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5 Things to Know About USF St. Petersburg



March 4, 2016

USFSP to Host Success Center Ribbon-Cutting



Debbie Nye Sembler

Join USFSP for the unveiling of the Debbie Nye Sembler Student Success Center on Tuesday, March 8. The naming of the center is in recognition of the many accomplishments of USF Trustee and former USFSP Campus Board Chair Debbie Nye Sembler.

The goal of the center is to help students develop strong, lifelong learning strategies and skills in a safe and positive environment.

"This campus will forever reflect Debbie's time, dedication, and tireless commitment to higher education, our students and their success," said USFSP Regional Chancellor Sophia Wisniewska. "We extend our sincerest thanks to her for supporting our development as one of Florida's best educational institutions."

The ceremony will be held outside the Student Success Center, located in Davis Hall, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Conference on Parenting Slated for March 24

The inaugural [Science of Parenting Conference](#) will be held at USF St. Petersburg on Thursday, March 24, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The free one-day conference will highlight cutting-edge research in parenting and will feature five internationally recognized speakers. Additionally, free CE hours for Florida licensed clinical social workers, mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists will be offered.

"The Science of Parenting will bring the latest research and interventions on parenting practices to both parents and professionals working with families," said Dr. Jamie McHale, professor of Psychology and director of the Family Study Center at USFSP. "The event will reach community families and the professional community of social workers, case managers,



Dr. Wendy Rote will present "Parenting and Adolescent Autonomy Development" at the event.



Save the Date
USFSP Alumni College
Friday, April 8
University Student Center
[Learn more](#)

Thinking Through... Rights
Tuesday, March 8
4-5 p.m.
Nelson Poynter Memorial Library - Poynter Corner

USFSP by the Decades: Forging a New and Strategic Path
Wednesday, March 9
Noon-1 p.m.
Nelson Poynter Memorial Library - Poynter Corner

Town and Gown Spring Luncheon
Friday, March 18
7:30-10 p.m. Thursday-
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Harbor Hall Community Room
Admission: \$20

Food for Thought Lecture: Documentary Screening and Talk-Back with Director
Monday, March 21
7 p.m.

clinicians, therapists, home visitors, and others interested in the most effective ways to support parents and children in our community."

[Read more](#) about the conference and [register online](#).

Design Students Receive AAF Tampa 'ADDY' Awards



Gold ADDY winning submission "Wana'ae" by USFSP student Brooke Forbes.

USF St. Petersburg is pleased to announce that five [Graphic Design](#) students recently received four Gold and three Silver ADDY awards from the American Advertising Federation Tampa Bay's [2016 American Advertising Awards](#).

The students who received Gold and Silver ADDYs will move on to compete at the district level. If they win again, they will move on to the third and final tier: the national stage of the American Advertising Awards.

"I think that it says our students and faculty can compete with anyone," said John Stanko, assistant professor of Graphic Design in the Department of Verbal and Visual Arts. "I feel that our students are creating work that is on par with some of the best universities in the region, if not the nation." [Read more](#) about the students' awards.

USFSP to Host Encore Tampa Bay Connect 2016

USFSP will host Encore Connect, a career and networking event for people 50 and older from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16. The event aims to help attendees retool for a new career and connect with local experts, organizations and resources.

The event will feature keynote speaker Kerry Hannon, a nationally recognized expert on helping adults discover and prepare for their next career or life transition.

Learn more about Encore Tampa Bay and [Encore Connect](#).



Keynote speaker Kerry Hannon. Photo by Elizabeth Dranitzke, Photopia.

USFSP Biology Professor to Appear on 'Jeopardy!'

Davis Hall room 130

Women's
EmpowHERment
Luncheon

Wednesday, March 23
Noon-1 p.m.
University Student
Center Ballroom

[View more information and learn about other upcoming 50th Anniversary events](#)

50 Faces

Each week, throughout the year, USFSP will celebrate those who have made or are making an impact on the university.

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Dr. Norine Noonan with longtime "Jeopardy!" TV host Alex Trebek

[Dr. Norine Noonan](#), professor of Biology at USF St. Petersburg, will be featured on an episode of "[Jeopardy!](#)" on Thursday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Noonan, a lifelong fan of the show who auditioned in Tampa in summer 2015, was ecstatic when Jeopardy representatives contacted in her December with an invitation to be a contestant.

"It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience," said Noonan, adding that once a contestant appears on the show, he or she cannot try out again in the future. "By far, the most challenging aspect of the show is the timing of the button to ring in to answer. Too soon and you are locked out; too late, and you won't get to control the board... and controlling the board is what it's all about."

[Read more](#) about her experience as a contestant on 'Jeopardy!'

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