



## Backyard BBQ a Success



Sunny skies, mouthwatering BBQ, bluegrass music and more were all on the menu at the EFSC Alumni Association's first Backyard BBQ Cook-off and Family Fest. The event, which benefited the Foundation and Athletic Booster Club, was held Saturday, March 11, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. All in attendance were treated to some of the tastiest BBQ in the area with 16 amateur teams competing for cash and bragging rights.

The teams set up camp the evening before and tended their grills throughout the moonlit night in hopes of being named Grand Champion. The BBQ was evaluated in a blind assessment by esteemed judges, including Dr. Larry Bishop, Dr. Sandy Handfield, Kim Agee, Sheriff Wayne Ivey, Dr. Joe Lee Smith and EFSC's own Chef Durham.

When the Judges took to the stage, the excitement from the crowd was tangible. Vice President Rich Laird had the honor of announcing the winners. Beachin' BBQ took 1st Place for Chicken, Big D's Dirty South BBQ took home 1st Place for Pork, the People's Choice Award went to the Blowin' Smoke & Kickin' Ash Team and the Grand Champion award was presented to the Undercover Chefs.

Plans are already underway for next year's Backyard BBQ. Contact Karin Alcock for more details at 321-433-7055.

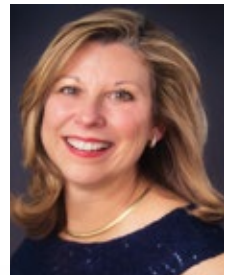
## Director's Minute

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the EFSC Foundation Matters newsletter.

The Foundation's vision is to maximize our donor resources, to build futures, transform lives and promote academic excellence. Our ultimate goal is to financially support our students with scholarships to help them successfully complete their education. By reconnecting and engaging our Alumni and friends, we can increase funding and help more students than ever before!

There are so many exciting things happening at the Foundation that we'd like to share with our friends. Our hope is that this newsletter will keep everyone up to date.



Jennie Kriete  
Director,  
EFSC Foundation

## Events and Outreach

I had the pleasure of joining the EFSC Foundation team in January. My overall responsibility is Development, which includes organizing Foundation events, cultivating Alumni Outreach and forming a new Athletic Booster Club.

I am excited to share with you some upcoming events. On October 5, 2017, we will be hosting "Titan's Toast to Health," an event that will showcase our new state-of-the-art Health Sciences Institute. Guests will be treated to guided tours through eight labs while enjoying signature tapas dishes perfectly paired with samplings of wine and beer.

Live entertainment and a "blind wine pull" raffle will round out the evening. Mark your calendar and be on the look-out for your invitation!

Our 4th Annual EFSC Golf Classic is scheduled for September 22, 2017. Save the date and stay tuned for more details.

I look forward to meeting you in person!

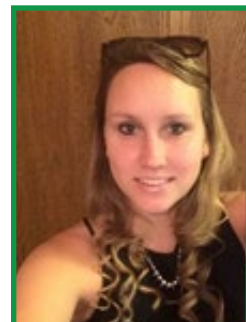


**Karin Alcock**  
*Associate Director of  
Community  
Outreach  
Initiatives*

## Alumni Update

Serving on the Alumni Advisory Board at Eastern Florida State College has been a wonderful opportunity to volunteer and give back to the college.

I attended Eastern Florida State College while still in High School through the dual-enrollment program. The opportunity to earn college credit and ease into the college experience was a great experience.



**Melanie Tisdale**  
*Realtor*

***I attended Eastern Florida State College while still in High School through the dual-enrollment program.***

After graduating from Melbourne High School, I returned to EFSC as a full time student and graduated with honors with my AA Degree.

I feel it is so important to help our community and I am always looking for ways to volunteer and serve! It is my honor and pleasure to introduce others to our fabulous Space Coast and share in their home-buying experience. After all, it truly is the most wonderful place to call home. EFSC is an essential part of the Space Coast and instilled in me a desire and love for lifelong learning. I am forever grateful and blessed for the education I received.

## Titan Fund Endowment

As our college expands and grows, the need for financial support for scholarships is essential. In order to increase our ability to provide scholarships, the Titan Fund Endowment was established and we launched the "Come Grow with Us" campaign. With the generous support of our alumni, donors and friends, this year's campaign raised over \$67,000. THANK YOU for your support!

To learn more about this ongoing campaign go to: [easternflorida.edu/foundation/titan-fund.cfm](http://easternflorida.edu/foundation/titan-fund.cfm)



## Upcoming Events

### September 22

- 4th Annual EFSC Scholarship Golf Classic

### October 5

- Titan's Toast to Health Cocktail Party

#### Note:

**Scholarship Applications for Fall 2017  
open April 17 and will close June 14**



## Donor Spotlight

Our Donor Spotlight this edition is Mitch Goldman, Esq., founding member of the Cocoa law firm of Cantwell and Goldman. Mr. Goldman and his late wife Judy created the “Judy and Mitchell Goldman Family” Scholarship in honor of their respective parents and family members. This endowed scholarship will support students who demonstrate a passion for volunteerism through current and active community service in Brevard County.



***Mitch Goldman, Esq.***

Additionally, the candidates must be enrolled in an EFSC Bachelor's Degree Business Program. “My late wife, a former teacher and social worker, long believed that our community is enriched when all of us give something of ourselves to help others,” said Mr. Goldman.

In addition to being a donor, Mr. Goldman was appointed to the Eastern Florida State College Foundation Board of Directors last year. He recently took the role as Governance Committee Chair.

Thank you, Mr. Goldman, for being a part of the EFSC Foundation family!



*Board of Trustee, Dewey Harris, Board of Trustee Vice Chair, Alan Landman, EFSC President, Dr. Jim Richey, Board Chairman, Moses Harvin*



*Culinary Students prepare tasty treats*

## Alumni Update

The EFSC Alumni Association kicked off its enrollment campaign on November 3 in the King Center Rotunda during the “Come Grow with Us” reception and jazz concert. More than 300 people



*EFSC President, Dr. Jim Richey, EFSC Alumni, Congressman Bill Posey, Board of Trustee Chairman, Moses Harvin*

attended the reception where Dr. Richey shared his 10-year plan with a standing room only crowd of alumni and friends.

Under the direction of Bill Row, the Alumni Advisory Board is seeking new members. Join the Alumni Association TODAY! Please call 321-433-7055 for more information. In the meantime, check out the Foundation's website for upcoming events <http://www.easternflorida.edu/foundation/alumni/>



*Dr. Paulette Howell, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cadore*



*Alumni enjoy the evening*

## Recipient Life

Elizabeth “Bitsy” Treinen is a Foundation Scholarship Recipient. She was recently reunited with her alma mater after receiving last fall’s mailing for the Annual Titan Fund Campaign. Bitsy said, “It was always my intention when I graduated to give back to help others attain their goals. This was a perfect opportunity.”

Bitsy attended BCC (now EFSC) from Summer 2003 through Fall 2006. She was in the full-time RN program and found it very hard to work full time, perform her best in the program and raise three small children. With Foundation scholarships, she was able to leave her job and concentrate on her studies.

Success stories run in the family. Her daughter-in-law, Audrey Swiatocha, attended EFSC as well.

She graduated in 2016 with an A.S. in Chemical Technology. She succeeded with the help of Foundation Scholarships, including the Northrup Grumman Scholarship. She is now attending Embry Riddle University and recently attended the donor/scholarship recipient reception.

Bitsy gives to the Foundation on a recurring monthly basis. When asked if she had anything that she would like to share on a closing note, she simply shared that she had a wonderful experience during her time here at the College. *She encouraged all Alumni to give back, whether they received Foundation Scholarships or not by saying, “It’s a way to make an amazing difference in a student’s life - they need our help.”*

For more information and/or to donate to the Titan Fund, visit online at [efsc.thankyou4caring.org/easternflorida.edu/go/titanfund](http://efsc.thankyou4caring.org/easternflorida.edu/go/titanfund).

*Audrey  
and her  
son*



*Bitsy Treinen*



*Corvette Club adds to their scholarship fund and foundation donor relations coordinator, Tonya Cherry, receives the check.*



*The Sullivan Family meets recipients of their scholarship created in the memory of their daughter, Sally.*

## Annual Titan Scholarship Reception

The Foundation hosted an event on February 23 to honor donors and scholarship recipients from the 2016-2017 academic year. The event was held at the Public Safety Institute on the Melbourne Campus. Students had the opportunity to meet their donors and thank them for their generosity. It was a rewarding evening for all involved. A full story and photos can be found at: [easternflorida.edu/news-events/news-releases/2017/02-23-titan-scholarships-reception.cfm](http://easternflorida.edu/news-events/news-releases/2017/02-23-titan-scholarships-reception.cfm)



*Proud scholarship  
recipients stand  
for recognition*



## Athletic Moment

## *A Season to Remember*



*Coach Jeremy Shulman presented the NJCAA National Runner-Up trophy to EFSC President, Dr. Jim Richey who then presented Coach Shulman with a plaque honoring the historic season.*

The Eastern Florida State College men's basketball team had a season to remember, winning a program-record 31 games before falling in the NJCAA Division I National Championship game in Hutchinson, Kansas.

It was a run that the Titans weren't sure they would be able to make after losing in the Region VIII Tournament championship in Ocala, but they received one of the four at-large bids into the national tournament for the third straight season, also a school record.

### ***NJCAA Division I National Championship Tournament***

The Titans made the most of the bid, defeating Monroe College, Motlow State and South Plains to head to the national championship game for the first time in school history.

They would lose to the hometown Hutchinson Community College in the championship game, claiming the runner-up trophy; the best showing in college history.

The players and coaches were recognized during a trophy presentation ceremony the following week that included EFSC Board of Trustee members, President Dr. Jim Richey and other college administrators. For information on how to support EFSC Athletic Booster Club go to <http://www.easternflorida.edu/foundation/>

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

14% of Community College students are hungry and homeless and choose to pay for college before they eat. <http://www.marketwatch.com/story/at-least-half-of-community-college-students-struggle-to-find-housing-healthy-food-2017-03-15>

**EFSC  
Scholarships  
Apply now!**

[easternflorida.academicworks.com](http://easternflorida.academicworks.com)

## Donating Retirement Plans to a Charity

Donating retirement accounts to charity can be an easy and financially beneficial strategy for you and the charity. Many people feel they do not have enough assets at death to leave to a charity they supported during their lifetime and also sufficiently provide for their family or other beneficiaries.



*Ganon J. Studenberg  
J.D., LL.M., AEP  
Studenberg Law*

There are two tax savings benefits to naming a charity as a beneficiary of your retirement plan accounts. Retirement accounts such as an IRA, 401(k) and 403(b) are subject to income taxes and federal estate taxes. When a charity receives these funds it will not pay income taxes and the benefits paid to the charity will not be subject to estate taxes because of the charitable deduction.

The tax savings to a charity is significant when compared to an individual receiving the same funds.

When a retirement account is left to an individual it first may be subject to federal estate taxes (40% for gross estates exceeding \$5.49 million). Secondly, as distributions are made to the individual beneficiary it is subject to income taxes. Only a small portion of the retirement account is ultimately left to the individual beneficiary due to these two taxes. On the other hand, the charity will receive the retirement account 100% tax free! Instead, consider leaving other more favorable taxed assets to your family or other beneficiaries.

An additional benefit of designating a charity as a beneficiary of a retirement account is that they receive the funds immediately and are not subject to probate or further estate administration expenses and involvement. Leaving retirement accounts to a charity is also easy for the donor. The donor simply completes and files a beneficiary designation form with the financial institution. As with all planning, be sure to work closely with your financial and legal advisors.

Please call the Foundation office for further details at 321-433-7055.

## Hilton Rialto Place EFSC Host Hotel

An EFSC Foundation supporter, The Melbourne Hilton Rialto Place is Eastern Florida State College's official "Host Hotel."

On behalf of the college, the hotel will be hosting the Florida College System Council of Business Affairs (COBA) Conference in May, 2017. Seventy-Five business executives from the state's 28 Florida College System schools will be in attendance.

The Hilton supports matching gift scholarships for students such as Dream Makers, Helios and other awards. Besides supporting the Foundation financially, the Melbourne Hilton offers reduced rates for EFSC students, staff and faculty and visiting family members just in time for graduation.

This newly-renovated, upscale hotel is the perfect place to host EFSC guests, meetings and other special events. Thank you Melbourne Hilton Rialto Place!

Find out more at [www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/florida/hilton-melbourne-rialto-place-MLBMHMF/index.html](http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/florida/hilton-melbourne-rialto-place-MLBMHMF/index.html)



**"I have for years supported EFSC (formerly BCC), and I am pleased to make this pledge to Eastern Florida State College as I know it will benefit the college and students who attend for years to come."**

*Bernie W. Simpkins*



**Save the date!**

## **4th Annual EFSC Scholarship Golf Classic September 22, 2017**



*Jaime Curtis and EFSC President Dr. Jim Richey hold the Grand Prize check for that lucky ball drop winner.*



*Dr. Joe Lee Smith helps his putt!*



*Foundation employees and volunteers greet our golfers with big smiles.*



*EFSC President Dr. Jim Richey and winner Andrea Beyel pose for a winning picture.*



## **Highlights from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual EFSC Scholarship Golf Classic**

**Call the Foundation office for information to play or sponsor at 321-433-7055.**



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**Vision Statement:**

*"Maximizing donor resources to build futures, transform lives, and promote academic excellence."*

**Mission Statement:**

*"The EFSC Foundation cultivates donor and alumni relations to secure the resources required to support scholarship and initiatives [that exceed the scope and reach of the college budget] or [to further the college mission]."*

**Values: EDUCATE**

*Excellence: To contribute outstanding service to benefit the College*

*Diversity: To include and recognize all the demographics in our community*

*Unite: To work together for a common purpose*

*Creativity: To generate solutions outside the normal channels*

*Ambition: To achieve a desired common goal*

*Transparency: To operate with the utmost integrity*

*Ethics: To perform with virtuous behaviors, ideals, and principles!*

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