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CFCC Announces Plans for Humanities & Fine Arts Center

Thanks to the voters of New Hanover County, CFCC is expanding its facilities to serve a greater number of students seeking job training and education, due to funding from the passing of the 2008 bond referendum. The expansion plans are just in time as CFCC is experiencing record enrollments, especially in academic areas such as the humanities and fine arts which offer many of the required classes students need to transfer to four-year university programs.

At a recent Board of Trustees meeting, CFCC unveiled conceptual drawings for what will eventually become the Humanities and Fine Arts Center on Third Street between Brunswick and Hanover streets. The building is still in the early design phase by LS3P Associates and is expected to be completed in late 2013 at a cost of about \$39 million.

The 109,000 square-foot building will include a dozen classrooms, a foreign language lab, a ceramics studio, several art studios, music rehearsal rooms, a computer lab and a small studio theater. This will greatly benefit the Humanities and Fine Arts Department, which employs about 30 full-time and 30 adjunct professors, according to department chair **Frank Carter**. He estimates that the department serves about 5,000 students a day.

But perhaps one of the most exciting components of the building will be the planned 1,500 seat state-of-the-art performance hall that will not only serve the needs of the college, but will accommodate large-scale theatre and music productions and will be available for use to the public. "This building definitely has the ability to be the regional center for all performing arts," Carter said.

Like CFCC's new Union Station building which will break ground this month, the Humanities and Fine Arts Center will also offer numerous opportunities to recognize major gifts to the college through the naming of rooms and various facilities within the building.



Alumni Spotlight

Betty Rogers is proud to be a member of CFCC's first-ever graduating class in surgical technology. She enrolled in 2008 after she and her husband relocated to Brunswick County



because she was interested in this brand new health curriculum.

Currently Betty works at Cape Fear Hospital as a surgical technician, assisting surgeons in the operating room during procedures. "We gown and glove the surgeon when he enters the O.R., help with draping the patient, passing instruments and preparing sutures."

Betty believes that CFCC provided her with "a well rounded education...both through the classes offered online and on campus." She says she especially benefitted from the program's on-the-job clinical training aspect, where she participated in important hands-on work that prepared her for her career.

She loves her new job and says, "I am lucky to every day be going to a job where I get to make people better—it's a wonderful feeling."

Generous Community Partners Support CFCC



The **Grainger Foundation** recently made a \$5,000 donation to support five \$1,000 scholarships for students in the Air Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Technology program. "We are proud to support CFCC and its goal to build a skilled local workforce in our local community," said **Keith Lobbestael**, Branch Manager of W.W. Grainger, Inc.'s Wilmington location. Grainger has served the Wilmington business community for over 20 years as the leading broad line supplier of maintenance, repair, and operating products. Pictured above: **Tom Florio** (left) and Lobbestael (second from right) present a check to **CFCC President Eric McKeithan** (third from left), as scholarship recipients **Richard Rozanski, Vincent Burgess, Nay-Twaun Johnson, Mark Jones, and Rodney Burns** look on.

C FCC recently received a \$25,000 grant from the **Cape Fear Memorial Foundation** that will directly improve the education provided by its dental hygiene and dental assisting programs. The funding will purchase computers for each unit of the dental clinic, allowing students to have patients' digital radiographs and other education tools more readily available. The ability to utilize chair-side, paperless technology in the clinical setting will also provide students with hands-on skills that are important in today's competitive job market. The Cape Fear Memorial Foundation is a private foundation that supports charitable not-for-profit organizations providing health and medical services and health education. CFCC's dental clinic offers care to thousands of New Hanover and Pender county residents each year.

The **New Hanover County Estate Planning Council, Inc.** (NHCEPC) recently doubled its annual donation to the CFCC Foundation to \$1,000. The scholarship award will be used to assist students interested in pursuing a business degree. Established in 1995, the NHCEPC is made up of professionals who are actively practicing estate planning or interested in matters directly related to estate planning in the New Hanover County area.

The **Corning Incorporated Foundation** recently announced it will create a merit-based, endowed scholarship in the amount of \$10,000 to generate annual assistance for a deserving CFCC student enrolled in the Electrical Engineering Technology, Computer Engineering Technology, Machining Technology, Industrial Systems Technology, or Mechanical Engineering programs. The scholarship will be established over a two-year period with two grants of \$5,000 each in 2010 and 2011. Funds generated from this endowment will help cover the costs of tuition, fees, and books, and the first scholarship will be awarded in fall 2012. The Corning Incorporated Foundation has contributed more than \$108 million through its programs of giving.

The **Wilmington Orthopaedic Group** announced it will fund a \$1,000 annual scholarship at CFCC. Preference will be given to a Wilmington Orthopaedic employee who has a minimum GPA of 2.0, has been employed for at least a year and works at least 30 hours a week at the practice. Wilmington Orthopaedic Group has been an active part of the local community, and has provided athletic team physicians to CFCC since 1998.



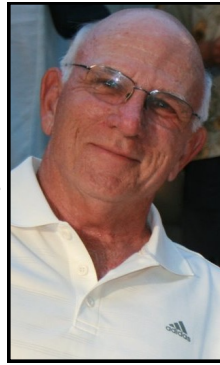
Doris Eakes, (second from left) and **Don Hancock, Jr.** (right) of the **Trinity Children Foundation**, recently presented CFCC with \$6,000 to begin funding the **Donna Morse Scholarship**. The scholarship will be open to any CFCC student who has suffered abuse and has been helped by any of the facilities supported now or in the future by Trinity Children Foundation, including The Carousel Center of Wilmington and The Boys & Girls Homes of Lake Waccamaw. Funds for the scholarship were raised through the inaugural Trinity Children Golf Invitational event held at River Landing Resort in September 2010. The Trinity Children Foundation also sponsors a popular annual charity motorcycle ride which has raised \$500,000 in five years for various children's charities. The scholarship was named in honor of **Donna Morse**, a faithful supporter of the charity ride, who lost her battle with cancer in 2010.

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Nursing Scholarship Honors Alper Family

Southern Metals Recycling is a true family business, originated in Wilmington in 1952 by brothers **Seymour** and **George Alper** of New York. Originally known as Southern Iron and Metal, the business quickly grew to two locations on Wright Street in Wilmington and Highway 421 in the 1970's and was renamed in 1986. To date, four generations of the Alper family have worked in the firm.



Mark Alper (pictured right), son of original co-founder George, currently serves as chief financial officer of the company. This year, as a way to honor the memory of his parents, George and **Edith Alper**, Mark established the *Mark Alper Family Endowed Scholarship Fund*. This endowment of \$50,000 will fund several scholarships for nursing students at CFCC, especially those with financial need. When asked why he designated a nursing scholarship, Alper said, "My father was hospitalized later in life and received exceptional care. I really learned to appreciate the value of quality nursing." Then he added with a smile, "And I really hope to have qualified nurses around when I need them later myself."

PPD Establishes Scholarship for Residents of Wilmington's Youth Enrichment Zone

PPD, Inc., recently established the Blue Ribbon Commission Youth Enrichment Zone Scholarship Fund with a contribution of \$2,500 by PPD's Employee Charitable Affairs Committee and a corporate contribution of \$10,000. "The Blue Ribbon Commission has made great strides toward addressing youth violence by providing positive educational and life-changing programs for our youth and their families," said **Meg Davenport**, executive director of corporate administration for PPD. "PPD wants to play a part in creating a better future for our children and a better quality of life for our community, and this new CFCC scholarship is an important way for PPD to continue to embrace the responsibility of corporate citizenship."

The Blue Ribbon Commission on Youth Violence was formed in 2008 by **Wilmington Mayor Bill Saffo** as a way to respond to community concerns about increasing youth violence in New Hanover County. One of its major initiatives has been the formation of the Youth Enrichment Zone (YEZ) in Northside Wilmington. Through coordinated efforts, this long-term project is aimed at increasing the availability of afterschool, summer, educational, life skills, parenting and violence prevention programs for this community.

The BRC YEZ Scholarship is available to students who live in the YEZ, who have a minimum grade point average of 2.0 and who wish to pursue a college education at CFCC. Preference will be given to students currently serving on the Youth Council of the YEZ. The BRC YEZ Scholarship is an open scholarship to which any individual, business or community organization can make donations.



Scholarships are a meaningful way to honor the memory of a family member or friend while providing hope to students who need financial help. *Endowed scholarships* can be established with a gift of \$10,000 and are permanent, named funds which generate income each year to fund scholarships.

PLEASE HELP PROVIDE *Hope & Opportunity* FOR OUR STUDENTS.

Give today with a credit card at <http://foundation.cfcc.edu/give> or call **910.362.7207** to arrange a gift by check or establish a scholarship.

Landfall Foundation Funds Grant for Expanded Language Software

The Landfall Foundation has awarded a \$4,500 grant to the CFCC Foundation to expand the *Rosetta Stone* language software in CFCC's learning labs to include the German language and increase access to the Spanish language. With the ability to practice language learning skills through listening, reading, writing, speaking, and problem-solving, students will learn quickly and become more marketable in today's global society.

"Learning a second language is becoming more and more necessary in today's workforce, and this project will help prepare each individual student for enhanced professional success upon graduation," said **Orangel Daniels**, dean of arts and sciences.

The Landfall Foundation was formed to support local non-profit organizations for programs and projects that provide for the arts, education, and health and welfare in the Wilmington area. Since its inception in 1996, the Foundation has raised and contributed over \$2,000,000 to Wilmington non-profit organizations.

Mark your calendar now
for the CFCC

Gift of Education Luncheon

Thursday, May 19, 11:30 am

Call 362-7207

**to reserve your seat
or host a table!**



Thank You, Holiday Helpers!

In December 2010, CFCC's Holiday Helpers program received more donations and helped more students and children than ever before!

A total of **107 CFCC students and 252 children** received assistance in December.

Over **\$14,000** was donated to the program!

This money benefits students in the form of gift cards, scholarship funds or emergency assistance.

We thank **all of the donors** who gave to support our students and their families.

Special thanks to the Holiday Helpers committee: **Betsy Leonard, Tuggie Hickmon, Bernetta McKeithan** and **Marietta Gwathmey**. Without their hard work and dedication this program would not have been possible.



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