



Spotlight on NFCC

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Around Campus

SUMMER HOURS

NFCC summer hours are Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The campus will be closed on Fridays, May 11 through Aug. 14. Regular hours resume Aug. 17.

DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The NFCC Board of Trustees will meet Tuesday, May 19 in the NFCC Student Center (Bldg. 9) at 5:30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public. Information: Cindy Gaylard, 850.973.1618 or gaylardc@nfcc.edu.

MEMORIAL DAY

The NFCC campus will be closed Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.

SUMMER TERM 2009

Summer Term B begins June 29. Late registration for Summer Term A is May 11-12 (late fees apply). Summer schedule available at www.nfcc.edu or call 850.973.1622.

FALL TERM 2009

Academic Advising for Fall Term 2009 begins May 26. Open registration is July 13-Aug. 21. Classes begin Aug. 24.

NFCC holds Commencement Ceremony

NFCC held its spring commencement ceremony on May 5 at Van H. Priest Auditorium. John Grosskopf, NFCC President, led the ceremony which celebrated the accomplishment of 200 graduates.

Among the graduates were 103 receiving Associate in Arts degrees, 76 receiving career and technical degrees or certificates, and 21 earning a General Education Diploma (GED).

Giving the commencement address was Dr. Earl E. Paul of Hillsborough Community College. Dr. Paul works in student affairs and has been an adjunct faculty member at HCC in Tampa for many years. He also works with students in the area of leadership and



student development.

Along with his college career, Dr. Paul is an author. He authored a book on college student leadership and character as well as a series of four booklets on life skills areas for students. His book *So You Want to Be a Leader? What Every College Student Should Know* was published in 2007. He has written articles for professional publications,

presented at numerous conferences both for peers and students, and has been a speaker at many colleges.

His degrees include a Bachelor's Degree in English Education from the University of South Florida, a Master's degree in Student Personnel/Counseling from Western Kentucky University and a Ph.D. in Adult Education from USF.

Outstanding students honored at Honors Convocation



Adrian Peters
NFCC Student of the Year

NFCC celebrated its outstanding students April 14 at the Fine Arts Auditorium in an honors night ceremony led by NFCC President John Grosskopf and Dean of Academic Affairs Dr. Sharon Erle. The ceremony paid tribute to outstanding students for the 2008-2009 academic year.

Adrian Peters of Madison was selected as the 2008-2009 Liberal Studies Student of the Year. Peters is secretary of NFCC's Student Government Association, a member of the NFCC Brain Bowl team and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, and works as a peer tutor. In his free time, Peters volunteers at New Testament Christian Center, plays piano and actively participates in mission work.

This year NFCC presented, for the first time, a "Friend of the College" award to Pete and Katherine Cruce for their continued support of NFCC's Sentinel Rocketeers program, which meets each month at the Cruce Farm to launch rockets.

For a complete list of students receiving awards visit <http://www.nfcc.edu/alerts--news/press-releases>.

Around Campus**REGISTER FOR KIDS
IN COLLEGE CAMPS
MAY 16 IN MADISON
MAY 23 MONTICELLO**

Register your child for NFCC's "Kids in College" summer camps. Registration days will be held Saturday, May 16, at NFCC (Student Center, Bldg. 9), 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and Saturday, May 23 at the Jefferson County School Board in Monticello, 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. Registration takes around 20 minutes and parents should bring their child's current insurance card. A complete list of camps and other Community Education courses are available at <http://www.nfcc.edu/community-programs/community-education>. For more information, contact Suzie Godfrey at (850) 973-9453 or godfreys@nfcc.edu.

THE SPOTLIGHT

Include your campus news and events in the *Spotlight*. Send information to Kim Scarboro at news@nfcc.edu or call ext. 1613.

**Employee Birthdays
MAY 2009**

Tish Freeman	3
Sheila Hiss	7
Maria Greene	9
Jhan Reichert	9
Gwen Bivens	10
Karen Surles	10
Nancy Lillis	11
Diane Bethea	15
Carolyn Thigpen	16
Devona Sewell	26
John Taylor	28
Kay Hogan	31

College employees recognized for professional achievement and years of service Debbie Bass and Efrain Bonilla receive Above and Beyond Award

NFCC employees gathered in the courtyard of the NFCC Walter L. Bishop Administration Building April 28 for the NFCC Courtyard Party. The gathering honors all NFCC employees for their contributions to the college, recognizes NFCC's Above and Beyond award recipients and honors employees for years of service to NFCC.

Receiving an NFCC Above and Beyond Award were Debbie Bass, Career Education Advisor and Coordinator of the Displaced Homemaker's Program, of Madison and Efrain Bonilla, NFCC Developmental Math instructor, of Lake City. The awards are given each year to NFCC employees, one staff member and one faculty member, who go above the call of their regular jobs to assist students, to assist their colleagues or to benefit the college.

Twenty-six employees received service awards from NFCC recognizing years of service ranging from five years to

30 years. They are:

30 Years: Katherine Sale (Madison County), Edna Ealy (Madison County) and Lorraine J. Brown (Madison County)

25 Years: Dr. Sharon Erle (Tallahassee, Fla.)

20 Years: Sharon Leslie (Madison County) and Sarah Newsome (Madison County)

15 Years: Dr. Barbara McCauley (Madison County), Karen Pickles (Madison County), Mary Anne Wheeler (Madison County) and Bobby Scott (Valdosta, Ga.)

10 Years: Linda Brown (Madison County), Enid Kozlowski (Madison County), Neil Smith (Madison County), Michele Richardson (Madison County) and Bill Hunter (Hamilton County)

5 Years: Suzie Godfrey (Madison County), Roberta O'Hara (Madison County), Greg Molnar (Madison County), Lauri Newton (Taylor County),



Efrain Bonilla and Debbie Bass

Jason Welch (Hamilton County), Ondry Smith (Jefferson County), Vickie Bossé (Madison County), Efrain Bonilla (Lake City, Fla.), Nita Fico (Madison County), Dr. Tony Delia (Madison County), James Ferris (Madison County) and Hansel Nelson (Jefferson County).

Also recognized during the ceremony, as retirees, were Lorraine J. Brown, Larry Bell, Gerri Bucher, Enid Kozlowski and Sheila Hiss for their many years of service to the college.

**Health fair held at NFCC**

Big Bend Regional Prevention Center and NFCC hosted a Drug, Health and Stress Expose health fair on April 21 in the NFCC Student Center. Organizations from throughout the community joined forces with the NFCC Allied Health Department to inform college students on how drugs, stress and other factors can influence a person's overall health. NFCC Patient Care Technician students offered free blood pressure checks. Free information, eye-exams and lunch were also offered to health fair visitors. Participating in the health fair were Madison County Health Department, DISC Village, Inc., Refuge House, Big Bend Area Health Education Center, Eye Savers/Hourglass, March of Dimes Foundation, Big Bend Hospice, Magellan Health Services, Florida Therapy Services, Humana MarketPoint, Curves of Madison and the NFCC Allied Health Department.

LEFT: NFCC student Teresa McKnight, left, has her blood pressure checked by Patient Care Technician student Stephanie Davis during the Drug, Health and Stress Expose health fair at NFCC.



Lorraine Brown provides area churches with NFCC information

Lorraine J. Brown, NFCC Vocational Recruiter, recently attended the Madison County Deacons and Layman's Union at New Zion M.B. Church in Greenville and shared information about NFCC and its programs during her visit. Rev. David Delaughter, President of the Union, allowed Brown to pass out recruiting packets to twenty churches that hold membership in the union.

Brown, left, is pictured with the Madison County Deacons and Layman's Union secretary Rosa Richardson.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION Classes offered in Monticello

This summer NFCC is offering a variety of Community Education courses at its Green Industries Institute site in Monticello, Fla.

Course topics include:

- Basic First Aid & CPR
- Cake Decorating
- Quit Smoking Now
- Improve Entrance English/Math Scores
- Basic Child Birth
- Sustainability - What Does it Mean to Me
- Specialty Crops, Pests & Management
- Vegetable, Fruits & Nuts
- Kids in College Summer Camp classes
- And more...

View a complete list of available classes at <http://www.nfcc.edu/community-programs/community-education> or call (850) 973-9453.

“Kids in College” summer camps

Camp Registration is May 16 at NFCC & May 23 in Monticello

NFCC is offering a variety of Community Education classes this summer including over 50 fun and educational summer camps for children. Forty-six “Kids in College” camps are being offered on the NFCC campus in Madison and nine are being offered in Monticello.

“We are excited to offer a wide selection of Community Education classes and summer camps this year,” said Suzie Godfrey, NFCC Community Education coordinator.

Nineteen “Kids in College” summer camps will be offered on the NFCC campus for children having completed K4 through third grade. Topics include Knights and Castles, Making History, If You Can Walk You Can Dance, Glitz for Girls, Gone Buggy, Boys Only, Flower Power, Awesome America, Summer Fun, Radical Reading, Cupcakes and Cookies, Animals in Action, Cool Computer Clues, Basketball, Water Works, Soccer, Delicious Digits and Outback Adventures. Twenty-seven camps are being offered in Madison for children having completed fourth through eighth grade. Topics include Tennis, Boys Baseball, Girls Softball, Wildlife Wonders, Olympics, Fishing Techniques, Ancient Greece, If You Can Walk You Can Dance, Firefighter Exploration, Musical Adventures, Golf Camp, Glitz for Girls, Rocketry 101, Rocketry 201, Kids Cooking, Freedom Fighters, Football, It's Electric, Marvelous

Math, Dinoptopia, Get Spacey, Wild West, Basketball, Radical Recycling, Silly Science, Oceanography and Building Big.

Monticello based classes include Baseball/Softball, Fishing Techniques, Firefighter Exploration, Learn the Music Recorder, Musical Adventures, Science Can Be Fun, Basketball Camp and Kids Cooking Class.

NFCC will hold two summer camp registration days – one in Madison at the NFCC Student Center (NFCC Campus - Bldg. 9) on Saturday, May 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and another in Monticello at the Jefferson County School Board Office on Saturday, May 23 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration takes around 20 minutes and parents should bring their child's current insurance card.

“The summer camps can fill up quickly, so I encourage parents to register their children during camp registration days May 16 in Madison or May 23 in Monticello,” said Godfrey. “I also welcome feedback from the community as we look to offering more Community Education based courses in the future.”

A complete course listing is available at www.nfcc.edu (key word: Community Education). For more information, contact Suzie Godfrey at (850) 973-9453 or godfreys@nfcc.edu.

Celebrating Earth Day at NFCC

Planting a tree near NFCC's Science Learning Center are NFCC employees, left to right, Allan Horne, Hansel Nelson, Bob Spurlock and Bonnie Littlefield and NFCC students, left to right, Carl McKinney, Emily Dees and Liz Lineberger. The tree, planted in honor of Earth Day, was donated by Allen Webb of Superior Trees in Lee, Fla. The tree planting was coordinated by Theresa Williams of the Madison County Solid Waste and Recycling Department and NFCC instructor Bonnie Littlefield.



Chorus gives outstanding performance

The Community Chorus of NFCC performed in concert on April 26 at Van H. Priest Auditorium. Under the direction of NFCC Music instructor Dr. Rebecca Burkart and Dr. Arnold Burkart, chorus members joined their voices in a harmonious celebration of America. The patriotic songs beautifully showcased the talent of the chorus which is made up of NFCC students and members of the community.

Performing in the concert were Jefferson County residents Janis Courson, Eleanor Hawkins, Linda Hamedani, Tom Love, Martha Creel, Russell Courson and Dan Hamedani; Madison County residents Dolly Ballard, Kathryn Hale, Jeanette Mitchell, Katie Dedge, Tiffanie Colvin, Linda Davis, Carol Bynum, Ginger Jarvis, Barbara McCauley, RJ Harris, Lowell Hidy and Adrian Peters; Suwannee County residents Judy Crager, Anne Rissmann, Jean Wolcott and Kirk Pittman; and Taylor County residents George McMillan and John Dickert.



NFCC Community Chorus members applaud chorus co-directors Dr. Arnold Burkart and Dr. Rebecca Burkart at the concert's end April 26.

NFCC music program restructured to better serve community

The NFCC Music Department has traditionally provided quality music education and musical performance opportunities for students from Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee and Taylor counties and beyond. As college administration work on restructuring the music program this summer, keeping that tradition is a top priority.

According to NFCC President John Grosskopf the music program changes will expand the types and number of musical offerings that NFCC can offer to the community. Music classes will be offered through NFCC's Community Education Department, beginning in the fall, allowing community need and requests to drive which classes are offered.

"Music education will continue to be an important element at NFCC," said Grosskopf. "The music program had to be restructured in order to become more efficient and beneficial to not only NFCC, but also to those we serve – our students and the community."

The NFCC Community Chorus, a one-credit hour course academically, was already being offered through the NFCC Community Education Department with the majority of its members joining the chorus through the Community Education end instead of for college credit. NFCC anticipates that moving the remaining music opportunities under Community Education will allow student and community demand and interests to determine which classes, music ensembles and private instruction areas are most needed.

The change to the program does eliminate one full-time faculty position, which will be replaced with Community Education instructors and adjunct instructors. The college credit course Humanities Music will not be offered at NFCC in the fall, but will be replaced with General Humanities which is a broader accepted course for students transferring to four-year universities.

Overall, NFCC hopes to expand its music offerings through Community Education and is positioning itself to better respond to community requests. For more information about music opportunities through the NFCC Community Education Department, contact Suzie Godfrey at (850) 973-9453 or email godfreys@nfcc.edu.



Instructor Dr. Rebecca Burkart recognized Sebastian Harris as the NFCC Music Student of the Year.

Performing in the concert were NFCC Jazz Ensemble members Andy Denmark (Suwannee), Anthony McCreary (Madison), Angie Aikens (Madison), Sebastian Harris (Suwannee), Levi Moore (Lafayette) and Chris Bruton (Madison). Community guest performers were Janis Courson (Jefferson) and Tom Phillips (Madison). Directing the concert was Dr. Rebecca Burkart, NFCC music instructor.

NFCC jazz concert highlights student talent

The NFCC Jazz Ensemble performed its Spring concert on April 27 at Van H. Priest Auditorium taking a musical trip back to the 1980s with songs like "Crazy Train," "All For Love," "We Are The World," and the James Bond theme song. The performance showcased the talent of student jazz band members and featured guest performers from the community.



Student Anthony McCreary sings "Always and Forever" by Rod Temperton.

SUMMER TERM 2009

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Summer Class Schedule online at www.nfcc.edu

TERM B BEGINS JUNE 29 | REGISTER NOW-JUNE 26

RN program accepting applications; Classes begin January 2010

NFCC is accepting applications for its Registered Nursing program now through Aug. 28. Classes begin in January 2010.

NFCC's RNs are trained both in the classroom and in clinical settings in hospitals. Students gain theoretical instruction and clinical experience in community health, pediatrics, OB, psyche, medical, surgical, maternal-child, mental-health, and geriatric nursing. Nursing students will learn from on-the-job clinical assignments at area hospitals, nursing homes, and community agencies such as schools, public health departments and clinics.

NFCC's six semester program prepares the graduate to apply to take the National Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). Achievement of a passing score on this exam and licensure by the Florida State Board of Nursing enables the graduate to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Florida.

Applicants must have prior admission to NFCC and a passing grade in five pre-requisite courses prior to acceptance into the Nursing program. Students must provide proof of Rubella immunity and a TB test, physical exam, and criminal background check.

Prospective students should make an appointment now to discuss their academic plan for admissions into the RN program or one of NFCC's other Allied Health programs. Financial aid and scholarships may be available to qualified students.

Contact Melody Foust for an application or information at (850) 973-1662 or FoustM@nfcc.edu.

RN graduate Chase Smith visits NFCC Allied Health Department

NFCC graduate Chase Smith of Live Oak recently returned to campus to share with the NFCC Allied Health Department that he passed the National Council of State Boards of Nursing's exam, the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses, to become a registered nurse (RN) in the state of Florida.

"Chase was an absolute joy to teach," said Culpepper. "He was diligent in preparing for his boards and did everything he could to help himself which ultimately made him successful."

Smith, who passed the NCLEX-RN exam in March, said he is looking forward to getting a job in nursing and plans to continue his education. Of his accomplishment Smith said that "it starts with a wonderful set of instructors and ends with will and determination."

NFCC is currently accepting applications for its Registered Nursing program; classes begin in January 2010. For more information, contact the NFCC Allied Health Department at (850) 973-1662, email foustm@nfcc.edu or visit www.nfcc.edu.



RN graduate Chase Smith with NFCC instructors Miki Richardson, left, and Angela Culpepper, right.

Patient Care Technician program accepting applications Classes begin Aug. 10; Apply by July 30

The Patient Care Technician (PCT) program at NFCC is accepting applications for Fall Term 2009 classes beginning Aug. 10. Now is the time to enroll and take care of application, testing and program entrance requirements. Deadline to apply is July 30.

NFCC's patient care technician program prepares students to provide direct patient care in a variety of health care environments. While working under the supervision of a registered nurse, patient care technicians often have more contact with patients than any other healthcare team member. Students receive additional training as assistants in the care of the elderly, physical and respiratory therapy and may also receive additional training in performance of electrocardiograms and phlebotomy. Most PCT's seek certification as a certified nursing assistant (CNA). Graduates may also apply to take a national certification examination to become certified patient care technician.

In order to be considered for admission into NFCC's PCT program, individuals must have a high school diploma or GED and be at least 18-years-old by October 1, 2009. Students are required to complete the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) prior to making application to enter the program. The TABE is given regularly at the NFCC campus and may be scheduled by calling 850.973.9451.

Applicants must also submit proof of Rubella immunity and a TB test and documentation of a physical exam, drug screen and criminal background check along with the completed application.

Allied Health staff and faculty are available to help prospective students through the enrollment process; contact Melody Foust, Allied Health advisor, at 850.973.1662 or FoustM@nfcc.edu. More details about the program and entrance requirements are also available online at www.nfcc.edu. Financial aid and scholarships may be available to qualified students.

IMPORTANT DATES FALL TERM 2009

May 26: Advising Begins

July 13: Open Registration Begins

July 13-Aug. 21: Open Registration

Aug. 24: Classes Begin

INFO: 850.973.1622 or www.nfcc.edu



Brooke Bezick, Justin Webb & Xanna Prentice as pirates.

Local actors star in "Lady Pirates of the Caribbean"

Members of the NFCC Sentinel Upstage Players performed the Craig Sodaro play "Lady Pirates of the Caribbean" April 16, 18 and 19 at NFCC's Van H. Priest Auditorium.

The hilarious performance tracked a band of pirates, known as the Lawless Ladies, donning swords and sailing the seas to save an orphanage from ruthless pirate Snake Fang Fidoodle and his gang of swashbucklers.

Twenty-three local actors starred in the play. Helping backstage were NFCC employees Denise Bell, Bobbie O'Hara and Scott Hubert. Jessica Webb directed the play.

Proceeds from ticket sales and a dinner theater event sponsored by the NFCC Foundation will benefit student scholarships and support services.



Judy McCormack and Phyllis Bailey as housekeepers



Scott Hubert introduces the play.



(l-r) Savannah Bailey, Megan Quiros, Alberto Rosalio and Courtney Bailey as pirates.

Colin P. Kelly Freedom Run winners

NFCC is pleased to announce the 2009 Colin P. Kelly Freedom Run winners. A total of 46 participants entered the event which took runners through the beautiful, historic downtown Madison and scenic NFCC campus. A total of 16 runners ages four to 16 participated in the 1-Mile Fun Run, with John Flournoy of Madison taking the lead to first. Seventeen year old Jordan Harmon of Live Oak came in first with 29 other runners following him in the 5K Race. Freedom Run winners are:

1-Mile Fun Run Winners (Girls): 1st place - Eryn Guilmette, Lake Park, GA; 2nd place - Natalie Vasquez, Madison; 3rd place - Sara Guilmette, Lake Park; and 4th place - Kaylie Rogers, Madison.

1-Mile Fun Run Winners (Boys): 1st place - John Flournoy, Madison; 2nd place - Dylan Guilmette, Lake Park; 3rd place - Jim Flournoy, III, Madison; 4th place - Bailey Browning, Madison; and 5th place - Emery Wilkerson, Madison.

5K Winners (Women/Overall): 1st place - Connie Clarke, Tallahassee; 2nd place - Catherine Rogers, Madison; and 3rd place - Alesha Waller, Pinetta & Debi Pelosi, Greenville.

5K Winners (Women/39 & Under): 1st place - Carmen Vasquez, Madison; 2nd place - Melissa Gamalero, Madison; and 3rd place - Laramie Ohms, Live Oak.

5K Winners (Women/40 & Over): 1st place - Sheri Littleton, Madison; 2nd place - Stephanie Graham, St. Petersburg; and 3rd place - Nancy Smith, Canton, NC.

5K Winners (Men/Overall): 1st place - Jordan Harmon, Live Oak; 2nd place - Mike Guilmette, Lake Park; and 3rd place - Tommy Daniels, Jr., Madison.

5K Winners (Men 39 & Under): 1st place - Stephen Clark, Jr., Mayo; 2nd place - Jamie Willoughby, Madison; and 3rd place - Willy Gamalero, Madison.

5K Winners (Men/40 & Over): 1st place - William Carter, Perry; 2nd place - David Palomino, Mayo; and 3rd place - Randy Billups, Live Oak.

The NFCC chapter of FACC sponsored the 2009 Colin P. Kelly Freedom Run to raise funds for its Book Scholarship Program which helps provide textbooks to NFCC students. The run is held each year in conjunction with the Madison County Four Freedoms Festival.

Wardlaw-Smith-Goza Center was setting for annual quilt and flower show

NFCC's Wardlaw-Smith-Goza Conference Center was beautifully decorated with quilts and flowers April 16-18. The NFCC Quilt Show was held in conjunction with the Madison County Four Freedoms Festival and was open to the public. Quilts, on loan from community members, and the beautiful floral arrangements, created by the Madison Garden Club, were featured throughout the first and second floors of the historic conference center. Maria Greene, coordinator of the WSG Conference Center, coordinated the event.

