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Discover the World of USF Marine Science

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Thank goodness for places like the Campus Activities Center, the USF Dining Center, and the Tavern on the Green. If it weren't for such socially-oriented locations, the worlds of USF Department of Marine Science and the rest of Bayboro campus probably wouldn't interact all that much. As it is, marine science people are probably more familiar with Davis and Coquina Halls, the Poynter Library, and campus recreation than most Bayboro students are familiar with the Department of Marine Science (aka the DMS). After all, the DMS is a world all its own, full of laboratories and aquariums and oceanographic this-and-that. Right?

Well, yes. But perhaps I can elaborate a little. One of the main credos of our department is that we are scientifically interdisciplinary. In light of this idea, I would like to broaden the definition of interdisciplinary to include all of the liberal arts, and to enlighten all of those artists and writers and whomevers who might be interested to know what comprises the USF DMS.

The DMS is comprised of professors and graduate students who come from many different backgrounds. Most of the students start their programs here with undergraduate degrees in biology, chemistry, geology, or physics, and then apply these backgrounds to the marine aspects of those fields. Some students choose interdisciplinary fields of study such as marine biogeochemistry, while others are relatively specialized in such areas as marine microbiology or marine mammal biology. Whatever the case may be, a student or professor working in a particular subcategory of marine science is constantly interacting with marine scientists from other categories. In such a way, students who graduate with a Master's or Ph.D. from the DMS have usually acquired an impressive breadth of knowledge from their marine science education.

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Peña Wins Vice-Presidential Election

by Marty Tschiderer
Crow's Nest Coordinator

Incumbent Hloy Peña (Education) defeated Dale Williams (Business) 73-21 in the Student Government Vice-Presidential Election held last week in the Davis Hall Lobby.

The Vice-President's position was the only contested office in this semester's election.

Candidates who were elected without opposition included: Lana Romani, President (Business); Steve Bearden, Treasurer (Business); Leigh Harwell, Secretary (Business); Steve Tiano, Representative (Arts and Sciences); Bob Miller, Representative (Business); Karen Kline, Representative (Business); and Janis Phillips, Representative (Business).

The new administration will begin Jan. 1.

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REMINDER!

Happy Thanksgiving!

The campus will be closed on Thursday, November 28, and Friday, November 29, for Thanksgiving!
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The building itself is two stories high, long and rectangular, flanked on one side by the soon-to-be demolished SPB building and on the other by the mouth of Bayboro Harbor. The building is made up of many laboratories, faculty and student offices, a teaching lab/classroom, a conference room, and an auditorium. Because of its beautifully scenic location, as with most buildings on this campus, you can see the water from most any window.

The DMS is ideally located on the same grounds as the Florida Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Florida Institute of Oceanography (FIO), both of which serve the State of Florida in oceanographic research and education. There is much overlap between the three institutions. DMS students often work with people at DNR to round out their research needs and get input for their theses. DNR also has a research vessel, the RIV Hernan Cortez. Along with the FIO research vessels, the RIV Bellows and the RIV Suncoaster, as well as smaller open boats, the DMS has a "fleet" of ships available for research, sampling and collecting.

It is the proximity of these major state oceanographic institutions that makes the DMS so attractive for both graduate and professional work in marine science. Along with what is available on our campus, the rapidly expanding program at Eckerd College, and the blossoming research and community efforts taking place at the Clearwater Marine Science Center, the Tampa Bay area itself is becoming a major international oceanographic center.

Any why not? All of us who are part of Bayboro campus are affected by the sea. Not only famous scientists were borne from salty inspiration; artists and writers and architects and even businesspersons are often ocean-oriented as well. Here at USF Bayboro, we have a prime venue.

And so, if you feel like strolling one day, come on out to the marine science building and say hello. Otherwise, I'll see you in the CAC.

Campus Tree-Trimming Kicks Off Holiday Season

by Valerie Prosser
Activities Program Specialist

Get into the holiday spirit! Join the Activities staff in trimming the campus Christmas tree. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join in! Plan to be in the Davis Hall Lobby on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at noon.

Prizes will be awarded for the best homemade ornaments. Ornaments will be kept for tree-trimming year to year. Maybe you or your group could win!

Holiday refreshments will be served. Join in the fun!

Alumni Golf Tournament Draws 106 Players to Bardmoor

by Marty Tschiderer
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One hundred-six golfers participated in the Second Annual Pinellas County Alumni Golf Tournament held at Bardmoor North on November 9.

The team of Dave Stewart, Carl Kalinka, Hance McCain and Jo Ann Allesandrin finished first with a score of 61.

In second place was the team of Tom Jewell, Laura Pinard, Mike Barager and Brad Miller, who shot 63.

Though the tournament was open to the public, there were several familiar faces in the crowd.

The team of John Paul (Marine Science), Bob Berquist (Physical Plant) and Bob Jolley (Marine Science) teamed with Jeff Donovan to shoot 71.

A team from Florida Power, which included former Student Government President Frank Reinhardt (Class of '91) shot 67.

A team sponsored by USF Student Government, which included Roger McCollum, Kris Heiberg, Debbi Cavanter and Marty Tschiderer, shot 79.

The tournament is part of a two-event fundraiser, and was sponsored by USF's Pinellas County Alumni Chapter. The tournament raised more than $3,000 to benefit the scholarship fund for St. Petersburg campus students.

Deborah Kurelik contributed to this story.
THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday, November 25
Circle K International, a community service organization, meets at 5:00 pm in the Campus Active Center.

Tuesday, November 26
An Orientation to On-Campus Recruiting explains the procedures for participating in on-campus employment interviews. Placement registration packets will be distributed. 6:00 to 7:00 pm in DAV-115.

Thursday, November 28
Happy Thanksgiving! Campus Closed.

Friday, November 29
Campus Closed
Limited Hours:
Campus Activities Center: 1:00 to 5:00 pm.
Poynter Library: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

The Sail Club meets at 6:00 pm in Coquina Hall. Sail-outs are held on Fridays. All students and non-students are welcome.

Spotlight on Florida's Diverse History

by Lisa Wharton
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Palmetto Country
"Palmetto Country" is a unique exhibit illustrating Florida's rich diversity in cultures and people. Produced from Stetson Kennedy's book Palmetto Country, this exhibit features photographs taken prior to World War II throughout Florida. It is now on display on the second floor of the Poynter Library.

Called a "barefoot social history of Florida," Kennedy's book traces the history of the people who made the Palmetto Country: the Seminoles, blacks, poor whites, Cubans, and Conchs. Through poignant photographs, this exhibit shows Florida life as it was.

Early Floridians, the Seminole Indians, are seen in their native culture, in dugout canoes, living in harmony with the land. The life of the migrant farm worker and fruit picker is captured in the direct, black and white photographic style of the 40's.

The hard labor of the timber cutters and rugged life of the turpentine camps is pictured. Stark photos also show the division between the races and the hatred of the Ku Klux Klan. The cultural diversity of Florida can be seen in the display through photos of the cigar factories, Key West fisherman, Tarpon Spring's sponge divers and Appalachicola oyster shuckers.

This display tells the story of the people of Florida as they lived fifty years ago. It provides a deeper sense of the heritage of Florida and hopefully will encourage Floridians to celebrate the uniqueness of our culture.

History On The Go
"Where did Babe Ruth stay when he visited St. Petersburg?" "Who was Silas Dent?" "Do you know the name of St. Petersburg's first newspaper?" These questions and many others are answered by the St. Petersburg Historical Society's traveling exhibit called "History On The Go."

"History On The Go" is a six-paneled exhibit designed to give a glimpse into St. Petersburg's past. Consisting of five separate exhibits, the first of these is now on display in the Campus Activities Center's lobby. It features the early settlers of St. Petersburg along with little known facts about the founding of St. Petersburg.

Another of the exhibits features St. Petersburg's founding fathers: George Gandy, Perry Snell and Noel Mitchell. A display with a "Did You Know?" theme and one that answers interesting questions about the St. Petersburg area will also be available for viewing. Aeronautic development in the area is examined with feature photographs and information about the Benoist.

Exhibits will be rotated in the CAC lobby periodically and are available for everyone's enjoyment.
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Where are all the intrepid water volleyballers? Are you too, too intimidated by the 72 degree water temperature? Lap swimmers challenge you to take the plunge.

Sudsy the Fossil thanks (?) "everyone" for the unceasing birthday telephone calls made to her home on her day off. Just remember: She who laughs last...haha!

Three cheers for the USF St. Pete Men's "C" league softball team! Number 1! It's trophy time!

Happy birthday, Pearl Williamson and Patrick O'Donnell!

Melissa: Thanks for your EXTRA weekend help given to both the Singers and the Friendship Association of Chinese Students and Scholars! A/V seven days a week. In the boots of Bob T. The torch is passed!

Greetings to Dr. Brooks and company--the last residents (besides the termites) of SPB!

Sudsy, I can't believe you fell for the dreaded birthday surprise, again. Good to finally meet old flame Egbert Leadbetter. Nice broom!!!

FOR SALE

USF Directories are available to students. Pick up your free copy at the Campus Activities Center. (One per person, please.)

USF souvenirs, gifts and cards are on sale at the USF Bookstore. Great for holidays gifts.

Please submit your classifieds c/o Crow's Nest, Campus Activities Center. Free for the University Community.

Holiday Sale Features Bargains Galore

by Valerie Prosser
Activities Program Specialist

Attention students, faculty and staff! How would you like to get an early start on your Christmas shopping?

The Activities Office has gathered some people and products for you! Bring your spending money on Wednesday, Dec. 4 for some terrific and unique buys!

The Davis Hall Lobby and surrounding areas will be filled to the brim with Christmas bargains! Everything from UNICEF cards, wood products, clothing, home-made arts and crafts and other specialty items will be available for purchase.

The sale is scheduled from 9:30 am to 5:30 pm. Enjoy the convenience of holiday shopping between classes. Tell your friends. It's open to the public. See you there!