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USF St. Petersburg has hired its first research leader in its 39 year history. Christopher F. D’Elia, PhD, will begin as Assistant Vice President for Research and Community Partnerships on Sept. 1. Known for his research on coastal, tropical and subtropical ecology, D’Elia joins USF St. Petersburg from the University at Albany, SUNY where he holds a joint appointment as a professor of biology and public administration and policy. He is developing new programs in watershed science and policy and in forensic science for the University at Albany.

Florida Studies Hosts Florida's First Civil Rights Movement Conference June 3-6

Historic Conference on the Florida Civil Rights Movement Attracts Movement Veterans.

Governor Kicks Off Town Hall Tour at USF St. Petersburg

Floridians for Health Care Choices will conduct a series of Town Hall Meetings across the state this summer to better educate Floridians on the benefits of Health Savings Accounts and Health Reimbursement Arrangements. These new health care products are designed to improve access to affordable health care while empowering consumers to invest in health care savings.

Brown Offers 'Realistic Grounds for Optimism'

"How does a court case in 1954 affect your life today?"

Last Friday night more than 200 campus and community guests filled the Campus Activities Center to hear Harvard University’s Randall Kennedy talk about the ruling and his work for U.S. Supreme Court Thurgood Marshall.

Kennedy’s lecture covered the components of the 1954 ruling, chronicling both the legitimacy the law granted, and the actions that it didn’t
Harvard Professor Randall Kennedy took a moment to talk with students during a reception held at Williams House prior to his speech. His thoughtful lecture cautioned the audience not to give too much credit to the decision.

Campus' First Labs Open

USF St. Petersburg's first research laboratories opened with a ribbon cutting ceremony Monday. Eight researchers from the Environmental Science, Policy and Geography Program of Distinction have moved in and are getting settled next door to the Piano Man Building.

USF Educator Speaks at Gibbs Commencement

Visiting Assistant Professor Eve Kleiser wrote just six words on a piece of paper for her commencement address to Gibbs High School graduates last week: Thanks, Kids, Commence, Choices, Like, Dress and John F. Kennedy.

Her work in the classroom and experience leading workshops kept her focused on her message. “I told them that the choices they make during the next two years will impact the rest of their lives,” Kleiser said. “Then I gave them three pieces of advice.”

Pinellas County Alumni Chapter 'Summer Social'

The Pinellas County Alumni Chapter will hold a 'Summer Social' on June 17th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Williams' House Courtyard.

Come meet Alumni from Pinellas County and find out about the local chapter! Enjoy a free night of music, friends, spirits, and Hors d'oeuvres!
RSVP to Sue Sietsma (727)553-4561 or sietsma@stpt.usf.edu

University Relations Seeks Summer News

Media releases for summer lectures, symposia, special classes and other campus community events are being planned now for E-News, USF St. Petersburg's calendar and local and regional media. Please send your campus event information, including topic, date, time, location and your target audience, to Holly Kicklilter in University Relations at hkicklitter@spadmin.usf.edu.

USF St. Petersburg Cares

The June Blood Drive is Wednesday, June 2

Be a lifesaver! The June Blood Drive is Wednesday, June 2 with one bus in front of Davis Hall from 9:30 to 5pm. Coupons for Lowry Park Zoo and Chick-fil-A plus a picnic jug for all donors! There is a critical shortage in this area, with less than one day's supply of O and B blood types. Please donate

Volunteer at the All Children's Hospital Telethon, June 5 - 6.

The major fund-raiser for All Children's Hospital is its telethon which is scheduled for Saturday, June 5 and Sunday, June 6. Volunteers are needed Saturday evening and all day Sunday. Two jobs are available: traffic control (parking) and runner staff (taking pledges to the bookkeepers). Shifts are 2-3 hours and volunteers must be capable of being on their feet throughout the shift. Let's get a large USFSP presence and help our wonderful neighbors! Contact Barry McDowell at 3-4990 or mcdowell@stpt.usf.edu.

Calendar of Events

The USF Web Calendar of Events can advertise to campus-wide faculty, staff and to the general public. Events may include lectures, conferences, ceremonies, concerts, sporting events, scholarship events, fundraising events and exhibits.

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