

April 23-29, 2011

Top Stories:

Athletics Director Jeff Altier was profiled and Stetson's plan to bring back Hatter Football was featured in the April 23 [Sarasota Herald-Tribune](#) story, "Gridiron dream is nearing fruition." Stetson's plan to bring back football was highlighted in an April 29 piece, "Baptist schools returning to gridiron," in the [Associated Baptist Press](#).

Finance Professor Larry Belcher gave an in-depth interview to the [Orlando Business Journal](#) for the April 29 story, "Belcher: Business should be driving education reform."

Law Professor Peter Lake was quoted in the April 28 [ABC affiliate](#) in Lincoln, Nebraska, regarding binge drinking on college campuses.

Professor Lake's interview with the [AP](#) regarding the anniversary of the Va. Tech shootings

continued to be picked up in outlets including [NPR](#), [MSNBC](#), [AOL News](#), [Boston](#)

[Globe](#), [Huffington Post](#), the [Yahoo! News Canada](#), [Metro](#)

[News](#), [Telegram](#), [Guardian](#), [Victoria Advocate](#), [MacLeans](#), the [Seattle Pi](#), [Sacramento](#)

[Bee](#), [Bend Bulletin](#), [Star Tribune](#), [Virginia-Pilot](#), [Richmond Times-Dispatch](#), [The](#)

[Republic](#), [Deseret News](#), [Winston-Salem Journal](#), [Winnipeg Free](#)

[Press](#), [Tennessean](#), [Contra Costa Times](#), [New Jersey.com](#), [Salt Lake](#)

[Tribune](#), [AuburnPub](#), [Democrat Herald](#), [Stuff.co](#), [Washington](#)

[Examiner](#), [NOLA.com](#), [WLSL.com](#), [Daily Press](#), [Townhall Finance](#), [Brandon Sun](#), [Fresno](#)

[Bee](#), [MyFox D.C.](#), [NewsRadio 620](#), [InYork](#), [Independent Mail](#), [Arizona Daily](#)

[Sun](#), [Newser](#), [WGEM](#), [WSBRadio](#), [Recordnet](#), [Stamford Advocate](#), [Mail.com](#),

the [Dispatch](#), [Idaho Statesman](#), [NewsTalk KRMG](#), [Xfinity](#), [The Republic](#), [Star Tribune](#), [San](#)

[Luis Obispo Tribune](#), [Marin Independent Journal](#), [Charleston Daily Mail](#), [WoodTV 8](#), [Bangor](#)

[Daily News](#), [Lompoc Record](#), [TriCity Herald](#), [Connecticut Post](#), [Greenfield Daily](#)

[Reporter](#), [Syracuse.com](#), [The State](#), [Ventura County](#)

[Star](#), [WDBO](#), [KRQE](#), [WISTV](#), [Fox28](#), [WAFB](#), [WQOW](#), [KXAN](#), [Federal News](#)

[Radio](#), [WTNH](#), [HughesNet](#), [WANDTV](#), [WANE.com](#), [WVVA](#), [Oklahoma6](#), [WDTN](#), [WDHITV](#), [WK](#)

[BT](#), [FOX11](#), [Atlantic Broadband](#) and [Portal](#).

Vice President and Dean Darby Dickerson was quoted in the May 2011 **Student Affairs**

Today magazine regarding student use of medical marijuana on college campuses in states

where it has been decriminalized. Dickerson was also quoted in the **US Fed News** regarding campus safety at a North Carolina Higher Education Safety Webinar and Symposium.

Law Professor Ellen Podgor co-authored the article, "First Person: The DOJ Should Practice What IT Preaches," for the April 25 [Law.com](#).

Senior Abigail Lemay won a national Undergraduate Social Action Award from the Sociologists for Women in Society for her activism related to pay equity for women, the [Providence \(R.I.\) Journal](#) reported April 25.

Other Stories this week:

Mother Elizabeth Scovil and son Shawn Scovil will both earn Stetson degrees during Spring Commencement on May 7, and the [West Volusia Beacon](#) featured their story April 27.

Law Professor Charles Rose was quoted in the April 24 [Orlando Sentinel](#) and the [Palm Beach Post](#) regarding the jury selection in the Casey Anthony case.

Law Professor Luz Nagle appeared on the April 28 [Fox 13](#) news program regarding immigration law changes and immigrants who commit crimes.

Stetson's women's music fraternity, Sigma Alpha Iota, put on a music petting zoo for children, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 29.

News of Stetson double-Hatter student Eric Lamontagne coaching the Stewards Foundation of Tampa Bay youth rowing team ran in the April 25 [Tampa Tribune](#).

Student organizations are putting on an interactive "Silent Steps" event to show people some of the world's social injustices, including genocide, unclean water and human trafficking, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 24.

The School of Business Administration has earned reaccreditation for its business and accounting programs, and the university's recycling team won third place in the nation in the RecycleMania competition this year, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 25.

Guitar Professor Stephen Robinson and the Movado String Quartet will be featured at a May 1 concert of the EMMA Concert Association in St. Augustine, the [St. Augustine Record](#) reported April 24.

Stetson's summer camp offerings were included in a special section of the April 26 ***Daytona Beach News-Journal***.

Freshman Andrew Epifanio, an 18-year-old bugler and trumpet player, raced to victory in the 44th annual Easter Beach Run, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 24.

Senior and ROTC cadet Catherine O'Brien received the George C. Marshall Award at a ceremony at the Marshall Center, Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Va., the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 24.

Stetson will have 570 students earning degrees at its May 7 DeLand campus commencement, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 27.

In the Blogosphere:

News of Stetson Law's commencement has run for journalists on the April 26 [ProfNet Expert Alerts](#).

Stetson's major landscaping renovation project was featured in the CRJA landscape architect's [thinking outside](#) blog on April 27.

MBA student Jason Sauter reported on the Royal Wedding for CNN iReports, the [Orlando Sentinel](#) School Zone blog reported April 28.

Alumni in the News:

Alumnus Michael Sullivan has been appointed financial representative by Northwestern Mutual in Athens, Ga., the [Athens \(Ga.\) Banner-Herald](#) reported April 24.

U.S. Navy Lt. Amber DeChambeau, a 2001 graduate of Stetson, was named Chief of Naval Air Training Flight Surgeon of the Year and was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Award in January. This qualified her as a finalist for the Richard M. Luehrs Operational Flight Surgeon of the Year Award, placing her among the top five Naval Flight Surgeons, the [Lakeland Ledger](#) reported April 26.

Alumna Dr. Jodi Preti has purchased the Mid Cape Animal Hospital in Cape Cod, the [Cape Cod Times](#) reported April 29.

Alumna V. Darleen Opfer has been named director of RAND Education and holds the newly created RAND Distinguished Chair in Education Policy at the nonprofit think tank, the [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#) reported April 29.

The April 24 [Hartford Courant](#) ran a nice feature about Stetson Law alumnus Carter Mario.

Alumna Jenifer Schembri, principal of Blalock Walters P.A., has been appointed to the board of directors of the Asolo Repertory Theatre, according to the April 25 [Herald-Tribune](#).

April 16-22, 2011

Top Stories:

MBA student Jason Sauter won a CNN iReport contest and will be traveling to London to help the CNN team cover the royal wedding, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#), [West Volusia Beach](#), [Orlando Sentinel](#), [WKMG Channel 6](#) news (CBS affiliate, Orlando), [WTVX](#) news (ABC affiliate, Salt Lake City, Utah), [TCM.net](#) and [McClatchy-Tribune Information Services](#) reported this week.

The investment success of Stetson's Roland George Investments Program finance students was featured April 22 in the [Orlando Business Journal](#).

Belmont assistant coach Casey Alexander has been named Stetson's new head men's basketball coach, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#), [WREG Channel 3](#) (in Memphis, Tenn.), [WRDQ Channel 27 Eyewitness News](#) (Orlando) and many other outlets reported April 21.

Finance senior Greg Bockhold's unusual question of Warren Buffett - about ice cream - during an investments competition in Omaha, Neb., was featured in the [Omaha World-Herald](#) on April 17.

The philanthropic Bonner Foundation of Princeton, N.J., is giving Stetson University \$2 million to permanently endow its Bonner Scholars and Bonner Leaders scholarship and leadership development programs, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 16, and the [Orlando Business Journal](#) and [Tampa Bay Business Journal](#) reported April 18.

English and Journalism Lecturer Andy Dehnart, a reality TV expert, was quoted in the April 18 [Minneapolis Star Tribune](#) story, "More reality TV shows are featuring players with physical disabilities." The story was picked up by other media outlets including the [Omaha World Herald](#), the [Leader-Post](#) in Canada, the [Lansing State Journal](#), [Ottawa Citizen](#) and [SCTimes.com](#).

Law Professor Peter Lake's interview with the **AP** regarding the anniversary of the Virginia Tech shootings continued to be picked up April 16 in outlets including the [Tennessean](#), [News Times](#), [Breaking News](#), [Newport Daily News](#), [Boston Herald](#), [Winston-Salem Journal](#), [Vindy.com](#) and [WSLS 10](#).

Adjunct Law Professors Dr. Jay Wolfson and Dr. Adam Levine were both quoted in the April 19 [Health News Florida](#) regarding a patient suing his doctor for losing his tumor.

Adjunct Law Professor Carl Nelson was quoted in the April 19 [Daytona Beach News Journal](#), [News Herald](#), [Gainesville Sun](#) and [Naples Daily News](#) regarding Florida Gov. Rick Scott's decision for the state not to join the Transocean suit. (Nelson also spoke with the [Tampa Tribune](#), [St. Petersburg Times](#), [Miami Herald](#), [National Law Journal](#) and appeared on [MSNBC](#), but these outlets did not include Nelson's Stetson affiliation.)

Other Stories this week:

The Stetson Showcase □ Undergraduate Research and Creative Arts Symposium was featured April 18 in the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) Higher Education column and on [Central Florida News 13](#).

The Political Science Department's upcoming public forum on pedestrian transportation in the DeLand area was previewed April 16 in the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) and on April 20 on [WESH Channel 2](#) (NBC affiliate) and in the [West Volusia Beacon](#).

A visit to Stetson and lecture by former Florida Gov. and U.S. Sen. Bob Graham was mentioned in the April 17 [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) column, "For a guy who's down, Bob Graham sure getting around," and in the [newspaper's news coverage](#).

Law Professor Judith Scully was quoted in the April 18 [Bradenton Herald](#) regarding an exonerated ex-con who can't be compensated for time served.

Law Professor Robert Batey is quoted in the April 17 [Daytona Beach News Journal](#) story about the death sentence starting a whirlwind of legal action.

News of Stetson Law's summer programs for local and visiting law students ran in the April 11 [CNBC](#), [American Banking & Market News](#), [Morning Star News](#), [Penn Energy](#) and [ABC 27](#).

News of Stetson Law's Vis team taking home top awards for legal writing at the Vis (East) Hong Kong ran in the April [Florida Law Journal](#) and April 19 [Practice Source](#).

Unfortunate news of Law alumna Stephanie Bolton being accused of racketeering has run in the April 22 [St. Petersburg Times](#).

Religious Studies Professor Don Musser is speaking on the topic of friendship □ and also teaching a course and writing a book on the subject, the [West Volusia Beacon](#) reported April 17.

Management Associate Professor William Andrews will give a public talk on non-profit management, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 19.

Stetson's outdoor chapel service was highlighted in the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) round-up of Earth Week activities on April 21.

In the Blogosphere:

The April 21 [PRLog](#) announces that Law student Amber Williams will graduate May 14 in Gulfport.

Alumni in the News:

Law alumna Kerry O'Connor is applying for the job of Pasco sheriff, according to the April 20 [New Port Richey Patch](#).

Law LL.M. alumnus David Anderson is going primetime with the [Lawmen Show](#), a new radio program, according to the April 20 [WTHR](#).

Fowler White attorney and Law alumna Sarah Lahlou-Aminereceived a pro bono award from the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, according to the April 20 [Maddux](#).

Law alumnus Michael Trocke participated in the 22nd Annual Southern Surety Conference April 13-15 in New Orleans, according to April 19 [Maddux](#).

April 9-15, 2011

Top Stories:

Senior Edgar Suris, a legally blind runner and tri-athlete, and his family have raised more than \$40,000 for retinal research. He will participate in the Orlando 5K VisionWalk on May 1, the [Orlando Sentinel](#) Vital Signs blog reported April 13.

Law Professor Peter Lake's interview with the [Associated Press](#) regarding the Virginia Tech response to a fine for the April 2007 shootings has run in more than 30 outlets across the country as of April 15.

Law Professor Ellen Podgor quoted in [Law.com Corporate Counsel](#) April 15 regarding the re-indictment of a former Glaxo lawyer.

The Nichols Lecture by former Gov. Charlie Crist on April 12 in Gulfport was covered by the [St. Petersburg Times](#) for a print article and live streaming video on [the Buzz](#), [Tampa Tribune](#) for a front page article, [WUSF radio](#), [WMNF radio](#) and [Newschannel 8](#). The news was also picked up by the [Florida Times-Union](#) and [Sun-Sentinel](#). Law students Clark Chapman, Spencer Hathaway, Ramil Kaminsky, Gregory Lercher, Jumba Mugwanya and Mercy Roberg and were all mentioned in the press coverage of people attending Crist's talk.

The April 12 [St. Petersburg Times](#) and [WUSF radio](#) also quotes Crist speaking at Stetson Law regarding the current governor's reluctance to make a legal claim for the oil spill.

Former neo-Nazi skinhead TJ Leyden shared his personal story with students, and the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) covered the story April 13.

Senior Jack Kelly of Ormond Beach was featured in [Hometown News](#) on April 15 for his selection as a semi-finalist in the Charlie Sheen internship.

A team of students in the Roland George Investments Program won the Global Asset Management Education Forum in Connecticut, the [Orlando Sentinel](#) reported April 13.

Other News:

Five events, including a lecture by former Florida Gov. and U.S. Sen. Bob Graham and Stetson's Earth Week activities, were previewed in the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) Higher Education column April 11.

Violin Professor Routa Kroumovitch Gomez was featured in the [Orlando Sentinel's](#) Orlando Arts blog on April 9 as co-concertmaster and soloist in the final concert of the Bach Festival.

Coverage about Stetson's new Summer Pre-Law Institute continued this week, with stories on the [TCMNet](#) and [MyCFO](#) websites on April 11.

Stetson staff members Elizabeth Bhimjee and Savannah-Jane Griffin are participating in the Leadership West Volusia program, and they were among the group welcomed April 12 for a visit to the [West Volusia Beacon](#).

Senior Maxwell Grossman, winner of the Tampa Bay Symphony's young artist competition, was mentioned in the April 13 [St. Petersburg Times](#) story, "Jack Heller prepares for his finale as conductor of the Tampa Bay Symphony."

Political Science Professor T. Wayne Bailey was quoted in a April 15 [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) story about Frank Bruno, Volusia County's first county chair.

The April 10 [Tampa Tribune](#) ran an opinion editorial by Adjunct Law Professor Howard Fink about the electoral college.

Law Vice President and Dean Darby Dickerson is quoted April 13 in the [NewsOK](#) in a story on guns on technology center campuses.

Dean Dickerson is also quoted in the April 13 [Oklahoman](#) regarding concealed weapons on campus.

The April 9 [Rio Grande Guardian](#) quotes Law Professor Luz Nagle at the STC's fifth annual Human Trafficking: Conflict and Crisis in the Americas Conference hosted by the college's Women's Studies Committee.

The May 2011 [International Enforcement Law Reporter](#) magazine also quotes Nagle.

Adjunct Law Professor and alumnus Art Rios took a break from class in the Eleazer Courtroom to do a live noontime news interview April 15 with [Bay News 9](#) anchor Al Reuchel about a pending immigration bill.

Law Professor Charles Rose is quoted in the [St. Petersburg Times](#) April 14 regarding a high-profile DUI manslaughter case.

Law Professor Robert Batey speaks with the [St. Petersburg Times](#) April 14 about a judge gagging a defendant.

Professor Batey is quoted in the April 13 [Orlando Sentinel](#) regarding giving juveniles a second chance.

The April 12 [Maddux News Report](#) and others ran news of Stetson Law offering a summer law program for visiting and local law students.

The student and alumna who were finalists to become interns for Charlie Sheen did not win the competition, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 14.

Stetson was included in the story, "Pet Friendly Universities in the United States," on the [Suite 101](#) website April 10.

In the Blogosphere:

Law Professor Monu Bedi has posted the [Criminal/Civil Divide: An Inter-Common Law Analysis](#) in the April 11 [Crim Prof Blog](#).

News of Law Professor Royal Gardner's new book, *Lawyers Swamps and Money*, has run in the [Environmental Law Prof Blog](#).

The April 10 [Elder Law Prof Blog](#) mentions two symposiums introduced by Law Professor Rebecca Morgan that tackle elder law issues.

Alumni in the News:

Law alumna Kathleen Passidomo is profiled in the April 15 [Marco Island](#) article, "Florida lawmakers from Lee, Collier counties learn on job."

Law alumnus Mark Connolly has joined Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick as a partner according to the April 13 [Maddux](#).

The April 11 [Targeted News Service](#) announces that Law alumnus Lee Speronis will lead a new School of Hospitality, Sport, and Tourism Management at Husson University's College of Business in Maine.

Stetson alumna Betty Bell, who founded the Betty Batson Bell Brain & Learning Lecture Series at Stetson and a renewable academic scholarship based on need and merit for students majoring in education or pre-law, has died, the [Palm Beach Post](#) reported April 10.

Alumna Karen Dee, Florida region president for Fifth Third Bank, is a finalist for the 2011 Business Executive of the Year award, the [Orlando Business Journal](#) reported April 15.

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April 2-8, 2011

Top Stories:

Law Professor Peter Lake spoke with [NPR](#) on April 6 for the story, "Feds Launch Inquiry Into Sexual Harassment at Yale."

Law Professor Peter Lake is quoted in the April 5 [Campus Progress](#) regarding sexual assaults on campus. The article references Professor Lake's interview with the [Chronicle of Higher Education](#) in March.

Law Professor Peter Lake wrote commentary on the chilling of academic freedom for the April 3 article, "Whose E-Mail Is It Anyway?" in the [Chronicle of Higher Education](#).

Law Professor Luz Nagle is quoted in the April 7 [Christian Science Monitor](#) article, "How Colombia's President Santos made peace with the judiciary."

The hiring of Robert Huth as Stetson's new VP for business and CFO was announced April 2 in the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#).

Financial Aid Director Robert Stewart commented on proposed changes to the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship for a [WESH Channel 2](#) news story that aired April 7.

A group of finance students' encounter with Warren Buffett in Omaha, Neb., was featured in the [Orlando Sentinel's](#) Bottom Line blog on April 8 and in the [Sarasota Herald-Tribune](#) on April 9.

Other Stories this week:

MBA student Megan Young, one of the group in Tokyo during the earthquake, gave an interview to [Central Florida News 13](#) on April 8 in response to the big aftershock.

Student William Blazejeski shares his disappointment after being turned down for another professional opportunity and begins to think through other post-graduation options in his latest post, April 6, in the [Wall Street Journal](#) Hire Education blog.

Stetson is launching the Stetson University Summer Pre-Law Institute and is now accepting applications, [Maddux NewsWire](#), [PR-CANADA.net](#) and [The Street](#) investment site reported April 6-8.

Law Professor Cynthia DeBose is quoted in the April 4 [Tampa Tribune](#) article, "Florida lawmakers consider easing alimony requirements."

Law Dean Darby Dickerson joined a symposium panel including a former CIA counter-terrorism chief and television security analyst to discuss campus security issues, according to the [The East Carolinian](#).

Professor Peter Lake's quote in the Chronicle of Higher Education has been picked up by the April 5 [Battletoro Reformer](#).

Professor Peter Lake's quote in the Chronicle of Higher Education regarding campus sexual violence was picked up by the April 5 [Newsy](#).

Mark Del Pezzo, CFA, who teaches finance at Stetson, has been named to the Portfolio Management Board of Camarda Financial Advisors, LLC, a Southeast regional fee-only investments manager, the [American Banking & Market News](#) site reported April 7.

Stetson receives city permission to tear down Stetson Hall, the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) reported April 5.

The Treasure Coast Community Singers Classical Choir will present the *Schubert Mass in A Flat* on April 17 in Stuart, and Stetson students Brittany Brown, Melissa Serluco, Adam Hunter and Bass-Ryne Cherry will perform solos, [TC Palm](#) reported April 4.

Thirteen business schools, including the Stetson School of Business Administration, received reaccreditation by AACSB, the [AScribe](#) newswire announced April 5.

Upcoming events including the Women in Islam panel discussion, lecture by former white supremacist TJ Leyden and lecture by Dr. Mark Hyman on wellness were previewed in the [Daytona Beach News-Journal](#) Higher Education column on April 4.

In the Blogosphere:

The April 4 [Legal Writing Prof Blog](#) announces that the law faculty at Stetson University has voted to give both Linda Anderson and Jeff Minneti programmatic tenure and to promote them to the rank of Professor of Legal Skills; they also voted to promote Jason Palmer to Associate Professor of Legal Skills.

Law Professor Monu Bedi is spotlighted on the April 5 [Crim Prof Blog](#) regarding the federal defenses of duress and necessity.

Alumni in the News:

Undergrad and law alumnus Robin Blanton has named to board chair of the Visiting Nurse Association of the Treasure Coast, [TCPalm](#) reported April 7.

Alumna Julie LaDouceur has had great success in graduate school at the University of Kentucky Opera Theatre. Now she's won the graduate division in the Alltech Vocal Scholarship Auditions, meaning that after she picks up her master's degree this spring, she'll start working on a doctorate at UK in the fall with a full scholarship, the [Lexington \(Ky.\) Herald-Leader](#) reported April 6.

Alumna Mary Salis was featured in the story, "Callahan music teacher Mary Salis helps students 'succeed in music'," in the [Florida Times-Union](#) in Jacksonville on April 7.

Law alumna Judith Wethall is speaking on employee benefits at a seminar April 11, according to the [BLR Online](#) catalog.

Law alumnus Robin Blanton has been named new Treasure Coast board chair according to the April 7 [TC Palm](#).

Law alumnus Luis Viera of Ogden, Sullivan & O'Connor in Tampa was elected president of the Lawyers for Autism Awareness Foundation, according to the News & Notes in the April 1 **Florida Bar News**.

Law alumna Anna Michelle Jernigan bought a new home in Winter Park, according to the April 7 [Orlando Block Shopper](#).