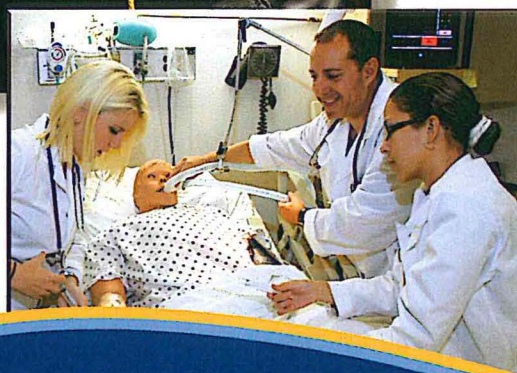
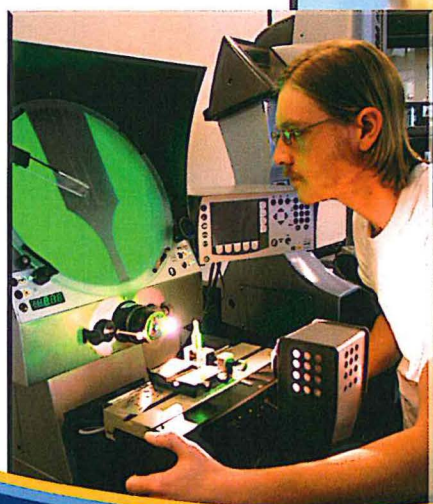


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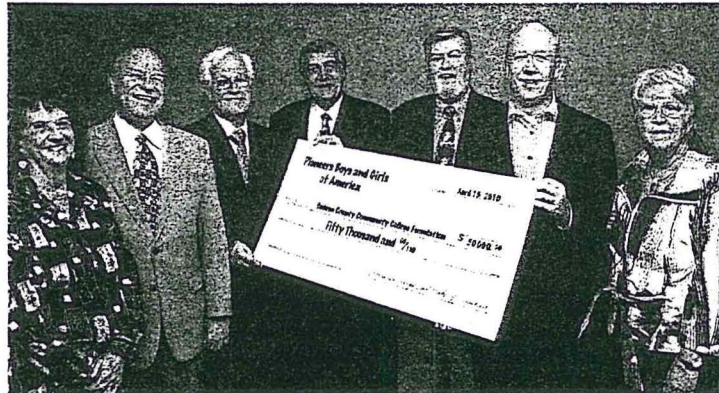
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Two Texas state grants totaling more than \$718,000 will underwrite state-of-the-art training equipment for Tarrant County College's Nursing Program as well as cover a TCC Foundation plan to provide training for low-income students that will put them on a high-demand career track as certified machinists. Grants from the State Comptroller's Jobs and Education for Texans Program include \$276,493 from the Job Building Fund for Nursing Program equipment and \$441,660 from the Launchpad Fund for machinist training and certification. New equipment will include a programmable SimMan 3G patient simulator and stretcher and two IV pumps and two ventilators that simulate a critical care area. Machinist training will meet an urgent local workforce need for skilled workers who can operate in a changing technical environment, the TCC Foundation



**From left: Eleanor Mernar of the Pioneer Boys and Girls of America; Philip Johnston, HCCC Foundation Board of Directors chair; HCCC President Glen Gabert; Joseph Sansone, HCCC vice president for development; and from the Pioneer Boys and Girls of America, Kenneth Russell, Kenneth Lindenfelser and Anne Lindenfelser.**

noted in its grant application. The average age of machinists in the local job market is 55, the application said, "creating a high demand for a younger, more versatile workforce."

Room E505 in New Jersey's Hudson County Community College's Culinary Arts Institute/Conference Center has been officially named the "Pioneers' Room" in recognition of a dona-

tion being made to the college's foundation by the West Hudson Chapter of the Pioneer Boys and Girls of America. The presentation of a \$50,000 gift from the group and the dedication of the room took place at the College's Culinary Arts Institute/Conference Center.

**South Arkansas Community College** recently received a \$3.5 million U.S. Department of Labor grant through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The college applied for the grant, dubbed South Arkansas Healthcare Opportunities, in the fall. The grant will be used in part to fund additional instructors, equipment in the campus' new Health Science Center and new programs such as medical laboratory technology. The goal is to strengthen and broaden the college's ability to educate and train new medical personnel in and

around south Arkansas, a move designed to benefit the entire region.

**Indian River State College** has been awarded a prestigious United States Institute of Peace grant of \$79,680 to expand the college's Center for Disaster Relief and Humanitarian Operations as a training model for educational institutions and aid organizations. The college's program provides field-based training in response to earthquakes, hurricanes, and other natural and man-made disasters. Combining crisis simulations with a relevant academic foundation, the program is the first of its kind in the nation. For the past five years, IRSC and its partner colleges and universities have conducted disaster simulations in Florida and in Macedonia to hone the skills of future humanitarian operators working in challenging environments.





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## Community College President's Spotlight | Edwin R. Massey | May 2010

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### A NACCE Entrepreneurial President Profile



Like many regions around the country, the four counties served by Indian River State College-Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin and Okeechobee-are striving to diversify their economy. The effort, begun in 2005, seeks to add research and education components to an economy primarily driven by agriculture, tourism and construction. Despite the recession, the region has had success in attracting companies and research facilities working in life sciences, information technologies, agricultural and marine research, and green technologies, including alternative energy. Long known as the Treasure Coast, a name reflecting the fact that Spanish galleons routinely wrecked off the coast in the 17th and 18th centuries, the region is re-branding itself with a name that reflects what everyone hopes will be a bright economic future: Florida's Research Coast.

As president of IRSC since 1988, Edwin Massey finds himself very much in the middle of this drive for economy diversity. With 32,000 students, IRSC is the eighth largest in the Florida College System, which includes 28 public colleges and state colleges. Known as Indian River Community College for most of its 50-year history, the school changed its name last year to reflect the fact that it began offering nine four-year degrees in 2008. Three additional four-year programs are in the pipeline.

According to Massey, the economic shift his region is undergoing has necessitated change at IRSC. "As we try to keep up with the significant enrollment growth that has come with the recession," he says, "we also face the challenge of retraining people as our region transforms its job base to research-based jobs, such as biotechnology, photonics, laser technology, health sciences, and energy. The challenge has been to generate revenues to build additional new buildings that accommodate these types of programs and also build a curriculum to train for these emerging technologies."

#### Preparing the Culture for Change

Fortunately, IRSC is well equipped to meet the challenge posed by the region's shifting economic focus, thanks to an effort Massey launched in 2000 to revamp the college's culture. The goal of the cultural enhancement initiative-called Jumping the Curve®-was to help the institution make the leap from good to great. According to Massey, this leap was necessitated by rapid-fire changes in technology, globalization, external competition, enrollment growth, budget cuts, student demand for access, and changing demographics.

"The value of an organization's culture is always depreciating," says Massey. "Change is inevitable, but it's much better to change from a position of strength when you're able to choose to change versus changing from a position of weakness when forced to change. Simply layering new approaches on top of an old culture will not work. Change that is not anchored in cultural change will prove to be just another 'project' and will fail to provide sustainable, long-lasting change. Our goal was to create a culture that supports organizational learning and anticipates change, seeks out change, receives change in the right way, understands the need to change to remain relevant and to constantly be creating the future."

As a result of hard work by people at all levels of the college, including students, IRSC is delivering on its value statement: "Where Student Success Comes First." IRSC has been ranked #1 nationally in technology for colleges of its size by the American Association of Community Colleges. Its foundation ranks #1 in the nation based on amount of private funds raised, and grants have increased from the NSF, NRC, EDA, DOE and similar sources. In 2006, IRSC received a MetLife Foundation Community College Excellence Award.

#### Entrepreneurship Program Launched

IRSC's Entrepreneur Development Institute (EDI), launched in 2007, is emblematic of the many changes and growth occurring at the college under Massey's leadership. The EDI offers numerous types of training in the creation and support of new businesses as well as a high-tech incubator. "The EDI has quickly expanded to have close to 2,000 students participating in the program," says Massey. "We also have an endowed teaching chair in

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Entrepreneurship and an Entrepreneur of the Year award program that has become a very popular social event to recognize local entrepreneurs."

Private funds were raised and matched by the State of Florida to establish the Endowed Teaching Chair Program in Entrepreneurship. Revenue from this endowment is made available to fund competitive proposals presented by full-time faculty members. Successful proposals are funded with \$6,000 for three years with \$2,000 of those funds awarded going to the faculty member and \$4,000 being used for the project as determined by the faculty member, i.e. stipends to other participating faculty members, equipment, supplies etc.

"The current Endowed Chair is developing a Trans-disciplinary Entrepreneurial Institute to introduce entrepreneurial skills across the curriculum," says Massey. "Participants are paid a small stipend to participate. The Institute holds roundtable discussions about how faculty can work together to take an integrative approach to spread entrepreneurship across the curriculum. This has been very well received by the faculty, and many new ideas have come out the roundtables. For example, we've created a course entitled Science for Business; with the development of the scientific community that has taken place in our area, it's just a natural for us to get the business and science people together through this new program."

Among the new building projects on the IRSC campus is a 60,000-square-foot facility called the Center of Innovation & Entrepreneurship. "This new facility will house an alternative and renewable energy institute, a sustainable building institute, an entrepreneurial institute, and a virtual incubator," says Massey. "By locating the entrepreneurial institute in this building we are immersing it with other programs focused on areas that are of growing importance to our community."

#### Advice from the Corner Office

Asked what advice he would give to other community college leaders, Massey says, "Essentially, we have to understand that there is a tremendous amount of potential in colleges like this. We have tremendous faculty members and administrators, and our job as president is to create a culture within our institution where these individuals can reach their full potential. I think many times we get so busy with our jobs every day that we can forget the culture and allow the institution to be run by rules and regulations that really don't encourage people to be the best they can be."

"The other thing that's important to understand is that our colleges, more than ever before, are in a position to make a tremendous impact on our local economies and our local communities," Massey concludes. "We need to take the risk of determining what the future is going to bring and then build buildings to attract economic development and diversification within emerging areas that would be determined by the colleges. Community colleges should become more proactive rather than just reactive to the workforce. In doing that we will lead our community and play a major role in the future economic development of the area. We have to be out front; we can't wait to build a building or training program today because change will move so quickly, as we've seen in our part of Florida."

#### How NACCE Has Helped

"Thanks to opportunities provided through NACCE, our college has received funding through grants to initially create and then expand our Entrepreneur Development Institute (EDI) "Lunch and Learn" Series," says Massey. "This program has provided a tremendous outreach service to the businesses in our community and continues to be very popular. Several staff are also very involved with NACCE through publications and workshops. We are serving as members of the Host Committee for the October NACCE Conference in Orlando. All of these activities are very relevant as we strive to serve our community in new and exciting ways."



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# Civil Support Team trainees conduct mock reconnaissance mission at IRSC



Photos by ERIC HASERT • eric.hasert@scripps.com

Dressed up in Level A containment suits, members of the Florida Army and Air National Guard prepare to enter the Tactical Training Building in the Indian River State College Treasure Coast Public Safety Complex during a training exercise Tuesday in Fort Pierce. The 22 members of the National Guard out of Clearwater/St. Petersburg are taking part in weapons of mass destruction civil support team training to handle high-profile public events and emergencies that threaten national security.

## National Guard training newest team to respond to suspicious objects

BY NICOLE RODRIGUEZ  
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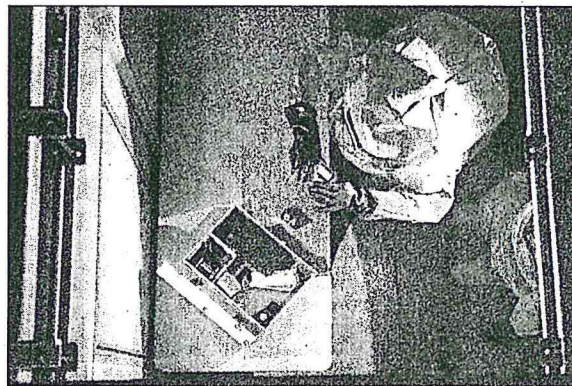
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Trainees arrived at the complex bright and early, and were expected to work well into the wee hours of the night.

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Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams deploy rapidly to assist local first responders and the FBI in determining the nature and extent of an attack or incident.

The federally funded teams aid in identifying and containing WMD’s and help provide expertise and skills to keep citizens safe at high-profile public events and during emergencies that threaten the nation’s security.

They are a vital element of the Department of Defense’s overall mission to provide civil authorities with support in the event of an occurrence involving weapons of mass destruction in the United States.

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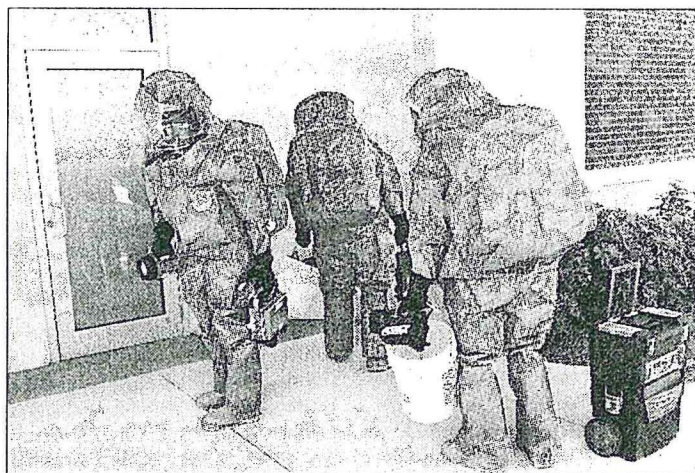
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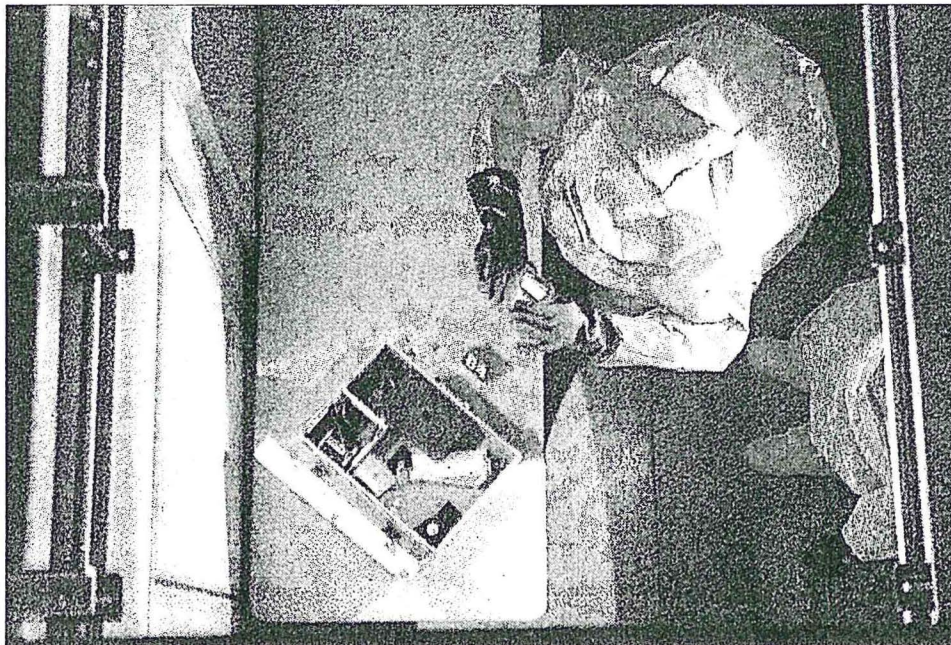
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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

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southwest Broward beginning in 2011.

**FORT PIERCE — Indian River State College** will add three bachelor's programs, in biology, digital media and human services, in January 2011 to its five existing four-year degrees.

**HOLLYWOOD** — Newark, N.J.-based management consulting firm **Consultants 2 Go** opened its Florida branch in Hollywood under vice president for business development Cathy Myers.


**JUNO BEACH** — FPL Group shareholders voted to change the company name to **NextEra Energy** to reflect the

company's involvement in clean energy nationally. NextEra's utility subsidiary, Florida Power & Light, retains its name.

**JUPITER** — The National Institutes of Health awarded two grants totaling \$6 million to **Scripps** to develop new drug discovery approaches to alcohol addiction and to find the genetic mechanisms behind Fragile X syndrome, an inherited form of mental retardation often linked to autism. Scripps Florida's Dr. Claes Wahlestedt, a neuroscience and molecular therapeutics professor, is the principal investigator for both projects.

**PALM CITY — GiftRAP Healthcare Software** will add 38 jobs to its existing 42 in the next two years and expand its facility with the help of a \$50,000 training grant from Workforce Florida.

**PORT ST. LUCIE** — Tradition Center for Innovation members formed **Florida Innovation Partners** to direct the center's growth into a research park and to promote commercialization of discoveries at the park. The new group is run by a council of the center's anchor institutions: **Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies**, **Oregon Health and Science University's Vaccine and Gene Therapy Institute** in Florida, **Martin Memorial Health Systems** and **Mann Research Center**. The group's first initiative is to attract more institutions to the 150-acre, privately owned research park formerly known as the Florida Center for Innovation. It's in the Tradition development in Port St. Lucie.

**SUNRISE** — National medical group **Mednax** (NYSE-MD) acquired a six-doctor neonatal physician group in Fort Myers, Associates in Neonatology, that staffs the neonatal intensive care unit at Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida and three other area hospitals. Mednax separately acquired a four-doctor neonatal practice in Syracuse, N.Y. Terms for both transactions, the fifth and sixth for Mednax this year, weren't disclosed. 



Tribune 6-8-10

# Wednesday gathering to showcase latest progress on 'Research Coast'

BY LAURIE K. BLANDFORD  
Correspondent

**FORT PIERCE** — Researchers and business people from the public and private sectors are coming together Wednesday to showcase the latest research being done across the Treasure Coast.

Nearly 100 people are expected to attend an all-day conference called "Research Coast: Leading the Way for Research, Education and Innovation" at the Indian River State College Kight Center for Emerging Technologies.

"People will get a lot of value out of this," said Michael Corbit, who coordinated the conference.

Corbit works on economic gardening, or helping existing businesses grow and hire more employees rather than bringing in new business, for Florida's Research Coast, which consists of St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and Okeechobee counties.

The organization lived up to its name by organizing the conference so the public would get a better understanding of the research across the Treasure Coast, he said.

## IF YOU GO

**What:** Conference about Treasure Coast research

**When:** 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday

**Where:** Indian River State College's Kight Center for Emerging Technologies, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce

**Cost:** \$15

**Register:** Visit [www.floridarc.com](http://www.floridarc.com) or call Michael Corbit at (772) 335-3030 ext. 438

"There is a lot of good research being produced," Corbit said. "People for the most part don't know about it, so we're trying to provide a forum to learn about what research they're conducting."

Not only would researchers from public and private companies share what they're doing, but they'll learn what others are doing.

The morning is scheduled to include a presentation about biotechnology education in the region by

Casey Lunceford, the assistant dean of arts and sciences at the college.

It also includes welcoming remarks by IRSC President Dr. Edwin Massey and a keynote address by Russell Allen, president of BioFlorida, Inc.

In the afternoon, a panel about developing relationships with private researchers features representatives from UCT Coatings, Syngenta, Magna-Bon and Remetronix.

Doctors and researchers with Martin Memorial Health System and Jupiter Medical Center are expected to discuss the current clinical trials across the region.

Representatives from VGTI Florida, the Mann Research Center, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute and the Smithsonian Marine Station are participating.

Participants will wrap up the day with an update on research trends and review of opportunities for small businesses to work with public researchers.

A question-and-answer session is scheduled to follow each presentation, Corbit said.



# Conference draws students, businesses, researchers

Tribune 6-10-10

BY LAURIE K. BLANDFORD  
Correspondent

**FORT PIERCE** — Vero Beach resident Shima Ghafoory, who is finishing her master's degree in biotechnology, said she doesn't know much about local companies in her field.

She moved from Sweden 10 months ago and completed a six-month internship with Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute.

"I'm in the process of looking for a job," she said. "I want to be in the lab."

Ghafoory decided to attend the all-day conference Wednesday, "Research Coast: Leading the Way for Research, Education and Innovation," at the Indian River State College Kight Center for Emerging Technologies with more than 80 other people.

Florida's Research Coast, which consists of St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and

Okeechobee counties, brought together researchers and business people from the public and private sectors across the Treasure Coast to share the latest in biotechnology.

Frank Miele, as the owner of Okeechobee-based Magna-Bon Agricultural Control Solutions, was invited to make a presentation because of his unique product: a copper solution that replaces chemicals used on agriculture.

Since Miele took over as owner in 2004, the company has doubled in revenue each year.

"It's the product," he said of the copper solution that keeps produce fresher four days longer and is being used to fight canker.

Miele said he got involved to advertise his company and to let people know copper can be used for more than how it has been in the

past 2,000 years.

"This is basically more recognition," he said.

The morning included a panel discussion led by Casey Lunceford, the assistant dean of arts and sciences at the college, about biotechnology in Treasure Coast schools.

As the biotech instructor at Sebastian River High School, Hollis Hoier showed her students popular jobs that directly or indirectly relate to the growing field.

Hoier said she wants her senior biotechnology course to become a feeder program into the college's Biotech and Advanced technology programs.

Lunceford said an \$18.5 million building is expected to open at the St. Lucie West campus in the fall of 2012 for the college's new bachelor's degree in biology. Applications begin in July, and courses start in January.

## ST. LUCIE COUNTY <sup>Tribune 6-2-10</sup> Symposium planned about Research Coast for June 9

"Research Coast: Leading the Way for Research, Education & Innovation" symposium is from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 9 at Indian River State College's Kight Center for Emerging Technology in Fort Pierce.

The day-long event will highlight partnerships for success, private research entities, clinical trials happening in the region, and small business opportunities with public research.

The keynote address will be provided by Russell Allen, president and CEO of BioFlorida.

He will discuss advances, innovations in the healthcare, agriculture and energy sectors.

The cost for the symposium is \$15 and includes breakfast and a boxed lunch. For more information or to register, go to [cctjiirsc.com](http://cctjiirsc.com) or call (888) 283-1177.



# HAVE YOU HEARD?

## LEADING THE WAY FOR RESEARCH, EDUCATION & INNOVATION:

BioFlorida CEO Russell Allen will headline "Research Coast: Leading the Way for Research, Education & Innovation" June 9 at Indian River State College Kight Center for Emerging Technology in Fort Pierce. The day-long event will highlight local public, educational, private and hospital research that is being conducted in the region.

Allen will discuss advances, innovations in the healthcare, agriculture and energy sectors and the nonprofit umbrella group BioFlorida's advocacy and economic development initiatives. Casey Lunceford, IRSC assistant dean of Arts and Sciences, will focus on biotechnology education in the region and moderate sessions with local research firms to discuss research and trends as well as discuss ways small businesses can work with local researchers. Register at [www.floridarc.com](http://www.floridarc.com).

## THE CITY OF STUART CHOOSES A LOCAL CONTRACTOR:

The City of Stuart Commissioners awarded a contract to upgrade the city's Wastewater Treatment Facility Odor Control to Ocean Gate General Contractors, Inc. Work includes construction of six pre-engineered metal building with chemical-resistant coatings and related odor-control equipment systems. The structures will cover three digester tanks, a chlorine contact basin, and the headworks and blower buildings. Odor control systems with boilers will "scrub" the odors from the air. Work will be phased; the facility will continue with full operations during construction.

## ANNUAL BEST PLACES TO WORK COMPETITION:

Best Places to Work trophies are awarded based on surveys completed by Indian River, Martin and St. Lucie county employers. The Best Places to Work reports let participating employers compare HR practices to the typical, local employer and a road map for benchmarking against local employers of choice. It is completely confidential. Apply online at [SHELLEY OWENS](http://www.personneldy-</a></p>
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is \$49. HRCI credits pending approval. It's Thursday, June 17, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Richardson Center on IRSC's Mueller Campus, Vero Beach. Register at [www.cctiirsc.com](http://www.cctiirsc.com) or call (888) 283-1177.

## COUNTY RECEIVES GREEN GOVERNMENT DESIGNATION:

In May, St. Lucie County became certified as a "Green County," joining the ranks of only five other Florida counties, including Indian River County, to receive this prestigious recognition from the Florida Green Building Coalition. St. Lucie County achieved gold level certification and is tied with Indian River County for the third highest FGBC score.

The county was evaluated on energy, water, air, land, waste and education/awareness policies and programs.

Many policies and programs including the environmentally significant lands program, innovative land planning codes and policies and numerous educational and community outreach programs have been in place for some time. Recently adopted policies and programs include the environmentally preferred purchasing standards, green cleaning and landscaping policies, databases to track green certified buildings, and an Energy and Water Manager position to coordinate green programs and track savings.

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# College tuition going up this fall

Tuition and fees are increasing by 15 percent at Florida public universities and 8 percent at IRSC, community colleges

BY SCOTT TRAVIS  
Sun-Sentinel

Get ready for some sticker shock if you plan to attend a state public university or a Florida community college this fall.

Florida's public universities are raising tuition and fees 15 percent.

And local community colleges, including those like Indian River State College that offer four-year degrees, have been given the signal by state lawmakers to raise the cost of tuition 8 percent.

The price tag for university tuition and fees will be about \$5,000 a year for a student taking 15 credit hours. Two years ago, all state universities charged below \$4,000.

Florida's universities are funded through the State University Sys-

tem of Florida; Community colleges such as IRSC are funded differently, through the Florida Department of Education.

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Barry Keim, IRSC's vice president for administration and finance, said the college's trustees will consider approving the administration's 2010-11 tuition recommendation when it meets 3:30 p.m. June 22 on the Fort Pierce campus.

"Our proposal will be the 8 percent the legislature set," Keim said.

If you are a student taking a full load at Florida International University, tuition and fees will increase from \$4,570 to \$4,930. At the University of Central Florida, the price tag will be \$5,021, up from \$4,526 last year.

All universities are raising tuition



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15 percent, and some are raising student fees by an unprecedented 15 percent or more.

Florida Atlantic University is one of the schools doing both. Students there should expect to pay \$4,924 this coming school year; a \$613 increase. And don't expect Bright Futures to pick up the slack.

It no longer covers any increases in tuition and fees. The scholarship, which once paid 100 percent or 75 percent of the total, now only pays a fixed amount: \$3,024 for the top scholarship, and \$2,016 for the second-tier one.

"There are a lot of students who now won't be able to graduate on time because they can't afford it, or they'll be going to a community college," said Alyssa Osman, an FAU senior from Coral Springs.

Still, universities are increasing their financial aid budgets, so low-income students may be able to get more help.

Florida's public universities have traditionally been known for rock-bottom tuition. That changed last year, when all state universities were given authority to increase tuition 15 percent a year until the state reached the national average for public universities. This past year that average was \$7,020, according to the College Board.

The state had capped fee increases for student activity, health and athletic fees at 5 percent, but this year new legislation allowed a one-time increase of 15 percent, or whatever is needed to raise the school to the state average. Six schools, among them FAU, Florida State University, the University of Florida and the University of South Florida, are raising some or all of their fees.

"It's a burden on students, but I definitely think it's necessary," said Ayden Malier, student government president at FAU, which is raising all three student fees by 15 percent. "If we want to stay competitive in the global market, Florida Atlantic University has got to provide more services."

UCF and FIU, while increasing tuition 15 percent, are limiting student fee increases to 5 percent.

Keim said IRSC tuition includes the entire cost of education, including student fees.

Staff writer James Kirley contributed to this report.





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Students will begin paying higher tuition rates this fall

BY NICOLE RODRIGUEZ  
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# Schools aim to improve 10th-grade FCAT scores

Martin school officials 'working really hard' to increase reading and math scores, as well as number of students who score at or above grade level

BY KELLY TYKO

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**MARTIN COUNTY** — A higher number of Martin County sophomores passed the reading and math sections of the FCAT compared to their peers across the state, according to results released this week.

But school officials want to increase those scores and the number of students who score at or above grade level.

"I want them not to just be passing. I want them to be reaching proficiency," Jensen Beach High Principal Ginger Featherstone

said. "We're working really hard on that."

The state Department of Education released Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test scores Tuesday after weeks of delays.

High school students must pass reading and math to get a diploma — at least for now. New laws passed this year call for the phasing out of the FCAT.

Incoming high school freshmen around the state will be the first wave of students who must pass Algebra I and geometry

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## 10TH GRADE RESULTS

Below is a list of how Martin County sophomores fared on the test this year, followed by 2009 results:

**State average:** About 60 percent passed the reading FCAT, 84 percent passed math. In 2009, 57 percent passed reading, 81 percent passed math.

**Clark Advanced Learning Center:** About 93 percent passed the reading FCAT, 100 percent passed math. In 2009, 88 percent passed reading, 100 percent passed math.

**Jensen Beach High:** About 78 percent passed the reading FCAT, 93 percent passed math. In 2009, 77 percent passed reading, 95 percent passed math.

**Martin County High:** About 68 percent passed the reading FCAT, 91 percent passed math. In 2009, 70 percent passed reading and 90 percent passed math.

**South Fork High:** About 70 percent passed the reading FCAT, 91 percent passed math. In 2009, 69 percent passed reading, 89 percent passed math.

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to meet the state's new graduation requirements. Instead of taking a math FCAT in ninth grade, students will take an end-of-course exam after completing algebra.

In May, South Fork High was a pilot school for the end-of-course algebra test, Principal Pat Schmoyer said.

For the school year that just ended, ninth- and 10th-graders took the reading and math portion of the test and 11th-graders took the science portion in March. Sophomores also took the writing portion in February but students are only required to pass reading and math to

graduate.

While statewide, 60 percent of the 10th-graders passed reading, 72 percent of Martin County's sophomores passed the reading portion. In math, 91 percent of Martin County students passed compared to 84 percent in the state.

Of Martin County's three traditional high schools, Jensen Beach High did the best in reading with 78 percent of students passing and 58 percent of students scoring at or above grade level. In math, 93 percent of Jensen sophomores passed and 87 percent scored at or above grade level.

South Fork High sophomores improved over last year's sophomores with 53 percent scoring at or above

grade level compared to 44 percent last year on the reading test. Seventy percent of the Tropical Farms school's sophomores passed the reading and 91 percent passed the math.

At Martin County High, 68 percent of sophomores passed the reading and 91 percent passed the math.

For sophomores at Clark Advanced Learning Center, a charter school at Indian River State College's Chastain Campus, it was the third year in a row that 100 percent of students passed the math section, Clark's executive director Maria Mosley said.

The public school, which serves about 200 students in grades 10 through 12, had a

93 percent passing rate on the reading exam.

"If there is any reason why small schools really make a difference, I think that our school is a perfect model for that," Mosley said.

However, school officials at local high schools will have to wait until November to find out what the newest FCAT results mean.

Starting with these results, FCAT scores will make up 50 percent of a high school's school grade instead of 100 percent.

Elementary and middle school grades will continue to be based on FCAT scores and are expected to be released in three weeks, according to the Department of Education.



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# Clark graduates get head start on college

With a head start on college, expertise in the latest technology and real-world experience gained in business internships, 62 high school seniors recently graduated from the Clark Advanced Learning Center, a national model high school at the Chastain Campus of Indian River State College in Stuart.

A public charter high school, the Clark Advanced Learning Center affords students the opportunity to earn high school and college credits, tuition free, through dual enrollment. As a result, students graduate with their high school diploma and a year or more of college completed. Eleven seniors graduated from Clark with an associate degree awarded by IRSC, enabling them to continue their studies as college juniors. The A.A. degree graduates are: Ashley Beisler, Bradley Falco,

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Maria Fernandez, Madison Flint, Jalene Haramia, Joshua Kagan, Tiffany Kuhlert, Cassidy Loutos, Emily Orr, James Relle and Tamara Zhanaidarova.

More than \$100,000 in scholarships has been awarded to Clark graduates, with many local organizations supporting Clark students with scholarships to continue their education.

Jalene Haramia was valedictorian. The Stuart resident plans to attend the University of West Florida to major in International Studies. Salutatorian Tamara Zhanaidarova of Palm City will attend the University of Central Florida to study health sciences.

The top 10 graduating seniors are: Daniel Beier, Ashley Beisler, Kristin Engbretsen, Bradley Falco, Maria Fernandez, Madison Flint, Maximilian Gangloff, Jalene

## COLLEGE UPDATES

Update columns from Indian River State College, FAU, Treasure Coast and UF Fort Pierce appear here on Sundays on a rotating basis. Find all updates at [TCPalm.com/college\\_updates](http://TCPalm.com/college_updates)

Haramia, Tiffany Kuhlert and Tamara Zhanaidarova.

Eight students earned a technical certificate in business management from IRSC. They are: Ashley Beisler, Victoria Cabrera, Olivia Davis, Daniel Groves, Chelsea Jarvis, Joshua Kagan, Michael Pizzi and Timothy Scheidegger.

Four students earned a technical certificate in graphic design from IRSC. They are: Maximilian Gangloff, Nate Johnson, Meagan McTaggart and Jorge Ramos-Perez, who also won

a digital animation award in IRSC's Digital Media/Graphic Exhibition.

The Clark Advanced Learning Center offers academic and technology programs that meet the requirements for a high school diploma from the Martin County School District. Students attend free of charge for high school and college courses and books. Clark students are eligible for Florida Bright Futures and other scholarships. Graduates are ready to transfer to IRSC, move directly into the workforce with high-tech skills or transfer to a university. Each student is assigned a laptop computer and seniors participate in internships related to their career interests. Applications are now being accepted.

Visit [www.clarkadvancedlearningcenter.org](http://www.clarkadvancedlearningcenter.org) or call (772) 419-5750.

Compiled by IRSC



# Graduation 2010: One last look back



Clark Advanced Learning Center graduation: May 29.

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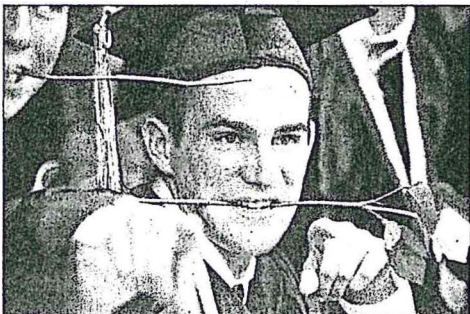
The tassels have been all been turned on the Treasure Coast, the diplomas handed out and summer has begun. Just in case you missed our coverage of all of our high school graduations, here's a few more pictures we thought you should see of one of the proudest moments in a teenager's life. And once you're done with these, go to [TCPalm.com/photos/galleries/](http://TCPalm.com/photos/galleries/) and take a look back at some of the fun moments of 2010 commencement activities.



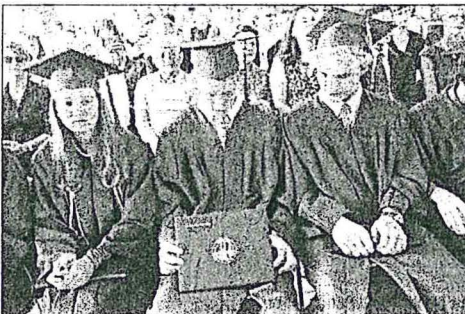
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## Cities plan for economic development

Martin communities want training for workers and land ready for prospective business development

BY D.B. TOTH  
Correspondent

**MARTIN COUNTY** — Site development and work force training are foremost on communities' minds when it comes to planning their economic future.

In April, business leaders in Indiantown, Hobe Sound, Jensen Beach, Palm City and Stuart participated in meetings held by the Business Development Board of Martin County where they

answered survey questions about plans for economic growth in the wake of an economic downturn.

"This was the first effort to roll out the county's economic development plans into the community," said Ronald Bunch, the Board's executive director.

While there was variation between individual towns, two common themes emerged: training workers for a variety of industries and having land

ready for prospective business development.

Palm City and Stuart want to expand graduate programs of local colleges, like Indian River State College.

"In much of Florida, our economy became dependent on construction and real estate and the downturn created a crisis situation," Bunch said.

The board identified seven industries that present the best opportunity for economic diversification: aviation, education, green technologies, life sciences, marine, professional services and attracting businesses to locate

their headquarters in the county. Regardless of the industry, attracting and retaining businesses is tied to a simplified permitting process, according to the report.

Sanford Holshouser, the economic development firm commissioned by the board, identified the county's lengthy and cumbersome permitting as a major disadvantage.

"We've cut the review time frame by 40 percent," said Nicki van Vonno, the county's director of growth management. She said the 85 days for staff review necessary for major development has been cut down to 45 days.

For projects in the seven

targeted industries, permits are expedited in just 15 days.

Recent expedited projects include new construction at Bonadeo Boatworks facility in Stuart and the Jupiter Pointe Marina.

On June 9, the board adopted individual community plans. The next step is to translate them into action.

"We will build action plans for those elements that are common across the communities, like site and talent development and then we work with individual chambers (of commerce) to identify items we can collaborate on," Bunch said.

# Martin eases rules to lure businesses

County Commission relaxes zoning codes to attract life science, technology and research firms

BY GEORGE ANDREASSI

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**STUART** — Hoping to encourage high-tech industries to set up shop in Martin County, county commissioners Tuesday eased development rules for life science, technology and research businesses in commercial areas.

The commissioners voted 4-1 to approve changes to the county zoning rules to reduce the setbacks between residential properties and commercial properties that are being developed for businesses involved in life science, technology and research, as well as other targeted industries.

Commissioner Ed Ciampi said he supported the changes to the zoning code because he wants to bring high-tech businesses to Martin County so workers don't have to commute to other counties.

Martin County is planning a 160-acre campus for life science, technology and research industries between Salerno and Cove road, east of Willoughby Boulevard, to attract high tech businesses, officials said.

The campus would be centrally located between large research facilities being developed in Jupiter and Port St. Lucie.

The changes to the zoning code

## PROPOSED CAMPUS

**Location:** Between Cove and Salerno roads, east of Willoughby Boulevard

**Size:** 160 acres

**Indian River State College parcel:** 57 acres

**Martin Memorial Hospital South parcel:** 40 acres

**Martin County emergency parcel:** 7 acres

**Cove Road Land Trust parcel:** 36 acres

**Peter Grien property:** 20 acres

**Maximum building space:** 500,000 square feet

**Uses:** Research, laboratory, medical and related office space

also will help attract high-tech companies, said Tammy Simoneau, executive director of the Economic Council of Martin County.

Commissioner Sarah Heard, the lone dissenter, said she voted against the changes to the zoning code because she wants to protect residential neighborhoods that are near commercial property,

particularly along U.S. 1 south of Cove Road and Indian River Drive north of Ocean Breeze Park.

The new rules would allow 40-foot tall buildings too close to single family houses, Heard said.

Commission Chairman Doug Smith said buffers would be required to separate the residential and commercial properties.

And Commissioner Patrick Hayes said the new rules would apply to commercial corridors, not the middle of residential neighborhoods.

Simoneau said life science, technology and research businesses don't want to be located near residential neighborhoods.

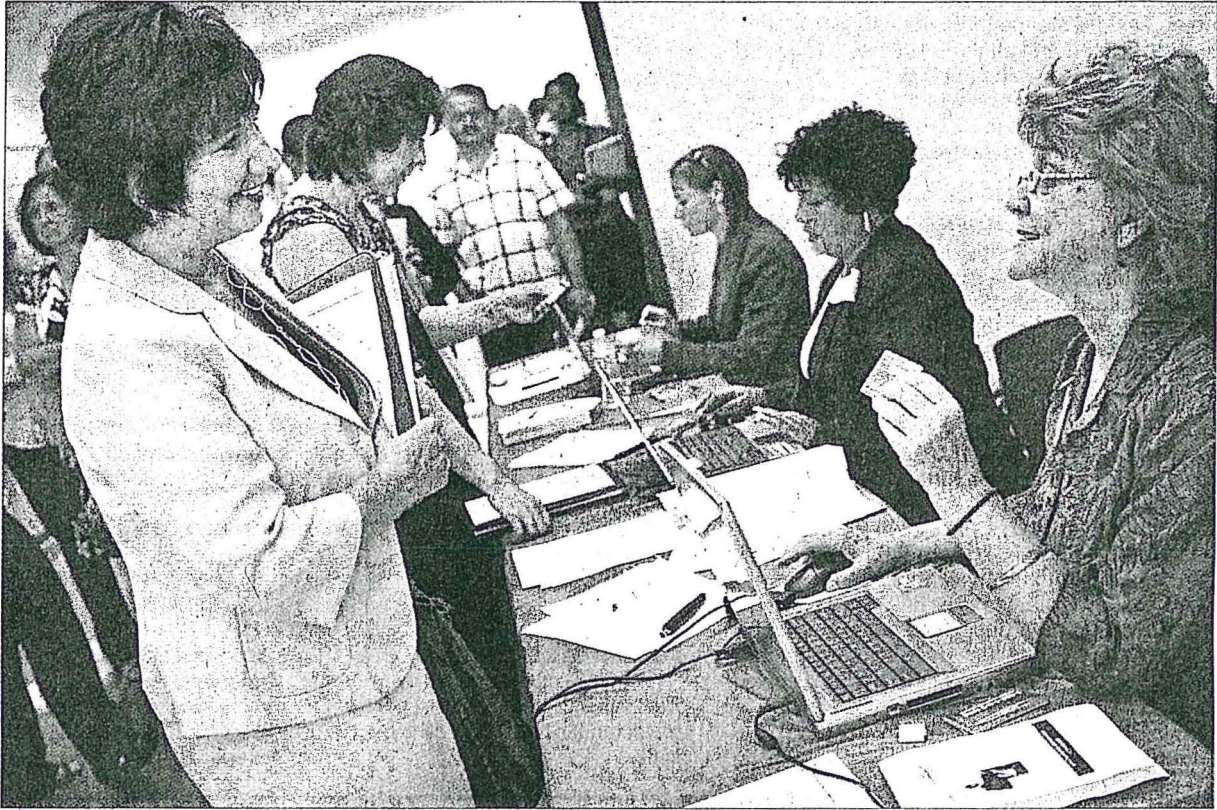
They want to be near institutions like Indian River State College and Martin Memorial Hospital South, Simoneau said. That's why the county is planning a Life Science, Technology and Research Campus nearby.

Earlier Tuesday, the commissioners reviewed the preliminary plan for the "LSTAR" Campus.

The county is continuing its efforts to obtain \$20 million in state funding for the campus, said Ed Weinberg, an environmental consultant on the team working on the project.



# 4,000 job seekers compete for 200 positions at fair



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Michele Vongerichten, left, of Port St. Lucie signs in with Ina Pryor, a career planner for Workforce Solutions during a job fair sponsored by Workforce Solutions and the Business Development Board of Martin County at Clark Advanced Learning Center in Stuart on Thursday. "I am looking for anything in the marketing field," said Vongerichten, 47. "Although, I wear many hats." Thousands attended the three-hour event. **WATCH VIDEO ON TCPALM.COM**

## 19 employers on hand at event at Stuart's IRSC Chastain Campus

BY JIM MAYFIELD  
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"What am I supposed to do? I need a job," said Vince Risi of Port St. Lucie while standing in line during a downpour outside of the Clark Advanced Learning Center in Stuart on Thursday.



# JOB

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between employers' tables.

Prospective employers from Burger King to roofing contractors and the U.S. Army took applications for laborers, design engineers, CPA's, painters and management personnel. Wages ranged from \$10 to \$25 per hour, Victorio said.

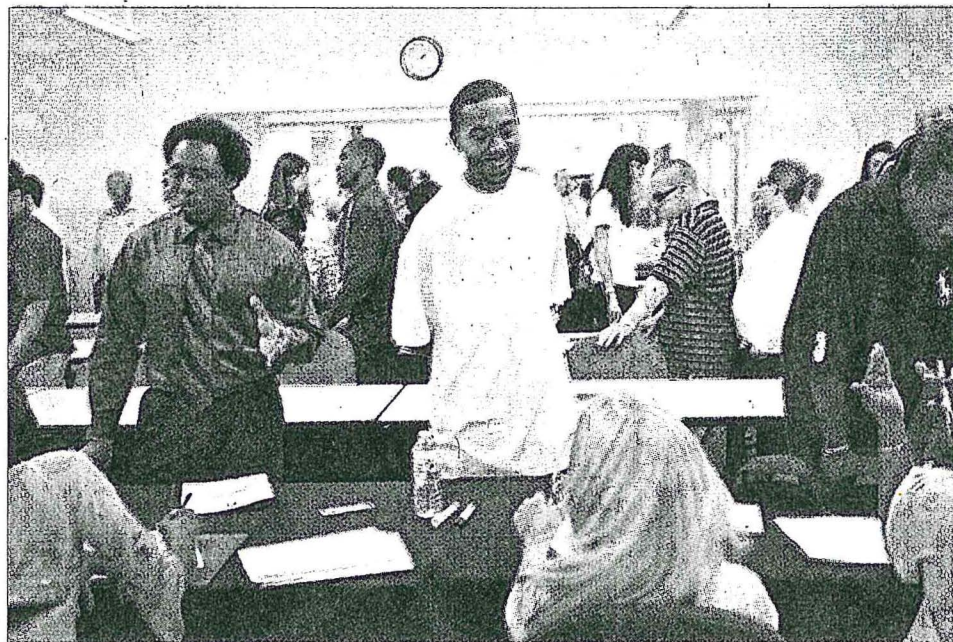
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Andrew Cunningham, center, of Indiantown interviews with an employee from Old Cell Phone Company during the Workforce Solutions and the Business Development Board of Martin County Job Fair at the Clark Advanced Learning Center in Stuart on Thursday. "I was here to check it out," said Cunningham, 26. "It's very helpful."

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Employers at the fair will begin sifting through resumes immediately and contacting Workforce Solutions with names for further interviews and qualification checks.



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## Martin employers hope to fill 200-plus jobs

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**What to do beforehand:** Workforce

Solutions suggests you register in advance at [www.employflorida.com](http://www.employflorida.com) or come to a Workforce Solutions access point before the event for registration assistance.

**What to do on Thursday:** Dress professionally, bring copies of your updated resume, allow plenty of time to visit with each company.

### EMPLOYERS PARTICIPATING

**Employers participating in the job fair include:**

- Old Cell Phone Co.
- Applied Concept Aircraft Solutions
- Liberator Medical
- STS Component Solutions

- Kingdom Creations & Design
- All-American Roofing of the Treasure Coast.
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**What to do beforehand:** Workforce Solutions suggests that you register in advance at [www.employflorida.com](http://www.employflorida.com) or come to a Workforce Solutions access point before the event for registration assistance.

**What to do on Thursday:** Dress professionally, bring copies of your updated resume, allow plenty of time to visit with each company.

## JOBS WITH OLD CELL PHONE CO.

Old Cell Phone Co. announced earlier this month its plan to add 863 employees. Work spaces for these workers and others already hired should be ready within 10 days at the company's 20,000-square-foot office-warehouse at the Sands Commerce Center on in Palm City. Chris Stapleton Old Cell Phone Co.'s chief financial officer said job openings at Old Cell Phone Co. include:

- Customer service agents
- Enhanced service specialists
- Assistant shift supervisors

## EMPLOYERS PARTICIPATING

Employers participating in the job fair include:

- Old Cell Phone Co.
- Applied Concept Aircraft Solutions
- Liberator Medical
- STS Component Solutions
- Kingdom Creations & Design
- All-American Roofing of the Treasure Coast
- Waterblasting Technologies
- Vought Aircraft Industries
- GiftRAP Corp.
- Awareness Technologies
- UCT Coatings
- Diversity Painters

## BACK TO WORK PROGRAM

If one is interested in positions available through the Florida Back-to-Work program, bring the following documents to the Eligibility Orientations for Florida Back-to-Work at 1:15 p.m. and 3:15 p.m.:

- Valid State of Florida Drivers License or State of Florida Identification Card
- Social Security Card
- Birth certificates of dependent children
- Birth certificate, passport or Alien Registration Card, or Florida Back to Work Client card
- Proof of income for the last 30 days.
- A resume



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## TREASURE COAST

### MARTIN COUNTY

#### Workforce Solutions to host job fair June 17

Workforce Solutions will host a job fair from 1 to 4 p.m. June 17 at Indian River State College's Chastain Campus, inside the Clark Advanced Learning Center (Building D) in Stuart.

About 20 companies will participate, with more than 200 positions available. Jobs include sales representatives, social workers, truck drivers, construction laborers, accountants and other office positions.

The Indian River County job fair on April 28 at the Indian River Mall had more than 2,000 job seekers attending, said agency spokeswoman Odaly Victorio. In total 102 jobs were available with 27 employers participating in that fair.

In St. Lucie County, a recruitment event May 21 for 200 positions had an estimated 900 job seekers. Wages for the positions were \$11 per hour.

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## LOCAL

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*Stuart News 6-13-10*

### MARTIN COUNTY

#### Workforce Solutions to host job fair Thursday

Workforce Solutions, in partnership with the Business Development Board of Martin County, is hosting a job fair on Thursday between 1 and 4 p.m. at the Indian River State College Chastain Campus Clark Advanced Learning Center (Building D).

The fair will feature 20 employers, including Old Cell Phone Co. of Palm City, which is looking to fill more than 200 positions. Other employers participating include Applied Concept Aircraft Solutions, Liberator Medical, STS Component Solutions, Kingdom Creations & Design and All American Roofing of the Treasure Coast.

Visit the nearest Workforce Solutions center to register. To find the nearest office, go to [www.yourworkforcesolutions.com](http://www.yourworkforcesolutions.com) or call (866) 482-4473.



# ASSOCIATE DEGREES: ALL DISCIPLINES

2009 RANK	INSTITUTION	STATE	TOTAL	WHITE NO. PERCENT	NON-RESIDENT ALIEN NO. PERCENT	UNKNOWN NO. PERCENT	AFRICAN AMERICAN NO. PERCENT	ASIAN NO. PERCENT	AMERICAN INDIAN NO. PERCENT	HISPANIC NO. PERCENT
<b>Two-Year Institutions</b>										
4	Valencia Community College	Fla.	5128	2538 49%	147 3%	487 9%	541 11%	269 5%	19 0%	1127 22%
7	Northern Virginia Community College	Va.	3210	1526 48%	11 0%	214 7%	402 13%	620 19%	26 1%	411 13%
9	Salt Lake Community College	Utah	3001	2425 81%	30 1%	212 7%	38 1%	114 4%	30 1%	152 5%
13	Houston Community College	Texas	2720	463 17%	446 16%	95 3%	727 27%	314 12%	7 0%	646 24%
14	Nassau Community College	N.Y.	2703	1532 57%	0 0%	181 7%	457 17%	180 7%	3 0%	350 13%
17	Suffolk County Community College	N.Y.	2618	1841 70%	0 0%	229 9%	145 6%	79 3%	8 0%	846 34%
18	Riverside Community College	Calif.	2501	926 37%	32 1%	208 8%	189 8%	283 11%	17 1%	105 4%
19	Monroe Community College	N.Y.	2482	1994 80%	17 1%	31 1%	257 10%	69 3%	9 0%	438 18%
20	Hillsborough Community College	Fla.	2452	1475 60%	54 2%	9 0%	347 14%	121 5%	8 0%	567 23%
21	Lone Star College System	Texas	2450	1264 52%	79 3%	116 5%	267 11%	148 6%	9 0%	361 15%
22	Central Texas College	Texas	2425	1098 45%	7 0%	20 1%	809 33%	95 4%	35 1%	632 26%
23	CUNY Borough of Manhattan Community College	N.Y.	2387	357 15%	349 15%	0 0%	732 31%	315 13%	2 0%	431 18%
24	Tarrant County College District	Texas	2385	1458 61%	51 2%	0 0%	312 13%	127 5%	6 0%	20 1%
25	Macomb Community College	Mich.	2383	1676 70%	36 2%	476 20%	102 4%	65 3%	8 0%	170 7%
26	Tallahassee Community College	Fla.	2351	1499 64%	30 1%	116 5%	487 21%	42 2%	7 0%	101 4%
27	Tidewater Community College	Va.	2311	1451 63%	1 0%	52 2%	543 23%	153 7%	10 0%	165 7%
28	Sierra College	Calif.	2260	1604 71%	91 4%	204 9%	39 2%	137 6%	20 1%	156 7%
29	Brevard Community College	Fla.	2244	1835 82%	27 1%	2 0%	138 6%	73 3%	13 1%	612 27%
30	Pima Community College	Ariz.	2232	1245 56%	57 3%	132 6%	69 3%	70 3%	47 2%	868 41%
31	El Paso Community College	Calif.	2107	492 23%	40 2%	105 5%	96 5%	501 24%	5 0%	1792 85%
32	El Paso Community College	Texas	2104	169 8%	64 3%	0 0%	48 2%	25 1%	7 0%	170 8%
34	San Joaquin Delta College	Calif.	2065	1257 61%	3 0%	82 4%	26 1%	206 10%	6 0%	223 12%
35	Coastline Community College	Calif.	1936	985 51%	3 0%	204 11%	315 16%	174 9%	32 2%	223 12%
39	CUNY Kingsborough Community College	N.Y.	1899	788 41%	114 6%	0 0%	540 29%	228 12%	0 0%	31 2%
40	Kirkwood Community College	Iowa	1890	1647 87%	23 1%	116 6%	45 2%	25 1%	12 1%	23 12%
41	Portland Community College	Ore.	1886	1268 67%	80 4%	216 11%	73 4%	134 7%	22 1%	93 12%
42	American River College	Calif.	1863	1092 59%	26 1%	209 11%	101 5%	190 10%	22 1%	573 32%
44	San Jacinto Community College	Texas	1815	909 50%	78 4%	2 0%	143 8%	105 6%	5 0%	92 5%
45	Community College of Philadelphia	Penn.	1807	507 28%	127 7%	183 10%	745 41%	139 8%	14 1%	53 3%
46	Erie Community College	N.Y.	1794	1450 81%	5 0%	0 0%	242 13%	23 1%	21 1%	226 13%
47	Montgomery College	Md.	1773	615 35%	194 11%	16 1%	437 25%	276 16%	7 0%	45 3%
48	Oakland Community College	Mich.	1762	1186 67%	170 10%	123 7%	197 11%	36 2%	5 0%	257 15%
52	Mesa Community College	Ariz.	1729	1209 70%	29 2%	59 3%	61 4%	72 4%	42 2%	51 3%
53	Tulsa Community College	Okl.	1719	1319 77%	59 3%	0 0%	119 7%	25 1%	146 8%	81 5%
54	Harrisburg Area Community College-Harrisburg	Penn.	1719	1424 83%	23 1%	27 2%	111 6%	50 3%	3 0%	218 13%
55	Seminole Community College	Fla.	1704	1122 66%	103 6%	59 3%	154 9%	45 3%	3 0%	409 24%
56	Pasadena City College	Calif.	1683	279 17%	147 9%	141 8%	65 4%	636 38%	6 0%	12 1%
58	Community College of Allegheny County	Penn.	1661	1257 76%	18 1%	161 10%	197 12%	12 1%	4 0%	29 2%
59	Columbus State Community College	Ohio	1652	1208 73%	16 1%	67 4%	282 17%	43 3%	7 0%	40 2%
61	Cuyahoga Community College District	Ohio	1639	1067 65%	45 3%	50 3%	404 25%	28 2%	5 0%	116 7%
63	College of DuPage	Ill.	1630	1253 77%	7 0%	12 1%	72 4%	177 11%	1 0%	17 1%
64	Sinclair Community College	Ohio	1612	1255 78%	7 0%	122 8%	173 11%	29 2%	9 1%	365 23%
65	Palomar College	Calif.	1611	876 54%	57 4%	102 6%	38 2%	166 10%	17 1%	65 4%
66	Pensacola Junior College	Fla.	1607	1283 80%	8 0%	3 0%	149 9%	64 4%	35 2%	43 3%
67	CUNY LaGuardia Community College	N.Y.	1601	263 16%	346 22%	0 0%	268 17%	237 15%	3 0%	265 17%
68	Des Moines Area Community College	Iowa	1595	1180 74%	14 1%	274 17%	51 3%	30 2%	3 0%	106 7%
69	Orange Coast College	Calif.	1594	638 40%	84 5%	141 9%	19 1%	437 27%	10 1%	27 2%
70	Brookdale Community College	N.J.	1588	1252 79%	24 2%	38 2%	103 6%	62 4%	3 0%	38 2%
71	Hudson Valley Community College	N.Y.	1580	1266 80%	13 1%	124 8%	111 7%	32 2%	7 0%	368 24%
72	The Community College of Baltimore County	Md.	1578	960 61%	0 0%	93 6%	411 26%	73 5%	3 0%	96 6%
74	Mt. San Jacinto Community College District	Calif.	1511	787 52%	4 0%	148 10%	75 5%	108 7%	23 2%	88 6%
75	Georgia Perimeter College	Ga.	1499	658 44%	119 8%	13 1%	498 33%	114 8%	1 0%	297 20%
77	Grand Rapids Community College	Mich.	1482	1181 80%	5 0%	30 2%	130 9%	35 2%	13 1%	523 36%
78	Bergen Community College	N.J.	1481	749 51%	105 7%	82 6%	66 4%	181 12%	1 0%	28 2%
79	Fresno City College	Calif.	1436	425 30%	7 0%	164 11%	93 6%	203 14%	21 1%	62 4%
80	University of Wisconsin Colleges	Wisc.	1426	1329 93%	3 0%	1 0%	8 1%	51 4%	6 0%	12 1%
81	Lansing Community College	Mich.	1405	1012 72%	70 5%	146 10%	86 6%	17 1%	12 1%	53 3%
82	Milwaukee Area Technical College	Wisc.	1392	959 69%	0 0%	25 2%	281 19%	42 3%	13 1%	81 5%
83	Central New Mexico Community College	N.M.	1373	691 43%	0 0%	93 7%	284 21%	33 2%	84 6%	91 7%
84	Camden County College	N.J.	1371	954 70%	0 0%	14 1%	234 17%	71 5%	7 1%	33 2%
88	Mott Community College	Mich.	1335	878 66%	0 0%	213 16%	191 14%	11 1%	9 1%	309 23%
89	Santa Monica College	Calif.	1329	362 27%	301 23%	109 8%	82 6%	160 12%	6 0%	652 50%
91	Santa Ana College	Calif.	1292	225 17%	85 7%	61 5%	28 2%	236 18%	5 0%	523 41%
92	Chaffey College	Calif.	1274	422 33%	21 2%	91 7%	59 5%	149 12%	9 1%	96 8%
93	Harper College	Ill.	1271	898 71%	10 1%	107 8%	40 3%	118 9%	2 0%	24 2%
94	Southeast Community College Area	Neb.	1268	1193 94%	0 0%	14 1%	16 1%	19 1%	2 0%	256 20%
95	Austin Community College District	Texas	1263	754 60%	37 3%	29 2%	103 8%	74 6%	10 1%	79 6%
96	Community College of Rhode Island	R.I.	1254	968 77%	2 0%	106 8%	58 5%	33 3%	8 1%	282 23%
97	Modesto Junior College	Calif.	1253	539 43%	9 1%	298 24%	13 1%	102 8%	10 1%	214 17%
98	Sacramento City College	Calif.	1252	501 40%	25 2%	151 12%	112 9%	237 19%	12 1%	131 10%
99	Moraine Valley Community College	Ill.	1251	988 79%	23 2%	0 0%	80 6%	28 2%	1 0%	184 15%
100	Moorpark College	Calif.	1250	635 51%	17 1%	312 25%	21 2%	76 6%	5 0%	1372 6%
<b>Four-Year Institutions</b>										
1	University of Phoenix-Online Campus	Ariz.	23824	11958 50%	340 1%	6505 27%	2988 13%	442 2%	219 1%	4872 65%
2	Miami Dade College	Fla.	7489	745 10%	320 4%	131 2%	1299 17%	119 2%	3 0%	388 7%
3	Colorado Technical University Online	Colo.	5236	3345 64%	0 0%	177 3%	1170 22%	104 2%	54 1%	425 8%
5	American InterContinental University-Online	Ill.	5005	2769 55%	0 0%	365 7%	1289 26%	197 4%	57 1%	990 25%
6	Broward College	Fla.	3888	1274 33%	322 8%	185 5%	822 21%	197 5%	8 0%	167 5%
8	Florida State College at Jacksonville	Fla.	3206	2054 64%	34 1%	206 6%	54 2%	185 6%	12 0%	163 6%
10	St. Petersburg College	Fla.	2824	2250 79%	51 2%	125 4%	231 8%	101 3%	9 0%	299 11%
11	Excelsior College	N.Y.	2906	1770 61%	30 1%	341 12%	468 16%	118 4%	18 1%	435 16%
12	Santa Fe College	Fla.	2767	2060 74%	58 2%	56 2%	190 7%	98 3%	8 0%	624 24%
15	Palm Beach Community College	Fla.	2657	1471 55%	87 3%	101 4%	464 17%	92 3%	7 0%	376 18%
16	Keiser University-Ft. Lauderdale	Fla.	2652	1350 51%	24 1%	4 0%	566 21%	68 3%	16 1%	0 0%
33	The Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising-Los Angeles	Calif.	2100	938 45%	177 8%	231 11%	82 4%	291 14%	5 0%	161 8%
36	Kaplan University-Davenport	Iowa	1932	0 0%	0 0%	1932 100%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	140 7%
37	Fashion Institute of Technology	N.Y.	1927	861 45%	296 15%	338 18%	103 5%	164 9%	4 0%	61 3%
38	Daytona State College	Fla.	1906	1495 78%	21 1%	18 1%	179 9%	46 2%	7 0%	66 4%
43	Weber State University	Utah	1851	1228 66%	7 0%	500 27%	4 0%	43 2%	8 0%	126 7%
49	ECPI College of Technology	Va.	1745	818 47%	0 0%	76 4%	718 41%	59 3%	8 0%	178 10%
50	Johnson & Wales University	R.I.	1735	1008 58%	76 4%	325 19%	130 7%	68 4%	4 0%	245 15%
51	Indian River State College	Fla.	1731	1253 72%	34 2%	29 2%	198 11%	34 2%	5 0%	143 10%
57	College of Southern Nevada	Nev.	1676	896 53%	56 3%	116 7%	124 7%	227 14%	12 1%	81 4%
60	Utah Valley University	Utah	1651	1486 90%	23 1%	24 1%	5 0%	37 2%	15 1%	61 4%
62	Bellevue College	Wash.	1632	1002 61%	130 8%	152 9%	33 2%	239 15%	15 1%	226 15%
73	Edison State College	Fla.	1532	1078 70%	61 4%	9 1%	120 8%	38 2%	0 0%	1392 93%
76	South Texas College	Texas	1493	56 4%	21 1%	5 0%	14 1%	20 1%	13 1%	76 6%
85	Full Sail University	Fla.	1368	888 65%	36 3%	52 4%	20 1%	28 2%	6 0%	110 8%
86	Northwest Florida State College	Fla.	1345	1048 78%	6 0%	39 3%	112 8%	58 4%	5 0%	23 2%
87	State College of Florida-Manatee-Sarasota	Fla.	1344	1060 79%	29 2%	19 1%	85 6%	36 3%	5 0%	110 8%
90	Vincennes University	Ind.	1303	1081 83%	16 1%	90 7%	76 6%	15 1%	2 0%	23 2%

Source: Community College Week Analysis of U.S. Department of Education Data

## Logical Outcome

"It is the logical outcome of the long-term disinvestment in public higher education at all levels," Katsinas said. "If you did an overlay mapping where the new proprietaries are located, my bet is

that they have grown at precisely the locations where demand has grown the most, and that have simultaneously suffered most from the long term state disinvestment in public higher education."

Katsinas said that in a 2009 policy center survey, 34 of 48

responding states reported that community college budgets had been cut in mid-year. Four of five states reported that community college tuition had been increased.

The budget crunch has created a pressing capacity problem for community colleges, said Diane

Auer Jones, a former assistant secretary for postsecondary education at the U.S. Department of Education. Colleges are struggling to meet the demand of the hordes of students arriving at their door. They are holding classes early in the morning, late at night and on

weekends to meet burgeoning demand. Some colleges are turning students away or placing them on waiting lists. Students are finding that they can't get the classes they need to earn their degrees.

See Cover Story, page 12, col. 1





# ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATES: ALL DISCIPLINES

2009 RANK	INSTITUTION	STATE	TOTAL	WHITE NO. PERCENT	NON-RESIDENT ALIEN NO. PERCENT	UNKNOWN NO. PERCENT	AFRICAN AMERICAN NO. PERCENT	ASIAN NO. PERCENT	AMERICAN INDIAN NO. PERCENT	HISPANIC NO. PERCENT
<b>Two-Year Institutions</b>										
1	Gemological Institute of America	Calif.	4065	2453 60%	0 0%	1100 27%	58 1%	259 6%	29 1%	186 4%
2	Louisiana Technical College-Young Memorial Campus	La.	3862	2667 69%	0 0%	36 1%	869 23%	38 1%	58 2%	194 5%
3	City Colleges of Chicago-Harold Washington College	Ill.	3851	1082 28%	110 3%	0 0%	1215 32%	961 25%	43 1%	440 11%
4	United Education Institute-Huntington Park Campus	Calif.	3482	556 16%	0 0%	74 2%	281 8%	185 5%	16 0%	2389 69%
5	Charles A. Jones Skills and Business Education Center	Calif.	3336	1202 36%	0 0%	179 5%	687 21%	1002 30%	44 1%	222 7%
6	Valencia Community College	Fla.	2891	1256 43%	65 2%	205 7%	439 15%	103 4%	15 1%	808 28%
7	Santa Rosa Junior College	Calif.	2733	1924 70%	4 0%	256 9%	70 3%	126 5%	30 1%	323 12%
8	Mt San Antonio College	Calif.	2529	531 21%	48 2%	111 4%	113 4%	609 24%	15 1%	1102 44%
9	Rio Salado College	Ariz.	2467	1440 58%	4 0%	130 5%	217 9%	56 2%	57 2%	563 23%
10	Emily Griffith Opportunity School	Colo.	2342	1444 62%	40 2%	142 6%	151 6%	53 2%	33 1%	479 20%
11	Riverside Community College	Calif.	2269	879 39%	11 0%	189 8%	176 8%	199 9%	21 1%	794 35%
12	Gwinnett Technical College	Ga.	2238	1238 55%	0 0%	104 5%	530 24%	201 9%	8 0%	157 7%
13	Crescent City Bartending School	La.	2233	1085 49%	0 0%	350 16%	354 16%	65 3%	0 0%	379 17%
15	Bluegrass Community and Technical College	Ken.	1763	1450 82%	3 0%	95 5%	173 10%	11 1%	0 0%	31 2%
16	Jefferson Community and Technical College	Ken.	1677	1005 60%	26 2%	279 17%	313 19%	21 1%	8 0%	25 1%
18	Georgia Northwestern Technical College	Ga.	1637	1438 88%	0 0%	13 1%	133 8%	6 0%	8 0%	39 2%
19	West Georgia Technical College-Waco	Ga.	1532	1053 69%	0 0%	9 1%	430 28%	9 1%	3 0%	28 2%
20	Elizabethtown Community and Technical College	Ken.	1519	1351 89%	0 0%	24 2%	98 6%	21 1%	7 0%	18 1%
21	Chattahoochee Technical College	Ga.	1514	965 64%	24 2%	42 3%	379 25%	26 2%	6 0%	72 5%
22	Johnson County Community College	Kan.	1509	1051 70%	10 1%	152 10%	144 10%	57 4%	16 1%	79 5%
23	Middle Georgia Technical College	Ga.	1491	844 57%	0 0%	60 4%	553 37%	10 1%	0 0%	24 2%
24	Sinclair Community College	Ohio	1421	1122 79%	2 0%	100 7%	14 1%	19 1%	7 0%	27 2%
25	Front Range Community College	Colo.	1388	1135 82%	0 0%	56 4%	12 1%	43 3%	13 1%	129 9%
26	East Los Angeles College	Calif.	1377	102 7%	21 2%	327 24%	52 4%	235 17%	0 0%	636 46%
27	Dekalb Technical College	Ga.	1357	309 23%	0 0%	34 3%	925 68%	73 5%	0 0%	16 1%
29	West Kentucky Community and Technical College	Ken.	1349	1093 81%	1 0%	143 11%	80 6%	5 0%	12 1%	15 1%
30	Institute of Technology Inc	Calif.	1317	483 36%	0 0%	112 9%	86 7%	73 6%	11 1%	572 43%
31	Butte College	Calif.	1302	961 74%	0 0%	97 7%	10 1%	68 5%	40 3%	126 10%
32	Albany Technical College	Ga.	1271	457 36%	0 0%	5 0%	797 63%	5 0%	0 0%	7 1%
33	Greenville Technical College	S.C.	1259	911 72%	3 0%	25 2%	254 20%	21 2%	5 0%	40 3%
34	Savannah Technical College	Ga.	1252	473 38%	3 0%	17 1%	688 55%	32 3%	3 0%	36 3%
35	American Career College-Los Angeles	Calif.	1250	72 6%	0 0%	33 3%	229 18%	138 11%	6 0%	772 62%
36	Drake College of Business	N.J.	1231	61 5%	0 0%	76 6%	861 70%	0 0%	24 2%	209 17%
37	ICDC College	Calif.	1229	62 5%	0 0%	26 2%	197 16%	62 5%	0 0%	882 72%
38	Southwestern Illinois College	Ill.	1211	953 79%	1 0%	0 0%	227 19%	11 1%	5 0%	14 1%
39	Somerset Community College	Ken.	1209	1158 96%	0 0%	22 2%	8 1%	7 1%	8 1%	6 0%
41	Central Georgia Technical College	Ga.	1190	551 46%	0 0%	7 1%	607 51%	13 1%	3 0%	9 1%
42	Washtenaw Community College	Mich.	1187	850 72%	12 1%	59 5%	185 16%	43 4%	10 1%	28 2%
43	Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College	Wis.	1066	811 76%	0 0%	204 19%	6 1%	12 1%	24 2%	9 1%
45	Maysville Community and Technical College	Ken.	1036	898 87%	0 0%	82 8%	47 5%	6 1%	3 0%	0 0%
46	Delgado Community College	La.	1032	533 52%	0 0%	82 8%	287 28%	37 4%	16 2%	77 7%
47	Wyotech-Long Beach	Calif.	1030	4 0%	1 0%	805 78%	4 0%	17 2%	27 3%	172 17%
48	United Education Institute	Fla.	980	146 15%	5 1%	4 0%	778 79%	4 0%	0 0%	43 4%
49	College of DuPage	Ill.	978	899 92%	0 0%	5 0%	76 8%	144 15%	4 0%	72 7%
49	Davis Applied Technology College	Utah	978	683 69%	1 0%	118 12%	41 4%	32 3%	26 3%	97 10%
51	San Jacinto Community College	Texas	970	409 42%	42 4%	4 0%	119 12%	34 4%	3 0%	359 37%
52	Northeast Wisconsin Technical College	Wis.	965	897 93%	0 0%	13 1%	9 1%	11 1%	20 2%	15 2%
53	Harper College	Ill.	959	644 67%	8 1%	80 8%	34 4%	91 9%	0 0%	102 11%
54	Atlanta Technical College	Ga.	952	20 2%	0 0%	13 1%	893 94%	12 1%	1 0%	13 1%
55	Career and Technology Education Centers of Licking County	Ohio	949	831 88%	0 0%	26 3%	60 6%	11 1%	3 0%	18 2%
56	Pima Medical Institute-Mesa	Ariz.	946	302 32%	0 0%	415 44%	35 4%	40 4%	38 4%	116 12%
57	Seminole Community College	Fla.	942	592 63%	22 2%	34 4%	137 15%	12 1%	4 0%	141 15%
58	Fox Valley Technical College	Wisc.	933	818 88%	0 0%	61 7%	14 2%	24 3%	5 1%	11 1%
59	Bowling Green Technical College	Ken.	931	838 90%	0 0%	26 3%	50 5%	7 1%	1 0%	9 1%
60	Griffin Technical College	Ga.	927	535 58%	0 0%	29 3%	337 36%	8 1%	6 1%	12 1%
61	Elgin Community College	Ill.	924	629 68%	8 1%	0 0%	41 4%	61 7%	1 0%	184 20%
62	Everest Institute-Deerborn	Mich.	911	225 25%	0 0%	26 3%	596 65%	4 0%	11 1%	49 5%
64	Everest Institute-Southfield	Mich.	901	147 16%	0 0%	10 1%	717 80%	10 1%	2 0%	15 2%
65	Lansing Community College	Mich.	893	583 65%	7 1%	158 18%	65 7%	18 2%	10 1%	52 6%
66	Gateway Technical College	Wis.	887	690 78%	0 0%	10 1%	89 11%	16 2%	1 0%	71 8%
67	American Career College-Anaheim	Calif.	884	134 15%	0 0%	59 7%	62 7%	190 21%	5 1%	434 49%
68	Archives College	Ariz.	869	394 45%	0 0%	32 4%	123 14%	3 0%	37 4%	280 32%
69	Everest Institute-Austin	Texas	862	193 22%	3 0%	5 1%	201 23%	18 2%	4 0%	438 51%
70	Long Beach City College	Calif.	845	182 22%	17 2%	42 5%	183 22%	150 18%	4 0%	267 32%
71	Augusta Technical College	Ga.	842	373 44%	1 0%	4 0%	435 52%	11 1%	0 0%	18 2%
72	NTMA Training Centers of Southern California	Calif.	829	164 20%	0 0%	73 9%	54 7%	89 11%	4 0%	445 54%
73	North Hennepin Community College	Minn.	828	616 74%	12 1%	15 2%	105 13%	66 8%	8 1%	6 1%
74	Mid Florida Tech	Fla.	822	494 60%	1 0%	7 1%	153 19%	23 3%	1 0%	143 17%
75	Hocking College	Ohio	821	713 87%	4 0%	67 8%	25 3%	4 0%	2 0%	6 1%
76	San Juan Basin Technical College	Colo.	818	489 60%	0 0%	181 22%	8 1%	1 0%	106 13%	33 4%
78	Hillsborough Community College	Fla.	806	514 64%	3 0%	10 1%	119 15%	13 2%	4 0%	143 18%
79	Lee College	Texas	805	370 46%	5 1%	9 1%	183 23%	8 1%	5 1%	225 28%
80	Central Community College	Neb.	802	725 90%	0 0%	13 2%	1 0%	2 0%	1 0%	60 7%
81	Lincoln Land Community College	Ill.	801	718 90%	0 0%	0 0%	59 7%	4 0%	0 0%	20 2%
82	Sanz School	Va.	799	9 1%	70 9%	0 0%	330 41%	6 1%	0 0%	384 48%
83	Everest College-Chicago	Ill.	791	16 2%	1 0%	123 16%	532 67%	2 0%	2 0%	115 15%
84	Columbiana County Career and Technical Center	Ohio	782	736 94%	0 0%	0 0%	44 6%	0 0%	0 0%	2 0%
85	Concorde Career College-Memphis	Tenn.	768	189 25%	0 0%	6 1%	556 72%	4 1%	4 1%	9 1%
85	Moultrie Technical College	Ga.	768	480 63%	0 0%	2 0%	254 33%	2 0%	2 0%	28 4%
87	L E Fletcher Technical Community College	La.	765	506 66%	0 0%	3 0%	182 24%	11 1%	30 4%	33 4%
88	Aims Community College	Colo.	760	535 70%	0 0%	44 6%	13 2%	11 1%	6 1%	151 20%
89	Bakersfield College	Calif.	757	145 19%	4 1%	168 22%	16 2%	25 3%	6 1%	363 48%
89	French Culinary Institute	N.Y.	757	414 55%	60 8%	85 13%	25 3%	80 12%	1 0%	72 10%
91	Edmonds Community College	Wash.	755	435 58%	41 5%	98 13%	43 6%	91 12%	7 1%	40 5%
92	Make-up Designory	Calif.	738	312 42%	31 4%	174 24%	22 3%	51 7%	6 1%	142 19%
93	South Georgia Technical College	Ga.	734	385 52%	0 0%	7 1%	335 46%	2 0%	0 0%	5 1%
94	Lanier Technical College	Ga.	729	599 82%	0 0%	10 1%	62 9%	11 2%	5 1%	42 6%
95	Midlands Technical College	S.C.	724	448 62%	0 0%	21 3%	215 30%	11 2%	6 1%	23 3%
96	Clover Park Technical College	Wash.	718	442 62%	4 1%	85 12%	94 13%	53 7%	7 1%	33 5%
98	All-State Career School-Baltimore	Md.	716	163 23%	0 0%	50 7%	488 68%	6 1%	0 0%	9 1%
99	Trident Technical College	S.C.	715	471 66%	0 0%	15 2%	196 27%	13 2%	8 1%	12 2%
100	Everest Institute-Jonesboro	Ga.	710	3 0%	590 83%	1 0%	2 0%	24 3%	5 1%	85 12%
<b>Four-Year Institutions</b>										
14	Florida State College at Jacksonville	Fla.	1977	1132 57%	47 2%	168 8%	451 23%	48 2%	5 0%	126 6%
17	Madison Area Technical College	Wisc.	1647	1258 76%	0 0%	223 14%	77 5%	44 3%	5 0%	40 2%
28	Palm Beach Community College	Fla.	1356	695 51%	16 1%	36 3%	313 23%	45 3%	4 0%	247 18%
40	Miami Dade College	Fla.	1195	127 11%	11 1%	33 3%	408 34%	6 1%	1 0%	609 51%
44	Indian River State College	Fla.	1063	730 69%	7 1%	21 2%	188 18%	10 1%	2 0%	105 10%
63	Daytona State College	Fla.	910	715 79%	2 0%	8 1%	90 10%	12 1%	4 0%	79 9%
77	University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh Campus	Penn.	816	651 80%	3 0%	37 5%	75 9%	36 4%	1 0%	13 2%
97	Olympic College	Wash.	717	544 76%	0 0%	57 8%	31 4%	45 6%	10 1%	30 4%

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# ASSOCIATE DEGREES: All Disciplines — Total Minority

2009 RANK	INSTITUTION	STATE	2007-2008 TOTAL	2008-2009 PRELIMINARY TOTAL	PERCENT CHANGE
<b>Two-Year Institutions</b>					
4	Valencia Community College	Fla.	1660	710 1246 1956	38% 18%
5	El Paso Community College	Texas	1771	600 1272 1872	89% 6%
8	Houston Community College	Texas	1545	534 1162 1696	62% 10%
9	CUNY Borough of Manhattan Community College	N.Y.	1471	617 1064 1681	70% 14%
10	Mt. San Antonio College	Calif.	1551	548 922 1470	70% -5%
11	Northern Virginia Community College	Va.	1238	609 850 1459	45% 18%
13	Riverside Community College	Calif.	1015	466 869 1335	53% 32%
14	Central Texas College	Texas	1355	756 544 1300	54% -4%
16	Pasadena City College	Calif.	1100	484 632 1116	66% 1%
17	East Los Angeles College	Calif.	1100	345 711 1056	87% -4%
19	CUNY Kingsborough Community College	N.Y.	880	363 634 997	53% 13%
20	CUNY LaGuardia Community College	N.Y.	892	348 644 992	62% 11%
21	Lone Star College System	Texas	912	293 698 991	40% 9%
22	Community College of Philadelphia	Penn.	991	234 756 990	55% 0%
22	Nassau Community College	N.Y.	824	397 593 990	37% 20%
24	Southwestern College-Chula Vista	Calif.	888	348 601 949	82% 7%
25	Montgomery College	Md.	873	591 355 946	53% 8%
26	Sanita Ana College	Calif.	950	356 595 921	71% -3%
27	Hickory Community College	Fla.	791	325 589 914	37% 16%
30	Island Community College District	Texas	713	296 590 876	37% 13%
32	ASU Institute of Business and Computer Technology	N.Y.	832	149 694 843	87% 1%
33	Fresno City College	Calif.	745	314 526 840	58% 13%
34	Wayne County Community College District	Mich.	805	148 688 836	71% 4%
35	San Jacinto Community College	Texas	769	289 537 826	46% 7%
36	Tidewater Community College	Va.	753	251 556 807	35% 7%
37	Texas Southmost College	Texas	815	239 560 799	92% -2%
38	Pima Community College	Ariz.	812	310 488 798	36% -2%
41	City College of San Francisco	Calif.	797	269 481 750	67% -6%
42	CUNY Queensborough Community College	N.Y.	835	288 458 746	65% -11%
43	Coastline Community College	Calif.	460	532 212 744	38% 62%
44	Chaffey College	Calif.	784	287 453 740	58% -6%
45	Cerritos College	Calif.	722	303 436 739	70% 2%
46	CUNY Bronx Community College	N.Y.	665	243 495 738	91% 11%
47	Orange Coast College	Calif.	664	331 400 731	46% 10%
48	Georgia Perimeter College	Ga.	724	211 498 709	47% -2%
49	Tallahassee Community College	Fla.	696	293 413 705	30% 1%
50	El Camino Community College District	Calif.	671	269 423 692	61% 3%
52	Central New Mexico Community College	N.M.	694	205 484 689	50% -1%
53	Rio Hondo College	Calif.	650	268 377 645	77% -1%
54	Fulerton College	Calif.	562	273 339 612	54% 9%
56	Essex County College	N.J.	614	187 420 607	66% -1%
57	Laredo Community College	Texas	605	240 364 604	96% 0%
58	San Antonio College	Texas	500	203 399 602	54% 20%
59	De Anza College	Calif.	570	241 360 601	50% 5%
59	Del Mar College	Texas	577	194 407 601	56% 4%
62	Long Beach City College	Calif.	544	196 393 589	61% 8%
63	Palomar College	Calif.	499	204 372 576	36% 15%
64	Sacramento City College	Calif.	480	212 363 575	46% 20%
64	Technical Career Institutes	N.Y.	564	374 201 575	83% 2%
66	Hinds Community College	Miss.	605	124 449 573	50% -5%
67	Mt. San Jacinto Community College District	Calif.	524	174 398 572	38% 9%
69	Sanita Monica College	Calif.	616	220 337 557	42% -10%
70	Suffolk County Community College	N.Y.	523	224 324 548	21% 5%
71	Bergen Community College	N.J.	457	224 321 545	37% 19%
72	American River College	Calif.	581	194 342 536	29% -6%
73	Prince George's Community College	Md.	566	173 359 532	61% -6%
75	Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts-Miami	Fla.	296	271 251 528	80% 78%
76	The Community College of Baltimore County	Md.	538	162 363 525	33% -2%
77	San Bernardino Valley College	Calif.	453	170 339 509	73% 12%
78	Ventura College	Calif.	481	167 333 500	47% 4%
79	Bakersfield College	Calif.	500	168 330 498	50% 0%
81	New Mexico State University-Dona Ana	N.M.	399	163 330 493	66% 24%
82	Citrus College	Calif.	430	181 305 486	51% 13%
83	Richland College	Texas	453	211 273 484	55% 7%
84	Kapiolani Community College	Hawaii	428	180 302 482	72% 13%
85	Hudson County Community College	N.J.	387	164 313 477	75% 23%
85	Cuyahoga Community College District	Ohio	561	102 375 477	29% -15%
87	Los Angeles Valley College	Calif.	500	175 301 476	54% -5%
88	SUNY Westchester Community College	N.Y.	456	176 297 473	45% 4%
89	Allan Hancock College	Calif.	472	156 311 467	48% -1%
90	Los Angeles Pierce College	Calif.	476	166 299 465	50% -2%
91	Chabot College	Calif.	488	145 311 456	65% -7%
92	Austin Community College District	Texas	372	154 289 443	35% 19%
93	Monroe Community College	N.Y.	446	157 283 440	18% -1%
94	Victor Valley College	Calif.	399	152 286 438	43% 10%
95	Middlesex Community College	N.J.	368	178 256 434	39% 12%
96	Mesa Community College	Ariz.	376	155 277 432	25% 15%
99	Phoenix College	Ariz.	358	147 283 430	55% 20%
100	Cypress College	Calif.	395	153 273 426	56% 8%
<b>Four-Year Institutions</b>					
1	Miami Dade College	Fla.	5776	2334 3959 6293	84% 9%
2	University of Phoenix-Online Campus	Ariz.	2256	1456 3565 5021	21% 123%
3	Broward College	Fla.	2462	751 1356 2117	54% -14%
6	American InterContinental University-Online	Ill.	1602	591 1280 1871	37% 17%
7	Colorado Technical University-Online	Colo.	630	657 1057 1714	33% 172%
12	South Texas College	Texas	1707	486 926 1412	95% -17%
15	Keiser University-Fl. Lauderdale	Fla.	1208	347 927 1274	48% 5%
18	Palm Beach Community College	Fla.	978	302 696 998	38% 2%
28	Florida State College at Jacksonville	Fla.	862	270 642 912	28% 6%
29	Monroe College-Main Campus	N.Y.	1008	230 672 902	96% -11%
31	ECPI College of Technology	Va.	827	293 558 851	49% 3%
39	Excelsior College	N.Y.	598	342 423 765	26% 28%
40	The Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising-Los Angeles	Calif.	645	74 680 754	36% 17%
51	CUNY New York City College of Technology	N.Y.	686	268 423 691	79% 1%
53	College of Southern Nevada	Nev.	683	220 388 608	36% -8%
61	Santa Fe College	Fla.	573	270 323 593	21% 3%
68	Robert Morris University-Illinois	Ill.	653	153 416 569	57% -13%
74	Everest University-South Orlando	Fla.	141	64 465 529	61% 275%
79	St. Petersburg College	Fla.	449	153 345 498	17% 11%
95	Fashion Institute of Technology	N.Y.	403	83 349 432	22% 7%
96	Strayer University	D.C.	383	96 336 432	62% 13%

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# ASSOCIATE DEGREES: All Disciplines — Non-Minority

2009 RANK	INSTITUTION	STATE	2007-2008		PRELIMINARY 2008-2009		PERCENT CHANGE
			TOTAL		TOTAL		
Two-Year Institutions							
4	Valencia Community College	Fla.	2234	1080	1605	2685	52% 20%
5	Salt Lake Community College	Utah	2433	1238	1217	2455	82% 1%
9	Monroe Community College	N.Y.	1850	841	1170	2011	81% 9%
10	Brevard Community College	Fla.	1736	738	1124	1862	83% 7%
11	Suffolk County Community College	N.Y.	1974	730	1111	1841	70% -7%
13	Macomb Community College	Mich.	1686	729	983	1712	72% 2%
14	Sierra College	Calif.	1742	662	1033	1695	75% -3%
15	Kirkwood Community College	Iowa	1707	740	930	1670	88% -2%
17	San Joaquin Delta College	Calif.	874	513	1062	1575	76% 80%
19	Northern Virginia Community College	Va.	1472	660	877	1537	48% 4%
20	Nassau Community College	N.Y.	1710	716	816	1532	57% -10%
21	Hillsborough Community College	Fla.	1399	559	970	1529	62% 9%
21	Tallahassee Community College	Fla.	1470	763	766	1529	65% 4%
24	Tarrant County College District	Texas	1372	569	940	1509	63% 10%
26	Erie Community College	N.Y.	1460	705	750	1455	81% 0%
27	Tidewater Community College	Va.	1450	534	918	1452	83% 0%
28	Harrisburg Area Community College-Harrisburg	Penn.	1399	423	1024	1447	84% 3%
29	Tulsa Community College	Okla.	1636	472	906	1378	80% -16%
31	Oakland Community College	Mich.	1493	495	861	1356	77% -9%
32	Ivins Community College	Utah	1285	506	1072	1348	71% 5%
33	Lone Star College System	Texas	1402	418	925	1343	55% -4%
34	University of Wisconsin Colleges	Wisc.	1266	593	739	1332	93% 5%
35	Pima Community College	Ariz.	1410	527	775	1302	58% -8%
36	Pensacola Junior College	Fla.	1211	473	818	1291	80% 7%
38	Hudson Valley Community College	N.Y.	1397	694	585	1279	81% -8%
39	Brookdale Community College	N.J.	1359	534	742	1276	80% -6%
40	Community College of Allegheny County	Penn.	1300	457	818	1275	77% -2%
41	Sinclair Community College	Ohio	1337	535	727	1262	78% -6%
42	College of DuPage	Ill.	1127	537	716	1253	77% 11%
43	Mesa Community College	Ariz.	1215	518	720	1238	72% 2%
45	Seminole Community College	Fla.	958	469	756	1225	72% 28%
46	Columbus State Community College	Ohio	1194	504	720	1224	74% 3%
47	Des Moines Area Community College	Iowa	1373	531	663	1194	75% -13%
48	Southeast Community College Area	Iowa	1211	712	481	1193	80% -1%
49	Grand Rapids Community College	Mich.	1255	537	649	1186	94% -5%
54	American River College	Calif.	1171	392	726	1118	60% -5%
56	Cuyahoga Community College District	Ohio	1166	362	750	1112	68% -5%
57	Central Texas College	Texas	1131	733	372	1105	46% -2%
60	Lansing Community College	Mich.	1019	372	710	1082	77% 6%
64	Ocean County College	N.J.	906	432	613	1045	85% 15%
65	Illinois Central College	Ill.	1101	414	629	1043	90% -5%
66	Owens Community College	Ohio	1041	422	619	1041	85% 0%
68	Schoolcraft College	Mich.	875	406	613	1019	82% 16%
69	Moraine Valley Community College	Ill.	1053	402	609	1011	81% -4%
70	Delta College	Mich.	1090	430	571	1001	85% -8%
71	Coastline Community College	Calif.	593	791	197	988	51% 67%
72	San Jacinto Community College	Texas	992	381	605	987	54% -1%
73	Community College of Rhode Island	R.I.	951	318	652	970	77% 2%
74	Southwestern Illinois College	Ill.	1063	402	561	963	86% -9%
75	The Community College of Baltimore County	Md.	1058	367	593	960	61% -9%
76	Milwaukee Area Technical College	Wisc.	956	385	574	959	69% 0%
77	Reynolds Community College	Calif.	838	343	615	958	38% 14%
78	Camden County College	N.J.	938	364	590	954	70% 2%
81	Northwest Wisconsin Technical College	Wisc.	849	354	591	945	93% 11%
82	Polymer College	Calif.	889	397	536	933	58% 5%
83	Houston Community College	Texas	698	375	554	929	34% 33%
85	Ozarks Technical Community College	Mo.	861	351	569	920	94% 7%
86	Joliet Junior College	Ill.	817	367	542	909	82% 11%
87	Harper College	Ill.	891	383	525	908	71% 2%
88	Lorain County Community College	Ohio	860	303	604	907	86% 5%
89	CUNY Kingsborough Community College	N.Y.	834	358	544	902	47% 8%
90	Clark College	Wash.	863	350	547	897	80% 4%
91	Bluegrass Community and Technical College	Ken.	740	356	534	890	84% 20%
92	Mott Community College	Mich.	724	294	584	878	66% 21%
93	Collin County Community College District	Texas	847	349	528	877	72% 4%
94	Anne Arundel Community College	Md.	847	299	576	875	72% 3%
95	County College of Morris	N.J.	877	377	494	871	78% -1%
96	Parkland College	Ill.	796	355	512	867	88% 9%
97	Oklahoma City Community College	Okla.	723	338	528	866	74% 20%
99	Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College	Miss.	815	297	558	855	70% 5%
99	Spokane Community College	Wash.	871	345	509	854	81% -2%
99	Bergen Community College	N.J.	855	347	507	854	58% 0%
Four-Year Institutions							
1	University of Phoenix-Online Campus	Ariz.	5706	4084	8214	12298	52% 116%
2	Colorado Technical University-Online	Colo.	1235	1351	1994	3345	64% 171%
3	American InterContinental University-Online	Ill.	2462	935	1834	2769	55% 11%
6	St. Petersburg College	Fla.	2263	826	1475	2301	79% 2%
7	Santa Fe College	Fla.	2096	935	1183	2118	77% 1%
8	Florida State College at Jacksonville	Fla.	2162	752	1336	2088	65% -3%
12	Excelsior College	N.Y.	1496	659	1141	1800	62% 20%
16	Broward College	Fla.	1997	637	959	1596	41% -20%
18	Palm Beach Community College	Fla.	1521	595	963	1558	59% 2%
23	Daytona State College	Fla.	1226	529	987	1516	80% 24%
24	Utah Valley University	Utah	1582	811	698	1509	91% -5%
30	Keiser University-FL Lauderdale	Fla.	1396	403	971	1374	52% -2%
37	Indiana River State College	Fla.	1179	486	801	1287	74% 9%
44	Weber State University	Utah	1128	496	739	1235	67% 9%
50	Fashion Institute of Technology	N.Y.	1017	107	1050	1157	60% 14%
51	Edison State College	Fla.	967	397	742	1139	74% 18%
52	Brigham Young University-Idaho	Idaho	827	289	844	1133	94% 37%
53	Bellevue College	Wash.	995	455	677	1132	69% 14%
55	The Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising-Los Angeles	Calif.	1001	75	1040	1115	53% 11%
58	Vincennes University	Ind.	1009	687	430	1089	84% 9%
59	State College of Florida-Manatee-Sarasota	Fla.	1067	401	589	1082	81% 3%
60	Johnson & Wales University	R.I.	931	493	589	1082	62% 16%
62	Miami Dade College	Fla.	1186	440	625	1065	14% -10%
63	Northwest Florida State College	Fla.	923	422	632	1054	78% 14%
67	Madison Area Technical College	Wisc.	1111	389	637	1026	84% -8%
79	Pennsylvania College of Technology	Penn.	1063	627	326	953	97% -10%
80	College of Southern Nevada	Nev.	897	343	609	952	57% 6%
84	Full Sail University	Fla.	900	822	102	924	68% 3%





# ASSOCIATE DEGREES: All Disciplines — African American



# ASSOCIATE DEGREES: All Disciplines — American Indian

2009 RANK	INSTITUTION	STATE	2007-2008 TOTAL	2007-2008 MEN	2007-2008 WOMEN	2008-2009 TOTAL	2008-2009 MEN	2008-2009 WOMEN	PERCENT CHANGE
<b>Two-Year Institutions</b>									
6	Central Texas College	Texas	889	462	347	809	333	476	-9%
7	Wayne County Community College District	Mich.	773	136	642	778	66%	1%	
8	Community College of Philadelphia	Penn.	727	161	584	745	41%	2%	
9	CUNY Borough of Manhattan Community College	N.Y.	707	225	507	732	31%	4%	
10	Houston Community College	Texas	620	210	517	727	27%	17%	
14	CUNY Kingsborough Community College	N.Y.	518	161	385	546	29%	5%	
15	Idaho State Community College	Idaho	485	140	403	543	23%	12%	
16	Valencia Community College	Fla.	491	189	352	541	11%	10%	
17	Hinds Community College	Miss.	585	116	407	523	45%	-11%	
18	Georgia Perimeter College	Fla.	523	131	367	498	33%	-5%	
19	Tallahassee Community College	Fla.	475	171	316	487	21%	3%	
22	Nassau Community College	N.Y.	395	154	303	457	17%	16%	
23	Prince George's Community College	Md.	489	139	317	456	69%	-7%	
24	Montgomery College	Md.	418	280	157	437	25%	5%	
25	ASA Institute of Business and Computer Technology	N.Y.	417	72	356	428	44%	3%	
26	The Community College of Baltimore County	Md.	423	110	301	411	26%	-3%	
27	Cuyahoga Community College District	Ohio	462	79	325	404	25%	-13%	
28	Northern Virginia Community College	Va.	334	155	247	402	13%	20%	
29	Essex County College	N.J.	425	122	279	401	43%	-6%	
32	Hillborough Community College	Fla.	328	106	241	347	14%	6%	
35	CUNY Bronx Community College	N.Y.	265	104	223	327	40%	23%	
36	Pulaski Technical College	Ark.	240	58	260	326	46%	36%	
38	Coastline Community College	Calif.	202	218	97	315	16%	56%	
39	Tarrant County College District	Texas	287	90	222	312	13%	9%	
40	Baltimore City Community College	Md.	306	65	244	309	70%	1%	
40	Southwest Tennessee Community College	Tenn.	358	73	236	309	51%	-14%	
42	Fayetteville Technical Community College	N.C.	273	59	244	303	37%	11%	
43	Midlands Technical College	S.C.	277	77	215	292	32%	5%	
45	Columbus State Community College	Ohio	250	93	189	282	17%	13%	
47	CUNY LaGuardia Community College	N.Y.	245	72	196	268	17%	9%	
48	Lone Star College System	Texas	254	68	199	287	11%	5%	
49	Delgado Community College	La.	252	45	218	263	30%	4%	
50	Milwaukee Area Technical College	Wis.	224	59	202	261	19%	17%	
51	Monroe Community College	N.Y.	260	80	177	257	10%	-1%	
52	East Mississippi Community College	Miss.	293	75	181	256	61%	-13%	
53	Technical Career Institutes	N.Y.	268	160	91	251	36%	-6%	
55	Erie Community College	N.Y.	214	83	159	242	13%	13%	
56	Holmes Community College	Miss.	211	65	174	239	38%	13%	
57	City Colleges of Chicago-Olive-Harvey College	Ill.	193	45	192	237	86%	23%	
58	Camden County College	N.J.	223	66	168	234	17%	5%	
59	CUNY Queensborough Community College	N.Y.	258	91	140	231	20%	-10%	
63	Central Piedmont Community College	N.C.	208	58	168	226	21%	9%	
65	City Colleges of Chicago-Malcolm X College	Ill.	180	48	170	218	68%	21%	
66	Northwest Mississippi Community College	Miss.	185	50	165	215	29%	16%	
66	Henry Ford Community College	Mich.	195	47	166	213	17%	9%	
69	Atlanta Metropolitan College	Ga.	171	63	146	209	92%	22%	
70	City Colleges of Chicago-Kennedy-King College	Ill.	96	47	160	207	82%	16%	
72	Trident Technical College	S.C.	219	54	150	204	18%	-7%	
73	Copiah-Lincoln Community College	Miss.	191	57	143	200	40%	5%	
73	Piedmont Technical College	S.C.	176	44	156	200	34%	14%	
75	Lincoln Technical Institute-Philadelphia	Penn.	177	161	38	199	54%	12%	
77	South Suburban College	Ill.	206	31	166	197	55%	-4%	
77	Community College of Allegheny County	Penn.	232	44	153	197	12%	-15%	
77	Oakland Community College	Mich.	248	49	148	197	11%	-24%	
81	Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College	Miss.	238	54	142	196	16%	-18%	
82	SUNY Westchester Community College	N.Y.	160	67	128	195	18%	22%	
82	Southern University at Shreveport	La.	204	40	155	195	81%	-4%	
84	Dekalb Technical College	Ga.	168	47	146	193	73%	15%	
84	Los Angeles Southwest College	Calif.	274	44	149	193	67%	-30%	
84	J Sargeant Reynolds Community College	Va.	177	32	161	193	27%	9%	
84	Coahoma Community College	Miss.	194	41	152	193	96%	-1%	
88	Mott Community College	Mich.	177	47	144	191	14%	8%	
91	Revere Community College	Calif.	193	60	129	189	8%	-2%	
92	Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts-Atlanta	Ga.	189	93	94	187	45%	-1%	
92	Lawson State Community College-Birmingham Campus	Ala.	215	40	147	187	80%	-13%	
95	Quinnipiac Technical Community College	Conn.	187	46	140	186	22%	-1%	
97	Thomas Nelson Community College	Va.	187	43	142	185	26%	-1%	
98	San Luis Community College-Forest Park	Mo.	150	34	148	182	34%	21%	
100	Cincinnati State Technical and Community College	Ohio	165	34	144	178	17%	8%	
<b>Four-Year Institutions</b>									
1	University of Phoenix-Online Campus	Ariz.	1314	712	2276	2988	13%	127%	
2	Miami Dade College	Fla.	1341	404	895	1299	17%	-3%	
3	American International University-Online	Ill.	1114	361	928	1289	26%	16%	
4	Colorado Technical University-Online	Colo.	415	409	761	1170	22%	182%	
5	Broward College	Fla.	1129	290	632	922	24%	-18%	
11	ECPI College of Technology	Va.	689	237	481	718	41%	4%	
12	Florida State College at Jacksonville	Fla.	553	144	424	568	18%	3%	
13	Keiser University-Fl. Lauderdale	Fla.	577	129	437	566	21%	-2%	
20	Excelsior College	N.Y.	359	194	272	466	16%	30%	
21	Palm Beach Community College	Fla.	485	130	334	464	17%	-4%	
30	Monroe College-Main Campus	N.Y.	463	97	302	499	42%	-14%	
31	Strayer University	D.C.	341	84	310	394	56%	16%	
33	CUNY Medgar Evers College	N.Y.	342	68	277	345	88%	1%	
34	CUNY New York City College of Technology	N.Y.	352	104	233	337	38%	-4%	
37	Saint Leo University	Fla.	342	149	172	321	39%	-6%	
44	Monroe College-New Rochelle	N.Y.	235	89	186	285	67%	21%	
46	Robert Morris University-Illinois	Ill.	331	64	211	275	27%	-17%	
54	Everest University-South Orlando	Fla.	56	27	219	248	28%	339%	
59	St. Petersburg College	Fla.	229	58	173	231	8%	1%	
61	Anthem College-Phoenix	Ariz.	255	35	195	230	20%	-10%	
62	National College-Salem	Va.	206	26	203	229	36%	11%	
64	Bauder College	Ga.	237	50	173	223	87%	-6%	
66	Florida Career College-Miami	Fla.	204	102	113	215	49%	5%	
70	Full Sail University	Fla.	180	174	33	207	15%	15%	
76	Indian River State College	Fla.	137	59	139	198	11%	45%	
77	Virginia College-Birmingham	Ala.	158	30	167	197	47%	25%	
88	Columbia College-Columbia	MO	192	71	120	191	19%	-1%	
90	Santa Fe College	Fla.	187	68	122	190	7%	2%	
92	Touro College	N.Y.	210	24	163	187	24%	-11%	
95	Troy University	Ala.	164	51	135	186	42%	13%	
99	Daytona State College	Fla.	136	44	135	179	9%	32%	

Source: Community College Week Analysis of U.S. Department of Education Data

2009 RANK	INSTITUTION	STATE	2007-2008 TOTAL	2007-2008 MEN	2007-2008 WOMEN	2008-2009 TOTAL	2008-2009 MEN	2008-2009 WOMEN	PERCENT CHANGE
<b>Two-Year Institutions</b>									
3	Tulsa Community College	Okl.	150	33	113	146	8%	-3%	
4	San Juan College	N.M.	93	51	80	131	31%	41%	
5	Carl Albert State College	Okl.	100	32	92	124	26%	24%	
6	University of New Mexico-Gallup Campus	N.M.	119	34	81	115	80%	-3%	
7	Connors State College	Okl.	70	23	70	93	30%	33%	
9	Central New Mexico Community College	N.M.	87	30	54	84	6%	-3%	
10	Robeson Community College	N.C.	70	14	66	80	43%	14%	
12	Oklahoma City Community College	Okl.	64	24	49	73	6%	14%	
13	United Tribes Technical College	N.D.	80	19	50	69	91%	-14%	
15	Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute	N.M.	38	27	41	68	100%	79%	
17	Northwestern Oklahoma A&M College	Okl.	73	24	40	64	20%	-12%	
18	Blackfoot Community College	Mont.	62	25	32	57	97%	-6%	
22	Eastern Oklahoma State College	Okl.	68	19	34	53	24%	-22%	
23	Northwestern Oklahoma College	Okl.	51	20	32	52	8%	2%	
26	Pima Community College	Ariz.	50	17	30	47	2%	-6%	
26	Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwa Community College	Wis.	43	13	34	47	87%	9%	
29	Universal Technical Institute of Arizona Inc.	Ariz.	39	41	4	45	4%	15%	
31	Northland Pioneer College	Ariz.	27	7	35	42	22%	56%	
31	Mesa Community College	Ariz.	36	15	27	42	2%	17%	
33	Seminole State College	Okl.	40	16	24	40	17%	0%	
33	Rose State College	Okla.	67	18	22	40	6%	-40%	
36	Phoenix College	Ariz.	30	10	27	37	5%	23%	
37	Navajo Technical College	N.M.	40	9	27	36	100%	-10%	
39	Central Texas College	Texas	31	19	16	35	1%	13%	
39	Pensacola Junior College	Fla.	23	16	19	35	2%	52%	
43	Cankdeska Cikana Community College	N.D.	19	7	26	33	92%	74%	
43	Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College	Minn.	44	9	24	33	18%	-25%	
45	Coastline Community College	Calif.	13	18	14	32	2%	146%	
46	Fort Peck Community College	Mont.	31	11	20	31	97%	0%	
47	Salt Lake Community College	Utah	23	16	14	30	1%	30%	
47	Hinds Community College	Miss.	2	2	28	30	3%	1400%	
50	Coconino Community College	Ariz.	27	7	22	29	18%	-19%	
50	Fayetteville Technical Community College	N.C.	27	7	22	29	4%	7%	
50	Butte College	Calif.	13	13	16	29	3%	123%	
50	Northeast Wisconsin Technical College	Wis.	20	6	23	29	3%	45%	
50	Fort Berthold Community College	N.D.	24	11	18	29	94%	21%	
56	New Mexico State University-Grants	N.M.	33	11	17	28	43%	-15%	
57	Scottsdale Community College	Ariz.	27	8	19	27	3%	0%	
59	Leech Lake Tribal College	Minn.	10	10	16	26	90%	160%	
59	Northern Virginia Community College	Va.	47	7	19	26	1%	-45%	
59	Spokane Community College	Wash.	14	13	13	26	2%	85%	
62	John C. Calhoun State Community College	Ala.	25	10	15	25	4%	0%	
64	Mt. San Jacinto Community College District	Calif.	21	6	17	23	2%	10%	
64	Stone Child College	Mont.	34	4	19	23	100%	-32%	
64	Little Big Horn College	Mont.	37	6	17	23	96%	-38%	
67	Portland Community College	Ore.	10	6	16	22	1%	120%	
67	American River College	Calif.	22	4	18	22	1%	0%	
67	Southwestern Community College-Sylva	N.C.	17	7	15	22	8%	28%	
67	Fort Belknap College	Mont.	15	6	16	22	92%	47%	



# Residents asking St. Lucie to keep two libraries open



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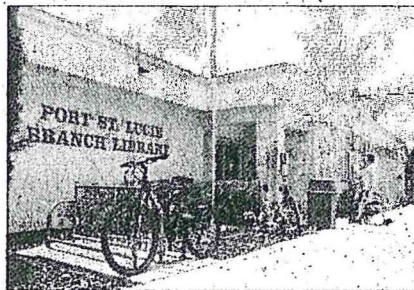
Sue Buckland of Indian River Estates in Fort Pierce searches for books among the shelves of the St. Lucie County Library System's Port St. Lucie Branch Library on Thursday. The library on Prima Vista Boulevard and the Zora Neale Hurston Branch Library in Fort Pierce face temporary closure.

BY SUSAN BURGESS  
Correspondent

**ST. LUCIE COUNTY** — The county's plan to temporarily close two of the county's libraries until the economy improves has some residents begging for reduced days instead.

"Reading is now my only recreation, and if they close the Port St. Lucie Library, I will lose that because I can't drive that far. There are a lot of people who depend on this library," said Carmen Zweiback, 81. "We would be so happy with just one or two days a week. Maybe close the Morningside Library just one day and send the staff up to the Port St. Lucie Library at Prima Vista."

She lives north of Prima Vista, where the library, which opened in 1971, is located in one of the oldest sections of Port St. Lucie, and serves a lot of senior citizens. Her husband,



The Port St. Lucie Branch Library is on Prima Vista Boulevard.

Louis, is 88 and no longer drives. She reads four books a week.

The County Commission still is trying to figure out how to cut its budget for next year. Closing two of the five libraries and the St. Lucie County Regional History Center are only part of the proposed solutions.

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## LIBRARY USAGE

### BOOKS AND OTHER MATERIALS CHECKED OUT IN 2009

Library	Annual	Monthly (average)
Fort Pierce	212,496	17,708
Morningside	240,882	20,073
PSL	145,817	12,151
Lakewood	93,819	7,818
Hurston	21,596	1,792

### COMPUTER INTERNET SESSIONS: 2009

Library	Annual	Monthly (average)
Fort Pierce (15 PCs)	62,642	5,220
Morningside (12 PCs)	48,336	4,028
PSL (6 PCs)	24,369	2,030
Lakewood (18 PCs)	24,944	2,078
Hurston (20 PCs)	52,308	4,359



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The commission meets again at 1:30 p.m. Monday for more discussion.

The other library that could be closed for at least a year is the Zora Neale Hurston branch on North 29th Street and Avenue D, next to Indian River State College's campus.

Residents from the Lincoln Park neighborhood are planning to ask the county commissioners if there is a way to keep it open at least a few days a week, said Linda Henderson, chairman of the Zora Neale Hurston Committee.

"We had a meeting ... (Monday) and we were talking about it then," she said. "The library is crucial to our community. People can walk to it, and children can ride their bicycles to it. There is just no substitute for having a library here in the community where people can use it. The computers in the library get a lot of use and they are very important to the community."

The Hurston branch opened in 1991 and is named for famed black author Zora Neale Hurston, who lived in Fort Pierce in her later years, taught at Lincoln Park Academy for a short time and was buried 50 years ago at Sarah's Memorial Garden.

Susan Jacob, head of the county library system, said the proposed closures were suggested by region rather than by usage statistics.

"We would have one open in the northern county at Lakewood Park, one in Fort Pierce, and one in Port St. Lucie," she said. "It just makes good geographic sense. The plan is that this is

a temporary closing. We're not saying there won't be hardships."

One of the options available to residents is the library's "books by mail" program, she said.

The recent reduction in hours for all of the county's libraries were to make up for the loss of almost a third of the system's staff through retirement and a hiring freeze since 2008, rather than being a way to save money, she said. Closing the two libraries would save about \$818,400, even though the temperature and humidity levels would have to be maintained to prevent mold and mildew damage to the collections.

Computer use in both libraries is high, she said.

"Part of the reason may be that some people can't afford Internet service at home anymore," she said. "We would be looking at whether we can move the computers to libraries that are open."

Commission Chairman Charles Grande said the commissioners already were trying to see if volunteers could be used to keep the libraries open, and have yet to make a firm decision on whether to close the libraries.

"I know people are upset about this," he said. "I plan to ask for a review of where we stand on this and whether those two libraries can be kept open one or two days a week. I don't see anything wrong with just having the same staff in a different library once or twice a week."

Carmen Zwieback said she has her fingers crossed.

"I usually go to the library twice a week," she said. "It's my lifeline."



# Attorney seeks school board seat

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ST. LUCIE COUNTY — As a candidate for the School Board District 1 seat, Travis Walker wants to bring a new vision, he said last week.

Mr. Walker, a Port St. Lucie resident who is an attorney, said he decided to run because the school district is important to the community.

The school district impacts virtually everything in the county, he said.

Previously, he ran unsuccessfully for Port St. Lucie City Council.

He is seeking to replace Judi Miller on the school board. Other candidates are Deborah Johnson Hawley, Kerryane T. Monahan, Sandy June Krischke, Walter J. Wyckoff Sr. and Ghanzanfar Saed.

If elected, Mr. Walker said one of his goals is increasing accountability.

In that regard, the district administration should interfere less with the jobs of teachers and principals.

Central administrators should let them do their jobs, he said.

Mr. Walker also would work to make the schools safer, he said. The district

needs to be proactive in that, he said.

"Keeping our children safe is a top priority," Mr. Walker added.

The district also needs to better prepare students for current realities in the job market, he said.

It used to be that getting a high school diploma was enough, he said.

"We need to start the mindset that it's not K-12, it's K-16," he said.

Educators need to work to create a mindset among students that they should go onto college if they want to, he said.

The district also needs stronger relationships with Indian River State College and Florida Atlantic University, he said.

By working closer with FAU and IRSC, the district can better "prepare our students for this knowledge-based economy," he said.

In regard to the job Superintendent of Schools



Walker

Michael Lannon is doing, Mr. Walker said that as an employee of the district, Mr. Lannon "should have a full evaluation like any other employee."

Last week, Mr. Walker issued a statement criticizing Mr. Lannon for comparing the state's delay in releasing FCAT scores to the state education department's equivalent of BP's oil disaster.

"The terrible consequence to the environment, economy and people affected by this catastrophe cannot be equaled to the delay of test scores. The statement is another example of the over-the-top rhetoric parents, teachers and citizens are fed up with," he said. "I strongly encourage Superintendent Lannon to be more responsible with his comments."

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Mr. Walker obtained

his law degree from Florida Coastal School of Law in Jacksonville. He's

treasurer of the Port St. Lucie Sunset Rotary Club, served as vice president of the Port St. Lucie Bar Association and was a member of the Port St. Lucie Planning and Zoning Board, the Economic Growth Team of Port St. Lucie and the Port St. Lucie Area Council for the St. Lucie Chamber of Commerce

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## Russ Lemmon: Does boycott of BP hit the right target?

By Russ Lemmon

Saturday, June 26, 2010

Eight bite-size Lemmon Drops to nibble on while waiting for the "Eclipse" buzz to subside:

- Upon arriving at work Friday morning, I went into the lunchroom to put something in the refrigerator. As is usually the case, the television was tuned to The Weather Channel.

Instead of hearing about the forecast highs from around the country, though, I heard a woman telling viewers about the daily poll.

Friday's question: "Are you boycotting BP?"

It wasn't the type of poll I would expect from The Weather Channel. One might assume any question would be, um, you know, weather-related.

I certainly understand why Americans would boycott British Petroleum — after all, BP is responsible for the unfathomable, yet-to-be-contained oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. There isn't a BP station on my daily driving route, so I haven't been faced with making a conscious decision about a personal boycott.

If you haven't been faced with that dilemma, perhaps you will on your summer vacation.

Right now, I'm leaning against a boycott.

Here's why: BP stations are operated by locals — whether they live in Fellsmere or Flagstaff, Sebastian or St. Paul, Vero Beach or Virginia Beach.

So if the boycott works, and BP is forced to close various gas stations, who are we hurting more, BP or the locals who worked there?

BP is paying for the clean-up in the Gulf. The cost reportedly has passed the \$1 billion mark.



I'd be far more inclined to boycott BP if it were shirking responsibility for the clean-up. But that's not the case.

- In a column earlier this month, I quoted County Commissioner Gary Wheeler as saying he agrees, philosophically, with the national tea party movement. However, he believes the tea party should stay out of local races.

The Indian River Tea Party used what Wheeler said as the basis for an e-mail survey of its members, asking if it should get involved in any national, state or local races.

"The Executive Committee of the Indian River Tea Party wishes to hear your viewpoint," the e-mail said.

I'll be surprised, but not stunned, if it gets involved in any local race.

- Kudos to the city of Vero Beach for doing the major weeding job on the new medians on State Road A1A when a company in the private sector failed to deliver.

- Taren Stage, the teen who pleaded no contest to charges that he called in multiple bomb threats to Vero Beach High School, was sentenced Thursday to three years in a juvenile detention boot camp.

Just right, if you ask me.

- Friday's "tweet" on Twitter: "Don't know about you, but I've got a bad case of Orange Barrel Fatigue. Is the construction on U.S. 1 and State Road 60 ever going to end?"

- Three of the four Republican candidates for the District 29 seat in the Florida House of Representatives met with the editorial board of Scripps Treasure Coast Newspapers on Thursday. They are seeking to succeed State Rep. Ralph Poppell, R-Vero Beach.

What impressed me about this trio — Rob Dale, Tom Goodson and Erin Grall — is that they didn't attack each other. It's going to be a very interesting race to watch, as it's an unusually strong field.

- Goodson, who lives in Brevard County, did have one misstep. He referred to Indian River State College, which offers four-year degrees, as "Indian River Junior College."

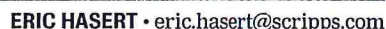
Other than that, I got the sense the other candidates believe Goodson is their toughest competition in the Aug. 24 election.

- Joe Liguori, who e-mails me on a regular basis, reported he came close to having a stroke recently. His doctor came through with the right dosage of medication. The next day, he felt fine.

"A lesson," he said. "Only the good die young. ... I am 82."



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## TWINS

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people open," Negar said.

Not surprisingly, Negin isn't interested in blood and gore either.

"When they had to take blood from me, I almost ran from the room," Negin added.

Their personalities are distinct, yet noticeably fluid.

"Negin is more relaxed and outgoing. Negar is more quiet and disciplined," Shideh said. "But one would exhibit a certain behavior for a while and the other just the opposite. Then it will reverse. It's common among twins."

She said she can tell her girls apart only in person.

"On the phone I have to ask, 'Are you Negin, or Negar?'" Shideh said.

Wearing identical caps and gowns, the twins had trouble identifying each

other in their graduation pictures.

"They were saying 'Is this me? Is this you?' We had to start looking at the numbers on the photos," Shideh said.

Although a lot of high school graduates lounge pool-side before launching into college courses in the fall, the twins are going to summer school.

"We're taking organic chemistry. The more classes we take now, the less we have to take later," Negin said.



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## Martin County valedictorians looking forward to college

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**MARTIN COUNTY** — After four years of drudgery, discipline and determination, five valedictorians from Martin County high schools are looking forward to the beginning of their college years.

Many of these students are planning to go to Ivy League schools. These top scholars are studying business, law, science, mathematics and music. And their grade-point averages all topped 4.0 because of weighted grades for special classes such as honors and International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement and college courses.

The Pine School and the Clark Advanced Learning Center had their graduation

ceremonies in late May and Martin County's three traditional public high schools had their ceremonies the week of June 7.

Here are the Class of 2010's top students:



**JALENE  
HARAMIA**

**School:** Clark  
Advanced Learning  
Center  
**Age:** 18  
**GPA:** 6.4 weighted,

3.95 unweighted

**Plans after graduation:**

Deciding between University of West Florida in Pensacola and Northwood University in West Palm Beach; plans to study international relations and business



**GRACIE WILLERT**

**School:** Jensen  
Beach High School  
**Age:** 18  
**GPA:** 6.3 weighted,  
4.0 unweighted

**Plans after graduation:** Duke  
University in Durham, N.C., to study  
English and eventually law.



**MAX FRENKEL**

**School:** Martin  
County High School  
**GPA:** 6.31 weighted,  
4.0 unweighted  
**Age:** 18

**Plans after graduation:**

Dartmouth College to study biology  
and computer science; hopes to  
one day earn an MBA and work for  
a Fortune 500 company



**EMMA AKRAWI**

**School:** The Pine  
School  
**GPA:** 4.7 weighted,  
4.0 unweighted  
**Age:** 17

**Plans after  
graduation:** Yale University to  
study biology and/or music



**JAMIE HARRIS**

**School:** South Fork  
High School  
**Age:** 17  
**GPA:** 6.3 weighted,  
4.0 unweighted

**Plans after**

**Graduation:** Brown University  
to study applied mathematics and  
Spanish



# Indian River County valedictorians look forward to attending college

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**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY** — The top students of the Class of 2010 are more than just book smart. Jazz band, orchestra, tennis, swimming and academic teams are among the activities Indian River County's valedictorians list, in addition to grade-point averages that go well beyond straight A's.

This year's group of valedictorians all have at least a 4.5 GPA or higher. When computing grade-point averages, schools give students extra weight for honors, advanced placement and dual enrollment courses they take in high school.

Here is a look at Indian River County's valedictorians:

## SEBASTIAN RIVER HIGH SCHOOL

**Name:** Natalie Wolff  
**Age:** 18



**Birthplace:** Capetown, South Africa  
**Resident of:** Sebastian  
**Weighted GPA:** 4.7  
**Extracurricular activities:** Violin, tennis, swimming

**College:** Yale University

**Anticipated major:** Cognitive science, a mix of biology and psychology on the pre-med track

**Anticipated career:** Neurologist

## VERO BEACH HIGH SCHOOL



**Name:** Victoria Ashley Villar  
**Age:** 18  
**Birthplace:** Miami  
**Resident of:** Vero Beach  
**Weighted GPA:** 4.7

**Extracurricular activities:** Math team, Masterminds,

student government

**College:** Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**Anticipated major:** Physics

**Anticipated career:** Astrophysics, astronomer

## INDIAN RIVER CHARTER HIGH



**Name:** Luisa Herrera  
**Age:** 16

**Birthplace:** Colombia

**Resident of:** Vero Beach

**Weighted GPA:** 4.6

**Extracurricular activities:** Indian River State College Phi Theta Kappa honor society, National Honor Society, jazz band, volunteer tutor at Storm Grove Middle School, Saturday Spanish tutor

**College:** Indian River State College

**Anticipated major:** Dental hygienist program at IRSC, possibly biology

**Anticipated career:** Dentistry or medical field

**Interesting fact:** Herrera got her associate's degree from IRSC before she graduated from high school. She wanted to get into the nursing program, but doesn't yet meet the 18-year-old age requirement. Herrera started school in Colombia at a younger age than children in the United States. When she moved here, she continued in the same grade, even though she was younger.

## ST. EDWARD'S SCHOOL

**Name:** Eric Willett  
**Age:** 18  
**Birthplace:** Ithaca, N.Y.  
**Resident of:** Fort Pierce  
**Weighted GPA:** 4.6

**Extracurricular activities:**

Community orchestra, flute, Model United Nations, Mu Alpha Theta (math team) national and Florida state president



**College:** Yale University

**Anticipated major:** Economics and math, with international

studies

**Anticipated career:** Unsure, something that combines interests of math and international studies

**Interesting fact:** Being top of the class is a Willett tradition. Eric's older brother, Denis Willett, was the 2007 St. Edward's valedictorian, and his older sister, Nora Willett, was the 2008 St. Edward's salutatorian.

Staff writer Tyler Francischine contributed to this report.



# Health career students excel at state competition

6-9-10 Tribune-Your News

**BY JEAN PATTON - IRSC**  
YourNews contributor

Members of the Indian River State College Chapter of Health Occupations Students of American returned from the HOSA State Leadership Conference with four first-place awards.

HOSA is a national student organization that promotes career opportunities in the health care field.

All 13 IRSC students who attended the event in Orlando will be eligible to participate in the HOSA National Leadership Conference this month.

First-place "individual" winners: Lauren Mitchell,

Indian River County, Sports Medicine, and recipient of a \$90 scholarship; Ricky Sprafkin, Martin County, for Physical Therapy; Angela Vincent, St. Lucie County, for Medical Assisting.

First-place "team" winners: Public Service Announcement; Jessica Duffield, Okeechobee County; Rebecca Duffield,

Okeechobee County; and Nadeshna Janvier, St. Lucie County.

Second-place winners: Elia Lexine, St. Lucie County, for Sports Medicine; and Tim Rivera, Brevard County, for Physical Therapy.

Third-place winner: Leon Casabona, St. Lucie County, for Sports Medicine.

Third-place "team" winners: Creative Problem Solving, Anthony DeAmara, Brevard County; Mike Mead, St. Lucie County; Chelsey Neiman, St. Lucie County; and John Wilson, Brevard County.

IRSC offers four-year bachelor's degrees in Health Care Management, Nursing, Organizational

Management, Education, Public Safety Administration, as well as two-year associate's degrees and technical certificate programs.

For more information, contact the IRSC Call Center at (866) 792-4772 or [www.irsc.edu](http://www.irsc.edu).



Okeechobee News 6-11-10



Special to the Okeechobee News/IRSC

## Patient Care grads

Patient Care program graduates of Okeechobee at Indian River State College include: Michele Barkley, Charlene Smith, Monica Askins, Priscilla Orozco (left to right, front) Kellie Butler, Gary Lanser, Cheryl Smith R.N., Marian Avant (left to right, back) were awarded their Certificate of Completion for the 300-hour Patient Care Assistant program (PCA) at Indian River State College. The students took the program at the IRSC Dixon Hendry Campus in Okeechobee. Marbella Castaneda, Carolina Jose, Violet Marsden, Elvia Torres were not available for the picture. Tuition for these 12 students in the PCA program, including books and uniforms, was paid for from a Class-size Grant from Workforce Solutions.



## Contest

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phone.

"The issue really touches home with me and I'm passionate about it, so we decided that would be the focus of the video," she said.

Both students reviewed dozens of stories of victims and survivors of cell phone harassment before filming the video together.

Mr. Nowak took the lead in video editing, while Ms. Groves prepared the script.

"I'm more of the writer, but it was a challenge," Ms. Groves said.

"I took personal experiences and researched the other people's experiences and you really had to get into the mindset of these teenagers to understand how they felt," she said.

Mr. Nowak said the video was filmed inside the school's blackbox theatre and the props and lighting scheme were designed by students.

Videography is a passion of his, and one he plans to continue in the future.

He has been accepted into the Indian River State College digital media program and will be specializing in film. He also works with a local production company, Framework Productions, which recently

produced a music video for a Christian rap artist, JDUB.

"I was pretty excited to learn that our video was in the semi-finals," Mr. Nowak said.

"There were over 100 videos in the competition," he said.

The contest was open to students 14 to 24 and was created to offer hometown solutions to issues in a community.

Included among the VIP judges for the contest are Tom Brokaw, Yoko Ono and Kirk and Anrie Douglas.

Mr. Nowak said he recently emailed to find out when the finalists would be announced, but has not

received a confirmed date yet.

Until then, both students are content in knowing that an issue that has been a growing problem, but has largely gone unnoticed by the general public is finally going to get some attention.

The video quotes a statistic of one in four teens reporting a harassing text message within the past year. Local statistics were not available at press time.

*The students' video can be viewed directly at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=GvX-qywwV7cw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GvX-qywwV7cw), or by searching YouTube for "cell phone harassment" and "film your issue."*

## Hometown Students News 6-4-10 advance in YouTube contest

By Jessica Tuggle

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### INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

— A school project by two recent high-school graduates has earned global attention in an online contest.

The students entered a YouTube contest, "Film Your Issue 2010," earlier this year as a part of their last projects in a broadcast television class.

Curtis Nowak and Heather Groves' less than 3 minute-long video covered the topic of cell phone harassment.

Mr. Nowak and Ms. Groves, both of Indian River Charter High School, were notified earlier this month that their video had advanced to the semi-finals and would be evaluated by voters worldwide and a panel of celebrity judges.

"It was kind of a personal issue for me," said Ms. Groves.

She said she had experienced a form of cell phone harassment, eventually blocking a number from her

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# Martin woman scales 'Heights'

Alicia Tomasko of Palm City to make Broadway debut in Tony-winning musical

BY MARILYN BAUER

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**PALM CITY** — Alicia Tomasko is Broadway bound.

The Palm City resident is the newest cast member in the four-time Tony Award-winning musical "In the Heights." Her first day of rehearsals is Tuesday at the Richard Rogers Theatre.

"This has been my passion, my dream," she said. "Theater has been a big part of my life. I went to school, worked since I was 14 to pay for college, and Broadway called me. I can't believe those words are coming out of my mouth."

Tomasko, 21, is a slight brunette with a radiant smile, big brown eyes and electrifying energy. She is also determined.

"The only thing I have to do is find a place to live," she said before she left for New York on Sunday. "I have a four-week contract and if they keep me, then they will find me a place to live. Friends are now asking friends to help me. All I need is a couch and a bathroom. I am very low



File photo

Alicia Tomasko plays the part of Maureen in the musical "Rent" during rehearsals inside the Lyric Theatre in downtown Stuart in June 2007.

maintenance."

Originally from Bedford, Ohio, Tomasko has been on the Treasure Coast since she was 10 years old. She started taking dance, vocal and acting classes at StarStruck Performing Arts Center in Stuart before going on to Martin County High School where she continued her work in the theater.

"She got the Broadway part because she is super-talented," said Jennifer Jones, StarStruck's co-owner. "People in this business look for a triple threat (who can sing, dance and act), but they also want to see character; a positive attitude, a smiling face and someone who works very hard. I think she is going to go really far. This is only the beginning for her."

It was Jones who told Tomasko about the "In the Heights" audition in Fort Lauderdale and urged her to try out.

"I don't think there is any other kid on the Treasure Coast who has gone straight to Broadway," Jones said.

Tomasko has been hired as part of the ensemble cast, as well as understudy for the lead role of Vanessa.

After high school she went to college at Indian River State College working multiple jobs to cover her tuition. She also had to cope with her father, Gregg Tomasko's stage four lung cancer, which he is still undergoing treatment for.

"When I enrolled at IRSC people made fun of me — going to IRSC for theater, ha ha," she said. "So I am

happy for the school, too. I learned so much there, so much from (IRSC's Director of the Theater Department) David Moberg. It proves it doesn't matter where you go. If you work hard there will be a place for you."

"In the Heights" is the story of a Dominican-American Washington Heights neighborhood on the upper west side of New York. It is a heavy dance show similar to the mega-hit "Rent."

When Tomasko auditioned she was weak in the hip-hop/salsa dance area and was labeled a singer/actress with dance experience. When she danced for the creator of the show Lin-Manuel Miranda and director Thomas Kail, they told her she needed to work on her dancing and suggested she take a few classes in Miami to learn the moves.

Tomasko didn't have the money to take a class, so she asked friends and friends of friends to teach her dance steps and in one case traded voice lessons for instruction in hip-hop.

She was offered the job Thursday but had to delay her departure because she was starring in an IRSC show.

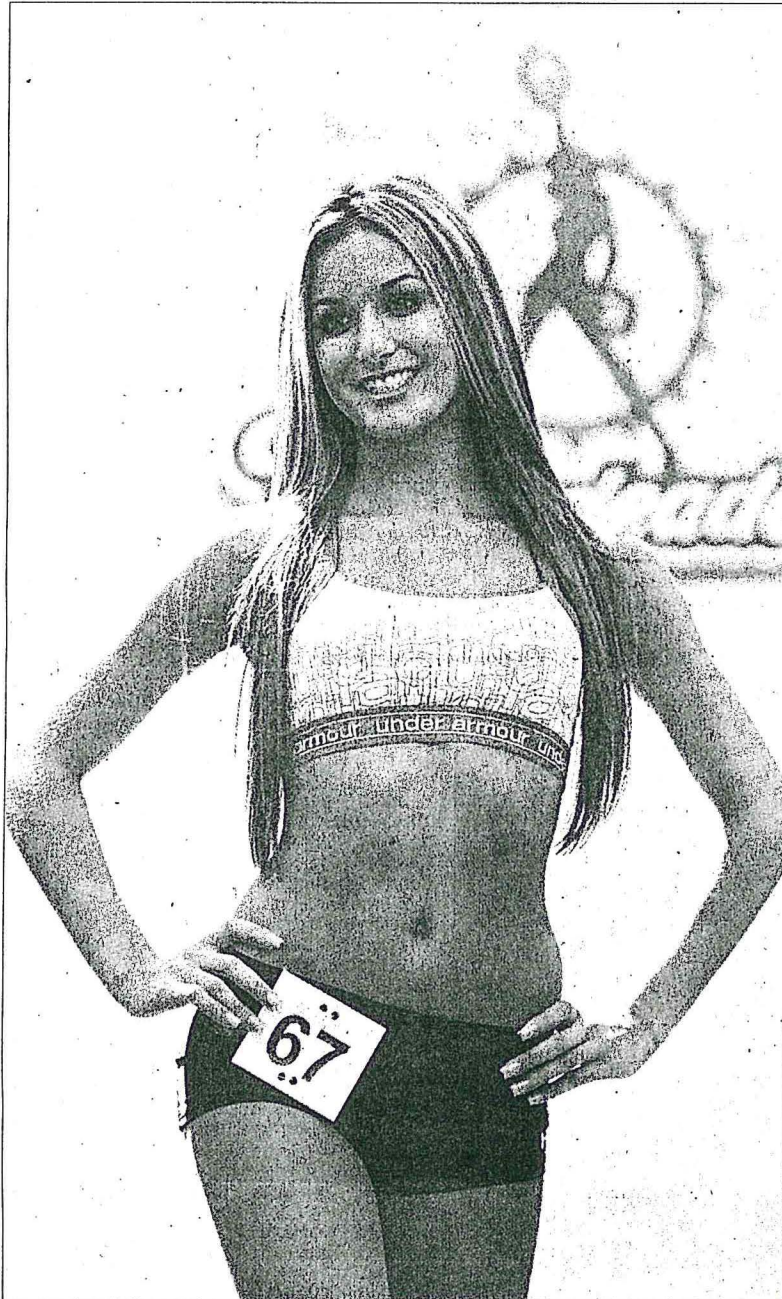
"It was so spontaneous," Tomasko said of her job on Broadway. "Dreams do come true. I never thought this would happen."



# Cheers!

Tribune 6-18-10

Port St. Lucie native fulfills dream of becoming Miami Dolphins cheerleader



Brianne Herndon of Port St. Lucie will be a 2010 Miami Dolphins cheerleader.

Photo provided

BY NINA G. WILLIS

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Brianne Herndon grew up watching the Miami Dolphins cheerleaders. Now, she will be with them on the sidelines, cheering on her favorite team.

"Ever since I was little I wanted to be a Dolphins cheerleader," said Herndon, a Port St. Lucie native. "My family had season passes to the games. I loved watching the cheerleaders; they always inspired me. I was waiting until I was 18 so I could try out and become a Dolphins cheerleader."

"It has always been a goal for me."

Herndon, along with 600 other hopefuls, showed up April 24 at Sun Life Stadium in Miami Gardens for the auditions. Only 76 made the initial cut and then started learning choreography and a kick routine.

"The auditions were intense and nerve-racking. You had to be on your game, but still have fun," said Herndon, who went through a professional interview and a week of clinics.

On May 8, she performed a solo routine at the finals at the Aventura Mall in front of nine judges and 8,000 mall viewers. The judges then selected the 2010 team and announced the new members' names.

As more and more names were announced, Herndon started getting nervous.

"It was scary. I thought, 'Uh-oh, I didn't get it,'" Herndon said.

With only two positions left to be filled in a 42-woman group, Herndon's name was called.

"Brianne is a beautiful fresh face to add to our 2010 rookie class. She is a talented dancer and captured the judges' attention with her personality," said Emily Newton, Dolphins cheerleading coordinator and director.

Herndon drives 200 miles three times a week for practices that last three hours. She leaves her house at 3 p.m. to avoid traffic, but most days she arrives early and chats with her new teammates.

Herndon said she has learned nine new dance routines.

Herndon was a cheerleader for three years at John Carroll High School in Fort Pierce. She recently visited the school to help out with cheerleader tryouts, and said she hopes to choreograph a future Rams routine.

Herndon attends Indian River State College and wants to major in fashion design, but dancing is what she loves.

"I could dance, dance, dance 24 hours, seven days a week. When we did the freestyle dance for the auditions that was my favorite," said Herndon, who dances ballet, hip-hop and tap.



*Tribune 6-4-10*

# Attorney joins race for School Board seat

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**PORT ST. LUCIE** — A Port St. Lucie attorney became the sixth candidate to file paperwork seeking the St. Lucie County School Board District 1 seat.

Travis Walker on Thursday filed candidacy papers to replace longtime School Board member Judi Miller, who announced she wouldn't run for a seventh consecutive term.

"I'm hoping to bring a new vision and perspective to the board," Walker said.

The nonpartisan School Board election is Aug. 24.

Other candidates in the District 1 race are Deborah Johnson Hawley, Kerryane Monahan, Sandy Krischke, Walter J. Wyckoff Sr. and Ghanfar Saeed.

Of the three School Board seats up for election this year, only one incumbent, District 5's Troy Ingersoll, is seeking re-election and is so far unopposed. Longtime board member John Carvelli is not running for another term for his District 3 seat. Five candidates are in the running for that seat.

If no candidate for a particular district seat gets more than 50 percent of the vote, a runoff will take place.

Walker, an attorney with the firm Weiss, Handler, Angelors & Cornwell, said he had a four-point action plan focusing on greater accountability, safer schools, preparing children for the 21st century workforce and providing greater cooperation with Indian River State College and Florida Atlantic University.

Walker moved to the county in 1996 and graduated from Port St. Lucie High School. He got his associate's degree from Indian River Community College and his bachelor's degree in political science from FAU. He earned his law degree from Florida Coastal School in Jacksonville.

Walker, 30, is vice president of the Port St. Lucie Bar Association, treasurer of the Port St. Lucie Sunset Rotary Club and a member of the St. Lucie County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Class. He was a board member of the Port St. Lucie Planning and Zoning Board, Port St. Lucie Area Council for the St. Lucie County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Growth Team of Port St. Lucie.

He and his wife, Anissa, have a 17-month-old son.

He ran unsuccessfully for the Port St. Lucie City Council in 2000 and 2002.



## ON THE MOVE

*Tribune 6-8-10*

### STUART

#### UF student Clark working at Yates

Alison Clark has joined Yates & Associates, Public Relations & Marketing, in Stuart as junior account executive this summer.



Clark

Clark is a 19-year-old junior majoring in marketing at the University of Florida. She is a native of Port St. Lucie, now living Gainesville. She was valedictorian of her senior class in 2009, and received her associate of arts degree from Indian River State College.

She will provide creative marketing solutions and help in new account development.

Clark is involved with Student Government Productions at UF. She volunteers with an after-school program in east Gainesville. She plans to study abroad next spring in Barcelona, Spain, and to pursue a master of arts in international business.

Staff report

#### *Stuart News 6-13-10* Sawyer makes dean's list at Indian River State

Brianna Sawyer, a junior at South Fork High School and enrolled in dual enrollment at Indian River State College, has made the Dean's list for the 2010 spring term, with a 3.72 grade point average. She also is a first lieutenant in the JROTC program, and a volunteer with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Martin County.

## *Okeech. News 6-16-10* Finance Academy honors student

The OHS Finance Academy wishes to proudly congratulate the 2009-2010 student of the year, Alayda Velasquez. Ms. Velasquez was recognized Tuesday, May 25, at awards night for her outstanding service



Alayda Velasquez

to the Academy over the last three years. "Alayda has been a wonderful asset to the Academy of Finance," Academy Director Daryl Roehm said. "She graduated with nearly all As in Academy courses, attended and helped coordinate

all Academy trips and fundraising events, worked tirelessly to help make Little Lake Bank a success, and has been a phenomenal mentor to other members." Alayda will be attending IRSC in the fall.

The Finance Academy is for those students wishing to pursue a career in the business world, with an emphasis on the finance industry. Students must pass a list of prescribed courses during their high school years, along with a paid internship. "Alayda along with the rest of the graduating members of the Academy, have worked extremely hard over the last three years to complete the program," Roehm continued. "I believe they all have successful careers awaiting them in the future."



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Alma Lee Loy's family: Tom Guy, Alma Lee Loy, sister Gwen Loy Guy, niece Gwenda Lee Loy, cousin Donna Morris and Eddie Morris

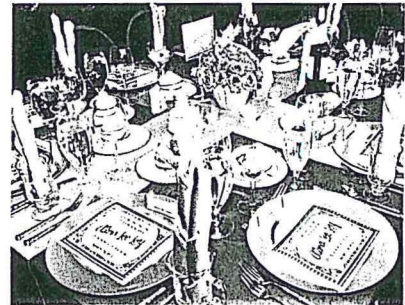


IRSC Foundation Executive Director Ann Decker, Roy Lambert, Honoree Alma Lee Loy and IRSC President Dr. Edwin Massey

## First Lady of Vero Beach Honored

The Dan K. Richardson Entrepreneurship Program, established by the Indian River State College Foundation, presented its *Entrepreneur of the Year Award* event March 18 at the IRSC Richardson Center.

Alma Lee Loy, the 2010 honoree, devoted the first 42 years of her career in Vero Beach to the successful operation of Alma Lee's Children's Clothing Center, and has dedicated much of her professional and personal life to preserving the history and environmental richness of our county. She has served and continues to serve on various non-profit boards and committees.





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# Gator Club gives away scholarships

**BY KYLE BALL**

YourNews contributor

The University of Florida's Treasure Coast Gator Club presented each of 17 worthy students with \$1,500 in scholarship money at a dinner at The Moorings on May 11.

The students from Indian River and St. Lucie counties were selected based on financial need and academic achievement and will attend University of Florida in Gainesville or IRSC in Fort Pierce.

Event speaker, Shane Matthews, who was the starting quarterback at UF from 1990 to 1992 under Coach Steve Spurrier, posed for photos with each of the scholarship recipients. Matthews related highlights from his college and pro football career and answered questions from the audience about the upcoming Gator football season.

The Treasure Coast Gator Club sponsors a variety of events throughout the year.

For more information, check the TCGC Web site at [www.tcgatorclub.com](http://www.tcgatorclub.com).

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**TREASURE COAST**

*Stuart News*  
6.27.10

## **IRSC fall registration starts July 8**

Registration for the fall semester at Indian River State College will begin on July 8 and fall classes will begin Aug. 23.

IRSC offers more than 150 programs with courses offered in convenient day and evening time frames and online.

Programs include associate in arts degrees for university transfer; associate in science degrees and technical certificates for career training and bachelor degree programs.

The Florida Board of Education recently approved IRSC to offer new bachelor's degree programs in Human Services, digital media and biology. Students may begin applying for these programs July 15.

The new programs will begin in January.

For more information, visit [www.irsc.edu](http://www.irsc.edu) or call (866) 792-4772.

Staff report

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**ST. LUCIE COUNTY** *FP Tribune 6-28-10*  
**Ham radio operators at IRSC  
this weekend for 24-hour event**

The Fort Pierce Amateur Radio Club and St. Lucie County Amateur Radio Emergency Service clubs will demonstrate amateur radio operating on emergency power systems Saturday and Sunday at the Indian River State College Public Safety Complex, 4600 Kirby Loop Road.

During this 24-hour event, operators will be attempting to contact as many other sites throughout the nation and world as possible.

The public is invited to see ham radio's capabilities and learn how to get your own FCC radio license.

There are more than 650,000 FCC licensed amateur radio operators in the United States and more than 2.5 million around the world.

To learn more about your local Amateur Radio activities, go to [www.fparc.net](http://www.fparc.net).

From staff reports

**FORT PIERCE** *Tribune 6-16-10*  
**Want to be a nail technician?**

The Indian River State College Institute of Cosmetology and Barbering is offering the opportunity for students to become nail technicians in just one summer. Anyone age 16 or older who wants to prepare for certification as a nail technician can register for courses offered by The IRSC Institute of Cosmetology and Barbering at their new location at 2401 S. 29th Street, just east of the IRSC Main Campus in Fort Pierce. The IRSC Institute of Cosmetology and Barbering also houses a full-service salon.

All work is supervised by licensed professionals currently working in local salons.

The Institute is open for appointments Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information on the nail technician program or to make an appointment, call (772) 462-7229.

Staff reports

**FORT PIERCE** *Tribune 6-5-10*  
**Learn more about career  
in nuclear medicine at IRSC**

Indian River State College offers a one year, 48-credit certificate program in Nuclear Medicine Technology. In addition to patient care clinical settings, technologists can become radiation safety officers, physicists or government regulatory officials.

Nuclear medicine technologists also can be employed as equipment or radiopharmaceutical sales representatives and also work at a variety of research laboratories.

Those currently working as radiologic technologists, registered nurses or respiratory care technologists will want to attend the health science information session at 4 p.m. June 15 at the IRSC's Main Campus, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce, in the Mary L. Fields Health Science Center in room H-118.

Visit the IRSC nuclear medicine technology web page at [www.irsc.edu](http://www.irsc.edu) to learn more about this exciting field. To request an application or for more information, call (772) 462-4772 or toll-free at 1-866-792-4772.

Learn more about the profession by contacting Julie Smith at [jasmith@irsc.edu](mailto:jasmith@irsc.edu) or call (772) 462-7593.

From staff reports



# Career exploration for teens available

A productive summer experience awaits 14 and 15 year olds in the new Quest career exploration program at the Indian River State College Main Campus in Fort Pierce. Students will experience a virtual reality simulator used in law enforcement, learn about computer animation techniques in movies such as "Avatar," conduct laboratory experiments in the growing field of biotechnology and participate in hands-on activities in the health sciences.

The students will tour the college's 50-acre Treasure Coast Public Safety Training Complex, which includes one of the tallest fire-fighting towers in Florida. They also will be introduced to computer animation and video production programs through the college's Digital Media Institute and learn about careers in Florida's growing health care field, such as nursing, medical lab technology and emergency medical technology. A visit to the IRSC Biotechnology laboratories will provide understanding of careers related to medical research and new discoveries. Students also will research career information to help them determine their own career path.

The three-week session will be 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. July 12 through July 29, on Monday through Thursday. Students must be 14 or 15 years old as of June 1 and must be a resident of Indian River, Martin, St. Lucie, or Okeechobee counties and able to document residency in Florida for one year prior to program application. The cost is \$75.

Parents or guardians should pay by check at the IRSC Main Campus, B Building, 3209 Virginia

## IRSC UPDATE

Ave., Fort Pierce, Room 214, Monday through Thursday. For more information, call the IRSC Call Center at (772) 462-4772 or (866) 792-4772.

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The Florida Board of Education recently approved IRSC to offer new bachelor's degree programs in human services, digital media and biology. Areas of concentration in digital media include graphics and web design, gaming and video and modeling and simulation. Students pursuing the human services degree can specialize in youth and family studies, addictions studies or general human services. Students can apply for these programs July 15. The new programs will begin in January, and students can get a head start by taking prerequisites during the fall.

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**FORT PIERCE***Tribune 6-24-10***Teens can explore career ideas with exploration program at IRSC**

A productive summer experience awaits 14- and 15-year-olds in the new Quest career exploration program at Indian River State College's main campus in Fort Pierce.

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From staff reports

**FORT PIERCE***Tribune 6-5-10***Quest career program offered this summer for 14-, 15-year-olds**

A productive summer experience awaits 14- and 15-year-olds in the new Quest career exploration program at the Indian River State College Main Campus in Fort Pierce. The students will experience a virtual reality simulator used in law enforcement, learn about computer animation techniques in movies such as Avatar, conduct laboratory experiments in the growing field of biotechnology, and participate in hands-on activities in the health sciences.

Two three-week sessions will be available from June 14 to July 1 and again from July 12 through July 29. Both sessions meet from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Students must be 14 or 15 years of age as of June 1 and must be a resident of Indian River, Martin, St. Lucie or Okeechobee counties and able to document residency in Florida for one year prior to program application. The cost is \$75.

Parents or guardians should pay by check at the IRSC Main Campus, B Building, Room 214 on Monday through Thursday. For more information, call the IRSC Call Center at (772) 462-4772 or toll-free at (866) 792-4772.

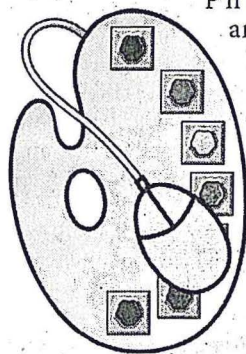


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## Don't forget

Indian River State College's two Advanced Technology Summer Academies in Emerging Technologies start in July. Classes include graphic design using Adobe



Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator beginning July 19 and game design basics with Adobe Flash beginning July 12.

Study in air-conditioned comfort while learning skills employers want and need. The cost is \$84.76, and students receive one college credit. Those who sign up must have an IRSC student ID number to register. For more information regarding the Summer Academies, call (772) 462-7575 or e-mail Rosemary Wiesner at [rwiesner@irsc.edu](mailto:rwiesner@irsc.edu).

## Free seminar

IRSC, manufacturers and local economic development organizations are offering a free seminar covering "Trends in Manufacturing for the 21st Century" and "How to Position Yourself for the Future by Creating a Positive Impact to Your Bottom Line."

The seminar is 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 29, from at Royal Concrete in Okeechobee and includes business networking before the event and a tour of Royal Concrete after the seminar. Seating is limited and you must register by Friday, June 25, at [www.cctiirsc.com](http://www.cctiirsc.com) at Continuing Education Institute, Licensing & Certifications or call (888) 283-1177.

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## Social media

The Corporate and Community Training Institute at Indian River State College (CCTI@IRSC) has added new social media workshops and brought back the most popular workshops from last year. New workshops include Advanced Social Media Marketing, Search Engine Optimization,

Social Media Privacy Tips and Blogging Made Simple, and, for Stuart merchants: Social Media Marketing & Search Engine Optimization.

A returning, popular workshop also available is Social Media Marketing & Search Engine Optimization.

These workshops fill up fast so get more information and reserve your spot online at [www.cctiirsc.com](http://www.cctiirsc.com).

## Dental assistants

Get CEUs and new certifications in Expanded Functions, Dental Radiography and

Fabrication of Provisional Crowns and Bridges. For more information, visit [www.cctiirsc.com](http://www.cctiirsc.com) or call (888) 283-1177.

## Certifications?

CCTI also has hundreds and has added new courses in Insurance Continuing Education; On Line Contractors and Electricians CE; Online Food and Alcohol Safety Training; Online Nursing, Healthcare, Respiratory, Radiation, and Dentist Continuing Education; Online Safety, Hazwoper Courses; and Online Spanish Languages Courses. Visit [www.cctiirsc.com](http://www.cctiirsc.com).

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## RN refresher

If you have an active Registered Nurse (RN) license but have been away from practice for three or more years, the Corporate and Community Training Institute (CCTI) at Indian River State College (IRSC) is offering a Nursing Board-approved refresher course that will help you to return to practice. Students earn five college credits and 75 Board CEUs. This course will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, July 29 through Aug. 11. There is a mandatory orientation 9 a.m. to noon Monday, June 28, in the Health Building, Room H110. The cost is \$599. Register at [www.cctiirsc.com](http://www.cctiirsc.com); click on Continuing Education Institute, Licensing & Certifications and then click on Nursing. Or call (888) 283-1177 or (772) 462-7630.

## Negotiating

Everything in life is negotiable and whether you realize it or not, you are negotiating throughout each and every day. CCTI has brought back the popular workshop "Beyond the Chicken Dance" to help attendees learn to be comfortable negotiating and to establish successful win-win business alliances. Cost is \$39. The course will be 9 to 1:30 a.m. Thursday, July 15, on the IRSC main campus in Fort Pierce. Register at [www.cctiirsc.com](http://www.cctiirsc.com); click on "Beyond the Chicken Dance" Negotiating Tips for Better Outcomes under What's Hot! Or call (888) 283-1177 or (772) 462-7630.

## Recovery

A Florida Economic Bulletin issued by Enterprise Florida on Tuesday reports that Florida has experienced three consecutive quarters of positive GDP growth, indicating a slow but self-sustaining recovery is under way. The agency attributes the growth to economic stimulus funds, and rebounding tourism and Florida-origin exports to international markets that are exceeding records set in 2008. Jobs are growing even more slowly, according to the Bulletin. Jobs were added in leisure and hospitality, government, healthcare, manufacturing, business and professional services, and construction. Jobs were lost in real estate, finance, wholesale and retail trade, transportation, and administrative and waste services.



## TREASURE COAST

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### Public relations group plans conference

The deadline is Monday to register for the Treasure Coast Chapter of the Florida Public Relations Association's annual Media Conference, which will be June 11 at at the Wolf High-Technology Center on Indian River State College's Chastain Campus in Stuart.

The conference will be from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., with a social hour immediately after.

Registration is \$100 for nonmembers, \$85 for members and \$40 for students. Pre-registration and pre-payment are required.

Everyone who attends the conference will receive a 2010 Media Guide and Resource Directory. No refunds will be available after the Monday deadline.

To register, visit [fpratreasurecoast.com](http://fpratreasurecoast.com). For more information, contact Adrienne Moore at [adrienne.moore7@gmail.com](mailto:adrienne.moore7@gmail.com) or (772) 341-3845.

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## LOCAL

*6-3-10 Stuart News*

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*Tribune Luminaries*  
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# Luminaries seen at . . . *Swimming & Diving Alumni Reception*

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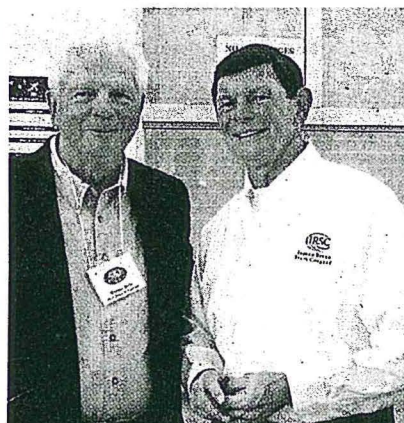
Indian River State College hosted the 2010 NCAA Swimming & Diving National Championships, but not before the Foundation hosted an alumni reception in the McAlpin Fine Arts Center. Attendees included former IRSC president Dr. Herman Heise and alumni from IRSC swim teams from 1976 through 2009.



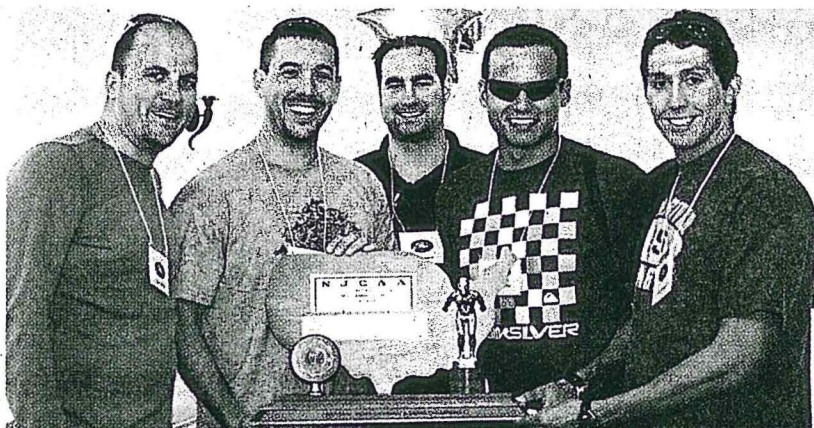
Dr. Herman Heise (right) with Jim Zinner and Michelle Bracken



Jill Kravitz, Dr. Christina Hart and Bryant Watson



Werner Bols with Dr. Edwin Massey



Alumni from the 1999 NCAA National Championship IRSC Swim Team  
Ed Vihlen, Cliff Dyer, JP Richard, Andres Tovar and Ricardo Monasterio



# Students to perform musical tribute



From left: Dale Rieth, Alicia Tomasko, Alicia Almodovar, Michael Hurst, Richard Kopf, Chuck Gay, Michelle Lucey and Victoria Ortiz will take part in the IRSC summer musical revue 'The Magic of Johnny Mercer,' from June 17-19 at the McAlpin Fine Arts Center on the IRSC main campus in Fort Pierce.

Photo courtesy of  
Indian River State College

By Jay Meisel  
Meisel@hometownnewsol.com

FORT PIERCE — For Charles Gay, performing in Indian River State College's final summer production, will be a new musical experience.

Mr. Gay and the other students will sing songs composer/singer Johnny Mercer wrote long before they were born.

He said he is "getting to enjoy music you don't hear every day."

The students will perform "The Magic of John-

ny Mercer," at 8 p.m. on June 17, 18 and 19 and also at 2 p.m. on June 19.

Dale Rieth, a theater professor at IRSC, said the students did well in rehearsals, considering that the music was from another generation.

"They've all really taken to the music," Mr. Rieth said.

Choosing to celebrate the music of Mr. Mercer seemed timely, as the performance will occur not long after the 100th anniversary of his birth. Mr. Mercer died in 1976.

"He's an icon of American music," Mr. Rieth said. He noted that Mr. Mercer wrote lyrics for nearly 2,000 songs, including "Moon River" and "The Days of Wine and Roses."

One of the songs that will be sung will be "Dream," which is unique, because Mr. Mercer not only wrote the lyrics for it, but also composed the music, Mr. Rieth said.

The cast consists of four female students and four male students. Each

student will sing at least two solos.

They'll sing many of his well-known songs, but also some that are lesser known, he said.

"I'm sure the audience will want more," Mr. Rieth said. "People will leave happy, having heard songs they know and perhaps also songs they didn't know."

Mr. Gay, who has been singing since middle school, will sing "Satin Doll" and "Laura."

He said he has enjoyed

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working with other students and Mr. Rieth to prepare for the performance. "We learn from each other," he added.

Despite his love for singing, Mr. Gay plans to become a graphic designer because of the challenges in making money as a singer, he said.

Michael Hurst III of Port St. Lucie, another student

performer, said he gained his love of theater in high school.

"I did theater in high school and I loved it and decided I wanted to make it a career," he said.

Mr. Hurst said he likes to go on stage and become someone else.

"I like performing and making people happy," he said.

Alicia Tomasko of Palm City, who will sing "Hit the Road" and "Dreamland," said she wants to become a

professional singer and plans to move to New York City to pursue that.

"I like to connect to people in the audience," she said. "I want let them feel how fun it (performing and singing) is," she said.

Tickets cost \$12 or \$10 for subscribers and can be purchased online at [www.irsc.edu](http://www.irsc.edu) or at the McAlpin Fine Arts Center's box office. For more information, call (772) 462-7725.





*Tribune 6-16-10* Photo provided  
 From left, Holly Cohen, Crystal Delgiudice and Kayla Bryant will perform in the IRSC Dance Ensemble presentation of "Just Dance" 8 p.m. June 10-12 and 2 p.m. June 12 at the McAlpin Fine Arts Center on the IRSC Main Campus in Fort Pierce. Tickets are \$12. For more information, call (800) 220-9915.

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**ST. LUCIE COUNTY**  
**IRSC presents music of Mercer**

Indian River State College Musical Theatre students will present a summer musical revue featuring the music and lyrics of Johnny Mercer ("Come Rain or Come Shine," "Moon River"). "The Magic of Johnny Mercer" will be performed June 17 through 19 at 8 p.m. and June 19 at 2 p.m. at the McAlpin Fine Arts Center on the IRSC Main Campus at 3209 Virginia Ave. in Fort Pierce.

Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased online at [www.irsc.edu](http://www.irsc.edu) or at the box office in the McAlpin Fine Arts Center lobby on the IRSC Main Campus, Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., or by phone at (772) 462-4750 or toll-free (800) 220-9915.



NJCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Indian River State College

Fort Pierce, Fla.

March 3-6

Women's and Men's Team Champions:  
Indian River State College

Indian River State College claimed its 36th straight men's and 29th consecutive women's team titles at the NJCAA Swimming and Diving Championships. The IRSC men continue to hold the longest unbroken U.S. championship winning streak in any sport at the collegiate level. No team has been able to crack the code at the NJCAA level to beat IRSC in nearly four decades on the men's side and nearly three decades among the women.

IRSC's men's team finished with a dominating 938 points—284 points ahead of runner-up Daytona State (654).

Lincoln finished third at 575, ahead of Darton (407) and Monroe (313).

The women's team tallied an even more dominating total of 1,071 points for the win—more than double the points of second-place Darton (519). Daytona State was third with 509 points, followed by Monroe (309) and Lincoln (215).

While IRSC's men and women proved to be their dominant selves, only one NJCAA record was broken in 2010. On the third night of action, IRSC's quartet of Tina McIntyre, Mary Frank, Jennifer Marquez and Charlotte Graham clocked a 1:43.46 in the women's 200 yard medley relay to crush the previous mark of 1:45.27 from 2008. The story last year was more about what records actually weren't broken due to the influence of techsuits.

Indian River's women's team won every single event! In addition to their NJCAA record in the 200 medley relay, IRSC

also won the 400 medley relay in 3:45.56 with a team of Monika Mialka, Frank Marquez and Vanessa Hanbury. In the free-style relays, Hanbury, Charlotte Graham, Andrea Uzcategui and Mialka won the 200 in 1:33.44, while Marquez, Uzcategui, Mialka and Graham claimed the 400 in 3:24.80. Mialka, Hanbury, Jessica Chandlee and Rebecca Harrison also earned the 800 title in 7:25.22.

Hanbury added three individual titles with wins in the 200, 500 and 1650 free (1:50.38, 4:54.60 and 17:13.03). Other multiple wins came from Chandlee (100 fly, 56.93, and 200 IM, 2:07.12), Graham (50 and 100 free, 23.32 and 51.24), Frank (100 and 200 breast, 1:03.61 and 2:19.15) and diver Sarah Wygle (1-meter and 3-meter, 378.90 and 391.05).

IRSC also had four other individual victories from Magwyer Herring (200 fly, 2:11.16), Amanda Lukovic (400 IM, 4:45.25), McIntyre (100 back, 56.49) and Mialka (200 back, 2:00.06).

Although IRSC's margin of victory among the men wasn't as large as its women's, Indian River still won more than half of the NJCAA titles up for grabs, including a relay sweep. Harry Traystman, Chandler Gerlach, Donaven Van Der Merwe and Kelley Wyman topped the 200 medley in 1:28.96, while Traystman, Jordan Arencibia, Van Der Merwe and Wyman won the 400 medley in 3:17.41. Van Der Merwe, Wyman,

[PHOTO BY DON ADAMS, JR. COURTESY OF CBU SPORTS INFORMATION]

PICTURED: Kevin Sellars, Cal Baptist University



Philip Gallego and Nick Hein snatched the 200 free (1:20.82), while Wyman, Van Der Merwe, Hein and Mateo De Angulo claimed the 400 free (3:00.36). John Ellis, Corey Day, Max Abreu and De Angulo wound up with the 800 free relay win in 6:45.33.

De Angulo added a trio of wins in the

200, 500 and 1650 free (1:37.72, 4:25.42 and 15:22.59), while Wyman doubled in the 100 free (44.61) and 100 breast (54.18). Indian River's Arencibia (200 breast, 2:01.18), Ellis (200 back, 1:49.89) and Van Der Merwe (50 free, 19.88) also won individual events.

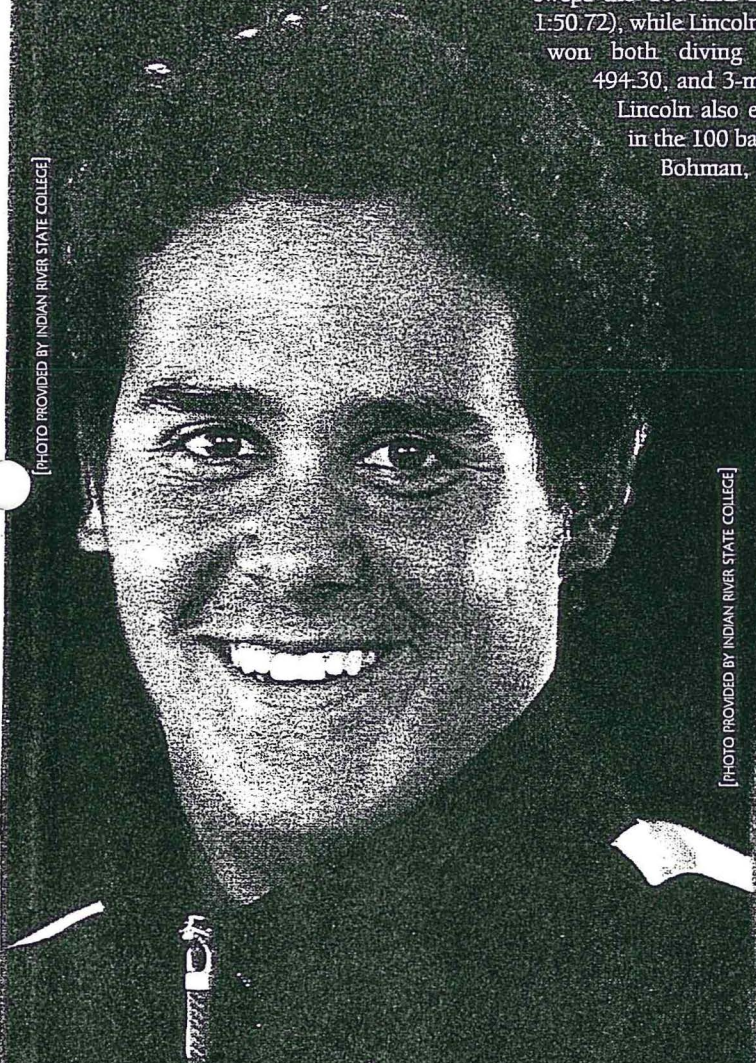
Daytona State's Raymond DePadua swept the 100 and 200 fly (50.10 and 1:50.72), while Lincoln's Tyler Clingerman won both diving titles (1-meter, 494.30, and 3-meter, 510.60).

Lincoln also earned wins in the 100 back (Bryce Bohman, 50.95)

and 200 IM (Daniel Corley, 1:52.20). The only other non-IRSC triumph came from Monroe's Kevin Burns in the 400 IM (4:05.34).

Please check "For the Record" on pages 34-40 for three-deep results of these college championships.

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Mateo De Angulo, Indian River State College

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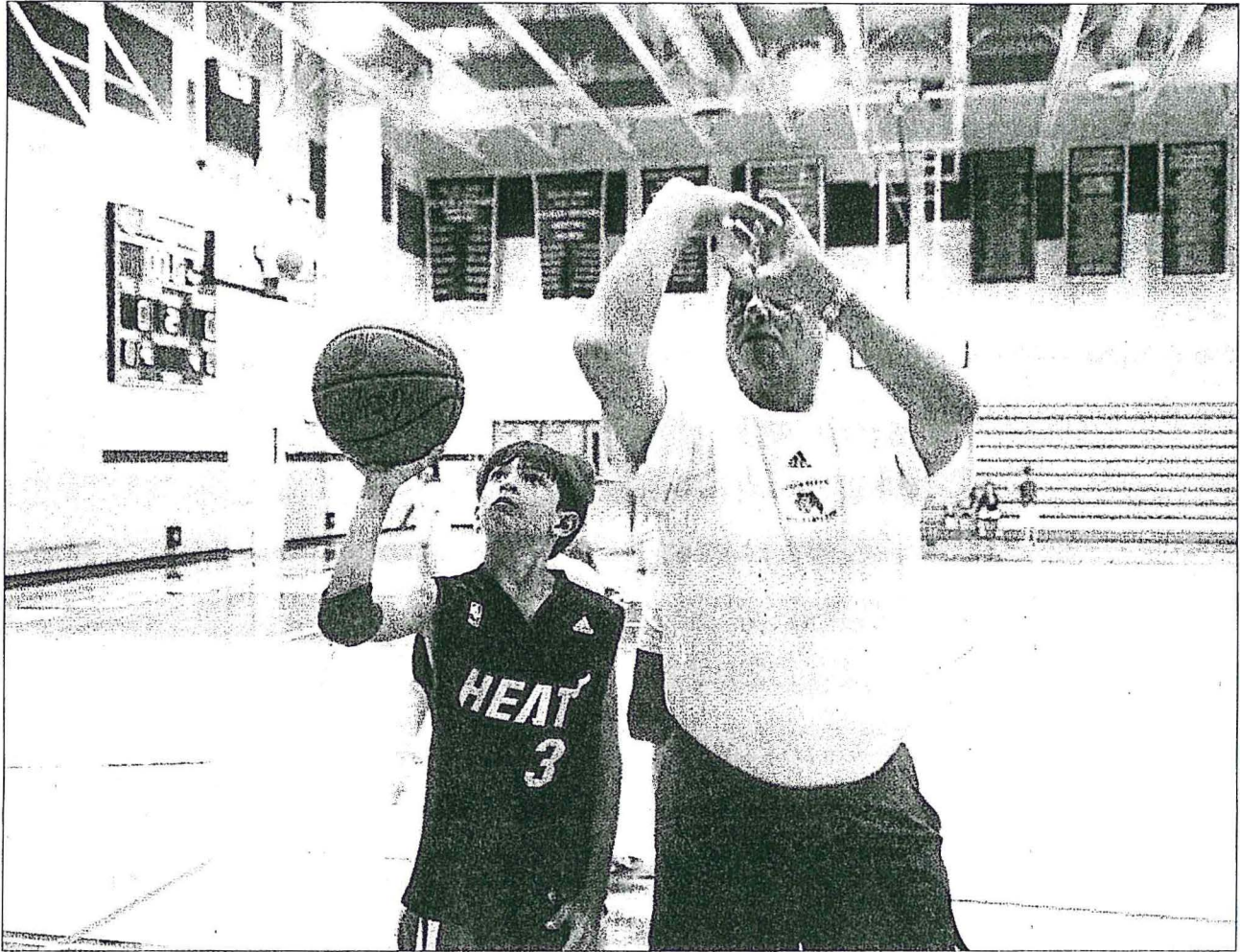


Vanessa Hanbury, Indian River State College



## Hooping it up at IRSC basketball camps

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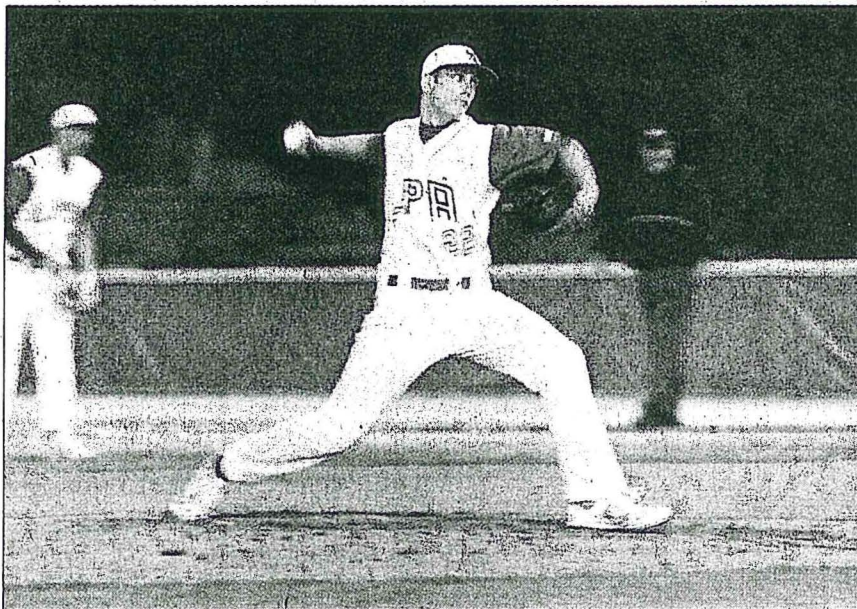
JUAN DALE BROWN • [juan.dale.brown@scripps.com](mailto:juan.dale.brown@scripps.com)

The Indian River State College summer basketball camps began last week at the campus in Fort Pierce. Roger Dorio, right, one of the coaches, works with Vincent Ventulan, 10, on shooting styles. Six coaches were working with 30 campers on shooting, passing, dribbling and teamwork. There are two more basketball camps scheduled: one this week for high schoolers and another next week.



## BASEBALL COLLEGE SIGNINGS

# IRSC adds 2 from LPA



File photo by JUAN DALE BROWN

Lincoln Park's Kyle Davis went 7-3 with a 1.92 ERA and 91 strikeouts this season. He is one of five area players to sign with Indian River State College.

## Davis' goal: 'Make an impact'

BY BILL WHITEHEAD  
Correspondent

Kyle Davis and his big curveball are going to be on display at Indian River State College next year.

Davis, the ace of Lincoln Park Academy's club that had a strong postseason push, made it official recently by signing with the Fort Pierce school and coach Mitch Markham.

The right-hander will join a number of local prep players who have signed with the Pioneers. John Carroll pitcher Dom Laporte and versatile player Kevin Greene, Westwood shortstop Jordan Robinson and Greyhound teammate Tim Frawley also will wear the blue and gold.

"I feel like it's a privilege to play with Dom, Tim,

Kevin and Jordan. Dom and I are really good friends. I hope he and I can come in and make an impact for Indian River," said Davis, who was 7-3 with a 1.92 ERA and 91 strikeouts as a senior.

LPA coach Chuck Stewart said IRSC will be getting a "complete pitcher."

"He's a very experienced pitcher, having pitched on varsity some as a freshman," Stewart said. "He was our go-to pitcher the whole year. He's not a thrower, he's a pitcher, and I think he went a little under the radar."

"He's one of the purest, most complete pitchers in the area."

The season highlight for Davis may have been his career-high 15-strikeout,

1-0 shutout of Okeechobee in a district game in Fort Pierce on April 12. In the process, he outdueled Jonathan Crawford, who has signed with the University of Florida.

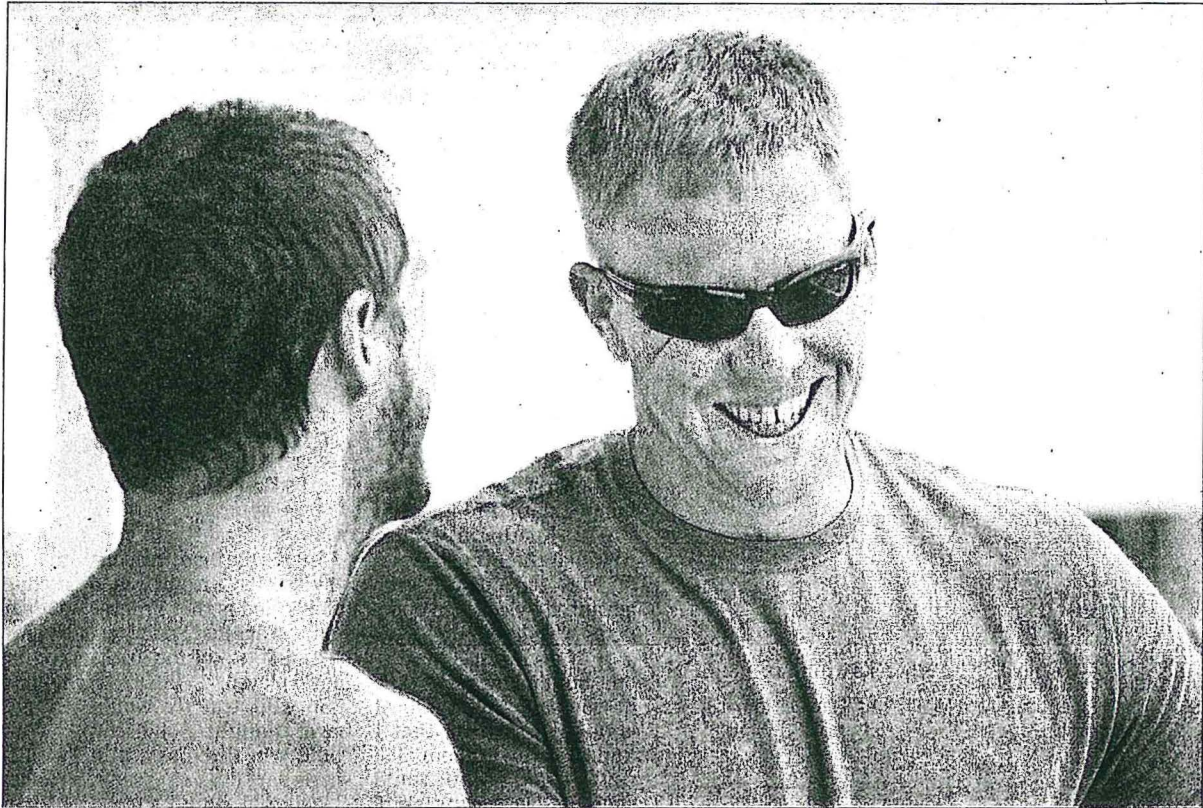
He also beat Eau Gallie 5-4 in a Region 4-4A quarter-final for the program's first regional playoff win.

While his future IRSC teammates are playing American Legion ball for Post 358, Davis has been pitching and winning regularly with the Miami-based All-American Prospects.

Archbishop McCarthy's Nick Castellanos and Lakeland's Yordy Cabrera are members of the club. Both were selected in the first 60 picks of Major League Baseball's First-Year Player Draft earlier this week.



# River changes course



File photo by ERIC HASERT • eric.hasert@scripps.com

Indian River State College swimming coach Frank Bradley, right, talks with swimmer Jason Shoemaker during a team practice in March 2008 before the start of the National Junior College Athletic Association National Swimming Meet.

## IRSC swim coach Frank Bradley resigns to take job at Auburn

BY LAUREL PFAHLER  
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**FORT PIERCE** — Indian River State College will be looking for a new swimming coach to carry on its tradition of winning national titles.

Four-year head coach Frank Bradley has resigned and is in line for an assistant coaching position at Auburn University.

In March, Bradley guided the IRSC men's team to its 36th straight national title and the women's team to its 29th straight championship.

"It's one of those things where it's a loss for us, but it's also a big gain for him," Vice President of Student Affairs Frank Watkins said. "We know the opportunity he will bring to other swimmers. He's done an outstanding job."

"We love him to death as a coach, and we are happy for the opportunity he has."

Bradley joined Indian River as an assistant in 2005 before taking over as head coach the next year.

According to Watkins, Bradley helped swimmers acquire 45 NJCAA records, 53 school records and 13 NJCAA Swimmer of the Year awards in his five years on staff, and 177 total athletes became national champions under his watch.

"It's been great," Bradley said of his time at IRSC. "It's been full of tremendous growth and success both in the pool and out. The personal contacts I've made and helping this program to continue an incredible string of success and trying to raise it to another level, it's all been great."

"It's been an incredible five years."

Bradley said he couldn't pick one highlight to his career at IRSC, but said the current opportunity at Auburn would not have been possible without his experience here.

Bradley had previously been an assistant at the University of South Carolina and had considered retiring from

### THE FRANK BRADLEY FILE

**Born:** Aug. 6, 1975 in Woodbury, N.J.

**High school education:** St. Thomas Aquinas, Fort Lauderdale (1993 graduate)

**College education:** Florida State University (1993-97).

**Swimming experience:** Was an FHSAA state champion in the 100 breaststroke in 1992; six-time high school All-American; four-year letterman at FSU; 1995 ACC Champion in the 200 IM

**Coaching experience:** Indian River State College head coach (2006-10), assistant head coach IRSC (2005-06), University of South Carolina assistant coach (1999-2005), Florida State University graduate assistant coach (1997-99), MacLay Swim Club assistant coach (1998-1999)



Bradley

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## BRADLEY

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swimming before the opening at Indian River came up.

"Each team was totally different, but I guess one thing I will always look back on is having different personnel, different leaders, and still being able to reshape the team each year," Bradley said. "That's what teamwork is all about and coaching is all about is — just getting everyone on the same page and making it work year in and year out."

Bradley said he was not looking to leave Indian River, but the opportunity to move up to the next level of coaching arose and the timing was right for his family. He interviewed for the position last week and is waiting for paperwork to go through before the job is finalized.

"Things connected through the swimming world," Bradley said. "It was an opportunity that came up, and both sides were looking to explore the opportunity. I went up there and liked it. It was a tough decision, but it was the

right time to make a move like this. I had great experience here, but I thought it was a nice transition for us as a family to venture into something else and work hard with the staff and team up there to get to the top of the NCAA."

Bradley's resignation from Indian River becomes effective June 15, but Watkins said school officials immediately will begin the search for his replacement.

"It's sad to see him go, but we are going to open it up and find the very best candidate we can to move forward," Watkins said.



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## Auburn Welcomes New Swimming and Diving Associate Head Coach

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by Nick Van Der Linden / Sports Editor

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Coach Frank Bradley has been named Auburn's new swimming and diving associate head coach.

Bradley said he was very excited to be working at Auburn with Brett Hawke, Auburn swimming and diving head coach, and the rest of the staff.

"I feel very excited and fortunate to have gotten this position," he said.

Bradley has been coaching at Indian River State College for the past five years, four of those as head coach.

The men and women's swimming and diving teams earned five National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) titles under Bradley, including 177 individual NCJAA national titles and 13 student athletes named NCJAA swimmer of the year. The teams also broke 45 NJCAA national champion records and 53 school records.

Bradley has been named the NJCAA Coach of the Year four times.

Hawke said the decision for the new associate head coach came down to one candidate with experience as head coach and chemistry.

"Ultimately, the decision came down to a good fit with chemistry for the team," Hawke said. "It came down to chemistry between him and I as well."

Before coaching at Indian River State College, Bradley worked as an assistant coach for the University of South Carolina Gamecocks swim team from 1999-2005. He helped lead the Gamecocks to 26 All-American honors, 34 school records and three individual SEC titles. Bradley said this year he is looking to help Auburn's swimming and diving improve upon its recent finishes.

"The past is the past, and we can all look at it as a learning experience," Bradley said. "The way I've always approached things is taking them year by year, because the personality of the team might change or even the staff personnel might change, so I'm just focusing on the here and now."

Hawke said Bradley's past swimmers could not say enough good things about him.

"We have a lot of potential swimmers who go swim for competitor's teams, such as Tennessee or Florida," Hawke said, "so I wanted someone with good chemistry with his past swimmers."

Bradley said his personal hopes for the future include Auburn swimming and



diving team becoming national champions and SEC champions this upcoming year, and having the swimmers meet their personal goals.

"If we're attacking those goals, a lot of my own personal goals will be reached," Bradley said.

Bradley is a 1997 graduate of Florida State University, where in 1995 he won an Atlantic Coast Conference title for his 200 individual medley. He was also a four-year letter winner on FSU's swim team. Bradley moved to Auburn with his wife Susan and two daughters, Grace and Paige.

He said the whole family is very excited about living in Auburn and being a part of the Auburn school and community.

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