Renaissance Foundation establishes scholarship for PBCC health care students

(Lake Worth, Fla. – Sept. 4, 2008) Founded three years ago by community leaders Noel and Susan Guillama, the Renaissance Foundation in Wellington was established to "give back" to the community. The organization is committed to health related issues, education and a philanthropic desire to improve the community.

The foundation recently committed to providing a five-year, $12,500 scholarship fund open to graduates of western Palm Beach County high schools attending Palm Beach Community College at Lake Worth in health care programs.

“Creating scholarships for local students to gain a higher education in a health related program, meets all three of our mission points.” said Susan Guillama. “To do this at Palm Beach Community College, with all of the many wonderful allied health programs they teach is just fantastic.” The Foundation is funded by profits from The Quantum Group, Renaissance Health Systems and donations from company associates and private donors.

“We are extremely excited to be able to offer these scholarships to high school students from our western communities to attend PBCC, “said Dr. Maria M. Vallejo, provost of the Lake Worth campus.

“We are very blessed to have wonderful supporters who understand the financial needs of students,” said Suellen Mann, executive director of the PBCC Foundation. “The PBCC Foundation was created to provide student scholarships and support academic programs at the college.”

For information on applying for this scholarship, contact: Cherie Joseph, scholarship and alumni relations manager, PBCC Foundation: 561-868-3573.
Palm Beach Community College, Florida’s first public community college, is celebrating its 75th anniversary throughout 2008. The largest institution of higher education in Palm Beach County, PBCC serves more than 45,000 students annually through its associate degrees, professional certificates, career and customized training and lifelong learning. The College offers more than 100 programs of study at locations in Lake Worth, Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens and Belle Glade.

Editor’s note: A photo is attached. Caption: Noel and Susan Guillama (left) of the Wellington-based Renaissance Foundation and Dr. Maria Vallejo, PBCC Lake Worth campus provost (seated) and Suellen Mann, executive director of the PBCC Foundation.

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