

Association of Florida Colleges Agenda Item 6.1 - Region I Report January 2019 Submitted by Dr. Joc Calloway

Region Director: Dr. Joc Calloway, Chipola College Director – Elect: Wanjiku Jackson, Northwest Florida State College

Region I News:

Following a great AFC Annual Conference and with the support of five energized chapter presidents, Region I has been full speed into the new year as we #RiseAsOne.

In December, Region I conducted a fundraiser through Yankee Candle. Provides from the fundraiser will help offset some of the cost of the upcoming Spring 2019 Region I Meeting. In addition, Region I redesigned their social media presence to better disseminate chapter, region, and statewide AFC news.

In January, the new Region I Director sent an electronic welcome to all Region I members and encourage them to become active within their college's chapter. A Membership Development meeting was held at Northwest Florida State College.

Recently, Region I participated in the Arbor Day Foundation's Hurricane Tree Recovery campaign by distributing free trees to residents in communities affected by Hurricane Michael. More than 1,000 trees were given away free of charge to residents of Jackson, Washington, Calhoun, and Bay counties.

Region I collected donation items for the AFC Leadership Service Project, "Give Kids the World Village."

In the upcoming weeks and months, additional membership development drives, professional developmental opportunities, and AFC Spirit Days will be held on surrounding Region I chapters' campuses. Additional region-wide fundraising opportunities will be coordinated.

Region I News in View:



AFC Region 1 Director, Dr. Joc Calloway (right), accepts the donation on behalf of Chipola from Northwest FL Athletic Director Ramsey Ross. AFC is a professional association representing employees of Florida's 28 public member institutions of the Florida College System.



AFC Region 1 held a Membership Development meeting at Northwest Florida State College on Saturday, January 12th.



AFC members and students from Region 1 assisted in Arbor Day Foundation's Hurricane Tree Recovery campaign by distributing free trees to residents in communities affected by Hurricane Michael.

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During the holiday season, Region I held an online Yankee Candle fundraiser.



With a new semester beginning, it's an exciting time to be a Region One member of the Association of Florida Colleges. As your Region One Director, I am eager to represent and meet our AFC members at various events planned at our five Panhandle colleges.

This year, I encourage you to become more actively involved in AFC. Our Region One Spring Meeting will be hosted by Chipola College on April 19th and will provide several opportunities for professional development.

As always, if you have questions or want to learn more about AFC, please contact me or your local chapter president. I look forward to visiting each college throughout the year and meeting our members as we Rise As One.

Joc Calloway, Ed.D. Chipola College AFC Region One Director



Chipola College – submitted by Chapter President, Evelyn Ward

- Chipola AFC, Chipola College and the Chipola District are still here and join with GCSC as #Panhandle Strong!
- We cannot express our gratitude to the many AFC chapters and members that have donated funds and items to our recovery. Our members individually have been so grateful for the AFC Foundation Hurricane Relief funds. We especially want to thank the NWSC Chapter for their generous donation to our Chapter, and to TCC, PSC, the AFC Office, and the Chancellor's Office for their donations to our Distribution Center for students and staff affected by the storm.
- Because of issues related to Hurricane Michael, only 2 members, Matt White and Dr. Joc Calloway, of the Chipola AFC Chapter were able to attend the AFC Annual Conference.
- Chipola's Matt White was elected as AFC President-Elect.
- Chipola's Dr. Joc Calloway assumed the duties of Region I Director
- At the AFC Conference, Dr. Joc Calloway presented a session entitled, "The Role of Stereotype Threat on College Females in Math Courses."
- Despite the storm, our Chapter hosted the Employee Christmas Breakfast, a Food Drive for the Chipola Ministries Center, a Dessert Auction, Christmas Gift Wrapping, and manned fall Concession Stands this semester.
- Plans are underway for Spring activities including hosting the Region I Conference on April 19.

Gulf Coast State College – submitted by Chapter President, Chris Thomes

- The Gulf Coast State College AFC Chapter Officers recently approved providing financial assistance for AFC Members who have experienced extensive loss to personal property and possessions from Hurricane Michael. The funds come from two sources: the generous monetary donation from the Northwest Florida State College AFC Chapter & Athletics Department, and our own chapter's fundraising budget. Although these funds are limited, all agreed that helping those still in need and maximizing any aid was essential.
- In addition, AFC members have helped unload truckloads of donated items for "Michael's Pantry", our distribution area on campus for food and supplies. The pantry is stocked with food, water, diapers, personal hygiene kits, cleaning supplies, pet food, household goods, clothes, blankets, school supplies, and more, all available for free to GCSC students and employees in need. The pantry has run non-stop since the college reopened and is planned to continue at least through the end of February. We cannot say thank you enough for all of the donations from the other AFC Chapters, the other colleges, and the AFC Staff.

Northwest Florida State College, submitted by Chapter President, Pam Walters

- October 24, 2018 Fall Fest on Campus AFC had a table at the Fall Fest sponsored by Raider Life. Our theme was Double, Double, Toil and Trouble. Alex Webb made sure we were well stocked with candy and entertainment for students and colleagues who visited.
- October 29, 2018 AFC Raider Recognition AFC Raider Recognition certificate was given to Mr. John Rickard. He is the Director of our Physical Plant services on campus. He was nominated by Ms. Stephanie Patty for his outstanding service to both the College and the community in the aftermath of Hurricane Michael when we housed several families at our Raider Arena. He worked more than 36 straight hours to make sure people were fed and comfortable.



- November 2nd, 2018 AFC Raider Recognition AFC Raider Recognition was also awarded to Ms. Laurie Von Kaenel for her service to families housed in our Raider Arena after Hurricane Michael. She is normally the person in charge of NWF State's AmeriCorp Program but gave selflessly of her time to assist in feeding the families housed with us. She was also nominated by Ms. Stephanie Patty.
- November 2nd and 3rd, 2018 Basketball Concessions AFC Board voted unanimously to donate all profits from the opening of Raider Basketball on November 2nd and 3rd to Chipola College and Gulf Coast State College. Raider Athletics also contributed their ticket sales so that we were able to donate \$1500.00 to each institution.
- November 7-9, 2018 AFC Annual Conference AFC President Pam Walters along with Tony Chavez, June Gibson, Sonja Quinn, Shandra DeJournette, LaTosha Pinckney, Gay Lynn Brown, Wanjiku Jackson, Jack Capra and Randy White attended the annual conference.



- November 23rd & 24th Emerald Coast Classic Basketball Conference AFC concessions managers and many volunteers worked at the concession stands from 12:00 – 10:00 on both of these days. It was exhausting but we did realize over \$5000.00 in profits for those two days.
- December 13, 2018 AFC Donation to GCSC AFC donated \$1500.00 to Gulf Coast State College's food pantry for distribution to students and staff that were affected by Hurricane Michael.

- December 17, 2018 Holiday Luncheon 50/50 drawing AFC sponsored a 50/50 drawing at our Holiday Luncheon. We raised \$250.00 and our lucky winner, Ms. Cathy Trolian, won \$250.00. What a nice present to get right before Christmas!
- January 12, 2019 NWFSC v. Chipola College Membership Development Event NWF State hosted Chipola's AFC Chapter in a Membership development event at the Raider Arena on January 12th. It was a great time of fellowship and sharing.
- January 12, 2019. Presentation of Check to Chipola College AFC. Ramsey Ross, Athletic Director at NWF State presented the \$1500.00 donation check to Dr. Joc Calloway at the game.

Future Plans: January 25, 2019. General Membership Meeting with AFC CEO Michael Brawer. Mr. Brawer will give an update on legislative issues.

Pensacola State College – submitted by Chapter President, Jonathan Garrett

November Activities:

- 16 total attendees from PSC went to the state convention, Orlando.
- Sandy Ray received the Presidential Leadership Award for her contributions with the legislative committee and work with statewide lobbyists.
- Region I business meeting was chaired by Mel Miner, Region I Director. She recognized the following from PSC:
 - Lanatta Barrett and Traci Jones Lifesaver Award
 - o Jonathan Garrett Chapter President Appreciation; and
 - Diane Bracken, Tammy Henderson, and Carol Quinn as Region Unsung Heroes
- PSC Chapter President recognized the following individuals:
 - Diane Bracken Life Saver
 - Robert Seay Unsung Hero
 - Obi Kalu Chapter Superstar
- Workshop presenters included Obi Kalu, for the Career Professional Employees' Commission, "The Many Hats of a College Professional," and Juanita Scott, facilitated the Institutional Effectiveness Planning and Professional Development Commission (IEPPD) session, "Insight 7 - Story telling with Roland Hyacinthe, a speaker on the IEPPD agenda.
- Auction chaired by Carol Quinn, with help from Diane Bracken, Debbie Douma, Fred Holt, and Nicole Johns raised \$9,000. Proceeds provided to colleges affected by Hurricane Michael.
- The Chapter was awarded Platinum Chapter of the Year.
- The Chapter delivered numerous donations to the state project for Hurricane Michael victims which will be distributed to colleges in Region I.
- Marketing had several submissions for the Communications & Marketing Commission.
- Selected for next year's state roles:
 - Mel Miner will chair the Member Services Committee for 2019
 - Juanita Scott will chair the Speaker's Bureau for 2019
- Rada Cutlery Sales fund raiser concluded, and it raised more than \$500 profit.
- Chapter provided refreshments to the Board of Trustees meeting November 13.
- Internal college newsletter, PiratesBrief, published an article of accomplishments from state convention November 28.

December Activities:

- The Chapter sponsored a college-wide holiday doordecorating contest. Many departments participated, and the winner was announced December 14. A pizza party up to \$50 was awarded to the winning department,
- Chapter sponsored a fund raising activity December 16, 2018, at commencement. Graduation teddy bears, and flowers were sold. Volunteers included one retired member.
- Chapter held a Members meeting December 12 and covered chapter business. Recognitions were extended by region director, Mel Miner, and an appreciation gift was given to Tammy Henderson, past president.



• Approximately twenty-five chapter members met for an after work social at a local Post on December 18. Food was provided by the Chapter.

January Activities:

- One member, Michael Payne, is scheduled to attend the Legislative Days at the end of the month in Tallahassee.
- Board of Trustees refreshments will be provided January 22.
- **Ongoing**: HR orientations promotes membership to all new employees. Preparing for a spring payroll deduction of dues renewals on full and part time employees.

<u>Tallahassee Community College – submitted by Chapter President, Gregory</u> <u>Williams</u>

- The Tallahassee Community College Chapter won the AFC Award for having the highest percentage of growth in the Medium College category and Gregory Williams our 2019 Chapter President won an IPAD for recruiting the second highest number of new AFC members. We had 3 members (Sharon Walker, Randey Burnette & Bryon Todd) graduate from the CCP Program. CPEC Exemplary Practice winner was the TCC Clothesline Project.
- During the first 2 days of the Spring semester our chapter sponsor our Welcome Back "Ask Me" tents.
- We made a presentation at our January 2019 New Employee Orientation. We are still working concession stand at the TCC Eagles Basketball Games.