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Bill Hogarth: This is a time to reflect and enjoy the holidays

Posted December 14, 2012 at 9:53 am by [Bill Hogarth, Interim Regional Chancellor](#)

Dear USFSP Community,

I just want to take a moment during this Holiday Season to thank all of you for making the past four months extremely enjoyable. Although I felt very intimidated when asked by President Genshaft to be the Interim Regional Chancellor for USF St. Petersburg, all of you — faculty, students and staff — have been very helpful as we continue to move forward in the path set by my predecessor, Dr. Margaret Sullivan.

We should all be proud of the many accomplishments we have seen at the university – the high quality of our teaching and faculty research, the success of our sailing teams, the opening of the University Student Center and residence hall, the new Wellness Center at the newly refurbished Student Life Center to mention just a few.

I feel very good when I walk the campus and observe the beautiful landscaping and the work of our groundskeepers and the invigorating presence of students bustling about. USFSP is alive and is providing a great education and life experience preparing our next leaders.

We must strive to continue to provide the best learning opportunities ever in these tight economic times and we can do so working together and being careful stewards of our resources—financially and philosophically.

Please take the time off to enjoy the season and your families. This is a time to reflect and enjoy the holidays. We are fortunate to live in this great country with so many great opportunities.

I hope 2013 will be another great year as we strive to build a new building for the College of Business and prepare for the expansion of our Science and Technology Building. We also need to expand our talented pool of tenure-track faculty and continue to work with the student body to ensure they receive the best possible college experience.

Have a happy and prosperous new year and Go Bulls!



Christmas trees at the USC, Menorahs at the Waterfront