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TCC Introduces "Do It Yourself" Workshops

Topics will include air conditioning repair, laying ceramic tile and home drywall repair

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (May 14, 2010) – Tallahassee Community College's Center for Workforce Development has a way to help you save money this summer.

Beginning Saturday, May 22, TCC will offer a series of "Do It Yourself" home repair classes. Each of the four workshops will teach participants a few do-it-yourself techniques, ones that could potentially save a call to the professionals and allow you to keep a little extra money in your wallet.

The first workshop, Basic Home Plumbing Repair, is scheduled for May 22 and will focus on the identification and correction of minor problems in home plumbing systems.

Other "Do It Yourself" workshops include:

- · June 5 Basic Home Air Conditioning Repair (identification and correction of minor problems in home air conditioning and refrigeration)
- · June 12 Laying Ceramic Tile (basic laying of ceramic floor tile and wall tile; proper layout of tile, tile cutting and grouting
- · June 26 Home Drywall Repair (instruction in hanging, finishing and repairing drywall)

Each workshop begins at 9 a.m. and continues until 1 p.m. The cost is \$30 per workshop.

For more information and a complete workshop listing, call (850) 201-8760 or log on to workforce.tcc.fl.edu.

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Update: TCC trustees vote to name building in honor of Law

By Angeline J. Taylor
DEMOCRAT STAFF WRITE
Update 9:30 p.m.

Tallahassee Community College trustees unanimously approved hiring consultant Jeff Hockaday to coordinate the search for a new president. His experience and flat fee of \$40,000, plus expenses, gave him the edge.

"I think it's important for our academic community to know that this is a big investment," trustee chairwoman Karen Moore said about hiring a new president for TCC. Former president Bill Law was named St. Petersburg College president in April.

Trustees also voted to name TCC's new Learning Commons building in Law's honor. It will be dedicated at a later date.

A trustee sub-committee already narrowed the consultant list to Hockaday and Charlotte, N.C. firm Anderson & Associates. Hockaday coordinated the search that led TCC trustees to choose Law more than eight

years ago.

"I could not be happier. (Hockaday) did a great job for us last time," trustee Bill Hebrock said.

Trustee Frank Messersmith said of the building honor, "I just can't think of a better recognition."

Previous report

Tallahassee Community College's trustee board will meet today at 4 p.m. in the administration building at 444 Appleyard Drive.

Trustees have held sub-committee meetings for the past two weeks on matters involving the presidential search.

Today, the board will vote on issues such as: how much to spend on the search process; a consultant and a board retreat.

Return to Tallahassee.com for an update.

This week's newsmakers

BY CC TIMES, Published May 17, 2010 New CEOs

William Law Jr., president of Tallahassee Community College (Florida) for the past eight years, was selected as the new president of St. Petersburg College (Florida). Previously, he served as president of Montgomery College in Texas, an institution he helped found.

Wilfredo Nieves, president of Middlesex Community College (Connecticut), will become the next president of Capital Community College, effective July 1. He will succeed retiring Calvin Woodland. Nieves has been an educator and community college leader for more than 30 years, serving as vice president for academic affairs at Baltimore City Community College from 1995 to 2000. He is also a member of the board of directors of the American Association of Community Colleges.

Gary Oertli will serve as the next president of South Seattle Community College (SSCC) in Washington. Oertli is currently serving as interim president at Seattle Central Community College (SCCC). He also was recently interim president and interim vice president for instruction at SSCC, former dean at SCCC and director of development for international affairs and alumni relations at the University of Washington.

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TCC Announces Partnership with Thomas University

Tallahassee Community College is welcoming nearby Thomas University as its fifth University Partner

Reporter: Press Release

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (May 17, 2010) – Tallahassee Community College and Thomas University, located just 40 miles apart, have forged a partnership that will allow students to earn a bachelor's degree in social work from Thomas University while taking classes on the TCC campus.

According to TCC President Barbara Sloan, who made the official announcement during today's monthly Board of Trustees meeting, the program is scheduled for a Fall 2010 launch.

"TCC is proud to welcome Thomas University to our family of university partners," said Sloan. "The Social Work program (at Thomas University) is a well-established, mature and growing program, and it provides another solid option for students who wish to continue their education on the TCC campus."

Thomas University also envisions itself filling a need for working and non-traditional students, as evening classes will be available for students who enroll in the social work program.

"Our mission is to provide a 'high touch' teaching environment in order to help students succeed in their upperdivision study," said Dr. Ann Landis, Vice President of Academic Affairs at Thomas University. "This is the tradition and strength of our (Thomas University's) teaching, and our desire will be to reach the students who prefer an intimate learning community."

Thomas University's Division of Social Work is fully accredited with the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), the "gold standard" in Social Work education. It has also been awarded the Federal IV-E Child Welfare Training Grant for southwest Georgia and has successfully utilized the grant to prepare Child Welfare social workers for the past five years.

Thomas'TCC offices will be housed in TCC's CIAT Building, located near the current University Partners Building and adjacent to the College's Center for Workforce Development.

Flagler College (Fall, 2000) was the first four-year school to offer bachelor's degree programs on TCC's campus. Since then, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University (Fall, 2002), Barry University (Spring, 2004) and Saint Leo University (Fall, 2006) have established partnerships with TCC.

New Course Offering From TCC Wakulla Center

A Medical Front Office Certificate Program could begin in June if there is enough community interest.

Reporter: Press Release

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (May 18, 2010) - Tallahassee Community College's Wakulla Center is prepared to offer a Medical Front Office Certificate Program beginning in June.

According to college officials, the course will be offered if there is enough community interest.

The Medical Front Office Program develops the necessary skills to function as an entry-level medical front office assistant, medical receptionist, medical billing and collections clerk, appointment scheduler or medical records clerk in a variety of healthcare settings, including physicians' offices, medical centers, clinics, hospitals, nursing homes, ambulatory care centers and medical

billing offices.

According to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Handbook, 2010-11 Edition, employment growth for receptionists and information clerks is projected to increase by 15 percent from 2008 to 2018, which is faster than average. The median hourly wage of receptionists and information clerks, calculated in 2008, was as follows: dentist office, \$13.78; physician's office, \$12.20; and other health practitioners, \$11.45.

The cost of the 28-hour course is \$320.

Participants interested in the course should contact the TCC Wakulla Center at (850) 922-6290.

Fitch Rates Florida Community College \$31.6MM Capital Improvement Revs 'AA-'; Outlook Stable

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Fitch Ratings assigns an 'AA-' rating to the State of Florida Department of Education community college capital improvement revenue bonds, series 2010A:

--\$31.6 million series 2010A tax exempt;

The bonds are expected to sell competitively the week of May 24, 2010.

In addition, Fitch affirms the 'AA-'rating on approximately \$77 million of outstanding capital improvement revenue bonds.

The Rating Outlook is Stable.

RATING RATIONALE:

- --The rating reflects strong student demand, driven by a weak economy and overall growth in the state's student population.
- --Community colleges provide an essential and integral role in Florida's public higher education sector and receive strong oversight and support from the state.
- --Community colleges have limited liquidity and rely heavily on state funding; however, the colleges have a low debt burden and relatively stable state funding.

KEY RATING DRIVERS:

- --Stable enrollments and generation of capital improvement fee (CIF) revenues sufficient to cover debt service obligations.
- --Ability to operate at or near current levels with reduction in revenues from stimulus funds and manage capital needs against enrollment projections.

SECURITY:

The bonds are secured by CIF revenues collected by the participating community colleges (PCC).

CREDIT SUMMARY:

The rating is supported by the essentiality of community colleges to Florida's higher education network, strong oversight from the state of Florida (GO bonds rated 'AAA' by Fitch), strong and growing student demand driven by a weak economy and a low debt burden. The PCC trends include typically weaker operating performance and liquidity driven by less diverse streams of revenue and significant reliance on state funding.

The CIF is assessed to full-time equivalent (FTE) students per credit hour at PCC for college credit instruction or non-college-credit college preparatory courses. The average CIF fee, calculated across all the community colleges (the system) increased to \$6.38 per credit hour in fiscal 2010 from \$5.38 in fiscal 2008. For fiscal 2010 the CIF was increased at seven out of the eight participating colleges ranging from \$5.00-\$6.76. Authorized by state statute, the fee cannot be higher than 10% of hourly tuition with annual increases capped at \$2.00 per credit hour. For fiscal 2010, tuition for the PCC ranged from \$60.30-\$67.60 per credit hour. The average tuition for the system was \$66.52 per credit hour and the average CIF for the system was \$6.38 per credit hour. A student taking 30 credit hours per year would pay approximately \$2,189 in tuition and fees, an 8.4% increase from the previous year. For fiscal 2009, total CIF revenues collected from the PCC was \$18.7 million. Future CIF collections are projected between \$19 million-\$22 million. These increases are based on enrollment growth and annual tuition and CIF increases.

Pro forma maximum annual debt service (MADS) on aggregate capital improvement revenue bonds is level through 2027 at approximately \$8.8 million. MADS coverage, based on fiscal 2009 CIF collections (\$18.7 million), is 2.1 times (x). PCC pro forma debt burden has typically been low, since a majority of capital improvement costs have been state supported.

The 28 community colleges of Florida's system were established to serve the citizens of the State of Florida with the intent to provide a post high-school education within a commuting distance for more than 90% of the state's population. Beginning in 2002, certain community colleges started offering four-year baccalaureate degrees. The system serves over 836,000 students equating to 360,978 FTEs for the 2009 school year.

Eight of Florida's 28 community colleges participate in the capital improvement revenue bond program. The eight community colleges, referred to as the PCC, are Edison State College, Gulf Coast Community College, Broward College, Palm Beach State College, St. Petersburg College, Santa Fe College, Seminole State College, and Tallahassee Community College.

TCC trustees hold retreat today at Wakulla Springs

By Angeline J. TaylorDEMOCRAT STAFF WRITER

Tallahassee Community College trustees will meet today at Wakulla Springs Lodge from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

The meeting is to serve as a retreat to discuss the college's search for a new president. Interim President Barbara Sloan is serving in the top administrative seat until a new leader can be found.

She serves as successor to outgoing President Bill Law who accepted the job as leader of St. Petersburg College.

Return to Tallahassee.com for more details.

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TCC offers \$50,000 to help Wakulla with oil-spill impact

By Angeline J. Taylor
DEMOCRAT STAFF WRITER

Wakulla County Commission Chairman Howard Kessler came to a Tallahassee Community College trustees board retreat Friday to welcome them to the community.

The retreat was held at Wakulla Springs Lodge. In the end, he got what he called a big surprise.

The surprise came from trustees who unanimously approved to spend \$50,000 to be used for Wakulla County residents negatively affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill disaster. The money, TCC interim President Barbara Sloan said, will come from the operating budget of the Center of Workforce Development.

Kessler said he was overwhelmed by the gesture. "People of Wakulla County really, really need it. Wakulla County will be affected," Kessler said about the oil spill. "No one knows what our environment is going to look like three months from now."

One part was evident, Kessler said. The spill would impact "our fisheries and fishermen and women in Wakulla County."

John Chapin, vice president of Workforce Development, said TCC could use the money to do something similar to what was done when Gadsden County's mushroom farm went out of business and more than 100 people were without jobs. Workforce development held job training in Gadsden County that was attended by nearly 200 people

TCC trustees define qualities for new president at retreat

By Angeline J. Taylor

DEMOCRAT STAFF WRITER

What type of person needs to be hired as the new president for Tallahassee Community College? It's a question that was thrown around often Friday during TCC's trustee retreat at Wakulla Springs Lodge.

The retreat — which cost about \$5,150 — was attended by top officials from TCC, facilitator Steve Evans and State College Chancellor Willis Holcombe. It was designed to help trustees find a new leader in the aftermath of President Bill Law's departure. Law accepted the job as president of St. Petersburg College.

Trustees agreed they want an "outstanding leader," someone who is a strategist, visionary, team builder and entrepreneur.

About half of the board wanted someone with an advanced degree. High-ranking officials are required to have doctorate degrees, according to Barbara Sloan, TCC's acting president. The position of vice president of academic affairs requires a doctorate degree. All of the vice presidents have doctorate degrees. "It is the culture," she said.

Trustee Chairwoman Karen Moore said, "We want the best of the best in the country whoever that is — whatever degree they have."

The trustees decided they would say an advanced degree is preferred.

Moore said she was pleased with the retreat. She said the meeting helped trustees "look at things at the 30,000-foot level" instead of micro-managing things.

Holcombe, chancellor of the state's 28 community colleges, talked about some of the challenges the board faces in choosing a new president. He warned trustees they don't have the luxury of choosing a president who is either a leader or a manager.

"The person needs to be both," he said.

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Higher One tapped for finanical aid assistance

Higher One has partnered with Tallahassee Community College to help electronically distribute financial aid and other refund disbursements to students.

With the new system, TCC students will be able to log onto a secure Web site and choose from multiple electronic options, including direct deposit to a OneAccount provided by Higher One, or an automated handling transfer to a bank account of their choice.

Traditionally, TCC students had two different refund options: a paper check or an electronic funds transfer program, both of which require a great deal of time and manpower on behalf of the college.

Now, when it comes time for disbursements to be made, a file is sent from TCC to Higher One that includes student names and the total amount of each refund, accompanied by a wire for the amount of the total disbursement. Higher One then disburses the refunds to each student based on how he or she chose to receive it.

Campus officials no longer face addressing, stuffing and mailing paper checks, or verifying electronic transfers and reconciling checks in their bank statements

Record Summer Enrollment at TU

Thomas University officials say enrollment is up 17% this year compared to last summer session

Reporter: Iram Ali

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Students are registering for classes in an area university at a record pace.

Thomas University officials say enrollment is up 17% this year compared to last summer session. They also project fall enrollment to have a ten percent increase.

School officials say the campus expansion plan and adding more degrees is playing a major role in attracting students.

"We've had record enrollment for the past four years because of the campus beautification. People are taking notice when they drive by. We've always been academically sound but we now have some curbside appeal," Micky West, Enrollment Manager, said.

TU is also adding new programs to support the student interest. They've partnered with Tallahassee Community College for the fall semester and will be offering a sociology degree via satellite

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New programs at community colleges

BY CC TIMES, Published June 3, 2010

FLORIDA

This fall, Tallahassee Community College (TCC) will offer an associate degree in computer game and design logic—better known as gaming.

TCC began offering computer game programming in 2009. The high level of interest in the class prompted the college to pursue a formal degree program, said Stephanie Spike, who teaches technology and professional programs at the college and will head up the new program.

"We view computer gaming and design as a passion that can be transformed into a career," she said. "But we also want students to understand that this is not just about design or art—it's a programming degree."

While graduates of the program will have a highly-specialized degree, finding local employment could be somewhat of a challenge, Spike said.

"There are not a lot of opportunities in the Tallahassee area," said Spike, who went on to add that most gaming companies are located in the Atlanta area. "But this degree will also prepare students to be Web designers and programmers, as well as expose them to programming for mobile devices, which will open up a lot more local opportunities."

Thomas University growing at record pace

By LeiLani Golden

ALBANY, GA (WALB) –Thomas University's small campus might not stay that way for long.

The university is growing at a record pace.

Summer enrollment is up seventeen percent over last year, and the campus itself is growing too. Officials say there are many reasons for its growth spurt.

Most people think of technical colleges first when they want to reinvent their job skills. But Thomas University is a four year co-educational university helping students of all ages become successful in the workforce.

"People who are getting laid off are taking a second look at themselves and coming back to school and re-training," explains Thomas University's enrollment manager, Mickey West. "We have an 80-year old student working on her bachelors."

"With the economy and I got injured on the job and I was just going through a rough time," says Keith Thomas, a 52-year old student. "I had to just get back to school and get my mind occupied."

The private university offers several academic programs and even graduate degrees. And they're constantly adding new areas of study to support students' interests.

"I do a lot of theater. I want to be an actor," says tutor and humanities student John Townes. "This fall they're offering a new degree, humanities with a focus on film, so hopefully that will help me achieve my dream."

Officials say it's not just the degree programs that are attracting students. It's the university's expansion plans like this one and the many beautification projects that are catching people's eyes.

"We've always been academically sound," West points out. "But now we also have curbside appeal. They're dropping in to see what's going on and they like what they see."

"I think atmosphere is really important," says Townes.
"I was really skeptical when they were doing all the construction and planting everything. But as soon as I set my foot down it just felt very warm and comfortable which uplifts me before I go to class."

Thomas agrees, "It's different. It has that home atmosphere. That Southern home atmosphere."

And the happy students are spreading the word.

"I actually recruited a friend and he started this summer," Townes boasts.

And helping the university grow even more.

Thomas University will continue adding programs this fall. They partnered with Tallahassee Community College and will offer a sociology degree via satellite.

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Florida Gear Up program at TCC

Area high school students can head to college this summer. Its part of the "Florida Gear Up" program at Tallahassee Community College. It's a chance for students to experience life on a college campus before graduation.

The students will take classes in reading, math, and English to prepare them for college-level work. The program is going on right now and is open to ninth through twelfth graders at Jefferson County High, Rickard's High, FAMU DRS, and NIMS Middle School.

TCC Continues To Rank Among The Nation's Top A.A. Degree Producers

Tallahassee Community College was ranked among the top in the nation for the 2008-2009 school year for producing associate degrees.

PRESS RELEASE

Community College Week has released its annual Top 100 analysis, a report examining degrees and certificates awarded at community colleges across the nation. The report, based on the 2008-09 academic year, confirms that Tallahassee Community College remains one of America's top associate degree producers.

In the 2010 report, released on Monday, TCC earned a national ranking in five different categories, including No. 15 among two-year institutions in the total number of associate degrees awarded during the 2008-09 academic year. According to the report, TCC awarded 2,351 associate degrees during the 2008-09 academic year, up 4.3 percent from 2007-08 (2,248) when it was 16th in Community College Week's rankings.

TCC ranked No. 2 nationally among two-year institutions in the Liberal Arts and Sciences, General Students and Humanities category. Preliminary reports indicate that the College awarded 2,175 associate degrees in this category during the 2008-09 academic year, a seven-percent increase from 2007-08.

TCC earned a No. 11 ranking among two-year institutions in the number of associate degrees awarded to African-Americans. According to preliminary reports, the College awarded 487 associate degrees in this category during 2008-09, a three-percent increase from 2007-08.

TCC also garnered a No. 12 ranking among two-year institutions in the number of associate degrees awarded to non-minorities. Preliminary reports show that TCC awarded 1,529 associate degrees in this category during 2008-09, a four-percent increase from 2007-08.

Additionally, TCC broke new ground in the 2010 rankings. According to the report, TCC ranked 36th in the number of associate degrees awarded in the Total Minority category. Preliminary reports show that TCC awarded 706 associate degrees in this category in 2008-09.

The data are collected by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) through the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data Set (IPEDS) completions survey. The data are also considered preliminary because every eligible institution is not yet included.

The analysis is limited to institutions that are eligible for participation in Title IV programs – which encompass all federal financial aid – located in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. To be Title IV eligible, an institution must be accredited by either a regional or specialized accreditation agency that is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

TCC faculty member selected as an NEH Summer Scholar

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The endowment each summer supports Landmarks of American History and Culture workshops so that faculty can work in collaboration and study with experts in humanities disciplines.

Whitney will participate in a workshop titled "Along the Shore: Changing and Preserving the Landmarks of Brooklyn's Industrial Waterfront." The one-week program will be held at New York City College of Technology of the City University of New York and directed by Dr. Richard E. Hanley.

The 50 faculty members selected to participate in the program each receive a \$1,200 stipend to help cover their travel, study and living expenses.

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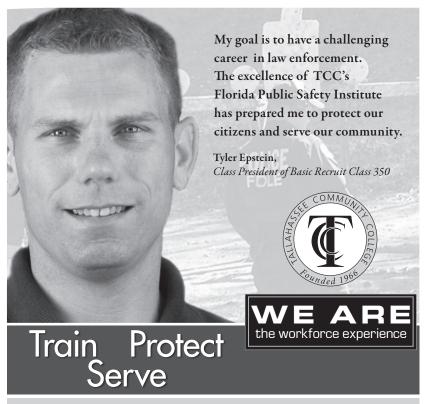
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