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UNIVERSITY BEAT THIRD QUARTER 2013

University Beat reports run every Friday on WSMR 89.1 FM every Friday at about 7:30 pm. Each report is between two and a half minutes and three and a half minutes in length.

University Beat: Laughter is the Remedy (week of July 1, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

A preview of “Laughter is the Remedy,” a comedy event at Moffitt Cancer Center that combines humor and information. (Medicine, Arts)

University Beat: Occupational Health & Safety Institute (week of July 8, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

A look at a weeklong USF College of Public Health summer program that encouraged students from around the country to ask themselves if the occupational health and safety field is the path for them. (Business, Economy, Education, Environment, Science)

University Beat: River Blindness (week of July 15, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

USF professor Thomas Unnasch is helping in the fight against the disease of onchocerciasis, or “river blindness,” and his work has taken him to some of the most remote parts of Africa and Central and South America. (Medicine, Refugee)

University Beat: Bridge to Success (week of July 22, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

USF St. Petersburg is offering students at a struggling local elementary school a ‘bridge to success’ with a science summer school that helps them learn about the world around them while also providing hope for a bright educational future. (Education, Children, Environment, Minorities, Science)

University Beat: Indino (week of July 29, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

Barely a year out of USF, Luis Batista took a huge chance by quitting his job at a Tampa financial firm to follow a dream, and he's getting close to the realization of his goal, with the launch of "Indino," a new smartphone app that helps students set up and organize a calendar of events from a variety of sources. (Business, Economy, Education, Arts)

University Beat: Caregiver Heart Health (week of August 5, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

Some who serve as caregivers for loved ones with debilitating memory diseases like Alzheimer's find their own health affected by years of round-the-clock worry and vigilance. USF's College of Nursing is conducting a two-part clinical study: one component looks at the effectiveness of an in-home monitoring system that tracks the 'patient,' the other part tries to help caregivers improve their sleeping habits and health of their heart. (Medicine, Science, Age)

University Beat: Life Origins-Meteorite RE-BROADCAST (week of August 12, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

An interview with Matthew Pasek, a USF geology professor whose research on sites around the world has detected evidence that a key element in the origins of life on Earth was carried here on meteorites. (Education, Environment, Science) (ORIGINALLY RAN week of June 10, 2013)

University Beat: Ataxia Research (week of August 19, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

A look at a USF-led national clinical trial of a drug that will hopefully help control symptoms of Friedreich's ataxia, as well as upcoming Friedreich-related's events in Tampa. We also talk to a young woman participating in the trial who refuses to let the disease take control of her life. (Education, Handicapped, Medicine, Science)

University Beat: Chemo Brain Study (week of August 26, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

Moffitt Cancer Center is looking for HEALTHY volunteers for a study on "chemo brain"—subtle but long-term changes in a cancer patient's thinking and memory that may be a result of their treatment. (Medicine, Science)

University Beat: USF Sarasota-Manatee Freshmen (week of September 2, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

USF Sarasota-Manatee welcomes its first class of freshmen. (Education, Business, Science)

University Beat: USF St. Petersburg Regional Chancellor (week of September 9, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

An interview with new USF St. Petersburg Regional Chancellor, Dr. Sophia Wisniewska. (Education, Business)

University Beat: Business Scholarships (week of September 16, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

The recent Scholarship Luncheon for USF's College of Business honored 190 students who received almost \$400,000 in scholarships. We talk to some of the award-winning students, as well as one of the generous benefactors supporting the next generation of Bay area business leaders. (Education, Business, Economy)

University Beat: Brilliant 10 Scientist (week of September 23, 2013)

By Mark Schreiner

A profile of USF College of Marine Science researcher Mya Breitbart, who was named to *Popular Science* magazine's "Brilliant 10" list of the country's brightest young scientific minds and how she hopes her work detecting viruses will inspire young people, particularly girls, who are interested in science. (Education, Environment, Medicine, Science)

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Florida Matters Quarterly report July 1-Sept. 30, 2013

Time aired: Friday at 7 – 7:30 p.m. on WSMR 89.1 FM

[Florida Matters: Seeing Tampa Bay Like a Tourist \(September 24, 2013\)](#)

You may call the Tampa Bay area home, but have you really seen it through the eyes of a tourist? What is your favorite part of living in the Tampa Bay area? Is it seeing the glint of a dolphin's tail as it surfaces just offshore? (Arts, Tourism, Culture)

[Florida Matters: Living on the Autism Spectrum \(September 17, 2013\)](#)

How do young adults diagnosed with a form of autism describe themselves? This week on Florida Matters, we meet Andrew Casey, 23, who interviewed his peers about their diagnosis and how they define themselves. (Medicine, Education, Handicapped)

[Hunger Relief in Tampa Bay \(September 10, 2013\)](#)

The U.S. Department of Agriculture issued its Food Security in the United States report for 2012 and it revealed almost 15 percent of U.S. households are what it calls food insecure. (Politics, Food)

[Florida Matters: Nan Rich Makes Her Case to be Governor \(September 3, 2013\)](#) Currently, there's only one Florida Democrat actively campaigning for governor, Nan Rich joins WUSF this week for a special Newsmaker's edition of Florida Matters. (Politics)

[Work to Do: A Check-Up on Florida's Labor Market \(August 21, 2013\)](#)

With Labor Day just around the corner, we're taking a look at Florida's labor market--starting with Gov. Rick Scott's promise to create 700,000 new jobs in seven years. Guest host Craig Kopp leads the discussion. (Jobs, Politics)

[St. Petersburg Pier: The Lens \(August 20, 2013\)](#)

The aging St. Petersburg Pier officially closed to the public on May 31st. The city of St. Petersburg plans to demolish it and replace it with a new pier, a design called the Lens. But not so fast, opponents of the Lens say. (Politics)

[Florida Matters: St. Petersburg Mayoral Debate \(August 13, 2013\)](#)

St. Petersburg is at a crossroads - what to do about the homeless, mass transit, the future of the Pier - and the future home of the Tampa Bay Rays. Current Mayor Bill Foster will be angling for another term during the Aug. 27 election for mayor. (Politics)

[Florida Matters: Affordable Care Act Questions \(August 6, 2013\)](#)

We asked our readers to tell us what they thought was confusing about the Affordable Care Act, and you called, e-mailed and Facebooked us with questions. (Medicine, Politics)

[Florida Matters: Drones and Privacy Rights \(July 30, 2013\)](#)

They're used for everything from documenting crime scenes to chasing down rhino poachers in Africa. But on July 1, a law took effect in Florida that banned use of unmanned drones except in police emergencies. We look at the uses of this new technology. (Politics, Law and Order)

[Florida Matters -- School Technology \(July 23, 2013\)](#)

Florida schools are gearing up for new education standards and accompanying online testing. Schools must also prepare to deliver half of all classroom instruction digitally by 2015. So what will this mean for students, teachers and schools? (Education, Technology, Politics)

[Florida Matters: Bob Graham on the State of Florida's Waterways \(July 16, 2013\)](#)

Florida is a state of hurricanes and summer deluges, but water is a dwindling resource. It's at the center of a tug of war between urban areas, agriculture and environmentalists, who say Florida's waterways are drying up. (Environment, Politics)

[Florida Matters: Veterans Wheelchair Games \(July 10, 2013\)](#)

It's reportedly the largest wheelchair sporting event in the world and its coming to the Tampa Bay area July 13-18. It's the 33rd annual National Veterans Wheelchair Games. (Military, Handicapped)

[Florida Matters: Human Trafficking \(July 2, 2013\) \(July 2, 2013\)](#)

Human trafficking is a huge problem in Florida. The state ranks third in the country in human trafficking, but local organizations are working on a solution. (Law and Order, Politics)