



## Nursing Academy student learns CPR just in time

GOOD NEWS

High school student Angel Austin signed up for SPC's Summer Nursing Academy because she's interested in a nursing career. The CPR training she received there may have saved her grandmother's life.



Angel Austin

Angel, a 15-year-old student at Dixie Hollins High School, attended the academy June 9-27. She and 25 other 10th and 11th graders explored career opportunities, salary potential, mobility and the flexibility available in the nursing profession.

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## Setterlind named Business Technology dean

Sharon Setterlind, a professor in the College of Technology and Management, has been named dean of Business Technology in the college's two-year program, effective Monday.

Setterlind said she hopes to use her new position to bring more unity to SPC's technology offerings.

"Our theme is going to be one college, instead of five or six different campuses," Setterlind said by phone while vacationing in Alabama. "I see my role as pulling business technology together and providing leadership to bring our forces together."

Setterlind received her doctorate of business administration from Argosy University with a concentration in Information Systems. She earned her master's in management from National Louis University, and her bachelor's in

management from Eckerd College.

She has more than 20 years of experience in managing and directing information technology services. At SPC, she has taught Technology Business Information Systems and International Business track courses.

Setterlind's appointment fills the roster of deans for the college's general education subject areas. The other five were named in May. They are Martha Campbell, dean of communications; Sharon Griggs, dean of mathematics; Joseph Smiley, dean of social science; Jonathan Steele, dean of fine arts/humanities; and John Vaughan, dean of natural science.



Sharon Setterlind

## A reminder about non-authorized purchases

As the new fiscal year begins, please be reminded that only the president and his designee are authorized to make purchases on behalf of the college (with the exception of petty cash/reimbursable purchases up to \$300 and the Visa Procurement Card) per the Board of Trustee Rules (6Hx23-5.12).

No other employee is permitted to order materials, supplies, equipment or services on behalf of the college directly and on his/her own authority. Consequently, the payment of unauthorized purchases may be the sole responsibility of the person placing the order.

As a public employer, we are required under state law to demonstrate due diligence in purchases made with taxpayer dollars, the college's primary source of funding. Non-authorized purchases put the college at risk of breaking the law

by not following fair and equitable contracting/purchasing practices (such as utilizing small and minority-owned businesses when appropriate), being bound by contractual obligations that are not advantageous to the college, and possible audit findings and fines.

### How to avoid placing a non-authorized purchase

Take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the BOT rules and plan ahead. Allow sufficient time for your purchase requisition to be processed. You may think getting three quotes is an unnecessary delay, but we are following the law while ensuring the college gets the best value.

Know your budget. Regularly watch your use of budgeted funds and proactively work with the budget specialist if there is a circumstance

where you need to make a purchase but may run out of budgeted money.

Do not make a verbal agreement for goods or services to be delivered.

Do not sign any documents with vendors on behalf of the college.

If a purchase order must be placed immediately due to an emergency, please follow the procedure for

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### "Quoteworthy"



"Improvement is never completed. Reform is never done."

— Jeb Bush



Submitted by  
Carl M. Kuttler Jr., president

# College acquires new Russian collection

St. Petersburg College has received a collection of books and other items from the estate of Christiana Reordan, a professor of foreign languages who had a particular interest in Russian history and culture.

Not long after Mrs. Reordan passed away, her two sons got in touch with SPC President Carl M. Kuttler Jr. and offered him a number of items from her estate.

"This was a very generous offer from Mrs. Reordan's family," Kuttler said. "We were delighted to be remembered in this way, and we are grateful for the thoughtfulness of Mrs. Reordan and her family."

SPC's library staff has reviewed

and inventoried the items, which turned out to be a bit different from what had been originally thought. Director of Library Services Deborah Robinson said the college was expecting a number of Russian-language books, but that turned out to be a small part of the collection.

"There were many books, but only two of them turned out to be printed in the Russian language, and that surprised us," Robinson said. "There were three sets of Russian postcards, and then various books and CDs about Russia and other topics, all of them in English. It was an all-around humanities collection, which reflected her varied interests."

Three items were quite unusual, Robinson said.

"One was a Russian manual typewriter that was fitted with the Cyrillic alphabet," she said. "It is very compact and fitted in a little green case — it is in mint condition."

The other items were two balalaikas (Russian stringed instruments) and a chess timer in a wood frame.

"It is a very unusual collection," Robinson said. "We will decide which collectable items we will keep and where they will be located — some of the things might nicely complement the teaching of humanities and religion here at the college."

## Reserve shuttle transport for Fall Faculty 2008

"A Touch of Class" will be the theme for Fall Faculty 2008, set for Thursday, Aug. 21 at the Harborview Center in downtown Clearwater.

The theme celebrates St. Petersburg College's first-class faculty members, who will be saluted by President Carl M. Kuttler Jr. as well as by members of the President's Cabinet.

Fall Faculty will begin with a breakfast buffet and registration from 8 to 9:15 a.m. The program is set for 9:15 to 11:30. Business casual attire is requested.

Harborview Center is at 300 Cleveland St. Parking is limited, so attendees are requested to carpool or take buses that will depart from five SPC campuses between 7 and 7:30 a.m. Reservations for shuttle transport are required, and no fewer than eight riders are necessary for shuttle pickup. Reservations must be made by 5 p.m. Aug. 15.

Reservations for the shuttles may be made by calling:

**Caruth Health Education Center**  
Connie Jayne, 727-341-4656.

**Clearwater Campus**  
Marilyn Lovely, 727-791-2670.

**Seminole Campus**  
Carol Brandt, 727-394-6111.

**St. Petersburg / Gibbs Campus**  
Connie Jayne, 727-341-4656.

**Tarpon Springs Campus**  
Karen Nadeau, 727-712-5702.

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They also learned Heartsaver CPR, a skill she was able to put to good use just a few days later when she went to her grandmother's home for dinner.

"We were making dinner, and my grandmother happened to get a french fry caught in her throat," Angel said. "She began choking, and then she fell forward and struck her head."

Angel remembered the training she just had received and managed to dislodge the french fry.

"The paramedics came, and they were impressed that I was able to do that," she said.

Her grandmother, Wanda, suffered

no permanent effects from the incident.

The academy was the third such program put on by the College of Nursing. More than 350 students apply each summer for the academy, which is funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Labor. It introduces high school students to the nursing profession and helps them prepare for admission to college.

Angel and the other students used SPC's SCENE (Simulation Center for Nursing Excellence) and shadowed registered nurses in local grant partner hospitals. The students also earned one college credit.

## Employment Opportunities

For job openings at the college, visit the Human Resources Web site at [www.spcollege.edu/central/hr/](http://www.spcollege.edu/central/hr/).

St. Petersburg College is dedicated to the concept of equal opportunity. The college will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, or marital status, or against any qualified individual with disabilities, in its employment practices or in the admission and treatment of students. Recognizing that sexual harassment constitutes discrimination on the basis of sex and violates this rule, the college will not tolerate such conduct. Should you experience such behavior, please contact the director of EAVEO at 727-341-3261; by mail at P.O. Box 13489, St. Petersburg, FL 33733-3489; or by e-mail at [eaao\\_director@spcollege.edu](mailto:eaao_director@spcollege.edu).

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## Wellness update

by Cathleen Shears



### What is MRSA?

Staph bacteria are the No. 1 cause of skin infections, and MRSA – methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus – is the strain of staph that may be the most dangerous because it is resistant to common antibiotics. MRSA, which is on the rise, can cause serious damage and can be fatal.

### Some MRSA facts:

- MRSA also is called a “superbug” due to its resistance to common antibiotics.
- MRSA is spread mostly by hand-to-hand contact.
- It is possible for the MRSA bacteria to be found on surfaces, such as gym equipment and other inanimate objects, and to survive for several hours.
- About a third of our population are “colonized” with staph bacteria. That means they may have it on their skin, or in nasal passages, without becoming ill, and can pass it on to others.
- Community-based MRSA infections may resemble a boil or a spider bite.
- Older adults and those with repeated hospital stays are most at risk to exposure.
- CDC data reported in the Oct. 17, 2007 issue of The Journal of the American Medical Association estimated that 18,650 people in the U.S. died of MRSA-related illnesses in 2005, more than from the AIDS virus.

### How to avoid getting or spreading MRSA:

- Infections can be prevented by good hand-washing techniques and or use of hand sanitizers.
- Infections can be minimized by early treatment to skin inflammations.
- To minimize the spread in the community, it is advised not to share personal items such as towels, razors and sports equipment.
- Keep wounds and cuts clean and covered.
- Wipe down shared surfaces, such as computer keyboards, before use.

For more information on MRSA, go to [MayoClinic.com](http://MayoClinic.com).

For additional articles on wellness and prevention, visit our wellness page on the HR home page.

To participate in a Healthy Lifestyle Lunch and Learn series on your campus, contact [shears.cathleen@spcollege.edu](mailto:shears.cathleen@spcollege.edu) or call Ext. 3083.

# Cultural corner

Some of the arts and entertainment events presented by St. Petersburg College and its partners



### Continuing through Sunday

**Exhibition: “California Dreaming: California Fibers at Convergence 2008” and “Tapestries of Abraham Rattner: Created at the Mambush Artists’ Village in Israel,”** Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. Tarpon Springs Campus. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, extended hours 5-9 p.m. Thursdays, 1-5 p.m. Sundays. \$5 adults, \$4 seniors, free to students and SPC staff. Free admission Sundays.

### Continuing through Aug. 10

**“Souvenir: A Fantasia On The Life Of Florence Foster Jenkins,”** 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. American Stage. \$22-\$35. Student rush tickets, sold 30 minutes before curtain, are \$10.

### Sunday, Aug. 10

**Opera Video: “Dinorah,” Giacomo Meyerbeer,** 1:30 p.m. Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art auditorium. Free.

### Saturday, Aug. 16

**Members Opening Reception: “Mel Finkelstein: Playing a Hunch,”** 7 p.m. Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. Members free; guests \$10.

### Sunday, Aug. 17

**Exhibition: “Mel Finkelstein: Playing a Hunch,”** Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. Tarpon Springs Campus. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, extended hours 5-9 p.m. Thursdays, 1-5 p.m. Sundays. \$5 adults, \$4 seniors, free to students and SPC staff. Free admission Sundays.

### Sunday, Aug. 17

**Gallery Talk: “Mel Finkelstein,”** Jonathan Tilove, journalist and guest essayist, 3 p.m. Changing Exhibition Gallery, Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. Members \$3 members, \$5 nonmembers.

### Sunday, Aug. 24

**Summer Film: “Riding Giants”** (2004), 3 p.m. Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art auditorium. Free.

### Saturday, Sept. 20

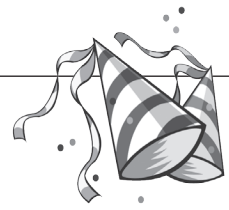
**“Art of Fashion: Black & White & Red All Over?”** fashion show / fundraiser, 6:30-10 p.m. \$55 advance, \$75 door. Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. Reservations: 727-712-5222.

### Sunday, Oct. 5

**Workshop: Susan J. Geier,** daughter of Mel Finkelstein, photographer and owner of Studio 212 Gallery, will talk about the profession of photography and her father’s career as a photojournalist. 3 p.m., North Gallery, Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art. Registration: 727-712-5226 or [buster.patti@spcollege.edu](mailto:buster.patti@spcollege.edu).

### Wednesday, Oct. 8

**On the Easel: Photographer Herb Snitzer** will discuss New York City, where he was a photojournalist in the late ‘50s and early ‘60s, his awareness of Mel Finkelstein, and the activism of the civil rights movement based on his 1959 photograph Freedom Now. Noon, lobby of the Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art.



## Birthdays and anniversaries

The lists run a week in advance so that you have proper notice of a milestone. This week's *Blue & White* contains the list for Aug. 8-14. The Aug. 8 edition will have Aug. 15-21.

### Birthdays Aug. 8-14

Date	Name
08-08	Smith, Vonceil
08-08	Molter, Barbara D.
08-08	Marn, Jacqueline D.
08-08	Grzesikowski, Tamara J.
08-09	Gartner, John V.
08-09	Jewell, Brian R.
08-09	Gorham, Tricia
08-10	Nowlen, Anne F.
08-10	Calandra, Maryann
08-10	Mayhew, Pamela H.
08-10	Sohn, Susan F.
08-10	Dukes, Tamica D.
08-11	White, Jon W.
08-11	Tufts, Shannon S.
08-11	Huynh, Richard
08-11	Avren, Beverly
08-11	Rocco, Jan
08-11	Botterbusch, Hope C.
08-11	Allen III, Raleigh H.
08-11	Reynolds, Karen R.
08-11	Riester, Robert W.
08-12	Cadorette, Donna L.
08-12	Robinson, LaNona G.
08-12	Smith, Joseph L.
08-12	Hunter, Tori E.
08-12	Horton Sr, John W.
08-12	Murray, Timothy J.
08-13	White, Karen Kaufman
08-13	Wiser, Barbara C.
08-13	Rhymes, Carlos C.
08-13	Weickenand, Joan H.
08-13	Wittman, Janice K.
08-14	Derussy, Vivian C.
08-14	Bailey, Phillip A.
08-14	Bielak, Donna M.
08-14	Veloff, Steven J.
08-14	Hunter, Mark S.
08-14	Gray, Gary W.
08-14	Cade, Jerrold R.
08-14	Bueller, David J.

### Anniversaries Aug. 8-14

Years	Name
1	Gerakios, Emanuel S.
1	Goot, Joanne
1	Klotz, Christopher A.
1	Menard, Raymond E.
1	Moran, Kristi
1	Nichol, Christopher A.
1	Watson, Toni
1	Watts, Roger G.
1	Earle, Michael
1	Carter, Michael D.
1	Marcil, Sandra E.
1	Nenstiel, Gregory A.
1	Smith, Joan B.
1	Truong, Thuan M.
2	Jones III, Charles A.
2	Chitikov, Irene
2	Griffin, Barbara
2	Robson, Gary E.
2	Rudolph, Brent R.
2	Wright, Janet M.
3	Arthur, Ian J.
3	Gauweiler, Cher N.
4	Andrews, Gregory F.
4	Brown, Gary J.
4	Coyle, Harry J.
4	Cutlip, Paul G.
4	Eligon, Ann Marie P.
4	Fratius, Earl T.
4	Hall, Vickie A.
4	Kelsey, Linda J.
4	Kesler, Bonnie L.
4	Lofstock, Sandra
4	Lunsford, David W.
4	Mairn, Chad P.
4	Marchi, Nadine
4	Pishevar-Haynes, Bita Sarah
4	Smith, Tony E.
4	Spicer, Lawrence E.
4	Tiffany, Vivian R.
4	Williams, Latrica
5	Kumari, Sunita
5	Farr, Albert D.
5	Horne, Loretta D.
5	Hoyos, Maria L.
5	Mackey, Rose M.
5	Sherman, Tiffani L.
5	Vittetoe, Stanley O.
6	Gaston, Betty J.
6	Brillinger, Brian W.
6	Huguley, Debra J.
6	Donovick, Jeffrey R.
6	Honig, Leslie F.
6	Hoopes, Holly S.
6	Keller, Rosemary
6	Range, William J.
6	Siegel, Jeanne L.
6	Thiel, Janice L.
6	Wagner, Sherry Ruth
6	Warren, Mary E.
7	Schult, Nyeita
7	King, Cathy J.
7	Raynor Jr, Douglas C.
8	Lynch, Laurel
8	Miller, William W.
9	Clark, Danny B.
9	Kindavong, Danny C.
9	Prairie, Alexis A.
11	Kepner, Carol A.
12	Kelley, Nancy
13	Douglas, Larry B.
13	Sipes, Judith N.
14	Crumbly, Shirley A.
14	Elkes, Frona L.
16	Parker Jr, James A.
17	Cornett, Susan L.
17	Greenlee, George M.
17	Grundset, Beverly L.
17	Leopold, Joseph S.
17	Richards, Richard J.
17	Simpson, Carmen A.
17	Smith, William J.
17	Steele, Jonathan E.
17	Suess, Anna M.
17	Tunceren, Lillian L.
17	Wallis, James A.
18	Orama, Juanita
18	Morrison, Sharon L.
19	Johnson, Shirley K.
21	Kieta, Michael P.
23	Williams, Trudy A.
29	Mikles, Stephen P.
29	Willis, Mary B.
30	Teter Jr, John H.



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Expedient and Emergency Purchases (P6Hx23-5.123). However, please note that when an emergency purchase order is requested for what appears to be a non-emergency situation, the president may be asked to approve the request.

Ask the Purchasing Department. If you are uncertain about the best

way to approach a situation, please contact Paul Spinelli or Diane Francey, and they will work with you to get a purchase order placed as quickly as possible while complying with all rules and procedures. They are there to help, but are unable to do so if they do not find out about the situation until after the non-authorized

purchase has already been placed.

While we are looking for ways to become more efficient, non-authorized purchases are not a way to "think outside of the box" to get the job done. Creating a partnership approach with the Purchasing Department creates a win-win solution.