Valencia Foundation Report to the Board of Trustees October 2014

Building a living legacy for firefighter Andriano

The family and friends of Orlando firefighter Carl Andriano have raised funds to create a scholarship to celebrate his memory. Carl loved being a firefighter. The 24-yearold was dedicated to the work and driven, setting a goal to become one of Orange County's youngest lieutenants. He also was a fighter. Last November, he was diagnosed with a rare, aggressive cancer, which he fought valiantly. His fellow firefighters rallied, raising thousands of dollars to help pay for his medical treatment.

He attended Florida State Fire College, and in May 2008, joined Orange County Fire Rescue. Carl was first assigned to a station in Windermere. But he desired a challenge and worked his way up to Fire Station 30 in Orlo Vista, one of Orange County's most active. Colleagues admired Carl for his work ethic, integrity and professionalism. They raised more than \$30,000 for "Team Andriano" to help with his medical expenses. Now, \$25,000 will go toward scholarships for students in Valencia College's firefighter training program in honor of Carl Andriano.

Foundation names new directors

The foundation welcomes four new leaders to the board of directors: Carlos Carbonell is CEO of Echo Interaction Group; Darren Hinshaw, CFA, is senior vice president and regional portfolio manager for BB&T; John Lewis is CEO of Lynx; and Reggie Riley, PhD, is community relations manager for Orlando Health. The four were approved by the executive committee this month and begin their terms at the October foundation board meeting. Trustees are welcome to attend this gathering on Oct. 15 at East Campus. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. The business meeting is noon to 1:30 p.m. Please call Pamela Dorn at 407-582-3259 to secure your seat.

The nominations committee is evaluating new candidates. Please contact the foundation to suggest a nominee.

Wells Fargo embraces Take Stock in Children

Wells Fargo has demonstrated its commitment to the education of youngsters and military veterans through Valencia scholarships. The most recent gift, directed by regional president, Larisa Perry and vice president of community affairs, Kate Wilson, will provide a scholarship for a graduate of Orange County's Take Stock in Children program. The first two graduating classes have a 100 percent success rate.

Join us in helping to transform lives

The Valencia Foundation board invites the college trustees to visit this fall. If you would like to learn more about the foundation's work and meet the volunteers who make it happen, please mark your calendars: **Oct. 15, 11:30 a.m.** board business meeting; and **Nov. 20 and 21,** strategic planning retreat in St. Pete. You will also receive electronic invitations. Foundation directors are grateful for the expertise, commitment and feedback of trustees, as well as the rich dialogue trustees bring to foundation work.