

THE BELLEVUE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION

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Presidents' Message

Since its establishment in 1978, the BCC Foundation has raised money for BCC programs not covered by state monies and other funds. Scholarships, student services, faculty recognition and capital projects have all been funded in part or whole by the Foundation. Support of the Foundation is, in essence, support of the very fabric of BCC.

Thanks to the vision and dedication of our donors, the Foundation achieved great things this year. Our Foundation recognized outstanding faculty and encouraged others to go the extra mile for students. It awarded more than \$75,000 in scholarships to dozens of students and raised over a million dollars to help fund the construction of a new childcare center right here on campus.

As we enter a new century, we are pleased to be able to count on the contributions of so many companies, foundations and individuals in our ongoing efforts to maintain our status as a world-class institution.

Your efforts are paying off. BCC is not simply a community college. It is a community resource, and a shining example of the difference higher education institutions can make in the lives of thousands of people.

Our warmest thanks to all of you for your continued support of excellence. We truly could not do our work without you.

Financial Information

CASH, INVESTMENTS, LIABILITIES

Cash and Cash Equivalents
\$1,166,483

Investments
\$1,822,056

Pledges
\$702,002

Net Assets
\$3,050,616

Liabilities and Program Funds: < \$639,925 >

FUND BALANCES

Unrestricted Funds
\$444,667

Temp. Restricted Funds/
Capital Campaign/Other
\$1,588,092

Scholarship Endowments
\$1,017,857

Total Fund Balance
\$3,050,616



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Toni Richmond, President
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Superb Faculty & Staff Keep BCC Moving Forward

TEACH

Collaborative working styles, hands-on teaching and a commitment to the success of the College beyond their regular duties are hallmarks of this year's Margin of Excellence winners, the annual BCC Foundation program that recognizes five outstanding staff and faculty. This year's winners are classified staff Susan Herskovic and Nora Lance; full-time faculty Virginia Bridwell and Michael Meyer; and part-time faculty Donna Sharpe. Three of our winners are profiled below:

Nora Lance—*Classified Staff*

Associate Director of International Student Services Nora Lance has been a model of “excellence in action” at BCC for seven years. Nora advises international students and coordinates a wide range of activities such as orientations, seminars and other events. Her personal mission is helping international students reach their educational goals. Colleagues appreciate her caring nature, leadership and dedication to students. Nora makes lasting connections with students, and many return to see her long after they've left the college.



Virginia Bridwell—*Full-Time Faculty*

After teaching at BCC for more than 11 years, psychology instructor and program chair Virginia Bridwell says she is still astounded that she gets paid to do something she loves so much. Her students also feel fortunate—they say she has a gift for breaking down complex material to make it easier to understand. She accommodates many different learning styles and shares examples from her professional experiences so that her students can see the relevance of the material to their own lives and the community. Co-workers describe Virginia as a “delightful, collaborative colleague and a model of commitment to her field and to the college.”



Donna Sharpe—*Part-Time Faculty*

A 20-year BCC veteran, Donna Sharpe is a part-time instructor with the Counseling Center. Donna teaches career exploration, study skills and human development classes. In the classroom, she's a creative teacher who finds interesting ways to make information meaningful to her students. Donna loves helping students of diverse backgrounds attain higher education. In doing so, she's had a powerful impact on many students' lives. One former student noted, “I walked out of her class believing that I am a winner, and that no problem is too big for me to handle. I can do it, and Donna made me believe that.”



Did You Know?

BCC's math department was selected as one of just 10 departments nationwide to participate in a National Science Foundation-funded conference on exemplary math programs.

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The National Workforce Center for Emerging Technologies (NWCET) was named by members of the Corporate and Foundation Alliance as one of five “exemplary efforts” to improve teaching and learning in science, mathematics, engineering and technology education.

Student Scholarships Fund Dreams

LEARN

Each year, the BCC Foundation awards dozens of scholarships to students of many backgrounds, many majors. The common element is a striving for personal best and a drive to succeed.



Working nearly 60 hours a week and taking up to three classes per quarter, Boeing scholarship recipient **Glenn Jackson** doesn't get much sleep, but he has no shortage of determination. The 36-year-old started taking classes a few years ago and is now working toward a degree in business administration. Currently a food service worker in the campus cafeteria, Glenn says pursuing higher education has given him new-found confidence and sets a positive example for his children.



Twins Yvonne and Thea Armour, 19, both received the BCC Foundation general scholarship award. Thea and Yvonne share an aptitude for writing and planned to transfer to Western Washington University to continue their education in journalism after graduating from BCC in June. The sisters both worked on the college literary magazine *Amazella*, in addition to part-time work as accounting assistants. Through it all, they kept their grades high.



René Smith, a 22-year-old transplant from South Africa, was the recipient of a general scholarship from the BCC Foundation. René hopes to be accepted into BCC's highly regarded Radiation Therapy program, then return to South Africa to work with cancer patients. Both her mother and sister were afflicted with the disease, shaping her commitment to helping others. In addition to her studies, she is a dedicated volunteer and was named "Volunteer of the Year" by the International Student Association.

Did You Know?

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BCC sends more students to four-year schools than any other community college in the state.

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During this year's American Mathematics Association of Two-Year Colleges competition, BCC's "mathletes" placed first in the state, first in the Northwest region and fourth in the nation.

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In May 2001, the BCC chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society was ranked 6th out of 1,200 chapters in the nation.

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In June, six BCC students reached the international finals of Delta Epsilon Chi's (DEC) international career development conference competition.

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BCC serves more students through Internet and televised classes than any other Washington community or technical college.

Pitching In for the Kids

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As construction of the Early Learning, Family, and Childcare Center nears completion, work continued this year on fundraising for \$2 million, the portion of the budget not covered by state funds or the generous contributions of Costco Wholesale. Large and small, gifts poured in, reflecting donors' hopes for an enriching place for our community's children. Here are just two stories behind donations made to the Center.

BCC Foundation board member John Luger and his wife Donna donated \$100,000 to the Center, in part because of its potential to impact children beyond its own walls. "One unique aspect of the Center is its community outreach and education component, which means that the knowledge about early childhood education housed at the Center will be passed on to parents throughout the community, as well as to other care providers in the region. We wanted to support that important effort."



Two dads whose children have attended the Center chaired the successful employee fund drive. Math faculty member Peter Bloomsburg and longtime Tech Services staff member Tom Demyan worked tirelessly to reach out to employees to donate to the Center. Their hard work paid off—more than \$20,000 was raised in the employee fund drive. For an update about the Center, please visit www.bcc.ctc.edu/foundation/earlylearning.



Diverse Donor Base Reflects a Singular Pride in BCC

Last year, donors to the BCC Foundation were generous, and their gifts inspired. Who chooses to give to BCC? Instructors, staff and board members. Former students and area businesses. Moms and dads of students and faculty. Area charitable foundations. Working folks who see the value in supporting an institution that improves people's lives, and the community's quality of life in the process.

Nancy Warren is one such donor. Last year, to honor her favorite math teacher at BCC, she made a contribution in his honor and a donation to the math lab, where students can drop in for help.

Windermere realtor and 1985 BCC graduate Penny Sullivan worked six months to establish an annual \$2,500 scholarship through the Windermere Foundation for BCC students who are single parents. "By getting single parents on a career path that can help them earn a better living for their family, both they and their kids benefit," says Sullivan, a former single mom herself. "I really believe in BCC. It's a great school."

The estate of Bellevue resident Charlotte Field made a bequest of \$200,000—the largest ever received in support of BCC—to support the college's Interior Design program. Upon Field's death, the executor of her estate wanted to make a gift to honor Field's father, who was an interior design professional. After extensive research, BCC's interior design department was selected because of the caliber of the program and its faculty. The gift will support several annual scholarships and also provide for program development.

The stories are many, and every contribution made a difference.

Did You Know?

Just 44 percent of the college's operating budget comes from state appropriations.

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Last year, the Foundation received gifts ranging from \$1 to \$200,000. We received support from individuals, foundations and area companies. Contributions come in many forms, including cash gifts, pledges, payroll deductions, charitable remainder trusts, bequests, named scholarships, endowed scholarships and memorials.

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Over 250 people attended the second annual "Opening the Door" luncheon, which raised \$90,000 for student scholarships.

Contributions July 2000 ~ June 2001

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Did You Know?

Enrolling over 21,000 students per quarter, Bellevue Community College is the third largest higher education institution in the state.

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BCC provides professional and technical training programs in 24 different career fields.

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BCC was named as one of the top ten community colleges in the nation by Rolling Stone magazine in 1998.

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In 2000, Columbia University announced it will study BCC as part of its research on successful community colleges.

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BCC offers the largest continuing education program among Washington's 34 community and technical colleges.

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