

# SUMBLE

LAKE-SUMTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE



The District Board of Trustees and President Dr. Charles Mojock

Cordially Invite You to the Rededication Ceremony of the

#### Student Services Building

Leesburg Campus • Wednesday, March 19, 2003 5:30 P.M. Ceremony 6:00 until 7:00 P.M. Tour of the Facility

Light refreshments will be served.

# March is Women's History Month

# Women's History Month Luncheon

Friday, March 28, 11:30 am-1:30 pm Women's Health Issues

Guest Speakers: Dr. Holly Ritch, OB/GYN Valerie Schulz, Registered Dietician/Nutritionist Virtual Tour of the New Florida Hospital Waterman (time permitting)

Reservations: \$15 donation to Patti Weasel by March 21 Hosted by: LSCC Women's Program, Florida Hospital Waterman, American Association of University Women, Eustis Business & Professional Women and the League of Women Voters.



HOME, SWEET

The staffs of the Admissions, Advising, Cashier's, Computer Institute, Continuing Education, Deans, Financial Aid, Security, Testing, and the Vice

President of Student Services' offices have moved for the last time and are now enjoying their attractive, modern and spacious new environment. The former Multi-Purpose Building has been more specifically named the Student Services Building. Worn-out from all the moving, but happy to be settled are: Kelly Colborne (top to bottom photos, I-r), Amy Prancl, Lynn Lawlor, V.P., in charge of the remodeling, Ray Kinsey and Stephanie Baysinger. Helping student Amanda Monopoli in their attractively-decorated office are: Nilda Rivera, Elaine Carlisle and Debbie Blair. A new reception area now offers a welcoming vantage point for Joyce Hurst to assist visitors.

# Author! Author!

Congratulations to English Instructor Dr. Gary Sligh (right) on the release of his book A Study of Native American Women Novelists - Sophia Alice





Callahan, Mourning Dove, and Ella Cara Deloria. Published by Mellen, the work received a glowing review stating, "The present study is an invaluable contribution to ongoing investigations in this particular vein." The library will be adding the book to its shelves soon, but until then, I am sure Dr. Sligh would be glad to show you his first-edition copy.

**Dr. Richard Morrill** (above, far right), Sumter Campus' Reference/Instruction Librarian, has published an article titled "Denmark: Lessons for American Principals and Teachers?" It can be found in February's issue of *Phi Delta Kappan*, the monthly journal of the Professional Education Association.

On Thursday, March 6th, from 4-6 pm, the Sumter Campus will host a **Reception and Book Signing** for local writer Walter "Bucky" Allen. The author of four books, Mr. Allen focuses on Sumter County as the locale for his most recent book, *A Place for Me*.



#### Creative Students Win Odyssey Awards

Pat Besch (above, front row, I-r), Sabre Smith. Oriana Russe-Rivera, Michelle Evans, (back row, I-r) Dr. Charles Mojock, Faculty Advisor Dr. Gary Sligh, Odyssey Editor Matt Price and Assistant Editor Michelle Erler were participants and recipients during the January 29th ceremony announcing this year's Odyssey winners. LSCC's arts and literature magazine, Odyssey recognizes student writers, talented photographers and musical composers, who have submitted their creative works for judging. The winners receive cash awards and the honor of having their works featured in the annual publication.

The 2003 categories and winners are: Nonfiction/Research, Sabre Smith; Poetry, Anna Fierro; Painting, first place-Michelle Evans, second place-Michelle Evans and third place-Lydia Ann Hueneke; Drawing, first place-Michelle Evans and second place-Oriana Russe-Rivera; Mixed Media, first place - Oriana Russe-Rivera and second place-Michelle Evans; Computer Graphics, first place - Michelle Evans, second place-Sandra Cook and third place-Sandra Cook; 3-Dimensional Art. first place-Falen Oestrike and second place-Falen Oestrike; Color Photography, first place-Sandra Cook and second place-Patricia Besch; Black and White Photography, first place - April Stage, second - Amanda McCready and third place-Sandra Cook; and Classical Music Composition, Felipe Camacho.





The Nursing faculty hosted a buffet on February 18th in celebration of Nursing Students Week.



# Student Super Stars!





Five outstanding LSCC students were nominated by faculty and staff for "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges" program and publication. Candidates not only must be second-year students with a minimum of a 3.0 GPA, but also demonstrate leadership and service to their school. District Board of Trustees Chairman Jon Simpson (above, 1-r), Vice President Jane Miller and President Dr. Charles Mojock congratulated Melanie Blais, Melissa Williams Jacqueline Keough and Lisbeth Jankuhn during the February 19th Board meeting. Deborah Burlington (who is currently attending BYU) was also selected for the national award.

# LSCC Hosts Regional Brain Bowl Competition

Health Sciences Center was the site of the East Central Regional

Brain Bowl Competition held on February 7th. Forty-five students from Brevard, Central Florida, Florida (at JAX), LSCC and Seminole community



Our Brain Bowl Team will host its annual HiQ Tournament on Friday, April 4th, from 8:30 am until 3 pm, in the EAK Convocation Center Gym.

Eight area high schools will compete. Coach Beth McNulty says the LSCC Team not only serves as host, but also creates the questions and officiates.



SGA officers attended the Florida Junior Community College Student Government Association's Spring 2003 Conference in Tampa, on Feb. 20-23. The attractivelydressed attendees included (back row, I-r): Colleen Becthel, Karen Ridener, Jacqueline Keough, Robert Worthington. Advisor Heather Elmatti and Rob Elmatti. (Front row): Chad McMillan and Lisbeth Jankuhn.

Diplomat Deidre Valentine (far left photo) participated in Student Activities' legislative letter-writing campaign, while Diplomat Linda Alonzo (left photo, I-r) distributed thoughtful appreciation notes and chocolate to faculty and staff, including Suzanne Jones, during Random Acts of Kindness Week, February 24-28.

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#### "Puttin' On the Glitz"

The LSCC Foundation is "Puttin' on the Glitz" for its 18th Annual Gala Auction on Saturday, March 8th, at The Savannah Center in The Villages. Rosanne Brandeburg announced that the Foundation is expecting 350 guests for this fundraising event. The variety of great Auction items include: vacations, golf packages, autographed memorabilia, two Kubota Tractors, two-carat diamond ring, four-carat diamond tennis bracelet and United Nations Stamp Collection, just to name a few.

#### **Summer Scholarships**

The Foundation will post its summer scholarships on March 17th. There will be approximately 80, \$500 scholarships available. For more information, check the LSCC website, bulletin board located in the Foundation or the Financial Aid office.



Interviews and receptions started on February 27th for Vice President Administrative Services candidates. Dennis Micare (3rd from right) chatted with Tabitha Richards (1-r), Patty Lupien, Gretchen Bryant, Dr. Bill Kennedy, Gloria Filippello and Joyce Brautcheck. V.P. Search Committee Chair Christyne Hamilton (inset, left) talked with candidate Rochelle Prince. The process will continue through March 5th for the seven candidates. Search Committee members

also include: Rosanne Brandeburg, Dr. Nancy Browne, Bill Campman, Dr. Wes Estey, Joan Knost, Jackie Lamolli, Jane Miller and Jim Thigpen.



Howard Dixon has recently changed roles from the Coordinator of CROP to that of Educational Talent Search's Leesburg Coordinator. He is also the

proud Dad of Federico Dixon, who graduated last May from both high school and LSCC. As a 16 year old, he became our youngest dual enrollment student.

# Performing Arts Series "On Your Radio Dial" Rhythm & Brass March 5, 7:30 pm & March 6, 2 pm

A tribute to the music that has defined the American radio landscape... jazz, blues, country, rock and classical. Faculty and staff -\$8. Call ext. #3506.

### Past Chairman Jon Marshall Honored



On February 19th, Mrs. Carol Marshall was presented a resolution by Board Chairman Jon Simpson and President Dr. Charles Mojock posthumously honoring her husband Jon Marshall. He served on the District Board of Trustees for nine years; two as its Chairman.

#### BECOME AN LSCC STAR-GAZER

Astronomy Instructor Dr. Terry Mitchell is excited about a new arrival...LSCC's 200 mm (8-inch) LX200GPS Schmidt-Cassegrain Telescope. Manufactured by Meade Instruments, it is the largest telescope in Lake and Sumter counties. The tele-

scope will be formally dedicated as the Columbia Memorial Astronomical Telescope (CMAT), in honor of the astronauts who perished in the Space Shuttle Columbia tragedy. Faculty and LSCC students are invited to the dedication and unveiling on Monday, March 24th in front of Building 2, on the South Lake Campus at 7:30 pm. Purchased with funds provided by the LSCC Foundation, the CMAT has a completely automatic self-alignment system, which uses the national GPS satellites to tell the telescope where it is, the time of day, and where the North Star, Polaris, is located. Once the telescope has this information, it can use its Autostar II computer to navigate to any one of over 145,000 celestial objects stored in its database. It can even take the user on a guided tour of objects visible in the night sky on any given day of the year. CMAT is capable of taking 35 mm photographs or CCD digital images of whatever is being viewed. "Initially the telescope will be used in South Lake classes, but the CMAT is portable, so it can be used at any campus," Dr. Mitchell explains. "We will also be able to open the CMAT for public viewing from time to time."



# Ken Bragg Appointed Business Assistance Center Manager

Workforce Development Director Janice Adkinson announces that Ken Bragg has been selected as the manager

of LSCC's new Business Assistance Center. Ken brings a wealth of experience in initiating technical education programs that provide employee training. The Founding Director and Chief Administrative Officer for the Kenneth A. Bragg Regional Public Safety Complex and the Lake County Vo-Tech Center, he has worked at the state and national levels in legislative relationships, lobbying, securing program funding, grants, writing legislation, economic development and job training. Holding a Bachelor's and Master's degree from Western Kentucky University, he serves on the boards of SunTrust Banks. Habitat for Humanity and the LSCC Foundation, where he is Chairman of the Endowment and Planned Giving Committee.

The Business Assistance Center, located in the Leesburg Campus' Learning Center, was developed through a partnership between LSCC, the Lake County Board of County Commissioners and the Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE), as well as other economic development-oriented businesses, municipalities and agencies. Janice says the Center's goal is to locate services and resources, and to provide training and seminars to assist new and existing businesses...all in a central location. She adds that SCORE will be a major source for business counseling and, along with LSCC's Corporate Training and Continuing Education offices, be an integral part of the training services.



# From the President ...

In February, LSCC joined colleges and universities around the nation to celebrate African American History Month, which traces its roots to 1926.

According to the *Community College Times*, black history owes much of its beginnings to Carter Woodson, the son of former slaves, who spent his childhood toiling in Kentucky coal mines. But his determination to acquire an education led him to Harvard where he earned a Ph.D. After distinguishing himself in the field by exploring little known African American history, Dr. Woodson launched "Negro History Week" to bring national attention to the contributions of black people throughout American history.

Today, Dr. Woodson's legacy lives on as we honor black Americans, from war heroes to musicians to educators. LSCC is indebted to the college's Equity and Diversity Committee for spearheading the African American History Month events. On February 16, we were delighted and moved by the spirit of the Inter-Faith Choirs performing at our Fine Arts Center. On March 2, we experienced the "Dance Unto God Troupe." We are most fortunate that Ms. Christyne Hamilton, who began her distinctive career serving the Florida Community College System at LSCC, has returned to the community and is leading the committee, which chose as our theme, "Celebrating Diversity and Our Common Heritage." I think the committee made a most appropriate choice. We have strength in our uniqueness and we enjoy the great richness that our variety brings. We have so much we can learn from one another because we come from such different places and cultures. At the same time, our theme emphasized that what has made our country great is that once we are here, whether we came from Italy, Ireland, Spain, China, Japan or Africa, we pride ourselves on being Americans. We are creating our common heritage as we join together celebrating events as different as African American History Month, Mardi Gras, and St. Patrick's Day.

I would like to suggest that we add to our theme the phrase "As We Build Our Shared Future." While it is important that we look back to recognize and appreciate the heroes and heroines of the past, it is even more important that we draw inspiration from them to make our future one that holds promise for all people, regardless of race, religion, culture, age or gender. We can't relive the good times of the past, nor can we change the evils of the past. However, the future belongs to us. It is ours to shape for ourselves, our children and our grandchildren. As we look forward to March's celebration of Women's History, let's not lose sight of the fact that history is only valuable if we learn from it and use those lessons to build a brighter future.

David Summer (right) discussed the "Chemistry of Gold" on February 7th, during the Faculty Senate Speaker's Bureau Series. Pete Kehde will share his knowledge about the history of LSCC, including the campus' past as a German POW camp, on Friday, March 21st, 12 noon-1 pm, in the Lecture Hall.



Doctor Mary Huffer (above, I-r), Kathy Suttkus, Kelly Cornell and Rhonda Smith were students in Dr. Cathy Barrows' "Developing An Online Learning Environment in WebCt" course. The six-part series provided hands-on experience, but Dr. Barrows adds that helpful handouts and a soon-to-be-released online version will provide tutorials for

those who missed the classes.



Nursing Instructor Ginny Sommersdorf (rt.) hosted guests, including John L. Johnson (center), son of John W. Johnson (of Johnson Jr. College), during the Young African American Students Art Exhibit Reception. It followed the February 16th Heritage/Inter-Faith program, presented by the Equity and Diversity Committee as part of LSCC's African American History Month activities.



FACC officers attended a **Legislative/Leader-ship Workshop** in Tallahassee on February 10th. Linda Means (*I-r*), Patti Weasel, Kathy Dawson and Sue Fagan participated in a letter writing campaign to educate Senators about community college funding issues. They personally delivered their mail to Senators Anna Cowin and Paula Dockery, then toured the FACC's Capital-city headquarters.

#### MARCH HOME GAMES

Lady Lakers Softball

Fri., 3/7...Grand Rapids CC (MI)...2 & 4 pm Thurs., 3/13... Lake City CC... 2 & 4 pm Wed., 3/19...Lakawanna College...2:30 & 4:30 pm Fri., 3/21...Highland CC (IL)..2:30 & 4:30 pm Mon., 3/24...Taylor University (IN)...2 & 4 pm

#### Lakers Baseball

Thurs., 3/13...Daytona Beach CC...3 pm Sun., 3/16...MATC Madison...12 noon Tues, 3/18...Santa Fe CC...3 pm Wed., 3/19...Dundalk CC (MD)...3 pm Sat., 3/22...Seminole CC...12 noon Thurs., 3/27...Central Florida CC...12 noon Sat., 3/29...Daytona Beach CC...12 noon

About 250 high school students visited LSCC's Leesburg Campus on February 21st for the Future Business Leaders of America District III (Lake and Sumter Counties) competition. This preliminary to the state competition included 28 business-related events. Faculty coordinator Donna Sarber reports that the District III winners will return to our campus on Wednesday, March 5th to compete in the "hands-on" portion of the state competition. This is done so the written portions of the competition can be graded prior to the state event.



# MATHLYMPICS

Tuesday, April 1st 12 noon - 2 pm Magnolia Room

Math Instructor Alissa Sustarsic announces that nine high schools will be attending the annual math challenge, each bringing two teams of four students. Competing against each other, teams are scored on both time and correctness. She adds that the students always get very involved, with some

teams designing their own t-shirts. LSSC

personnel is cordially invited to the event.