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A Note from the Dean...

Greetings students, faculty, staff, and community friends. The summer break is almost here and I want to congratulate those UWF Emerald Coast students that are receiving their bachelor or master's degrees. Your journey in some respect is complete in that you have achieved your goal of earning your degree. In another way, however, our journeys are never really complete because learning is a lifelong endeavor. I encourage you to continue your personal journey of learning, discovery and using this in the pursuit of personal and career advancement.

I want to also congratulate the most recent inductees of Alpha Sigma Lambda, the national honor society for non-traditional students. A personal highlight for me is to preside over the induction into this society of these wonderful high achieving students that often have to balance families and their careers, with the rigors and demands of their educational programs.

Finally, I wish to express my gratitude to our EC SGA for their leadership and commitment to our students. EC SGA President Victoria Judkins and SGA Governor Melissa Oakes have worked tirelessly to represent the interests of EC students and have numerous accomplishments that would not have happened had they not been such dedicated student representatives. Thank you and I wish you the best as you complete your academic programs and move on in your careers.

*John F. Azzaretto
Vice Provost and Dean
UWF Emerald Coast*





2010-2011 Student Club Officers

Congratulations to our 2010-2011 Criminal Justice Student Organization (CJSO) Officers:

- Mellie Roberts - President
- Lindsay Bohan - Vice President
- Alisha Ramirez - Secretary
- Elizabeth Murillo - Treasurer

Congratulations to our Student Government Association (SGA) 2010-2011 Officers:

- Timothy Mahar - Governor
- Matthew Brown - Senate President
- Robert Newstrand - Reef Campus Senator
- Kimberly Murphy - W.E. Combs Campus Senator
- Miko Rudzki - FWB Campus Senator

SGA still has a place for you. If you would like to be a part of SGA contact the Student Activities Office at 863-6585.

The Alpha Sigma Lambda (ASL) Honor Society had a successful Spring banquet on April 16 at the Fort Walton Beach campus. The 2010-2011 Officers are as follows:

- Dina R. Pagonis - President
- Christy L. Larsen - Vice President
- Carla L. Fernandez - Treasurer



Academic Advising Service Offered

Advisors are available at all Emerald Coast locations to assist students with a variety of services:

- Admission
- General Studies Advising
- SASS Audit review
- Class scheduling and registration
- Major/Minor changes
- Transient student letters
- Graduation applications
- Name and Address changes
- General Academic Questions Problem Solving

We look forward to serving you at any of our Emerald Coast locations. Appointments preferred but walk-ins are welcome.

Fort Walton Beach Campus

Building 2, Room 201
 P: 850.863.6569

W.E. Combs Campus

Building 1, Room 1001
 P: 850.833.3226

REEF (Appointments only)

Contact: Dr. Tom Gilbar, Engineering
 P: 850.863.0716 E:tgilbar@uwf.edu

Eglin Air Force Base Center

Building 251, Room 127
 P: 850.678.3727

Hurlburt Field Office

221 Lukasik Avenue, Building 90220
 P: 850.884.2723

Crestview

Chamber of Commerce
 1447 Commerce Drive
 Available 1st and 3rd Tuesday every month.
 P: 850.682-3212 or 850.833.3968
 4pm on Friday.



UWF to Counsel at Destin Chamber

Do you need help putting together a resume or preparing for an interview? Are you looking for an internship, volunteer opportunity, or job? University of West Florida wants to help. On Wednesday, May 5 from 9:00 am to 3:00 p.m., a career counselor will be available at the Chamber to discuss your unique situation. Career Coaching appointments are for UWF students and alumni only. For an appointment, please contact Ester Molder, 863-6575, emolder@uwf.edu.

Teacher Education News

The UWF Student Government Association sponsored a graduation dinner at the Ramada Inn on Okaloosa Island for all undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral candidates from the Emerald Coast Campus. The dinner was wonderful and everyone received gifts. We are truly grateful for all of their hard work and generosity. The TEC also celebrated upcoming graduation with a Bunko night on Saturday, April 17th. We are all now "Bunko addicts" and love the game. The Emerald Coast is also eagerly awaiting an author visit from Esme Raji Codell on Monday, May 17th at 7:00pm at the NWFSO/UWF Campus Auditorium, Bld. 8, 1170 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. This event is sponsored by the UWF SES Book Club. For more information or to make reservations for this event call Deborah Cluff (850) 678-3727. On a bittersweet note our Teacher Education Club board members are all graduating and wish to express our gratitude to our sponsor Dr. Jennifer Bailey for all of her encouragement and support. I think I can speak for all of us when I say she has made this experience exceptional!

Emerald Coast Bookstore Hours

The Emerald Coast Bookstore will be open 10am to 5pm Monday through Thursday and 10am to 2pm on Friday beginning April 12th and until May 7th.

The week of May 8th-14th the store hours will be 10am to 6pm Monday through Thursday and 10am to 4pm on Friday.

Also be aware that Financial Aid Deferment is available for use at both the Main & Emerald Coast Bookstores. The Deferment period began April 10th and will run through May 16th.

Any questions, feel free to contact the bookstore at 850-863-0760 or e-mail at 1017mgr@fhcg.follett.com

Career and Job Fair, NWSC in Niceville

Lindsay Lurton, UWF Transfer Recruiter, Bernita Bryant, UWF-EC Recruiting Coordinator and Sherry Newberry, Coordinator SSE Outreach/Recruitment represented UWF at the Annual Career and Job Fair held at NWFSO in Niceville, FL. There were a number of potential transfer students interested in degree programs at UWF.



Annual Career Fair, NWFL Fairgrounds

Bernita Bryant and Allan Gold represented UWF-EC at the annual Career Fair at Northwest Florida Fairgrounds. We discussed various student service processes and academic program information to many potential students. Prospective student contact information obtained from the event is emailed to the appropriate academic departments.





TeCEM Training

Ms. Cara Lee Gibson, a training participant and community leader, with GSC Systems, provided this quote. "The group program 'Field Supervision for Technical Teams' has provided a unique opportunity for my employees to learn proven methods for increasing their leadership skills. They are not only learning from (and getting to know) talented members of our own community, they are interacting with some of our partner (and potential partner) companies. This provides the valuable, unique aspect to their learning...sharing ideas with others in similar real-world circumstances, and therefore being able to apply classroom learning to real work situations almost immediately. On-line classes and independent company training cannot offer the interaction with other perspectives to provide such a total vision for how important leadership of a team in the field can be. I can already see a difference in attitude and work ethic in my company's participants. They recognize that there is always room for improvement, and that better leadership is a responsibility, that done well, has benefits that extend far beyond any one individual.

I am very grateful for every opportunity that we are offered to improve our skills sets, both from a management, operational, and technical perspective. The more we know, the more competitive, productive and efficient we become...and that just leads to success. Thank you for including GSC Systems in these opportunities." [right: *Dr. Azzaretto meets with Ms. Cara Lee Gibson*]



ABWA Expo

Bernita Bryant, Recruiting Coordinator and Ester Moldor Community Outreach Coordinator participated in the first American Business Women's Association History Expo held at the Santa Rosa Mall in Mary Ester, FL on Saturday March 27, 2010. There were several community businesses who took part in the event. UWF-EC was there to answer questions and discuss undergraduate and graduate degree programs offered online and in the traditional classroom.

Library Hours Change

The Emerald Coast Library will be open abbreviated hours during Intersession (following NWFSC's exam period): EC Library Intersession Hours (May 6 - 9)

Thursday, May 6 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Friday, May 7 CLOSED

Saturday, May 8 - Sunday, May 9 CLOSED

Once classes resume on May 10, our regular summer hours will be:

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Closed

Research Help Available - Paul Williford, the Emerald Coast Librarian, is always happy to assist you with the research you do for your class assignments. Contact him at williford@uwf.edu or 850-863-6577!

From the Armory

Master Sergeant Stacy A. Annese is a new graduate student at the University of West Florida. She enlisted in the United States Air Force in February 1991 and will complete her 20th year of service next summer. She graduated from Wayland Baptist University in September 2004 where she was awarded a bachelor's degree in Occupational Education.

Stacy is currently assigned to AFSOC Headquarters, Inspector General's Office on Hurlburt Field where she performs her primary duties as a Resource Advisor and Financial Management subject area expert. Her responsibilities include managing the budget for the IG Office and for inspecting all of the AFSOC financial management functions.

Master Sergeant Annese is currently working on a Master of Science in Administration, M.S.A. with a concentration in Acquisition and Contract Administration. She plans to be a non-degree student during the summer 2010 semester and transition to a degree seeking student in the fall. Stacy is currently planning to retire from the USAF during the summer of 2011. Her goal is to complete the M.S.A. program and apply the knowledge and skills she obtains from this program towards a second career as a civilian in the local area.

2nd Annual Beach Olympics

Tuesday, May 11, 2010
11am – 5pm

At The Boardwalk on Okaloosa Island
After Party Sponsored by The Swamp

- \$ 100 - For a 4 Person Team
- Sell shirts for \$ 12.00 to public

Winners' - Prizes - 50/50 Drawing
Tug-of-War, Kayak relay, Waiter Race, Bucket Brigade,
Laundry Cart Race / Bed Making, Keg Toss and Volleyball



Sponsored by the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce
Hospitality Round Table (HRT) Committee

Proceeds to benefit the Okaloosa County Junior Lifeguard Program

For information call Robin Lanier at (850) 986-7672
or email rlanier@resortquest.com.