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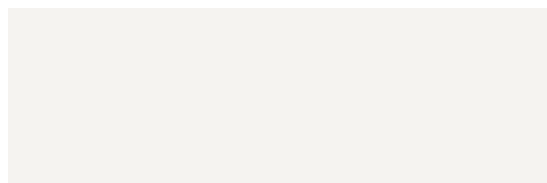
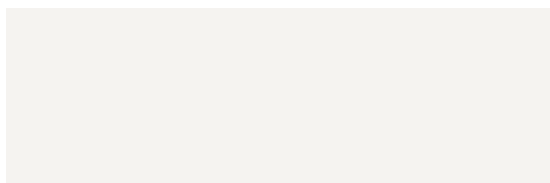
### *Journalism Students Investigate* LEAD IN LOCAL DRINKING WATER

#### **Journalism Students Investigate Lead in Local Drinking Water**

In 2016, the city of Flint, Michigan made national headlines as thousands of citizens were exposed to lead poisoning through drinking water. Drinking such water can result in a rash of health problems that impact growth in children and kidney function in adults. This issue and its health consequences got USF St. Petersburg journalism professor Bernardo Motta thinking, how safe is the water here?



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### **Ex Labs Boot Camp Provides Unique and Empowering Training**

After weeks of intense training sessions, Sara Rocks and her team presented their award-winning business plan called Art Assist, in front of industry leaders, peers, faculty, family and friends on March 29. Rocks, a sophomore psychology and marketing major, along with 19 other students were part of the first ever Ex Labs Boot Camp class hosted at USF St. Petersburg .

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### **Green Energy Fund Powers Sustainability Projects on Campus**

As Earth Day approaches, one of the unique parts of sustainability at USF St. Petersburg is the Student Green Energy Fund, which directly involves students with sustainability, alternative energy and other projects benefiting the campus and Earth. "Our mission is to create and fund sustainability projects that directly produce energy, reduce energy consumption and eliminate waste."

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### **Alumni Profile: Jarrett Sabatini, Owner of Intermezzo**

Jarrett Sabatini opened Intermezzo Coffee just three months after graduating with a marketing degree. It was supposed to be a pop-up, open for just three months. But the business did well. Fast forward 19 months, and Intermezzo Coffee & Cocktails is thriving. Its bright interior, craft beverages and creative events pull in a steady stream of regular and new customers.

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### **Attorney Susan Churuti Appointed to USFSP Campus Board**

Attorney Susan Hamilton Churuti has been appointed by the University of South Florida Board of Trustees to a four-year term on the [USF St. Petersburg Campus Board](#) . Churuti has broad experience representing the county and its constitutional officers with expertise in U.S. and state constitutional law, legislation, charters, risk management and public finance among others.

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### **Students, Communities Impacted by Un-BULL-ievable Spring Break**

Usually spring break means students have earned a much-deserved break from course studies, for a full week of vacation and adventures. Some students, however, are increasingly opting to participate in the USF St. Petersburg Un-BULL-ievable Spring Breaks (USB), an alternative for students who want to give back through civic engagement, and have fun while helping others.

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### **Record Turnout for 5th Annual Anchor Event**

The university welcomed more than 120 admitted first-year students and a total of 300 guests to the campus for the 5th annual Anchor event. Anchor aims to prepare new students for orientation and their first day of classes. Developed in response to parent feedback, the event serves as a way for students and their families to experience life on campus before Move-In Weekend.

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## **Upcoming Events**

**Public Talk: American's to the Rescue During the Nazi Years**

April 19, 4 PM, University Student Center Ballroom

**Public Talk: There Has to Be a Better Way -**

**An OPEN Conversation with a Futurist**

April 19, 6 PM, The Edge - Coquina Hall

**USFSP Night at the Rowdies**

April 21, 7:30 PM, Al Lang Stadium, Downtown  
St. Petersburg

**Spring 2018 Commencement**

[Learn more](#). Tickets required.

May 6, 1 PM and 5 PM, Mahaffey Theater

