

30 Florida students receive business scholarships

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It's almost that time of the year again, when the Jacki Tuckfield Memorial Graduate Business Scholarships will be awarded to 30 deserving graduate

The scholarship award was established in 1997 by Gloria and Jack Tuckfield to honor the memory of their daughter Jacki, who was a devoted member she died of unknown causes. She had only recently graduated (class of 1996) with an MBA from Nova Southeastern University with a 3.96 grade point

This year, with the awarding of 30 scholarships, the scholarship fund will celebrate \$261,000 in funded graduate business tuition scholarships.

The recipients for 2008 will be awarded in a ceremony at 7 p.m. on Aug. 11 at the Biscayne Bay Marriott Hotel, 1633 N. Bay Shore Drive.

They are Anna P. Foster-McKnight and Sharice Dee-Ann Francis, both of Barry University's Andreas School of Business; John Van Hinson, Jr., Ashli LaShaun Mona Stevenson, all of Florida A & M University's School of Business and Industry; Jeffrey Emilson Damisse, Brandon DeWitt Duncombe, Munair R. Insang, Bridget Joy Jackson, David Joseph Johnson, Guirlande Pierre Jones, Veena Looknanan-Brown and Alzeth Juanita Robinson, of Florida International University's Alvah H. Chapman Jr. Graduate School of Business; Keisha Alexander, Je Memorial University's School of Business; Kai Tahari Blackman, Laurence Bourjolly, Carlton Alexander Cunningham, Eluzanne Etienne, Lauren Jenr Elizabeth Tomlinson, of Nova Southeastern University's H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship; Sophia Andrea Footman and Tiffany Ayana Faublas, of the University of Central Florida's College of Business Administration.

SCHOOL BENEFIT

St. Francis Xavier School, established in 1935 by members of Overtown's black community who viewed a Catholic school as a vehicle of deep, lasting former students were provided with the tools to live productively, may soon have to close its doors.

The reason, according to the Rev. John Cox, is lack of money to sustain the school.

Cox, who is pastor of both St. Francis Xavier and Holy Redeemer Catholic in Liberty City, said: "Over the years the school has become increasingly r

However, he said, the members of the church, teachers, parents, students and friends in the community continue to believe in the mission of the sch

On Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., the community is invited to a special gathering to examine the situation of the school, to identify current needs of

Everyone who has an interest in seeing the school survive is invited to the meeting at the church, 1682 NW Fourth Ave in Overtown. Lunch will be pr

For more information and to register your attendance, contact Cox at 305-691-1701.

Also, the school is registering children for the 2008-2009 school year. Call 305-573-8532.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS Miami Springs Baptist Church at 378 Westward Dr. in Miami Springs, will have a free Vacation Bible School from 6 to 10 at the church. The theme is "Living God's Unshakable Truth!" and will be taught through worship, missions, crafts and recreations.

To pre-register go online to www.miamispringsbaptist.org. For more information, call the church at 305-888-1538. Children ages 3 to 12, are invited to register from 9 a.m. til noon, July 14 through July 18 at Palm Springs United Methodist Church, 5700 W. 12th Ave., in Hialeah.

The theme is 'Beach Party: Surfin' Through the Scriptures' and is geared to be a "... celebration of God's love and a chance for children to learn new things from the church.

Each lesson will be supported with Bible stories, science, activities, songs, crafts, games and snacks.

For more information and to register, call Kathy at 305-733-6754.

ART AT ST. JOHNS

It's been a great season for the Arts at St. Johns, but now its coming to a close.

But don't despair -- there are a few events left for the rest of this season, such as a free reading of the play Summer Brave by William Inge and an art

In addition, the jazz series will continue through to the next season.

Several new programs are scheduled to start soon, and the season showcase will kick off the 2008-2009 season in October.

If you need more information, e-mail Arts at St. Johns at artsatstjohns@bellsouth.net.

SEMINARY GRADUATE

Congratulations to Elder Edward R. Rhodes, who recently received his Bachelor of Divinity from Antioch Bible Seminary.

Rhodes, a Miami native and a graduate of Miami Central High School, class of 1980 also recently recorded a CD entitled Psalms and Melodies on his