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Pass It On Golf Classic

On May 7th, forty-eight players teed it up at Woodmont Country Club for a fun-filled day of golf, food and prizes to benefit Pass It On.

The Pass It On Golf Classic helped raise over \$5,000 towards our new programming for South Florida teenagers transitioning from foster care to independent living. Thanks so much to everyone who participated! And a special thanks to BankAtlantic for all of their support.



Students Discover New Career Paths in "Career Week" Program

During the week of March 29th, Pass It On hosted Career Week, a program designed to introduce at-risk teenagers to career paths at major South Florida employers and to assist these teenagers to develop skills to compete for jobs after high school. Pass It On partnered with the FLITE Center, a one-stop resource for teenagers transitioning from foster care to independent living, and with the Lauderhill Boys and Girls Club. Host employers for Career Week included: Broward Health, BankAtlantic, City Furniture, and the United States District Court Federal Courthouse.



Career Week was the first of many initiatives established by Pass It On to assist local at-risk teenagers transitioning from foster care to independent living. Pass It On looks forward to growing this program with further partnerships in the community.

Pass It On Welcomes 5 New Board Members

The Board of Directors is responsible for guiding our organization and is crucial to building relationships in the community. As part of our recent expansion, *Pass it On* is pleased to announce the addition of 5 new Board members:

- **Robert Kline**, United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida
- **Nivea Lima**, Broward County Sheriffs Office
- **Rosa Gil Miller**, Broward County Library (Retired)
- **Jessica Roof**, Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County
- **Jacqueline Valdes, Ph. D.**, Licensed Psychologist, Florida Psychological Association, Broward Chapter

News from 2009-2010 Scholarship Recipient, *Camila Escobar*



I never could have imagined the excitement that the University of Florida would bring to my life. I've learned many life lessons already and cannot wait for the many lessons to come. I am from a city called Sunrise, from a life filled with Colombian culture. My family instilled values in me that I will cherish forever, including honesty and hard work.

I have chosen to pursue a career in Biology and hope to be able to attend the School of Medicine at the University of Florida. Shand's Hospital, the School of Nursing and all of the other health programs and medical research on campus has made me very excited about pursuing a career in medicine.

Never have I focused as much on my finances and spending habits as I have since starting college. Of course there are many expenses. There are also many temptations to spend, such as buying food out instead of cooking for myself. Budgets are tight, funds are limited, and I know for some students decisions like paying for books versus food or other things must be made. Fortunately, with the help of my scholarship money, I haven't had to worry about going without in order to afford my textbooks.

I can't begin to express how thankful I am that Pass It On has been so generous. They have also checked up on me while I have been at school to encourage me to succeed. I have never felt this much personal support from anyone besides my own family, and this has meant a lot to me. Thank you to all who have helped to make it possible for me to attend the University of Florida. It's great to be a **FLORIDA GATOR!**



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