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A Note from the Dean...

Greetings students, faculty, staff, and community friends. It is that time of the academic year when end of semester projects are due and finals are rapidly approaching. It just so happens that this occurs during Spring, which is especially welcome this year after such an unusually chilly winter. Please enjoy the warmer weather but also stay focused on completing the requirements for your courses and preparing to do well on your finals. You'll want no regrets when you look back and this semester is completed.

My guests for this month's Explore, UWF Emerald Coast on Cox Cable channel 6, are EC Student Government Association President Victoria Judkins and EC SGA Governor Melissa Oakes. Victoria and Melissa are wonderful guests and we discuss their commitment to their studies while at the same time representing the students on the Emerald Coast. I want to express my gratitude to them for all that they have done to so capably represent the student body of UWF EC. They have worked tirelessly in addressing the special issues and challenges faced by students at our EC Branch locations to the Pensacola campus and the UWF SGA. I hope that you will join me in expressing to both Melissa and Victoria our appreciation and if you have a chance, please view my conversation with them on our UWF EC Explore public service program on Cox cable channel 6 every Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 3:00pm; and also on Mondays at 8:00pm, Saturdays at 5:30pm, and Sundays at 8:30am.

Please stop by just to visit or contact me if you have a concern and remember, stay focused in your studies and bring this semester to a successful conclusion.

Best of luck to you in your endeavors this year.

John F. Azzaretto
Vice Provost and Dean
UWF Emerald Coast





Summer and Fall Class Registration Dates

Summer and Fall Open and Regular Registration is taking place this month.

Summer Advance Registration: 3/22 - 3/28/10
Graduate Students: 3/22/10
Seniors: 3/23/10
Juniors: 3/24/10
Sophomores: 3/25/10
Freshmen: 3/26/10
Open Registration: 3/29 - 4/18/10
Regular Registration (non-degree and all other):
4/19 - 5/9/10

Fall Advance Registration: 3/29 - 4/4/10
Graduate Students: 3/29/10
Seniors: 3/30/10
Juniors: 3/31/10
Sophomores: 4/1/10
Freshmen: 4/2/10
Open Registration: 04/05 - 8/1/10
Regular Registration (non-degree and all other):
8/2 - 8/22/10

Scholarships

Rene Matos Scholarship - National Hispanic Coalition of Federal Aviation Employees

The sponsor assists minority and women students complete their higher education efforts by recognizing and rewarding academically superior performance, achievements, leadership, and community involvement. Scholarships are available on a competitive basis to any undergraduate, graduate, or technical/vocational student.

<http://www.nhcfae.org/education/rene-matos-scholarship/>

Applications are accepted between February 15 and May 1, 2010

Armstrong (Ethel Louise) Foundation

The sponsor provides scholarships to any woman with a physical disability who is pursuing graduate studies at a college or university in the US.

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http://www.ela.org/scholarships/scholarships_process.html

Applications accepted between March 1 and June 1.

Give Blood, you can save someone's LIFE

The Florida Bloodmobile will be at the FWB Campus on April 12th, 10:00am to 3:00pm.

Tech Night Career Fair Held at the Reef

The fifth annual "Tech Night" career fair was held March 16th at the Research and Engineering Education Facility (REEF) in Shalimar. Local technical businesses attended the event to showcase internship, co-op, and employment opportunities. Tech Night was open to all UWF students and alumni, however, the event focused on computer science, physics, math, electrical engineering and computer technology disciplines.

The event was a great opportunity for the nearly 50 students to research local employers and gain experience as they begin searching for experiential opportunities and employment. Local businesses in attendance at Tech Night included: Aerotek, Anyar, Applied Research Associates, DRS Technologies, Gulf Power, InDyne, Jacobs Technology, Naval Nuclear Propulsion Officer Program, Qualis, SAIC, and the United States Air Force. For more information contact Ester Molder, emolder@uwf.edu, 850.863.6575.



Habitat for Humanity

Several students and staff volunteered at the first birthday celebration of the Habitat for Humanity ReStore on March 20. Duties included helping customers with purchases, cleaning merchandise, serving food and tearing down. UWF made quite an impact during this fun day of hard work! Learn more about the ReStore here:



<http://www.habitatfwb.org/restore.html>

Upcoming Spring Career Events

STATEWIDE JOB FAIR: SPECIAL INVITATION TO 2010 SENIORS & RECENT UWF GRADUATES

Career Services, in conjunction with the Student Government Association (SGA), is sponsoring a trip to the Florida Career Centers' 2010 Statewide Job Fair in Orlando on May 13. This trip is especially designed and limited to current seniors and recent alumni (May 2009 graduates-May 2010 graduates).

The following is included in this trip without expense:

- * Transportation (on chartered bus)
- * Hotel Accommodations
- * You must provide for your own meals and any additional needs/requirements.
- * YOU MUST BE DRESSED IN FORMAL BUSINESS ATTIRE OR YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED INTO THE FAIR.

YOU MUST RSVP BY NO LATER THAN 5PM ON TUESDAY APRIL 20TH, 2010. Reservations will be handled on a first-come-first served basis. Space is limited! For more information and to register, view Career Event id #114 in JasonQuest (under the "career events" tab).

Air Force. For more information contact Ester Molder, emolder@uwf.edu, 850.863.6575.

INFORMATION SESSION: April 14

USAF Scientist & Engineer Civilian Recruiting. 11am-1pm, REEF (Room 119). UWF Students and Alumni only. RSVP by April 9th to emolder@uwf.edu or 850.863.6575.

PANHANDLE JOB FAIR: April 15

NW Florida Fairgrounds, 10:00am-3:00pm. Visit www.panhandlejobfair.com for more information. To prepare your resume contact Ester Molder, emolder@uwf.edu or 850.863.6575.

MYPLAN.COM is a web-based career planning resource which provides assessments and resources to help students choose suitable majors and careers. For more information contact Career Services, 850-863-6575 or emolder@uwf.edu

SBDC Workshop in April

STARTING A BUSINESS -April 8

This workshop will review business planning areas such as financing, selecting a business legal structure, identifying your market, recordkeeping and identifying risks that can challenge success. To reserve your seat, please call the SBDC at 833-9400 by April 7th.

NWF/UWF FWB Campus, Bldg. 1, Room 126 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Fort Walton Beach. Fee is **\$35.00**

Spotlight Series Presents...

UWF Emerald Coast, ECAB, along with Spotlight Series is pleased to announce the 1st Annual Emerald Coast Music Festival (ECMF). The festival will be held at the W.E. Combs Campus at 720 LoveJoy Rd, on April 17th, between 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm. The ECMF is free and open to the public as well as UWF Faculty, Students, and Staff. The ECMF is a non-alcoholic event; there will be vendor's onsite selling food and



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• With Hatchet, Pike and Gun

For band information, please visit our website:
<http://www.uwf.edu/emeraldcoast/ecmf.cfm>

This event is open field seating. Bring your own chairs or blankets.
This is a dry event. Please no outside food or beverages allowed.
Vendors will be available for the purchase of food and nonalcoholic drinks.
Split Date: April 24th

University of West Florida
EMERALD COAST
Spotlight Series

Academic Technology

Need help with eLearning? Faculty can schedule an appointment to get assistance with: Online Course Design, Desire2Learn (D2L), UWF's online Learning Management System, Elluminate Live!, and other instructional related technologies. Contact Cindy Mersereau, cmersereau@uwf.edu (email is the best way to reach me!) or (850)833-3989 Combs Campus in FWB, (850) 474-3291 Pensacola Campus.

I can meet with you at my office on the Combs Campus (Bldg. 4, Rm 4002a), my office on the Pensacola Campus (bldg. 77, Rm 138b), online in Elluminate, or at your office. Remember to visit the ATC website at <http://uwf.edu/atc>, for more information, resources and a calendar of events related to online learning and instruction.

UWF Emerald Coast Teacher Education

The Teacher Education Club hosted an author visit on Monday, March 22nd! Romance novelist, Catherine Mann, provided insightful and motivating tips for aspiring authors and for use when with students. She even provided free books for participants! To try and give something back to the community members of our club also volunteered their time on Saturday, March 20th to Habitat for Humanity. We rolled up our sleeves and assisted with the Restore One Year Celebration. This fun day was filled with work, good food, live music, and friendship. Next, on the horizon, we are honored to be assisting with another author visit. Esme' Raji Codell will be coming to speak on Monday, May 17th at 7:00pm. She will be speaking at the Fort Walton Beach Campus of University of West Florida. Her books include: Educating Esme': Diary of a Teacher's First Year and How to Get Your Child to Love Reading: For Ravenous and Reluctant Readers Alike. More information will be coming to register for this exciting event

Military Corner

My name is Drew Buchanan. I've recently begun working at UWF Emerald Coast's Eglin Center as the Student Program Support Specialist. I'm currently in the Delayed Entry Program of the United States Air Force waiting for a job as a photographer. I'm proud to be a new addition to the UWF Emerald Coast family and eagerly look forward to collaborating with my colleagues to assist students, especially military, in advancing their careers and pursuing their desire for knowledge.

Community Events

April 10-11, Eglin AFB 75th Anniversary Air Show
April 16, Earth Day Celebrations, at Ft. Walton Landing.
April 23-25, Musical Echoes, Native American Flute, Art & Cultural Festival, at Ft. Walton Landing. More information at www.musicalechoes.org or 243-4405.

Center for Lifelong Learning

"The Center for Lifelong Learning has just completed a very successful winter semester where more than 500 students were registered to attend over 80 classes and special events. CLL offers classes in such varied fields as astronomy and knitting as well as the usual computer and history classes. Registration for the next semester is September 10 in the auditorium at the Emerald Coast campus and because CLL is an all-volunteer school, students may take up to four classes for only \$40. There is no age restriction and all classes are held in the daytime. Those who are interested in learning more about CLL should take a look at their website CLL-FWB.org; to get your name added to the mailing list, please call 863-6548 or email CLL at CLL@uwf.edu."

UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA
EMERALD COAST

at the

CRESTVIEW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
1447 Commerce Drive
Crestview, Florida 32539

FEATURING:

General Academic Advising and Student Registration
Appointments and Walk-ins Available
1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month from 8:30 am - 5 pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:
BERNITA BRYANT, UWF-EC RECRUITING COORDINATOR

CRESTVIEW OFFICE: 850-682-3212
FORT WALTON BEACH OFFICE: 850-833-3968



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HURRICANES and SEVERE WEATHER

Decorative weather graphics including a yellow lightning bolt on the right side and a blue and yellow hurricane on the left side, both set against a dark background with a diagonal line pattern.

presented by:

JEFF GARMON from **NOAA**

Monday, April 5th, 2010

NWFSC - UWF Campus at 5:30 pm

NWFSC - UWF Campus Auditorium, Bldg 8 · 1170 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd

For more information, please contact Deborah Cluff @ 850.678.3727

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