

# NSU Fort Myers

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### Community Day

By: Alicia Nicholson

On November 11, NSU Fort Myers held its annual Community Day! Over 20 vendors set up in support of Community Day including Hoglelund Hearing, Be The Light, Florida Academy, Gulfshore Yoga, and many others. The day included fun family-friendly activities including a BMX giant slide, photo booth, Zumba demonstration, and more. Food included the Hungry Pony food truck as well as treats like orange leaf frozen yogurt, fried Oreos, and caramel apples. NSU Fort Myers also took this Veteran's Day event as an opportunity to celebrate our veterans in attendance. Each veteran was offered a pin and thanked for their services.



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## Physician Assistant Week

By: Sholondo Campbell

On Monday, October 2, the City Council of Fort Myers officially proclaimed October 6-13 as Physician Assistant (PA) Week. NSU Fort Myers' students David Estalilla and Corey Jewell, PA class of 2019 worked with Mayor Randall P. Henderson to make the proclamation a reality. Our students do a phenomenal job of getting out into the community - from kindergarten up to city/county leaders - to educate people about the PA profession and the role they play in health care. FINS UP!

## Dine & Learn

By: Alyssa Smith

Fort Myers Student Government Association (SGA) brought some interesting and informative Dine & Learn opportunities to campus. The Financial Literacy Series, presented by Fifth Third Bank, continued in October and November, and sessions included, Protecting Your Identity and Understanding Your Credit Score. Students learned simple ways to protect themselves from falling victim to identity theft. They also learned about personal finances as well as ways to boost their credit scores. April Stowers, MSN, FNP-C hosted a class on what everyone should know about venous disease. This applicable session educated students and staff about the ways to lower their risk of venous diseases.

## Irma Relief Efforts

By: Alicia Nicholson

After the destruction left from Hurricane Irma, the Fort Myers Campus wanted to provide help to those that were affected. Students at the Fort Myers Campus gathered donations of canned foods, clothing, diapers, and other necessities to bring to Immokalee, a local community that was greatly hit. SGA also sponsored the Hispanic heritage potluck fundraiser in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. Students supplied the dishes for the potluck and the proceeds collected were donated for relief in Puerto Rico.



## PANCE

By: Alicia Nicholson

A quick shout out to our physician assistant class of 2017. They had a 100% pass rate on the PANCE this year! The PANCE is the Physician Assistant National Certifying Exam, and after passing this exam PAs are issued NCCPA certification. Congratulations class of 2017!



## Principal's Luncheon

By: Chrysten Foley

On November 8, Chrysten Foley, assistant director attended and emceed the Principal's Luncheon hosted by the Cape Coral Chamber of Commerce. The event invites principals from area schools and business members to come together and work towards creating the future workforce. The speaker was Beth Williamson, Ed.D. who talked about her schools Leader in Me program using Steven Covey's *7 Habits of Highly Effective People*. There were many NSU alumni in the crowd from both our Abraham S. Fischler College of Education and our H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business & Entrepreneurship!



## Pie Contest

By: Chrysten Foley

The physician assistant students held a holiday party before Thanksgiving break, and students brought in homemade pies for a pie contest that took place at the party. There were a variety of delicious pies entered into the contest and two NSU Fort Myers staff members acted as judges by selecting the two winning pies. The winners were Emily Morris' pumpkin pie and Gerard Lefebvre's peanut butter pie. As their prize, they are able to wear scrubs for a week rather than their business attire.

## Get the Scoop on NSU Connect

By: Alyssa Smith

The NSU Alumni Association came to Fort. Myers to serve ice cream and to teach current students about ways to connect and network with other alumni. NSU Connect is an excellent way for NSU alumni to connect, give back, expand their professional network, and advance their careers.

## Outstanding Shark Award

By: Sholondo Campbell

Congratulations to our latest recipient of the Outstanding Shark Award, Brittany Porter, PA class of 2019. Porter has worked through date changes, t-shirt design frustrations, natural disasters, and microbiology exams to ensure that our annual Project S.E.E.D. event will be a reality this year. She's been a leader driving this outreach effort forward this year. Kudos to you, Porter.



## STUEY Nominations

By: Sholondo Campbell

It's time again for the STUEY awards! The Student Life Achievement awards commonly referred to as the "STUEYS", is an annual celebration of NSU's best in academic excellence, scholarship/research, innovation, student centered, integrity, opportunity, diversity, and community. The Fort Myers Campus can submit nominees for several categories, and finalists get a free trip to the STUEY awards ceremony at the Fort Lauderdale Campus on March 27, 2018.

If you would like to nominate yourself, a fellow student, a club/organization, club/organization advisor, an alumnus, or a staff or faculty member, etc., please submit all info to the STUEYs website by January 10, 2018. Examples, stories, and feedback help make for a stronger nomination!

## Angel Tree

By: Alicia Nicholson

We are collaborating again this year with Franklin Park Elementary School to bring a little joy to some students there. We will have names and wish list items for several children at the school hanging on our Christmas tree in the first floor lobby. NSU Fort Myers students, faculty, and staff can select a child's name from the tree to bring the wish list item wrapped back to the campus. NSU will deliver the gifts to the school on December 14.



## Facebook Poll

By: Alicia Nicholson

The Fort Myers Campus held a Facebook poll to name an orange cat that has been hanging around near campus. Many of the students around campus put in their vote for what they wanted to name the cat. The top four names were Cheez-It, Rusty, Oscar, and Latte with Rusty coming in the lead as the winner. Rusty is currently visiting the vet for a health screening and awaiting a forever home.

## Upcoming Events

- **Clinical Mental Health Counseling Online Webinar** - Thursday, January 11  
Learn about the clinical mental health counseling program offered by NSU at upcoming, monthly online information sessions via GoToTraining. To RSVP, [click here](#).