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CES Presents Gregory Popovich's Comedy & Pet Theatre

Put a world-famous, Russian juggler in charge of a motley collection of stray cats and dogs and the result is a charmingly unusual show. FSU's Cultural Events Series and the Cumberland Holiday Inn will present two performances of "Gregory Popovich's Comedy & Pet Theatre." The first performance will be held on Thursday, Feb. 5, at 7:30 p.m. at Fort Hill High School Auditorium and benefits the capital campaign of the Allegany County Animal Shelter Management Foundation's goal to build a new Animal Shelter. The second performance will be Friday, Feb. 6, at 8 p.m. in Pealer Recital Hall.

Sunset Magazine heralded its "Reigning cats and dogs," after the 1999 Las Vegas debut of "Comedy & Pet Theatre" at Circus Circus. Gregory Popovich, a former member of the Moscow Circus and Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey, adopted his feline and canine cast entirely from animal shelters. Featured on "The Tonight Show

with Jay Leno" and "The Late Show with David Letterman," "Comedy & Pet Theatre" is half animal tricks, and half juggling, acrobatics and just plain clowning around.

"I don't train the animals, really," says Popovich, an advocate of adopting pets from animal shelters. "I analyze them. And they trust me, and we play, and then they find a trick or two that they like to do. That's what they do on stage."

This show is presented in partnership with FSU's University Programming Council.

For tickets or more information, call the FSU Cultural Events Box Office at x3137 or toll free at 1-866-TIXX-CES, or visit online at ces.frostburg.edu.

Additional packages are the Arts Getaway Package, which includes accommodations, meal options and transportation, and the Dinner Show Package, with complimentary transportation to and from campus to any one of five restaurants.



Art



Billy Colbert Exhibit Opens Feb. 6

FSU will host an opening reception for artist Billy Colbert's exhibition "Remembering Things That Never Happened," Friday, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m. in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in the Fine Arts Building. The exhibition is co-sponsored by the FSU Black Student Alliance and Iota Phi Theta.

A 1993 FSU graduate, Colbert has exhibited his work across the country. He is Art Focus Coordinator for the Jefferson-Houston School for the Arts and Academics in Alexandria, Va., and a faculty member at the Corcoran College of Art & Design, in Washington, D.C.

For more information, please call x4797.

The gallery is open Sundays through Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. from Sunday, Feb. 8, to Sunday, Feb. 29.

Take Note



Drop/Add, Late Registration Extended

Due to the delayed beginning of the Spring 2004 semester, the Drop/Add and Late Registration period will be extended until 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 5.

Legislative Update

StateLines will bring you updates on the USM-related happenings in Annapolis during the legislative session.

The governor's budget proposes a flat budget for the University System of Maryland but it does include an additional \$1.1 million for operating the new Hagerstown center. In addition, the governor is proposing an additional \$15 million for need based scholarships to help students with increased tuition charges (probably administered by MHEC although this is not clear).

- Governor Ehrlich's budget provides for a 1.6 percent cost of living increase (COLA) and the budget covers the cost.

- The proposed capital budget includes planning funds for Tawes in FY 2008 (\$1.8 million) and FY 2009 (\$2.110). Construction monies (\$37.170) are proposed for FY 2010 with equipment funds (\$2 million) for FY 2011.

- Finally, the much discussed bill by Senator Frosh has been introduced: SB 112. The Frosh bill, with many senators as co-sponsors, provides for USM budget funds to be restored, an annual increase of 5 percent and capping tuition IF the state funding is appropriated.

- Still awaited is the proposal for higher education that has been developed as the result of the commission appointed by Speaker Busch.

AIG VALIC Rep. to Visit

Bill Spencer, Financial Advisor from AIG VALIC, will be visiting the University on the following days during the spring semester:

- Thursday, Feb. 5.

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- Wednesday, March 3.
- Thursday, April 1.
- Wednesday, May 5.

Spencer will be in Lane Center 207-208 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day to meet with FSU employees who are enrolled in a VALIC retirement plan and those who may be interested in enrolling. No appointment is necessary.

Points of Pride



Robert Llewellyn, a professor in the Department of Visual Arts, was a participant in the January ISAG Invitational at the Russian Cultural Center, Washington, D.C. Llewellyn exhibited intaglio prints with other selected artists who were participants in the recent ISAG Invitational in Russia celebrating St. Petersburg's 300th Anniversary.

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 2004 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. Ten 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 must complete an application by Wednesday Feb. 4, at the University Advancement Office, Hitchins Building Room 228. For more information, call x3163.

Volunteers



Read to Succeed and Mathletics Needs You

Read to Succeed and Mathletics are accepting applications for new tutors. Everyone is welcome. This is a great opportunity for Education and Social Work students to earn service hours.

Read to Succeed provides two hours a week of free literacy support to children in grades K-8. Mathletics is the math component of the program and is offered to students in grades K-5.

Literacy Tutoring:

FSU Ort Library - Tuesdays or Thursdays, 5-7 p.m.

St. Michael's School - Tuesdays, 2:45-4:45 p.m.

Math Tutoring:

FSU Ort Library - Mondays or Wednesdays, 5-7 p.m.

St. Michael's School - Thursdays, 2:45-4:45 p.m.

Route 40 Elem. - Mondays, 6-8 p.m.

Training workshops will be offered in mid-February. For more information, please contact Hope Cober, Read to Succeed Coordinator, at x7615.

Students Offer Free Tax Preparation Help

Free help preparing 2003 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 FSU's College of Business students who have been trained and approved by the IRS. Faculty members will oversee these student preparers.

The VITA program offers this assistance to taxpayers filing Form 1040EZ, Form 1040A, or a basic Form 1040 federal tax return. Volunteers will alert taxpayers to special credits and deductions for which they may be eligible.

Appointments must be made in advance by calling Joyce Middleton, VITA site co-coordinator, at x4154. Students will work Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Framptom Hall (except for March 20 and 27). A drop-off service will also be available throughout the week.

Taxpayers arriving for an appointment should bring any tax packages mailed by the IRS and the state, Form W-2 from all employers, interest and dividend statements (Form 1099), a copy of last year's returns, if available, and any other relevant information about income and expenses. Taxpayer and dependent social security numbers and birth dates are also needed.

Get Involved



United Campus Ministry

On Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p.m., UCM will play kickball at Cordts P.E. Center Practice Gym. An ice cream social will follow in Ort Library Room 237.

2nd Sunday Worship

The Second Sunday Worship Service will be Feb. 8 at 10 a.m. in Frost Hall's Cook Chapel. This is a Protestant worship service open to all.

Community



Women In Literature February Meeting Focus

The February meeting of the Frostburg Branch, American Association of University Women will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 3, at the Frostburg United Methodist Church Hall at 7:30 p.m. The program, "Women in Literature," will be

presented by the Books Group, with Ruth Ogden as the chair. Refreshments will be served by hostesses Dorothea Rowe, Janet Harden and Sarah Crall. For more information, call Ruth Ogden at (301) 689-8559. The public is welcome.

On Channel 3



FSU TV 3 Schedule for Feb. 2-6

Monday:

3 & 6 p.m. CAB Lecture: Remember the Titans

4:20 & 7:20 p.m. Frostburg Idol

5:20 & 8:20 p.m. Dissent & Patriotism: "What Do We Mean by Love of Country?"

Tuesday:

3 & 6 p.m. Live at the Loft: Reggie

Wayne Morris Blues

4:25 & 7:25 p.m. Destination Tomorrow

4:55 & 7:55 P.M. Dr. Suzi Mills Lecture & Recital

Wednesday:

3 & 6 p.m. Destination Tomorrow

3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Scales & Tales Presentation

4:30 & 7:30 p.m. Faculty Artists Series: Patchwork Concert

5:45 & 8:45 Out & About: Featuring Frostburg Restaurants

Thursday:

3 & 6 p.m. FSU Phat Padz

3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Café Frostburg: Sol Y Canto

5:10 & 8:10 p.m. Poet: Jane Hirshfield

Friday:

3 & 6 p.m. FSU Phat Padz

3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Lee Abbott

4:30 & 7:30 p.m. FSU Jazz Ensemble Fall 2003

5:40 & 8:40 p.m. A Significant Journey



Scholarships

Women's Studies Scholarship Offered

Women's Studies is offering a \$300 scholarship for the spring 2004 semester. This scholarship is sponsored by the Cumberland Chapter of the American Association of University Women.

The recipient must be at the sophomore, junior or senior level of study with a minor in Women's Studies. Applicants must have a demonstrated interest in women's studies as shown by previous scholarship, research and/or group memberships. Applicants must also be accepted or enrolled at FSU with an overall GPA of 3.0 or better.

Applications are available from Linda McCulloch in PAC 312. A brief essay should accompany the application and should detail the individual's interest in Women's Studies, scholarship/research or other activities in the area of women's issues.

Deadline is Feb. 9. Return the form and essay to Linda McCulloch in Performing Arts Center 312.



Activities for Life

For information and registration for any AFL program, contact Center Coordinator Amy Nazelrod at x7934.

Modified Wing Chun Gung Fu

A Modified Wing Chun Gung Fu class will be offered on Mondays and Fridays from 5 to 6:30 p.m. beginning Feb. 2 and running to March 12.

The class, held in room 170 of the Cordts Physical Education Center is a blend of traditional Wing Chun Gung Fu, and the principle and concepts of Bruce Lee's Jeet Kune Do. In this course students will develop a strong base steeped in Wing Chung Gung Fu form application drills. As the student progresses, other techniques, from Jun Fan kickboxing, Filipino stick fighting and ground defense will be introduced, giving the Modified Wing Chun Gung Fu practitioner a well-rounded form of "Street Self Defense."

Rod Hillegass, who is a full instructor of Jeet Kune Do and Kali-Silat offensive fighting tactics under Guru John Lopez, will be instructing the class. For more information, contact Hillegass at sifurod@hotmail.com.

International



Australia/New Zealand Information Meeting

Students may study abroad at over 25 universities in Australia and New Zealand through AustraLearn. Interested students are encouraged to attend an information meeting at the CIE on Monday, Feb. 2, at 4:30 p.m. Deadlines for fall programs are mid-March. For information, call x4714 or visit the CIE Web site.

Northumbria University Visit and Info Meeting

Dr. David Walker from the University of Northumbria in Newcastle, England, will visit FSU on Thursday, Feb. 12, to speak to students interested in the Northumbria program. The information meeting will be at 4 p.m. at the CIE. Walker will answer questions about courses, costs and living in Newcastle. Application deadline for fall is mid-March. For information, call x4714 or visit the CIE Web site.

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, contact with Dr. Amy Simes at the CIE in the Fuller House on Braddock Road, x4714, asimes@frostburg.edu or www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm or the newsletter at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/newsletter.htm.

Semester Overseas for Same Price as FSU

The International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) allows FSU students to register at FSU, pay FSU tuition and housing, and then study overseas for a semester, year or summer at one of more than 140 locations. Students may take financial aid with them and apply for scholarships from the CIE and from ISEP. For the price of an airline ticket, this is a great way to earn credit toward your FSU degree while enjoying life in a foreign culture. Apply now for fall 2004.

Study in Non-Traditional Locations

FSU is affiliated with the School for International Training. This enables FSU students to study through SIT in over 50 locations while remaining registered at FSU. All financial aid will transfer. SIT offers programs in Africa, Asia, South America, Europe and Austral-asia. This is a fantastic opportunity for students who would like to spend a semester, year or summer off the beaten track.

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.

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

most state and institutional aid for most FSU sponsored programs. The CIE also awards study abroad scholarships of \$500 and \$1,000 to qualifying students. Many other state and national scholarships are also available to help cover overseas costs.

Gain Work/Volunteer Experience Overseas

Students interested in working abroad should come by the CIE for information 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), or even look into a more serious commitment (one to three years). Destinations are available throughout the world.

Learn More about Study Abroad

Students who would like to learn more about study abroad and how it fits into a degree program may come to the CIE for an advising session. The staff will provide an overview of programs and requirements. Applications, videos and scholarship/financial aid information will be available. Students may use the CIE library and computer to search for programs.

Music from Around the World

Tune in to the university radio station, WFWM (91.9 FM), every Wednesday between 7 and 8 p.m. for "Planet Frostburg." Listen to both traditional and contemporary world music and get the latest about study abroad.

FSU Events Calendar



Look for the FSU weekly events calendar on the Web at www.frostburg.edu/weekcal.htm

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2 – Ground Hog Day!

Late Registration/Drop/Add (through Feb. 5)

- * Student Ethernet Support 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Lane 205-206
- * Men's Basketball: Waynesburg College 7:30 p.m. Away

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- * Women's Basketball: Villa Julie College 7:00 p.m. Away

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- * Faculty Senate 4:00 p.m. .. Lane Atkinson Room
- * Men's Basketball: Grove City College 7:30 p.m. Home

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- * CES: Gregory Popovich's "Comedy Pet Theatre" 7:30 p.m. Fort Hill HS
- * SGA Senate Meeting 7:30 p.m. .. Lane Atkinson Room

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- * CES: Gregory Popovich's "Comedy Pet Theatre" 8:00 p.m. Pealer Recital Hall

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- * Women's Basketball: Penn State Behrend College ... 2:00 p.m. Home
- * Men's Basketball: Penn State Behrend College 4:00 p.m. Home

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- * CCM Mass Noon & 8:00 p.m. Cook Chapel
- * Planetarium: "Saturn, the Mayas and Black Holes" .. 4 & 7 p.m. Tawes Hall

* Open to the public. Questions? – Call 301-687-4411. All information subject to change. FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services, and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. You may request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, 302 Hitchins, 301-687-4102, TDD 301-687-7955.



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