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#GIVINGTUESDAY

— November 28, 2017 —

Join FSCJ As We Celebrate #GivingTuesday

Join us on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 to celebrate #GivingTuesday, a global day dedicated to giving back. FSCJ students, faculty and staff are encouraged to come together to help make a difference right here in our community.



View the video invitation from FSCJ Foundation Executive Director Cleve Warren [here](#).

On this day of giving, students and employees will volunteer their time across Jacksonville. Volunteer locations include: Teacher Supply Depot, Salvation Army, Berry Good Farms, Celestial Farms and Beaches Habitat for Humanity.

Several volunteer time slots are still available! [Learn more and sign up here](#). Supervisor pre-approval is required for employee volunteers and volunteer commitments are limited to two hours

(8-10 a.m. or 10 a.m.-noon, Beaches Habitat for Humanity is limited to the 8-10 a.m. time slot only). Volunteers will receive a free #GivingTuesday t-shirt when they check-in to their site.

No time to volunteer? You can still show your support of the effort in several ways.

1) We are kicking off FSCJ's Annual Fund Drive which means your gift, no matter the size, can help make attending FSCJ an option for many students throughout our community. The Annual Fund will support student scholarships, elevate academic programming, provide professional development opportunities for faculty and ensure the latest educational technology is available in the classroom. Click [here](#) to make a gift.

2) You can also donate to FSCJ's H.O.P.E. Food Pantry which serves our very own students who are in need of food assistance to successfully pursue their academic and personal goals. To donate to the FSCJ H.O.P.E. Food Pantry, either bring your items by the pantry located at South Campus during our hours of operation or to the Student Life Office on any of our campuses and centers. Learn more about the H.O.P.E. Food Pantry and high need items [here](#).

3) Donations are also being accepted to benefit the Duval County Public Schools' [Teacher Supply Depot](#) which aims to promote student achievement and enhance the teachers' ability to educate their students. School supplies of any kind are in urgent need. Ideas include: binders, calculators, all kinds of paper, scissors, crayons, children's books and more. More donation ideas can be found [here](#). Donation bins will be located at the Student Life Offices on any of our campuses and centers.

Visit fscj.edu/givingtuesday for full details.

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FSCJ Receives Donation to Support Scholarships From the Florida College System Foundation

During the October 18 State Board of Education meeting held at FSCJ's Advanced Technology Center, Education Commissioner

Pam Stewart presented Dr. Bioteau with a check to benefit first-generation students and students pursuing health care careers.

Each year, the Helios Education Foundation, Florida Blue and Bank of America fund scholarships that focus on relieving the national nursing shortage and supporting students who are the first in their family to attend college. These scholarships are aimed at adding nurses and allied health professionals while also meeting critical workforce needs.



Faculty and Staff Are Invited to Open Forum Events with Dr. Cynthia Bioteau

You are cordially invited to an open conversation with Dr. Cynthia Bioteau. This is an opportunity to ask any questions that you might have about the College and current initiatives at FSCJ.



The following Open Forum events are scheduled:

January 10

1-2 p.m.

North Campus, Room E-236

February 12

1-2 p.m.

Kent Campus, Room D-120

March 15

1-2 p.m.

Cecil Center, Auditorium, Room A-109

April 11

1-2 p.m.

Nassau Center, Room T-126

Symplicity is Coming

Many of you may have heard the excitement surrounding the implementation of FSCJ's new software solutions from Symplicity. Symplicity provides workflow management solutions for higher education staff to simplify processes and improve the student experience. The software includes five modules: Career Services Manager, Insight, Accommodate, Advocate and Community.

Symplicity offers many features within the five modules including:

- Digital accommodation requests
- Centralized system for managing conduct, Title IX and student case management
- Robust early alert system
- Appointment system for advising centers
- Student employment workflow
- Career development toolkit
- Digital engagement and networking with student clubs and organizations
- Co-curricular transcripts

Student Services has been working diligently to develop the customization needed for these products. As we work through the final phase of project implementation, stay tuned for more detailed information regarding faculty and staff training.

Quarterly Health Series Event Focuses on Oral Cancer Screening

On October 24, Eva Grayzel gave an informative presentation to an audience of nearly 200 at FSCJ North Campus on the importance of Oral Cancer Screenings. After the presentation, attendees were invited to the onsite Dental Hygiene Clinic for oral cancer screenings from FSCJ students under the supervision of our clinic dentists.

One American dies every hour from oral cancer.



Eva Grayzel came close to becoming a statistic. A nationally-recognized storyteller and performance

artist, she was diagnosed at age 33 with stage IV oral cancer and given a 15 percent chance of survival. After regaining her deep, vibrant voice, Eva applied her stage skills to communicate the depth of her experience in a unique and powerful way.

For over a decade, she has captivated dental professionals worldwide using her story as a catalyst for change. The riveting details of her delayed diagnosis stimulate thinking about enhanced patient care and education. Audiences don't just hear her story, they experience it.

A champion for early detection, Eva founded the Six-Step Screening™ oral cancer awareness campaign.

FSCJ Hosts First Event in Business Speaker Series



On November 9, FSCJ welcomed Certified Keynote Speaker Matt Beaudreau to speak on the topic, "Generational Dynamics in the Workplace" to an audience of 280-plus community members, business leaders, FSCJ students, faculty and staff.

The series was made possible by a \$250,000 commitment from First Florida Credit Union to support initiatives that will help local students and community members become future business leaders. The funding helped launch the series and will bolster the College's Financial Skills Academy over the span of five years.

Future events are currently in the planning stages. To see the full schedule, visit [fscj.edu/business-speakers](https://www.fscj.edu/business-speakers).

To view all of the event photos, click [here](#).

FSCJ Participates in Jacksonville National College Fair

FSCJ Recruitment was once again a proud organizer, sponsor and participant in the annual Jacksonville NACAC National College Fair held at the Prime F. Osborn III Convention Center on Saturday, October 14.

The event brings representatives from more than 100 colleges and universities to Jacksonville each year with 5,000-plus guests attending this year's event. As an organizing institution, with leadership from Senior Associate Director Terry Hollingshead and Associate Director of FSCJ Recruitment Terence Wright, the College provided guidance on collaboration with DCPS and NCSD personnel and promotion of the event to the public. In addition, FSCJ and DCPS co-hosted and sponsored the annual FAFSA Lab which assists students and families with completion of the FAFSA.



FSCJ also hosted workshops on selecting a college or university and hot jobs in the 21st century. Nearly 300 students registered profiles with FSCJ which had a steady presence throughout the program at the FSCJ information booth.

For more information on NACAC and the National College Fair schedule, please visit nacacfairs.org.

JaxbyJax Literary Arts Festival Showcases Local Writers

FSCJ partnered with Professor Tim Gilmore to present the annual JaxbyJax Literary Arts Festival on November 11 to showcase our community's thriving writing scene by sharing the voices of local

writers. During the main event which was held across 13 venues in the heart of Jacksonville's Riverside neighborhood, 28 writers presented a variety of works from poetry to novel excerpts and more to an audience of over 900.



The afternoon began with a Student Showcase of ten local college and high school writers reading their works. The Showcase brought together students from educational institutions across Jacksonville, including FSCJ. Our very own student Elise Duncan and FSCJ alumni and current UNF student Gabriel Bugarin (both pictured above) read from their works.



Professor Matt Lany (pictured at left) debuted his new book, *A. Violet*, there. Professor Jennifer Chase shared portions of her play, *Renunciant*, and Professor Tim Gilmore shared readings from his new book, *The Book of Isaiah*, which was written about the founder of Jacksonville.

Oxfam Hunger Banquet Event Will Highlight World Poverty

Throughout the month of November, FSCJ has celebrated Intercultural Awareness. Students, faculty and staff have taken part in several events to recognize and celebrate the various cultures that make up the diverse fabric of the College.

The month-long celebration will culminate with



the Oxfam Hunger Banquet to expose worldwide poverty and hunger issues. On November 30, you are invited to join students, faculty and staff to get a taste of world hunger and participate in dialogue and discussion. We hope to foster an environment that promotes understanding, appreciation and open-mindedness for cultural diversity and cross-cultural learning.

Click [here](#) to RSVP for the event.

Please contact Cynthia Moreno at cmoreno@fscj.edu for more information.

FSCJ Hosts Fresh From Florida Student Chef Cook-Off



On November 4, FSCJ's Culinary Arts and Hospitality Program hosted the Fresh from Florida Student Chef Cook-Off event. Twelve student chefs faced off to prepare an original recipe using fresh Florida products that also meets

the National School Lunch Program nutrition standards.

FSCJ Alumni William (Bill) Castleberry served as one of the judges, along with American Culinary Federation Tampa Bay Chapter President Rene Marquis and Duval County Public Schools Food Service Coordinator Valerie Bius.

Selected teams will compete at regional cook-offs for a chance to qualify for the finale event at the Taste of Florida Agriculture reception at the Florida Capitol in January 2018. In addition to having their meal served in school cafeterias, students on the winning team will receive a \$1,000 Florida

529 Savings Plan and a day in the kitchen with celebrity Chef Art Smith.

Foundation

THE PLAYERS Present Check for Student Scholarship Endowment

On October 18, THE PLAYERS Championship Past Tournament Chairmen, known as the Red Coats, surprised 21 charities throughout Northeast Florida with donations generated by the 2017 tournament. FSCJ was pleased to accept a \$250,000 check to support a student scholarship endowment that was established in 2011.

THE PLAYERS Championship established their \$1 million Red Scholarship Endowment in honor of the late Mr. Donald Zell. In addition to

his commitment to the Red Coats, Mr. Zell played several instrumental roles within FSCJ. He served as president of the FCCJ Foundation in the 80s and was later appointed as the Board Chairman of FCCJ in 1990. Prior to that, he was also the co-owner of the North End Company, the largest donor of land to our North Campus.

THE PLAYERS Championship announced the 2017 tournament generated \$8.7 million for local charities, surpassing last year's record total of \$8.5 million.



Staff Spotlight

Get to Know Your Fellow A&P Colleagues - Amy Unick

The Administrative & Professional Collaborative (APC) is the representative voice for the Administrative & Professional employees of FSCJ. In an effort to build cohesiveness, awareness and collegiality, each



month we put a “spotlight” on one of our members.

November's Administrative and Professional Collaborative (APC) Spotlight shines on

Director of State and Federal Reporting Amy Unick in the Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Accreditation. Amy assists in managing the College’s compliance with state and federal reporting requirements under the Florida Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Education. The State and Federal Reporting team strives to provide accurate, timely and valid data reporting while extracting and reporting in excess of 30 million pieces of data annually about the College and its students, employees and facilities. This team also collaborates with staff Collegewide to enhance and inform the full data life cycle and serves as data subject matter experts.

Amy began her FSCJ career in the Information Technology Services department as a software developer for the Orion ERP system. After spending four years in this role, she transitioned to her current team. She holds a bachelor’s degree from the University of Phoenix and actively pursues professional development with FSCJ classes, most recently completing Intro to Oracle SQL, Advanced Oracle SQL and SQL Server Database classes.

Outside of the College, Amy enjoys spending time with family, scrapbooking, card-making and collecting animals - currently two dogs, four cats and four kittens that were found before Hurricane Irma and are looking for a good home.

Our spotlight shines on each campus/center at least once a year. Nominations for the spotlight may be directed to your campus representative or any officer.

Alumni Spotlight

Alumni Spotlight: Nicholas Calcutti

FSCJ alumni are doing great things in our community. Check out Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications graduate Nicholas Calcutti’s story [here](#).



Program Spotlight

B.A.S. in Logistics Nationally Ranked for Affordability



FSCJ's B.A.S. in Logistics was recently ranked #8 in the nation in the AffordableColleges.com rankings for the 2017 Best Value Bachelor's in Supply Chain Management Programs. The ranking methodology takes into account both tuition costs and returns on investment.

[View the full list here.](#)

A.S. in Office Administration Ranked Nationally

FSCJ's A.S. in Office Administration was nationally ranked #9 in the top 15 online associate in office administration programs for 2017 by The Best Colleges.

[View the full list here.](#)



Culinary Arts and Hospitality Faculty and Staff to Participate in Tour de Farm

FSCJ's Culinary Arts and Hospitality faculty and student volunteers will be participating in Tour de Farm on November 19.

Their table will be situated between the restaurants Orsay and Black Sheep. In fact, Chef Mike McKinny of Orsay and Chef Waylon Rivers of Black Sheep are both graduates of our program.

The team will be serving a sampling of roast pork that has been marinated with Congaree and Penn's Blackberry Satsuma Shrub. The pork will be served over Congaree and Penn's Middlins (cracked rice) and topped with a green papaya slaw from Chef Grigsby's own trees.

View the full event booklet [here](#).



Health and Wellness
Upcoming Wellness Seminar

FSCJ's Employee Wellness Program is offering free seminars on a variety of topics to help you reach your health and wellness goals. Seminars are open to all employees and may be considered work time with supervisor's pre-approval.

The next seminar opportunity is below:

10 Healthy Habits for Busy Women

Thursday, November 30, 2017

noon-1 p.m.

Downtown Campus, Room T-112

Especially for women who are busy balancing work and life, maintaining good health can be a challenge. This presentation will not only help you identify your risks for health conditions that affect women, but will provide best practices for preventing and treating those conditions. You'll leave this session with an action plan for good health based on 10 important healthy habits.

To reserve your spot, click [here](#).

As a special bonus for employees with FSCJ's health insurance, each seminar is worth 50 Blue Rewards points. Upon earning 100 points, you are eligible to receive a \$25 gift card. For more information, contact hrtraining@fscj.edu or call (904) 633-5940.

Blue Rewards Expire Soon! Redeem Yours Today.

Do you have wellness reward points to redeem? Now is the time to redeem your points for free rewards before the holidays. Very similar to your credit card reward points, you can search through available gift cards to many popular retailers and restaurants including Amazon, J. Crew, Macys, TJ Maxx and Chili's, to name a few. You can also select from toys, personal care items, home goods, magazine subscriptions and more.

Be sure to log into the rewards page at floridablue.com and redeem your points by December 31, 2017. Don't miss out on free money!

With questions, contact hrtraining@fscj.edu.

FSCJ BlueWave Volleyball Team Wins Conference Championship



FSCJ's BlueWave Volleyball team clinched first place in the Panhandle Conference with a 3-1 (17-25, 25-15, 25-19, and 25-18) win over Santa Fe State College.

This is the first conference championship win for the team since 2010. The first-place win gave the BlueWave the automatic bid to the

Florida College System Activities Association (FCSAA/Region 8) Tournament to be held November 3-5, 2017, in Bradenton, Florida. The last appearance at the FCSAA/Region 8 for the BlueWave was in 2013.

This year's team is led by Interim Head Coach Jordan Yantin with an overall 16-7 record and 7-1 conference record. Nicolette Ramos and Kaylon Cruickshank led the BlueWave against Santa Fe State College with 12 kills each during the match. Cheryke Brian-Garmos led the BlueWave with 51 assists along with nine kills and eight digs.

Players Also Honored for Achievements On and Off the Court

Five FSCJ BlueWave Volleyball student-athletes have been recognized for academic achievement and awarded National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) honors on the First and Second All-Academic Teams. The All-Academic First Team includes students with a GPA of 4.0 and the Second Team are those students who maintain a 3.99-3.8 GPA. These students include:

First Team

Kaylon Cruickshank

Nicolette Ramos

Cheryke Brian-Garmos

Second Team

Ina Gosen

Karla Rosario

Additionally, Kaylon Cruickshank was selected as NJCAA Player of the Year and Coach Jordan Yantin was selected as Coach of the Year.

"It has been so rewarding to watch the players and coaches work tirelessly this season to earn the recognition they have received," said Director of Athletics Ginny Alexander. "It is important to us to put just as much focus on academic success throughout the year as athletic achievement, and we

are very proud of the work these athletes have put in.”

FSCJ BlueWave Basketball Season Begins This Month

FSCJ BlueWave Women’s and Men’s basketball kicks off this month! Click on the team photos below to view the current schedules.



Faculty and Staff Achievements

FSCJ faculty and staff are leaders, not only within the College, but outside the College as well. We are proud to recognize and honor their achievements and successes.



Professor Susan Reilly was recently named one of the Best in Class Award Winners by the National Economics Teaching Association (NETA). The award highlights and rewards creative and engaging teaching techniques. View her submission video [here](#).



FSCJ Advisor Walter Fitzpatrick was recently inducted into the Florida College System Activities Association (FCSAA) Twenty-Fifth Annual Hall of Fame. The FCSAA Hall of Fame members were selected by their peers on the merits of their community and state college contributions and achievements as well as significant accomplishments.



Dean of Career Education Dr. Neal Henning was elected the 2018 Chair of the PTA Panel for the Commission on Accreditation for Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).



Through his ongoing work with the Northwoods League, the world's largest organized summer collegiate baseball league, and supervision of the Lakeshore Chinooks Baseball live webcast, Professor Joe LaBarbera lead the crew who was just named the winner of the Northwoods League South Division Webcast of the Year award.

Comings and Goings

The following list includes FSCJ employees who have left, or are preparing to leave, their positions with the College. We wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors!

Employee	Title
Barbara Bryant	Academic Tutor
Joshua Davis	Security Officer I
Kristi Denton	Accounts Receivable Specialist
Terri Golden	VA Enrollment Services Processor
Murphy Griffin	Academic Tutor
Robert Lloyd	Campus HVAC Facilities Manager
Linda Ludwig	Administrative Assistant I
Lisa Milam	Campus Dual Enrollment Coordinator
Anthony Robinson, Jr.	Director of Program Development
Diane Rodriguez	Student Success Advisor I
Richard Sidney	Advisor II
David Wilhight	Security Officer II

In the News

FSCJ's faculty, staff, students, programs and leadership are often highlighted by local and regional media outlets - online, on air and in print. Read all of the recent articles regarding important activities happening within the College.

Clay Yarborough wants \$12M for FSCJ STEM building

Published on floridapolitics.com on November 14, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

'Social Service Maze' to broaden Cardboard City's homelessness experience

Published on jacksonville.com on November 13, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

Manufacturing Manufacturers - What Local Companies are Doing to Create the Workforce of the Future

Published on bizjournals.com on November 8, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales

Published on eujacksonville.com on November 6, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

Job Fair Will Be Held at FSCJ's Downtown Campus on Tuesday

Published on wjct.org on October 31, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

Friday Lead Editorial: Jacksonville Deserves to Be a Strong Contender for Amazon's Second Headquarters

Published on jacksonville.com on October 27, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

Tim Gilmore's Latest Book Looks at Isaiah D. Hart, Jacksonville's Founder

Published on jacksonville.com on October 27, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

FSCJ and Other State Colleges Look for Money to Close Job Gaps

Published on wjct.org on October 26, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

Florida College System Awards FSCJ \$50,772 for Student Scholarships

Published on capitalsoup.com on October 20, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

Blindness Program at FSCJ Highlighted

Published on wjct.org on October 20, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

FSCJ, Other Florida Colleges Make Case for \$286 Million Funding Request

Published on wjct.org on October 17, 2017. [Learn more »](#)

Upcoming Events

To view all upcoming events, visit the [Collegewide calendar of events](#).





Did You Know?

Did you know FSCJ has selected a new primary typeface? It's called Open Sans and we have developed simple instructions to install it on your computer. [Click here.](#)

FSCJ In Action



FSCJ Office of Student Recruitment recently participated in Englewood High School's Student Life Expo to help build a college-going culture within its student body.

The Office of Student Recruitment is pleased to share their new Student Recruitment Calendar (SRC) is now available. The SRC provides the FSCJ community a calendar of student recruitment events that take place

throughout the year in our service areas of Duval and Nassau counties. [Click here](#) to view the calendar.

BlueWave News Quiz

Test your knowledge. To ensure all faculty and staff have an opportunity to submit answers, the quiz winners will be selected at random from all entries that have answered all questions correctly. You have until 6 p.m. on the day the newsletter is distributed to email your answers to bluewavenews@fscj.edu. The three winners will receive a BlueWave promo pack!

Please note: Previous quiz promo prize pack winners, while eligible to submit answers, are not eligible for additional prizes for six months.

1. What do #GivingTuesday volunteers receive?
 - a. Water bottle
 - b. T-shirt
 - c. Pen
 - d. Hat

2. When do Blue Rewards points expire?
 - a. December 30
 - b. January 1
 - c. January 31
 - d. December 31

3. What company made a contribution that made the Business Speaker Series possible?
 - a. Community First Credit Union
 - b. VyStar Credit Union
 - c. First Florida Credit Union
 - d. Jax Federal Credit Union

4. About how many students registered at the FSCJ information booth at the Jacksonville National College Fair?
 - a. 50
 - b. 100
 - c. 200
 - d. 300

5. Which two FSCJ programs recently received national rankings?
 - a. Logistics B.A.S. and Office Administration A.S.
 - b. Supply Chain Management A.S. and Office Management T.C.
 - c. Automotive Services Management Technology A.A.S. and Business Operations T.C.
 - d. Global Logistics and Supply Chain Technology W.C. and Business Entrepreneurship T.C.

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