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FSU's On the EDGE Club Series Presents 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 ces@frostburg.edu 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>.

Music

Celtic Fiddle Festival to Perform 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. The show is organized by Mountain City Traditional Arts.

The Celtic Fiddle Festival released its first CD in 1993, beginning with two great friends and fiddlers – one Scottish, the other Irish. The fiddling duo earned much success after receiving a chance in New York City. From that point on, the group expanded and performed for packed houses across the U.S. and Europe. At each concert, solo performances demonstrate the uniqueness of the individual styles of music. The sounds from each musician represent their regional repertoires. Then together, they collaborate to provide dazzling energy and subtle grace. The quartet combines its considerable talents, rich musical traditions and spontaneous humor and, in return, experiences sold-out tours and standing ovations.

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.

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

For info, email <u>mountaincitytradarts@gmail.com</u> or call 301-687-8040.

Readings

English Honors Society to Celebrate Banned Books Week With Public Event



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 (ALA), 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 United States every year. According to ALA, there were at least 311 removed or challenged books in 2014.

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>.

Center for Literary Arts Presents 'Runaway' Author Evelyn Lau



FSU's Center for Literary Arts will present a reading by Vancouver writer Evelyn Lau on **Thursday**, **Oct. 6**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lyric Theatre at 20 E. Main St. in Frostburg. A reception and book signing will follow. This event is free and open to the public.

Lau has published 11 books, including six volumes of poetry. Her first book, "Runaway: Diary of a Street Kid," published when she was 18, was a bestseller and was made into a TV movie starring Sandra Oh in her first movie role.

Lau's prose books (short stories, essays and a novel) have been translated into a dozen languages; her poetry has received the Milton Acorn Award, the Pat Lowther Award, a National Magazine Award and a Governor-General's nomination. From 2011 through 2014, Lau served as poet laureate for the city of Vancouver.

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

Radio

Radio Thriller 'The Darklands' Starts Tonight

In celebration of the Halloween season, Misfit Toys Productions and WFWM Public Radio will present "The Darklands," an original six-part series of ghastly radio thrillers. Created and produced locally, the entire cast and crew, including several FSU alumni, are drawn from Frostburg and the Western Maryland area. "The Darklands" will air on **Mondays** at 9 p.m., beginning on **Sept. 26** with "The Box." This first show is about a widow called to identify the body of her abusive husband, who is then confronted by his spirit as he begs her to allow his redemption and spare him the tortures that await him in the afterlife. "The Darklands" will appropriately conclude on Halloween evening. "The Darklands" contains adult themes and situations. For info, contact Chuck Dicken at <u>cdicken@frostburg.edu</u>.

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.

Presentations

2016 Presidential Election Panel Discussion Coming Up in October

A Presidential Election Panel Discussion will be held on **Tuesday**, **Oct. 11**, at 7 p.m. in Lane 133A. Sponsored by the departments of Political Science and History and the J. Glenn Beall Institute for Public Affairs, 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"
- 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"

For info, contact Twing at <u>STwing@frostburg.edu</u> 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 essential skills for career success **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

Travis Glessner, director, Systems Engineering, will discuss One Drive on **Monday, Sept. 26**, in Gira Center 127B and **Tuesday**, **Sept. 27**, in CCIT 127A. Both sessions will be held from 1 to 1:50 p.m. With One Drive, students get 1TB (1,000GB) of free storage. This session will cover how you can work collaboratively on a document in real time. You can see changes being made as they occur, and more than one person can work on the document at the same time!

Lori Bennett, information security officer, Information Technology, will give a presentation titled "Internet Privacy – Are You Really as Safe as You Think?" on **Wednesday, Sept. 28**, from 2 to 2:50 p.m. in Gira Center 127B. In this class, participants will learn how to check for some of the most common privacy leaks and ways to identify theft, scams, viruses, Phishing attempts, spyware and adware.

Tish Cooper, learning specialist, Programs Advancing Student Success, will present "4 Weeks to a 4.0: Study Hacks That Lead to Success" on **Thursday, Sept. 29**, from 3:30 to 4:20 p.m. and on **Friday, Sept. 30**, from noon to 12:50 p.m. Both sessions will be in Lane 113. 4 Weeks to 4.0 is a four-part series created by Cal Newport, an associate professor of computer science at Georgetown University and the author of numerous books on success and how to be a successful student. This 50-minute session will dive into Newport's theory of what student strategies it takes to attain a 4.0. Attendees will talk about the importance of effective time management, taking good notes, reading efficiently and organizing their academic work.

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

Appalachian Laboratory Fall Seminar Series

Dr. Zac Freedman, West Virginia University, will present "Don't Miss the Microbes for the Trees: A Potential Mechanism Fostering Ecosystem Carbon Storage Under Future Rates of Nitrogen Deposition" on **Thursday, Sept. 29**, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For info, go to <u>www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule</u>.

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>.

Workshops

'Understanding Autism in College Students'

Holly Veith, director of Disability Support Services at FSU, and *Dr. Kevin Simonson*, psychologist and training director, Counseling and Psychological Services, will hold a workshop, "Understanding Autism in College Students" on **Friday, Sept. 30**, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Lane 113. To RSVP, email <u>cte@frostburg.edu</u>.

Frostburg Workshop Helps Veterans Turn Experiences Into Written Works

The writing workshop for area military veterans meets **every Tuesday through Dec. 6**, at 6 p.m. at the FSU Center for Literary Arts, 22 E. Main St. in downtown Frostburg. The workshop, which is free and open to all veterans in the Western Maryland region, is designed to help veterans transform their military experiences into written works.

Frostburg's weekly writing workshop will provide a place for interested veterans to regularly meet, learn to translate their difficult experiences and emotions onto the page and explore their written creations with fellow veterans of America's military conflicts.

The veterans workshop is conducted by *Gibb Cochrum*, a native of Western Maryland who teaches English courses at FSU.

Attendees need no previous writing experience. Cochrum will offer writing prompts to help guide novice writers through the creative process.

This workshop series has been made possible through an FSU Foundation Opportunity Grant.

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

Exhibits

Ort Library Celebrates Banned Books Week

Banned Books Week runs **through Saturday**, **Oct. 1**. Banned Books Week began in 1982 when libraries began to notice that a large number of books were being challenged and/or removed from libraries, schools and bookstores. Since 1982, libraries and other organizations have taken an active role in making sure the public is aware of the books that are being challenged and to make sure everyone has the freedom to read. This year's theme for Banned Books Week is diversity. Stop by the Ort Library to see a display on Banned Books and check out some of the books that have been challenged (those that people have asked to have banned).

The display for Banned Books Week will be up through **Tuesday**, **Oct. 4**. For info, contact Theresa Mastrodonato at <u>tmmastrodonato@frostburg.edu</u>.

Points of Pride

Top Management Degrees and Best Value MBA List FSU's Online MBA Among Top 50 in the Country

Two online organizations focused on helping prospective students find the best values in online MBA programs have ranked FSU's program among the top 50 in the nation in recent weeks.

Top Management Degrees has ranked FSU number 48 of the most affordable online MBAs of 2017. At the same time, Best Value MBA rated FSU's MBA number 46 among its top 50 best MBA programs that offer high value and affordability.



Top Management Degrees' ranking is designed to find the best affordable online Master of Business Administration available. A list of over 350 online MBA programs was obtained and then vetted based on accreditation and estimated tuition cost to find the most affordable program. Every program included in the ranking is regionally accredited by one of the six accrediting agencies recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, and additionally accredited by one of the top three business school accreditors – IACBE, ACBSP or AACSB-International.

Each MBA was ultimately considered based on the estimated total tuition of the program. The tuition information was gathered from the most recent data given on each specific program/school website.

Top Management Degrees noted that FSU, a member of the University System of Maryland, is a regionally accredited university and that its College of Business is additionally accredited by AACSB-International. The company calculates that students can finish FSU's flexible online MBA program at an affordable resident tuition cost of \$14,256.



Best Value MBA's 50 programs were selected for their affordability out of over 500 MBA programs offered online. All programs ranked are offered by regionally accredited public or private nonprofit universities. Many of the programs have additional accreditation from national and international accrediting bodies like AACSB, ACBSP and IACBE. Schools were ranked solely based on their tuition.

Best Value MBA emphasizes that full-time students can complete FSU's AACSB-accredited online MBA in just one year and that applicants are not required to submit GMAT scores if their undergraduate GPA is 3.65 or

higher, or 3.25 with two years of professional experience. In-state tuition is estimated at \$6,876 and out-of-state tuition at \$8,838.

For info about Top Management Degrees' Top 50 Most Affordable Online MBA Programs of 2017, go to <u>www.topmanagementdegrees.com/rankings/most-affordable-online-mba-programs-2017</u>. For info on Best Value MBA's Top 50 Most Affordable Online MBA Programs, visit <u>www.bestvaluemba.net/rankings/most-affordable-online-mba-programs</u>.

For info about FSU's MBA program, call the Office of Graduate Services at 301-687-7053, email <u>gradservices@frostburg.edu</u> or visit <u>www.frostburg.edu/grad</u>.

FSU Students Give Main Street Businesses a Boost During Frostburg 101



Students shopped at Crestmont LTC clothing store on Frostburg's Main Street as part of Frostburg 101: A Taste of the City.

For some FSU students, shopping on Main Street is no longer a mystery. A special student-only shopping event called Frostburg 101: A Taste of the City demystified downtown businesses for those FSU students by showing them what Main Street offers, enticing them with offers and giveaways.

FSU students filled downtown retailers and restaurants as part of the first-ever event held Saturday, Sept. 10. About 220 students registered for the event, which enabled them to obtain a passport to use to explore Main Street and earn stamps to be eligible for prizes. There were also many other students who shopped in the stores without registering.

The Frostburg Student Government Association, FrostburgFirst, FSU Foundation, city of Frostburg and FSU SafeRide all collaborated in creating and executing the inaugural event.

Frostburg 101 was born out of a local issues Town Hall meeting in October 2015 co-hosted by the FSU Office of Civic Engagement, SGA and FSU's J. Glenn Beall Institute for Public Affairs. That led to a dialogue among students that night, sharing how the Frostburg merchants are welcoming to students and offer great places to shop. FrostburgFirst and business owners quickly bought in, too, leading to the creation of Frostburg 101: A Taste of the City.

On the day of the event, Main Street's foot traffic was steady with student shoppers filling up the sidewalks and shops. Resident assistants walked with students to Main Street, orientation peer mentors led freshmen on an easy stroll from campus to discover downtown and free SafeRide shuttles continuously dropped off more FSU Bobcats to the event.

A Taste of the City enhanced the student population's understanding of Frostburg beyond the annual Block Party where community organizations congregate on Main Street.

FSU's Patrick O'Brien Presented With Spirit of Frostburg Award



Frostburg Mayor Robert Flanigan, left, presents FSU Director of Student Engagement Patrick O'Brien with the Spirit of Frostburg award, which is artwork based on the Frostburg Bicentennial poster created by FSU faculty member Susan Dodge and features the Bicentennial Poem by local poet Nina Forsythe.

FSU Director of Civic Engagement **Patrick O'Brien** was honored with the Spirit of Frostburg Award during a recent Frostburg City Council meeting, in recognition of his ongoing efforts to strengthen the relationship between FSU students and the year-round residents of Frostburg.

"I often see Patrick O'Brien at City Place with new AmeriCorps members who are becoming

acquainted with their new home for the next four years, supervising the annual book giveaway or organizing Beautify the Burg as the head of a very diverse committee," said Barbara Armstrong, who was head of the Frostburg Bicentennial Committee, from which the Spirit of Frostburg Award arose.

Past FSU recipients included *Chuck Dicken*, WFWM station director, in 2013, and *Dr. Bill Bingman* and *Dr. Barbara Ornstein* of the Children's Literature Center, in 2015.

Frank Fleckenstein Publishes Novel

Frank Fleckenstein, a lecturer in FSU's Department of Philosophy, has published a new novel. Set during the radical cultural shift in the last half of the 20th century, "David's Lantern" is about a young nun, Charlotte, who leaves her vocation behind to examine the meaning and source of her profound desire to live and experience freedom. The novel is available as an e-book via Amazon.

Dr. Tom Serfass and Students Present at Conference and Publish Variety of Papers

Dr. Tom Serfass, a professor in FSU's Department of Biology, and his graduate student **Kelly Pearce** were sponsored participants and gave the following presentations at the 13th International Otter Congress, titled "Otters and People," in Singapore in July:

- "Spotted-Necked Otters and Rubondo Island National Park, Tanzania: Review of an Evaluative Process for Developing an Ecotourism Flagship"
- "River Otters as Flagships for Aquatic Conservation: Why This Approach Doesn't Fit the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation"
- "Assessing the Potential of the River Otter ('Lontra canadensis') to Serve as an Aquatic Flagship for the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem: A Human-Dimensions Approach for Promoting Aquatic Conservation"

Here are some recent publications by Serfass and his graduate students in the Department of Biology and colleagues at other universities:

- Wagnon, C.J., and T.L. Serfass. 2016. "Camera Traps at Northern River Otter Latrines Enhance Carnivore Detectability Along Riparian Areas in Eastern North America." "Global Ecology and Conservation" 8:138-143.
- Peper, S.T., R.L. Peper, D.H. Mitcheltree, G.V. Kollias, R.P. Brooks, S.S. Stevens and T.L. Serfass. 2016. "Utility of Two Modified-Live Virus Canine Distemper Vaccines in Wild-Caught Fishers ('Martes pennanti')." "Veterinary Quarterly": DOI:10.1080/01652176.2015.1114193.
- Peper, S.T., R.L. Peper, D.H. Mitcheltree, G.V. Kollias, R.P. Brooks, S.S. Stevens and T.L. Serfass. 2016. "Low Titers of Canine Distemper Virus Antibody in Wild Fishers ('Martes pennanti') in the Eastern USA." "Journal of Wildlife Diseases" 52:150-153.
- Serfass, T.L., L. Wright, K.J. Pearce and N. Duplaix, In press. "Animal Welfare Issues Pertaining to the Trapping of Otters for Conservations, Research and Fur." In "Marine Mammal Welfare." Springer Verlag, Heidelberg, Germany.
- Bricker, E.A., T.L. Serfass, Z.L. Hanley, S.S. Stevens, K.J. Pearce and J.A. Bohrman. In press. "Conservation Status of the North American River Otter in the United States and Canada: Assessing Management Practices and Public Perceptions." In "Small Carnivores: Evolution, Ecology, Behaviour and Conservation." John Wiley & Sons, Ltd., West Sussex, United Kingdom.

Serfass, **Dr. Rebekah Taylor**, an assistant professor in FSU's Department of Biology, and **J. Wong**, a former graduate student, have had the following article accepted for publication in "Journal of Zoo and Wildlife Medicine": "Stress Levels in Captured River Otters ('Lontra canadensis') Decreased After Transportation to Reintroduction Sites."

Take Note

Tell the World Your Story



"If you had one story to share with the world, what would you say?" On **Tuesday, Sept. 27**, you will have the chance to answer that question through the internationally renowned portrait project, Dear World. The Dear World team will be on the first floor of the Lane University Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., shooting portraits of Frostburg students, faculty and staff in their distinct message-on-skin style.

The #DearFrostburg portraits will be revealed at a special event from 7 to 8 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall, along with some of the stories that inspired them. #DearFrostburg images will then be shared worldwide.

Dear World began in 2009, when founder Robert Fogarty asked residents of New Orleans to write a "love note" to their city and has since grown into a global phenomenon, with its images published in more than 30 countries.

Dear World has documented many significant celebrities, intellectuals, elected leaders and sporting icons, as well as people around the globe with incredible stories.

This event is made possible by FSU's vice president of Student Affairs, Office of Student Activities and Greek Life SOAR Series.

Brady Health Conducting Walk-in Flu Vaccine Clinics

Brady Health will administer the quadrivalent vaccine this year for FSU students, faculty and staff on **Wednesday, Sept. 28**, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Lane 108 (cash or check only) and **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 a 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:

- Nutrition Program, Wednesday, Sept. 28, 7 p.m., Lane 113
- General Body Meeting, Thursday, Sept. 29, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Gira Center 156

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

FSU Becomes First Allegany County Law Enforcement Agency to Fully Deploy Body-Worn Cameras



FSU Police Cpl. Todd Pressman speaks to a student on FSU's campus while wearing one of the department's new body-worn cameras on his chest.

FSU Police are now using body-worn cameras, making it the first and only police agency in Allegany County to fully deploy the technology.

The department will use the 14 cameras as an enhancement tool for evidence when responding to calls for service, initiating a citation or arrest and during knock-and-talk visits in the community. Cameras will not be on all the time for certain situations, such as in a sexual assault investigation, to protect a victim's privacy.

Officers will inform people they encounter that they are being audibly and visually recorded and will activate and deactivate recording manually.

FSU Police received the body-worn cameras last year, but waited until this year to deploy them because a law was passed the following month that ordered the Maryland Police Training Commission to develop a policy for body-worn camera use by local law enforcement. That policy then served as guidance for University Police to create its own policy.

Student organization leaders commended the department for choosing to use the technology.

FSU and the Frostburg Community Coalition received the 10 cameras from a Maryland Strategic Prevention Framework Grant, which provided money from the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to reduce underage access to alcohol and high-risk use among young adults in the Frostburg area. About \$9,400 from the grant was used to purchase the cameras and related software. The additional four cameras were bought with University funds.

The cameras are manufactured by VieVu, have a 95-degree field of view and record in high definition. The cameras are worn in the chest area of an officer's uniform. While the cameras cannot capture everything that occurs at an incident, the recording can enhance the officer's reporting.

Evidence from the cameras is already being included in court proceedings, and footage will always be sent as part of a case file when body-worn cameras were used. A sergeant is assigned to be the body-worn camera supervisor to review video and maintain the database.

For info about University Police, visit <u>www.frostburg.edu/admin/police</u>.

Campus Chat – Discussing the Office of Civil Rights Resolution

The Office of Gender Equity invites FSU faculty, staff and students to join in an informal discussion about the Office of Civil Rights resolution on **Friday**, **Sept. 30**, starting at 11:30 a.m. in Lane 109. Campus Chats are a monthly series in which current events and other topics related to gender-based harassment and violence can be shared. Participants are encouraged to bring their lunch and RSVP to <u>titleix@frostburg.edu</u> (seating is limited!).

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 (CASA) 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>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-megan-bradley-memorial-5k-for-casa-of-allegany-county-tickets-</u> 27306087242. You don't have to be a runner to participate and can walk if you'd prefer.

Foundations, Nonprofits Partner for Seminar on Estate and Charitable Planning

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. Werner has been highly rated as a speaker and discussion leader by several state CPA organizations.

The cost of the course is \$49; the deadline to register is **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 (MACPA). Eight Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits will be offered through MACPA, and Contact Completion Hour Certificates will be offered through Allegany College of Maryland Center for Continuing Education.

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 about overseas opportunities. In addition, FSU's international students will display info about their countries and will be available to talk about their cultures. For info, contact Sarah Heilig at 301-687-4747 or <u>sheilig@frostburg.edu</u>.

FSU-TV3

Tell FSU-TV3 What You Think!



FSU-TV3 is gathering info on its programming needs and is asking the community to complete a survey. To take the survey, log on to <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/fsu-tv3-16-programming</u>. To see what program options FSU-TV3 has before taking the survey, visit <u>www.frostburg.edu/fsu-tv3/programming</u>.

You can also use this QR code to go to the survey.

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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.

Community

Mountainside Baroque Announces Upcoming Season



Mountainside Baroque's new season will lead off with "Handel's Dueling Divas" on **Saturday, Oct. 8**, at 7:30 p.m. at the Shrine of SS Peter and Paul in Cumberland. In 1719, Handel helped organize the Royal Academy of Music, which performed a number of his dramatic works. Several years after the Academy's founding, Handel imported as his leading lady the famous soprano Francesca Cuzzoni and in spring of 1726, brought in mezzo-soprano and virtuosa Faustina Bordoni. As singers of equal stature, a rivalry for the ages was born. Mountainside's program recounts their story with some of the very arias that made

them famous. Featuring Grammy award-winning soprano Estelí Gomez as Cuzzoni and mezzo-soprano Fabiana Gonzales as Bordoni, the concert will offer a taste of their competition, right up through an alleged on-stage tiff.

Included in the second half of the concert will be two of the composer's 16 Chandos anthems ("O Sing Unto the Lord" and "Let God Arise"), featuring Mountainside's resident chamber choir, the Scholars of St. Cecilia, with guest soloists, tenor Bradley King and baritone Robert Tudor. These modest, yet inventive works, include a variety of choruses and solos and pave the way for Handel's famous English oratorios, such as "Messiah."

This concert will be repeated on **Sunday, Oct. 9**, at 3:30 p.m. at the Church of the Nativity at Cedarcroft in Baltimore. For tickets and info, visit <u>www.mountainsidebaroque.org</u>.

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.

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