Nature Preserve Donated to CFCC

Thanks to the generosity of local resident Nathan Sanders, Cape Fear Community College has become the owner of the newly dedicated Judia Blackburn Sanders Nature Preserve. The 350-acre tract of undeveloped property along River Road was designated by the donor to be used for research, education and enjoyment of its natural beauty.

Sanders, who has owned the property for nearly 20 years, asked the college to name it after his wife, Judi. On March 13, CFCC officials, friends and family of the Sanders gathered along River Road and surprised Judi by unveiling a sign on the property that was engraved with her name.

CFCC President Eric McKeithan expressed his gratitude for the gift, which is the first of its kind to the college, saying that the college considers this land a type of “living laboratory” for current and future students. The property will serve as a valuable educational tool, allowing CFCC students in marine technology, biology, landscape gardening and other programs to access the property and study the wide variety of wildlife and plants that live there. The reserve has nearly a mile of frontage along the Cape Fear River and Motts Creek as well as several thousand feet of other creeks, fresh water ponds and marshes. The preserve features two distinctly different types of environments - brackish tidal-influenced areas and non-tidal freshwater areas.

Sanders chose to donate the property to CFCC because of the role it plays in preparing students to make a living. “CFCC’s mission is teaching people skills with which they can obtain jobs and make a good living for themselves and their families. They do a superb job of this and are providing a great benefit to their students and the businesses of this area and to the economy and stability of our entire region,” he said.

Above: Judi Sanders poses next to the sign bearing her name. Nathan Sanders said he chose to name the property after her because she “supports everyone in her sphere of influence and never tries to draw attention to herself.”

Alumni Spotlight

Larry Fuller graduated from Cape Fear Community College in 2002 with an associate’s degree in culinary arts. Larry spent thirteen years in the restaurant business before he decided he was ready to go back to school to earn a degree. “Younger kids were coming in and stealing my job because they had a degree that I didn’t,” he says.

Larry excelled while at Cape Fear, graduating with honors from the department, an award given to only two students. Larry was also surprised by a faculty member who nominated him for the $2,000 Domino’s Pizza scholarship.

Today he is employed as a chef with Lawler’s Catering of Wilmington. Larry says “the best part of Cape Fear was all the people I got to meet and the experiences I encountered.” He adds, “It was just a lot of fun.”
Community Partners Provide Opportunities for CFCC Students

Kay Warren, Associate Executive Director of the CFCC Foundation (left) and Regina McBarron, Chair of Allied Health (right), gratefully accept a check from Manoline Gibson (center), President of North Carolina Sorosis, the state’s oldest federated women’s club. NC Sorosis donated a generous gift of $1,000 to continue their scholarship fund. The Jean King Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to a female New Hanover County nursing student with a grade point average of 2.5 or higher. “We strive to make a difference in the lives of others for the future,” said Gibson.

Landfall Foundation Funds Language Software Grant

The Landfall Foundation has generously awarded a $4,300 grant to Cape Fear Community College for a project entitled, “Advancing Global Communication by Implementing Language Software.” The grant is providing CFCC students access to Rosetta Stone, a language-learning software, which has been installed in learning lab centers at both the downtown and north campuses.

Gifts like the Landfall Foundation’s allow students to practice independently outside the classroom and allow language instructors to spend more time on creating rich social context in the classroom that can lead students to fluency.

“Learning a second language is becoming more necessary in today’s workforce, and CFCC seeks to provide each student with a quality education that will boost his or her success in the job market,” said Orangel Daniels, Dean of Arts and Sciences. “This project in our Spanish Department will help prepare each individual student for enhanced professional success upon graduation.”

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, North Carolina area. Since its establishment in 1996, the Foundation has raised and contributed over $1.6 million to Wilmington organizations including Good Shepherd, Habitat for Humanity, and DREAMS Center for Arts Education.

Visit our NEW Website!

The CFCC Foundation web site has been reformatted and updated with a new look! The new site has an all-new “Pressroom” blog feature, an expanded alumni section and more information about providing opportunities for our students.

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Thank you, Wilmington!

The CFCC Foundation Board of Directors and administrative staff would like to thank over 475 community guests who attended CFCC’s “Gift of Education” Luncheon on Thursday, May 21.

Due to your generosity, over $220,000 was raised for student scholarships at CFCC! Your gifts allow us to continue our mission of supporting the students, teachers and programs of the College.

If you were not able to attend, it’s not too late to show your support! Use the form inside this newsletter to mail in your gift today.

CFCC Foundation Board vice-chair Wilma Daniels, community guest Deb Hays, student speaker Lorie Pacheco and board member Bo Dean at the 2009 CFCC Gift of Education luncheon.

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