FSU Leadership Retreat Wins National Recognition

FSU’s annual student leadership retreat has been recognized by the National Association for Campus Activities Foundation, a clearinghouse for information, ideas and programs promoting a variety of university activities, as one of its Exemplary Practices and Model Programs.

FSU’s “1999 Student Leadership Retreat: Embark Upon Your Leadership Journey” was one of only seven programs nationwide to receive the honor.

During the two-day, two-night retreat, participants are able to explore both personal leadership development as well as working with group dynamics. Participants often attend in teams from various organizations, but individuals may attend as well.

“It’s a great mix of people,” said Stacy Klimkosky, associate director of the Lane Center and Campus Activities.

The leadership retreat is designed to allow participants to experience a variety of leadership challenges on personal, small group and large group levels. First-year students are urged to participate, as are sophomores and juniors in leadership positions, as well as students who consider themselves potential campus leaders. Faculty, staff, a few alumni, and students who have attended the retreat in the past serve as facilitators.

The National Association for Campus Activities, serving colleges and universities, is committed to inspiring excellence in student leadership development and programs outside the classroom.

Types of programs that were considered for the Exemplary Practices and Model Programs include leadership orientation, Web-based, theme week or collaborative programs, special events, concerts or staff training and recruitment.

One criteria for recognition is how well the program meets the organization’s goals and how well that, in turn, helps the institution meet its goals.

Part of the University’s mission statement says, “the University provides a learner-centered environment which nurtures the physical and emotional well-being of its students and which aspires to involve every student in active learning.” It also stresses the importance of “academic and co-curricular programs, research and service,” a theme echoed in the Lane Center and Campus Activities mission statement.

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Tickets are now on sale in room 302 of the Performing Arts Center during regular business hours. Reservations can also be made by calling x4145 between 1 and 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

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The works in “Traces” attempt to make the unreal real, and dissolve the isolation of the individual, transforming the viewer’s experience to spirit him/her away from the ordinary. These artists believe that the physical presence is a container or host for the ephemeral life of thought, idea and image. By using sensuality in a way that forces introspection, they connect the spiritual (divine) and the sensual (secular).

“Traces” is sponsored by Celadon, Inc., a non-profit arts funding organization, with the generous support of the FSU Department of Visual Arts.

This event is free and open to the public. The Roper Gallery hours are Sundays through Wednesdays, 1 to 4 p.m. For information, contact the FSU Department of Visual Arts, x4797.

Celebration of Womanhood

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University of Rochester

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10:30-11:00: Registration
11:00-12:15: Introduction; Drumming: Madonna Pool; Panel of four women sharing their personal celebration
of womanhood: Madona Pool, Ina Hicks, Leontyne Peck, Naomi Byler
12:30-1:30: Catered lunch: Opportunity for each person to share her own celebration of womanhood at her table
1:45-2:30: Workshop Sessions I: (a) “Journaling: Connecting with the Spirit,” Nancy-Elizabeth Nimmich, (b) “Your Relationship with Food: Bridging the Gap,” Sherri Schubert and Susan Gray
2:45-3:30: Workshop Sessions II: (c) “Hands for Health: Massage Therapy,” Martha Schadt, (d) “Mirror, Mirror on the Wall,” Reflections of Myself, Mikal Crawford and Lynn Wiljanen, (e) “Growing Yoga,” Abbie Weiskopf
3:45-4:30: Plenary Session: “The Journey Woman,” written by Norma Blacke-Bourdeau, performed by Miss Cumberland, Gabrielle Gellinas; Poetry Reading by Barb Hurd: “Is it Memory She Brings, or News?”; (1) Tibetan children’s poems about their mothers and (2) Hurd’s poems about women of India; “International Dance of Universal Peace,” led by Patty Wells.

Between sessions, attendees can visit exhibitor’s tables to browse and/or buy crafts, soaps, hand-woven items, books, vitamins, herbs, jewelry, organic products, and aromatherapy products. If you would like a registration form or information, contact Phoebe Wiley, chair of the FSU Women’s Forum, at x4066, ore-mail pwiley@frostburg.edu.

WVU African Ensemble and Steel Band to Visit
The West Virginia University African Ensemble and Steel Band is coming to FSU Tuesday, March 7. The performance will be at 7 p.m. in Pealer Recital Hall and is free and open to the public.

The ensemble, founded and directed by Dr. Paschal Younge, is comprised of a group of professors and students from WVU who are interested in promoting the African and Caribbean cultures through musical and dance performances. All of the music and dancing in the show is native to these cultures and has been developed over the last century.

Prior to the evening performance, Younge and his group will hold two workshops on African dance, the first, for FSU students and other members of the university community, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the recital hall.

The second, from 3 to 4:15 p.m., in the Dance Studio, will involve teenaged boys from the Maple Run Youth Center. It will not be open to the public.

This event constitutes the fourth program of the African American Forum 2000, which invites participants to discover and appreciate the contribution of people of African descent to human culture in the Americas and elsewhere.

This program is sponsored by African American Studies, the Maryland State Arts Council, the Center for International Education, Black Student Alliance, the Office of the Provost and the Office of University Advancement.

For information, contact Dr. Jean-Marie Makang at x3089 or at jmakang@frostburg.edu.

“Nellie Bly Takes on the World” Presented
Nellie Bly, America’s first female investigative reporter, will come to life Wednesday, March 15, in “Nellie Bly Takes on the World,” a performance by actress Meg Kelly presented at the Performing Arts Center Studio Theatre. The 7 p.m. performance is free and open to the public.

The presentation is sponsored by the FSU Women’s Studies program and the Department of Communication and Theatre Arts in celebration of Women’s History Month.

Kelly will also lead an open discussion earlier that day at 3 p.m. in Performing Arts Center Room 224. She will share the historical significance of Nellie Bly as a prototype of the New Woman of the modern era. She will also talk about the creative process involved in producing one-woman shows about the lives of notable women.

Bly, whose real name was Elizabeth Cochrane Seaman, is known for her investigation of the treatment of the mentally ill. In 1888, she spent 10 days posing as a patient in a hospital on Roosevelt Island in New York City. She later wrote about the experience in her book, “Ten Days in a Madhouse” (1888).

Bly also took a well-publicized trip around the world, which took 72 days, six hours and 11 minutes. Traveling by train and steamboat, she was trying to make the journey in less time than the fictional Phileas Fogg in Jules Verne’s novel, “Around the World in Eighty Days.” She wrote about her experiences in “Nellie Bly’s Book: Around the World in Seventy-Two Days” (1890).

Kelly is a well-known actress in Western Maryland, whose credits include Martha in the Cumberland Theatre production of “Who’s Afraid of Virginia Woolf?”

For information on the program or on Women’s Studies at FSU, contact Women’s Studies Coordinator Sally Boniece at x7933.

Ex-Aryan Nation Member to Speak on Hate Groups
Floyd Cochran, a former member of the Neo-Nazi group, Aryan Nation and now Director of the Education and Vigilance Network, will speak on “Hate Groups on the Rise — What Can We Do?” Tuesday, March 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Use Room of Lane Center.

He will speak on how racist organizations are formed and maintained and how we can combat them. Mr. Cochran has spoken before many campuses and has appeared on numerous national television and radio programs including “Dateline,” “48 Hours,” “Good Morning America” and “All Things Considered” (National Public Radio).

The Interfaith Council and numerous other campus organizations are sponsoring the event.

Mr. Cochran is available as a guest lecturer for Tuesday, March 14, for morning and/or afternoon classes. If you have an interest in having him speak in your class, please let Larry Neumark know as soon as possible at x7490 or by e-mail at neumark@mindspring.com.

Zen Retreat, Workshop to Feature Kjolhede
FSU will feature “Zen, Soto and Rinsai Schools” by Sensei Sunya Kjolhede, on Friday, April 14 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in Dunkle Hall, room 218.

A meditation workshop, for participation only, will be Saturday, April 15, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Cordts Physical Education Center, Leake Room.

A long-time student of Roshi Philip Kapleau, Kjolhede was ordained as a Zen priest and sanctioned as a Zen teacher in 1995. She has been involved in the practice of Zen Buddhism for 30 years, initially as a staff member of the Rochester Zen Center. She is currently the chaplain in the trauma/burn unit of a large university hospital.

Kjolhede has conducted Zen retreats and workshops to diverse audiences in the United States, Mexico and Poland. She lives in Rochester, New York, with her husband Lawson Sachter, a Zen teacher and therapist, and their 13-year-old daughter Ellora, the youngest of four children.

Meditation workshop participants are reminded to bring two firm pillows and a blanket for Zazen posture support. Loose and comfortable (i.e. sweatsuits not...
shorts), natural-colored clothing is recommended.

This event is sponsored by the FSU Faculty Development Committee. For information, contact Paul LaChance, professor of English, x4225.

**FSU Sends Team To Regional College Bowl**

During the weekend of Feb. 18, a team from FSU competed in the College Bowl Region IV Tournament at Duquesne University, the first time in five years that FSU has sent a team.

The FSU team members were Mike "Zeke" Rowland, who was team captain, Brandi Czeh, Chris Bender and Jeff Tharp.

Eleven teams braved bad weather to make up the Round Robin Tournament. University of Pittsburgh won and will move on to represent Region IV at the National Tournament.

FSU also came out a winner when, at the end of the tournament, all teams and volunteers voted for the team that represented the best enthusiasm and good will toward the other teams, awarding FSU the Sportsmanship Award. This was the first time the award was given.

Campus Activities officials say they hope that this year’s achievements will point FSU in the right direction to end up representing Region IV at the College Bowl National Tournament.

**Lecture on Mobile Computing Set**

Dr. A.R. Hurson, a member of the Computer Science and Engineering faculty of Pennsylvania State University will present a lecture on Mobile Computing and Global Information Process. The talk will be Monday, March 6, at 2 p.m. in Lane Center 201, the Atkinson Room, and is free and open to the public.

Computer users are becoming much more demanding in their desire and need for access to information anytime, anywhere. The extensive diversity in the range of information accessible at any time is also growing rapidly, in sources ranging from databases to the Internet.

In addition, the expanding technology is making many more devices available to access this enormous amount of data. Hurson’s talk investigates the effects of mobile computing on database issues, proposes a new, global, information-sharing environment and addresses several research directions within this new environment.

Hurson is an Association for Com-puter Machinery Distinguished Lecturer. His lecture is sponsored by the FSU student chapter of ACM, the Student Government Association, the Computer Club, the Computer Science Department and the Association for Computer Machinery.

For information, contact Peter K. Mburu at (301) 689-6241.

**FSU to Host Masters & Senior Games**

The FSU Recreation and Parks Management Program, in conjunction with the Frostburg Senior Center and the Allegany County Area Agency on Aging, will host the inaugural spring/ summer Western Maryland Masters & Senior Games on Saturday and Sunday, April 29 and 30. The events will be held on the FSU campus and in community venues.

The goal of these games is to conduct athletic events that promote active living among senior and masters participants and provide a learning experience for FSU students in the Recreation and Parks Management Program. FSU students within the Program Planning and Leadership course and other program majors, under the direction of their faculty, will plan and implement the games. This event will provide the students a hands-on, out-of-classroom learning experience in collaborating with community agencies and programming special events.

The seniors division of the games will serve as a satellite event for the Maryland Senior Olympics, an affiliate of the Maryland Senior Olympics Commission. The FSU two-day program includes three premier events - golf, 5K run and softball. Other competitions include track and field, horseshoes, bocci, swimming, tennis, badminton, basketball, 3X3 and free throws, racquetball, volleyball, table tennis and bowling.

Event participation is open to all residents of the Western Maryland region, including southern Pennsylvania and northern West Virginia. Masters division designation is for persons aged 40 to 49. Seniors will compete in age groups including 50 to 54, 55 to 59, 60 to 64, 65 to 69, 70 to 74, 75 to 79, 80 to 84, 85 to 89, 90 to 94 and 95 plus. If participant numbers are insufficient, age groups may be combined for competition purposes.

In addition to these games, plans are underway for a fall/winter competitions to be held in November, 2000.

For information on this event, please contact Ken Bulik, FSU lecturer, x4436 or Alpha Sharpless, Frostburg Senior Center, (301) 689-5510.

**Western Maryland History Day Set**

FSU will host Western Maryland History Day for Allegany and Garrett County middle and high school students Saturday, March 11, from 9 a.m. to noon in the Lewis J. Ort Library.

Through a variety of techniques including original documentaries, museum-type exhibits, dramatic performances and papers, young historians from Washington Middle, Allegany High, Southern High and Southern Middle schools will present projects based on the theme “Turning Points in History.” FSU is the Western Maryland coordinator for the state History Day program. Throughout the state, more than three thousand middle and high school students will be participating in regional History Day events sponsored by Columbia Gas of Maryland and the Maryland Humanities Council.

Finalists from the Western Maryland History Day will become eligible to enter the Maryland History Day 2000 competition scheduled for April 29 at the University of Baltimore.

Maryland’s History Day program is part of the National History Day network that seeks to reform the teaching and learning of history in the secondary schools. National History Day, headquartered at the University of Maryland, College Park, draws more than half a million participants and teachers from 49 states annually.

The event is free and open to the public. In case of snow, History Day will be held April 1. For information, contact Nicholas Clulee, Department of History, x4215.

**Film Series to Present “The Dinner Game”**

The International Film Series will present “The Dinner Game” Tuesday, March 7, at 7 p.m. in Lane Center 201.

This French film, with English subtitles, is a side-splittingly funny romp that revels in the infamous, French sense of humor as it tells the story of a group of friends and their bizarre dinner engagement they maintain each week. Every Wednesday, Pierre Brochant and his friends meet for supper, adhering to one simple condition – everyone attending must bring an idiot. Each member of the group spends the week searching for the
most appropriate “guest” with friends offering helpful suggestions along the way. This event is free and open to the public. For information, contact the FSU Lane Center Information Desk, x4411.

Undergrad Psychology Internships Announced

The Department of Psychology would like to announce the Spring 2000 undergraduate field placements. Students involved in internships include: Amy Boggs, Uninet Corporation, Frostburg; Jessica Carder, Cumberland YMCA Family Center; Susan Clayton, Cash Valley Elementary School, LaVale; Laurie DuPont, Bedford Court by Marriott, Silver Spring; Ta’Mia Henry, Karen Moyer and Jessica Murray, Allegany County Health Department, Lois E. Jackson Unit, Cumberland; Amie Hughes, Northern Garrett County High School, Accident; Jill Kitko, Cumberland YMCA; William McKinley, The Department of Juvenile Justice, Cumberland; Hillary Norton and Rebecca Smith, Allegany County Board of Education, Cumberland; Angela Plaugher, Western Maryland Correctional Institute, Cumberland; Barbara Smith, Sheppard Pratt, Baltimore; Shawn Smith, Allegany College of Maryland, Cumberland; Charmaine Weatherbie, Family Crisis Resource Center, Cumberland; and Joyce Wilcek, Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pennsylvania. For information on the FSU Department of Psychology, contact x4193.

Summer Planning Student Positions Available

Student and Educational Services is now accepting applications for the position of student assistant to work in the Summer Planning Conferences this summer. We will be hiring 15 student assistants to work along with our 15 faculty advisors. There are five sessions. There will be a break between the first three sessions and the last two sessions. Conference dates and workshop requirements are as follows:

- Student workshop: June 19-21
- Staff workshop: June 22
- Session I: June 23-24
- Session II: June 25-26
- Session III: June 30-July 1
- Session IV: July 14-15
- Session V: July 16-17

Salary is $800. Applications will be available Wednesday, March 8, and need to be returned to SES by Monday, March 20. Following a review of the applications, qualified students will be invited for an interview. Those students selected to work in the program will be notified on or before April 10. Among other factors, academic standing will be taken into consideration in the selection process. Applications are available at the Office of Student and Educational Services, 115 Hitchins Administration Building; Residence Life Office, Annapolis Hall; Information Desk, Lane Center.

Mark Your Calendars

Dr. Gira will present her Spring 2000 Convocation Tuesday, April 11. The Convocation will begin at 3:30 p.m. in the PAC Recital Hall. All members of the University community – faculty, staff and students – are invited to attend. In addition, the annual convocation to honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be Monday, April 17, at 11 a.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall. Keynote speaker will be Dr. Norman Fortenberry of the National Science Foundation.

Free Writing Help

The Writing Center, located in Gunter 114, offers free tutoring help to all FSU students (no faculty referral required). Students are encouraged to make appointments, but tutors will work with walk-ins as time permits. The Writing Center also has a Web page with helpful information about our services, numerous handouts, and links to other OWLs (online writing labs). The URL is www.frostburg.edu/clife/writingcenter/main.htm. To make an appointment, call x4066 or stop by Gunter 114 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

English Honor Society

Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honor Society, will meet on Tuesday, March 7, at 5 p.m. in Dunkle 103. All members are encouraged to attend as well as any English majors or minors who are interested in joining. For more information, contact Dr. Pula, ext. 4240.

Math Helpers Wanted

FSU’s Learning Center is seeking student instructors for its Developmental Math Program. Earn $500, receive three field experience credits and build your resume! Students who are interested in education or mathematics are encouraged to apply; however, the search is open to all students interested in helping other students. For information or application materials, visit or call Beth Stallings at the Learning Center, 111 Gunter Hall, x4442. Deadline for applications is Friday, March 17.

March 10 Deadline to Remove Incompletes

Reminder: The last day for removal of incomplete grades for undergraduate students for the Fall 1999/Intersession 2000 semesters is Friday, March 10. Instructors may call Marcy in the Registrar’s Office at x4347 if they have questions or need “Change of Grade” forms. Also, the last day for undergraduate students to withdraw with a “W” in a course for the Spring 2000 semester is Friday, March 31.

Peer Ed Conference: “Field of Dreams”

Coming soon to a campus near you, FSU’s first Peer Education Conference, “Field of Dreams.” On April 7 and 8, peer education organizations from colleges in seven states (Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia) and Washington, D.C., will be making their way to Frostburg. This two-day event will feature several workshop sessions put on by local agencies and the attending schools themselves on a variety of issues affecting peer education and student leadership. Highlighting the conference will be national speaker Eric Chester. Friday, April 7, at 7 p.m. in the Lane Center Multi-Use Room, Chester will address issues of value building, self-esteem, leadership development and healthy choices. The former teacher, mentor and ESPN color analyst makes presentations to 100,000 teens a year. For more information on Chester, visit his Web site at http://www.ericchester.com. Student organizations from FSU are also invited to attend and present. There is a cost involved. For more information, contact the S.A.F.E. Office in 017 Compton Hall or call x4761.

United Campus Ministry

The Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service will be Wednesday, March 8, 8 p.m. in Cook Chapel, Frost Hall. Start Lent through this meaningful service.

Earth Day Festival Planning Set

The Sierra Student Coalition and The Wildlife Society will hold their 2000 Earth Day Festival Saturday, April 15, from 10
Applications are being accepted for the Women’s Forum Scholarships. Full-time and part-time students are invited to apply. To qualify, you must be a woman who has completed 12 or more credits; be currently enrolled at a USM institution; be in good academic standing; and be in financial need. Scholarship money is for school-related expenses, which may include books, child-care, or transportation. For information or an application, contact Phoebe Wiley, Gunter 114, x4066. Deadline is Friday, March 31, at 4 p.m.

Scholarships for Returning Women Students Offered

Applications are available in the Office of Field Experiences, 203 Framptom Hall. Applications are DUE March 6. If you have any questions, contact Carol Abernathy at x4216.

Business Students Offer Free Tax Help

Help preparing 1999 tax returns is available through the IRS-sponsored VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program at FSU.

Volunteers will alert taxpayers to credits and deductions.

Appointments must be made in advance by calling Dr. Joyce Abernathy at x4216. Student volunteers will work Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Framptom Hall.

At your appointment, bring the tax packages mailed by the IRS and the state. A copy of last year’s returns, if available, and any other relevant information about income and expenses.

Allen Hall ISTARS! Office at x4708

Application deadline is Friday, March 10.

Summer Registration Begins March 6

Summer School 2000 registration begins Monday, March 6. Session I begins on May 30 and ends on July 3; Session II July 6 and August 9; MBA Session May 30 and August 8; and Internship Session May 30 and Aug. 22. See the printed schedule booklet or the FSU web page at www.frostburg.edu/admin/regoff/schbk.htm for the course listings.

You must pay when you register. Credit card payment is acceptable. You may register by phone, mail, or in-person.

For more information, contact the Office of Special Programs at x7053 or in Hitchins 133. A comprehensive program of courses is offered.

Census Bureau Wants You

The US Census Bureau is recruiting students and others for positions in Census 2000. Census jobs are all about making sure that everyone is counted accurately. Workers are greatly needed in the Frostburg area. Most positions involve field work, verifying and correcting addresses and conducting interviews with residents of the community, including FSU students. To qualify, applicants must take a brief written test of basic skills. A test session will be held on campus on Wednesday, March 8, beginning at 4 p.m. in Lane Center room 140-141. For more information and to register for the test, call 1-888-325-7733.

Attention Teacher Education Students

If you are planning to enroll in courses for either Phase I or Phase II of the Teacher Education Program for both the summer 2000 and fall 2000 terms, you must apply before Monday, March 13.

Applications may be picked up from the Office of Field Experiences, Framptom Hall 203. For information, contact Becca Lewis at x4776.

For students entering Phase III (student teaching) of the Teacher Education Program during Fall 2000 semester, applications for admission to Phase III (teaching internship) are available through March 6 in the Office of Field Experiences, 203 Framptom Hall.

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Help with basic federal and Maryland income tax returns will be offered through early April by volunteers from FSU’s College of Business who have been trained and approved by the IRS.

Help is offered to taxpayers who file Form 1040EZ, Form 1040A, or a basic Form 1040 federal tax return.

Volunteers will alert taxpayers to credits and deductions.

Appointments must be made in advance by calling Dr. Joyce Middleton, VITA site co-coordinator, at x4154. Student volunteers will work Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Framptom Hall.

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Academic Exception Deadlines

Following are the deadlines for receipt of appeals to the Academic Standards Subcommittee for exception to academic rules and regulations and degree requirements for the spring 2000 semester. A written letter of appeal, and any supporting documentation must be received in the Office of the Provost, Hitchins 213, by 4 p.m. on the date specified in order for your request to be considered at that month’s meeting of the Committee.

- Thursday, March 16
- Thursday, April 13 (Final deadline for all exception requests that affect May 2000 graduation or commencement participation)
- Thursday, May 11 (Final deadline for summer off-campus requests)

Census Bureau Wants You

The US Census Bureau is recruiting students and others for positions in Census 2000. Census jobs are all about making sure that everyone is counted accurately. Workers are greatly needed in the Frostburg area. Most positions involve field work, verifying and correcting addresses and conducting interviews with residents of the community, including FSU students. To qualify, applicants must take a brief written test of basic skills. A test session will be held on campus on Wednesday, March 8, beginning at 4 p.m. in Lane Center room 140-141. For more information and to register for the test, call 1-888-325-7733.
Honor Your Non-Traditionals

Pinnacle is a National Honor Society for non-traditional students, undergraduates 25 years of age and older. About 20 students are inducted each spring. If you know of any undergraduates 25 or older with at least 85 credits, 24 at Frostburg, with at least a 3.0 and three campus or community activities, please ask them to fill out nomination forms.

There is a one-time $20 processing fee and no obligations, but it is hoped that those selected will attend the induction ceremony. Nominating faculty will be invited to present the certificate at the ceremony. Forms are available from Dr. William Bingman, 223 Framptom, x4293; Dr. Mikal Crawford, 008 Guild Center, x4448; or Dr. John Lowe, 116 Hitchins, x4311, jlowe@frostburg.edu.

Kids’ Activity Day

The Activities for Life Center will be having a Kids’ Activity Day Tuesday, March 7. (Allegany County Public Schools are closed for election day)

The cost is $15 per child. This event is for children in Kindergarten through fifth grade. Space is very limited. Pre-registration is required. Call (301) 687-7934. Arrival will be between 8 and 8:30 a.m. and pickup will be between 4 and 4:30 p.m. in PE Room 177.

Activities will include swimming, climbing, a planetarium show, badminton, wallyball and more. Participants must bring a packed lunch. Bring a swimsuit and towel, too.

Faculty Notes

Dr. Chandrasekhar Thamire, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering for FSU and University of Maryland College Park, recently published a paper titled “Natural Convection in Spherical Annuli: The Influence of Thermal and Hydrodynamic Instabilities” in Comp. and Num. Modeling in Heat Transfer.

He also recently presented two papers titled “Convection in Microcirculation and Diffusion to Tissue” and “Buoyancy Driven Flows in Narrow-gap Spherical Annuli” at the 52nd Annual Meeting of the Division of Fluid Dynamics, American Physical Society.

In addition, he presented a poster titled “Estimation of Heat Fluxes in Annuli: Effect of Minute Perturbations” at the 22nd Annual Symposium in Heat and Mass Transfer.

Safety Is up to Me

MONDAY, MARCH 6
Ring Promotion 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Lane Lobby
* Women’s Lacrosse: Hood College 4:00 p.m. Away
RHA Week Diversity Speaker 7:00 p.m. Atkinson Room
* Delta Sigma Theta Creator’s Cave Open Mic 8:00 p.m. Lane Center Loft

TUESDAY, MARCH 7
Ring Promotion 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Lane Lobby
* CCM Mass noon Cook Chapel
* WVU African and Caribbean Dance Ensemble 7:00 p.m. PAC Recital Hall
* International Film Series - “The Dinner Game” 7:00 p.m. Atkinson Room
* Delta Sigma Theta Seminar 9:00 p.m. Atkinson Room
My Brothers, My Sisters, Walk in My Shoes 7:00 p.m. Lane Multi-use
* College Democrat Club Election Party 8:00 p.m. Lane Center Loft

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8
Staff Senate Meeting 10:00 a.m. Atkinson Room
* Ash Wednesday Mass noon Cook Chapel
Delta Sigma Theta Oriental Express 12:30 p.m. Lane 142
RHA Meeting 5:00 p.m. Atkinson Room
* Ash Wednesday Service 6:30 p.m. Cook Chapel
CAB Meeting 7:00 p.m. Atkinson Room
RHA Week - Archie Bunker’s Neighborhood 7:30 p.m. Library 237
* Ash Wednesday Ecumenical Service 8:00 p.m. Cook Chapel
BSA Meeting 8:00 p.m. Library 210

THURSDAY, MARCH 9
* RHA Talent Show 7:00 p.m. Lane Multi-use
SGA Senate Meeting 7:30 p.m. Atkinson Room
* University Theatre: “She Stoops to Conquer” 8:00 p.m. PAC Drama Theatre

FRIDAY, MARCH 10
Last day for removal of Incomplete “I” Grades - Undergraduate Students
Last day to “Withdraw from Courses with ‘W’ - Graduate Students
* Men’s & Women’s Indoor Track: NCAA Division III National Championships (10-11) Bloomington, IL
* Men’s Baseball: Virginia Wesleyan College 2:30 p.m. Away
* University Theatre: “She Stoops to Conquer” 8:00 p.m. PAC Drama Theatre

SATURDAY, MARCH 11
* Men’s Outdoor Track & Field: Washington & Lee University Invitational @ Lexington, VA
Praxis Testing 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Dunkle Hall
* Admissions Open House Recruitment 8:30 a.m. Lane Center
* Western Maryland History Day 9:00 a.m. - noon Library 210 & 237
* Women’s Lacrosse: Howard University 1:00 p.m. Away
* University Theatre - “She Stoops to Conquer” 8:00 p.m. PAC Drama Theatre
Delta Sigma Theta 10:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12
* CCM Mass noon & 8:00 p.m. Cook Chapel
* Planetarium - “Music of the Spheres” 1:30 & 7:00 p.m. Tawes Hall

* Student Art Show - “Traces” — Sunday through Wednesday - 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Roper Gallery (through April 5)

* Open to the public. Questions? - Call 301-687-4411. All information subject to change.

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