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NSU Orlando Campus' Community Outreach Continues at Second Harvest Food Bank

By: Cyrus Smith-Gather

In December, faculty and staff members from the NSU Orlando Campus paid a visit to the Second Harvest Food Bank where they sorted and packaged food for the Central Florida community. NSU Orlando was more than happy to help Second Harvest Food Bank fight hunger in America. Second Harvest Food Bank distributes donated food to six Central Florida counties, culminating in nearly 56 million meals for soup kitchens, women's shelters, senior centers, day care centers, and kids cafes.

Sharks with a Purpose

By: Karline Pastrana

NSU Orlando's new club, Sharks With A Purpose (S.W.A.P.), met to sign and decorate cards to be sent to military members and Orlando's first responders. S.W.A.P. was founded this semester with the intention of fostering inter-professional communication by enriching our community through volunteer work. If you're interested in joining the club for future events, contact Britta L'Etoile-Lopes at bl779@mysu.nova.edu or Karline Pastrana at kp1244@mysu.nova.edu.



NSU Orlando Continues Halloween Potluck Tradition

By: Sheinna Pineda

For our annual Halloween potluck, NSU Orlando faculty, staff, and students came together to share homemade entrees and show off their costumes. The NSU front office kept it nostalgic and went with a Power Puff Girls theme, while Physician Assistants came in their most creative costumes from characters in movies and TV shows.

AVID at Amway

By: Liza Ferreira

Liza Ferreira, assistant director represented NSU at the annual AVID at Amway event. Students who are part of the AVID programs from across Central Florida schools attended the event to learn more about various colleges and listen to motivational speakers from the Orlando Magic staff. AVID, Advancement Via Individual Determination, is a global nonprofit organization dedicated to closing the achievement gap by preparing all students for college and other post-secondary opportunities.

Professional Growth Fall Series 2017 - Bullying and Suicide Workshop

By: Toni Ballone

October is known as Bullying and Suicide Prevention Month, and to spread awareness, NSU Orlando hosted a workshop on the sensitive topic. NSU's very own Scott Poland, Ed.D. spent an afternoon with NSU Orlando clinical mental health and school counseling students and members of the community to help participants identify protective and resiliency factors for school age youth, best practices for bullying prevention, and aid the participants in understanding the complex relationship between bullying and suicide. It was an honor to have Poland in house and to see his dedication to raise awareness on suicide prevention.

A Gift for Teaching School Supply Drive

By: Liza Ferreira

The NSU Orlando Campus collaborated with the Hispanic Chamber of Metro Orlando's Millennia Leads Group to collect school supplies for the Gift for Teaching Foundation of Orange County Public Schools. Over 100 groups came together, collecting more than 310,000 supplies and raising more than \$115,000, to support Central Florida's children. Due to our donation of 1,637 items, students will have the school supplies they need to succeed in the classroom.



Orlando Campus Supports Puerto Rico Relief Efforts

By: Liza Ferreira

Michael Daniels, NSU Orlando Campus director and Liza Ferreira, assistant director assisted in relief efforts for shipments to Puerto Rico after Hurricane Irma and Hurricane Maria inflicted damage on the island. Over 10 shipping containers full of household supplies, medicine, baby food, diapers, dry and canned foods, and water were sent to Puerto Rico.



Ugly Sweater Party

By: Karline Pastrana

On December 2, 2017, employees gathered together for the last get together before holiday break eating comfort holiday foods while wearing their ugly Christmas sweaters. The ugly sweaters weren't so ugly, as each one shared a story. Kirsten Asselta, clinical coordinator for the physician assistant program had the best ugly sweater as she sported a "grandma got ran over by a reindeer" sweater.

Welcome to the NSU Orlando Staff

By: Cyrus Smith-Gather

Michael Deneus is our new assistant director for student affairs and is originally from Boynton Beach, Florida. He completed his master's degree in college student affairs at Nova Southeastern University and completed his bachelor's degree in criminal justice with a minor in sociology at UCF. He enjoys all things student affairs and is doing the best he can to ensure the success of students. In his spare time, Deneus enjoys outside activities.



Upcoming Events

For a list of all upcoming events, please visit nova.edu/orlando.

- **Clinical Mental Health Counseling Online Information Session** - Learn about the clinical mental health counseling program offered by NSU at upcoming, monthly online information sessions via GoToTraining. To RSVP, [click here](#).
- **Education Online Information Session** - Learn about the master's, educational specialist, and doctorate degrees offered at NSU at an online information session via GoToTraining on Wednesday, February 7 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. [Click here](#) to RSVP.
- **Speech-Language Pathology Online Information Session** - Learn about the speech-language pathology (SLP) program offered at NSU at an online information session via GoToTraining on Thursday, February 8 from 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. To RSVP, [click here](#).
- **Winter 2018 Professional Growth Series** - Join us for our FREE Winter 2018 Professional Growth Series for business, counseling, education, and health care professions and have the opportunity to earn CEUs during certain workshops! For workshop descriptions and to RSVP, [click here](#).
- **Social Media for Non-Profits: Maximize Your Social Media Efforts in 2018** - Join us on Thursday, February 8 from 8:00 a.m. - noon to explore ways in which you can grow your non-profit through effective social media strategies to maximize your efforts in 2018. [Click here](#) to RSVP.
- **Lean Six Sigma for Non-Profit and Government Organizations - Module 1** - Attend this workshop designed to provide an overview of methods, concepts, and tools of Lean Six Sigma that are aligned with the American Society for Quality (ASQ) certification requirements on Saturday, February 10 from 9:00 a.m. - noon. To RSVP, [click here](#).
- **Grant Writing Workshop: Tips and Tools of the Trade** - Designed for not-for-profit professionals looking to improve their grant writing and grant development skills, this workshop will provide an overview of the methods, concepts, and tools used for winning grant funding. Join us on Friday, March 2 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. To RSVP, [click here](#).