May 30-June 5, 2014

Top Stories

- An editorial in the June 4 Daytona Beach News-Journal demanded more explanation from Gov. Rick Scott about his vetoes, including Sage Hall at Stetson University.
- Charles Rose, professor of law, spoke with WFTS in Tampa for a story about President Obama releasing five Taliban prisoners from Guantanamo in exchange for Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl for the June 3 evening news. Rose also did a live radio interview on June 4 with KPAM Portland about potential charges Sgt. Bergdahl could face for desertion.
- Lawdragon magazine profiled Christopher Pietruszkiewicz, dean and professor of law, on June 1.
- Marketplace Education quoted Peter Lake, professor of law, in the May 29 article, "How campus safety could affect college choices."
- Orlando Sentinel quoted Michael Allen, associate dean of the College of Law, in the May 28 article, "After VA refuses state inspections, Scott says he'll sue."
- Charles Rose, professor of law, spoke with Bay News 9 about the Supreme Court's ruling regarding intellectually disabled defendants for a story that aired June 3.

Other Stories in the News

- Julia Schmitt, Ph.D., associate professor of theatre arts, and Joel Davis, associate professor of English were quoted in the article, "Shakespeare: the author or not?" in The Daytona Beach News-Journal June 1.
- CBCnews quoted Christopher Ferguson, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of psychology, about the media naming rampage killers on June 1. Additional Coverage: Dunia Kita, Top Storinfo.
- Evolution included Christopher Ferguson, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of the department of psychology in the article, New Science Explores Female Competition, on May 31.
- Barry Altman, Rabbi and adjunct professor of religious studies, visited Congregation B'nai Israel, according to Jacksonsun.com on May 30.
- An article written by Christopher Ferguson, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of the department of psychology, which appeared in Time magazine, was mentioned in a blog on BooksLive May 29.
- Stetson University's Online Accounting Program was mentioned in the article, Actionable Accounting How to Distinguish Yourself as an Accountant, on MNN June 2.
- Wendy B. Libby, Ph.D., president of Stetson University, spoke to The Delta Mu Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity at the celebration of their 100th anniversary, according to Serve In The Light Of Truth.
- The New York Times quotes Pete Dunn, baseball coach, an article about Jacob deGrom being a shortstop replacement for the Mets on May 30.
HISD Multilingual Program quotes Karen Ryan, Dean of the college of arts and sciences; professor of Russian language and literature, in the article, Writing in English, Novelists Find Inventive New Voices published April 25.

KAIT reports on May 30 that "Stetson Students Respond to President's Clemency Initiative." The article also appeared in multiple other media outlets.

Stamford Advocate published the May 30 article "Book Launch Benefits Frederick B. Karl Scholarship for Veterans at Stetson University." The article also appeared in multiple other media outlets.

Elder Law Prof Blog ran a post by Law Professor Rebecca Morgan called Driverless Cars: Just Passengers Needed on June 2.

The Wisconsin Law Journal reports on May 28 that the National Clearinghouse for Science, Technology and the Law at Stetson University College of Law maintains a beneficial forensic database.

Alumni in the News

- Brazil Times reported that May 2014 Law graduate Kayla Cash received the Michael P. Allen Award for Excellence and Professionalism and other accolades at commencement.
- Bert Reeves won the Republican primary for State House District 34, Georgia legislature, according to the May 21 Marietta Daily Journal.
- Michael Marder has been selected as a Finalist for the Daily Business Review's 2014 Top Dealmakers of the Year award in the Real Estate Finance category.
- Amy Drushal of Trenam Kemker has been elected to the ABA's Law Practice Division, according to the June 1 Florida Bar News.
- Luis Viera of Ogden Sullivan was re-appointed by the Tampa City Council for another three-year term as a member of the City of Tampa Civil Service Board, according to the June 1 Florida Bar News.
- L.T. Lafferty of Holland & Knight presented the topic "Hospice Enforcement and Compliance" at the Health Care Compliance Association Annual Institute, according to the June 1 Florida Bar News.
- Tara Carroll of Trenam Kemker in Tampa has been named a finalist for the St. Petersburg Chamber's 15th Annual Iconic Women of St. Petersburg, according to the June 1 Florida Bar News.
- Kamilah L. Perry joined The Perry Law Group as a partner, opening the law firm's Tampa branch. Perry will focus on labor and employment law, as well as civil litigation, bankruptcy, and real estate, according to the June 1 Florida Bar News.
- Colby Hearn has joined Johnson, Pope, Bokor, Ruppel & Burns in its Tampa and St. Petersburg offices. Hearn focuses on business and commercial litigation, bankruptcy litigation, and debtor/creditor rights, according to the June 1 Florida Bar News.
- Todd R. Dobry has joined Ward Damon in West Palm Beach as an associate. Dobry focuses on zoning, land use, comprehensive planning, and permitting issues. Dobry also acts as an advisor for new businesses, as well as modifying current corporate structures, according to the June 1 Florida Bar News.

June 6-19, 2014

Top Stories
Charles Rose, professor of law, was interviewed twice on KPAM radio on June 4 and 5 about the case of Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl, recently released from captivity by the Taliban. Rachel VanLandingham, visiting professor of law, was the guest on an hour-long NPR show on WHYY on June 6 in Philadelphia discussing the Sgt. Bergdahl case.

John Jett, visiting research professor in the Biology Department, was interviewed by Associated Press on orcas and their lives in captivity. Jett is a former SeaWorld trainer who appeared in the movie "Blackfish" to educate others on the poor conditions for these captive whales. Additional coverage: Park Record, MYnorthwest, NEWSOK, TwinCities, and MSNtravel.

Charles Rose, professor of law, spoke with Associated Press, June 5, about statements made to a jury by a member of the military that could influence other cases. The story ran in the Courier-Journal and other outlets across the country.

Peter Lake, professor of law, spoke with the Chronicle of Higher Education for the June 6 story, "Why Colleges Are on the Hook for Sexual Assault."

Other Stories in the News

Judith Scully, professor of law, spoke with the Florida Times-Union for the June 16 story, Number of black judges in Jacksonville area low, concerning many.

Charles Rose, professor of law, spoke with the Houston Chronicle for the June 17 story, Drug trafficker goes from billboards to invisible.

Michael Allen, associate dean of the College of Law, is quoted in the Sun Sentinel June 10 regarding veterans affairs.

Stetson University's pet-friendly campus has sparked a desire for more pet-friendly universities, according to The Herald Tribune on June 13. Additional Coverage: NewsChief and TheLedger.

Daytona Beach News-Journal references the 15-week process of internships for education majors in a June 8 article.

Press Box discussed Stetson University in its article, "Holiday near the beach," June 7.

According to Newschief on June 8, Stetson University is loser of the week because of the loss of funding for Sage Hall. Additional Coverage: TheLedger.


Gainesville Sun mentions Peggy MacDonald, adjunct professor of history, in a June 8 article, saying she led a discussion and held a book signing for her book, "Marjorie Harris Carr: Florida's Defender of the Environment."

According to Volusia County Moms on June 5, Patrick C. Coggins, Ph.D., professor of multicultural education, will have a presentation at The Caribbean American Heritage Festival in Deltona.
Daytona Beach News-Journal referenced Stetson University’s garden, Hatter Harvest, in an article about community gardens on June 9.


Susan M. Ryan, dean of DuPont-Ball Library and Digital Learning Resources, will be speaking at the LITA Lightning Presentations on June 28.

The Observer News reported on Gibsonton Middle School's need for funding for their fieldtrip to colleges such as Stetson University on June 16.

KEYCTV announces Kathryn Hamilton launch initiative for juvenile defendants called Justice Grows.

The June 5 Targeted News Service reported that a course at Stetson University explores sea turtle conservation.

Paul Boudreaux, professor of law, is quoted in a June 4 Tampa Bay Times story regarding submerged land in St. Petersburg bought by mysterious trust.

Michael Allen, associate dean and professor of law, is quoted in the Orlando Sentinel and June 10 Sun Sentinel article, "Drop suit, join realistic efforts to reform V.A."

Louis Virelli, professor of law, spoke with WMNF radio for the June 12 Radioactivity program, "Florida Legislature passes resolution for new U.S. Constitutional Convention."

Rebecca Morgan, professor of law and alumna, wrote several blog posts for Elder Law Prof Blogs regarding a variety of topics.

Charles Elson, former Stetson University professor of law, is quoted in the Tampa Bay Times regarding corporate cultures at GM and Bank of America.

Bay News 9 reports that representatives from C-W Bill Young V.A. Medical Center, the Veterans Benefits Administration and Stetson University College of Law were on hand to talk with vets at an event at Congressman David Jolly's office on June 17.

TBNWeekly reported on June 16 that Stetson University College of Law staff member Julie Safan and alumna Jaye Ann Terry are presenting the play they co-wrote with Amanda Dodge at the Studio@620 in St. Petersburg on June 26.

Chris Ferguson, associate professor and chair of psychology, is quoted in a June 18 article on Live Science regarding whether superheroes model damaging gender roles to kids.

Daytona Beach News-Journal quoted Zaygamali Hemani, spokesman for Stetson University's Muslim Student Association, in a June 18 article
about Muslims in Volusia County who watch the violence in Iraq, but hope for unity.

Alumni in the News

- Joshua Colwell, Ph.D., a UCF physics professor and assistant director of the Florida Space Institute, will lead an experiment destined for space. COSNEWS says the experiment will look at how a projectile launched into simulated moon dust or asteroid material will behave in weightlessness. Knowledge of this behavior will help scientists understand future operations on asteroids or low-gravity moons for study and resource collection.
- Corley Groves was mentioned in the Daytona Beach News as a prospective teacher for the Volusia County where she hopes to bring her interest in theater into her a classroom. Groves' senior research project used dramatic arts to help engage students academically.
- Vincent D'Agostino, College of Law alumnus, was featured in a June 10 Tampa Bay Times story about his internship at the White House.
- Suzanne Boy, College of Law alumna, was elected to the Canterbury School Board of Trustees according to the June 6 Naples Daily News.
- Paunece Scull, assistant state attorney and College of Law alumna, is running for circuit judge according to the June 10 Florida Keys News.
- A June 12 Florida Keys News article reports that former Key West City Commissioner Bill Chappell was awarded a law degree from Stetson University College of Law.
- Florida Super Lawyers magazine reports that 181 College of Law alumni have been selected as Rising Stars and 298 have been selected as Super Lawyers in the June Florida Super Lawyers magazine.
- Michael Marcone owns MarcOne Appraisal and Development, LLC, and is a certified appraiser, according to allvoices.com on June 13.