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BCCC is competing in the category of students under 8,000.

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Twenty-one cited as BCCC's Best in recent ceremonies

Twenty-one students at Beaufort County Community College were recognized in recent ceremonies as "BCCC's Best." Eight students were cited in December for being involved in campus and community activities and thirteen were recognized in January for being motivated.

Those honored in December were Earl Hines and Jackson Lancaster of Washington, Sarah Clingenpeel and Jordan Pooser of Belhaven, Brian Westcott of Chocowinity, Jessica Cahoon of Engelhard, Joey Mayo of Grimesland and Elizabeth Rose of Plymouth.

Honored in January were Craig Ward of Belhaven, Brenda Adams and Sheanita Brown of Greenville, Jeffrey Egerton and Sharon Oliver of



Thirteen BCCC students were recognized for their motivation in January. Those able to attend the ceremony were front row, left to right, Albert Russell, Macey Prochilo, Michele Furlough and Sheanita Brown; back row, Vice President of Student Services Rick Anderson and students Jeffrey Egerton, Craig Ward and Christine Le Compte.

Plymouth, Michelle Furlough of Roper, Albert Russell of Scranton, Austin Spencer of Swan Quarter, and Christine LeCompte, Timothy C. Pinkham, Macey Prochilo Lisa Reid and Paula Templeman of Washington.

Vice President of Student Services Rick Anderson and the nominating faculty or staff member presented each student with a certificate that contained the description of his or her activities.



Eight Beaufort County Community College students were cited for the character trait "involved," or someone who is active in the life of the college and community. Those attending the recognition ceremony were left to right, front row, Sarah Clingenpeel and Jackson Lancaster; back row, Vice President of Student Services Rick Anderson, students Earl Hines, Joey Mayo and Brian Westcott and Director of Counseling Kimberly Jackson.



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Gullfest 2015 features first Miss Gullfest Pageant

Gullfest, the spring festival at Beaufort County Community College to be held April 18 and 19, will feature a new event for the 2015 event – the first Miss Gullfest Pageant. Pageant organizers hope to draw participants to compete for nine titles while raising money for scholarships and other activities of the BCCC Foundation and college community.

“As part of the larger Gullfest 2015 Spring Festival at BCCC, the Miss Gullfest pageant is a unique opportunity for participants to become a part of the BCCC community as title holders and represent the college at local events throughout the year,” said Sara Singleton, chairman of the event.

“Young ladies from preschool to high school and current BCCC students are encouraged to take part in the pageant and be crowned Miss Gullfest,” she said.

The pageant is scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday, April 18, in the Multi-Purpose Room of Building 10 on the BCCC campus. The registration fee is \$75 for each contestant which will be refunded if the contestant raises \$150 in sponsorships from family, friends or local businesses. The registration deadline is March 20.

Miss Gullfest 2015 is part of a weekend-long list of activities at the college during Gullfest 2015. These include a car show, crafts and food vendors, music and the pageant on Saturday and the inaugural five-kilometer Gull Run on Sunday afternoon.

The pageant will include competition in five divisions – Preschool through second grade for Tiny Miss Gullfest; third through fifth grades for Little Miss Gullfest; sixth through eighth grades for Teen Miss Gullfest; ninth through 12th grades for Miss Gullfest and College Miss Gullfest for current BCCC students. A maximum of 15 contestants will be accepted per division.

Miss Gullfest is a natural pageant, according to Singleton, with total wigs and esthetic embellishments to teeth being disallowed. Specific requirements for each division are listed in the Miss Gullfest 2015 Packet.

“We welcome fresh scrubbed faces and pretty dresses,” she said.

Contestants must live within the BCCC service area of Beaufort, Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington counties or have a family member who does. Contestants in the college division must be currently-enrolled BCCC students but are not required to live in the service area.

Nine titles will be awarded including titles from each of the five divisions as well as Supreme Miss Gullfest chosen from the Tiny and Little Miss Gullfest divisions and from the Teen and Miss Gullfest divisions; Elite Miss Gullfest recognizing the contestant who raises the most money for the Foundation, and Miss Beaufort County Community College chosen from the College Miss Gullfest division.

For more information about the Miss Gullfest 2015 Pageant, a packet of information and registration forms are available for downloading by clicking on the Gullfest logo on the BCCC website at <http://www.beaufortccc.edu>.

For questions about the pageant, registration or sponsorship opportunities, contact Singleton by telephone at 252-940-6271 or by email at sara.singleton@beaufortccc.edu.



The Little Gulls Train, on display at the college, drew the attention of BCCC President Barbara Tansey who gave it a try. Hop aboard at Gullfest, scheduled for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 18. Gullfest admission is \$2. Children under two years old admitted free.



Little Gulls Zone to feature new events!

“Little Gulls” visiting Gullfest 2015 will have the chance to take a ride on the Little Gulls train built by Welding Instructor Ted Clayton with help from others.

The train is just one of several new features for the children’s area that are being planned.

Little Gulls Zone Chairman Rebecca Adams reports that the area will be bigger and better this year. A bouncy house, face painting, Lowe’s Craft Corner, carnival booths, hat making and various trucks and other equipment are planned for the area.

Admission to the Little Gulls Zone will be free of charge with your paid admission to Gullfest.

Mayo is new Director of Admissions, Recruitment

Students at high schools throughout Beaufort County Community College's service area will get to know Michele Mayo, new Director of Admissions and Recruitment at Beaufort County Community College, well.

She plans to visit area high schools frequently and hopes to make those visits very welcoming to future BCCC students.

"Often the Office of Admissions is the first 'face' of Beaufort County Community College that students or potential students see," she said. "I want to make that face one of encouragement, enthusiasm and excitement."

As director of admissions and recruitment, Mayo oversees the college's admissions staff, manages the admissions process and organizes efforts to encourage students to consider BCCC as an option for college or job training.

Her immediate goal is to refocus the college's recruitment efforts in its service area, particularly the high schools throughout the region and to use more video and social media in that process.

"In order to recruit prospective students effectively, we must present ourselves eagerly and often to our audience. We must put ourselves on every secondary school student's radar, either as a place to earn credits to take them on to the university level or as a place to learn and train for a new career," Mayo said. "To accomplish this, we must put away the folding tables with cards and displays and be willing to meet these students where they are - in the digital age."

"We can't reach this age of students the same old way we always have," she said. "We need to reach those kids in the world in which they live."

Mayo is a graduate of Washington High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in education with a science concentration from East Carolina University and a master's degree in education from ECU. Most recently, she has served as an instructor in the Medical Office and Office Administration programs at BCCC for the past 13 years. In that post, she has been instrumental in creating a new certificate in continuing education for a Medical Office Specialist.

At BCCC, Mayo is an advisor to Gulls on the Run, a club that encourages its members to exercise with the goal of eventually participating in five-kilometer races. She is also director of a new five-kilometer race that will be held in Washington as part of BCCC's spring festival, Gullfest.

In her role as Director of Admissions and Recruitment, Mayo will serve on the college's Marketing and Admissions committees. She is a member of BCCC's Behavior Intervention Team and has been an active member of the Faculty Senate - most recently serving as Vice President of the organization.

In her spare time, she enjoys running, playing tennis and reading. She is registered with "I Run 4," an organization that pairs runners with disabled children and serves to inspire both the runners and the children.

Mayo and her husband, Will, live in Washington Park and have five children. They are members of the First Presbyterian Church in Washington.



Michele Mayo is the new Director of Admissions and Recruitment at BCCC. She began work in her new role in January. Her office is in Building 9.

Hill named Dean of Arts and Sciences at BCCC

A veteran educator with a background in community colleges and public schools has been chosen as Dean of the Division of Arts and Sciences at Beaufort County Community College.

In that role, Lisa Hill will oversee the activities of that division - including its 74 full- and part-time faculty - help identify and implement new classes, and serve as the division's liaison with BCCC's administration.

Hill, a native of Plymouth, said the biggest challenge in her new role is "finding the balance between meeting the needs of our students and operating within our current budget."

For example, she said, some students prefer morning classes, some afternoon and early evening classes and others, night classes with a mix of online. As Arts and Sciences Dean, it's Hill's job to ensure that the scheduling needs of most students are met with classes they need to earn their degrees.

At BCCC, the Arts and Sciences Division includes courses - such as fine arts, social sciences, English and math - that prepare students to transfer to a four-year college or a university and includes Developmental Reading, English and Math.

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Lisa Hill is the new Dean of Arts and Sciences. She was named to the position in December. Her office is in Building 3.

at BCCC. In that position, she oversaw activities and operations and academic related programs of BCCC's three early college high schools. From 1999 to 2003, she worked on the staff at Beaufort County Community College managing services for students with documented disabilities.

Hill and her husband, Alan, live in Chocowinity with their five children. She serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Arc of Beaufort County and is a former member of the Board of Directors of the Beaufort/Hyde Partnership for Children.

In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her family and on the Pamlico River.

"BCCC is delighted to have a veteran of the community college and the public schools serve as Dean of Arts and Sciences," said Vice President of Academics Crystal Ange. "As more and more students choose to begin their college education at BCCC, our Arts and Sciences Division will play an increasingly important role in the life of the college."

Hill is a 1988 graduate of Plymouth High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in special education from East Carolina University in 1992 and a master's degree in special education from ECU in 1994. She also earned a master's degree in school administration from ECU in 2007.

Hill has served as an exceptional children's teacher, Transition Coordinator, Director of Exceptional Children and Director of Student Services within the public school system. She also has experience in retail as owner and operator of a local Sears franchise.

Before accepting the post as Dean of Arts and Sciences, Hill served from 2008 to 2014 as Director of High School Programs

Sullivan overseeing BCCC's Internet "front door"

Visitors to the Beaufort County Community College website will see changes in the coming months now that the college's Internet presence is under the leadership of a new director.

Keith M. Sullivan, a native of Pittsburg, Pa., joined the BCCC staff in January as the college's new, full-time webmaster. In that position, he succeeds Tricia Woolard, coordinator of educational media and graphic services, who oversees technology for the growing number of online and Internet-enhanced courses at the college.

"BCCC is delighted to welcome Keith to its staff," said Vice President of Research and Institutional Effectiveness Jay Sullivan, no relation. "As more and more people turn to the Internet for their information and use Internet sites to make decisions about their education, it is vital that Beaufort County Community College maintain an active and updated presence on the Internet.

"For a growing number of people, our website is the front door to BCCC and we need to make sure that visitors to our college can easily find the information they need through this front door," Jay Sullivan said. "With his background, Keith is the right individual to lead this effort."

As the college's webmaster, Keith Sullivan, 29, is tasked with managing the content on BCCC's website, ensuring its compliance with the Americans with Disability Act. He will serve on the college's Marketing Committee and, in that role, lead its online marketing efforts.

Keith Sullivan earned an associate's degree in information technology from the University of Phoenix in 2012 and is pursuing a bachelor's degree from Western Governors University in software development. He has studied web design and multi-media at the Art Institute of Pittsburgh.

Keith Sullivan said his life-long interest in computers and video games pointed him towards a career in web design.



Keith Sullivan joined the BCCC staff as Web Master in January. His office is in Building 1.

Small Business Center helps Belhaven restaurant

Jimmie Southerland and her husband, Doug, were business owners and already familiar with what it takes to run a successful business when they moved to Belhaven.

One night, Doug Southerland tried to order a pizza only to discover that the only pizza place in town was closed again. He was inspired to enter the restaurant business.

The Southerlands discovered the location of the old Helmsman Restaurant on Pamlico Street for the site of their endeavor. They completely gutted and remodeled the space with brick, walnut, hickory and cypress wood that was rough cut from Ponzer, installed new bathrooms, beams, lights, a decorative bar area and about a year ago, opened The Tavern at Jack's Neck.

The Tavern, known for its fresh pizzas completely made from scratch, also serves top quality steaks & prime rib, pasta dishes, sandwiches, salads, more substantial entrées created by Tavern Chef, Neil Melvin, and offers a full bar, private dining spaces and entertainment several nights.

So far, the restaurant has been a success. The business has added to the local economy, attracting out-of-town visitors as well as local customers and has brought



Small Business Center Director Lentz Stowe discusses the new menu for the Tavern at Jack's Neck with Belhaven restaurant owner Jimmie Southerland. Below is the restaurant's new menu.

Continuing Education Highlights

County Community College.

As part of a statewide network of centers, the Small Business Center at BCCC helps the over 1,700 small businesses in Beaufort, Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington counties survive, prosper, and contribute to the economic well-being of the area, according to Stowe.

Small Business Centers provide seminars and workshops, one-on-one counseling, a library of resources, and referrals to other sources to prospective and current owners and operators of small businesses at no cost to clients and attendees.

Since 1984, most economic development in the local area has come from entrepreneurs like the Southerlands who open or expand a small business, according to Stowe.

Stowe introduced the Southerlands to Robert Doe, a retiree in the area who has owned and operated successful restaurants in the northeast. Doe is one of the subject-matter experts who works closely with BCCC's SBC to offer advanced counseling to entrepreneurs.

Doe met with the Southerlands and provided training for their front-of-the-house staff and advised the couple on their menus, which they recently re-designed.

"I don't know if we could have found as good a consultant on our own and if we found a consultant who was reputable, I don't know if we could have afforded it," Jimmie Southerland said. "To have that resource was a comfort."

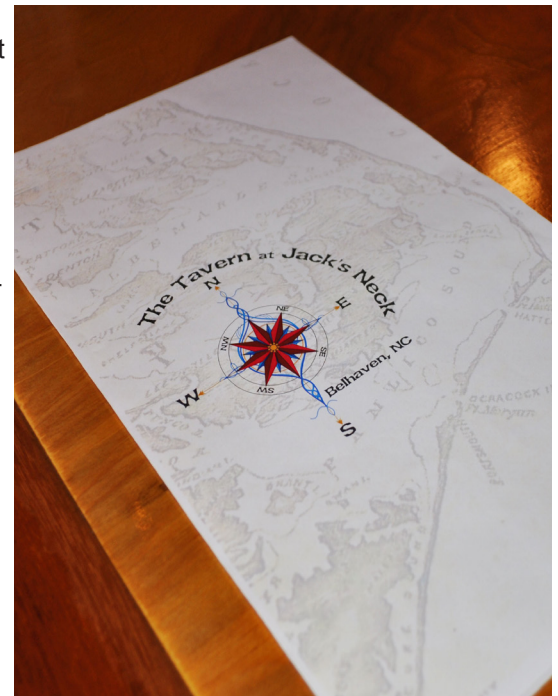
The Southerlands have also taken advantage of ServSafe® classes offered by BCCC's Division of Continuing Education. Jimmie Southerland said this help has been invaluable.

"When I hit the brick wall and don't know where to turn, it's nice to know that the Small Business Center has our backs."

about 25 jobs to town that did not exist before.

But in the year since they opened the restaurant, the Southerlands – new to the restaurant business – discovered that they still had a lot to learn about running a restaurant.

That's when they reached out to Lentz Stowe, director of the Small Business Center at Beaufort



New Industrial Maintenance class under way

Classes have begun in a new Industrial Maintenance Program that give students training that they need to compete for maintenance-related jobs in local industries.

Equipment for the six-month program - welding machines, electrical training systems, electrical wiring trainers, and other basic tools of the trade - was purchased with money from a \$141,029 grant awarded to the college by Duke Energy.

Students will receive training in basic forklift operations, blueprint reading, wiring for electrical systems, hydraulics and pumps, plumbing, compressors and pneumatics and mechanical systems, according to Lou Stout, director of Workforce Initiatives at BCCC.

Students will also receive human resources development training and a Career Readiness Certification.

Those who complete the course will be certified as industrial maintenance mechanics and will be qualified to repair and maintain a variety of commercial and industrial machinery.

The median income for trained industrial maintenance mechanics is \$55,000 per year, and jobs in the field are expected to increase by 35.5 percent over the next decade in Beaufort and surrounding counties, particularly as current workers retire and their positions become vacant.

The coursework includes 10 or 15 modules. Students can take an individual module and then take an exam that certifies their expertise in that area. Once they take all of the course modules and pass all of the exams, they are issued a Level 1 Industrial Maintenance Mechanic credential.

BCCC has become a training provider for the National Center for Construction Education and Research as a result of the grant and starting up the new program.

The classes are offered in cooperation with the Beaufort County Economic Development Commission and are conducted at the Beaufort County Skills Center. The CRC class will meet on the BCCC campus.



New personal interest classes coming to BCCC

Want to learn to play poker, choose good wines, play the guitar, make a crystal bracelet or start an organic garden? You can learn to do all of this by taking one of these personal interest classes offered by the Division of Continuing Education at BCCC this winter and spring.

Some of the new classes this winter are as follows:

Enjoying Poker, 6 to 8 p.m. Mondays beginning Feb. 9 and ending March 16, in Room 816 of Building 8. The registration fee is \$40.

Learn to Play the Guitar, 6 to 8:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Feb. 10 and ending March 5, in the auditorium of Building 8. The registration fee is \$45.

Organic Gardening, 6 to 8 p.m., Thursdays beginning Feb. 12 and ending March 12, in room 100 of 8A. The registration fee is \$50.

African-American History in Washington NC and the Surrounding Area, 6 to 8 p.m., Thursdays beginning Feb. 12 and ending March 26. Location TBA. The registration fee is \$35.

Make a Swarovski Crystal Bracelet, 6 to 9 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 17 and Tuesday, March 17 in a room to be assigned in Building 8. The registration fee is \$45.

Social Media for Everyone, 6 to 8 p.m. Mondays from Feb. 23 to March 16 in Room 127 of Building 2. The registration fee is \$30.

Lovin' the Grape, A Course on Wine Appreciation, 6 to 8 p.m. Thursdays March 12, 19 and 26 at Wine and Words, 220 W. Main St. The registration fee is \$75.

Several new classes are also planned for the summer. They include classes in line and contra dancing, decorating with driftwood, creating art through welding, automobile maintenance and care class for women and using a digital SLR camera.

For more information about these and other classes, visit <http://www.beaufortccc.edu/coned/contin/htm>. To register for a class, contact Eva Peartree at 252-940-6375 or by email at eva.peartree@beaufortccc.edu.



Fall 2014 Semester Honor Roll is announced

The Registrar's Office at Beaufort County Community College has released the honor roll for the 2014 Fall Semester. Full-time students maintaining a grade point average, or GPA, of 4.0 or better were placed on the All "A"'s list. Students maintaining a 3.5 GPA were placed on the Dean's List.

All "A"'s

Beaufort County: Bath — Alexandra Jayne Garrett, Emily Rukundo, Torri J. Sterrenberg, Rachael Sterling. Belhaven — Gabriela Echavarría Acosta, Sarah E. Clingenpeel, Dawn Denise Fletcher, Patrick Iredell Mooney. Blounts Creek — Daniel Sanders Long. Chocowinity — Danielle Elizabeth Clark, Joseph Mason Coghill, Michael Andrew Crisp, Gary Nelson Gaynor, Tiffany Lynn Knickerbocker, Austin Craig McGowan, Alyssa S. Peed, Brandi Leigh Porter, Shannon Maria Taylor, Larita Eishonda Tysor, Brian Jay Wescott. Pantego — Courtney Coltrain, Miriam P. Lamb, Wyleed Ezra Slade, Robert Hunter Sutton. Pinetown — Morgan Renee Cleary, Sasha Elliott, Christopher Sterrenberg, Amanda Elizabeth Toler, Victoria Faye Wallace. Washington — Caitlyn Denise Andrews, Kimberly Sawyers Baker, Sherlynn Jordan Baker, Zachary Keith Bell, Jason Daniel Bull, Anthony Daniel Burton, Wencie C. Cheatham, Lori Ann Daniels, Amanda N. Davis, Mollie Sabrina Davis, Deborah Michele Guthrie, Keith Phillip Harper, James Tyler Harriett, Miranda J. Hollis, Rebecca Taylor Hudson, Kathleen Faye Knight, Crystal Martinez, Tantania Cheyenne McPherson, Melody Casper Montgomery, Ashley Marie Moore, Tina R. Pilgreen, Bernardo Ramirez, Lawrence Lee Satchell, Jenna Lynn Smith, Diann Alligood Stoddard, Travis Lin Tate, Melissa Wainwright Thigpen, Jennifer M. Waters, Brad Patrick Woolard, Andy Yeung.

Craven County: Vanceboro — Noah Cole Beavers.

Greene County: Hookerton — Gregory Thomas Ramsey.

Hyde County: Engelhard — Linda Cooper Fulford. Fairfield — Kyle Scott Mooney. Ocracoke — Carmen Francis O'Neal. Swan Quarter — Chase Alexander Carawan.

Martin County: Robersonville — Vincent Larry Cooper.

Pitt County: Greenville — Breatte Jeanelle Garrison. Grimesland — Alexis Faith Arnold, William Bryant Paramore.

Wake County: Cary — Mohamed Hussien Raafat.

Washington County: Plymouth — Alexis Evelyn Correa, Kayla Ann Roberts. Roper — Michelle J. Furlough.

Dean's List:

Beaufort County: Bath: David R. Jimenez, Carmela Lewis Mombaerts, Lorri Brooks Moree, Aeryalle M. Williams. Belhaven — Ryan Morgan Arthur, Allen Jackson Cuthrell, Travis Emmanuel Fletcher, Leah Amber Jones, Lydia Bell O'Neal. Blounts Creek — Stephen Robert Cutler, Malcolm Jahmaal Johnson, Essie T. Long, Chelsea Leigh Rager, Nathan Daniel Woolard. Chocowinity — Jennifer B. Agustin, Tamela Marie Ayers, Lea Benson, Thomas Dorsey Brabble, James Ray Jones, Destiny Ann Locke, Katelynn Marie Mitchell, Dakota Clifton Morgan, Wilbert Earl Nobles, Kyle Joseph Pontieri, Pamela Lampkins Rogers, Clayton Ostendorf Smith, Megan Renee Smith, David Hayes Talley, Dural Dewayne Temple, Karen E. Woolard, Daniel Justin Wright. Pantego — Tamara Shevon Arthur, Tyquisha Reonshae Davis, Samantha Renee Williams. Pinetown — Isaac Thomas Coltrain, James Albert Midyette, Helen Maxine Slager. Washington — Ashley Victoria Adams, Christy Lynn Alligood, Isheia Warren Blanch, Carol Wilson Briley, Todd Jacob Burrus, William B. Cherry, William Derrick Coltrain, Tawanna Arthur Coward, Thomas Joseph Decker, John W. Dodson, Jeremiah Michael Donavon, Brenin Fitzgerald, Charmaine Denise Gilmore, Robert Michael Goodwin, Terry Neil Graham, Nicholas James Griekspoor, Ricky Lee Guthrie, Shereka Sade Harris, Griffith George Hawkinson, Ashley Ryan Hendrickson, Amanda Elizabeth Hennasey, Daniel Lee Hurley, Catherine Anne Kelly, Jeremy Jason Latham, Christine Marie LeCompte, Kenneth Rashaw Lee, Jason W. Lilley, Jordan Gray McDonald, Lisa Michelle Modlin, Kyshanna Monique Moore, Telisha Shante Moore, Laura Michelle Nichols, Mathew Rae Owens, Kayla Danielle Pike, Juan Carlos Ramirez, Troy Macon Roelofs, Luciana Rebecca Sharpe, Stephanie Blake Simpkins, Patsy Sprouse Tetteron, Ariel Cleo Thompson, Bradley Joseph Thompson, Guadalupe Villa-Hernandez, Savannah Ward, Almetha Jones Wiggins, Rebecca Morgan Williams, Stephanie Yvette Williams, Graham Wright Young.

Bertie County: Merry Hill — Jamaal Tocobie Cofield.

Craven County: Vanceboro — Marlen M. Avelar, Joshua Allen Morris, Austyn Lynn Padilla.

Greene County: Walstonburg — Karen Jenise Taft.

Hyde County: Scranton — Shakera Antwanette Davis. Swan Quarter — Jasmine Antoinette Beckwith.

Martin County: Jamesville — Meredith Spear Cook, Chana Janine White. Robersonville — Caroline Michelle James. Williamston — Alexis Alexandra Bryant, Joshua Macon Holliday, Lyndsey Hope Odom, Lashunta Monay Rodgers.

Pitt County: Greenville — Gabriel Anthony Albanese, Nathan Charles Evans, Brittany Charnice Givens. Grimesland — Donna Glenn Edwards, Joey Randy Mayo, Christopher Todd Newkirk, Nidia Elena Romero. Simpson — Teresa Nicole Short.

Washington County: Plymouth — Tervon Damek Blount, Jeffrey Egerton, Ashley Marie Kolikas, Kristen Rae Manseau, Catina Melette Young. Roper — Jonathan E. Stotesbury.

Travel with BCCC to Canyon Country USA!

The Beaufort County Community College Foundation is sponsoring a nine-day trip to Arizona and Utah that will include visits to some of the most scenic areas of the southwestern United States.

The fully-escorted tour, Canyon Country, is scheduled for Oct. 10 to 18, 2015 and is offered by Collette through New Trends in Travel. It is co-sponsored by the Washington/Beaufort County Chamber of Commerce.

A special presentation about the trip is scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, March 16, in the Multi-Purpose Room of Building 10 on the BCCC campus. Those interested in attending the presentation are asked to reserve a place by contacting the Chamber office at 252-946-9618 or by email at rmckeithan@wbcchamber.com.

The cost of the trip is \$3,159 per person based on double occupancy at hotels in Scottsdale, Grand Canyon National Park, Page, Ariz., Zion National Park and Las Vegas, seven breakfasts and five dinners during the trip, round-trip airfare from Raleigh-Durham International Airport, air taxes and fees and hotel transfers. Transportation to the airport in Raleigh is available for an additional \$60.



A deposit of \$250 per person is required at the time of registration. The final payment will be due by Aug. 11, 2015.

The recommended cancellation waiver and insurance is an additional \$205 per person. With the insurance, travelers may cancel for any reason up until the day of departure.

The itinerary includes a flight from Raleigh-Durham International Airport to Scottsdale, Ariz., a visit to stunning Sedona, the South Rim of the Grand Canyon, Lake Powell and Zion National Park. The trip will end in Las Vegas where travelers will spend two nights at the famous Paris Hotel

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Travelers will also have the chance to visit Monument Valley, the iconic symbol of the American West and the sacred heart of the Navajo Nation. Made famous by Director John Ford in the movie "Stagecoach" and many other movies, Monument Valley

showcases years of nature's erosive power with distinctive rock formations unlike anywhere else in the world.

Optional trip experiences available for additional charges include a tour of the Grand Canyon by airplane, a cruise along Saguaro Lake, a jeep tour through Sedona and an evening tour of Las Vegas, among others.

For a complete itinerary or a tour brochure, contact Marcia Norwood, Foundation specialist, at 252-940-6218 or by email at marcia.norwood@beaufortccc.edu. The trip deposit may be made by credit card to Donna Burgin, New Trends in Travel, at 252-945-7403 or 252-975-1304 or by email at donna.burgin18@gmail.com.

Applications sought for 2015-2016 Ambassadors

Applications are being sought for students to represent Beaufort County Community College for the 2015-2016 Academic Year.

The Ambassador Program at BCCC was established in 1991 by the BCCC Foundation to promote the accomplishments of high-achieving BCCC students throughout the community and to enhance their educational opportunities with scholarships and community involvement.

The deadline for Ambassador nominations is Friday, Feb. 13, 2015. Nominees must have a 3.0 grade point average and must not have a felony conviction.

Ambassadors must maintain a grade point average of 2.5 or higher each semester they serve as Ambassadors; demonstrate a high level of commitment to the college through active participation in at least 75 percent of Ambassador activities; maintain a pleasant and outgoing personality in all Ambassador related activities; be able and willing to represent the college in a positive manner on and off campus at all times, and forgo any political activities while representing the college.

For more information about the Ambassador Program or for a copy of the nomination form, contact Foundation Specialist Marcia Norwood at 940-6218 or by email at marcia.norwood@beaufortccc.edu.

Black History Quiz Bowl planned

What was the date of Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream Speech" on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial? Who said "To be a poor man is hard, but to be a poor race in a land of dollars is the very bottom of hardships"?

Learn the answers to questions like this in the Black History Quiz Bowl!

Sponsored by the Student Government Association, Students Striving for Success through Leadership and TRiO/Student Support Services, the Black History Month Quiz Bowl Competition will be 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, and Thursday, Feb. 26, in the auditorium of Building 8.

Eight four-member teams from campus clubs or academic programs are being sought to participate in the event which will feature questions about important events in the history of African-Americans.

The event will include two rounds of competition. Eight teams will complete in the first round on Tuesday. The competition will be narrowed to four teams who will compete in the final round on Thursday.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams which can be used to fund club or program events. First prize will be \$150; second prize, \$100, and third prize, \$50.

For information, registration and a study packet, contact Student Success Coordinator Sandra Hunter in Room 120 of Building 1 or by telephone at 940-6487 or Student Activities Coordinator Theresa Edwards in Room 918 of Building 9 or by telephone at 940-6217.

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We are asking that your club/academic program sponsor a four-member team to participate in this event. There will be two rounds of competition: The first round will be a total of 8 teams and the top 4 teams will advance to the second round.

Competition will be held:
When: February 24 and 26, 2015
Where: Building 8 Auditorium
Time: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

For registration packet (including study questions) or more information contact:

Sandra Hunter Theresa Edwards
252-940-6487 or 252-940-6217
Building 1, room 120 Building 9, room 918

Grand Opening held for IM FITT trail, exercise stations



About 40 people attended the grand opening of the Interactive Multipurpose Fitness and Interval Training Trail, or IM FITT, held on the Beaufort County Community College Campus Tuesday, Jan. 27.

The event featured a short presentation, refreshments and an inaugural walk led by members of Gulls on the Run, BCCC's running club.

Construction of the mile-long walking trail and three fitness stations was funded by a \$150,000 grant from the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust as part of Healthy Places North Carolina.

The Washington/Beaufort County Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for the trail during the event. At left, BCCC Board of Trustees Chairman Russell Smith and Immediate Past Chairman Mitchell St. Clair, Sr., cut the ribbon marking the official opening of IM FITT.

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"Ever since I was a kid, I was obsessed by computers, graphic design and coding," he said. "It was a challenge. A fun challenge."

During his career, Keith Sullivan has developed training materials and web sites for Comcast, worked as a technical analyst for Verizon, designed and developed Internet layouts and user interfaces for Attempt Pictures and developed and designed a new website for Sauers Trucking.

Immediately before joining the BCCC staff, Keith Sullivan was a member of the Digital Marketing team at Ciber where he developed and maintained web sites and interfaces for Bayer Pharmaceuticals - including pages for Aleve and One-A-Day vitamins.

Since coming to BCCC, Keith Sullivan has begun an inventory of all of BCCC's web pages and has worked to ensure that all of its links direct users to the appropriate web pages. He has also begun to explore various content management systems for BCCC's website and in the coming weeks and months, users will begin to see changes in BCCC's webpage.

Keith Sullivan's parents live in Pittsburgh. A brother, Scott, is an aspiring film director. In his spare time, he enjoys many of the same activities he does at his work - developing websites and working on the computer - in addition to video games.

FAFSA Financial Aid workshop set for Feb. 28

Beaufort County Community College financial aid officers and specialists will be available 9 a.m. to noon at BCCC Saturday, Feb. 28, to help high school seniors and their families complete the necessary paperwork to apply for financial aid to attend college during the 2015-2016 academic year.

Known as FAFSA Day, its purpose is to help high school seniors and families complete and submit their Free Application for Federal Student Aid form, a requirement for students to be considered for all federal and most state financial aid for college, including grants and scholarships.

It will be held in Room 927 of Building 9 on the BCCC campus and is one of several FAFSA Day events planned for that day across North Carolina.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged, according to Megan Sommers, director of Financial Aid for BCCC. Registration is available at CFNC.org/FAFSADay or by calling 866-866-CFNC toll-free.

In order to be fully prepared to complete the FAFSA forms on Feb. 28, event participants should file their 2014 federal taxes in advance, if at all possible, and bring the following items to FAFSA Day:

- Both the student's and parents' federal 1040 tax forms for 2014 (or W-2 forms and other income and asset documents if completed tax forms are not available);
- The student's and one parent's Personal Identification Numbers (PINs) obtained in advance from the U.S. Department of Education website, www.pin.ed.gov;
- A FAFSA on the Web Worksheet with as much information entered as possible. The online worksheet is available at www.fafsa.gov.

Information on financial aid and FAFSA requirements is also available on the BCCC website at www.beaufortccc.edu.

FAFSA Day is sponsored by College Foundation of North Carolina, the North Carolina Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and the State Employees' Credit Union.

Applicants should note that BCCC's priority deadline for the FAFSA and required follow-up documentation is June 1, 2015 for the 2015-2016 academic year. This will ensure that eligible students will have financial aid in place for the Fall 2015 semester.

For more information about FAFSA Day at BCCC, interested persons may contact the BCCC Financial Aid Office at 252-940-6222.

Upcoming Events

- February 3 – Faculty Senate Executive Council meeting, noon, Conference Room, Building 12.
- February 3 – Gamma Beta Phi meeting, noon, Room 1220, Building 12.
- February 3 – Men of Success meeting, noon, Room 112, Building 1.
- February 3 – BCCC Board of Trustees, committees meet consecutively beginning at 5 P.M., Board meets beginning at 7 P.M., Board Room Building 10.
- February 10 – Men of Success meeting, noon, Room 112, Building 1.
- February 10 – Blackboard Training, noon, Room 6, Building 5.
- February 10 – Professional Development - Inquiry Learning - What is It?, noon, Room 104, Building 1.
- February 16 – BCANS, noon, Room 1204-1206, Building 12.
- February 16 – State Retirement Session, 1 P.M., Auditorium, Building 8.
- February 17 – Faculty Senate Meeting, noon, Room 104, Building 1.
- February 17 – Professional Development - Socratic Method, Room 104, Building 1.
- February 17 – Men of Success meeting, noon, Room 112, Building 1.
- February 19 – Job Shadow Day, Multi-Purpose Room, Building 10.
- February 21 – BCCC Foundation Trip to the Durham Performing Arts Center to see *MOTOWN, the Musical*.
- February 24 – Men of Success meeting, noon, Room 112, Building 1.
- February 24 – Black History Month Quiz Bowl Competition, 11 A.M., Auditorium, Building 8.
- February 26 – BCCC Board of Trustees retreat, 9 A.M. Board Room, Building 10.
- February 26 – Black History Month Quiz Bowl Competition, 11 A.M., Auditorium, Building 8.
- February 27 – Financial Aide Information Session, 11:30 A.M., Room 935, Building 9.
- February 28 – FAFSA Day, 9 A.M., Room 927, Building 9.
- March 3 – Faculty senate Executive Council meeting, noon, Conference Room, Building 12.
- March 3 – Gamma Beta Phi meeting, noon, Room 1220, Building 12.

To publicize an event, e-mail your announcements to Betty Gray at betty.gray@beaufortccc.edu. You can also find information about BCCC on Facebook, Google+ and LinkedIn.