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## HarborNotes Weekly

Five Things to Know About USF St. Petersburg

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### Author to speak at Sembler Holocaust Museum



#### Lecture

The ***Boston Globe*** called *Vera Gran: The Accused* "a book of extraordinary depth and power," and the ***Washington Post*** said it is "a moving meditation on survival and morality." Polish author Agata Tuszynska (above) will discuss her book at 3:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 18, during the Debbie and Brent Sembler Florida Holocaust Museum Lecture at the **University Student Center Ballroom**, 200 6th Ave. S. It is free and open to the public. Vera Gran was one of the most famous singers in Poland when the Nazis invaded and sent her to the Warsaw ghetto and eventually to the Treblinka concentration camp, only to spend the rest of her life fighting accusations that she was a Nazi collaborator. During the lecture, Tuszynska will play recordings of Gran's musical performances.

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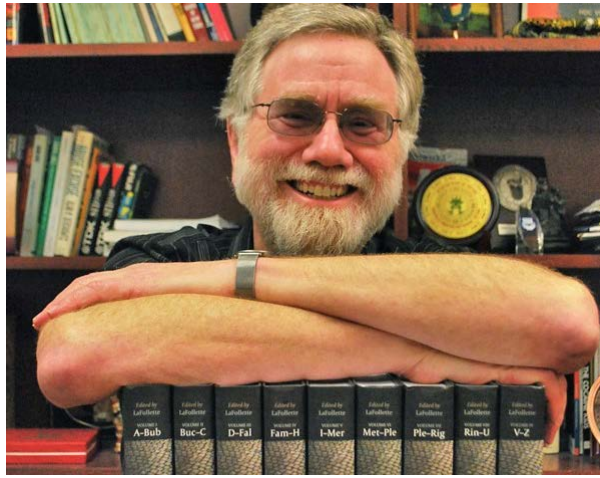
### Professor to discuss 'The Archaeology of Beer'



USF St. Petersburg **Anthropology Professor John Arthur**, Ph.D., (above) has spent years studying the caste system of the Gamo people in southwestern Ethiopia, which led to close examination of pottery from archaeological digs, prompting him to ponder the origins of beer. Arthur will discuss his circuitous research during a talk titled "The Archaeology of Beer: A Look from Ethiopia and Beyond," on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 7 p.m. at Weedon Island Preserve Cultural and Natural History Center, 1800 Weedon Drive NE, St. Petersburg. Did nomads settle down to grow grain for bread or to brew beer? Most researchers believe bread was the impetus, but Arthur says a growing body of evidence, including what he has collected in Ethiopia, suggests that beer came first. The talk is free and open to the public.

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### Public invited to participate in unusual literary project



Have you ever wondered what goes into writing and publishing a book? Have you ever wanted to write and publish your own book? Now is your chance. The public is invited to participate in an exciting literary project by USF St. Petersburg Philosophy Professor **Hugh LaFollette**, Ph.D. (above). LaFollette, the USFSP Marie and Leslie E. Cole Chair in Ethics, is seeking public input as he writes his next non-fiction book tentatively titled, *The Ethics of Gun Control*. He will explain the project during an organizational meeting at The Dali Museum Theater on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 6 p.m. Beginning in January, LaFollette will meet monthly at USF St. Petersburg with interested members of the public to discuss the main points of each chapter, soliciting feedback from the audience. More than two dozen people signed up for the first session **during the recent Tampa Bay Times Festival of Reading**. [Read more.](#)

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## Students to present research in computational biology



The public is invited to the next USFSP Student Research Colloquium on Wednesday, Nov. 20, at noon at the **Nelson Poynter Memorial Library**. Four students will discuss the research they conducted as part of a computational biology course taught by Physics Lecturer Leon Hardy, Ph.D. The students are biology majors Taylor Adams, Jericka Knox and Shuchun Liu and USF College of Marine Ph.D. student Monica Mion. The **Student Research Colloquium** is held in the library's Poynter Corner on the third Wednesday of each month.

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## Business Forum to focus on workplace disabilities



Learn the best practices for integrating persons with disabilities in the workplace during the next Walgreens Bayside Business Forum on Friday, Nov. 22, at 7:30 a.m., sponsored by the USF St. Petersburg **College of Business**. It is free and open to the public. Titled "The Long Road:

Employment for Persons with Disabilities," the event will feature JR Harding, Ed.D., of the Florida Agency for Persons with Disabilities. He is a two-time presidential appointee, seven-time Florida gubernatorial appointee, author of the book *Now What*, and a recognized international disability expert. The forum will be at Franlin Templeton, 100 Fountain Parkway N, St. Petersburg. Continental breakfast and coffee will be served. Seating is limited, so reservations are requested. To RSVP, call (727) 873-4700 or email [cob-events@usfsp.edu](mailto:cob-events@usfsp.edu). [Read more](#).

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## **Upcoming Events**

### **Undergraduate Admissions**

**Open House**

**Saturday, Nov. 16  
9 a.m.**

### **Honors Program**

**Agata Tuszynska**

**Debbie and Brent Sembler Florida Holocaust Museum Lecture**

**Monday, Nov. 18  
3:30 p.m.**

### **Nelson Poynter Memorial Library**

**Student Research Colloquium**

**Wednesday, Nov. 20  
Noon**

### **Undergraduate Admissions**

**Transfer-A-Bull**

**Thursday, Nov. 21  
6 p.m.**

### **College of Business**

**Walgreens Bayside Business Forum**

**The Long Road: Employment for Persons with Disabilities**

**Friday, Nov. 22  
7:30 a.m.**

### **College of Business**

**MBA Information Session**

**Saturday, Nov. 23  
10 a.m.**

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