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Veterans Expo, celebration planned for Harborwalk



USF St. Petersburg will be closed on Monday, Nov. 11 in honor of Veterans Day. On Tuesday, a Veterans Expo will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. along HarborWalk. The expo is free and open to the public, offering veterans in the community information about benefits eligibility and enrollment, mental health awareness and referral information, VA educational services and homeless services. Representatives will be on hand from the Florida Disabled Veterans of America, Bay Pines VA Medical Center, the St. Petersburg Veterans Center, and myriad USFSP services, including **Veterans Services**, the **Wellness Center**, **Disability Services**, **Financial Aid** and **Student Affairs**.

Ray Arsenault shares in another Emmy nomination



An episode of WEDU-TV's *Florida This Week* that included USF St. Petersburg History Professor Ray Arsenault, Ph.D., has been nominated for a Suncoast Emmy Award. The June 28 episode was the first and only time Arsenault, the USFSP John Hope Franklin Professor of Southern History, has appeared on the show. Joining Arsenault, co-founder of the USFSP **Florida Studies Program**, were former U.S. Rep. Jim Davis, state Sen. Tom Lee and *Tampa Bay Times* Political Editor Adam Smith. The Suncoast Emmy Awards honor excellence in TV programming in Florida, Puerto Rico and parts of Louisiana, Alabama and Georgia. The winners will be announced Nov. 23 during ceremonies in Fort Lauderdale. A documentary film based on Arsenault's award-winning book *Freedom Riders: 1961 and the Struggle for Racial Justice* won three national Emmy Awards and a Peabody Award. **Read more.** | **Watch the episode**

Author to speak at Sembler Holocaust Museum



Lecture

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. Gran's story will be recounted by Polish author Agata Tuszynska (above) on Nov. 18 at 3:30 p.m. in the Debbie and Brent Sembler Florida Holocaust Museum Lecture at the **University Student Center Ballroom**, 200 6th Ave. S. The lecture, presented by the USFSP Honors Program, is free and open to the public. During the lecture, Tuszynska will discuss her book, *Vera Gran: The Accused*, and play recordings of Gran's musical performances. [Read more](#) | Photo by Iza Grzybowska/MOVE, for VIVA! 23/2010

Crazy ants bring attention to USFSP's 'ant whisperer'



Associate Professor of Biology Deby Cassill explains the crazy ant invasion to her students.

So-called crazy ants have invaded Florida, and local TV reporters turned this week to USF St. Petersburg Associate Professor of Biology **Deby Cassill**, Ph.D., to explain the phenomenon. Cassill specializes in the study of ant behavior -- particularly fire ants -- and some students have taken to calling her "the ant whisperer." Crazy ants are smaller than fire ants and move 20 times faster. "You see them and you just want to jump back because they're just moving so fast," Cassill **told WFTS-TV ABC Action News**. "So they're all over you quickly, it's startling, and it's scary when there's just so many of them." **She told Bay News 9**: "It's annoying, it's like a hoard of mosquitoes surrounding you but only they're coming up out of the ground and they're fast."

Open House planned for prospective undergrads



Prospective high school seniors interested in attending USF St. Petersburg are invited to our last

Open House on Nov. 16. Talk with college deans, professors and current students, attend presentations about admissions, financial aid and housing and tour the beautiful waterfront campus. Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. and the Open House starts at 9 a.m. at the **University Student Center**, 200 6th Ave S. Complimentary parking will be available at the USFSP parking garage, 250 5th Ave S. For more information, call Undergraduate Admissions at (727) 873-4142 or [click here for more details](#).

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.**

Undergraduate Admissions

Transfer-A-Bull

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

College of Business

Walgreens Bayside Business Forum

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

College of Business

MBA Information Session

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

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