A Great Celebration

Brandon Campus celebrates the Hispanic Heritage Month
Brandon Campus celebra el Mes de la Herencia Hispana

A celebration of music, dance, great food and Spanish flavor was in the air at the 2009 Hispanic Heritage Month Events held on the HCC-Brandon Campus.

Four days of cultural events started with the Opening Day, welcomed by Dr. Carlos Soto, Campus President. The CASS students performed beautiful Latin American and Caribbean dances. The LatinFunSingers Band provided entertainment as delicious food was served to the HCC students.

Students had lunch to the sweet Latin melodies of the soothing guitar music of Eddy Lugo, an accomplished Classical Guitar player and Music Professor at the Brandon and Dale Mabry campuses. Melinda Lugo, wife of Eddy, danced with grace to the melodies of Eddy’s guitar performing Latin dances such as flamenco and rumba.

Salsa Caliente gave dance lessons to HCC students and staff to share the Hispanic heritage they possess. Many students and faculty members were stunned and mesmerized by the choreography that Salsa Caliente performed as the students joined in.

Other events were movies and a Hispanic Heritage Month Student Essay.
Campus Happenings...

The HCC Brandon Theatre Department will present Nina Raine’s 

**Rabbit**

“…a smart and bracing battle-of-the-sexes comedy…”

- The Sunday Express (London)

November 18, 19, 20, 21 2009
8:00pm each night

Brandon Campus 10414 East Columbus Dr., Tampa, Florida 33619

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**BRANDON STUDENT CLUBS:**

**Student Government Association (SGA)**  
MONDAYS- 2:30PM

**E-GEN CLUB**  
MON-THUR -4:00PM

**MUSLIM CLUB**  
MONDAYS – 3:30PM

**THESPIS CLUB**  
FIRST THURSDAYS - 12:30PM

**HCC-Science Club**  
Every other Monday – 4:30PM – BADM 112

**HCC-Engineering Club**  
First Thursdays – 2:30PM

**HPPO**  
First Thursdays – 4:00PM – BHUM 113

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**BRANDON STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 18, 2009  
Spray Can Art/Postcard 2 Home

Nov. 19, 2009  
Game Night 7pm until 11pm

Nov. 24, 2009  
Thanksgiving Buffet  
(Serving starts at 10:45 am)

Lester & Body Art and Old Tyme Photos  
Dec. 2, 2009  
Sand Art, Photo Ornaments  
Paint your Own Chocolate Lollipops  
&  
Bring on the Bling
HILLSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
2009 EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Employee Excellence Awards

Hillsborough Community College considers excellence in a work setting to be more than an individual’s ability to perform their job responsibilities in a competent and capable manner. Administrators, faculty and staff are expected to display satisfactory job performance. However, many employees choose to achieve a higher level of performance and productivity in the accomplishment of their job responsibilities and produce quality work at a level higher than competency requires. This high level of achievement is demonstrated in working with students, faculty, administrators and support staff to foster a quality learning environment. In addition, many employees volunteer their time to support campus and/or College-wide committees, perform community service, and/or pursue continuing professional growth. Of the submissions this year for the Employee Excellence Awards on the Brandon Campus, the recipients shown here with Dr. Carlos Soto, Brandon Campus President, are:

Elizabeth McCullough
Faculty Excellence Award

Shannon Grinstead
Supervisor Excellence Award

LaFran Reddin
Staff Excellence Award

Employee Anniversary Awards

Congratulations and Thank you for years of Excellent Service are extended to Brandon Employees who received Employee Anniversary and Excellence Awards.

Jeff Fisher – 5 yrs
Nicole Hamilton – 5 yrs
Sabrina Peacock – 5 yrs (not shown)
Marilyn Barger – 10 yrs
Mickey Reigger – 10 yrs
Pat Cowley – 20 yrs
Jane Golden – 20 yrs
Kathleen Williams – 20 yrs
Jim Wysong – 20 yrs (not shown)
Virginia Perez – 30 years and also retiring

Carlos Soto – 10 yrs
Nylenda Wilson – 10 yrs (not shown)
Scott Lowe – 15 yrs (not shown)
Earl Paul – 15 yrs
Janet Sibol – 15 yrs (not shown)
Brenda Sieffert – 10 yrs
Gail Simmons-Anderson 15 yrs
BRANDON  
CAMPUS READS PROJECT  
ready for launch…

The goal of our Campus Reads Project is to create a community of readers sharing the same experience, to emphasize the importance of reading and to generate intellectual exchange among faculty, staff and students. Our committee hopes to engage as many people as possible in the project. The library now has 100 copies of The Glass Castle waiting to be checked out. If you wish to check out a class set for use in class next semester, please see Wendy or Jeremy.

Brenda Jean Sieffert, Reading Instructor  

Be sure to join the fun!

Brandon Campus Advisory Council

Pictured from Left to Right: Leo Greveran, Nicole Bargeron (CAC Chair), Niurka Arce, Ellen Cangi (Dean of Academic Affairs), Jose Galvis, Deb Ghosh, Dr. Carlos Soto (Campus President), Michele Martinez, LaFran Reddin, Mickey Reigger, Krista Noren-Santmyer, Shannon Grinstead, (IAC Chair); members not shown: Sarah Gonzalez, (CAC Co-Chair); Paul Bishop, Joe Bentrovato (Dean of Student Services), Judy Alicea, Denise Samide, Misty Vorder Bruegge, Athena Smith and Laurie MacNicol.

The Institutional Advisory Council’s 2009 theme “Dedicated to Communication and College Wide Engagement, has been accepted as The Brandon Campus Advisory Council focus for this year. The CAC meetings are held the first Friday of each month at 10:30am in BADM109. We encourage everyone to join the excitement and activity here on the Brandon Campus. The Brandon CAC will host the IAC December 4th meeting at 1:00p.m. The state president of the FACC will be in attendance, as HCC, FACC members with Nikki Arce, President of the FACC, HCC Chapter will serve as hosts. Don’t miss this exciting and important meeting.

Thank you to everyone for your donations to the HCC 2009 United Way Campaign! Don’t hesitate to email your concerns to the BrandonCAC@hccfl.edu and/or visit the Brandon Campus Advisory website.

FOR COLLEGE WIDE ENGAGEMENT…SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!!
HCC- BRANDON “LIVE UNITED”

The 2009 United Way campaign ended November 13. HCC Brandon brought in $3,373.00, which is a 23 percent increase over last year. We also had a 52 percent increase in participation. Donors were eligible for gift certificates, given away in a raffle held at the November Campus Advisory Council meeting. The winners are listed below. Many thanks to everyone who participated, especially our United Way volunteers: Michele Martinez, Mickie Hayes, Misty Vorder Bruegge, Lauretta O’Dell and Co-Chair Dr. Soto.

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Ed Kelley, Campus Coordinator
United Way Co-Chair

HCC-FALL FITNESS CHALLENGE

The Brandon Team is on a roll coming in closely, sometimes in lead, with Denise Samide as Team Captain. We have approximately 50 Brandon Campus Employees logging in their steps daily. The challenge will continue for eight weeks, October 5 thru November 27th. Our goal is for our campus teams to collectively walk from the Washington Monument to the Golden Gate Bridge-2,800 miles-as many times as possible during the next eight weeks. At the end of our challenge, there will be a celebration, certificates and prizes!!

Be sure to sign up and Help Brandon Shine!!

HCC-Brandon Campus
ARTS COUNCIL
John Hardin, Chairman

Joann Kakascik
Niurka Arce
Reg Poling
Earl Paul
Jeremy Bullian
Shannon Grinstead

Alexander Ambrioso
Sarah Gonzalez
LaFran Reddin
Christine Seiler
Lauretta O’Dell
Chris Gunn

Let’s Bring the “ARTS” to HCC-BRANDON