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5 Things to Know About USF St. Petersburg



April 1, 2016

USFSP Celebrates \$5 Million Gift From Lynn Pippenger

USF St. Petersburg announced on March 30 that it had received a \$5 million gift from former Raymond James executive Lynn Pippenger, the second largest single gift in its history, to name the Kate Tiedemann College of Business building, which is now Lynn Pippenger Hall. The new four-story building is currently under construction and is on track for a fall opening.

"I spent a lot of time at USFSP over a period of years while I was working full time," said Pippenger, a USFSP and USF alumna whose gift will fund merit scholarships for full- and part-time undergraduate students studying Accounting or Finance in the College of Business. "Scholarships can ease the financial struggle for some students, or provide the funding needed for students to travel abroad or participate in civic learning. In this way, they learn to give back themselves, usually in time or talent."

[Learn more](#) about the gift announcement and donor Lynn Pippenger.



From left: Ellen Cotton; USF Trustee and USFSP Campus Board Chair Stephanie Goforth; Regional Chancellor Sophia Wisniewska; Lynn Pippenger; CEO of the USF Foundation Joel Momberg; Kate Tiedemann; and USF System President Judy Genshaft

New Deans Named for Business College, Library



Register Now
USFSP Alumni College
Friday, April 8
University Student Center
[Learn more](#)

Fathoming Florida's Springs: Saving Florida's Springs
Monday, April 4
6 p.m.
University Student Center Ballroom

Thinking Through... Rights: The Notorious RBG - Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg & Gender Discrimination Jurisprudence
Wednesday, April 6
4-5 p.m.
Nelson Poynter Memorial Library - Poynter Corner

Campus Rec Fest
Sunday, April 10
3-8 p.m.
Harbor Lawn

Laugh-A-Bull Comedy Night
Tuesday, April 12
6 p.m.
Nelson Poynter Memorial Library



The new deans, from left: Dr. Sridhar Sundaram and Catherine Cardwell

USF St. Petersburg recently announced the hiring of two new administrators. Effective July 1, [Sridhar "Sri" Sundaram](#) will serve as the new dean of the Kate Tiedemann College of Business, and [Catherine "Cathi" Cardwell](#) will become dean of the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library.

Sundaram comes to USFSP after serving as associate dean of Graduate Programs and Centers, and academic director of the Executive MBA and Full-Time Integrated MBA (FIMBA) program at Seidman College of Business at Grand Valley State University in Michigan. Cardwell has served as director of Libraries at Ohio Wesleyan University for more than four years, and previously served as a librarian and administrator at Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

The searches for the leadership positions of regional vice chancellors for Academic Affairs and Student Affairs also are well underway.

Gen. Ann Dunwoody to Speak at USFSP April 19



Gen. Ann Dunwoody

Retired Gen. Ann Dunwoody, the first female U.S. four-star general, will speak at USF St. Petersburg on Tuesday, April 19 at 5 p.m. in the University Student Center Ballroom.

Dunwoody will discuss leadership strategies she developed and honed during a 37-year career in the U.S. Army, many of which she recounts in her book "A Higher Standard: Leadership Strategies from America's First Female Four-Star General."

"Gen. Dunwoody is an extraordinary leader, an inspiring role model for women and men alike," said Regional Chancellor Sophia Wisniewska. "It will be an honor and a pleasure to welcome her to USFSP."

The event, which will conclude with a networking and book signing event, will be presented by the Kate Tiedemann College of Business in collaboration with USF Women in Leadership & Philanthropy. [RSVP now](#) to attend the free event.

Faculty to Share Research During Lightning Talks

College of Education
50th Anniversary
Thursday, April 14
5-7 p.m.
Davis Hall Room 130

Poetry and Taxes: An
Evening with Alumni and
Community Writers
Friday, April 15
5:30-7 p.m.
Harbor Hall

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

50 Faces
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John Stanko, assistant professor of Graphic Design, discussed his book cover design processes and methods during the 2015 Faculty Lightning Talks event.

Seven USF St. Petersburg faculty will present in the fourth annual Faculty Lightning Talks on Thursday, April 7 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. The event will begin with a reception at 3 p.m. in Poynter Corner in the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library.

The event provides participating faculty with an opportunity to present five-minute talks about their research to the university community. This year's participants include faculty representing all three colleges.

"This event gives our USFSP community and members of the local community an opportunity to learn about all of the exciting things our faculty are doing in a snapshot," said [Deb Henry](#), interim dean of the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library. [Learn more](#) about this year's event and the faculty lineup.

Harbor Hall Reveal Party, Student & Alumni Exhibition

Students and alumni of the [Department of Verbal & Visual Arts](#) will present work as part of the dual-purpose Juried Student & Alumni Digital Exhibition and Harbor Hall Reveal Party event on Friday, April 1 at 6 p.m.

Elliott Bedinghaus, vice president of Creative at SPARK, judged design submissions from current students and alumni of the Graphic Design program. The submissions will be shown digitally on a large screen, and the evening will include a small awards ceremony and light refreshments.

The event will take place in Harbor Hall, which has been under renovation since last summer. The building now features a renovated community meeting space and several new classrooms and studios that were converted from the former gallery space.



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