Schlegel to Perform as Whitman in ‘The Good, Gray Poet’

The premiere of “The Good, Gray Poet: A Reading by Walt Whitman,” a one-man show created and performed by FSU English professor Dr. Keith W. Schlegel, will be presented on Monday, Feb. 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Drama Theatre. The presentation is free and open to the public.

Schlegel’s monologue is a historical characterization of America’s most well-known poet as he might have appeared to the public during America’s Centennial. Following the monologue, “Walt Whitman” will respond to questions from the audience. After that, Schlegel will step out of the Whitman character to respond to further questions. FSU English professor Dennis Gartner will moderate.

In 1857, Whitman outlined to himself his plans to become a “wander-speaker” as a means to “hold the ear of the people.” He lamented late in his life, “The people, the crowd – I have had no way of reaching them. I have sometimes thought of going out and around and reading my poems: I felt that the people would listen – and would get to know what I am about.” The lack of a critical audience and ill health prevented his doing so.

Although Whitman did speak publicly in the 1870s and ’80s, he did so not to read his most significant poetry, but to commemorate the life of Abraham Lincoln and to read his most popular, if least characteristic, poem, “O Captain, My Captain.” In these well-attended events, Whitman was fully the “Good, Gray Poet,” with little of the original American rebel evident. The moment to appeal directly to the public in his initial form had passed.

Schlegel, chair of the FSU Department of English, has taught at Frostburg since 1971. His dissertation is on Whitman’s great dejection ode, “As I Ebb’d with the Ocean of Life.” Searching and scripting “The Good, Gray Poet” was the major project of his fall 2002 sabbatical.

For more information, contact the Department of English at x4221.
full retreat will have the opportunity to perform in a final gala performance. Residential students will be housed in residence halls on the FSU campus.

Dancers will serve as resident advisors for around-the-clock guidance and support. Applications and requests for registration before the concert are available from Fischer, who can be reached at x4730 or bfischer@frostburg.edu.

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Music

Singer/Songwriter Ryan Adcock to Perform

FSU’s Center Stage Live! at the Loft Series will present singer/songwriter Ryan Adcock on Thursday, Feb. 13, at 8 p.m., in the Derezinski Lounge/Loft, in the Lane University Center.

A Cincinnati native, Adcock was named the city’s “Best Singer/Songwriter” and “Best Rock Vocalist.” His dynamic voice and rhythmic guitar combine to create powerful, stripped-down versions of his recorded material. His most recent release is “From Silence and Joy.” Adcock is also known as an enchanting storyteller who often has his audiences in tears of laughter with his tales of life on the road. In the past year, he performed at more than 100 venues in 39 states.

Adcock’s appearance is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Lane University Center Information Desk at x4411.

Professors to Present Valentine’s Concerts

FSU professors Joan Dixon, Greg Latta and Suzi Mills will present two Valentine’s Concerts featuring romantic piano music, Broadway love songs and folk ballads on Friday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 16, at 3 p.m. in the FSU Performing Arts Center's Pealer Recital Hall.

Selections by Dixon will include “Liebestraum” by Franz Liszt, “Variation on a Theme of Paganini” by Rachmaninoff, “Liebestraum” by Franz Liszt, “Variation on a Theme of Paganini” by Rachmaninoff, and “Variation on a Theme of Paganini” by Rachmaninoff. Selections by Dixon will also include “Reynardine” (traditional), “The Other Side of the Bed” by Alan Menken, “Andante” from “Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini” by Rachmaninoff, “Liebestraum” by Franz Liszt, “Variation on a Theme of Paganini” by Rachmaninoff, and “Liebestraum” by Franz Liszt.

Selections by Latta will include “Reynardine” (traditional), “The Other Side of the Bed” by Alan Menken, “Andante” from “Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini” by Rachmaninoff, “Liebestraum” by Franz Liszt, “Variation on a Theme of Paganini” by Rachmaninoff, and “Liebestraum” by Franz Liszt.


There will be a wine and cheese reception before the concert and at intermission on Friday night. There will be afternoon coffee/tea and dessert before the concert on Sunday. All ticket sales, donations and cash bar proceeds will benefit the FSU Piano Festival and may be used to purchase pianos for the Performing Arts Center. A tax-deductible donation of $30 or more is requested for two tickets and two glasses of wine (or non-alcoholic beverage) on Friday night, or two tickets and coffee/tea and dessert on Sunday afternoon. Individual tickets are also available.

To reserve tickets, call the FSU Box office at x4742 or make checks payable to FSU Foundation: Piano Festival and mail to Dr. Joan Dixon, Division of Performing Arts—Music, FSU, Frostburg, MD 21532. Tickets may be purchased at the door but advance reservations will help the caterer. For information, call Dixon at x4115.

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Print Exhibition to be Shown at Roper Gallery

On/Off/Over the Edge, a traveling exhibition from the American Print Alliance, will be on display at FSU from Friday, Feb. 7, through Wednesday, Feb. 26. The opening reception on Feb. 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. is free and open to the public.

The prints, paperworks and bookworks selected for this traveling exhibition by the Alliance explore the concept of the edge in all of its possibilities, from figurative to literal, formal to conceptual, psychological to physical. Judges accepted all print, papermaking and book arts techniques from low tech to high tech, including computer or digital printmaking. Entries came from subscribers to the Alliance’s journal, “Contemporary Impressions,” and from members of the printmakers’ councils in the Alliance. The American Print Alliance is a nonprofit consortium of printmakers’ councils representing about 4,500 artists in the United States and Canada. For more information, visit www.printalliance.org.

For information on the exhibit, contact FSU’s Department of Visual Arts at x4797.

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UCM Activities for Spring Semester

United Campus Ministry will offer a number of activities that are open to the public during the spring 2003 semester. The schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, Feb. 11 – “Managing Anger” – Osborne Newman Center -Dr. Alisa Howze, FSU counselor, will address this concern. Why does anger occur? Is it ever justified? What can you do?

Tuesday, Feb. 18 – 7:30 p.m. – “Managing Stress” – Room 317

Tuesday, Feb. 25 – 7 p.m. – “The Power of Prayer and Healing” with Dr. Fred Surgent, FSU professor of Health and Physical Education, will examine this subject. Is there a correlation between prayer and healing? What does it mean?

Wednesday, March 5 – 8 p.m. – Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service - Cook Chapel, Frost Hall. Come celebrate the beginning of Lent.

Monday, April 7 – All-Campus Event: “Nine for Nine: The Heroic Rescue of the Pennsylvania Miners” – Lane University Center, room 201 – Come and hear the story that inspired the nation from those who were there.

Monday, April 14 – 7 p.m. – Community Service Project at Frostburg Village Nursing Care Center. Meet at 6:30
Staff Award Nominations Now Being Accepted

The FSU Staff Awards Review Committee is accepting nominations for the 2003 Board of Regents’ University System of Maryland Staff Awards. Detailed information on the Staff Awards nomination process has been distributed to all employees in campus mail. Please consider taking this opportunity to nominate yourself or a fellow employee for a Staff Award. You could be a winner just like Susan Eisel, Administrative Assistant in Health, Physical Education & Recreation here at FSU, was in 2002. Refer to the campus mailing for eligibility requirements and required documentation. Nominations package are due no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 14.

Beneficiary Forms Reminder from OHR

As announced during and after Open Enrollment for Health Benefits last fall, new beneficiary designation forms are required for the following new insurance providers for the State of Maryland as of Jan. 1, 2003.

- Group term life insurance changed from Metropolitan Life to Standard Insurance.
- Voluntary accidental death & dismemberment (AD&D) insurance changed from The American Home Assurance Co. to Metropolitan Life.
- The Office of Human Resources still has not received the required beneficiary designation form(s) from all employees enrolled in either or both of these plans. Employees missing either or both beneficiary forms received a reminder memo and another copy of the missing form(s) by campus mail last month. If you got a reminder but have not yet returned the completed, signed form(s) to OHR, please do so immediately.
- Call Kelly Durst x7487 if you have questions about your coverage or completing the form(s).

Commencement Announcement

All students planning to complete their degrees during the current semester (May 2003) must first officially file for graduation. Undergraduate students should contact the Registrar’s Office (x4349, 144 Pullen Hall), while graduate students should submit all necessary paperwork to Graduate Services (x7053, 141 Pullen Hall). Special mailing and notices regarding Commencement are sent only to those students who have completed all filing requirements. The initial mailing will be sent the third week of April.

Caps and gowns are provided at no charge to all students cleared to participate in Commencement; however, students are responsible for placing orders in advance. Orders should be submitted to the University Bookstore by March 14.

Information is always available on the University’s Web site. Go to www.frostburg.edu, click on “current students,” then on “academics.” A drop-down screen will list Commencement. Click on this for full details on Commencement and related activities: (You may also type in www.frostburg.edu/events/commenc.htm.) For information, contact Beth Deatelhauser in Special Academic Services, x3130, 127 Performing Arts Center, or via e-mail (bdeatelhauser@frostburg.edu).

Grad Fair

Attention May graduates!! The spring semester Grad Fair will be held on Tuesday, March 11, in the Manicur Assembly Hall at the Lane University Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This is the day to order your regalia (cap and gown), personalized graduation announcements, class ring, diploma frame, as well as, visit with the Alumni, Graduate and Career Services offices.

Don’t miss this opportunity to take care of all your graduation needs, enjoy some refreshments and sign up to win prizes!

Gandall’s to Host WFWM Fund-Raiser

Gandall’s Restaurant and Pub on Main Street in Frostburg will hold a fund-raising benefit for WFWM Radio on Friday, Feb. 28, starting at 8 p.m. WFWM is a listener-supported public radio station licensed to FSU and an affiliate of National Public Radio.

The benefit will feature three of the Western Maryland area’s best bands. Opening the evening’s festivities will be Pickin’@Bluegrass, a bluegrass band featuring Tim Custer. Custer is a multi-time winner of the Maryland State Banjo championship and the current mid-Atlantic banjo champion. Joining Custer in the band is his brother, Kevin on upright bass, John Larimer on dobro and guitar, and Dean Shumaker on mandolin and guitar. Shanty Irish will follow the bluegrass with a set of traditional Irish pub tunes. Shanty Irish is a frequently featured performer at the Garrett County Highland Festival and the “house band” of the Cumberland Celtic Fest. The band consists of Mike Burkey on vocals, whistle and bodhran, Steve Owens on guitar and vocals, Woody Getz on guitar, Tommy Dunn on harmonica and tenor vocals, and Jim Moen on fiddle and mandolin. Their soundman, Vic Ward, has volunteered to run sound for the event. The evening will close with a set of blues courtesy of the Channel Cats Blues Band. The Channel Cats have shared the stage with many blues artists, including “Philadelphia” Jerry Ricks, Sherman Robertson, Debbie Davies and Deanna Bogart. In addition to founding members Tommy “T.J.” Jenkins on vocals, Pat Sullivan on bass
and Terry McManus on guitar, the Channel Cats include Will Voughtman on harmonica and sax, Mark Patrick on keyboards and Bill Ryan on drums.

There will be a $5 cover charge, with the proceeds going to WFRM. There will also be numerous compact disc giveaways and drawings. You must be 21 or older to attend. For more information, contact Gandalf’s at (301) 689-2010 or www.gandalfs.org or WFRM at x4143.

**Points of Pride**

**Joan DeVee Dixon**, Music, has been awarded a Sasaki Fellowship by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, which will support her participation in the National Faculty Development Institute on “Incorporating Japanese Studies into the Undergraduate Curriculum,” to be held at San Diego State University from June 2 to 27, 2003.

**Get Involved**

**Welcome Social**

Catholic Campus Ministry and United Campus Ministry’s Welcome/Welcome Back Coffee House will be Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Osborne Newman Center. Come and meet other students and just have a good time. Light refreshments will be available.

**Volunteers**

**Students Offer Free Tax Preparation Assistance**

Free help preparing 2002 tax returns is available through the IRS-sponsored VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program at FSU.

Help with basic federal and Maryland income tax returns will be offered from early February through early April by Catholic Campus Ministry and United Campus Ministry’s Welcome/Welcome Back Coffee House. Appointments must be made in advance by calling Joyce Middleton, VITA Coordinator Amy Nazelrod at x7934.

**Relay for Life Kick Off Rally to be Feb. 12**

Relay for Life Kick Off Rally will be Wednesday, Feb. 12, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Leake Room of the Cordts PE Center. Come for refreshments and to learn more about how you can get involved in the Campus-sponsored Relay for Life Event, which will be held on April 11 and 12.

For more information, call or e-mail Krista Nicklick at x7598 or kwarnick@frostburg.edu or Sean King at x7615, sking@frostburg.edu.

**Freezin’ for a Reason!**

Join us for our fourth year support- ing Special Olympics Maryland at their Winter Games with the DUNK on Feb. 22, at 2 p.m. at Deep Creek Lake at the beach behind Uno Restaurant in Oakland. Friends, family, co-workers and neighbors are more than willing to sponsor you to take an icy dip in February. With your $50 minimum in pledges, you will receive the official Dunk sweatshirt, complimentary Uno lunch and group color photo.

Sponsors forms are available at the University Advancement Office, Lane University Center Information Desk, Chris McKnight’s Office in Cordts P.E. Center and the Public Safety Offices.

To pre-register and guarantee your sweatshirt on the day of, visit www.somd.org and click on the Dunk logo. Or call (800) 541-7544 (in MD only) or (410) 290-7611, x3010 (call-in line is open 24/7). Pre-registration deadline is Feb. 11. You may also register on-site beginning at noon on Feb. 22. (Note: if you do not pre-register, Special Olympics cannot guarantee your sweatshirt size).

Dunkers raising more money are eligible for the additional premiums.

On the day of The Dunk, you must bring your completed registration with you and all money raised-turn this in at registration. Dunk attire is swimsuit ONLY! T-shirt is optional, but absolutely no wet suits. Shoes or surf mocs are required. The sand is very cold!

Don’t Miss “The Night Before” Concert Feb. 21 from 6 p.m. to midnight featuring “MAMA JAMA.” $20 gets you tubing and grooving to the music, plus a meal! Food and drinks will be sold. (No registration required for this event).

For more information, call the Center for Volunteerism and National Service at x4210.

**Read to Succeed! Volunteers Sought**

Want to earn volunteer hours? Want to work with children in grades K-5, tutoring one-on-one and working in small groups. A second opportunity will be at FSU Orf Library Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 to 7 p.m. Tutors will work with K-8 student in math, science and literature. All volunteers will be trained. Call Lamel Moore at x7598.

**Jobs, Jobs, Jobs**

**Student Telemarketing Positions Available**

The Office of University Advancement, Office of Annual Giving is now hiring experienced telemarketers to help with the Spring 2003 Annual Fund Telemarketing Campaign. This is an excellent opportunity to earn extra money and gain experience in telemarketing. Candidates will be responsible for soliciting contributions from alumni, friends and parents for unrestricted gifts to the University. Fifteen positions are available. The positions are part-time evenings for two months (March and April), paying $6.50 to $8.50 per hour.

The position requires prior telemarketing experience, excellent organization and communication skills. Advanced marketing and sales skills are a must. Candidates must be available to work Sundays through Thursdays from 5:30 to 9 p.m.

Interested candidates may pick up an application on or before Feb. 7 at the University Advancement Office, Hitchins Building Room 228, or call x3163.

**Summer Upward Bound Positions Available**

Upward Bound is seeking one Head Resident and eight Tutor/Counselors for its summer residential program on FSU’s campus. Upward Bound is a federally funded program that encourages qualified Allegany County high school students to seek education beyond secondary school. The summer residence program provides the main focus and aims to provide students with a sample of the college experience. Tentative dates are from June 8 to July 25 (includes five days of training), Head Resident (requires Bachelor’s degree) salary is $2,750. Tutor/Counselor salary is $1,950. Room and board is provided. Deadline to apply is Feb. 26. For information, contact the Upward Bound office at x4994 or visit the Web site at www.frostburg.edu/cife/ubp.

Canoe, Kayak Roll Sessions

Canoe and Kayak Roll Sessions will be offered on Tuesday evenings, Feb. 11 to May 6 (except for March 25). The roll sessions will be held from 9 to 10:45 p.m. at the FSU Pool in the Cordts Physical Education Center. Participants must bring their own canoes or kayaks. There is a $3 fee per night.

For more information contact Center Coordinator Amy Nazelrod at x7894.
Study Abroad Programs

The Center for International Education offers a variety of ways for FSU students to see the world. In many cases, students register at FSU during a semester abroad and can take all financial aid with them and transfer credit back to FSU. For information on any of the programs or scholarships that may be available, check with Dr. Amy Simes at the CIE. Students who participate in this program should come by the CIE for information toward your FSU degree while enjoying this great networking opportunity! In February, early March.

Intensive Language Programs through ISEP

The International Student Exchange Program is offering three intensive language programs this summer for students who are interested in improving their Spanish (Chile), French (Chambéry, France), or German (Braunschweig, with excursions to Berlin and Hamburg). For information, link to http://www.isep.org/us/summer.html or contact the CIE.

Art in England

Students who would like to spend three weeks in Oxford, England taking a FSU art course are encouraged to apply now for the summer in Oxford program. This program is sponsored by FSU, Indiana University in Pennsylvania, and a consortium of other colleges and universities from the surrounding area. The program normally takes place during the last three weeks of August. For more information, contact Dr. Judy Dieruf in the Visual Arts Dept. at x4320.

Study Spanish, Earn TEFL in Ecuador

Augustana College and the Centers for Interamerican Studies (CEDEI) announce that applications are now being accepted for the 18th annual Summer Spanish Program in the Andes, June 5 to Aug. 19, and the Summer Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) Certificate Program, June 19 to July 28. The Center for Interamerican Studies is located in Cuenca, in the southern part of Ecuador. Students who participate in this program may stay enrolled at FSU. For more information, contact the CIE or visit the CEDEI website at http://www.augustana.edu/foreignterm/ecuador/.
about internships, volunteer organizations and paid work overseas. Many organizations help students obtain jobs and work permits, and some help to arrange housing as well. Students can choose from short experiences (one to two months) to longer experiences (four to 12 months), even look into a more serious commitment (one to three years). Destinations are available throughout the world.

**Do Your Student Teaching in Copenhagen**

Education majors who would like to earn a semester of FSU credits while studying in Denmark should apply for the spring semester exchange program with the EDAS School of Teacher Training in Copenhagen. Students complete projects and spend several weeks in Danish schools practicing student teaching skills. All courses are in English. Financial aid transfers and scholarships are available.

**Study in Limerick, Ireland**

Students interested in taking part in the Ireland Exchange Program in Limerick are encouraged to pick up an application at the CIE. Participants study at Mary Immaculate College and take one FSU class and three MIC classes. All financial aid will transfer and scholarships are available. Apply now for spring 2004.

**Study in Newcastle, England**

Students interested in studying at the University of Northumbria in Newcastle, England, may apply now for the fall 2003 semester. Newcastle is one of the liveliest cities in the UK, just across the Channel from Amsterdam, and three hours north of London (one hour south of Edinburgh) by train. Courses are available in a wide variety of subjects. The cost of the program is about the same as one semester at FSU (in-state) and all financial aid will transfer.

**Financial Aid for Studying Overseas**

FSU students are able to transfer all federal financial aid overseas to help pay for study abroad programs, along with state and institutional aid for most FSU sponsored programs. The CIE also awards study abroad scholarships of $500 and $1,000 to qualifying students. Scholarship deadline for summer, fall and academic year programs is March 15. Many other state and national scholarships are also available to help cover overseas costs.

**Choose from Over 20 Locations to Study**

FSU affiliates with the American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS), which offers study abroad programs in a variety of locations at universities around the world, including Richmond College in London. Programs are open to all majors. Study in Prague, South Africa or Japan. You may register at FSU and use your financial aid for all programs. AIFS offers scholarships to qualified students. Take advantage of free rail pass offers.