Stetson University in the News

March 27-April 1, 2015

Top stories in the news

▪ The Orlando Sentinel included Stetson University in the article listing the 10 best Pac-Man Google Maps boards in Central Florida, on March 31.
▪ Matt Forkas, a senior at Stetson University, finds hope in connecting cancer patients with classes, according to The Daytona Beach News-Journal on March 29.
▪ Ciara Torres-Spelliscy, professor of law, is quoted in the March 31 Slate article, How the Founder of the Fugees Became a Big-Time Political Donor Without Anyone Knowing. Torres-Spelliscy is also quoted in The Center for Public Integrity article, Rapper-backed group illustrates blind spot in political transparency.
▪ Peter Lake, professor of law, spoke with Yale Daily News for the March 26 article entitled, Withdrawal policies spark questions of access.
▪ Every third Saturday through April, the Museum of Art in DeLand with the help of Stetson University volunteers host free family fun, as reported in the Daytona Beach News Journal on March 27.
▪ 4-traders.com published the March 26 article, Wal Mart Stores: Studies Conducted at Stetson University on Law Reviews Recently Reported (Hidden Priors: Toward A Unifying Theory Of Systemic Disparate Treatment Law).
▪ Pub Memo mentioned March 26 that Stetson Law students were among other law school students who went to an event organized by Manasota Trial Lawyers Board featuring guest speaker defense attorney Mark O'Mara.

Alumni in the news

▪ Multiple news outlets including the San Francisco Gate reported that Ryan Carbery was named Managing Escrow Officer for North American Title Branch in Clermont, Florida on March 30.
▪ The Courier-Journal reported that Michelle Morley is overseeing the hearing regarding the confrontation between Judge John C. Murphy and Andrew Weinstock on March 30.
▪ Spanish.peopledaily.com reported Marielisa Quintero was appointed as a new superintendent by the President of Panama on March 30.
▪ On March 30, the Tampa Bay Business Journal reported that Stephanie Dominguez is a new hire at Gallagher & Associates Law Firm PA.
▪ On March 29, The Tampa Tribune mentioned Frank Quesada for his involvement in the Terri Schiavo case.
▪ On March 28, the Tallahassee Democrat published a story on Lila Jaber.
• **PRLog** reported that James Vickaryous was selected as one of the top attorneys in the nation by National Association of Distinguished Counsel on March 26.

**March 20-26, 2015**

**Top stories in the news**

• Tuesday night’s bomb threat, March 24, that necessitated the evacuation of Presser Hall, McMahan Hall, Elizabeth Hall and LBC, was covered by many news outlets that night, again on Wednesday morning, March 25, and then again on the same media outlets later Wednesday, reporting a connection between Stetson’s bomb threat and one in New Smyrna Beach. Reports continued through March 25, on: WESH-2; WFTV-9; WDBO-FM; WKMG-6; WOFL-35; Central Florida News-13; WPLG-10; WRBW; WBBH; [Daytona Beach News-Journal](https://www.daytonabeachnewsjournal.com); alemihaber.com

• Professor of Law Peter Lake spoke with the March 20 *Chronicle of Higher Education* for the article, “Advice for Colleges When Students Clash With Off-Campus Police.” Professor Lake is also quoted in the March 22 *Harvard Crimson* article, “Department of Education Considers Two College Rating Systems.”

• Professor of Law Professor Paul Boudreaux’s interview with 10News for the news story, “Residents once uprooted upset about Trop talk” also ran in [WUSA](https://www.wusa9.com).

• Dean Emeritus and Professor of Law Bruce Jacob spoke with [Jacksonville Times-Union](https://www.jacksonvilletimesunion.com) for the March 19 article, “Court throws out 70-year sentence of Jacksonville 14-year-old.” The *Town Talk* also ran the article.

• Stetson named a Best for Vets: Business School, reported in [TutorialFinder.com](https://www.tutorialfinder.com), KFXL; KAIT; The Advocate.

• Larry Belcher, Ph.D., former director of Roland George Investments Program, named University of Indiana dean, reported in [News and Tribune](https://www.newsandtribune.com).

• [National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers](https://www.nacdl.org) mentioned the esteemed defense attorney Hank Asbill receives White Collar Criminal Defense Award from NACDL, Stetson Law. The [National Law Journal](https://www.nationallawjournal.com) also ran this news in the Blog of Legal Times.

• [Wsoctv.com](https://wsoctv.com) announced Professor of Law Roberta Flowers’ workshop on challenging ethical dilemmas and how to handle them.

• [Bizwire Express](https://bizwireexpress.com) published a press release March 21 about Judge Nick Nazaretian taking over for the Ask the Dom radio show and lecturing at colleges including Stetson Law.

• [A La Turka](https://alturka.com) and the Gabber report that Stetson Law LL.M. student Gulayat Hajiyeva is hosting a children’s art exhibit on the Gulfport campus.

• The March 12 [Investorpoint.com](https://investorpoint.com) mentions that former Stetson Law professor Charles M. Elson is nominated for the Land and Buildings Board.
of Associated Estates.

- The March 10 [Stamford Advocate](#) published the news, Stetson Advances to International Competition.
- Stetson University, in Central Florida, received $21,982 for a junior seminar on diverse conceptions of what is natural, according to the [Washington Free Beacon](#) on March 24.
- 10th annual Cupid’s Cup Business Competition, as reported in [Individual.com](#), features six finalists, including ZOOS Greek Iced Teas, by Stetson alum.
- “HACK-A-THON: Students converge to turn their ideas into reality,” covered in [FSUNews.com/FSView Florida Flambeau](#), March 25, reports that Stetson students have been inspired to establish such an event to build any idea into reality.
- Environmental Fair promoted in Daytona Beach News-Journal.
- [Florida Wildflower Blog](#) recognized Stetson University for beautiful native landscaping.

### Alumni in the news

- [The Town Talk](#) reported that William Ray Holley was reappointed as Judge of Compensation Claims by Governor Rick Scott on March 19.
- On March 23, [WFLA Tallahassee’s Talk Radio](#) reported that Grace Santos will have her short film, Odessa, debut Saturday at the Gasparilla International Film Festival.
- [Chicos FAS](#) reported that A. Alexander Rhodes was promoted to executive vice president, on March 19.
- On March 18, [Miami Dade College](#) reported that ynthia Mikos will be a guest speaker for the Benjamin Leon School of Nursing lecture series.
- On March 13, the [Jewish Press of Pinellas County](#) posted a feature story about Viktoria Zalesov.
- On March 16, the [Bradenton Herald](#) mentioned David Becker in its Names and Faces story.
- [South Florida citybizlist](#) reports Scott Kirk was admitted to the American College of Trial Lawyers, on March 11.

### March 13-19, 2015

#### Top stories in the news

- Professor of Law Peter Lake is quoted in The Chicago Tribune and numerous outlets around the country including the March 17 [Wichita Eagle - Online](#) in the article “More students heading to college with mental illness..”
- Dr. T. Wayne Bailey was interviewed for “City race highlights murky role of political committees” in [The Tampa Tribune](#) March 15.
- Associate Professor Ciara Torres-Spelliscy op-ed “Court ruling drowned
politics in dark money: The Front Burner:” was posted on Orlando Sentinel – Online on March 12.

▪ Stetson Law School professor Paul Boudreaux was quoted in the March 12 article “Residents once uprooted upset about Trop talk” on WTSP-TV Online.

▪ Stetson’s sale of bonds through Barclay’s Capital Inc. was reported in Yahoo! Finance New Zealand, March 13.

▪ The Brunswick News, March 14, featured insights from Dr. Jason Evans, assistant professor of Environmental Science, in the article “Sea rise study ongoing.”

▪ In the March 17 The Daytona Beach News Journal, Stetson University’s campus was mentioned in describing the location of the Bank of America, which has just been purchased—“Investor Buys DeLand Bank Building.” Also reported in DeLand Beacon.

▪ Stetson Women’s Basketball Hosts WNIT, as reported in Daytona Beach News-Journal.

▪ The Stetson University Concert Choir spent their entire spring break traveling and performing eight free concerts in eight different venues, as reported in the Daily Sun in the Villages, March 6.

▪ Dr. Larry Belcher, former business professor of 20 years at Stetson, and director of Stetson’s Roland George Investments Program, was named new dean of the School of Business at University of Indianapolis, as reported in uindy.edu news.

▪ English Professor Joel Davis will lead a discussion about “Will (Shakespeare) in the World” at DeLand Regional Library auditorium March 20, as reported in Daytona Beach News-Journal, March 18.

▪ In a Q&A interview with R&B rising star singer, Fash Cash, in the March 18 Daytona Beach News-Journal, she said her “most memorable gig” was back in 2001, when she sang at the Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast held in DeLand at Stetson University.

▪ Dr. Robert Chauvin, former Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Stetson, passed away, March 11, as reported in the obituary in Daytona Beach News-Journal, March 17.

▪ The Champion Magazine Online and numerous legal publications reported on March 17 that the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL) and Stetson Law presented Hank Asbill with the 2015 White Collar Criminal Defense Award.

▪ Professor Catherine Cameron spoke with WMNF radio on March 13 for The Last Call news program that aired at noontime regarding banning the words “climate change” in state government.

▪ Reported in wn.com and noodles.com:
  ▪ Spring Blood Drive
  ▪ Science Café at the Gillespie
  ▪ Science Saturday at the Gillespie: Mindboggling
  ▪ Stetson Women’s Basketball Hosta WNIT
  ▪ FRIDAY@12 gathering, features Math/Computer Science Professor Hari Pulapaka
  ▪ Win $500 for your best published journalism
  ▪ HGTV 2009 Green Home: Sustainable design without compromise, topic for guest speaker at Lifelong Learning Program in Celebration

Alumni in the news:

▪ Lisa King ’84, is a candidate for City Council District 2, Jacksonville, FL, reported on News4JAX.
▪ Alumnus David S. Becker of the Bradenton law firm of Heintz & Becker, has been named to 2014 Florida Super Lawyers list. He received his Juris Doctorate from Stetson College of Law after completing his undergraduate studies at The Pennsylvania State University. Mr. Becker graduated fifth in his class at Stetson and participated on the Moot Court Board. Mr. Becker has been named to Florida’s list of Super Lawyers three times.
▪ Alumnus J. Scott Kirk has become a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, one of the premier legal associations in America.
▪ Solomon’s Javic Homes earned an invitation to become a member of the prestigious Southern Living custom builder program, as reported in the The Tampa Bay Times on March.18.
▪ Corey Kluber was featured in a New York Times article for his pitching with the Cleveland Indians.
▪ TargetedNewsService.com, March 12, reported “UNO to present Honorary Doctorate to Gordon “Nick” Mueller” Stetson alumnus.
▪ Orlando Sentinel mentioned a Stetson University alumni athlete and his athletic family in the article, Connections: Former Winter Park standout makes most of time at MIT, on March 2.
▪ An obituary feature on Stetson alumna and popular Volusia County teacher Jennifer Paquette Heneghan ran in the Orlando Sentinel on March 16, “Former teacher of the year was ‘outside of box.’”

March 6-12, 2015

Top stories in the news

▪ Valrie Chambers, Ph.D., associate professor of accounting, is quoted in an MSN.com article offering tips on getting your money back if your tax refund is stolen.
• Ciara Torres-Spelliscy, associate professor of law, had her article in the Brennan Center for Justice quoted in the March 10 SCOTUSblog Tuesday round-up.
• Michael Bitter, Ph.D., professor and chair of the M.E. Rinker, Sr. Institute of Tax and Accountancy, was quoted in the article, 7 Myths About Online Education, in U.S. News & World Report March 9.
• Stacey-Rae Simcox, associate professor of legal skills, spoke with WUSF NPR for the March 6 Health News Florida story, Winning Appeals for Veterans Denied Benefits.
• Orlando Sentinel, News13, and dozens of other media outlets reported on Stetson’s idea to create a pub on the Deland Campus.
• Stetson students participated in a two-day crisis negotiation exercise organized by the UCF Global Perspectives Office and the U.S. Army War College, according to UCF Today.
• Bruce Jacob, dean emeritus and professor of law, is quoted in the Tampa Bay Times article, Pier survey’s value to be determined.
• Stetson was mentioned briefly in a March 12 Daytona Beach News-Journal letter to the editor regarding teacher education.
• Peter Lake, professor of law, is quoted in the March 4 Detroit Free Press article, College life with mental illness takes extra planning. Lake is quoted in the March 6 Yale Daily News article, Federal law shapes withdrawal policies causes confusion. Lake is also quoted in March 5 The St. Augustine Record article, More students heading to college with mental illness: How to Prepare.”Professor Lake is quoted in the March 7 iSchoolGuide story, Bipartisan Bill to Regulate How Colleges, Universities Handle Sexual Assault Cases. Lake is also quoted in the March 10 Education News, Senators Introduce Campus Accountability and Safety Act.
• Roberta Flowers, professor of law, is quoted in the March 8 Miami New Times article, Florida’s Guardians Often Exploit the Vulnerable Residents They’re Supposed to Protect. Flowers is quoted in the March 4 Tampa Bay Times article, Romano: A small court case might be a big sign for medical marijuana.
• On March 10, KLKN TV ran news of Stetson Law advancing to the International Finals of the Jessup competition. The news ran in dozens of national outlets.
• The March 6 Akron Legal News reports that Lauren Eliopoulos, Stetson Law Student, was named co-champion in the national ABA arbitration competition.
• WLTZ First News posted news of the Foreman Biodiversity Lecture in the story, Former U.S. Assistant Attorney General Lectures at Stetson March 11.
• MS News Now reported March 6 that Richard Gershon, former associate academic dean of Stetson College of Law, has stepped down from his
position of Dean of UM Law school.

- **Tampa Bay Newspapers** reported March 4 that former adjunct professor Anthony Rondolino was elected to chief judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit.

**Alumni In The News**

- On March 8, **The Palm Beach Post** reported that Matthew N. Turko has joined the Haile Shaw & Pfaffenberger law firm.
- Law.com posted March 6 on a brief bio on Angela A. Zervos for being one of the best rated attorneys in the Tampa Bay area.

**Feb. 27-March 5, 2015**

**Top stories in the news**

- **Orlando Sentinel** discussed Stetson University in the article, Does SunRail Make Sense For DeLand, on Feb. 27.
- Peter Lake, professor of law, is quoted in the March 4 **Chicago Tribune** article, More students heading to college with mental illness: How to prepare. This article ran in multiple outlets including the **Detroit Free Press**. Lake is quoted in **The Harvard Crimson** Feb. 25 article, Allegations Against Smithsonian Researcher Bring Attention to Harvard, and he is quoted in **The Harvard Crimson** March 3 article, Federal Bill Would Regulate Colleges’ Handling of Sexual Assault.
- Peter Lake, professor of law, is quoted in the March 5 **Chronicle of Higher Education** article, Just How Private Are College Students’ Campus Counseling Records? Lake is also quoted in the March 3 **USA Today** article, Armour: Decoding Mike Krzyzewski’s silence not so simple. The article also ran in **MSN Sports**.
- Bobbi Flowers, professor of law, spoke with Channel 8 News for the March 2 news piece, Foster Questions. Flowers is quoted in the **Miami New Times** article, Florida’s Guardians Often Exploit the Vulnerable Residents They’re Supposed to Protect.
- **Champion Magazine** reported on the upcoming White Collar Criminal Defense College at Stetson Law in Gulfport on Feb. 24.
- **Camp Verde Bugle** reported Feb. 26 that Stetson College of Law student Ashley Petefish helped Stetson win an arbitration championship.
- **Nova Southeastern University** reported Feb. 27 that Amelia Michele Joiner, professor of law, will be one of several speakers at a two-day seminar about forensic science.
- The Feb. 25 **Alligator** mentions that Stetson Law will be joining 11 other law schools for the UF division for service day.
- The March 1 **Cebu Daily News** reported on Stetson’s International Environmental Moot Court Competition.
- Stetson University was included in the article, 30 of The Whackiest College Majors Out There, with the major Family Enterprise, according to **Debt.com**
According to Master of Finance Degrees, Stetson University is included in the top 30 Universities for accounting and finance degrees at number 20. Matheson History Museum names Peggy Macdonald, prior professor of history, new executive director, according to The Gainsville Sun on March 3.

Stetson University was mentioned in the article, 1920s-era DeLand home offers restored feature, on The Daytona Beach News Journal Feb. 28.

Michael Rickman, professor of piano and concert pianist, will play the Steinway piano at Westminster By-The-Sea Presbyterian Church for the Westminster Concert Series, according to the Daytona Beach News Journal on Feb. 27.

A Stetson University student and her research on Caribbean Spiny Lobster was included in the Keys Weekly article, Ship, Shipmate, Self: The sponsored abroad experience of an aspiring scientist, Mandy Camp, on Feb. 27.

The WMFE article, SunRail Expansion Delayed to Summer 2017, discussed a commuter option for Stetson University students on Feb. 26.

Alumni in the news

Carol Albernathy talks about overcoming inconveniences and challenges in college and at law school because she was a woman, in the article, StoryCorps Tampa Bay: Cause You’re a Girl, on WUSF News.

Florida Senate President Andy Gardiner’s push to pass legislation for children with unique abilities has proven to be one of his many positive changes within the House, according to the Tallahassee Democrat in the article, Gardiner focused on children with unique abilities, published Feb. 28.

On Feb. 26, The Ledger reported that Craig C. Villanti was elected chief judge of the 2DCA.

Tampa Bay Business Journal reported Christopher R. Koehler will be the new resident attorney of the newly merged firm of Fowler Rodriguez, on Feb. 26.

On Feb. 26, the Tampa Bay Times mentioned Amy Leigh Carstensen for her artwork in the Gasparilla Festival of the Arts.