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Bryan urges a unified effort from USF community

The USF community needs to work together to focus its efforts and to become a more recognized partner in the Tampa Bay area, Interim President Robert A. Bryan said in a speech set to be delivered at the President's Annual Address on Sep. 14.

Bryan said the university is the best kept secret in Florida in his speech that was scheduled for Theatre 1 and to be broadcast to the St. Petersburg, Lakeland, Sarasota and Fort Myers campuses.

After 10 weeks on the job, Bryan presented his image of how USF does business.

He said he was reminded of Samuel Hogarth, an 18th century illustrator who made caricatures of London's social life. Bryan said USF brought two Hogarthian images to mind. In one, the title the "Unified University," there were 18 boys in a boat, nine on each side, with an air in the water at exactly the same angle. A small man shouted out a stroke count as the boat skimmed across the water.

In the second panel there are 18 boats, some splinting in a circle, some leashing from side to side and some with guys who were using their oars to trying to knock other guys into the water. There a little laid-headed man had fallen into the water and was trying to shout some directions, but no one was paying attention to him. That panel was entitled "University of South Florida."

"You seem to be disinterested," Bryan said, "... we all tried against bureaucracy, yet despite all our efforts we are still finding ways to protect old turf and stake out new turf. But most important of all, we simply don't take time to tell each other what we are doing. We must learn to stop, take a deep breath, and talk to each other." 

Bryan said it will be the work of the Culture Transition Team, a group of faculty, staff and students, to help the university community share knowledge with each other and to all help departments, divisions, colleges and regional campuses to reach their goals. The Culture Transition Team will also serve to help the University prepare for diversity of race, gender, ethnicity, disability, and age.

"We are convinced that this is a goal impossible to reach in a decade, and we should not mislead ourselves or the public into believing that we will take this goal seriously," he continued.

"One day this University can be lashed among the top 25 comprehensive research universities, but that day is probably somewhere well into the next century. And to get there, this University must first focus itself and decide what is important to its future and, second, become a united force, a rallying point for the Tampa Bay region."

Bryan said the USF Planning Commission's report Shaping Our Future (which is updated as an insert in this issue of Inside USF) has the outline of a funding priority system. In addition to Marine Science, Psychology, Fine Arts and some parts of Education, Bryan sees promise for excellence in certain programs in Geology, Chemistry, Electrical Engineering, Civil Engineering and Studies in Aging. The establishment of academic program priority funding lines in the operational conscience of department chairs, deans and the provost, Bryan said.

"Getting national recognitions will mean concentrating on the Tampa Bay region and nourishing relationships with that multi-county, multicultural area, he said.

"I am convinced that the best way to change our low public visibility is to continue what we are doing, work harder at what we are doing, and do even better what we are now doing well," he said. "If we keep on this path, hard work and competence will ultimately prevail and when they do, we will have raised ourselves up yet another level. The things that you can do for the Tampa Bay region can be applied to metropolitan areas throughout America. If we succeed in Tampa, we will succeed in the nation."

In closing his speech, Bryan brought the perspective back to teaching.

"I say to the students: never let us slight you, and if we do, bring us back to our first priority — you, the student body. I say to the staff: help us change our ways so that we may all do better what we are now doing. I say to the administration: simply, simplify, I say to the faculty: above all else, teach well," he said. "The most important thing that we can do is teach well, for if we fail in this primary task, we fail in all else that we do."
USF marine scientists install satellite dish

The solution may lie in selecting college of Medicine Dean Marvin McCormick as the presidential search committee members what they would like to see in the new university president. The committee was concerned over how the branch campuses of USF are treated, particularly with the elimination of departments and programs at some campuses. As a result, they brought forward the need for a candidate with a multidisciplinary experience.

St. Petersburg community boosts its criteria for a USF president

A public hearing held Sept. 8 on the USF campus drew the interest of St. Petersburg business leaders, politicians and community leaders as well as students and faculty members. Speakers appearing at the hearing included the presidential search committee members what they would like to see in the new university president. The committee was concerned over how the branch campuses of USF are treated, particularly with the elimination of departments and programs at some campuses. As a result, they brought forward the need for a candidate with a multidisciplinary experience.

USF faculty should have recently received a "FLASH" flyer from Learning Technologies detailing new acquisitions. Films, videotapes, and laser discs are available on a rental basis to other colleges and universities, government agencies, and to the general public.

Annual Children’s Festival at USF

A day of fun with an emphasis on learning is planned for the 15th annual Children’s Festival, a.m. to 4 p.m., Nov. 6 at the University of South Florida campus.

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Free instructional videos available for classes

The Office of Teleconferences, located at the basement of the Student Services Building, can assist faculty members and students in participating in any of several available teleconferences during this fall season.

Teleconference topics range from recycling to customer loyalty

USF employees (left to right) Mary Watson, Vicki L. Clucio, and Kenneth Gilreath are 1993-94 recipients of the State University System Employee Grant-In-Aid program. Watson is a master’s student in educational psychological mental health counseling, Clucio is a registered nurse specialist at the Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI), and Gilreath is a doctoral student in higher education and an instructor in Law and Mental Health at FMHI.

The recipients will be given a full- or part-time leave of absence and will continue to receive their full salaries while attending school. In return, they have agreed to continue employment at USF, or another state university in Florida, after they get their degrees.
September

17  Friday

Art Lecture: "Traditional Art of Nigeria," presented by Eric Robertson, 6 p.m., USF Museum.

USF Volleyball/Florida Atlantic, 8 p.m., USF Gymnasium.

Geology Lecture: "Na Metamorphism in the Island Arc Mantle by slab-Melt/Peridotite Interaction: Implications for Mantle Structure," presented by Pavel Kujonnas, 5:30 p.m. in CHE 101.

18  Saturday

Fort Myers Radio Reading Service Celebration: WUSP-FM Radio's tenth anniversary Radio Reading Service celebration. Special guests of the Radio Reading Service will volunteer as servers during lunch including Paul Nakler, conductor, Southwest Florida; Fort Myers; David McCormick, Dean, USF Fort Myers; and James Heck, General Manager, WUSP-FM and WUSP-AM-TV. Noon, Garden Council and Activity Center, 2546 Cleveland Ave., Fort Myers.

USF Volleyball versus Middle Tennessee State, 1 p.m., USF Gymnasium.

USF Volleyball versus Missouri 7 p.m., USF Gymnasium.

USF Soccer versus Virginia Commonwealth, 7:30 p.m., USF Soccer Stadium (Metro Conference Game).

Concert: Robert Plant, 8 p.m. Sun Dome. Tickets - $28.50/$20.50 for USF students and senior citizens.

22  Wednesday

University Lecture Series: Sex: Passion, Pleasure, and Pain, presented by Ellen Goode, 8 p.m., University Center Ballroom.

Movies on the Lawn: "Cliffhanger," presented by USF Campus Activity Board, Crescent Hill, 9 p.m. Bring a lawn chair and a blanket. Free.

24  Friday

Biology Lecture: "Plant Interference on Symboths: Leggings in an Agamospermous Systematic Experimental Design in the Field," Robert Klauson, USF Biology Department, 5 p.m., Reception following lecture in LSA 102.

HIV Update: "HIV Video Update for Health Care Providers," update for initial infection, presented by USF Health Administration, 5 p.m., Center for Health Administration.

Geology Lecture: "Genius of Gabbroic Rocks at Geometric Spreading Centers," presented by Jim Nuttall, University of Miami, 5:30 p.m., CHE 101.

26  Sunday

Cine International: "Zentropa" (Denmark), 7:30 p.m., UC Ballroom.

27  Monday

Radio Broadcast: "Concert 90," presented by WUSP-FM (FM) 97.9 to celebrate its 20th anniversary. Listeners are invited to send in a personal anniversary card and a name of their favorite classical work to WUSP-FM Radio, University of South Florida, Tampa, 33620.

Welcome Reception: The USF Women's Club reception to welcome new members and celebrate the club's achievement of a $100,000 endowment. Honorary Club President Kay Bryan will host the reception. Coffee and reception - 11 a.m. US Ballroom. Luncheon - Noon, $7 fee required by Sept. 21. See calendar listing above.

For more information call Mary Louise Silver at 968-3603.

Dollars for Scholars Golf Classic: Golf tournament, 1 p.m. at the Stouffer-Vinyo Golf Course. Four-person scramble to benefit freshman scholarships. Special USF employee rate of $65 per person includes lunch and gifts.

30  Thursday

St. Pete Campus Blood Drive: The Community Blood Bank Bloodmobile will be parked behind the Bookstore, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sponsored by the Marine Science Advisory Committee, a student club.

Theatre USF Play: "Waiting for Godot," Chris Stella, director, 8 p.m., Theatre 1, Thursday and Friday, $7 general admission and $5 for students and senior citizens.

Lecture: "GTPasses: Conduits for the Transfer of Chemical Potential," Thomas Lehr, Chemistry Department, 4 p.m., CHE 101, Refreshments will be served prior to each chemistry seminar at 3:30 p.m. in the lobby of SCA 228.

Kickoff Celebration: Hispanic Heritage Month, 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the USF Club, 4th Floor of UC. Sponsored by the USF Latin American Association and the USF Latin Community Advisory Committee. Special guest attorney E.J. Saizcues.

October

1  Friday

Geology Lecture: Presentation by USF's Barbara Ledeny, 3:30 p.m., CHE 101.

Lecture: "The 1993 Russian-U.S. Acquatic Plant Expedition to Siberia," biology department, presented by Garrett Cresy, University of New Hampshire, CHE 111 3 p.m.

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Musical: USF Faculty Jazz Quartet, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., (Salma Music), sponsored by the USF Women's Club, College of Fine Arts.

Discussing Godot

Actors, director, design and production crews will answer questions after the 8 p.m. showing of TheatreUSF's presentation of Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot" on Oct. 2. Tickets are $7.50 general admission and $3.50 for students and senior citizens. Picture above are Kelley Kinpatrick, left, and Mark Perry in supporting roles.

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