy Clark, Brandon Crawford, Melissa Croom, Jake Allen Dillon, Ashley Edmundson, Vanessa Etchison, Courtney Friedman, Katherine Elizabeth Fritzler, Mary Ann Godley, Dalonia L. Ham, Ralph Holliday, Brenda Fay House, Martha F. Howard, Robin M. Jackson, Tori Richards Johnson, Amy Ketner, Donna Kaye Lewis-Pierce, Myrtle Fonville Linton, Treae S. Moore, Virginia Moore, Kimberly Moulden, Laurie J. Rayburn, Shelia Brown Scott, Stacy Lynn Seiler, Velda Y. Shedrick, Cheryl Lynn Sheppard, Chester Spencer, Trisha Petersen-Spruill, Jennifer L. Taylor, Mathew Whitley, Bethany Wood, Jimie Lynn Mcleod Woolard and Gena Worsley. Gamma Beta Phi is an honor and service organization which has the following objectives: To recognize and encourage educational excellence; to promote the development of leadership ability and character in its members, and to foster, disseminate, and improve education through appropriate service projects. Membership is by invitation only. To be eligible, a student must be currently enrolled, must have completed at least 13 semester hours of college work and must have a 3.3 grade point average, among other membership criteria. Recent Gamma Beta Phi service projects at BCC have included a mentoring program and supply drive for the Boys and Girls Club, campus Blood Drive and co-sponsorship of the annual BCCC Job Fair. Advisors for the society are Mandy Jones, allied health admissions coordinator, and Dr. Mike Davis, English instructor.

Faculty & Staff Spotlight

Parker named to Who's Who Among American Teachers

Donna Parker, instructor of developmental English and reading at Beaufort County Community College, has been named to "Who's Who Among American Teachers." Parker was chosen for the 8th edition of "Who's Who Among American Teachers" to be published in October 2004. The publication honors those educators nominated anonymously by students from "Who's Who Among American High School Students" and those honored in "The National Dean's List." "Each of us has that special teacher, coach or other adult leader who took the time to lead, inspire and demand excellence," said "Who's Who" in announcing the award. "We give our outstanding students the opportunity to honor those teachers who have contributed to their lives and their futures."

"Who's Who Among America's Teachers" was first published in 1990 and is published every two years.



Donna Parker

There is such a thing as a free lunch!

Buy a chance to win a free lunch and help Beaufort County Community College's Relay for Life team, the BCCC Striders, raise money for the Beaufort County Chapter of the American Cancer Society. For a \$5 donation, you will receive five chances to win five free lunches at the Campus Café. A drawing to determine the winner will be held at 12 noon on May 3 at the café. You can also support the BCCC Striders by buying for \$1 a moon and/or a star, to be placed on an "Honor Wall" to recognize someone who has been lost to cancer, or is currently fighting cancer, or is a cancer survivor. To purchase a moon, star or lunch raffle ticket, contact Jane Alligood or Dianne Evans in the bookkeeping office in Building 1, Julie Ellis in the financial aid office in Building 9 or Lou Stout in Building 8. Lunch raffle tickets can also be purchased at the café. For more information, contact Stout at 940-6307.



Lou Stout has worked tirelessly to organize Relay for Life activities on the BCCC campus. Thanks Lou!

Upcoming Events

April 2 – Gospel Concert fundraiser for Phi Beta Lambda. Contact Debra Baker at 940-6229.

April 21 - BCCC's Job Fair 2004. Contact Rhunell Boyd at 940-6290.

April 30 – Registration deadline for College for Kids. Contact Barbara Francisco at 940-6238.

May 3 – Drawing for five free lunches to help BCCC's Relay for Life team, raise money for the American Cancer Society. Contact Lou Stout at 940-6307.

May 7, 10, and 11 – Exams

May 14 – Graduation

May 15 – Small Business Fair. For more information, contact Lentz Stowe at 940-6306.

May 19 – Summer term late registration

May 20 – Summer term begins

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 20th of the month in order to list your event in the next edition of Campus Connections. Please email your announcements via Groupwise to Betty Gray.