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Campus Announcements

Don't forget - **Bayboro Cafe now accepts credit cards!**

The first meeting for the **Regional Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Search Committee** is Thursday, Sept. 2 at 8:30 am in BAY 204. Vivian Fueyo, PhD, dean of the College of Education, will serve as committee chair. Additional information: [Search Committee](#)

**Florida Studies** is sponsoring a **lecture**, "Changes in Florida's Rivers Over the Past Century: What the Average Person Doesn't Know," on Thursday, Sept. 9 at 7:30 pm in DAV130 by Joann Mossa, PhD, a UF geographer. The event is free and open to the public.

**USF Football Season** starts next week. The faculty and staff section still has a limited number of season tickets available. For more information, see: [Flier](#).

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#### Academic Convocation Honors Faculty

USF St. Petersburg is continuing another campus tradition with its second annual Academic Convocation Tuesday, Sept. 7 at 4 pm in FWRI's Karen Steidinger Auditorium. The convocation will recognize our faculty's academic excellence and set forth goals for the upcoming year.

"Academic Convocation is a wonderful tradition because it gives us the opportunity to step back and celebrate the academic enterprise - the heart of the university and what brings students, faculty and administrators together," said James Malek, interim vice chancellor for academic affairs.

The ceremony will recognize the teaching in excellence honorees from each of the USF St. Petersburg's three colleges - Arts and Sciences, Business and Education. The guest speaker is Donald N. Langenberg, PhD, chancellor emeritus from University System of Maryland.

#### Welcome Week Activities Get Campus Excited for Fall



Thanks to a great Welcome Week, USF St. Petersburg is off to a strong Fall semester. Welcome Week, coordinated by Student Affairs, provides events and campus information during the first week of classes to acclimate new and returning students.

This year, Welcome Week launched a new campus tradition with the first system-wide Freshman Convocation on August 22. "The event was really well received by students and parents," said Nancy Coscia, director of student life. "The entire Student Affairs staff worked together to make this event and the entire week happen."

Other events included a soda shack where students got free soda and campus information, a Student Government BBQ lunch and the Harborside Activities Board Splash.

For information on upcoming events, visit: [USF St. Petersburg Web Calendar](#).

#### USF And Dali Offer First Avant-Garde Lecture Series

This fall, USF St. Petersburg and the Dalí Museum will bring leading experts from the avant-garde cultural movements of the 20th century to the area and give community members the unique opportunity to study with honors students.

The introductory lecture series, "Avant-Garde," beginning Sept. 13 will be held twice a month and is free and open to the public. Each lecture will help place the work of Salvador Dalí in a broader cultural context and discuss and compare the different avant-garde movements in Europe. The series will also look at the range of media avant-gardists used, including literature, painting, sculpture, film and music.

Assistant professor of English, Peter Kalliney, PhD, said that he is excited about this collaborative effort with the Dalí because this will be a unique experience for everyone involved. "Community members will have the rare opportunity to delve into the foundation of the avant-garde movement alongside USF honors students," said Kalliney, lecture series co-planner.

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#### Address Change Update for Open Enrollment Materials

The 2004 Open Enrollment Period for employees to enroll and make changes to benefits offered through the Division of State Group Insurance is Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.

During the Open Enrollment Period, employees may enroll or make changes to health, life, dental, vision, cancer, supplemental hospital, accident and disability insurance benefits as well as flexible spending accounts.

In order to insure that you receive your 2004 Open Enrollment materials in a timely manner, please make sure you have the correct mailing address on file.

>> [How to Update Address](#)

#### Student Lands First AP Internship

By Rita Florez



Journalism student Kristie Martinez completed her summer internship at the prestigious Associated Press' in their Los Angeles bureau and made history – she became the first student from the Department of Journalism and Media Studies to intern with a national wire service.

Martinez's stories about celebrities, the US opening of a controversial human anatomy exhibit and *Cirque du Soleil* were published with her byline in the *Los Angeles Times*, *San Francisco Examiner* and other prominent newspapers.

"They let me work on stories that were of national interest and statewide importance. They put that trust and faith in you, even though you're just an intern," Martinez said. "You're representing this global news organization. You get on the phone, and you're like, 'This is Kristie Martinez from The Associated Press,' and you're talking to them."

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#### President of Ethiopian University to Speak on Campus

The President of Addis Ababa University in Ethiopia, Andreas Esheté, will be at USF St. Petersburg this Tuesday, Sept. 7 at 6 pm in DAV130 to discuss human rights and ethics in the contemporary world. Esheté, a philosopher who received his PhD in 1971, has taught at Brown University, the University of Pennsylvania, and Haverford College. He currently chairs UNESCO's Committee on Human Rights and Democracy. The presentation is free and open to the public. Recent USF St. Petersburg alumnus, honors program graduate Hashim Ahmed, who now works at Addis Ababa University, helped organize this event. Last year Ahmed played an instrumental role in the creation of a digitization project linking the library resources of USF and Ethiopia. The project is partially funded by the Mellon Foundation.

#### Marine Science Awards Almost \$200,000 in Fellowships

At this year's College of Marine Science Fellowship Award Ceremony, 20 graduate students received \$188,500 in fellowships, a record high for the college. In the last 21 years, the college has awarded more than \$1.8 million in fellowships.


"When I received a fellowship years ago I was so impressed that people had such faith in me," said Mike Morris, president of Ocean Optics of Dunedin. "This is really an investment in your ability and hopefully you'll come back in 20 or 30 years and show us what wonderful things you have done."



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Other notables that attended the presentation included: Bill Causey, superintendent of the Keys National Marine Sanctuary, Bruce Barber, the College's first PhD recipient and Karen A. White, USF St. Petersburg regional chancellor. Some of the fellowship donors in attendance were: Paul Tash, St. Petersburg Times president, Captain Harry Fink, president of the Tampa Bay Parrot Heads in Paradise Club and Don Shea, executive director for the St. Petersburg Downtown Partnership.

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 Our Campus in the News graphic

Mark Luther, USF Marine Science Center oceanographer, was featured in an article in *On Earth*, the Natural Resources Defense Council magazine. The article discussed that America is running out of drinking water and the potential impact of desalination (filtering salt from salt water).

Luther regularly studies the bay's circulation patterns as part of the environmental assessment team that helped Tampa Bay Water determine where to site the facility.

To read the article, visit <http://www.nrdc.org/onearth/04sum/saline1.asp>

## 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. The best way to submit your event is to use the central news, events and announcements submission form located here: <http://www.stpt.usf.edu/news/submissions.htm>

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