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# Authors, Publishers, Readers Uniting in Downtown Frostburg for 10th Annual Independent Literature Festival



Saturday's daylong book fair is the centerpiece of the two-day Frostburg Independent Literature Festival Friday and Saturday, Oct. 14 and 15, in downtown Frostburg.

Publishers, editors and authors from nearly 30 boutique publishing houses and literary magazines will come together in downtown Frostburg for this year's annual Independent Literature Festival, which begins on the evening of **Friday**, **Oct. 14**, and continues all day **Saturday**, **Oct. 15**. Organized by FSU's Center for Literary Arts, the event is free and open to the public.

Friday night's events begin with a 5:30 p.m. reception at the Center for Literary Arts, 22 E. Main St. A reading follows at 6:30 p.m. in Main Street Books, 2 E. Main St. After the reading, a panel discussion among writers and their editors will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Frostburg branch of the Allegany County Library System, 65 E. Main St.

Saturday's schedule runs from 10:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. An all-day book fair will be held in the Lyric Theatre, 20 E. Main St., featuring books and magazines for sale, with many authors available for signatures. Readings and panel discussions will be held throughout the day across the downtown Frostburg area. Detailed schedules will be available in the FSU Center for Literary Arts.

Aspiring authors of every genre will meet potential publishers, editors and published authors. They will also find more than a dozen panels and discussions dedicated to the artistic process of writing and the business of submitting works for publication.

This year's panels include "Publishing 101: A Primer on Sending Work Out"; "Young Adult Genre," with young local readers who will take questions from writers about their literary tastes; "After Violence: The Poetics of Trauma and Resistance," led by Susana H. Case, published poet and New York Institute of Technology professor of behavioral sciences; "Intersection of the Muses," which features a discussion about writers using other artistic modes as inspiration; roundtables and panels on various genres of fiction; and much more.

For info, email <u>cla@frostburg.edu</u>, visit <u>www.frostburg.edu/cla</u> or call 301-687-4340.

#### Theatre

#### Take a Trip Around the World and Into the Heart ... in 80 Days!



Pictured from left are Melani Finney as Aouda, Austin Hueg as Inspector Fix, Shahzeb Hussain as Passepartout and Alex Serrano as Phileas Fogg.

Grab your passports and climb aboard for a whirlwind trip around the world as FSU's Theatre and Dance kicks off the 2016-2017 season with "Around the World in 80 Days." Written by Jules Verne and adapted by Laura Eason ("House of Cards"), this steampunk take on an old classic proves that "it's really useful to travel if you want to see new things."

It's 1872 and the eccentric and wealthy Phileas Fogg figures, with mathematical precision, that he can circumnavigate the globe in just 80 days. And he wagers half his fortune to prove it.

Will anything interfere with Fogg's regimented plan? A meddlesome inspector from Scotland Yard? Armed bandits? A herd of buffalo? An act of chivalry? Join Fogg and his loyal, yet unreliable, valet as they hop train, steamship – and elephant – in this fun-filled race against time that takes us around the world and into the heart.

Performances run Friday and Saturday, Oct. 14 and 15, and Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 20, 21 and 22 at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee performance on Oct. 15 at 2 p.m.

Tickets can now be purchased online or at the box office. Visit the website at <u>www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance</u> and click "Buy Tickets" to make an online reservation (service fees apply). Or, for info, call the box office at 301-687-7462, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for students and youth and \$14 for the general public. "Around The World in 80 Days" is recommended for ages 8 years and older.



# **English Honors Society and Ort Library Host Banned Books Reading**



FSU's English Honors Society Sigma Tau Delta and the Ort Library will host a banned books reading on **Tuesday**, **Oct. 4**, at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the Ort Library. Members of the campus and local community are invited to attend and read excerpts from books deemed controversial enough to be banned or challenged.

Some of 2015's top 10 most frequently challenged books include the Bible, "Fifty Shades of Grey" by E.L. James, "Looking for Alaska" by John Green, "I Am Jazz" by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings and "Fun Home" by Alison Bechdel. Other popular challenged books are "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee, "The Hunger Games" trilogy by Suzanne Collins and the "Captain Underpants" series by Dav Pilkey. Books are challenged for reasons such as offensive language, sexual explicitness, homosexuality, political viewpoints, religious viewpoints, unsuited age groups, violence and nudity.

The annual Banned Books Week, which is sponsored by the American Library Association, serves as a commemoration and "reminds Americans not to take this precious democratic freedom for granted." Hundreds of books are removed or challenged in schools and libraries in the U.S. every year.

Banned Books Week draws national attention to the harms of censorship. ALA does not ban books but compiles lists of challenged books to inform the public about censorship efforts that affect libraries and schools. FSU's Department of English and Ort Library organize the event annually to join cross-country efforts that celebrate the freedom to read.

The event is free and open to the public. For info, contact Dr. Mary Anne Lutz of the FSU Department of English at <u>mlutz@frostburg.edu</u> or Dr. Lea Messman-Mandicott of the Ort Library at <u>lmessman@frostburg.edu</u>.

### **'Runaway' Author Evelyn Lau to Read at CLA**



Evelyn Lau, a Canadian poet and author whose writings about family conflict and her tumultuous early life on the streets of Vancouver have won critical acclaim, will hold a reading and book signing as part of the FSU Center for Literary Art's ongoing Reading Series. The event, at 7:30 p.m., **Thursday, Oct. 6**, in the Lyric Theatre, 20 E. Main St. in Frostburg, is free and open to the public.

Largely self-taught as a writer, Lau has published 11 books over her career, including six poetry collections, two memoirs, two short story collections and a novel.

She began writing poetry at the age of 12 as an escape from her conflicted life in her British Columbia home. She published her first work at the age of 13 as one of the winners of a "Vancouver Sun" essay contest. Despite that early success, her parents disapproved of her writing and publishing goals.

At age 14, Lau ran away from home and wandered the streets of Vancouver, sleeping on friends' couches, in group homes and in rundown apartments. During her self-imposed exile, she turned to prostitution to support herself and in time became addicted to drugs. Eventually, Lau left the sex trade and resolved to support herself as a professional writer.

The diary she kept during those two years was published in 1989 as her first book, "Runaway: Diary of a Street Kid," when she was only 18. It became a bestseller and was adapted as a television movie in 1993 by the Canadian Broadcasting Company as "The Diary of Evelyn Lau."

Though she never pursued a formal writing education, in 2011, Lau was named Poet Laureate for Vancouver, the city where she lives and works as a manuscript consultant for the writing and publishing program at Simon Fraser University.

Lau's works have been translated into a dozen languages and her poetry has won the Milton Acorn Award, the Pat Lowther Award, a National Magazine Award and a Governor-General's nomination. Her most recent collection of poetry, "Tumour," was published in 2016.

For info, call the Center for Literary Arts at 301-687-4340 or visit <u>www.frostburg.edu/cla</u>.

#### **Music**

#### **On the EDGE Club Series to Present Mexico's Funkadelic Band Troker**



The On the EDGE series at FSU will present the funkadelic musicians of Mexico's Troker on **Thursday**, **Oct. 6**, for a raucous 8:15 p.m. performance in Lane Manicur Hall.

The Huffington Post stated that "Troker's heady mix of free jazz, rock, funk and mariachi music is entirely instrumental, meaning there is no language barrier for foreign audiences to overcome." And All About Jazz called the band "noisy, chaotic, sprawling, messy and altogether wonderful."

As an added bonus, local musicians can experience the band's distinctive style and the techniques of collective composition and improvisation in a free workshop led by Troker percussionist Frankie Mares. The workshop is limited to 20 participants; prior registration is required via email at <a href="mailto:ces@frostburg.edu">ces@frostburg.edu</a> or by calling 301-687-3137.

The On the EDGE series is an exciting club series presented as a collaboration between FSU Student Activities and CES at FSU. The series features cutting-edge performers who stretch the boundaries of their art forms. Patrons enjoy informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, and food and beverage options.

On the EDGE tickets are \$15 and may be ordered by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137 or by visiting <u>http://ces.frostburg.edu</u>.

# FSU Department of Music/WAE Host Italian Pianist Federico Longo



FSU's Department of Music will welcome Federico Longo, renowned Italian pianist, conductor and composer, to FSU in a World Artists Experiences production on **Friday**, **Oct. 7**, at 7:30 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. This event is free and open to the public. No tickets are required but donations are appreciated.

Longo began his international career at the Berlin Philharmonie and the Sydney Opera House. He

has conducted the Berlin-Brandenburg Chamber Philharmonic Orchestra, putting on stage important lyrical and symphonic works such as Tchaikovsky's "Eugen Onegin." In 2003, he made his debut in the Master Series concerts with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra.

A dedicated supporter of contemporary music, Longo has conducted several world premieres of symphonic music by such composers as Marco Taralli in Rome and Gordon Kerry in Sydney, plus lyrical operas by Paolo Furlani and Mario Pagotto and two works by Marco Betta.

In 2008, Longo conducted Flavio Testi's "Saul" at the Rome Opera Theatre. He created and directed the event "Concert for Ethiopia" from 2004 through 2010. He has also recorded award-winning CDs and performs international concert tours as a solo pianist.

WAE bridges international understanding through cultural and citizen diplomacy in communities, colleges and schools, using the international language of the arts.

For info, call 301-268-4037.

### **Celtic Fiddle Festival to Appear at Frostburg's Palace Theatre**



Set to perform a "perfect storm of the finest Celtic music your ears will ever encounter," the Celtic Fiddle Festival quartet will showcase a fascinating juxtaposition of international and individual styles in a concert at Frostburg's historic Palace Theatre on **Saturday**, **Oct. 8**, at 7:30 p.m.

The group, which is touring the U.S., is made up of three fiddlers and an accompanying guitarist from various Celtic regions.

Kevin Burke is a world-renowned Irish fiddler who plays the highly ornamented style of Country Sligo. He is a recipient of the NEA's National Heritage Award and one of The Celtic Fiddle Festival's original musicians. Christian Lemaître joined the original duo early on to share the beautiful music of Brittany, France. He is a founding member of the group Kornog. Charlie McKerron, the Scottish member, has won awards as a player and a composer. He is considered to be among the finest in a land famed for extraordinary fiddlers. G. Nicolas Quemener is a master open-tuning guitarist from Angers, France. He has been a part of many superb Celtic bands, including Arcady and Kornog, and continues to play and record with many acclaimed Breton and Irish artists.

At each concert, solo performances demonstrate the uniqueness of the individual styles of music; the sounds from each musician represent their regional repertoires. Then the quartet combines its considerable talents, rich musical traditions and spontaneous humor to provide dazzling energy and subtle grace.

Tickets, which can be purchased at the door, are \$20 for general admission and \$5 for students and children.

The show is organized by Mountain City Traditional Arts. For info, email <u>mountaincitytradarts@gmail.com</u> or call 301-687-8040.

# LIVE! at StarScape – New York Gilbert and Sullivan Players in 'I've Got a Little Twist'



CES at FSU will present the award-winning New York Gilbert and Sullivan Players in "I've Got a Little Twist," a LIVE! at StarScape cabaret performance, on **Friday, Oct. 14**, at 7:30 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall.

With laugh-out-loud comedy, the performance showcases the timelessness of Gilbert and Sullivan music with a twist of Broadway musical theatre favorites. "Twist" simultaneously appeals to audiences who are new to Gilbert and Sullivan as well as diehard aficionados. New York theatre critic Daniel Kelley raved that it "was one of the freshest and most heartfelt performances that I've seen the company do in years."

Following the performance, as part of the Offstage Series with WFWM, FSU's public radio station, the full cast will participate in a question-and-answer session about the legacy of Gilbert and Sullivan in modern theatre.

For those interested in musical theatre, WFWM also broadcasts "Footlight Parade: Sounds of the American Musical," featuring the best of Broadway and Hollywood from the turn of the 20th century to today's biggest hits, on Saturdays at 6 p.m.

Tickets to "I've Got a Little Twist" are \$22 for adults and \$19.80 for youth under 17. Member and group discount rates are also available.

For info, contact the CES box office at 301-687-3137 or visit CES' webpage at http://ces.frostburg.edu.

# Wind Ensemble to Perform 'Song and Dance'

Conducted by *Dr. Philip Klickman*, the FSU Wind Ensemble will present its first concert of the semester, "Song and Dance," on **Saturday, Oct. 15**, at 7:30 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. The ensemble will open the program with "American Overture for Band" by Joseph Wilcox Jenkins. The concert will feature energetic music from two sets of dances: "Four Scottish Dances" by Malcolm Arnold and "Old American Dances" by Robert Russell Bennett. The lyrical side of the program will be heard in "Irish Tune From County Derry" by Percy Grainger and "Serenade" by Derek Bourgeois. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$5 for seniors and veterans, \$3 for students and free for children 12 and younger. For info, contact the Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

#### **Presentations**

#### **2016 Presidential Election Panel Discussion**

FSU faculty members will cover a variety of topics during a Presidential Election Panel Discussion to be held on **Tuesday**, **Oct. 11**, at 7 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall room 133A. This event is free and open to the public.

**Dr. Stephen Twing**, a professor in the Department of Political Science, will be the moderator. Members of the panel and their discussion areas are as follows:

- Dr. Eleanor McConnell, assistant professor, History, "The Jackson Men: Populist Conservatism in Antebellum America"
- Dr. Gregory Wood, associate professor, History, "Opposition to the New Deal and the Roots of Modern Conservatism"
- Dr. Natalie Schuster, lecturer, History, "Modern Conservatism and the Rise of Trump"
- Dr. Stephen Simpson, professor, Political Science, "The Media, the Polls and the Presidential Campaign'
- Dr. David Lewis, professor, Political Science, "The 2016 Election and the Future of the U.S. Supreme Court"
- Dr. Stephen Hartlaub, professor, Political Science, 'The Conditions for Tyranny and the American Polity"

The panel discussion is sponsored by FSU's departments of Political Science and History and the J. Glenn Beall Institute for Public Affairs, which promotes a spirit of civic responsibility and an increased knowledge of government affairs and the political process at all levels.

For info, contact Twing at STwing@frostburg.edu or 301-687-3097.

### ACS Students to Host 'The Chemist's Code for Success'

Student members of the American Chemical Society will host a webinar from ACS, "The Chemist's Code for Success: Three Essential Skill Sets for Your Career," on **Tuesday, Oct. 11**, at 7 p.m. in Compton 327. Webinar presenters will be chemical professionals, but the skills will be applicable to a wide range of careers in the sciences. This event is free and open to the public.

Your career as a chemist depends on more than just your abilities in the lab. Join this panel of experts to learn how time management, handling failure and professional etiquette will shape your career.

What you will learn:

• Basic workplace etiquette that will enable you to be remembered for your work, not your mistakes

- How implementing professional etiquette now can set the course of your career
- The value of failure and learning from your mistakes

For info, contact Dr. Benjamin Norris at <u>bnnorris@frostburg.edu</u> or 301-687-4157.

#### **Academic Enrichment Series**

*Amy Shimko*, director, Student Development, Career and Professional Development Center, will discuss resume basics on **Monday, Oct. 3**, from 3 to 3:50 p.m. in Lane 113. This session will highlight a number of basic strategies for building a professional resume.

AST sister **Bethany Henson** will lead a panel discussion on Greek life on **Wednesday**, **Oct. 5**, from 3 to 3:50 p.m. in Lane 113 and on **Thursday**, **Oct. 6**, from 4:30 to 5:20 p.m. in Lane 111. Panel members will talk about their individual organizations and how the Greek community works toward defining excellence in scholarship, leadership and service at FSU; provide tips on how to balance their involvement while in college; and take questions regarding Greek or college life.

For info, contact the Center for Academic Advising and Retention at 301-687-3404.

#### Film

#### **Fall Palace Film Series 'Projecting the Election' Continues**

The historic Palace Theatre's Fall Film Series, "Projecting the Election: Hollywood Goes to Washington," will be shown on the **third Monday of each month**. The classic films bring drama, history and comedy to the upcoming election season. WFWM 91.9 FM is sponsoring the series.

Based on the Pulitzer Prize-winning drama, "Abe Lincoln in Illinois" on **Oct. 17** features Raymond Massey reprising his Broadway role on the silver screen. Directed by John Cromwell, this biopic was screened in 1940.

Frank Capra directed 1948's "State of the Union" that will be shown on **Nov. 21**. Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn star in this Beltway comedy.

Doors open at 7 p.m. with show times at 7:30 p.m. For info, call 301-689-5605 or refer to the Palace's website at <u>www.frostburgpalace.org</u>.

#### Radio

#### **WFWM to Air Board of Education and Council Forums**

WFWM Radio, in cooperation with the Allegany County Chamber of Commerce, hosted and recorded a series of question-andanswer forums featuring candidates running for local office in the upcoming election on **Tuesday**, **Nov. 8**. Chamber President Stu Czapski acted as moderator for the forums. The first was held for the three candidates running for the Allegany County Board of Education, and the second featured the five candidates running for council seats in the city of Cumberland election. WFWM will air the Board of Education forum on **Monday**, **Oct. 3**, following the news at 6 p.m. The city of Cumberland council forum will be broadcast on **Tuesday**, **Oct. 4**, at the same time. For info, call WFWM at 301-687-4143.

#### **Points of Pride**

#### FSU's Dougherty Honored by Maryland Recreation and Parks Association



**Dr. Maureen Dougherty**, a faculty member in FSU's Recreation & Parks Management program, was honored with the 2016 Maryland Recreation and Parks Association's Presidential Recognition Award and named a Mentor Emerita.

Dougherty is the former coordinator of FSU's Recreation & Parks Management undergraduate program at the Community College of Baltimore County in Catonsville and now teaches in FSU's graduate program.

MRPA President Peggy Mark bestowed the honors, recognizing Dougherty's commitment to students in recreation and parks curricula. Mark highlighted Dougherty's work to establish MRPA's Student Mentor Program, "which has generated internships and job placement for hundreds of students."

The Student Mentor Program began more than a decade ago, when Dougherty first invited student attendees at the MRPA conference to attend lunch and sessions with Parks and Recreation professionals. The program has grown to serve students across the state of Maryland, familiarizing them with the daily realities of their chosen profession.

Dougherty also led efforts to make the Master of Science in Recreation & Parks Management available entirely online in 2010, allowing professionals to earn their master's degree while continuing to work. It was FSU's first academic program offered completely online, and the program has been nationally ranked as a "Best Buy" by GetEducated.com.

#### For info about FSU's Recreation and Parks Management programs, visit

www.frostburg.edu/home/academic/majorminors/bachelor/bachelor-in-recreation-and-parks-management for the undergraduate program or www.frostburg.edu/rpm/rpm-graduate-program-home for the graduate program.

# **Retired FSU Professor Francis Tam Awarded AAPT Fellowship**



Francis Tam, a retired FSU physics professor, has been awarded a fellowship with the American Association of Physics Teachers for 2016. Those selected for the prestigious honor display exceptional contribution to AAPT's mission, to enhance the understanding and appreciation of physics through teaching. Fellowship is a distinct honor signifying recognition by one's professional peers.

Tam retired from FSU in 2008, having taught a wide range of undergraduate courses, including general physics, meteorology, atomic physics and modern physics, for 41 years. Tam is known by his former students and professional peers for his "enthusiastic teaching style, his contagious sense of humor and his

commitment to excellent and innovative physics teaching." Beyond the college classroom setting, Tam has also been involved in K-12 engagement such as conducting extensive professional development with K-12 teachers. He offered an online course for the American Meteorological Society and served as the project director for Improving Teacher Quality Through Training Opportunities in Physics and Physical Science, a year-round professional development program for middle and high school physics and physical science educators. More than 70 teachers completed that program and reached "Highly Qualified" status under his leadership.

Tam has been a highly active and distinguished member of AAPT for many years, having served in a number of important leadership roles at the regional and national levels. His service includes chairing the Appalachian Section, serving for more than 20 years on at least seven committees, coordinating or chairing more than 30 sessions at AAPT meetings, presenting 35 contributed papers and eight invited papers and presenting 15 AAPT workshops for inner-city school children throughout the United States. He earned the AAPT Appalachian Section Distinguished Service Award in 1991.

# **Students Earn Doctorates in Educational Leadership**



Ten FSU students received Doctor of Education degrees at FSU's commencement ceremonies in May. The graduates gathered during a recognition ceremony at the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown. They are, from left, *Kristine Pearl, Lori Ridgely, Rose Kraft, Stacy Henson, Renee Peterson, Jessica Reinhard, Tonya Detrick-Grove, Kristin Waters, Katherine Boone* and *Carol Rothstein*. All but Detrick-Grove are members of the first graduating cohort from USMH.

# **Dr. Sunshine Brosi Receives Funding From RTCAR for Student Research**



**Dr. Sunshine Brosi** recently received external funding from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation's Revitalization of Traditional Cherokee Artisan Resources. The funding will support graduate student research with the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation in North Carolina. The grant involves applied projects that increase the sustainability of materials for creating and dyeing traditional artisan baskets. This project is part of an ongoing partnership spanning more than a decade and involving the planting of more than 1,000 trees with several undergraduate ethnobotany majors and graduate students in Applied Ecology and Conservation Biology. For the third year, Brosi will lead students on a service-based trip to volunteer in the Great Smoky

Mountains National Park and with the Qualla Boundary as part of Intersession Course BIOL 484 Field Experiences in Ethnobotany and Ecology. For info, contact Brosi at <u>slbrosi@frostburg.edu</u>.

# **Dan Filer to Be Research Coordinator for CESU**

**Dan Filer**, a lecturer at FSU in philosophy, history and business, has accepted the position of research coordinator for the Chesapeake Watershed Cooperative Ecosystems Studies Unit National Network. This position is duty stationed at the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science – Appalachian Laboratory. In this position, Filer will be an employee of the National Park Service that works to connect the subject matter experts from more than 25 universities and six other partners in the Chesapeake Watershed with nine federal agencies, including the National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management and the Department of Defense, to undertake research that will help managers and superintendents make more informed decisions.

# **Dr. Marcus Hill's Article Published in 'Critical Studies in Media Communication'**

**Dr. Marcus Hill**, a lecturer in the Department of Communication, has had his article, "Do Black Women Still Come First? Examining 'Essence' Magazine Post Time Warner," accepted for publication in the peer-reviewed journal, "Critical Studies in Media Communication." The article is in press and is available in volume 33, issue 4, pages 366 to 380.

# **Communication Students to Attend Ketchum Workshop in D.C.**

**Dr. Marcus Hill** will take students from his class, MCOM 325 Seminar in Public Relations, to Ketchum Inc.'s Washington, D.C., office to attend a workshop on **Monday, Oct. 10**. Students will learn about some of Ketchum's strategic communication programs for its Fortune 500 clients, as PR firms often keep these programs confidential. Ketchum is a top 10 nationally ranked PR firm according to PR Week. The workshop will be hosted by Ketchum's senior content manager and senior vice president/director of human resources. Later that evening students will attend an evening panel discussion on diversity and inclusion in the public relations industry. The panel discussion will also be attended by students from Georgetown University, Howard University and Johns Hopkins University.

#### Take Note

# A Middle States Update for the Campus Community



#### **Standard 7: Institutional Assessment**

Two campus forums provided an opportunity for the University community to provide feedback and suggestions for improving FSU's Institutional Effectiveness Plan, which represents our commitment to continuous quality improvement across the institution in achieving the University's mission and goals.

The President's Advisory Council on Institutional Effectiveness is reviewing the information and suggestions provided via the forum. The final plan will be presented to the Ad Hoc University Council in October for approval for immediate implementation, distribution campus-wide and posting on the FSU website.

Over the past week, *Sara-Beth Bittinger* and *Dr. Evan Offstein* have been working with each vice president to improve upon each division's one-page strategic plan, which will also be posted on the FSU website.

For info about this update, contact Bittinger at <a href="mailto:sbittinger@frostburg.edu">sbittinger@frostburg.edu</a>.

#### **Standard 12: General Education**

To facilitate our understanding of our General Education program, especially as it relates to meeting and exceeding Middle States Standard 12, some frequently asked questions have been posted on the website. They can be reviewed at <a href="http://www.frostburg.edu/admin/office-of-assessment-and-institutional-research/institutional-assessment/general-education">www.frostburg.edu/admin/office-of-assessment-and-institutional-research/institutional-assessment/general-education</a>.

The Provost's Office thanks the many faculty and their respective chairs for their engagement as we launch into building a deliberate and sustainable assessment system for our Gen Ed program. Direct additional questions to Offstein at 301-687-4017 or <u>EOffstein@frostburg.edu</u>.

# **Brady Health Conducting Walk-in Flu Vaccine Clinics**

Brady Health will administer the quadrivalent vaccine this year for FSU students, faculty and staff on **Tuesday, Oct. 4**, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Brady Health Center. The vaccine protects against four strains of the influenza virus – two type A and two type B strains. The cost is \$20 and you must be over 18. Wear short sleeves. If unable to attend the walk-in clinic, call 301-687-4310 and schedule an appointment at the health center.

### **Upcoming BURG Events**

BURG events for the week are as follows:

- Stress Culture, Monday, Oct. 3, 7 to 8 p.m., Lane 108
- Guest Speaker: Justin Jones, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 7 to 9 p.m., Lane 133A
- Mental Health Table, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lane (Table 1)
- General Body Meeting, Thursday Oct. 6, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Gira Center 156

For info, contact Armand Jackson at adjackson02@frostburg.edu or visit www.burgpeereducationnetwork.com.

#### **Get in Shape With Wellness Expert Scott Cole!**



Get fit with the Office of Leadership and Experiential Learning, featuring tai chi, yoga, health and wellness expert Scott Cole. On **Wednesday**, **Oct. 5**, from 8 to 9 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232), light your fire with Yin/Yang Cardio, which includes dance cardio, martial tai chi, kickboxing, salsa and more. For info, contact Doug Baer at 301-687-7013.

### Foundations, Nonprofits Partner for Estate/Charitable Planning Seminar

Allegany College of Maryland Professional Development in partnership with the Allegany College of Maryland Foundation, the Community Trust Foundation, the FSU Foundation, the Garrett College Foundation, the Western Maryland Health System Foundation and the Allegany Museum Endowment will offer an advanced development opportunity for professionals involved with any and all aspects of estate and charitable planning.

"Estate and Charitable Planning in Light of Changes on the Horizon," which will be held at the Cumberland Country Club on **Thursday, Oct. 13**, from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., is designed to provide insight and understanding of estate planning, gift and charitable planning issues and techniques in 2016 and beyond. Over the past few years, Congress has made sweeping changes to the Internal Revenue Code regarding estate, gift and generation-skipping taxation. In addition, the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling opened the way for same-sex marriages. Understanding the impact of the new legislation and the Supreme Court ruling, together with recent case law developments, is important to all practitioners in properly advising their clients.

The speaker is Arthur Werner, J.D., M.S.T., a shareholder in the law firm of Werner & Rocca, P.C. His areas of practice include business, tax, financial and estate planning for high net worth individuals. In addition to the practice of law, Werner is an adjunct professor of taxation in the Master of Science in Taxation program at Philadelphia University. A member of the

Pennsylvania Bar, he lectures extensively in the areas of estate planning, financial planning and estate and gift taxation and has presented more than 500 seminars to certified public accountants and financial planners over the past decade.

The cost of the course is \$49; the deadline to register is **Thursday**, **Oct. 6**. To register or for info, contact Rebecca Ruppert, the director of Professional Development at Allegany College of Maryland, at 301-784-5338.

This course has been approved by the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards Inc. for 8 hours and is coordinated by the Maryland Association of Certified Public Accountants. Eight Continuing Professional Education credits will be offered through MACPA, and Contact Completion Hour Certificates will be offered through Allegany College of Maryland Center for Continuing Education.

# **Megan Bradley Memorial 5K for CASA of Allegany County**



The Megan Bradley Memorial 5K, presented by the Queen City Striders, is scheduled for **Saturday, Oct. 8**, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Progressive Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Center, 11801 Upper Potomac Industrial Park St., Cumberland.

**Dr. Megan Bradley** was an associate professor in FSU's Department of Psychology who passed away in April 2016 after a brief illness. She created the first 5K as a class project for her students at FSU in 2013 and to help raise funds for Court-Appointed Special Advocates for children. Bradley was the vice president of CASA

of Allegany County Board of Directors, a supporter of child advocacy and a professor of early childhood education, as well as a wife and mother. This year the 5K was renamed in her honor.

For info, visit <u>www.casaofalleganycounty.org/content/casa 5k run</u>. You don't have to be a runner to participate and can walk if you'd prefer.

# **Required Online Training Reminder – 'Think About It'**



All FSU students are asked to complete "Think About It," a 45-minute online program discussing the critical issues associated with gender-based harassment and violence.

The New Student Program deadline is **Friday**, **Oct. 14**, and the Continuing Student Program deadline is **Thursday**, **Nov. 3**.

All students, including part-time, full-time, undergraduate, graduate, professional and online, and at all FSU campuses, are to complete this program by their specified deadline. It is the University's responsibility as required by federal law to ensure all FSU students are provided this training. Check your FSU student email account for details.

# **Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It!**

It's not too early to be thinking about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate on **Tuesday, Dec. 20**, in the Cordts PE Center.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Colleges of Business and Education will both present their graduates at 2 p.m. Tickets will be required for admission. The number of tickets will be determined at a later date, based on the number of graduating students.

If you haven't yet done so, contact the Registrar's Office to complete your graduation application. Also, check that your home mailing address is accurate in PAWS so you'll receive all the necessary upcoming info.

Follow <u>@FrostburgGrad</u> on Twitter or <u>https://www.facebook.com/FrostburgGraduation</u> on Facebook for updates and important info throughout the semester.

Full details about the ceremony can be found on the Commencement website at <u>www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement</u>. For info, contact Christie Bohn at 301-687-4423 or <u>clbohn@frostburg.edu</u>.

#### **Deadlines**

### **Undergraduate Grade Changes**

The last day for undergraduate grade changes, including the removal of incomplete grades for the spring 2016 and summer 2016 semesters, is **Friday**, **Oct. 7**.

#### **Study Abroad**

# **Study Abroad and International Fair**



Grace Daigle – Spain (spring 2016)

FSU students, faculty and staff are invited to attend the Study Abroad and International Fair on **Tuesday, Oct. 18**, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. Representatives from various study abroad programs and former study abroad students will be available to answer questions. FSU's international students will also display info about their countries and will be available to talk about their cultures. For info, contact Sarah Heilig at 301-687-4747 or sheilig@frostburg.edu.

#### **Student Life**

# **Edgewood Commons Contracting for Spring 2017**

Edgewood Commons is accepting applications for the spring semester. Contact Edgewood directly for contracting questions. All the info about Edgewood Commons is available at <u>www.edgewoodFSU.com</u>. Apartments come fully furnished and have private bedrooms and semi-private bathrooms. Utilities (gas, electricity, water, Internet and cable) are included in the contract fee. To set up a tour or find out more, call 301-689-1370.

#### **FSU Events Calendar**

For info on FSU events, go to http://events.frostburg.edu/calendar.

Questions? Call 301-687-4411. All information is subject to change.

Note: FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. To request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, call 301-687-4102 or use a Voice Relay Operator at 1-800-735-2258.

#### **Designated Driver = Helpful**



# **Designated Drunk = Not so Much**

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1. Enhance experiential and applied learning opportunities for students both inside and outside the classroom.

- 2. Improve facilities so that students live and learn in a modern and technologically sophisticated environment.
- 3. Increase student quality and improve student persistence to graduation.

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