UWG’s **Rudolph** to the Rescue Toy Drive

Dear UWG Family,

The Holiday Season is here! The Staff Advisory Council continues the tradition of the annual UWG Toy Drive, code named **Rudolph to the Rescue**. This toy drive benefits children under the care of the Carroll County Department of Family and Children Services.

**The toy drive begins today and continues through Friday, December 11th** with the Rudolph to the Rescue **Brunch from 11am to 1pm at the Townsend Center’s Dangle Theatre**. Everyone is invited to the brunch for refreshments and friendship. To make gift collections easier, many departments keep a decorated drop-off box as a collection point.

Due to external factors affecting DFACS, the nature of the Toy Drive is changing for our UWG Family. There are two options for participation this year.

**Bring a Gift:** Simply bring any unwrapped gift for a child age birth through 18 to the Toy Drive on Dec 11th. You may select clothing, toys, recreation items, arts and crafts, school supplies, or anything you like. **Winter clothing is a priority for many, especially this year.**

Thank you for your kind support and generosity. It is wonderful to unite together to bless the hearts of children on Christmas morning.

Wishing you a joyous season,   Staff Advisory Council

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**The Campus Chronicle is now available on line!!**
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St. George Marathon
Jon Anderson finished the St. George marathon in 4 hours, 31 minutes and 19 seconds of

PURE PAIN....

MARINE MOJO
Erich “Mad Dog” Bergiel put the “moves” on a fellow officer.
The Mgt Dept has its own “Letal Weapon.”

Birthdays
Oct 7 - Doug Turner
Oct 9 – Diane Williamson
Oct 17 – Tracy Richardson
Oct 30 – Christy Rabern
Nov 16 – Cheryl Brown
Nov 18 – Swarna Dutt
Dec 8 – Salil Talpade
Dec 11 – Adrian Austin
Dec 11 – Deborah Webb
Dec 13 – Leland Gustafson
Dec 22 – Erich Bergiel
Dec 30 – Kathy Moffeit

Important Dates
Nov 25-26 Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov 27 Fun Furlough Day
Dec 3 RCOB Christmas Lunch
Dec 3 MIS Meeting
Dec 3 Spring 2010 Fee Payment Due
Dec 4 Last Day of Class
Dec 12 Graduation
9:30 am, UWG Coliseum
Dec 21-Jan 1 Christmas Holidays
Offices Closed
The Naval War College (NWC)

Students were in class from four to six hours a day, leaving the remainder of the day for personal study and preparation for seminar discussions. They also took two more exams during the residency phase of the course.

The lectures and seminar topics covered theorists and military history from the American Revolution right up through operations Desert Storm and Desert Shield.

"Yes, we're using history as a basis, but we're trying to teach students to think critically, ask questions," Pucciarelli said. "I think that's a useful skill to anything they'd be doing on the outside."

The group of 63 students included members from the Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard, as well as four students from the Royal Navy and one Royal Marine.

"(The international students) always bring a different insight into things, and it helps to build relationships," Pucciarelli said. "They see things we don't always consider."

Navy student Capt. Luke Ott said the course is highly valuable to a reserve career.

"To anyone it makes a big difference," Ott said. "I probably should have done it sooner. I'd recommend other officers do it earlier in your career."

Ott joined the Navy as a full-time officer in 1982 in Aviation Officer Candidate School. He left the Navy in 1991 and immediately joined the Navy Reserve, while becoming a commercial pilot.

NEWPORT, R.I. -- The Naval War College (NWC) wrapped up a two-week strategy and war course for 63 U.S. and international reservists on Sept. 25.

The course, presented by the college's Strategy and Policy (S&P) Department and College of Distance Education (CDE), offers reserve students the benefits of the NWC curriculum in a condensed period of time. The graduate-level program is equivalent to the S&P intermediate-level resident course, packed into 16 lectures and eight faculty-facilitated seminars. The program also includes distance pre-coursework and an exam before even coming to the NWC campus.

"It gives them a good overview of what the resident students get. Of course, it's compressed," said Navy Cmdr. John Pucciarelli, an S&P professor.

In addition to the Strategy and War course, students can take other resident reserve courses or enroll in distance CDE courses to earn Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) phase I credit, a critical milestone in a military officer's career.
My name is Richard Eells. I am currently a honors college student here at the University of West Georgia and am majoring in Management of Information Systems. Once I complete my degree, I plan to pursue a Masters in Business Administration at UWG.

I currently hold an Internship at Atlanta Gastroenterology Associates, in the Information Technology Department, at the Administrative office in Emory University Hospital Midtown. My daily jobs include everything from IT Helpdesk management, overnight backups of the network, leading companywide projects involving the IT department, and various other business tasks. The internship was slated to be a two-month assignment that has ultimately transformed into a permanent internship offered until I graduate from this institution.

I am certain that the educational excellence, combined with the personal environment this university fosters, led to the extension of my work. My professors here have simultaneously give me the skills I need to be effective and the flexibility to work meaningful hours at my company. Through online course offerings and independent studies, I have been able to form a great synthesis of practical and theoretical knowledge. I have now been with the company for over a year and eight months, and things couldn't be better.
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!

Happy Thanksgiving!!

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