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HarborNotes Weekly

Five Things to Know About USF St. Petersburg

Dear Readers,

Our classes end this week, and the HarborNotes team will join faculty and students in a holiday break. We'll be back in early January. We wish you a joyous Holiday Season. -- Jessica Blais, Editor

COE Hosts Graduate Research Gallery

USFSP's **College of Education** hosted its semi-annual Graduate Research Gallery this week. The event is a presentation of action research by Master's Level students in the Educational Leadership Development, Exceptional Student Education, Reading, and Math and Science programs. Students have been engaged in systematic inquiry research at local schools.

"The Research Gallery is a culminating experience of the Graduate Programs," said Dr. Bill Heller, dean of the College of Education. "It enables students to synthesize their learning in a challenging and practical way. Many graduate students have indicated that the Research Gallery was the most valuable experience of their graduate degree program."



April Gill, Educational Leadership student (right) presents her findings to Dr. Anna Lewis, COE assistant professor.

C-SPAN Bus Makes Stop at USFSP

Television's C-SPAN brought its coverage of public affairs to USFSP this week. The bus - an interactive, multimedia learning center on wheels - tours the country to introduce students, teachers and the public to C-SPAN programming.



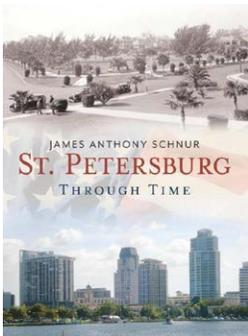
Dr. Judithanne McLaughlan, center, and her students spent class time on the bus.

"We are especially thankful to Brighthouse Networks for initially proposing this opportunity for USF St. Petersburg to host the C-SPAN Bus as it tours across America," said Dr. Frank Biafora, dean of the **College of Arts and Sciences**. "The four hours the coach was parked in front of the University Student Center was hardly enough given the excellent turnout and student interest in exploring the political affairs materials. But, the C-SPAN team promises to return on their next roll through Florida."

Several professors brought their classes to the bus for a tour and conversation. Dr. Judithanne McLaughlan's Constitutional Law class was one that toured the bus and its studio, stopping to have a conversation with C-SPAN representatives on board. Individual students wandered in to see what was going on as well. "We are very excited that so many students have shown an interest," said C-

Schnur Publishes New Book on St. Petersburg

Known as the "Sunshine City," St. Petersburg gained notoriety as a popular destination for seasonal residents during the Florida real estate boom of the 1920s. However, the history of footprints along with shoreline spans thousands of years. Jim Schnur, Special Collections librarian at the **Nelson Poynter Memorial Library**, explores the city's long history in his latest book: *St. Petersburg Through Time*.



"A prolific author, Jim's books are a treasure to this community," said Carol Hixson, dean of the Library. "He's an incredible researcher. We all benefit by the work he's doing to record the history of our Pinellas County towns." Next up: Seminole.

Proceeds from Schnur's latest book will benefit the Library's Digital Archive through the USF Foundation. The book is available at the Barnes & Noble on campus, or through Amazon.



Schnur signed books this week during a Library event.

USFSP's Levine Speaks on Leadership Panel



Dr. Helen Levine

Working Women of Tampa Bay, together with C1 Bank, hosted a workshop this week that featured a panel of female leaders from the area, including Dr. Helen Levine, USFSP's regional vice chancellor for **University Advancement**. Panelists were asked to share advice on work, life and leadership.

"I encourage people in all stages of their careers to seek projects, initiatives, and new careers which bundle their personal passions and professional knowledge and competencies," said Levine. "It is this combination which has given me an extraordinary and varied career and life.

"Discover the Leader Within You" was held at C1 Headquarters in downtown St. Petersburg and was moderated by Rita Lowman, C1's chief operating officer.

Singing Their Way Through French



Dr. Frederic Leveziel (far right) teaches French and Spanish. His first-year French students were frustrated and complained that they could not perfect the French accent. So, Leveziel decided to try singing. Et voila: French Chorus! Yes, and to push his students to take this seriously, he arranged for the group to sing French classics at The Tavern on Thursday evening. Encore! Encore!

Upcoming Events

USFSP Fall Commencement

Sunday, December 14
6:00 p.m.

Classes Resume

Monday, January 5

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