

# THE FLYER

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## *Lifelike manikins help train BCC student nurses*

New lifelike high-tech manikins are proving to be invaluable in training students in BCC's associate degree and practical nursing programs.

Called Laerdal VitalSim Patient Simulator manikins, the models give students in BCC's nursing disciplines hands-on training with lifelike "patients" before they are ready to learn skills working with real patients.

The manikins are excellent for scenario-based training for the care and management of a variety of patients. Students are able to listen to heart and lung sounds as well as bowel sounds and take blood pressure measurements with the manikins. In addition, the manikins are used to practice a variety of skills such as tube placement, catheter placement, IV starts and medication administration, according to Allied Health Director Erin Hinson.

A unique feature allows students to talk with the patient and gain verbal feedback from the patient as the procedure is taking place.

A grant specifically for healthcare programs from the North Carolina Community College System provided funding to purchase the equipment.



*Student practical nursing students are busy with a procedure. Allied Health Director Erin Hinson, left, provides the voice for the "patient."*

## *From the Office*

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*President*



On Monday of this week, Carolyn Walston, Jeff Kornegay, and I attended a meeting of the North Carolina JOBS Commission. The meeting was held on the campus of Fayetteville State University and was a meeting for the 13 county southeast region. The commission is chaired by Lieutenant Governor Dalton, who prior to being elected to this position served as a member of the board of trustees of Isothermal Community College.

The members of the Commission heard presentations regarding the outlook for industry expansion and job placement from a number of industry representatives, including Karen Wrigley, the general manager of DuPont, Jeff Corbett, vice president for Progress Energy, and Jeanne Scharch, director of Fort Bragg's civilian personnel. Steve Yost, director of North Carolina Southeast, whose office is in Elizabethtown, reviewed the economy of the region and discussed his work plan for the future.

Fayetteville Technical Community College president Larry Keen and Fran Till, the superintendent of the Cumberland County School System, announced their joint effort to have a language and global competency early college located on the Fayetteville Tech campus by 2011. The purpose of this early college is to prepare students for language and skill competencies that will be necessary for the future. I believe that the Lieutenant Governor and the members of the commission left the meeting with a clear understanding of the work of the educators and company managers to ensure the future of this southeast region.

*William Findt*

## **Upcoming Events**

**February 25** - UNC-Pembroke Transfer Counselor will be in the Student Lounge from 8:30 - 10 a.m.

**February 2** - UNC-Pembroke holds plenary sessions with Bladen County Schools in Building 17, Room 117, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

**February 27** - FAFSA Day will be held in Building 6, 9 a.m. until noon. If it affects you, don't miss it.

**February 27** - Open House to be held at East Arcadia Center, 2 - 4 p.m., to celebrate the opening of a children's library.

**March 2** - Free seminar called "Saving for Every Economy" will be held 12 - 1 p.m. Call Tiina Mundy at 879.5556 for location.

**March 8 - 12** - Spring Break for faculty and curriculum students.

**Birthdays this week:** **Thelma Cain, February 27; John Trogden, February 29; and Yvonne Willoughby, March 1.**

## ***State Energy Office seeking proposals for Student Energy Internship and Fellowship Program***

The North Carolina Energy Office is requesting proposals from accredited public and private educational institutions, local and state government agencies and nonprofit organizations for the creation of green energy-related internships and/or fellowship programs in the energy sector that would serve the needs of talented undergraduate and graduate students in North Carolina. The “Student Energy Internship and Fellowship Program” is funded under the Federal Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The purpose of these programs would be to provide on-the-job work experiences for current and recently graduated students that would enhance their education through this experiential opportunity, assist businesses and organizations in the fulfillment of their missions, and encourage these students to consider employment and careers in North Carolina.

Approximately \$2 million will be made available for this effort. It is expected that 5 - 15 awards will be made in amounts ranging from \$30,000 up to \$500,000. Internships and fellowships must be concluded by April 30, 2012. At the conclusion of the program, the North Carolina Energy Office seeks to have more than 200 students at educational institutions in North Carolina provided with energy-related internships and fellowships. Sealed Proposals subject to the conditions of this request for proposal will be received at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 17, 2010. For questions and additional information, go online to [www.ncpandc.gov](http://www.ncpandc.gov) or call 919.807-4525.

This week’s Phi Theta Kappa Relay for Life pizza fundraiser netted \$390. The next one is scheduled at the same time and place on March 30. Mark your calendar!

### ***Saving for every economy—even a bad one***

***On Tuesday, March 2, 12 - 1 p.m., Michelle Bullard with Wachovia will provide a free seminar called “Saving for Every Economy”. Information will include better money management and saving for today’s economy. Bring your own lunch. Dessert will be provided. If interested in attending, call Tiina Mundy at 879.5556. Room location depends on attendance.***

A representative from Student Services will be available on Monday through Thursday until 6 p.m. in the Student Services area.

### **Cosmetology attends hair show in Atlanta**

Three instructors and 22 students from the Cosmetology Department recently attended the Bronner Brother International Hair Show in Atlanta, Georgia. Over 200 exhibitors were on hand for the trade show with virtually every type of salon products available. Educational classes were also held in hair styling, haircoloring, chemical services, skin care, nails, salon business, barbering, makeup, hair cutting, artificial hair, and others.

### ***Congratulations!!***

Congratulations to psychology instructor Joey Hinson. He recently learned that an article he co-authored while in graduate school at NC State University has been published. Entitled “Moderators of and Mechanisms Underlying Stereotype Threat Effects on Older Adults’ Memory Performance,” the article was published in *Experimental Aging Research*. Thomas M. Hess and Elizabeth A. Hodges co-authored the article with Hinson from research the trio conducted while in grad school.

### ***NURSE APPLICATION DEADLINE—DON’T MISS IT!!***

***The application deadline for the ADN and PN programs is Friday, May 14. The link on the BCC website for the application package is <http://www.bladencc.edu/pdf/Admissions%20Criteria%202009.pdf>.***

## ***The Faces of BCC***

### **Carolyn Walston - Vice President for Continuing Education**

When BCC’s vice president for Continuing Education, Carolyn Walston, cracks the whip, the folks in the department know its time to hit the road and go out recruiting for new students. And since Carolyn came to the college nearly four years ago, they have covered a lot of highway around the county seeking out applicants for their programs.

When it comes to savvy about continuing education, Carolyn knows the ropes. She has been working in the community college continuing education environment for 30 years.

A native of Wilson County, she graduated from high school in 1967 and became manager of a teller line for Branch Banking and Trust Company, a job she would hold for 10 years. Along the way she completed a Bachelor of Arts in Education and Psychology from Atlantic Christian College and a Master Science in Adult Education from East Carolina University. In 1977 she left the bank and later became a high school business teacher in the Wilson County Public School System. After one year in the public schools, she learned that it wasn’t her cup of tea, and applied for a job at Wilson County Technical Community College as a career counselor and director of Basic Skills and Occupational Programs. That was in 1980. She soon learned that the community college environment was right down her ally.

After 10 years at Wilson, she took a job with Wayne Community College as Director of Continuing Education. Though she enjoyed her work at Wayne CC, she applied for the position of Vice President for Continuing Education at BCC sixteen years later, in 2006. She says she has learned here at BCC what it is like to work at a college where the folks are like one big family.

Carolyn has a son, Chad, who lives in Wilmington. In her spare time, she enjoys travel, meeting new people and “dining at 5-star restaurants.”

