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Gunna will be 'dripping' for this year's homecoming concert



Jared Sellick

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The 2019 Homecoming concert will take place Thursday at the Yuengling Center at 8 p.m. The show will feature rapper Gunna and up-and-coming rapper Bryce Vine.

Gunna is best known for his songs "Drip Too Hard" and "Never Recover" which rose to



The homecoming concert will feature "Drip Too Hard" rapper Gunna and up-and-coming rapper Bryce Vine. SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE

the first and second spot of the Billboard charts last October. He started his career in 2013 in Atlanta and guickly grew in

popularity when he collaborated with Young Thug and signed with Young Stoner Life Records and 300 Entertainment.

Gunna was recently featured on the cover of XXL Magazine as a part of the 2019 XXL Freshman Class, a group of hip-hop's rising stars.

Gunna told XXL magazine how he got into music.

"I always liked music so I feel like me, when I first made a song and heard myself like listening to myself on a beat, that inspired myself," Gunna said.

Gunna's performance will include a \$5,000 video package.

He is expected to be paid \$75,000, according to a presentation given by the Center

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Michelle Buteau to bring bold banter to Stampede Comedy Show

By Devin Perry CORRESPONDENT

off USF's Kicking Homecoming week is the annual Stampede Comedy Show, a stand-up comedy set starring Michelle Buteau, an unapologetic comedian currently starring in the series First Wives Club.

The Stampede Comedy Show is free for USF students and the Tampa community with doors opening tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the Marshall Student Center (MSC) Ballroom. Students can RSVP on BullSvnc and are allowed to bring a guest.

Buteau is known best for her role in VH1's Best Week Ever, in which she commented on the

news of the previous week along with a cast of fellow comedians. Buteau has also appeared on The Eric Andre Show, Key and Peele, Lip Service, LopezTonight and The Jim Gaffigan Show. Buteau was also awarded a spot on Esquire's "10 Best Stand-Up Comedians To Watch" in 2017.

With her comedy stemming from her loud and excited Buteau takes personality, on topics such as politics, relationships and race in her stand-up routines.

"The best sets I've had when it comes to comedy is when I black out and say whatever the f*** I'm thinking," Buteau told metro.us.

Much of her comedy consists of stories as a black mother of

two and the experiences she's had while raising her kids.

Buteau is also starring alongside Jennifer Lopez, Owen Wilson and Sarah Silverman in the upcoming movie Marry Me, with filming beginning earlier this month.

Buteau has interviewed several famous figures like former first lady Michelle Obama and comedian Bo Burnham in weekly segments on her podcast Late Night Whenever.

Buteau has also been known to be highly active on Twitter, discussing and confronting political, racial and social topics. Embracing transgender and African American leads, Buteau

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for Student Involvement (CSI) to the Student Government Senate.

Vine is expected to be paid \$20,000, which is an increase of \$17,500 compared to last year's opener budget.

Vine is best known for his songs "Drew Barrymore" and "La La Land." "Drew Barrymore" hit No. 47 in the Billboard Hot 100 last September. He first entered the public spotlight when he was featured on The Glee Project, a 2011 show that functioned as an audition for the hit show Glee on Fox.

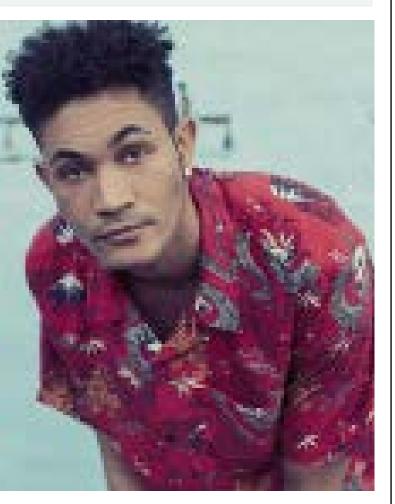
After The Glee Project, he

attended the Berklee College of Music and eventually signed with the record label Kiva House Lambrazo.

Vine shared with Billboard how it felt for "Drew Barrymore to hit the charts.

"When I found out that I was on the Hot 100 chart it was kind of like a flame built inside," Vine said. "There's nothing really like that feeling."

Tickets are available online at the USF website. The tickets cost \$10 for students and guest tickets at \$15. Staff, faculty and alumni can purchase tickets for \$20. The price for all community concertgoers is \$25.



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spreads positivity by embracing black leads in television, including her role as Bree in the rebooted First Wives Club.

She has also been very critical about "Trump's America" in her Twitter. Taking a jab at the president, Buteau tweeted, "The only tremendous job Trump has created for me is writing jokes about him."

In her comedy, Buteau tends to get personally connected with the audience, calling them "honey" and starting back-and-forths with everyone in the room.

"I feel like being single for so long really has made me a better performer because I had to go on all of these terrible dates." Buteau elaborated in an interview with Bustle. "When I had to act interested or make it fun for me so I could get through it or whatever, that has been a proper sounding board for me



Buteau's comedy is centered around her family, race, sex and politics. SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE

being onstage."

Continuing the annual comedy show tradition, the Stampede Comedy Show will mark the start

of Homecoming week tonight, hoping to start it off right with roaring laughter.





HOMECOMING 2019

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Home games to wrap up final celebrations



Brian Hattab

SPORTS EDITOR

Homecoming week is usually filled with many home sporting events.

While 2019 may not go down as the year with the most home games, it does pack a decent punch.

Men's Soccer

USF men's soccer is off to one of its best starts in years.

The Bulls are 6-2 and have put up impressive performances

against then-No. 1 Maryland (which was ultimately a 1-0 loss) and then-No. 5 Louisville (a 2-0 USF win).

USF's lone game at Corbett Stadium during Homecoming week comes Friday at 8 p.m. against another good opponent — No. 2 SMU (Radio: Bulls Unlimited on iHeartRadio). At the time of publication, the Mustangs were 9-0 and had only conceded three goals all season.

The Bulls come in on a threegame win streak, their second such streak of the season. Senior goalkeeper Harrison Devenish-Meares has recorded three clean sheets so far this season, matching his career total entering 2019.

Friday's game will be the first official contest for USF since an Oct. 1 victory over FGCU. The Bulls had their game Saturday against Tulsa called in the 67th minute due to lightning in the Tulsa area. Despite USF leading 2-1,thegamewasrulednocontest and will be replayed from the beginning at a later date yet to be determined.

Volleyball

USF volleyball wraps up



USF football plays SMU on Saturday at Raymond James Stadium. ORACLE PHOTO/LEDA ALVIM

Homecoming week with a noon match against SMU at The Corral.

But it's the Bulls' Friday night match that all eyes will be on.

War on I-4 rival UCF comes into The Corral for the first of a home-and-home (the Bulls pay a return visit to Orlando on Nov. 1), with first serve scheduled for 8 p.m.

History has not been kind to the Bulls. USF has lost 12 straight matches to the Knights, with the Bulls' last victory coming Aug. 26, 2012, when UCF was still a member of Conference USA.

USF had its chances during the match at The Corral last year, though. The Bulls took two of the first three sets before dropping the fourth and fifth.

The Knights, who made last

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year's NCAA Tournament before falling in five sets to FGCU in the first round, had what was a 26-match conference win streak snapped Friday against Cincinnati.

Football

Homecoming starts and ends with football at USF, though.

The Bulls face BYU at 3:30 p.m. at Raymond James Stadium (TV: CBS Sports Network/Radio: WDAE-AM 620) in the first meeting ever between the two programs.

USF (2-3, 1-1 AAC) has been reeling, losing nine straight games to FBS opponents, including some very unsightly scores to top-25 teams like Wisconsin and SMU.

However, the Bulls are coming off a 48-22 win against UConn where the Bulls' offense had one of its best performances in recent memory, putting up 313 rushing yards.

It appears, at least for the time being, the keys to the team have been handed to redshirt freshman quarterback Jordan McCloud, who has had two good performances (South Carolina State on Sept. 14 and UConn on Saturday) with a poor performance (SMU on Sept. 28) sandwiched in since taking over as starter.

Meanwhile, BYU (2-3) has been the victim of a challenging early schedule, which included three ranked teams — Utah, Southern California and Washington.

Historically a passing team, 2019 is no different for the Cougars, who are averaging 274 yards in the air. Starting quarterback Zach Wilson has thrown for five touchdowns and more than 1,300 yards thus far.

Saturday's game is the first of a home-and-home with BYU. The Bulls visit Provo, Utah, on Sept. 24, 2021.



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Get into the homecoming 'spirit'

By Emma Berg

Calling all '90s babies.

Student Government (SG) has declared the 2019 spirit week to be a '90s throwback theme called "Saved by the Bull," inspired by the popular sitcom Saved by the Bell that aired before the turn of the century.

USF will celebrate the 55-year anniversary of its first Homecoming in 1964. The tradition calls for a spirit week leading up to the Running of the Bulls Parade on Friday and football game on Saturday.

The week kicks off Monday, Oct. 7 with Twin Day. Students are invited to dress with a twin encompassing the '90s theme with many iconic characters to choose from, like Tia and Tamera Mowry from Sister, Sister, Mary Kate and Ashley Olsen from Full House, and Lindsey Lohan from The Parent Trap.

The festivities continue on Wednesday, when all Bulls are encouraged to wear as much green as possible in order to increase the visibility of school colors across campus.

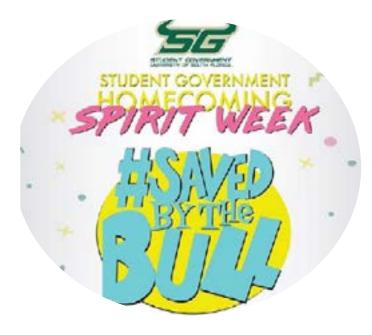
Thursday falls perfectly in line with the '90s, as the #ThrowbackThursday theme petitions students to channel their inner grunge.

Participating students are welcome to stop by the Marshall Student Center (MSC) Atrium between 12-3 p.m. to take photos in USF's photo booth. Those who dress up are encouraged to post pictures of their outfits on social media using #SavedByTheBull and tagging SG, in order to enter this year's Best Dressed contest. The pictures must be taken on campus and posted between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to be considered.

Winners of each day have the chance to win Busch Gardens' Howl-O-Scream tickets and "swag bags" containing USF and SG-specific merchandise.

The Best Dressed contest will be followed up by the MTV Spring Break episode-themed parade beginning on Friday, Oct. 11 at 6:30 p.m. that travels across USF's Holly Drive, Genshaft Drive and Alumni Drive.

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The spirit week will have themes that include twin day, wearing green and throwback Thursday. **SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE/SG**



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Turning back time: 2018 Homecoming week



Alex Vancol (left) and Abigail Destin (right) were crowned Homecoming royalty last year. SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE/CHAVELI GUZMAN



Nicole Byer headlined 2018's Stampede Comedy Show. **SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE/CHAVELI GUZMAN**



Brothers Swae Lee (pictured) and Slim Jxmmi performed as the rap group Rae Sremmurd at last year's Homecoming concert. **SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE/CHAVE-**LI GUZMAN



Homecoming court members Annette Gutierrez (left) and Shaquille Kent (right) walked down the aisle at last year's Homecoming ball. **SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE/CHAVELI GUZMAN**

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MULTIMEDIA EDITOR

The week-long Homecoming festivities bring students, staff, faculty and alumni together during a week full of events and celebrations.

With a week full of events planned to celebrate Homecoming, everything comes with a price tag.

The 2019 Homecoming week will cost \$234,739, compared to \$288,525 last year, according to the Associate Director of the Center for Student Involvement (CSI) Joshua Wilson.

The Homecoming Kickoff and Stampede Comedy Show will officially begin the celebrations on Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m. This year, both events will be hosted in the Marshall Student Center (MSC) Ballroom instead of the Yuengling Center, where they were held in years prior.

The \$3,500 kickoff will feature performances by the Herd of Thunder (HOT) band, free food and merchandise for guests, an appearance by the USF mascot Rocky and a chance to meet the 2019 Homecoming royal court.

USF President Steve Currall will be among the guests during the kickoff, celebrating his first Homecoming since taking office July 1.

On the same day, the Stampede Comedy Show will feature standup comedian and actress Michelle Buteau. According to Wilson, this year's comedy show will cost \$27,416, a significant decrease compared to the year prior.

Last year, the event cost \$55,650 and featured MTV Girl Code personality Nicole Byer and Saturday Night Live comedian Alex Moffat.

As a tradition, USF will be hosting the annual team competitions throughout the week of Homecoming celebrations where each team can gain points to decide the winning team at the end of the week.

Teams Tuesday is a day full of activities, including a soccer game and tailgate series game. It is part of the Homecoming teams competition and will take place on Oct. 8 at Fowler Fields. Checkin will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the event starting at 7:00 p.m.

While the event is focusing on the teams competition, everyone is welcome to join. Teams Tuesday will cost \$1,071, an increase compared to \$600 last year.

Some other activities teams can get points for include a banner competition and Charit-A-Bull, where teams donate nonperishable food cans.

Famously known for the annual coronation of the Homecoming court, this year's Homecoming

ball will cost \$17,142. Last year, the whole event cost \$18,000.

That's not the only thing changing about the Homecoming ball. This year, the titles of queen and king were removed and two Homecoming "royalty" will be crowned instead, as a way to bring more inclusivity to students.

Students can vote for the Homecoming royalty on BullSync until Oct. 8 at 11:59 p.m.

The annual Homecoming concert brings thousands of people together for a night full of music and dance.

The rapper Gunna was chosen to be this year's Homecoming concert headliner, alongside up-and-coming rapper Bryce Vine as the opener.

Gunna is expected to be paid \$75,000, while Vine is expected to be paid approximately \$20,000, as previously reported by The Oracle. The total cost for the Homecoming concert is around \$124,472comparedto\$130,475last year. To supplement the costs of the concert, student tickets are available for \$10 (including fees), one student guest ticket for \$15 and non-student tickets for \$25 (plus fees).

Another event where students can enjoy free rides, merchandise and a variety of food options is the carnival, held at the Yuengling Center parking lot on Oct. 11 at 3 p.m. According to Wilson, the carnival will cost \$58,194, which is \$2,806 than last year.

To close out Homecoming week and prepare for the football game on Oct. 12, the Running of the Bulls Parade will take place on Oct. 11 at 6:30 p.m. The parade will walk along Holly Drive, Genshaft Drive and Alumni Drive.

According to Wilson, the parade cost \$2,943 and will feature floats from student organizations, local businesses and USF departments, including Student Government and the Center for Leadership and Civic Engagement.

SPIRIT

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Student organizations, USF departments and local businesses are welcome to register and create floats that will be driven alongside traditional favorites, like SG's float and the Herd of Thunder marching band.

Spirit Week was created by the Campus Tradition Board in collaboration with SG, who funds all of the festivities and events.

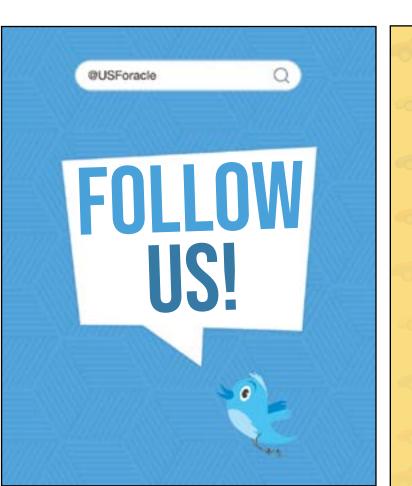
Spirit Week ends by welcoming all those attending Family and Friends Weekend to the SG-sponsored tailgate at Raymond James Stadium. Beginning at 12:30 p.m., students are invited to take the Bulls Blitz bus from the MSC to the tailgate for free, where Bulls can get pumped for the game against BYU.



The theme is called "Saved by the Bull," inspired by the popular sitcom Saved by the Bell that aired before the turn of the century. SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE/BRYANT HOWARD



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