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A Note from the Dean...

Hello and welcome back faculty, staff and students! We are embarking on a new academic year and there are many new and exciting happenings at the University of West Florida. Be sure to check the UWF and UWF EC websites to find out more about our wonderful University.

Just a few thoughts for new and returning students to make your life easier during the current semester:

1. Never hesitate to seek out and speak with your course professors. They want to see you learn and succeed. If you have a doubt about your assignments, their expectations of achieving success in their course, or need clarification about course content, they are there for you. Contact them during their office hours or via e-mail.

2. Visit and discuss your academic goals with our UWF EC advisers, they know and understand the University and can assist you with mapping out your academic degree objectives.

3. Make use of our EC career counselor, mental health coordinator, and also discover the opportunity of doing a co-op or internship.

4. Visit and make use of our UWF EC library. The staff are knowledgeable, friendly and want to assist you in achieving your course goals. And, take advantage of the research methods instruction provided by the Library Director.

5. Get involved! Participate in the UWF EC Student Government Association, attend "Spotlight" functions and activities, join the various student clubs and organizations to enrich and enhance your education.

6. Come by to visit with me, Dean Jack Azzaretto, or Associate Dean Joyce Gossom. We both would like to just chat or certainly let us know how we can help to address your problems or concerns.

Work hard and do well in your academic program, and make a difference by joining and participating in the various clubs and organizations available to you.

Best wishes for a successful new academic year.

John F. Azzaretto
Vice Provost and Dean
UWF Emerald Coast



Explore UWF Emerald Coast

Be sure to watch *Explore University of West Florida Emerald Coast* on Cox Channel 6 every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 3:00 p.m.; and also on Mondays at 8:00 p.m., Saturdays at 5:30 p.m., and Sundays at 8:30 a.m. This month's show discusses the importance of Development and Advancement in an Institution, with guests Gretchen VanValkenburg and Kyle Marrero. To view online visit <http://www.uwf.edu/emeraldcoast/explore/index.cfm>, with past episodes at <http://www.uwf.edu/emeraldcoast/explore/explorearchives.cfm>.

Upcoming Career Fair and Expo

October 5, 2010 - UWF Career Fair & Grad School Expo, Pensacola Campus (Conference Center)

APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE to discuss your career plans and provide information and feedback regarding the job search process, resume/cover letter preparation, and internship/co-op/employment opportunities. Call (850) 863-6575 for an appointment.

Career Closet

Just in time to help short-on-cash students and others get ready for job interviews, the second Career Closet is planned Sept. 22 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Conference Center, Building 22. All items will cost between \$5 and \$20. Proceeds will help the Rachel Heffner Memorial Endowment Scholarship which honors the daughter of Laura Tissington, a professor in the UWF College of Professional Studies. Heffner was born with cystic fibrosis and was a third-year UWF student when she died Jan. 12, 2003. Information or to donate items contact Career Services, (850) 863-6575.

Habitat for Humanity

You are invited to participate in a Habitat for Humanity Build on October 2nd. This build is open to any student, faculty or staff member who would like to participate. The build will take place in Crestview from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (lunch will be provided). You will need to have your own transportation or find a way to carpool with other participants. UWF will not be able to provide transportation. Space is limited to the first 15 people, so RSVP soon! Anyone interested in participating is asked to RSVP to Ester Molder by September 15th (850) 863-6575 or emolder@uwf.edu with your name, mobile phone number and email address.

Panhandle Job Fair

September 16, 2010 - Northwest Florida Fairgrounds 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (See attached flyer.)

SBDC Workshops

STARTING A BUSINESS - Sept. 1

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, limited seating, please call the SBDC at (850) 833-9400 by August 31, 2010.

922 Mar Walt Drive, Suite 203, Fort Walton Beach
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. The fee is **\$35.00**.

QUICKBOOKS BASICS - Sept. 15

See how Quickbooks financial software helps you take control of your business finances. Find out which Quickbooks product is right for you! See an overview of how Quickbooks simplifies tasks such as payroll, sales tax, job estimating, and job costing. To reserve your seat, please call the SBDC at (850) 833-9400 by September 14, 2010.

NWF/UWF FWB Campus, Bldg. 1, Room 126 Fort Walton Beach. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The fee is **\$50.00**.

QUICKBOOKS & FEDERAL CONTRACTING - Sept. 22

Learn the basics to setup your company's books using QuickBooks for DCAA compliance. Learn how to use QuickBooks to monitor your company's financial position and the status of jobs. To reserve your seat, please call the SBDC at 833-9400 by September 21, 2010.

NWF/UWF FWB Campus, Bldg. 1, Room 126 Fort Walton Beach. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The fee is **\$50.00**.

Dr. H. C. White Golf Tournament

The 24th annual Dr. H. C. White Golf Tournament will be held on September 17, 2010 at the Fort Walton Beach Municipal Golf Course. Participants receive a catered lunch and afterparty, gift certificates, and door prizes. New this year is a \$1 million Hole-in-One Shoot-out! Proceeds from this tournament go toward endowing scholarships for local students attending UWF and Northwest Florida State College. For more information, or to register yourself or a team online, visit www.fwbchamber.org/golf

Need help with eLearning?

Faculty can get assistance with:

- Online Course Design
- Desire2Learn (D2L), UWF's online Learning Management System
- Elluminate Live!
- Other instructional related technologies

Contact Cindy Mersereau at the Academic Technology Center (ATC) on the Combs Campus to set up an appointment at cmersereau@uwf.edu or (850) 833-3989.

Visit the ATC website at <http://uwf.edu/atc>, for more information, resources and a calendar of events related to online learning and instruction.

Library News

Come by the Emerald Coast Library and see our display of New & Notable books that we've added to the library collection this summer! Fall library hours are as follows:

Monday through Thursday: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

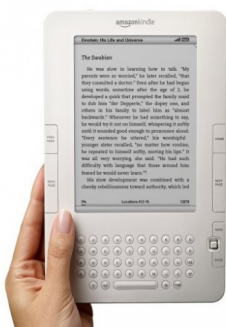
Saturday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and closed on Sundays.

LIBRARY RESEARCH CLASSES

Brush up on your research skills! The Emerald Coast Library is offering fall workshops on how to do research using library databases, online journals and other resources. Classes will be offered at the FWB Joint Campus, Combs, REEF and Eglin. A full schedule is available at http://library.uwf.edu/EmeraldCoast/LibraryClasses_Fall2010.pdf

KINDLES NOW AT THE LIBRARY

The Emerald Coast Library now has two Amazon Kindle electronic book readers available for checkout to UWF faculty, staff, and students! The Kindles may be checked out for up to two weeks and currently include several popular book titles. For more information, see <http://library.uwf.edu/Kindle/kindlepolicies.cfm>



Military Corner

Airman First Class Mia-Talia Lowe has been stationed at Hurlburt Field AFB, Florida since November 2009. She is currently working on her Bachelor of Science Business Administration degree in Accounting, B.S.B.A. at the University of West Florida – Emerald Coast. She hopes to continue her studies and education with UWF after receiving her B.S.B.A. in Accounting by pursuing a Masters Degree in Accountancy, M.Acc. After taking the CPA exam, Mia plans to apply her education in the financial field. Her hopes are to one day provide financial management support for the United States Air Force and later pursue a career with a major financial institution. Whenever her Air Force travels take her, A1C Lowe is set on returning to Florida and making the Sunshine State home.

Center for Lifelong Learning

The Center for Lifelong Learning is ready for the fall term, with more than 40 non-credit courses being offered in such areas as Personal Investing, Genealogy, Religion, Language, Writing, the Middle East, Bird Watching, Exercise, Cooking, Art, and more! For the computer buffs, there are classes for Beginner Computer users, Internet users, Photo Graphics, and Video Processing. There are no tests or grades, just the fun of learning something new.

Registration for the fall semester will be in the Emerald Coast auditorium on September 10, with returning students registering at 9:00 a.m. and new students at 1:00 p.m. Students may register for up to four classes for \$40.00. For more information, or to receive a full course listing, call the office at (850) 863-6548 or visit the website at www.cll-fwb.org.

Women's Opportunity Awards

Soroptimist International of the Americas grant program is aimed at assisting women who provide the primary financial support for their families improve their employment prospects through education. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. The grant can be used to offset any costs associated with their efforts to attain higher education, such as books, childcare and transportation. To learn more about this program and apply, visit <http://www.soroptimist.org/awards/awards.html>. Deadline for the 2011 awards is December 1, 2010.

Student Clubs and Organizations

There are many student groups and organizations at our Emerald Coast Campuses! To learn more, contact the Student Activities Office (850) 863-6585.

Criminal Justice Student Organization (CJSO)

Provides student opportunities to broaden ones knowledge of Criminal Justice, prepare for a career through professional development, give back to the community, and build contacts in the Criminal Justice field through networking. CJSO meetings are once a month at the Fort Walton Beach campus. The first two meetings are August 31 and September 28 at 4:30 pm, in Building 4, Room 412.

Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

The student branch of IEEE provides opportunities for members to meet and learn from students, faculty, and professionals in the area of engineering. It holds regular meetings to discuss engineer-related topics and hear from members from Eglin AFB and private engineering firms. The IEEE also provides extra-curricular activities for members and maintains contact with the North West Florida IEEE Professional Chapter. Meetings are once a month at the REEF campus.

Student Government Association (SGA)

The purpose of SGA is to provide an effective means of communicating student needs to the University administration and community, by providing a Government whereby the rights of the Student Body are upheld for the betterment of all. SGA coordinates and regulates activities for the benefit of the entire Student Body as well as allocate and distribute the Activity and Service Fee Fund. SGA meetings are twice per month at the Fort Walton Beach campus. The next meeting is scheduled for September 10 at 9:00 am, Building 1, Room 156.

Extended Campus Activity Board (ECAB)

ECAB members plan, coordinate, and implement activities and functions for students at all off-campus. They have hosted events such as Welcome Back BBQ's, UWF Fall Festival, Health Fair, Semesta Destressa, Career Floating Workshops, EC Music Fest, and Summer Survival Kits. Any UWF student can participate in ECAB meetings and events. ECAB meetings are twice per month on the Fort Walton Beach campus. The next meeting scheduled for September 1 at 3:00 pm, Building 2 Student Center.

Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society

ASL Honor Society recognizes the academic achievements of students who face competing interests of home and work. It honors those dedicated adult students who, while handling their daily responsibilities, achieve and maintain high scholastic standards. ASL is a self-sustaining organization with no regular meetings. The previous year's members help prepare the Fall and Spring semesters awards banquets.

Spotlight Committee

The Spotlight Committee generates and promotes diverse performances and lectures for students, colleagues, and university friends. Past presenters include Phyllis Hasty, Phil Chalmers, the Pyramid Players, and Mr. Jeff Garmon. Students that have an interest in bringing fresh, talented, performers to the Emerald Coast should contact Debbie Cluff for more information. Spotlight Committee meetings are called by the Chairperson.

Student Ambassadors

The Student Ambassadors are the official hosts for the University of West Florida. They assist with numerous University functions and serve as liaisons between students, faculty, alumni, and the community.

During the semester, Dr. John Azzaretto may call an Ambassador to help host an event. Ambassadors are selected through an interview process based on minimum GPA requirement, communication abilities, and an interest in promoting UWF. If you are interested in becoming a Student Ambassador for the UWF Emerald Coast, please contact Terri Reshard, Student Activities Office or Dr. John Azzaretto.

NEXT EXIT

10 Panhandle Job Fair

↑ Great Careers Ahead



The road to success starts here

**Thursday, Sept. 16
10am-3pm**

Northwest Florida Fairgrounds
1958 Lewis Turner Blvd.
Ft Walton Beach

**Career Education
Seminars**

Federal Job Applications	10am-noon
Resume Writing	12:15-1:30
Interviewing Techniques	1:45-3:00

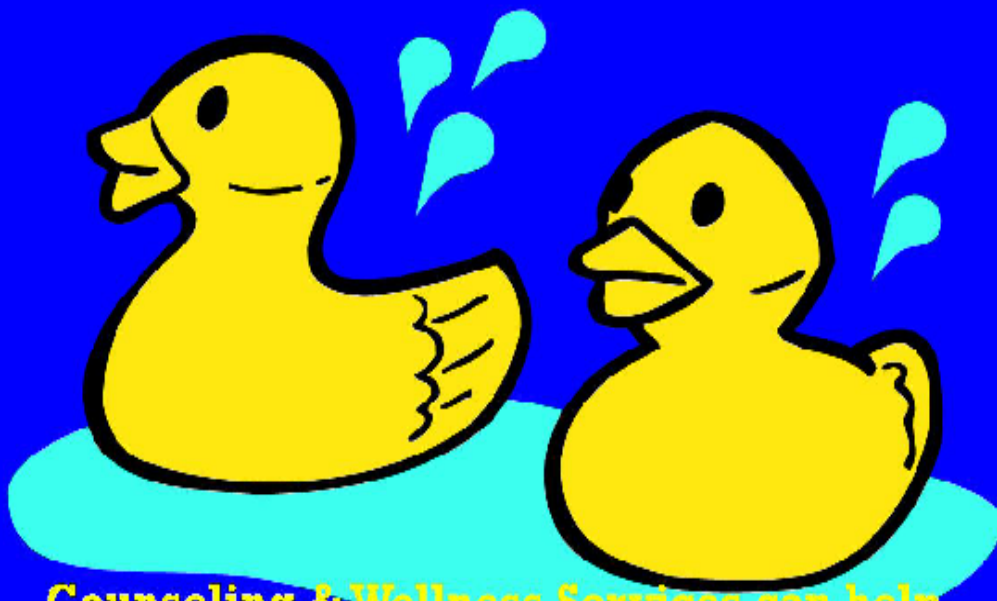
This job fair will have employers from across the U.S. with jobs in numerous fields including:

- **Mechanical**
- **Engineering**
- **Technical**
- **Law Enforcement**
- **Medical**
- **Aerospace**
- **Clerical**
- **Sales**
- **Telecommunications**
- **Information Technology**
- **Hospitality**
- **and Many More**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION,
VISIT US ONLINE AT:
www.panhandlejobfair.com**

Sponsored by the Panhandle Job Fair Foundation, Inc. to include Florida Employer Advisory Council in conjunction with JobaPlus, Huriburt Field, Eglin and Tyndall Airman & Family Readiness, Society for Human Resource Management - Emerald Coast Chapter, University of West Florida - Emerald Coast, Transition Office of Whiting Field, the Northwest Florida Daily News and emeraldcoastjobwest.com

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Open Monday-Friday, 8:00-5:00.



Contact Counseling & Wellness Services at 866-258-4378 ext. 2420 to make an appt.
@ either the Pensacola Office or the FWB Office

Website: <http://uwf.edu/cws/>

Email: counctr@uwf.edu