



Disabled veteran perseveres to earn degree

Ana Tocasuche-Gonzales was 28, a little older than most people who go into the Army. Still, she felt the experience would do her good – perhaps give her the discipline and direction she felt her life needed.



Felicia Thoma, left, congratulates fellow graduate and disabled veteran Ana Tocasuche-Gonzales

She got all that, and more, specifically, a severely injured foot that left her permanently disabled.

That injury, and the recovery she endured following complicated reconstructive foot surgery, left her somewhat discouraged about her future. But it didn't stop her from finishing her degrees at SPC in Healthcare Infomatics and Health Information Management, maintaining an A average along the way.

Now 36, Tocasuche-Gonzales made her way across the stage with the help of a cane Dec. 20 to accept her degrees.

She said her 5-year-old son motivated her to stay in school and maintain a high grade-point average.

"He gives me strength," she said. "When I was going through my darkest times I made a promise to myself that I would finish my degree before my son was 5 years old, and I accomplished that."

Tocasuche-Gonzales expected to be sent to a war zone when she joined the Army. But a fall during training resulted in her severe foot injury.

"Two years ago they did reconstructive foot surgery, and that left me in a wheelchair for a long time," she said.

Tocasuche-Gonzales had already enrolled at St. Petersburg College and was taking all of her courses online. She said her professors expected her to drop out when she had her surgery, but she did not. Instead, she worked hard to maintain her high grades.

"At first it was easier because my son was little and I was not working," she said. "But later, when he got a little bigger and I started working for the Veterans Administration, I had to make time for work and school as well as for my husband and son. But when you manage your time, you can do anything."

Tocasuche-Gonzales has been employed by the VA for several years, but she started a better job there on Jan. 5, thanks to her new degrees.

Even though she faced many challenges, Tocasuche-Gonzales said she enjoyed her experiences at SPC.

"Everyone there was very nice and helped me very much," she said. "I learned a lot. My professors were great."

Graduation sets record

The ceremonies marked the largest fall graduation in college history. Graduation coordinator Kim Corry said 526 students participated in the programs. Last fall 431 students participated. The previous record was 500, Corry said. Because of a college bowl game at Tropicana Field, an alternate site had to be selected.

McLeod named associate provost of HEC

Greg McLeod is the new associate provost of the Health Education Center, succeeding Dolores Teter, who retired recently.



Previously, McLeod was Manager of Collegewide Student System Support, working with a team that provides functional support for the PeopleSoft student system in many areas including admissions, registration, advising, course and faculty management, and special programs. In addition, he provided

administrative and technical support for collegewide testing (a role he will continue in the interim while balancing his associate provost duties).

"We're pleased that Greg is at HEC because he brings a wealth of experience and knowledge that will be very helpful to the staff and students," said HEC Provost Phil Nicotera.

McLeod's career at SPC began in 2004 when he served as the Instructional Development Coordinator for the Title III grant program. His duties included supervising Title III site coordinators, designing and developing professional development related to developmental studies, and facilitating student life skills instructor credentialing and training.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to work with the great staff here in supporting our wonderful students," said McLeod, who has taught math from middle school through community college levels. "This is a great chance for me to directly help students again. I feel I have something to contribute, yet plenty to learn."

McLeod earned a bachelor's degree at the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill before working as a program manager and trainer for a corporate firm.

He earned a master's degree in education from North Carolina State University and has worked with programs such as Upward Bound, Project Uplift and Talent Identification.

McLeod also has experience in health care – he had an internship as a research lab assistant at the University of North Carolina Hospitals and volunteered in a nursing home in his hometown of Raeford, N.C.

Today, McLeod, husband of Beverly and father of Jordan, 5, and Kyla, 3, is a doctoral candidate at Barry University, and plans to graduate in the fall.

McLeod, who is African-American and Korean and has traveled extensively, says his background and experiences will help him better identify with many of today's students.

"I think working in higher education is a great calling because of the impact you make in people's lives as well as society at large," McLeod said.

College wins FACC awards

St. Petersburg College received six awards during the recent 59th Annual Florida Association of Community Colleges (FACC) Convention in Orlando, including:

- Distinguished Service Award Winner – Dolores Teter (retired).
- Unsung Hero Award (St. Petersburg College Chapter) – Tammy Cappleman

SPC's Institutional Advancement department also won four Awards of Excellence through FACC's Institutional Advancement Commission, including:

- First place, Feature Article in a College Produced Publication (Information Specialist Bill Frederick's story about EpiServices Custodian Long Nguyen.)
- Second place, Future Student Web pages
- Second place, Radio Advertising
- Second place, Television Advertising

Dolores Teter will serve as 2009 Secretary/Treasurer for the FACC Retirees Commission.

Foundation on DoGood Channel

Just a quick note to let you know that the SPC Foundation has a shiny new profile on the Do Good™ Channel.



What's so great about our DoGood™ profile?

- It's FREE advertising for St. Petersburg College.
- A partnership with the St. Petersburg Times, the DoGood™ Channel is live on Tampabay.com, which boasts a monthly readership of more than 2.5 million visitors.
- It has social tools built into it, making it easy for you to share what you discover with friends, family and colleagues (i.e. e-mail to friends, post on Facebook or MySpace, bookmark on del.icio.us, Digg, etc.).

So, do a good thing and help us spread the word.

Sarah Weber gets presidential recognition

Sarah Weber, a staff assistant for the MAP Center at the Clearwater Campus, recently received a certificate of appreciation from President Bush for her volunteer work at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium.

Weber said she has been volunteering at the aquarium for the past 19 years. She is involved in the rescue and rehabilitation of sea turtles.

She didn't know how President Bush came to be aware of her volunteer work. She received a certificate and a pin bearing the presidential seal during a recent Christmas party at the aquarium.

"Some of the other volunteers at the aquarium received similar recognition, too," she said. "I didn't know anything about it in advance."

Weber has worked for the college since May.

Memorial service for Tony Capasso

A memorial service for Tony Capasso is scheduled for Feb. 8 at 9:30 a.m. at the Hospice House Woodside. Capasso, 79, was a longtime bus driver for the college who died Thanksgiving Day.

Meeting Notices

The St. Petersburg College Foundation, Inc. will have a Finance and Investment Advisory Committee meeting on Jan. 22 at 9 a.m. at the District Office of St. Petersburg College. This meeting will be to consider routine business.

The Education & Outreach Committee of the Board of Directors for the Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art will meet on Thursday, Jan. 22, at 1:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. The Collections Committee will meet on the same day at 3:30 p.m. in the Associate Curator & Registrar's office. The purpose of these meetings is to discuss general business.

Sign Language instructor receives national recognition

Beth Carlson, Communications and Sign Language Interpretation Program instructor at the Clearwater Campus, will receive an Instructional



Technology Council award for her blended course, Structure of American Sign Language – the first such honor for the Sign Language Interpretation Program

She will be honored during the ITC Awards for Excellence in eLearning at a special recognition luncheon in February in

Portland, Oregon.

"To be recognized for the endeavor of developing this course is tremendously rewarding," Carlson said.

Carlson said that even though it is difficult to produce and deliver material for the interactive learning of a visual language, the content of this particular course lends itself quite well to the blended environment.

"As anyone who has developed online course material knows, the interplay between design and delivery is a very fluid process, not unlike a face-to-face course," Carlson said. "However, because the content in an online or blended course gets temporarily fixed in space, at least for the duration of a semester, there is more of a challenge to keep the presentation consistent but flexible."

The course includes signed video, signed and narrated tutorials, reviews of in-class lectures (delivered in American Sign Language) through PowerPoint, discussion forums, student video blogs or "VLOGs", group projects, article summaries, quizzes and "for fun" practice.

And to ensure she is properly reaching her students, Carlson's course has several student learning surveys so she can take advantage of immediate feedback on the content and delivery of the material.

Alumni luncheon Jan. 21



This year's Alumni Luncheon: Our Country, Our Community, Our College, will be Wednesday, Jan. 21 at noon at the Government Institute Conference Center on the Seminole Campus. The conference center is located at 9200 113th St. N., adjacent to the Dennis L. Jones Seminole Community Library.

This year's keynote speaker is James Sirmons, 2008 outstanding alum. Take part in an exciting new scholarship program called STAR. For every \$10 donated, you'll have a chance to have a scholarship named after you or your family. Don't forget your checkbook!

Save time for an optional tour of the Seminole Campus after the luncheon.

The cost of the luncheon is \$15. RSVP by Jan. 15 by calling 727-341-3363.

Cultural Corner

This weekly column features arts and entertainment events presented by St. Petersburg College and its partners. **NEW** items are noted for your convenience.

Discounts

Florida Orchestra: Faculty and staff now can purchase tickets at the student rate of \$10. Call the Florida Orchestra Ticket Center at 727-892-3337 and identify yourself as faculty or staff to place your order. Students can purchase two \$10 advance tickets through the mail, in person or by phone at the Florida Orchestra ticket center. Students must present ID when collecting tickets at the Will Call window on the night of concert. Subject to availability. Some restrictions may apply.

Palladium: Faculty, staff and students receive a 10 percent discount to all shows produced by the Palladium or its partners at the Palladium.

Continuing through March 29

St. Petersburg College: Legacy of Leadership, St. Petersburg Museum of History, 335 Second Ave. NE, on the approach to the Pier. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$12 general, \$9 senior and student, \$7 ages 7 to 17, ages 6 and younger free.

Jan. 9-11

Florida Orchestra Masterworks Concert: "Petrushka with Puppets," Stefan Sanderling, conductor, with the Bits 'N Pieces Puppet Theatre, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9, Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, Morsani Hall, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, Ruth Eckerd Hall. \$19- \$65.

Sunday, Jan. 11

Opera video: A Life for The Tsar by Mikhail Glinka, 1:30 p.m. Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art Auditorium. Free.

Friday, Jan. 16

Heissler Organ Series: Paul Jacobs, 7:30 p.m. St. Petersburg College Music Center, St. Petersburg/Gibbs Campus. General admission \$15. No reserved seating. SPC staff and students free with ID.

Jan. 16-18

St. Petersburg Opera: The Merry Widow, Franz Lehar's lighthearted operetta presented in English and fully staged with a professional cast and orchestra. Artistic Director Mark Sforzini, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 16-17, 2 p.m. Jan. 18. Palladium. \$20-\$46.50.

Saturday, Jan. 17

Opening Reception: It's a Dog's Life: Photographs by William Wegman and Sanctuary: Anna Tomczak Photography, 7-9 p.m. Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. Free for members, \$10 guests.

Jan. 18-April 12

New exhibits: It's a Dog's Life: Photographs by William Wegman and Sanctuary: Anna Tomczak Photography, Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art, Tarpon Springs. Admission: \$5 adults, \$4 seniors, free for children, members and students. Sunday admission free for all.

Sunday, Jan. 18

Lecture: History and Future of Polaroid Photography, with Barbara Hitchcock, Cultural Affairs Director for the Polaroid Corporation. 3 p.m. Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art Auditorium. \$8 members, \$10 non-members.

Jan. 20-Feb. 6

SPC Faculty Art Exhibition, Crossroads Art Gallery - Clearwater Campus. Reception: Feb. 4, 6-8 p.m. Free.

Friday, Jan. 23

St. Petersburg College Piano Concert Series: Cory Hall, solo recital, 7:30 p.m. St. Petersburg College Music Center, St. Petersburg/Gibbs Campus. Free.

Friday, Jan. 23

Social Event: Little Black Dress Night - Pants Welcome: Women and men are invited to bring business cards and/or marketing materials to network with other professionals. 7-9 p.m., Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. \$15. For information or reservations, contact Michelle Weyant at 727-712-5210 or weyant.michelle@spcollege.edu

NEW - Friday, Jan. 23

Side Door Jazz: Mindy Simmons Trio, a tribute to Peggy Lee, 7:30 p.m. Palladium. \$20

Jan. 23-25

Florida Orchestra Masterworks Concert: "Pictures at an Exhibition," Peter Rosel, piano, Stefan Sanderling, conductor, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23, Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, Ferguson Hall, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, Mahaffey Theater; and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, Ruth Eckerd Hall. \$19- \$65.

Jan. 23-Feb. 15

King Hedley II, by Pulitzer Prize-winner August Wilson, 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays-Sundays. American Stage Theatre, St. Petersburg. \$31-\$39.

NEW - Saturday, Jan. 24

Too Smooth Productions: 'When Loving You is Hurting Me!' stage play, 7:30 p.m. Palladium. \$31- \$42

Monday, Jan. 26

Band of the USAF Reserve, 7:30 p.m. Palladium. Free.

NEW - Tuesday, Jan. 27

Side Door Brown Bag Series: Lunchtime concert with Judith Alstadter on piano, noon. Palladium. Bring lunch – beverages provided. \$10.

Jan. 29-31

St. Petersburg College Jazz Festival with the Helios Jazz Orchestra, Jan. 29; Manigua & O Som Do Jazz, Jan. 30; and The Sue Terry Quartet, Jan. 31. 7:30 p.m. nightly, Music Center. \$10 donation/admission nightly.

Thursday, Jan. 29

Florida Orchestra Coffee Concert: "Great Brits," Alastair Willis, Conductor, 11 a.m., Mahaffey Theater. \$24-\$40.

Friday, Jan. 30

The Florida Orchestra Performs the Music of Pink Floyd, Brent Havens, guest Conductor. 8 p.m., Mahaffey Theater. \$35-\$85.

NEW - Tuesday, Feb. 3

Encore 2009 Chamber Series: C'est Magnifique!, featuring Quartet-de-minaret. Dessert and discussions with the artists follow concert. 7:30 p.m. Palladium. \$10-\$20.

NEW - Wednesday, Feb. 4

Dar Williams, with opening act Joshua Radin, 7:30 p.m. Palladium. \$27.50

NEW - Thursday, Feb. 5

Side Door Jazz: Kenny Drew Jr. Trio, presented by the Al Downing Tampa Bay Jazz Association. 7:30 p.m. Palladium. \$20

NEW - Friday, Feb. 6

St. Petersburg College Piano Concert Series: Rev. Sean Duggan, solo recital, 7:30 p.m. St. Petersburg College Music Center. Free.

NEW - Friday, Feb. 6

Palladium Pipes Series: Nathan Laube, 7:30 p.m. Palladium. \$12-\$22.

NEW - Saturday, Feb. 7

Keyboard Conversations: Chopin for Lovers!, Jeffrey Siegel, pianist, 7:30 p.m. Palladium. \$15-\$25.

NEW - Saturday, Feb. 7

Dance video: The Sleeping Beauty by Pyotr Tchaikovsky, 1:30 p.m. Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. Free.

NEW - Sunday, Feb. 8

Opera video: A Night in Venice by Johann Strauss, 1:30 p.m. Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. Free.

NEW - Tuesday, Feb. 10

St. Petersburg College Jazz Band Concert, 7:30 p.m. St. Petersburg College Music Center. Free.

NEW - Saturday, Feb. 14

Valentines and Stardust: An evening of romantic American standards featuring Randy Carmichael, son of legendary composer Hoagy Carmichael and an acclaimed pianist and singer. A romantic buffet dinner is offered before the concert. 6 p.m. dinner, 8 p.m. show. Palladium. Dinner \$25. Concert only, \$15, \$20, \$25.

NEW - Tuesday, Feb. 17

Side Door Brown Bag Series: Lunchtime concert with Judith Alstadter on piano, noon. Palladium. Bring lunch – beverages provided. \$10.



Uncontrollable junk mail and telephone directories

Do you receive way too much junk mail? Here are some tips to lighten your junk mail load.

The Issue

Uncontrollable junk mail and telephone directories!

The Larger Issue

Every year, each of us receives about 560 pieces of junk mail, accounting for 43% of all delivered mail.

Every year, the Environmental Protection Agency estimates 44% of junk mail isn't even opened, creating 4 million tons of waste.

Every year, junk mail uses as much energy as almost three million cars.

Every year, junk mail consumes 100 million trees or approximately 550,000 tons of paper.

Every year, U.S. households receive 540 million unsolicited phonebooks, creating an additional 650,000 tons of trash.

Every week, we typically receive 1.5 personal letters and 11 pieces of junk mail.

Every day, 250,000 homes could be heated from a single day's accumulated junk mail!

Be Part of the Solution

Save trees, water and energy by removing your name (or former employees' names) from unwanted mailing lists, catalogs and credit card offers.

Whenever you receive an unwanted catalog, simply call the company and ask to be removed from their mailing list.

YellowPagesGoesGreen.org allows you to remove your home or office from receiving telephone directories.

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EcoLogical Mail Coalition helps businesses stop mail addressed to former employees.

New American Dream provides information on reducing junk mail and ways to ask Congress for a national "Do Not Junk" registry.

Make sure you recycle all other unwanted mail/telephone directories.

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Listen to your inner voice

Did you ever consider that a great majority of stress is caused by conversations that you have with yourself?

This internal dialogue is called negative self-talk and can replay negative messages that cause your body physical and emotional distress.

Negative self-talk is spurred by unrealistic expectations and standards that you hold for yourself and others. This rigid thinking leads to beliefs that life's events should go perfectly and according to plan and may lead to the inability to adapt and deal with whatever occurs.

Internal predictions of failure and negativity may hinder your success by limiting objective problem-solving. This thinking may affect those wanting to quit smoking or make other health changes.

You play the most important role in determining how you feel. The keys to changing your inner voice are recognizing these negative thoughts and replacing them with a positive and rational message.

Here is an example of changing negative self talk:

Negative message – “Things really upset me; I have no control over what is happening”

This negative message implies that you are controlled by external factors.

Replace with positive self-talk such as:

“How I react is in my control. I can make things better.”

Gain control by replacing negative self-talk with positive problem solving. Take time to plan and set goals for positive change.

For additional information on goal setting lunch sessions, visit the Wellness at SPC link on the HR home page. If you have a wellness question, please contact Cathleen Shears at Ext. 3083 or shears.cathleen@spcollege.edu.

Locker Room: Men open conference with win

The men's basketball team opened its Suncoast Conference season Wednesday with a 70-66 victory against Hillsborough Community College. The next conference game is Wednesday at Bradenton against Manatee Community College, another conference contender. The men's team is 9-8 overall.

The women's team kicks off Southern Conference play Saturday at 2 p.m. at home against Hillsborough Community College. The women's record is 1-4.

The conference games determine the representatives to the respective state tournaments. The top two finishers in each conference advance to the tournament in Marianna.

All home games are free and played at the St. Petersburg/Gibbs Campus gym at 6605 Fifth Ave N.

New on SPC TV

SPC-TV can be seen on Bright House 620, Knology 19, Verizon 27 in Pinellas County.

» A Night at the Palladium; The KymPurling Trio Thursday and Saturday at 1 and 9 p.m.

» The Music Center Presents: St. Petersburg College Band Sunday and Tuesday 1 and 9 p.m.

January Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

01-01 Metz, Starla R
01-01 Bell, Dorothy J.
01-01 Nguyen, Tuan
01-02 Kirchman, Kimberly G.
01-02 Hayward, Kenneth E.
01-02 Hoang, Phi V.
01-02 Shockey, Michael T
01-03 Gilleland, Jeanne R.
01-03 Kistner, Carolyn A.
01-03 Truong, Thuan M.
01-03 Miehl, Paul G.
01-04 Hoopes, Holly S.
01-04 Frederick, Arthur W.
01-04 Hill, Michael
01-04 Writt, Jeremy L.
01-04 Foley, Eileen
01-04 Cragle, Lorayne S.
01-04 Wadsworth, Robert L.
01-05 Cotton, Bruce
01-05 Chmielewski, Thomas J.
01-06 Berry, Wendy W.
01-06 Mastromichalis, Argenia
01-06 Jazwierski, Jill L.
01-06 Kumari, Sunita
01-06 Darling, Rae R.
01-07 Stubos, Alexandria M.
01-07 Morrow, Leslie Tamara
01-07 King, Cathy J.
01-07 Henningsen, Stephanie
01-07 Seaberg, Katherine D.
01-08 Cappleman, Tammy
01-08 Krajnyak, Nancy E.
01-08 Guzman II, Luis A.
01-09 Westberg, Darlene M.
01-09 Morales, Francis C.
01-09 Bain, Gabrielle
01-10 Warren, Mary E.
01-11 Hammond, Lynn R.
01-11 Rodriguez, Carlos
01-12 Hardies, Mark L.
01-12 Flores, Juan F.
01-12 Tran, Nho T.
01-13 Nelson, Mika S.
01-13 Oliver, Thomas M.
01-14 White, Virginia K.
01-14 Dorsett, Debra A.
01-15 Evans, John L.
01-16 Brodney, Bruce F.
01-16 Folsom Jr, Eric A.
01-16 Brighton, Lee A.
01-17 O'Berry, Carol
01-17 Sanders, Daniel L.
01-17 Fuentes, Francine A.
01-18 Boyce, Ronald G.
01-18 Barlow, Marsha
01-18 Dillon, Sue L.
01-18 Yungaitis, Chester John
01-18 Furlong Jr, Thomas E.
01-19 Turner, Lana
01-19 Vo, Sang

01-19 Rizzo, Joseph A.
01-19 Mitsis, George
01-19 Ghozali, Jenny M.
01-20 Buster, Patricia A.
01-20 Brown, Peggy D.
01-20 Fox, Djuan E.
01-20 Pagano, Jason Thomas
01-20 Dressback, John B.
01-20 Parcheta, Susan C.
01-21 Tersteegen, Kirsten S.
01-23 Pickle, Maria C.
01-23 Thillet, Keren
01-23 Osterhoudt, Maria C.
01-24 Rivera, Angelo
01-25 Joseph, Deborah M.
01-26 Velazquez, Ruth
01-26 Conrad, Olin P.
01-26 Phillips, Sam L.
01-26 Fitzgerald, David G
01-26 McCoy, Charles J.
01-26 Collar, Shirley A.
01-27 King, Merrian D.
01-28 Moczynski, Linda M.
01-28 Emerson, Julie C.
01-28 Freeman, Elena
01-28 Davenport, Crystal M.
01-29 Johnson, Linda A.
01-29 Jackson, Herbert
01-29 England, Dave E.
01-29 Lovely, Marilyn L.
01-29 Oriol, Russell
01-30 Coon, Vicki L.
01-30 Rafferty, Regina N.
01-30 Ennis, Michele L.
01-30 Marcil, Sandra E.
01-30 Barlow, Stephen R.
01-30 Schultz, Linda
01-30 Wolter, Barbara
01-31 Hooks, Rita
01-31 Gaston, Betty J.
01-31 Kuttler Jr, Carl M.
01-31 Vaughan III, Stephen W.
01-31 Styers, Barbara L.

Anniversaries

32 Wichlenski, Linda T.
31 Jordan, Dorothy I.
28 Palermo, Delia A.
25 Rivera, Angelo
23 Hudson, Robert F.
23 McCaslin, Vester E.
23 Calandra, Maryann
22 Billiris, Mark N.
22 Campbell, Martha E.
22 Jefferis, Bonnie L.
21 O'Daniels, Kristina M.
21 Weaver, Scott
20 Smith, Joseph A.
20 Preston, Suzanne C.
19 Fyffe, Heather
19 Yakle, Linda E.

19 Lechner, Jennifer L.
19 Nygard, Carol A.
18 Hanlon, Mary A.
17 Ballard, Anthony W.
16 McLoone, Gail P.
16 Hetue, Michael A.
16 Bowen, Lee Ann H.
15 Schultz, Stephen R.
15 Dale, Sean A.
15 Tufts, Shannon S.
15 Nowlen, Anne F.
14 Mohr, Jane E.
14 Laubengeyer, Michael A.
13 Berger, Harry M.
13 Brennecke, Eileen L.
13 Ghozali, Jenny M.
13 Whetstone, Concepcion
12 Cesta, Jeffrey L.
12 Rogers, Fredrick H.
12 Wilcoxon, Robert L.
12 Rickel, Todd J.
11 Gregory, Thomas E.
11 Sutton, Paul R.
11 Derzypolski, Thomas W.
11 Hopkins, Joanne V.
11 Miehl, Paul G.
11 Adams, Marsha
10 Brown, Ragan A.
10 Morgan, Kevin R.
10 Kroeker, Karen
9 Kaas, Kevin
9 Ruechel, Jennifer K.
9 Vo, Sang
9 Murray, Kevin D.
9 Rajaram, Lakshminarayan
9 Navab, Saied
9 Jean-Baptiste, Claudius K.
9 Pinkham, Jack D.
8 Getman, Paul L.
8 Downen, David
8 Mitchell, Daphne F.
8 Sullivan, David L.
8 Hall Jr, Charles
8 Willis, Bridgette
7 Gann, Welcita M.
7 Gonzalez, Annette M.
7 Rehkemper, Barbara A.
7 Rice, Jessica L.
7 Setala, Linda
7 Darling, Rae R.
7 Fazzini, Daniel C.
7 Hofman, Maciej J.
7 Manias, Nicholas N.
6 Cianchette, Lynne
6 Tittle, Mary
6 Walker, Karen Reynolds
6 Weingart, Mary
6 Moody, Steven E.
6 Bedient, Cynthia B.
6 Gallagher, Ruth A.
6 McCusker, Marie Anne

6 Roden, Peggy E.
6 Sutton, Marla C.
6 Repetowski, Gene M.
6 Younger, Mark L.
5 Kohler, Stephen P.
5 Sullivan, Michael
5 Dixon, Christopher C.
5 Goldsmith, Larry
5 Ford, Christopher D.
5 Galvagni, Ronald B.
5 Kontodiakos, Theresa A.
5 Wilkerson, Cora K.
4 Eadens, Danielle M.
4 Morgan, Darcy
4 Marn, Jacqueline D.
4 Pereira, Kenneth N.
4 Smith, Patricia M.
4 Davis, Glenn E.
3 Kearney, Roslynn L.
3 Sintes, Nicholas M.
3 Vanderwerf, Kathleen Kelley
3 Winters, Vivian
3 Ritchey, Kay M.
3 Mercadante Jr, Richard A.
3 Tucker, Eric J.
3 Nunamaker, Gladys
3 Bielak, Donna M.
3 Littlewood, Christopher S.
3 Doria, Sandra M.
3 Hooks, Rhonda R.
3 Isbell, Inna O.
3 Sharp, Melissa D.
3 Wyatt, Stephanie N.
2 McKenzie III, Sydney H.
2 Fredriksen, Jeffrey E.
2 Rib, Wendy June
2 Tersteegen, Kirsten S.
2 Thomas, Marcus D.
2 McGill, Lori A.
2 Mitchell, Wendy S.
2 Neuzil, Anna R.
2 Davenport, Crystal M.
1 Chmielewski, Thomas J.
1 Conner, Jamelle J
1 Schwab, Jacob M.
1 Carr, Ruby L
1 Murdock, Jacqueline E
1 Haynes II, Watson L
1 Botterbusch, Hope C
1 Palmer, Daniel J.

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DECEMBER 16, 2008

TOUR OF NEW STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING

Prior to the Board meeting, the trustees were welcomed to the St. Petersburg/Gibbs Campus by Dr. Karen Kaufman White, Provost, and treated to a debut tour of the new building by Ms. Susan Reiter, Vice President of Facilities Planning & Institutional Services.

PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT RESOLUTIONS

The Board adopted retirement resolutions for Linda D. Benware, Former Principal, St. Petersburg Collegiate High School; Sandra A. Kerns, Communications, Clearwater Campus; and John H. Teter, Jr., Business Technologies, Tarpon Springs Campus. Ms. Benware and Mr. Teter were in attendance and, joined by colleagues and others, received their resolution as presented by Chairman Gibbons and President Kuttler.

TRIBUTE TO FORMER TRUSTEE CECIL B. KEENE

Members of Kappa Alpha Psi, Mr. Keene's former fraternity, were in attendance to seek consideration from the Board for a tribute to Mr. Keene through a possible naming opportunity or some other means that would be acceptable to the Administration. The Board agreed to consider a tribute, which would honor Mr. Keene's long-time service in education and in the community, and asked that President Kuttler follow up with the fraternity brothers to secure an honor that would adequately suit their wishes.

EXPENDITURES AND CONTRACTS (exceeding \$250,000)

Approval was given by the Board to enter into the following agreements: (1) Dell Financial Services, L.P., for replacement of aging network equipment at Seminole and St. Petersburg/Gibbs Campuses, the Allstate Center, and the Health Education Center; and (2) Dell Financial Services, L.P., for replacement of aging network equipment at the Clearwater and Tarpon Springs Campuses.

Further, the Board approved an item presented verbally by President Kuttler, allowing for an agreement with Ricoh Americas Corporation to provide student-use print management and copier services for use collegewide, with the exception of the Seminole Campus. This item is to be brought back formally next month as part of the Board's agenda.

CAPITAL OUTLAY (Money that can be spent only on construction projects)

The Board approved the following: (1) Agreement with Pier Aquarium, Inc. for leased space in the Downtown Center; (2) Agreement with St. Petersburg Downtown Partnership, Inc. for leased space in the Downtown Center; and (3) Confirmation of audio visual equipment purchase for the Natural Science and Math Building, Clearwater Campus (approved at the Nov. 18 Board meeting).

CHANGES TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES' RULES

The Board approved the following changes to the Rules and Procedures Manual: (1) Rule 6Hx23-4.02 Admission Requirements. This updates the Rule by: a) removing outdated and/or duplicate language; b) clarifying and/or modifying language relating to the transfer of credit; and c) clarifying and/or modifying language pertaining to admission requirements for degree, certificate and applied technology seeking students; (2) Rule 6Hx23-4.31 Withdrawal. This clarifies: a) that instructors will no longer issue withdrawal grades; b) under which circumstances a "WF" grade is assigned; and c) the course of action for military students called into active duty during the term; (3) Rule 6Hx23-4.4910 Presidential Scholarships. This establishes that presidential scholarships may be applied toward tuition credit hours, rather than fees, not exceeding 15 credit hours per term and not including lab fees. Further changes include scholarships to be awarded for the fall term will be given the consecutive spring term, rather than each consecutive term; (4) Rule 6Hx23-4.492 Johnnie Ruth Clarke Scholarship. This clarifies that students will be notified of scholarship eligibility in the spring of their senior year. Additional changes that will be applicable to students granted the scholarship include that students must: a) apply for admission, enroll and

attend classes at SPC; b) complete at least 67 percent of the credit hours attempted; and c) be enrolled in a minimum of 6 credit hours per term. Students lose this scholarship by not completing the 67 percent ratio. Language has also been changed to establish that scholarships may be applied toward tuition only, not lab fees; (5) Rule 6Hx23-4.57 Requirements of the Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT) Program. This requires completion of ENC 1101, Mathematics, BSC 2010-2010L and CHM 1025-1025L for eligibility to start the first specialty course in the Medical Laboratory Technology Program. Also a grade of “C” or better will be required for graduation in all courses in the Program; and (6) Rule 6Hx23-4.72 College of Education Programs—Special Rules. This removes language regarding other forms of financial assistance for students on academic probation.

CREDIT CURRICULUM CHANGES

EFFECTIVE TERM II, 2008-2009: The Board **approved addition** of the following courses: COP 2XXX Advanced Programming with C#; DIG 2XXX Advanced Digital Image Editing; DIG 21XX Advanced Digital Image Rendering; DIG 22XX Electronic Media Design; MUM 2600 Music Technology and Recording Techniques I; MUM 2601 Music Technology and Recording Techniques II; MUM 2601L Music Technology and Recording Techniques II Lab; MUM 2602 Music Technology and Recording Techniques III; MUM 2602L Music Technology and Recording Techniques II Lab; MUM 26XX Music Technology and Recording Techniques IV; MUS 1621 Acoustics and Psychoacoustics. The Board **approved changes** in the following courses: ACG 2100 Intermediate Accounting I; ACG 2110 Intermediate Accounting II; ACG 2021 Financial Accounting; ACG 2071 Managerial Accounting; ACG 2100 Intermediate Accounting I; ACG 2110 Intermediate Accounting II; ART 1330C Drawing II; CET 1171C Personal Computer Systems Repair (PC Repair I); CET 1172C Personal Computer Systems Repair II; CGS 1874 Introduction to Flash; CGS 2173 E-Commerce Site Designer II; COP 2843 Advanced PHP/MYSQL; DEH 3730 Dental Hygiene Educational Concepts; EAP 0295 Basic English As A Second Language I; EAP 0395 Basic English as a Second Language II; EAP 0495 Intermediate English as a Second Language; EEX 3241 Organization, Curriculum and Instruction for Exceptional Students; ENC 1102 Composition II; GRA 1104C Typography; GRA 2201C Digital Publishing; HUM 2233 Western Humanities II (Baroque to the Present); HUM 2233H Honors Western Humanities II (Baroque to the Present); HUM 2950 Study Abroad in Humanities; MMC 2100 Writing for the Mass Media; MVK 2423 Applied Organ Performance; OST 1810 Desktop Publishing I; PGY 2901C Digital Photography. The Board **approved deletion** of the following courses: CET 2660 Fundamentals of Cisco Network Security I; CET 2667 Fundamentals of Cisco Network Security II; CGS 1935 Website Marketing and Usability; CGS 2802 Website Content Writing, Editing and Research; CTS 2311 Linux/Unix Security Using Open Source Tools; CTS 2940 Practicum in the Linux/Unix Operating Environment; CET 2751 Network Management; CET 2932 Advanced Topics in Telecommunications; CJE 1651 Introduction to Crime Scene Analysis; CJE 1652 Statistics and Research Methods for Crime Analysis; CJE 1655 Criminal Investigative Analysis; CJE 1677 Tracking Stolen and Counterfeit Art on the Internet; CJE 1678 Introduction to Network Security for Computer Related Crime Investigations; CJE 1688 Investigation of Criminal Use in Computers; CJE 1689 International Computer Crime; CJE 2657 Crime Analysis Administrative Management; ETI 1152 Basic Metrology and Measurement Techniques; ETI 2114 Topics in Modern Manufacturing II; ETI 2121C Nondestructive and Destructive Testing; ETI 2151C Process Metrology; ETI 2153 Quality Auditing; ETI 2185 Reliability and Failure Analysis; ETI 2411 Topics in Modern Manufacturing I; ETI 2718C Introduction to Cleanroom Technology; LAT 2200 Intermediate Latin I; MAN 2933 Professional Business Process; MAT 0024L Elementary Algebra Lab. The Board **approved changes** in the following programs: **BAS Degree:** Dental Hygiene (DENH); **AS Degrees:** Computer Programming and Analysis (COMPRG), Drafting and Design Technology (DRAFT), Sign Language Interpretation (INTRP), Social Services (HSDIS) or Alcohol/Substance Abuse (HSM).

EFFECTIVE TERM I, 2009-2010: The Board **approved addition** of the following courses: BUL 3XXX Legal Aspects of Sustainability; CET 2685 Implementing Secure Converged WANS; COM 3XXX Environmental Communication; CET 1335 Configuring and Troubleshooting Internet Information Server and Windows Terminal Services; FIN 3XXX Financial Analysis; FIN 49XX Special Topics in Finance; MAN 3XX1 Sustainability in the Natural Environment Air, Water, Land, Climate and Biodiversity; MAN 3XX2 Sustainability in the Built Environment: Green Construction and Urban Planning; MAN 3XX3 Sustainable Business Strategies; MAN 4XX1 Change and Innovation Management; MAN 4XX2 Sustainable Budget Management Triple Bottom Line Analysis; MAN 49XX Senior Capstone Project in Sustainability Management. The Board **approved changes** in the following courses: CET 1600 Network Fundamentals (Cisco); CET 1610 Router Technology (Cisco); CET 2615 Advanced Router Technology (Cisco); CET 2620 Project Based Learning (Cisco); CET Cisco Switching and Wireless Networking; CTS 1302 Designing a MS Windows Server 2003 Active Directory and Network Infrastructure; CTS 1303 Planning, Implementing and Maintaining a MS Windows Server 2003 Active Directory Infrastructure; CTS 1327 Implementing and Supporting MS Windows XP Professional; CTS 1328 Managing and Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Environment; CTS 1334 Implementing, Managing, and Maintaining a

Microsoft Windows Server 2003 Network Infrastructure; ECO Principles of Macroeconomics; EDF 1005 Introduction to Education; FIN 3345 Introduction to Credit Analysis and Loan Structure; NUR 1001 Orientation to Technical Nursing Theory; NUR 1001C Orientation to Technical Nursing Clinical Experience; NUR 1211 Nursing II; NUR 2811C Nursing Care Management Practicum; PHT 1200 Introduction to Basic Patient Care; PHT 1200L Basic Patient Care Laboratory; PHT 1217 Physical Therapy Principles and Procedures; PHT 1217L Physical Therapy Principles and Procedures Laboratory; PHT 1801L Physical Therapy Clinical Practice I; PHT 2810C Physical Therapy Clinical Practice II; PRO 3200C Human Anatomy and Physiology for Orthotics and Prosthetics; RTE 1418 Principles of Imaging I; RTE 1458 Principles of Imaging II; RTE 2385 Radiation Biology; RTE 2575 Basic Magnetic Resonance Imaging I; RTE 2613 Radiation Physics. The Board **approved deletion** of the following courses: ETI 3646 Production Control Management; ETI 4661 Facilities Planning and Material Handling; NUR 2892C Nursing Specialty Clinical Experience. The Board **approved addition** of the following **BAS** degree: Sustainability Management (SUSMGT). The Board **approved changes** in the following programs: **BAS** degrees: Banking (BANK); College of Technology and Management (TGMT); International Business (INTBUS); Management and Organizational Leadership (MGTORG); **AS** degrees: Computer Networking (COMPNET); Information Technology (IT) Security (ITSEC); Nursing (R.N.) (NURSE); Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA); Technology Management (TECMGT); **CT** programs: Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA); Computer Support Certificate (APLUS); Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MSCSE); Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator (MSCSA).

EFFECTIVE TERM II, 2009-2010: The Board **approved deletion** of the following courses: CTS 1306 Planning and Maintaining a Microsoft Windows Server Network Infrastructure; CTS 1313 Fundamentals of Network Security with Microsoft ISA Server; CTS 1330 Implementing and Managing Microsoft Exchange Server; CTS 1437 System Administration for Microsoft SQL Server; CTS 2434 Programming a Database on Microsoft SQL Server.

GRANTS/RESTRICTED FUNDS CONTRACTS

The Board authorized applications for and acceptance of grant funding (if awarded) from: (1) National Science Foundation, through subcontract with Hillsborough Community College, for Florida Advanced Technological Education Regional Center (FL-ATE) for Manufacturing Education; and (2) U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community-Oriented Policing Services, for Applied Research Focus Group Grant.

2009-2010 INSTRUCTIONAL CALENDAR

The Board approved the College's proposed 2009-2010 instructional calendar, which was developed considering State Board Rules and Calendar Committee guidelines. The College will seek approval for a late exception to begin Term II classes on Mon., Jan. 11, 2010 and to begin Term III classes on Mon., May 17, 2010 to allow a full week for student advising, registration and financial activity.

NEW BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS

The Board approved development and implementation of the following new baccalaureate programs:

Bachelor of Applied Science Degrees

- Transportation and Logistics Management – with track in Port Management and Administration
- Building Construction
- Business Administration and Management – with tracks in Accounting and Marketing
- Health Services Administration – with track in Adoptive Services

Bachelor of Science Degrees

- Biology *
- Genetic Counseling
- Mathematics*
- Public Policy (relates to the Institute of Government legislation)
- Preschool/Pre-K Primary Education Tracks

*Biology and Mathematics are contingent on 2009 Legislation or a positive meeting with the University of South Florida and Pasco-Hernando Community College as outlined in our 2001 enabling legislation.

GRADUATION CEREMONY SURVEY

The president discussed with the Board an effort to cut expenses in the area of graduation ceremonies, of which there are currently three per year. He presented an option for either eliminating the summer ceremony and just holding one in the Fall

and one in the Spring, or keeping all three ceremonies and implementing a \$30 application fee for all applicants, which would cover costs associated with these events. The Board was previously provided with a survey of other Florida community colleges' graduation ceremony offerings and fees and agreed that, although no other community colleges in the state offer three ceremonies and many charge a fee, the Board felt it was necessary for our students to preserve all three ceremonies and agreed to implement the president's recommended \$30 fee so that associated costs would be covered. The fee will be brought back formally to the Board.

CONFIRMATION OF JANUARY BOARD MEETING

The Board confirmed its next meeting as Tuesday, January 20, 2009, 8:30 a.m. at the EpiCenter, Largo. *The meeting was subsequently rescheduled for Tuesday, January 27, 2009, same time and place,*