

# PNC Reception

In November, PNC Wealth Management hosted a reception where the Boulé recognized its Journey to Success partners. Among those recognized included Julie Leach of WBTT, Chief Bernadette DiPino of the Sarasota Police Dept., Mr. & Mrs. Marcus Anast of the Sarasota Collection Home Design Store, Matt Sauer of the Herald-Tribune Media Group, Nate Yoder of Mullet Aluminum, Charles Clapsaddle of METV, Dr. Rachael Shelley of Booker HS, Dr. Karen Holbrook of USF-Sarasota/ Manatee, Bradley Goddard & Scott Merritt of PNC and Chief Judge Charles Williams.



Please enjoy our PNC event video provided by METV  
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## WE THANK OUR DONORS

From November through the end of 2018 our friends and donors contributed over \$10,000 to the Gamma Xi Foundation to support our Journey to Success programs for under-served youth in Sarasota and Manatee counties. Our foundation board of trustees is eternally grateful to our donors for their generosity and support!

The primary mission of Gamma Xi Boulé is to positively impact the Sarasota/Manatee community through a range of youth development initiatives that are supported by our membership and aided with the resources of our foundation.



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Vicenzo DiLego, intern at The Sarasota Collection Home Store, shown above enjoying the recent PNC Reception along with his boss, Pamela Anast. DiLego is one of many Interns Gamma Xi has sponsored through their Journey to Success program. Read about these stories and more inside.



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## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

We checked in with a few of our scholarship winners to see what they have been up to. *We are very proud of them!*

**Anthony Freeman**, 2012 recipient, graduated in 2016 from Villanova University in Pennsylvania, and majored in Liberal Arts with two minors in Economics and Theology. Currently he is employed as an Underwriting Technician at FCCI located in Lakewood Ranch, Florida. "I'm grateful for the scholarship because it helped me realize how much support I had from others in my community."

**Anthony Lowe**, 2014 recipient, is currently attending University of Central Florida studying IT and will graduate the Summer of 2020. The former Booker HS graduate says that the Gamma Xi Foundation basically kick-started his college, "If it wasn't for them I would not be where I am today."

**Brendan Healy**, 2016 recipient, is very appreciative for the scholarship that helped him keep his student debt low. In 2018, he graduated from the University of Florida in Business and is currently employed at Sherwin-Williams as a Store Assistant Manager in Sarasota, Florida.

## DONOR'S TESTIMONIES

*We can't do it without your help.*

"When I first listened to the Gamma Xi Boulé leaders as they presented their future plans for youth development at a Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe board meeting, it was very clear to me that they were dedicated, focused and were going to make a huge difference in the lives of many of the youth in our community."

*-Shelley & Sy Goldblatt*

"There is nothing like the dignity of a job to help raise a young man or woman to a level they have not foreseen for themselves. Gamma Xi Boulé's initiative & engagement is more than a cause.... it is a necessary ingredient for a community to make a difference one student at a time."

*-Bradley Goddard,  
PNC Wealth Management*

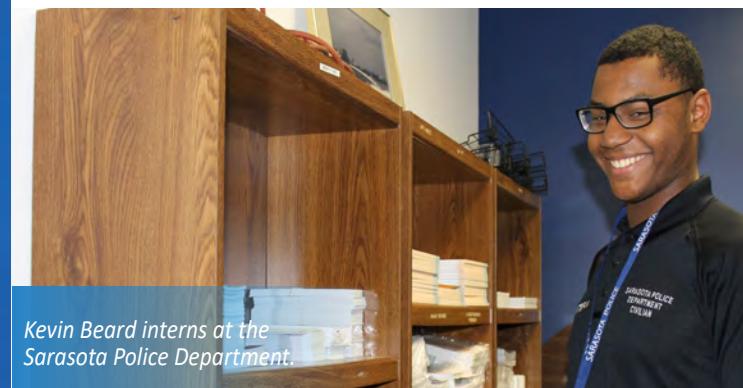
## INTERNSHIPS

Gamma Xi Boulé partners with Booker HS in Sarasota county and Southeast HS in Manatee county to provide paid internships for high school students with local employers in professional settings.

The students are paid \$10 per hour and the Gamma Xi Foundation pays 50% of the student's costs. The students work up to 10 hours per week during the fall and spring semesters.

Prior to beginning the internships, students are required to attend a 'business etiquette workshop' conducted by members of the Boulé. The workshop teaches students how to write resumes, interview skills, office decorum and how to dress for success.

Some of our internship partners include The Sarasota Police Dept., WBTT, Herald-Tribune, Sarasota Collection Home Design Store, Mullet Aluminum, Sarasota Memorial Hospital and University of South Florida. Since the internship program began in 2016, Gamma Xi has sponsored 13 student interns.



*Kevin Beard interns at the Sarasota Police Department.*



*Akila Davis Shaw interns at the Herald-Tribune*



*Aleah William interns at Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe*



*Moenasia Beal interns at Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe*

**A VALENTINE AT THE RITZ!**  
**SAVE THE DATE: FEBRUARY 15, 2020**

