

Campus Announcements

COPS Department Name Changes Announced – The College of Professional Studies has announced changes to departmental names. The Division of Social Work is now the Department of Social Work, the Division of Criminal Justice and Legal Studies is now the Department of Criminal Justice and Legal Studies, the Division of Graduate Education is now the Department of Professional and Community Leadership, the Division of Health, Leisure and Exercise Science is now the Department of Health, Leisure and Exercise Science, and the Division of Engineering and Computer Technology is now the Department of Engineering and Computer Technology. The Division of Teacher Education remains the Division of Teacher Education.

New Programs Bay County is starting a Master's in Education Leadership cohort for Fall 2006. **Chipola** is starting a Specialist/Doctoral cohort at for Fall 2006. Dr. Sherri Zimmerman is the contact person for both. Please contact her for more information (850-863-0730; szimmerman@uwf.edu).

Center for Lifelong Learning Scholarship Recipients
The Center for Lifelong Learning (CLL) Scholarship is awarded to UWF juniors, with a GPA of 3.5 or above, who attend UWF-Emerald Coast locations. Recipients were given their award of \$750 at the FWB Campus at a luncheon held in their honor on April 11, 2006. This year's recipients were Mark Bagby, a junior in Psychology and Mary Storts, a junior in Psychology.

July

- 4 Independence Day—University closed
- 6 New Employee Orientation (Pensacola)
- 7 SGA meeting
- 11 SBDC Workshop—Starting a Business
- 12 Library Strategic Planning
- 12-15 AIDA at OWC (see pg. 3)
- 13 NAS Pensacola Education Center Open House
- 20 SBDC Workshop— Florida Department of Revenue Tax
- 21 SGA Meeting

August

- 3 New Employee Orientation (Pensacola)

What's Going On in July?

Visit the **Branch Campus Calendar** to find out what events are taking place. You may use this link <http://uwf.edu/fwbcampus/mmcalendar.htm> or log onto the Web site <<http://uwf.edu/EmeraldCoast>> and choose the **Branch Campus Calendar** link. The calendar remains posted and is updated daily, so you will always be able to check on upcoming, previous, and current month events. If you have events that should be posted, please let us know (estokman@uwf.edu).

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Pictured (L to R): Mark Bagby, Melanie Deckert Pelton, Wesley Little, Mary Storts, and Bob Carney.

Making Way for Excellence Involvement of UWF-Emerald Coast. It is UWF's goal to become the number one regional comprehensive university in America, leading the nation in student satisfaction, employee satisfaction and leadership development. UWF is looking to achieve this goal through Making Way for Excellence teams. The following teams have individuals from UWF-Emerald Coast members: Communications-Rick Scott; Community Outreach-Tammy Castle, Shannon Humphrey; Employee Satisfaction-Kathrine Johnson; Measurement-joyce gillie gossom; Student Satisfaction-Deborah Cluff, Gail Holmes, Scott Lapinski, Angela Hall, Bernita Bryant. Hats off to these folks for their involvement in bettering our University and representing the Emerald Coast!!

Fitness Assessment Feedback needed. If the Health, Leisure, and Exercise Science department sent trained individuals to each UWF-Emerald Coast location to conduct free fitness assessments for faculty, staff, and students would you be interested? If so, call or email Ester Molder, estokman@uwf.edu with the following information: who you are, what campus you are located, and your type (faculty, staff, student).

Hurlburt Field Office Open for Business

The University of West Florida – Emerald Coast has just opened a full-time office at Hurlburt Field under the supervision of our new Military Services Coordinator, Allan J. Gold. The office is located at the Education Services Building #90220 on Hurlburt Field and is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM through 4:30 PM. The Hurlburt Field Office offers military members and their families the opportunity to obtain information about the vast educational degree options available in both the traditional classroom environment and through on-line distance learning programs. Classes are also being

offered to military personnel at the new Combs Campus just outside the rear gate of Hurlburt Field. Students interested in receiving information from our Hurlburt Office can contact Allan at (850) 884-2723, email him at agold@uwf.edu or obtain information on the web at www.uwf.edu/Emerald Coast Other advisors are also available at the Fort Walton Beach Branch Campus (850-863-6569).

The UWF Teacher Education Club will not be holding meetings during the summer. The fall meeting schedule is: August 28th, September 11th, October 9th, November 13th, and December 4th in Bldg. 1, room 126 on the Fort Walton Beach campus (time is yet to be determined). Leadership opens the door to many opportunities! If you would like to apply for TEC membership, new members are welcome at any time! Meetings are open to Education majors and anyone who would like to attend. Please email Catherine Cook (President) with any questions you may have, cdc32@students.uwf.edu.

Criminal Justice Student Association participated in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life in Fort Walton Beach on April 28-29. The team raised over \$800.00 for a worthy cause. Team members were present from 3:30 p.m. on Friday through the close of the relay at 11:30 a.m. Saturday. Over the course of the event, 16 students participated on the team. They also earned 237,000 spirit points by taking part in a variety of activities (e.g., ice cream bar eating contest, fear factor) throughout the evening.

Student Government Association (SGA) all Senate meetings are open to the public or students that are interested or just want to get involved and have a voice. We still need members and have Senator positions available as well as others. There is time allotted during Senate meetings for the gallery (non - SGA members). Student Government meetings are at 1:00pm in the Auditorium (bldg. 8) on the Fort Walton Beach campus. Upcoming meetings: July, 7 and 21, August 11th. Students can contact Travis Whitney with any questions they may have @ ecsenatepres@uwf.edu

Academic Student Center Pam Basham, Mental Health Counselor, will not be available in July, but will return for appointments in August. Ms. Basham will be at the FWB Campus Mondays & Tuesdays, 9:00am–4:00pm, Bldg 2, Rm. 211, by appointment only—call 850-474-2420. Mark Churchwell, VA representative, will be at the FWB Campus each Thursday, 9:00am–3:00pm, Bldg 2, Rm. 211, for walk-ins. Ruby Jackson, SGA, has moved from Bldg. 3 Rm. 318 to Bldg. 2, Rm. 210.

Bank Gives UWF \$100K Endowment (Pensacola News Journal, June 9, 2006) The University of West Florida's College of Business has received an endowment of \$100,000 from Peoples First Community Bank. The money will be used for scholarships, faculty growth and program development in the university's finance program. Ed Ranelli, dean of the College of Business, said the program doesn't receive such gifts as often as he would like. "We're absolutely delighted for this money for the betterment of the college," he said.



Pictured (L to R): Dean Van Galen, Britt Landrum, President Cavanaugh, Gretchen Van Valkenburg, Joe Chapman, Ed Ranelli, Ken Naylor, and Jimmy Barr.

John Cavanaugh, UWF's president, said he was grateful for the money and that receiving endowments helps the university continue to give quality education. "It's a testament to the quality of our business program," he said. Joe Chapman, founder and chairman of Peoples First, said in a news release he supports education because of his mother's success as an educator and elected official. He said those accomplishments were because of her ability to obtain an education. "Apart from freedom itself, education is the greatest key to opportunity available to Americans," Chapman said in the news release. "Education has been the foundation of all of my success, and at Peoples First, we are pleased to contribute to the mission of an outstanding institution like the University of West Florida and its College of Business."

Library Strategic Planning to take place July 12. Librarians representing all of the University of West Florida libraries will be meeting in an all-day strategic planning session, the outcome of which will affect our libraries for the next five years. The FWB Campus Library Director would like to bring to the table for discussion at that meeting the Emerald Coast needs and concerns. You are perhaps aware that meetings with various student groups have already taken place in an effort to gain student input. There has also been follow-up from the Library User Satisfaction Survey

administered on the FWB Campus in 2004. By means of this newsletter, faculty, staff, and students are being invited to provide additional input on Emerald Coast library needs for the foreseeable future to Dr. Lois Gilmer, lgilmer@uwf.edu

The NAS Pensacola Education Center is having an open house on July 13th from 10am – 2pm in building 634 for the 'On-Base Institutions'. Good news is that UWF may actually be back onboard the installation within the next two weeks. The event will be a combined open house, education fair, and job fair of sorts. There will be information, food and giveaways! For more information please contact Amy DeBruhl, adebruhl@uwf.edu, 850-473-7321

W.E. Combs Campus Update If you have not done so, stop by the Combs Campus (720 Lovejoy Road NW, Ft. Walton Beach). There have been many changes since we began holding classes there fall 2005. Here is a brief rundown of the changes that have taken place, followed by a rundown of the changes you can expect to see during the summer and fall 2006 semesters.

New: Teacher Education, Social Work, and Human Performance Technology faculty have moved into offices in Building 13. Academic Technology Center has opened in new offices in Building 4, Room 4002A. Computer and Technology Support located in Building 1. Security lighting has been installed in all covered walkways between buildings. Much of the chain-link fencing has been removed.

Coming: Building 3 will be renovated to include a student Cyber lounge, faculty offices, and classrooms. Building 9 will be retrofitted to provide joint-use CHOICE IT and Continuing Education classroom space. We plan to expand the current parking lot and add two additional parking lots, install lighting for all parking lots, and begin beautification landscaping. Finally, the remaining chain-link fencing will be removed, and new lighting will be installed for the flags and sign.

Special Events

Elton John & Tim Rice's AIDA will be performed July 12-15th, 2006 at The Arts Center, Niceville, FL. Tickets are on sale now, adults \$20.00 and youths \$15.00. Show starts at 7:30pm. Box office number is 729-6000. Please visit www.owc.edu/arts/ for more information.

Lunch Box Mondays at FWB will feature *Heavenly Croissant* sandwich lunch boxes available in the Student Center (Building 2) from 11:30 a.m. until they are sold. Box #1 will include ½-croissant sandwich with pickle, chips, and one cookie (\$3 cash only). Box #2 will include full croissant sandwich with pickle, chips, and two

cookies (\$6 cash only). Sandwich choices will include cheese; ham & swiss; turkey & swiss; roast beef & swiss; bacon, turkey, & swiss; tuna salad; chicken almond salad; and shrimp salad. For details contact Diane M. Dodendorf 863-0728; dmdodend@uwf.edu

Save the Date! Please make a note on your divisions/departments calendar that April 12, 2007 has been reserved for UWF Day at the Capitol in Tallahassee. Travel to Tallahassee will occur on the afternoon prior. Look for more information in upcoming newsletters.

CLL Gearing up for Fall The Center for Lifelong Learning, which holds classes on the FWB campus of UWF/OWC, is currently in the planning stages for their fall semester, which will begin on September 14. Open to all ages, CLL courses are non-credit, and cover a wide range of topics. Students may choose from such diverse topics as religion, history, languages, crochet, Tai Chi, computers, philosophy, and Yoga. Registration for CLL will take place in the campus auditorium on Friday, September 8, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. The semester will cover an eight-week period and students may take up to four classes for a fee of only \$40. For more information call the CLL office at 863-6548, email them at CLL@uwf.edu, or check out their web site at www.cll-fwb.org

New Employee Orientation All new UWF employees are strongly encouraged to attend one of the Human Resources' New Employee Orientation sessions. New employees are given an overview of UWF history and culture along with an introduction to policies and procedures, an explanation of the various benefits available, and an introduction to the computer technology most employees work with daily in their jobs. Sessions are presented in the Building 20 West Training Room. Because lunch is served, please make reservations with Andrea Gornall, Human Resources (850-474-2694; agornall@uwf.edu).

Small Business Development Center Workshops

Starting a Business – July 11th from 6:00 to 9:00 pm, FWB Campus, Bldg 1, Room 126. Fee - \$25. This workshop will cover many aspects of starting a business including legal structures, taxation, financing and insurance. The workshop is free to currently enrolled UWF students and UWF employees.

Florida Department of Revenue Tax – July 20th from 6:00 – 8:30 pm in Bldg 1, Room 126 – Free. This workshop will cover sales and use taxes, tangible taxes, unemployment taxes and frequently asked questions. Presenter is Tracey Mitchell from the DOR.

Extended Campus Activity Board (ECAB) open meeting the first week in August in the Student Union on the FWB campus. Refreshments will be served. The meeting is open to all currently enrolled UWF students. ECAB is for the students, by the students for the University of West Florida Emerald Coast and membership is ongoing. If you want to join the only organization that brings events and entertainment to the Branch Campuses of UWF, and have fun doing it, this is your chance. If you cannot make the meeting but would like to join, or have some ideas for events, please contact ECAB at ecab@uwf.edu or Interim President Pam Sidabras at pammyk_2001@yahoo.com

Strategies for Campus Leadership

The Chronicle of Higher Education is hosting The Chronicle Technology Forum, November 13-15, 2006 at the Ritz-Carlton, Lake Las Vegas. Join the most influential leaders in American higher education, along with technology visionaries and Chronicle editors, to examine how information technology is transforming academe and to develop strategies for leading your campus into the future.

At The Chronicle Technology Forum, you will gain the knowledge, ideas, and insight to achieve your goals for your institution—even if you're not a technology expert. For complete information, and to register at a discounted rate, go to <http://chronicle.com/technologyforum> or email technologyforum@chronicle.com

Did You Know . . . ?

Campus Encouraged to Review Hurricane Checklists and Procedures - The Department of Environmental Health and Safety has added two checklists to its hurricane Web site. The checklists cover general requirements which should be handled by each university department prior to the approach of a tropical storm. One checklist is specific to office areas, while the second checklist pertains to laboratory spaces. The 2006 Hurricane Season began June 1 and will continue through Nov. 30. Please review your department's hurricane plan and the University's Hurricane Procedures for UWF Students, Personnel and Facilities. The checklists and the hurricane procedures manual can be found online at <http://uwf.edu/envhs/hurricane.cfm>. For more information regarding hurricane preparation, contact Peter Robinson at Ext. 2435 or Floyd Replogle at Ext. 7440.

Graduate Student Center Door Code Change

The door code to the Graduate Student Center, FWB Campus, Building 2, room 250 has changed. Only **currently enrolled** graduate students are allowed access. Please contact your faculty advisor, academic advisor, or graduate department for the new information.

You may also contact Ester Molder, 850-863-6583 for the new information.

UWF-Emerald Coast Bookstore The cashier/bookstore is now open from 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Friday. Because we have hired another staff member, we no longer need to close for lunch. The cashier/bookstore is now able to take any fee payment students need to make. Students may also request transcripts for pick-up at this location.

The UWF Testing Center is doing proctored exams for distance learners from other institutions out of courtesy and not charging a fee. We do ask the institution or student to provide postage and envelope to mail tests back however. For further information about Test Proctoring contact the UWF Testing Center 850-474-2384.

The Learning Center on Main Campus is now offering online paper editing. Students can submit papers to the Learning Center for editing via email at learningcenter@uwf.edu. Papers will be edited by tutors using a Table PC with pen correction capabilities. Papers will be edited during normal Learning Center business hours (Summer M-F 8 am – 5 pm) and returned via email with suggestions for improvement. Papers will be edited in the order in which they are submitted. Paper editing may take between 24-48 hours depending on the number of pages of the document and the number of papers in line to be edited. A general rule of thumb is 24 hours per every 10 pages. Papers that require extensive editing may require a face-to-face editing session. Paper editing is a supplement tool for students to help improve their writing skills. Students can check out additional Learning Center services at www.uwf.edu/learningcenter/.

First Time Military Students Need Degree Plans for TA Processing Please insure that any new student that has a military connection be provided with their degree plan during an advising appointment to insure that their tuition payment is not delayed. A requirement for them to get tuition assistance is that they provide the Education Service Office with a copy of their degree plan and, when needed, copies of any change in degree plans. We appreciate your assistance!

New Tuition Assistance Policy Takes Effect
A new Air Force policy regarding the distribution of Tuition Assistance (TA) will take effect immediately for military students. In the past, TA policy allowed for payment of tuition and fees up to predetermined caps established by DoD as a uniform policy. Most new

military students applying for TA do not know that the Air Force has, in the past, paid for all application and registration fees, and most additional fees required for courses as part of their total TA authorization. The new policy will eliminate the coverage of certain required fees previously paid, but will still cover reimbursable fees. Each academic institution will determine which fees will be reimbursable. Fees that are not associated with a specific course will be considered non-reimbursable. Examples are admission, application and matriculation, withdrawal, late, drop, add, graduation, commencement, diploma, transcripts, or comprehensive exam fees. TA will not be authorized for evaluation of credit (portfolio, experiential learning, transfer and ACE evaluated credit, or foreign school evaluation). Additionally, TA will no longer be approved for fees associated with Continuing Education Units (CEU), or for courses for audit purposes unless the course can be shown to contribute to an individual's professional development. Fees not applicable to military students can be negotiated with the school by exception to include parking fees, student activity fees, health fees, transportation fees, and technology fees. Military students should contact their local Education Center for the latest details pertaining to TA coverage.

Programs of Study

MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH, ONLINE!
uwf.edu/dlhs/programs/publichealth.cfm

Application deadline: **June 1** (for Fall 2006 admission)
Students qualified to enroll in graduate studies but who do not have the required documents by the application deadline date, or those who do not intend to work toward a graduate degree, can complete up to 12 hours as non-degree seeking students.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH SCIENCES
uwf.edu/dlhs/programs/bshs.cfm

Application deadline: June 30 (for Fall 2006 admission)

WORKSHOPS, TRAININGS, & SHORT COURSES
uwf.edu/dlhs/workshops/

Registration deadline: NOW for advance registration prices.
CEU credits for various professions. Organizations sending 3 or more participants are eligible for a \$10 discount per participant.

Mold Awareness \$85, September 2006

Certified Mold Remediator, September 2006

In Our Community

UWF-Emerald Coast Presence Given the rapid development of the Crestview area due to BRAC and the aerospace industry, the University of West Florida-Emerald Coast is implementing plans to establish a significant UWF presence in the community. Okaloosa County planning manager, Mr. Terry Jernigan, says that the immediate area could pick-up an additional 35,000 residents within the decade. UWF-Emerald Coast will initially place a full-time faculty member in the community to support the Okaloosa County School District's IT CHOICE program for high school students, deliver undergraduate courses in IT, and represent UWF overall. The OCSD will provide office space for the first faculty member who will serve as initial university representative in the community. Additional support staff and faculty will be added as program needs expand and an adequate facility is found to house UWF programs. Classes in program areas delivered through UWF-Emerald Coast will eventually be delivered in Crestview when sufficient interest exists.

YMCA Corporate Membership The Fort Walton Beach Family YMCA has partnered with University of West Florida-Emerald Coast to offer its employees and students discounted membership rates. The YMCA is newly renovated and has new fitness equipment. The Y offers programs for all age groups from infants to senior citizens. With an indoor twenty-five meter pool the Y can offer aquatics programs year round. Aquatics programs include swim lessons, competitive swim team, water aerobics classes and synchronized swimming. The Y sports department offers year round sports and skills camps for youth of all ages. Baseball, basketball, soccer, and flag football programs are offered to Y members at a 50% discounted rate. Many services are offered to Y members at no cost. These programs include all group land and aquatics classes and use of our fitness facility and pool. The Fort Walton Y also offers its members free child care from 9:00 – 12:00 in the morning and from 4:00 to 7:00 in the afternoon Monday through Friday. Take advantage of this great opportunity to join the YMCA at discounted rates. Corporate discounted rates are as follows:

Membership Type	Monthly Draft	Joiner Fee
Family	\$40.00	\$ 75
Single Parent Family	\$30.40	\$50
Adult (18-59)	\$28.00	\$50
Senior Citizen (60+)	\$18.40	\$35
Youth (0-17)	\$13.60	\$35

Emerald Coast Marine Institute (ECMI) is looking for students who are interested in volunteer and internship opportunities. ECMI is a non-profit alternative education school for at-risk teenagers servicing Okaloosa and

Walton counties. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Bernard Williams, ECMI Executive Director, 850-244-2711. Be sure to contact your academic or faculty advisor for approval.

Let Us Hear From You!

We are interested in your feedback. Send to estokman@uwf.edu or call 850-863-6583. Thank you.