



Spotlight on NFCC

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Around Campus

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

(1) Director of Jefferson County Site and Green Industries Institute. Deadline to apply is Aug. 15.
 (2) Transition Advisor/CROP Case Manager (full-time, grant funded). Deadline to apply is Aug. 15.
 For complete job descriptions and more information, visit www.nfcc.edu or contact Human Resources at 850.973.9448. EOE

SUMMER HOURS END AUG. 11

Beginning Aug. 11 the NFCC campus will be open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

MRSA WORKSHOPS

AUG. 13 AT NFCC
 NFCC, Big Bend AHEC, Madison County Health Department and Madison County Health Council are sponsoring two MRSA (Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus) workshops Aug. 13: 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. There is no fee to attend. Preregistration is required, seating is limited. Contact Amy Ellison at 850.973.1626 or ellisona@nfcc.edu.

Area students, teachers learn about water quality during NFCC Summer Science Institute

NFCC's Science Department recently teamed up with local high school students and teachers during a three-week Summer Science Institute to learn more about area water quality. The Institute, part of the Governor's Summer Program for Gifted and High Achieving Students, was open to students in 8th through 12th grade.

Local high school students Catherine Hogg, Jefferson County; Stephen Smith, Taylor County; Robert Hanson, Suwannee County; and Leona Murphree, David Sanders and Jonathan Cook of Madison County were selected to participate in the Institute based on outstanding achievements, grade point average, school recommendations and a written essay. Also participating alongside the high schoolers were area educators Teresa Jackson, Taylor County; Brenda Brown, Jefferson County; and Steve Bass of Madison County. One of the primary goals of the Institute was to create student-teacher teams that could return to their respective county and educate

local government and residents on maintaining and monitoring adequate water quality.

The program, coordinated by Terry Zimmerman and Nancy Lillis, was funded through a \$36,000 grant from the Florida Department of Education. The grant provided funding for student transportation, educational supplies, collection equipment, testing materials, scientific probeware and other supplies.

Participants were able to take advantage of NFCC's unique on campus

water resources, state-of-the-art science facility and computer technology. With the aid of the Science Department's skilled instructors Terry Zimmerman, Dr. Greg Molnar and Barry Barnhart, the aspiring group of young scientists analyzed everything from nitrates and phosphates to bug larva that subsists in area lakes and rivers.

In addition to working with high powered scientific laboratory and field gear, students received informative information about the importance of conserving and preserving water from guest speaker David Still of the Suwannee River Water Management District. Students also took field trips to PCS Phosphate in White Springs to dig for fossils and Buckeye in Perry where they toured the water treatment facilities.



Student Catherine Hogg, left, and instructor Brenda Brown test water quality of local lake.

New student orientation dates for NFCC Fall Term 2008

NFCC is taking its new students on a "Road Trip" to success at its upcoming orientation sessions scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 14 at 6 p.m. in the NFCC Student Center and Saturday, Aug. 16 at 9 a.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Orientation is required for all new and transfer students who have enrolled and registered for NFCC's Fall Term 2008, and is at no charge to the student. Parents, family and friends are encouraged to attend. Students are required to preregister by calling 850.973.1623 or emailing oharar@nfcc.edu.

Students unable to attend orientation at NFCC may register for an alternate session scheduled for Monday, Aug. 11 at 6 p.m. in the Suwannee Regional Library at 1848 South Ohio Avenue in Live Oak. Students must preregister.

For more information contact Bobbie O'Hara at 850.973.1623.

Around Campus**BOARD MEETING****AUG. 19, 5:30 PM**

The NFCC District Board of Trustees will meet Tuesday, Aug. 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the NFCC Student Center, Bldg. 9. For information, call 850.973.1618 or visit www.nfcc.edu, keyword BOT.

CAMPUS-WIDE MEETING AUG. 21

NFCC's campus-wide gathering for Fall Term 2008 is set for Thursday, Aug. 21. Faculty and staff are invited to coffee at 8:30 a.m. in the Art Gallery with the meeting beginning at 9 a.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

FALL TERM 2008 BEGINS AUG. 25

Fall 2008 classes begin Aug. 25. Course schedule available at www.nfcc.edu or call 850.973.1622.

GED PREP CLASSES BEGIN AUGUST 25

NFCC's Adult Education Department offers Madison County residents free preparation classes for the national 8-hour General Educational Development (GED) exam. Classes begin Aug. 25. 850.973.9440.

Employee Birthdays AUGUST 2008

Lonnie Ford	1
Efrain Bonilla	2
Cindy Burnett	6
Annette Gill	15
Ondry Smith	21
Suzy Godfrey	22
Laura Gallagher	22
Skip James	22
Doug Brown	24
Enid Kozlowski	26
Lauri Newton	28
Sharon Erle	29
Terry Zimmerman	31

Artist Series 08-09

Six shows scheduled at Van H. Priest Auditorium

The NFCC Artist Series announces its performances for the 2008-2009 season. Shows include:

- **Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2008**
St. Johns River City Band
- **Thursday, Oct. 30, 2008**
The Legend in Black:
Tribute to Johnny Cash and June Carter-Cash
- **Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2008**
The Spencers Theatre of Illusion
- **Thursday, Jan. 22, 2009**
On the Wings of Freedom:
An American Portrait
featuring pianist Mac Frampton
- **Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009**
The Ritz Chamber Players
- **Tuesday, March 31, 2009**
Barrage: "High Strung"

The NFCC Artist Series is one of the best entertainment deals in North Florida, offering exceptional talent and variety. Just look what last season's patrons had to say – "The Artist Series is a cultural feast! We look forward to every performance and always leave with a happy feeling having had a great evening." and "Wow! What fun we had enjoying each performance. Great variety, excellent quality, close to home, pleasant in every way!"

People travel from all over North Florida and beyond to enjoy these performances – "You just can't beat the quality programming." All Artist Series performances are held at Van H. Priest Auditorium and begin at 7 p.m. Season passes include all six performances and are on sale now for only \$45.

For more information visit www.nfcc.edu (keyword Artist Series) or contact NFCC College Advancement at (850) 973-1653 or ArtistSeries@nfcc.edu.



Grosskopf updates campus on new Florida College System

NFCC Acting President John Grosskopf held an open forum discussion July 17 to update NFCC faculty and staff on Senate Bill 1716 which authorizes the creation of the Florida College System.

Grosskopf provided an overview of Florida's new baccalaureate legislation which is intended to maximize open access for students; respond to community needs for postsecondary academic education and career education; and provide associate and baccalaureate degrees to best meet the state's employment needs.

The Florida College System Task Force, comprised of eleven members including seven Florida community college presidents, will meet Sept. 4 in Tampa. The group is charged with providing recommendations regarding the transition of community colleges to baccalaureate-degree-granting colleges and the criteria for establishing and funding state colleges.

The State College Pilot Project is being led by nine institutions named as pilot state colleges in SB 1716 with Chancellor Willis N. Holcombe serving as facilitator for the group. The State College Pilot Project Presidents will meet Aug 20 at St. Petersburg College.

Grosskopf is planning additional campus forums to discuss what the new Florida College System changes will mean and what the short and long-term impacts upon NFCC might be.

RN students help American Red Cross

NFCC blood drive surpasses collection goal by 10 units

NFCC's first year nursing students hosted a community wide blood drive through the American Red Cross on July 7. Approximately 48 campus



and community donors supported the drive and helped the ARC collect 35 units of blood. Assisting with the event are, left to right, instructor Angela Culpepper and students Scott Knudsen, Jennifer Herring, Jeremy Fritzsche, Candace Mathews and Traci Slaughter.