

BCC *Building Futures for 40 Years*
Bellevue Community College

Start here,



Go anywhere!





1968 Graduates

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Over the past 40 years BCC has forged a long and distinguished record as a builder of futures for individuals and the region. We started modestly in January 1966, opening with just 464 students in rented facilities at Newport High School. Now we serve about 35,000 students per year and have emerged as the state's third largest institution of higher learning. This extraordinary growth reveals not only the depth of the community's trust in us but also the magnitude of the contribution we return.

As 2005 comes to a close, we have begun a countdown to the college's 40th birthday. But even as we take this time to look back at where we started, we also look forward to building a future of further growth as an educational leader and a factor in the region's success.



For more on BCC's history and its strategic plans, go to www.bcc.ctc.edu.

2005 Graduates



B. Jean Floten

To the community:

Start here, Go anywhere!

To me, that phrase summarizes Bellevue Community College's most important contribution: effectively launching students on a journey toward fulfillment of their dreams. Judging from past experience, one really can go anywhere with a BCC education.

For example, what do these people have in common: Hollywood actor Jim Caviezel; Emmy-winning KCPQ-TV news anchor Bill Wixey; Metropolitan King County Councilman David Irons, Jr.; award-winning author Deb Caletti; Mike Adair, for many years Chief Information Officer for Expedia.com; and marine biologist Brent Tibbatts, discoverer of six species of fish? The answer is, they all launched their careers with a Bellevue Community College education.

Recent graduates show equal promise, having been accepted for further study at such top-quality schools as Oxford, Harvard, Stanford, Columbia and the University of Chicago. (See p. 2 for more on what some of our graduates are doing with their BCC education.)

Moving toward the completion of our 40th year as an institution, we have been looking back on our history and realizing anew that it has only been through community support that we have been able to achieve a place of leadership in higher education. A central factor in our birth and successful development has been the support of our donors, volunteers, sponsors of student internships, and those who support us in public discourse. Your efforts have helped build BCC into an educational leader that over the years has launched tens of thousands of graduates toward success.

Thank you for your part in creating a college that can really say, 'Start here, and Go anywhere!'

Sincerely,

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President

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Deb Caletti

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What is higher education but a launching pad for one's ambitions? Over the years our graduates have shown that if you start at BCC, you can go anywhere. Whether it's to an Ivy League school or the upper levels of success in their chosen fields, BCC graduates have made it. And they credit BCC with launching them toward their dreams. Read on for some real-life examples.

Discovering talent and a passion

Author Deb Caletti was drawn to Bellevue Community College by convenience and cost-savings, but quickly found much more than that. At BCC she found a talent, a passion and a career.

"I fell in love with good literature at BCC, thanks to two outstanding teachers," Deb says. "It was also the first time I realized I may have a talent for writing. I wrote a story for one of those teachers, Pauline Christiansen, and her praise was instrumental in making me pursue writing as a career."

After graduating from BCC in 1983, Deb transferred to the University of Washington, where she studied journalism. But harking back to her BCC experience, she went on to pursue creative writing, instead.

Deb's first novel, *The Queen of Everything*, earned a starred *Publisher's Weekly* review, among other accolades. Her second novel, *Honey, Baby, Sweetheart*, earned National Book Award finalist honors, as well as several other awards. *Wild Roses* is her third book, and the next, *Live From the Elephant House*, is due for release soon.



BCC student Jaemi Bermudez peruses Deb Caletti's third book, *Wild Roses*.



Mike Adair

Riding his degree to the top

Mike Adair rode his Bellevue Community College associate degree to the top. Completing a BCC Associate of Arts in Computer Information Systems in 1991, Mike chose to go straight into the business world, pursuing no further degrees.

Mike soon made his way to Microsoft Corporation, where he worked as a program manager, and then went with Expedia.com when Microsoft spun off that subsidiary.

For five years Mike headed up Expedia's information technology operations, rising to the upper management echelon as Chief Information Officer of the world-wide, high-tech company.

And BCC provided the turning point in his career.

"My career really took off when one day I was in a meeting, where we were struggling with a particular software problem. Because my BCC education in software was so broad and up-to-date, I was able to come up with innovations and solutions that didn't occur to others," Mike recalls.

Now retired at age 40, Mike has time to do what he pleases – serving as superintendent of Providence Classical Christian School in Lynnwood, Washington.



BCC is known for its computer-related programs and technology. BCC's open computer lab, shown here, houses more than 200 computers to support all programs.

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Bill Wixey

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Launching an award-winning broadcast career

Tune into Seattle's Q13 Fox early some morning and you'll find an Emmy award-winning Bellevue Community College graduate anchoring the news.

Bill Wixey, an anchor at Q13 since 2003, graduated from BCC in 1989 then followed up with a degree from Washington State University. For the past seven years he has been on-air in the Puget Sound region as an anchor and reporter -- including periods with KIRO-TV and Fox Sports Net's "Northwest Sports Report." Bill won his Emmy in 2003 for outstanding individual achievement as an anchor.

Bill views his time at BCC as a turning point in his life. He took his first broadcasting class at BCC and worked his first on-air job as a newscaster at BCC's radio station, KBCS 91.3 FM. "I was immediately hooked," Bill says.

BCC also helped Bill realize his full potential.

"I had terrible grades coming out of high school and never really learned how to study effectively," he says. "But the program at BCC changed all that. With in-depth discussions about the subject matter and multi-media presentations incorporated into the curriculum, I realized that I learn most effectively through these techniques. And the faculty really cared and were approachable. Altogether, it changed my life. I went from a C- student to an A student almost overnight."



TV viewers of Q13 FOX News This Morning can see BCC graduate Bill Wixey in action.



Cyrus Habib

From BCC to Columbia, Oxford and Yale

Cyrus Habib is riding a whirlwind of academic achievement that started at BCC.

Blind since age nine, Cyrus began his higher-learning career in the late 1990s by taking BCC science and math classes part-time while still in high school.

"The inability of my high school to provide accommodations for my blindness meant that I had to take my math and science classes elsewhere," he says. "I was pleasantly surprised to find the BCC teaching staff both receptive and prepared for this challenge. [Physics Instructor] Art Goss, for example, went so far as to design an audio device solely to demonstrate the concepts of velocity, acceleration and momentum to me."

After posting straight A's at BCC, Cyrus transferred to Columbia University, where he graduated *summa cum laude*. Continuing his upward spiral, he was named a Rhodes Scholar in 2002 and currently is pursuing graduate studies in literary theory at Oxford University in England. He will attend Yale Law School in 2006.

"BCC played an extremely important role in preparing me intellectually and socially for the world of higher education," Cyrus notes. "It was a great way to transition into my college years. What struck me as BCC's strongest gift was the willingness of each professor, lecturer and member of the staff to reach out to individual students to ensure their success."



BCC graduate Cyrus Habib meets U.S. Senator Hillary Clinton.

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BCC and Eastern Washington University are working together to bring EWU bachelor's degree programs to the BCC campus. Pictured is Greg Dempsey, EWU representative at BCC.

Milestones this year included more national recognition, an extraordinary new partnership, and grants and new programs that enhance our ability to launch students toward success.

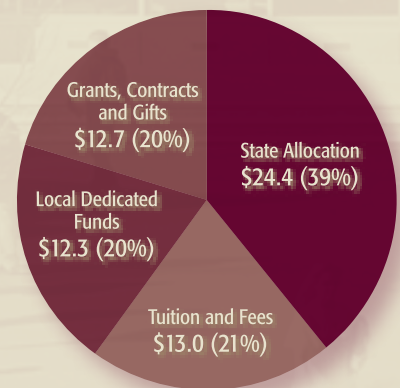
Highlights of 2004-05

- ▶ BCC and Eastern Washington University created an EWU university center on the BCC campus offering upper-division courses that lead to EWU bachelor's degrees, to expand educational capacity and provide an option for place-bound students.
- ▶ BCC received a \$775,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Labor to help create a National Center for the Biotechnology Workforce. Secretary of Labor Elaine Chao identified BCC as one of "five premier community colleges" nationwide selected to establish the Center. BCC's specific contribution is to develop a national Center of Excellence in Bioinformatics.
- ▶ The State Board for Community and Technical Colleges named BCC a Center for Information Technology (IT) Excellence. As a 'one-stop shop' for IT education, BCC will provide industry and educators with proven IT training methods, labor market information and customized curriculum.
- ▶ The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awarded BCC a grant of \$486,662 to increase diversity in the nursing workforce. The three-year project will increase the pool of under-represented ethnic minority and disadvantaged participants in BCC's nursing program.
- ▶ BCC received a grant of \$227,000 to address the high demand for advanced medical imaging technologists. Awarded by the Workforce Development Council of Seattle/King County with support from six area hospitals, the grant will enable BCC to train current radiologic technologists in the advanced specialties of magnetic resonance imaging, computed tomography, interventional radiology and cardiac catheterization.
- ▶ BCC introduced a new certificate program in Medical Informatics, an emerging field which brings information-technology systems and concepts to the healthcare delivery process to better manage patient care, clinical research and medical education.

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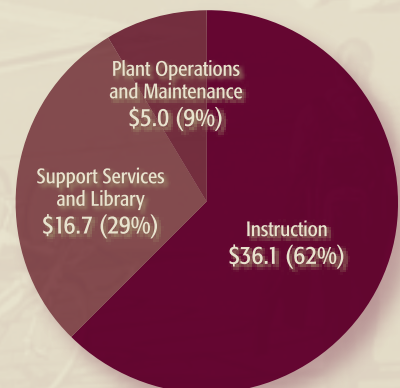
Operating Revenues

(\$ in Millions) Total: \$62.4



Operating Expenses

(\$ in Millions) Total: \$57.8





Don Grant

The Bellevue Community College Foundation Mission:

The mission of the Bellevue Community College Foundation is to raise funds to support quality education and learning opportunities for all BCC students.

Dear Friends of BCC:

Donors to the Bellevue Community College Foundation continue to expand upon their long history of enhancing quality and opportunity at BCC. Through their generosity, they have truly helped make the theme, “Start Here, Go Anywhere,” a reality at BCC.

The impact of giving took several forms this year: scholarships that made it possible for 130 students to get the education they need to pursue their dreams; tuition waivers that enabled 219 low-income students to take Adult Basic Education and English-as-a-Second-Language classes as a first step toward building a new future; 14 mini-grants to support faculty and staff in creating new programs and approaches to teaching; and five Margin of Excellence awards to encourage and reward high-quality work among faculty and staff. Donors also upgraded the college’s Willard Geer Planetarium by funding a high-tech, computerized projection system, which greatly enhances the facility’s value as an educational and community resource.

The Foundation’s impact continues to mount because donors are demonstrating rising, enthusiastic support for BCC and its mission. For example, the 450 guests who attended the Foundation’s Sixth Annual Luncheon in April contributed \$181,000 for student scholarships and extraordinary programs at BCC. The total is a 28% percent increase over the results from last year’s luncheon and 21% percent over this year’s goal.

These outstanding results indicate that the community is embracing BCC in expanding numbers, recognizing and enhancing the college’s ability to launch students toward their goals.

You, our donors and volunteers, are making this growth happen, and we are grateful for your support. Thank you for all you do for Bellevue Community College and its Foundation.

Sincerely,

Don Grant
President
Board of Directors

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BCC student Mona Mohamed gets acquainted with Ghanaian schoolchildren thanks to a BCC Foundation Mini-Grant.

Mini-Grant extends Service Learning to Africa

Donors to the BCC Foundation provided a new opportunity this year for BCC students to “Start here, Go anywhere.” With support from a donor-funded Foundation Mini-Grant, the school introduced a novel study-abroad experience – a Service Learning trip to a part of the world not often included in such programs.

Service Learning is an educational approach that sends students out into the ‘real world’ to enhance classroom learning and build civic responsibility by helping others.

The study-abroad Mini-Grant – one of 14 such grants made by the Foundation this year to encourage innovation on campus – funded a joint project of BCC’s Multi-Cultural Services office and the BCC Black Student Union, through which five students traveled to Ghana for a Service Learning experience.

During two weeks in July and August, 2005, the students traveled to Twedaase Primary School in Tema, Ghana, to revamp the computer library and help with community gardening. They also visited “Solid Rock Academy,” a primary school in Kumasi, Ghana. Learning there that the school is extremely short of books and supplies, the students resolved to work back home to provide supplies for the school, as a project of the Black Student Union.

The students also took part in a pan-African conference on issues of critical importance to the continent, such as AIDS and child-trafficking.

“This is a unique educational program, one that could not have happened without the generous support of the BCC Foundation and its donors,” said Ron Taplin, one of the trip’s leaders. “Most of the participants could not have afforded this experience without Foundation support.”

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Ron Taplin



BCC Service Learning students serve food at Tent City 4, a temporary encampment for homeless people in eastern King County.

Major gifts make a major difference

Michele and Stan Rosen found this out when they presented a \$25,000 gift to the BCC Foundation, designated to build the college's Academic Service Learning program.

Service Learning is an instructional approach that combines community service with classroom instruction in virtually any field. Students go out into the community to contribute their time and skills while also pursuing specific academic objectives.

As a result the students learn critical, reflective thinking as well as personal and civic responsibility.

The Rosens' gift has almost doubled the reach of this community-responsive program. It funded training for faculty on how to infuse Service Learning into their courses and enabled coordinators to nearly double the number of community partners who benefit from the program. The total number of community partners went from 36 to 70, including such organizations as the University of Washington Medical Center, Lake Heights Family YMCA, Bailey-Boushay House (which runs residential health care and day programs for people living with AIDS) and the King County Fire

Department. The gift also helped fund outreach activities that doubled the number of students involved in Service Learning each quarter, to more than 200.

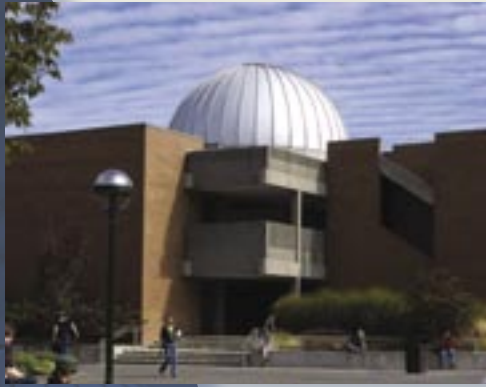
"As a BCC graduate myself, I'm delighted to see the college continue to grow and develop," says Stan Rosen. "Michele and I are especially pleased to see that our gift had such an impact – building a program that not only helps students but also benefits the community."

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Stan Rosen



Michele and Stan Rosen



The BCC Foundation Board has completed Phase I of the upgrade campaign for the Willard Geer Planetarium, funding a computerized projection system that has greatly improved the facility's usefulness as an educational tool and community resource.

Bellevue Community College Foundation Board of Directors

Bellevue Community College Foundation Assets (at 6/30/05)

Marketable securities: \$ 3,131,742

Cash and equivalents: \$ 478,170

Pledges receivable: \$ 285,505

Total assets:* \$ 3,895,417

*Audit in progress

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For details, contact Gaynor Hills:
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Sincere thanks to our BCC contributors! Because of you, our region's residents have access to affordable, high quality education at Bellevue Community College.

The following list reflects combined totals for donations, pledges & sponsorships made to the BCC Foundation for the 2004-05 fiscal year, ending June 30, 2005. If you would like to make a donation, please contact the BCC Foundation at (425) 564-2386, or use the attached envelope.

In preparing this report every effort was made to ensure accuracy & completeness. If we made a mistake in your listing, or if we omitted your name from the list, we apologize. Please call the BCC Foundation office at (425) 564-2386 regarding any changes to this list.

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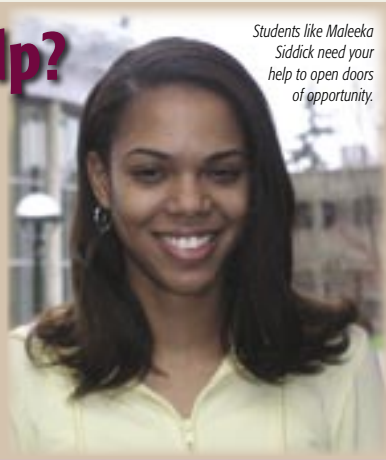
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