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**Scene & Herd: March Internal News From USF St. Petersburg**

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USFSP PD Achieves Full Accreditation**A Note From University Police**

On Feb. 24, the [USF St. Petersburg Police Department](#) celebrated a milestone, when it was recognized by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) as a fully-accredited police department.

USFSP Police Chief
David Hendry

The accreditation recognition ensures that a police organization is in compliance with the most contemporary management and operational practices. In order to attain this recognition, the organization must comply with more than 200 accreditation standards on topics such as Police Communications, Investigations, Police Procedures, Community Relations, Safety, Arrest Procedures, Professional Ethics, and Emergency Preparedness. An assessment is conducted by CFA in three-year intervals to ensure that member agencies remain in compliance with these rigid professional standards.

Achieving accredited status truly exemplifies the commitment of our dedicated police officers and staff to our mission of providing professional law enforcement services to the university community.

**Bold Goals Update****A Note From the Regional Chancellor**

When we developed the [Vision 20/20 Strategic Plan](#) in 2014, we set our course with six Bold Goals:



- Distinctive Identity
- Student Success and Culture
- Faculty Excellence in Teaching and Research
- Strategic Partnerships
- Infrastructure to Meet Current and Future Needs and Sustainable Funding

As I look at our progress, we have much to celebrate. This work impacts us all -- faculty, staff and students. I invite you to join me on Monday, April 11 at 3:30 p.m. in the Harbor Hall Community Room for an update on each of the Bold Goals, and why meeting these goals is critical to future growth and our capacity to build the resources necessary for success. We'll take a good look at where we need to focus our efforts as we continue the Vision 20/20 work.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Sophia

Register Now for Alumni College April 8**Human Resources Info to Know****Featured Employee of the Month:
Andy Dang**

Andy Dang

Andy Dang, conference & events planner in the University Student Center, is a native of Ottawa, Canada. His parents, immigrants from Vietnam, moved the family to Raleigh, NC, in the early 1990s for his father's job.

He received a bachelor's degree in Political Science and a master's degree in Higher

Education Administration from Appalachian State University, where he held graduate assistantships in Appalachian's Welcome Weekend Orientation program and academic advising. It was through these experiences that he gained specialized experience in event operations that would help him work with a mix of government, educational initiatives and serve as a mentor to young adults.

[Learn more](#) about Dang.

**Featured Student of the Month
Alexandra Kuchta****Handy Links From Human Resources:
[New Hires](#), [Promotions](#)**

[Featured Perk of the Month](#)



USFSP library staff receive the torch from campaign co-chair Police Chief David Hendry.

Library New Destination of Faculty & Staff Campaign Torch

On Feb. 22, the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library staff gathered to receive the [USF System Faculty & Staff Campaign](#) torch. The library had the greatest increase in the percentage of their goal met from Jan. 8 to Feb. 2.

Gifts can be made online or in person to your area's volunteer. Contact [Alexis Searfoss](#) with questions about the campaign.

Faculty Accolades, Achievements

Drs. Julie Buckner Armstrong and **Thomas Hallock** shared their latest creative-scholarly projects in an unlikely setting--Old Key West Bar and Grill--as part of Wordier Than Thou's literary pub crawl on Feb. 27.

Dr. Tiffany Chenneville, associate professor of Psychology, presented two posters at the USF HIV Research and Practice Symposium on March 3. The first, which was co-authored with students, described findings from an exploratory research project focused on the psychosocial needs of youth with HIV in Kenya. The second described facilitators and barriers to implementing integrated health care in a pediatric HIV specialty clinic.

Family Study Center faculty and staff (Dr. Jamie McHale, Lisa Negrini, Dr. Allison Pinto, and Ebony Miller) partnered with more than two dozen community organizations to deliver community workshops and training for more than 300 parents and professionals during "Baby Talk Week."

Dr. Thomas Hallock, associate professor of English, had a short profile "Eboe's Landing" featured in the most recent Society of Early Americanists Newsletter.

Dr. Jennifer O'Brien, assistant professor of Psychology, has been invited to present her research entitled "Can value learning modulate early visual processing?" at the 2016 Vision Sciences Society Annual Meeting in St. Pete Beach. She also received a USFSP Internal Grant to study "Top-down effects of learned value on early visual processing."

Dr. Wendy Rote, assistant professor of Psychology, was awarded a USFSP internal research grant to study parent-adolescent communication surrounding issues that produce feelings of guilt in children.

Dr. Mark Walters, professor of Journalism and Media Studies, author and veterinarian, recently signed a contract with University Press of Florida for a book on the vanishing Florida Scrub Jay, the state's only endemic bird. This will be Walters' sixth book.

Check out other faculty awards and highlights in the [Faculty Stacks](#). Once you have clicked the link, scroll down to the Faculty Stacks feature section.

USFSP will host the inaugural Alumni College on Friday, April 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. [Learn more](#) and register now.

Alumni from throughout the university's last 50 years are invited to campus for a day of "classes without quizzes," where they can learn from some of today's beloved professors and campus speakers on engaging topics.

Admission is \$25 and includes lunch, networking opportunities, a campus tour and \$5 donation to the USF Alumni Association. Advance online registration is forthcoming. For details and information, contact USFSP Alumni Relations Officer [Heidi Hamlin](#).

College of Education Celebrates 50 Years

The [College of Education](#) will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a panel discussion on Thursday, April 14 at 5 p.m. in DAV 130.

The speakers will include Dr. Bill Heller, dean of the College of Education, Megan Allen, 2010 Florida Teacher of the Year, and other retired teachers and alumni. Light refreshments will be served. [RSVP now](#) to attend.

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We will publish this internal newsletter monthly, typically during the second week. If you or your department have news you'd like to share with USFSP employees, please send an email with details to [Amy Harcar](#) no later than the 1st of each month.

We will consider all submissions and will do our best to accommodate content. Thank you.

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