Retirement Profile

Barbara Boerner bids adieu after 21 years

By Kelly Kearnan Staff Writer

Business and Organizational Leadership Professor, Dr. Barbara Boerner, is retiring from

Brevard College after 21 years. Boerner is also the Social Sciences Division Chair and Coordinator of the Business and Organizational Leadership Major.

Boerner attended undergrad at University of North Carolina Greensboro. After taking a year off to travel to Europe, Boerner began her teaching career at a prep school in Massachusetts.

"I taught biology and chemistry, which I only had one semester of in my undergraduate studies," Boerner said.

During her career in education, Dr. Boerner worked in different roles at many preparatory schools and colleges, including a Dean, a teacher and a professor. Boerner received her Doctorate in Business Administration from Argosy University, her Masters in Education from American University and a Masters in Business Administration from Loyola University.

"I was very fortunate to be in places where my teaching style was encouraged," Boerner

said. Her first three years of teaching was a very affirming process after she did not get a job her first year.

Boerner retired from a large position at a prep school in New England and began a passionate hobby of watercolor painting. Growing up in North Carolina, Boerner gradually found her way back and moved to Brevard in 1994.

After discovering Brevard College through taking a dog obedience class as a series of community education courses offered by the school, Boerner came out of retirement and began her job as a professor of Business and Organizational Leadership.

"Brevard College has provided a daily opportunity to exchange ideas and to learn from different viewpoints and be challenged,"

Financial aid!

Every Friday until the end of the semester, the Financial Aid Office will be holding Financial Aid Friday's in Myers Dining Hall from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is for students who may need help filing their FAFSA, help with any complications or corrections with FAFSA, and anyone who has questions about their Financial Aid for the upcoming year. We in the Financial Aid Office are here to help!

Boerner said.

Boerner liked teaching the Critical and Practical Reasoning course. "I enjoyed the opportunity of helping people discover their intellectual and creative strengths," Boerner said. In each class that she has taught, she never used the same syllabus twice to keep her job new and interesting each year.

After retirement, Boerner plans to travel. She will travel to Europe this coming summer.

In October and September of 2018, Boerner plans to visit a small artistic city in the mountains of China, the deepest lake in the world in Siberia, and Mongolia.

"I enjoy the realization of discovering how we are all one species, aside from all of our differences," Boerner said. "I grew up in a household with a broader view than just the United States."

Dr. Boerner will also spend time working on her lifetime hobby of art with watercolors and oils. She plans to garden at her house and occasionally return to sit in and teach at Brevard College.

Security Report

The most recent security reports for Brevard College have been released as of Monday, March 19 at 1:10 p.m., according to Brevard College Campus Security.

Residence hall doors have been found to be propped open regularly. Locking these doors is vital to ensure the security of the residence halls and the safety of the students inside. If you are engaged in this practice, please discontinue immediately.

Students are reminded that dogs can not be kept in the residence halls unless certified service animals or emotional support pets that have been approved by Campus Life.

There have been several incidents of students vaping in the residence halls and setting off the fire alarms. Students are advised that any type of smoking is not permitted in the residence halls.

Everyone is requested to contact Campus Security at (828)-577-9590 if wrongful or suspicious activity is observed on campus.

— Zach Dickerson



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