Stetson University in the News 2016

August 26-September 1

Top stories

- K.C. Ma, Ph.D., professor of finance and Roland George chair of applied investments, was quoted in the article “7 Pharma Stocks and the Prognosis for Profits” posted by U.S. News & Reporting, Yahoo! Finance and several other outlets, Aug. 31. Ma also was quoted in the article “Biotech Leads the Way in Health Care Stocks to Boost 401(k) Returns” posted by The Street, Canton Rep, Trenton News-Herald and several other outlets, Aug. 31.
- Law Associate Dean Michael Allen is quoted in the Tampa Bay Times article, “Leaders Seek Zika Help.”
- Stetson has designed a new safety app to keep users safe on campus detailed in the article “New Stetson Safety App Ready For Iphone And Android Users” posted by Public Now, Aug. 29.

More news

- Stetson’s Hand Art Center will host a new exhibit, detailed in the article “Aquiferious” posted by Public Now, Aug. 30.
- Stetson’s Hand Art Center was featured in Orlando Sentinel’s “Freebie Friday,” posted Aug. 26.
- The Aug. 25 24/7 News Release reports that College of Law alumni are among the Best Lawyers in America "Lawyer of the Year" list.
- Andy Dehnart, M.F.A., visiting assistant professor of journalism, posted a new article, "Jessie Graff makes American Ninja Warrior history again," on his website Reality Blurred, Aug. 29.
- According to the Aug. 28 Sarasota Herald-Tribune, after a year at Louisville Law School, student Michelle Grantham has resumed her studies at Stetson Law.

Alumni news

- According to the Legal Section of the Aug. 28 Tampa Bay Times, Christopher Delp has joined the firm of Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, Tampa.
- According to the Aug. 29 Tallahassee Democrat, Maj. Stephen Hurm, who has a long resume as a law enforcement officer and attorney, has been named general counsel of the Leon County Sheriff’s Office.
- The Aug. 27 Plus Company Updates profiles double Hatter William J. Voges of First Financial Bankshares, who joined the board in 2008 and serves on the corporation’s Compensation and Employee Benefits, Governance and Nominating Committees as well as the Bank’s Loan Committee.
- The Aug. 29 Sarasota Herald-Tribune reports that Nicole Davis has joined the Ruth Law Firm.
- According to the Aug. 27 24/7 Press Releases, Cynthia Riddell of Riddell Law Group in Sarasota, Fla., was a speaker at the 36th Annual Legislative and Case Law Update Seminar presented by the Florida Bar Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section (RPPTL), the Florida Bar Real Property, Probate and Trust Law PAC and the RPPTL-PAC.
- The Aug. 27 Florida Times-Union Jacksonville “Area Golf Notebook” reports that Troy Smith has received his “blue coat” after being named to the Players Championship volunteer leadership team as a vice-chairman.
- According to PRBuzz, Mark Boyle is speaking at the 2016 CLM National Construction Claims Conference Sept. 28-30 in San Diego, California.
- Jason Gunther will be speaking at the 2016 CLM National Construction Claims Conference in San Diego, California, Sept. 28-30, according to PRBuzz.

August 19-25

Top stories
• Ciara Torres-Spelliscy, professor of law, is quoted in the Aug. 23 Teen Vogue article via the New York Times, "Donald Trump and His Family Are Profiting From His Campaign." Torres-Spelliscy spoke with the Orlando Sentinel for the Aug. 18 story, "Early voting days, times vary in Central Florida."

• K.C. Ma, Ph.D., professor of finance and Roland George chair of applied investments, was quoted in the article "Why Leveraged ETFs Are Horrible Investments" posted by U.S. News & World Report, Yahoo! Finance and several other outlets, Aug. 18. Ma also was quoted in the article "Futures Trading Remains in Tight Ranges as Market Reaches Highs" posted by The Street, Aug. 19; and in Ambarella Inc (AMBA) Stock Is on Fire: Should You Buy It?" posted by U.S. News & World Report and several other outlets, Aug. 24.

• Patrick Hennessey, Ph.D., director of Stetson's jazz ensemble, was featured in the article "Best Happenings: Aug. 24-30" posted by Florida Today, Aug. 22. Hennessey also was featured in the article "Big Band Bash comes to Vero Beach" posted by TC Palm, Aug. 22, and "Space Coast Symphony Presents Big Band Bash Aug 27 & 28" posted by WFIT, Aug. 23.

• Chris Ferguson, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of psychology, was quoted in the article "Video Games Linked to Aggression, Psychologists' Group Says" posted by Medicine Net on Aug. 18.

More news

• Stetson's Hand Art Center was featured in Orlando Sentinel's "Freebie Friday," posted August 19.

• News of Law Associate Dean Darryl Wilson's promotion has run in the Aug. 19 Journal of Blacks in Higher Education.

• Andy Dehnart, M.F.A., visiting assistant professor of journalism, posted a new article, "Four stories that break down the reality of reality TV," on his website Reality Blurred, Aug. 19. Dehnart also posted, "35 new and renewed reality TV shows," on Reality Blurred, Aug. 22.

• News of Stetson University College of Law may be seeking to fill a faculty position for Director of Clinical and Experiential Education beginning in Fall 2017 ran in the Aug. 18 Clinical Law Prof Blog.

• The 24/7 Press Releases ran the story of Law alumni among the Best Lawyers in America list on Aug. 25, with placements in multiple media outlets.

• The 24/7 Press Releases ran a story in multiple news outlets via the newswire Aug. 18 on top advocate, Natalie Yello, being named first Ms. JD Fellow from Stetson University.

Alumni news

• Elizabeth LaBerge has been promoted to Senior Regulatory Compliance Counsel at the National Association of Federal Credit Unions according to the Aug. 18 Press Release Point.

• Don Holowiecki, M.B.A., was recently appointed director of finance by the Westin Nashville according to "Westin Nashville Announces New Hires" posted by Meetings Mags, Aug. 24.

• Mark Bircher '08 was mentioned in the Aug. 18 Tampa Bay Times story on Republican candidates running for U.S. House District 13.

• Nicole Davis joined the Ruth Law team to work on unsafe products cases, according to the Aug. 22 Herald-Tribune’s Business People section.

• Chris Delp is named in the Aug. 21 Bradenton Herald’s "Names and faces in Manatee and Sarasota" as a new member of Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP.

• Rena Frazier was included in the Aug. 17 Tampa Bay Times story on Democrat candidates for State House district 59.

• Miriam Valkenburg was mentioned in the Aug. 17 Tampa Bay Times story on Hillsborough County Judge Group 10 candidates.

• William Strode died Aug. 10 of Parkinson’s, according to an Aug. 22 Herald-Tribune story of his career and how as an attorney he once battled F. Lee Bailey.

August 12-18

Top stories

• Eugene Huskey, Ph.D., professor of political science, was quoted in the article "Russian Regulators Scoop Apple Into Price-Fixing Probe" posted by ECommerce Times, Aug. 12.

• Christopher Tobler, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of finance, was quoted in the article "7 things to know today and exactly how free are you if you live in Florida?" in which he discussed Stetson's new concentration in
the School of Business Administration, the first kind offered in Florida, posted by Orlando Business Journal, Aug. 17.

- Law Professor Ciara Torres-Spelliscy wrote the opinion article, "Column: Florida is running out of time to give all voters equal early voting," for the Aug. 15 Tampa Bay Times. Torres-Spelliscy's interview with Moyers & co. was picked up by the Aug. 14 Salon magazine. Torres-Spelliscy is quoted in the Aug. 12 Orlando Sentinel article, "Central Florida firms donate record amounts, favor GOP;" the Aug. 10 Creative Loafing article, "PAC it out: St. Pete's effort to curb outside spending in local races;" and the Aug 15 WUWF article, "Advocates Want the Supreme Court To End The Write-In Dodge."

- K. C. Ma, Ph.D., professor of finance and Roland George chair of applied investments, was quoted in the article "7 Hot (or Not) Stocks in 2016" posted by U.S. News & World Report, MSN, Yahoo! Finance and several of their satellite sources, Aug. 12. Ma also was quoted in the article "As Tech Stocks Reach Highs, Investors Face Potential of Reallocating Portfolios" posted by The Street, Aug. 17; and in the article "How PriceLine is trouncing the pessimists" posted by Eye for Travel, Aug. 11.

- Law Professor Peter Lake wrote article, "Compliance Crusader," for Inside Higher Ed Aug. 11, about challenges faced when handling sexual assault and discrimination on campuses as Title IX coordinator. Lake was quoted in Aug. 10 Myinforms article "Sexual Assault Victims Urge Colleges to Apologize for Mishandling Cases;" Aug. 15 Daily Progress article, "Disputed dividends: Balancing endowments and expectations;" and Aug. 14 Richmond-Times Dispatch article, "Schools being pressured on endowments."

- Chris Ferguson, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of psychology, was quoted in the article "Violent video games do not encourage anti-social behaviour" posted by Zimbabwe Star, Dublin News, Gizbot and several other outlets worldwide on Aug. 11.

- Jason M. Evans, Ph.D., assistant professor of environmental science and studies, was featured in the article "Stetson University Researcher Helps Florida Cities Adapt to Sea-Level Rise" posted by Capitol Soup, Aug. 11.

More news

- Law Professor Stacey-Rae Simcox is quoted in the Aug. 10 WFLA-8 Investigates report of a Pinellas County veteran appealing denial of VA benefits.

- Law Professor Royal Gardner is quoted in the Aug. 14 Daytona Beach News-Journal article, "Stetson University researcher helps Florida cities adapt to sea-level rise." The news that Stetson's biodiversity institute won an ABA environmental achievement award ran in dozens of national media outlets via the newswire 24-7 pressrelease.

- Kathy Piechura-Couture, Ph.D., professor of education and research fellow at the Nina B. Hollis Institute of Educational Reform, was quoted in the article "At Visible Men Academy, it's about solving more than just academic issues" posted by Bradenton Herald, Aug. 13.

- Andy Dehnart, M.F.A., visiting assistant professor of journalism, posted a new article, "How to stay informed and not be the only person who missed out," on his website Reality Blurred, Aug. 12.

- Stetson’s concerts held in Lee Chapel were featured in the article "Classical & Choral" posted by Orlando Sentinel, Aug. 12.

- Hari Pulapaka, Ph.D., associate professor of mathematics and computer science and owner of DeLand’s Cress restaurant, was featured in the article “3-Course interview: chef Hari Pulapaka” posted by Gambit, Aug. 15.

- Susan Ryan, M.L.S., dean of the duPont-Ball Library and learning technologies, and W. Tandy Grubbs, Ph.D., professor and chair of chemistry, were featured in the article “The New Library: From Information Repositories to Learning Centers” posted by IGI Global, Aug. 16.

- News of student Natalie Yello being named a J.D. Fellow has run in multiple national media outlets via the Aug. 18 24/7 pressrelease.

- The story of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys releasing a video series for people with Multiple Sclerosis, produced via a partnership between NAELA and Stetson University College of Law, ran in the Aug. 15 SFGate and quoted Law Professor Rebecca Morgan, co-director of Stetson’s Center for Excellence in Elder Law.

Alumni news

- Erin Wright was featured in the article “Local Business Owner Erin Wright Running for the Boca Beach and Park District” in The Boca Raton Tribune, Aug. 11.

- David Song was featured in the article "At the Savannah Philharmonic: Violinist shares the music in many ways“ on Savannah Now, Aug. 15.

- Susan Webb-Curtis was featured in the article "Webb-Curtis to present program on 'Your Personal Brand,'“ on Cleveland Daily Banner, Aug. 17.

- The Aug. 16 Bradenton Herald profiled pioneering judge and Law alumna Roberta Knowles in the article, “Judicial Pioneers Evelyn Gobie and Roberta Knowles broke legal glass ceiling.”
• Law alumnus Chris Delp was recently hired as solar and real estate attorney for Shumaker, Loop, and Kendrick, according to the Aug. 15 Tampa Bay Newswire.
• According to the Aug. 17 Tampa Bay Times, Law alumnna Rena Frazier is running for House District 59.
• The Aug. 17 Tampa Bay Times reports that Law alumnna Miriam Valkenburg is running for county judge.

August 5-11

Top stories

• Law Professor Peter Lake is quoted in the Aug. 5 Tampa Bay Times article, "Attorney cites bias in Antonio Callaway's sexual assault hearing." Lake spoke with Inside Higher Ed for the Aug. 10 article, "Asking for an Apology." Lake wrote the Inside Higher Ed article, "The challenges and rewards of being a Title IX coordinator."
• K. C. Ma, Ph.D., professor of finance and Roland George chair of applied investments, was quoted in the article "Disney Rebounds, But DIS Stock Falters," in U.S. News & World Report, Aug. 9. Ma also was quoted in the article "5 Big Stocks Reporting Earnings This Week: DIS, SHAK, BABA, NVDA, JCP," posted by U.S. News & World Report, Aug. 8. In addition, Ma was quoted in the article "Why Millennials Should Consider a Solo 401(k)," on U.S. News & World Report, Aug. 10.
• Chris Ferguson, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of psychology, was quoted in the article "Can Street Fighter and Hot Sauce Help Us Better Understand Aggression?" posted by Nintendo Enthusiast, Destructoid and several other outlets on Aug. 10.
• Law Professor Ciara Torres-Spelliscy conducted an interview about her new book, Corporate Citizen? for an Aug. 10 feature in New Books Network. Torres-Spelliscy wrote the article, "Could Florida, Of All Places, Be a Leader in Campaign Finance Reform?" for the Brennan Center for Justice. Professor Torres-Spelliscy is quoted in the Aug. 10 Creative Loafing article, "PAC it out: St. Pete's effort to curb outside spending in local races."

More news

• Stephen Robinson, D.M., professor of music, was featured in the article "Guitar Recitals: Bill Kanengiser, Martha Masters, and Stephen Robinson Talk About the Art of Practice and Preparation," posted by Classical Guitar, Aug. 5.
• Stetson University’s Glee Club was mentioned in the article "The Buzz 8/11/16," posted by Inweekly, Aug. 11.
• News of Stetson’s biodiversity institute receiving the ABA Environmental Achievement Award ran Aug. 8 in media outlets across the U.S. via the newswire.
• News of Law Professor Ciara Torres-Spelliscy’s new book ran in the 24/7 newswire in media outlets around the U.S.
• The Aug. 8 Seattle Post Intelligencer features Matthew Brosman, a student who attended Stetson’s winter Cayman Islands program.
• The Aug. 9 Florida Times-Union features former Law student Josh Weinberger, who co-founded a division of a company that produces 3-D printed evidence.

Alumni news

• Chelsea Oxendine, who studied classical vocalist performance at Stetson, was featured in the article "The Savants Of Soul Plays At The 'Free Fridays' Concert Series Aug. 12," posted by Public Now, Aug. 8.
• The Aug. 7 Tampa Bay Times, Aug. 4 Tampa Bay Newspapers and MyInforms features Law alumnus, university trustee and longtime overseer Josh Magidson, recipient of this year’s Barney award, in its Movers & Shakers section.
• Law alumnus Aaron Swift is profiled in a Tampa Bay Times article about his work with the Alpha House shelter through Leadership St. Pete.
• According to the Aug. 5 Tampa Bay Newswire, the Trenam Kemper law firm has added two Law alumni to the firm, Patrick Causey and Bradley Muhs.
• The Aug. 5 Tampa Bay Times features Law alumnus Michael Wilson in the article, "Three in race for judicial position."
• According to the Aug. 3 SaintPetersBlog, Law alumnna Tamela I. Perdue is leaving the Associated Industries of Florida (AIF) for Sunshine Health, one of the "largest health care plans in Florida."
July 29-August 4

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- Law Professor Peter Lake is quoted in the July 31 Chronicle of Higher Education article, “What the Future Holds for the Federal Crackdown on Campus Sexual Assault.”
- News of Law Professor Ciara Torres-Spelliscy’s new book, Corporate Citizen?, has run in more than 40 media outlets via the Aug. 3, 24/7 newswire.
- K. C. Ma, Ph.D., professor of finance and Roland George chair of applied investments, was quoted in the article “Olympic Stocks: 5 Companies Betting Big on Rio,” in U.S. News & World Report, Yahoo! Finance and other media outlets on Aug. 3. Ma also was quoted in the article “Tesla Earnings Disappoint, but Future Looks Bright (TSLA),” in U.S. News & World Report, Yahoo! Finance and other media outlets, Aug. 3. In addition, Ma was featured in "5 Stocks Wall Street Is Watching This Week: PFE TSLA SQ FIT BRK.B" posted by U.S. News & World Report, Aug. 1.
- Chris Ferguson, Ph.D., associate professor and chair of psychology, was quoted in the article “Sex on TV: Less impact on teens than you might think” posted by News Times, Stamford Advocate and several other outlets on Aug. 1.
- Kathy Jo Piechura-Couture, Ph.D., professor of education and research faculty of the Nina B. Hollis Institute of Educational Reform, was quoted in the article “Troubled Teachers,” posted by Fort Myers Florida Weekly, Aug. 3.

More news

- Stetson was credited with helping to make DeLand an "artist's haven" in the article “How Art Critics Create Community,” on News Geography, Aug. 2.
- Stetson student Johnny Pingshaw was quoted about his military training in the article “MCLX challenges cadets in tactical environment” on The Gold Standard, July 28.

Alumni news

- In a July 31 South Florida Sun-Sentinel feature about the Broward Education Foundation Wilnar Julmiste describes how a scholarship helped her 16 years ago.
- Tim Callahan has been named a principal at Avison Young in Tampa where he will lead the firm's capital markets expansion. The article "Promotions and appointments at Tech Data, Marxent among Tampa Bay movers and shakers" was reported by Tampa Bay Times, July 30.
- College of Law Hall of Fame inductee Matt Towery is mentioned on the July 31 WAGATV The Georgia Gang program.
- Jason Maughan was interviewed for his own profile, “Jason Maughan: Florida State Senate, Dist. 27 candidate” posted on News-Press, July 29, and quoted in the article “Water crisis, son drive Maughan of Sanibel,” also posted by News-Press, July 31.
- Cary Rada is featured in an Aug. 2 Daily Commercial article about the life experiences that prepared him to be a judge.
- Susan Webb-Curtis was featured in the article "Third-Quarter Women's Council Presentation To Discuss 'Your Online Brand,” posted by The Chattanoogan, Aug. 1.
- Tamela I. Perdue is leaving the Associated Industries of Florida for Sunshine Health, one of the "largest health care plans in Florida," according to the Aug. 4 SaintPetersBlog and State Capital News Feed.