The sensational “Bonnie Rideout Scottish Trio: Scottish Fire!” concert returns to FSU’s Cultural Events Series on Saturday, March 6, at 8 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall. Rideout’s previously scheduled performance at FSU was canceled due to Hurricane Isabel. Tickets for the September concert will be honored at this performance. The show is co-sponsored by Best Western Braddock.

With a distinctive blend of lyricism, intensity and sheer joy, Rideout brings a matchless exuberance and animation to traditional Scottish tunes, Highland bagpipe music and ancient Gaelic melodies. An American fiddler with a passion for the music of the Scottish Highlands, Rideout is celebrated as one of the top performers to wield a bow. With Steve Holloway’s driving Celtic percussion rhythms and Bryan Aspey’s dynamic guitar, the Bonnie Rideout Scottish Trio brings a timeless legacy to pulsating, foot-stomping life onstage.

A three-time U.S. Scottish fiddle champion, Rideout has performed her vibrant repertoire on stages from Scotland’s renowned Edinburgh International Festival to Washington DC’s John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and is the only American to hold the honor of representing Scottish fiddle music in Edinburgh. Appearing frequently on the BBC, CBS News “Sunday Morning,” “The Thistle and the Shamrock” and NPR’s “Performance Today,” Rideout has released 10 solo albums, made numerous guest appearances on other CDs, and published 9 music instruction books for Mel Bay Publishing Company.

The Washington Post exclaims, “She transforms a lonely melody into utter desolation, then effortlessly switches gears from languorous ballad to virtuosic exercise.”

The performance is presented in partnership with FSU Center for International Education. For tickets or 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.

The Arts Getaway Package provides accommodations for two (at The Best Western Braddock in LaVale, Cumberland Holiday Inn or Rocky Gap Resort), selected meal options, transportation between the hotel and the FSU campus, a special welcome gift at check-in, and two tickets for preferred seating for the performance.

Adding a Dinner Show Package to your ticket purchase can transform your performance into an enchanting social event. The Dinner Show Package provides you with complimentary transportation to and from the FSU campus to any one of five participating restaurants, including BJ’s at the Gladstone, Gehauf’s, Giuseppe’s Italian Restaurant, and Harrigan’s Restaurant.

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Anyone who had previously purchased tickets should call the CES Box Office no later than Monday, Feb. 23, at x3137 or toll free at 1-866-TIXX-CES to confirm their new reservation or to request a refund. The box office is open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Lane University Center Information Desk at x4411.

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This is the third year FSU has marked V-Day with the performance of “The Vagina Monologues.” The show is presented at FSU Friday and Saturday, Feb. 27 and 28, as the culmination of more than a week of events marking V-Day, a campaign to stop violence against women and girls around the world. The performances will be at 8 p.m. each night in the Performing Arts Center Pealer Recital Hall.

Through V-Day campaigns, local volunteers and college students produce annual benefit performances of “The Vagina Monologues” to raise awareness and funds for anti-violence groups within their own communities. In 2003, play, “The Vagina Monologues,” will be presented at FSU Friday and Saturday, Feb. 27 and 28, as the culmination of more than a week of events marking V-Day, a campaign to stop violence against women and girls around the world. The performances will be at 8 p.m. each night in the Performing Arts Center Pealer Recital Hall.

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nearly 1,000 V-Day benefit events were presented by volunteer activists around the world. V-Day, a non-profit corporation, distributes funds to grassroots, national and international organizations and programs.

Hailed by The New York Times as “funny” and “poignant,” “The Vagina Monologues,” which was first performed off-Broadway by the author, dives into the mystery, humor, pain, power, wisdom, outrage and excitement buried in women’s experiences. Eisler has performed the play throughout the world. Villard Books/Random House published “The Vagina Monologues,” which includes a foreword by Gloria Steinem, in February 1998. A special V-Day edition of the play, including two new sections about the College Campaign, was released in February 2001.

Other V-Day events at FSU include on Monday, Feb. 23, at 6 p.m. in the Cordts Physical Education Leake Room, Ronda Pick from the Family Resource Crisis Center will speak about ways to guard against sexual assault, and University Programming Council will sponsor poet Dana Gilmore, who will read in the Lane University Center Loft at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 25.

This benefit production of “The Vagina Monologues” is sponsored by FSU Women’s Studies Program. The Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, Amnesty International, Alpha Phi Omega and the University Programming Council. Tickets are $5 for students and $10 for non-students and may be reserved by calling x7462. For more information about V-Day, visit www.vday.org.

**UT Presents the Musical ‘Working’**

University Theatre will present the musical “Working” in the Drama Theatre of the Performing Arts Center on March 5, 6, 11, 12, and 13 at 8 p.m. Matinee performances will be held on March 6 and 13 at 2 p.m.

“Working” is a musical that is based on Studs Terkel’s 1972 best-selling book of interviews with ordinary American workers. The musical is a celebration of the “anonymous many” whose lives touch ours everyday without our realizing it. Created by Stephen Schwartz (“Godspell”) and filled with an impressive variety of songs by five additional composers, including James Taylor and Mary Rodgers, the story reflects the griefs, hopes and dreams of the unsung heroes and heroines of the American workforce. Variously influenced by pop, folk, rock, blues and country music, songs like “Millwork,” “Brother Trucker,” “Just a Housewife,” “Neat to Be a Newsboy” and “If I Could’ve Been,” beautifully capture the “poetry of the everyday” and admirably honor the ability of the human spirit to transcend even the most demeaning job. “Working” has remained one of the most popular and most frequently produced musicals since its Broadway opening in 1978. Tickets are $5 for students and $10 for the general public. Ask about the theatre’s “work force” rates. For reservations and information call x7462, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Women’s Studies Sets ‘Murdering Cinderella’**

In celebration of Women’s History Month, the Women’s Studies program at FSU will sponsor “Murdering Cinderella,” a one-woman show written and performed by Gabriella Klein. Performances will take place on March 8 and 9 at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center’s F. Perry Smith Studio Theatre.

Recommended for “adult children who vowed they would never be like their parents.” “Murdering Cinderella” investigates the impact of one generation’s trauma on the next. Follow Pearl, an only child of Holocaust survivors, who must make sense of the bits and pieces of history that were handed down to her in order to break the cycle of fear and anger that has been the legacy of her family. As she stumbles from one misadventure to the next, she encounters the ghost of the grandfather whose name she cannot recall, and a cast of phantom characters who teach her that the past is never far behind. Pearl’s hilarious and poignant quest carries her from Inuvik’s frozen north to the grimy underground of London, during a night long journey that forces her to examine her own life choices.

Admission is free, but tickets are required due to limited seating. Tickets are available at the Office of the Division of Performing Arts, Room 302 PAC. Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Your financial support for such programming can be sent to the FSU Foundation in care of Women’s Studies.

**Presentations**

**FSU’s NAACP Presents Youth Minister-Lobbyist**

FSU’s NAACP Chapter will present Youth Minister Zena Pierre, a lobbyist with the Washington Linkage Group, on Tuesday, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. in Lane University Center’s Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall.

Pierre will speak on “Voting Along Party Lines.” The talk will focus on the upcoming presidential election and address issues such as Democrat and Republican policy positions on major issues; why President Bush will be unopposed in his party; the 2002 Florida election scandal; the significance of the absentee ballot and the college-student vote; and the importance of an educated vote.

The event is free and open to the public. For information, contact FSU NAACP Chapter President Carren Walker at x5346 or Paris S. Atkinson at x4101.

**Children’s Illustrator Robert Bender to Speak**

FSU’s Children’s Literature Centre will present children’s book illustrator Robert Bender at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 3. The presentation will be held at the Frostburg Community Center, 27 Water Street.

Bender started his illustration career working for magazines and newspapers before drawing for children’s books. His passion for children’s literature began in 1592, when his girlfriend asked him to illustrate a children’s book for her. From there, Bender began his career and has illustrated 12 children’s books. His artwork has been described as whimsical, and has been featured in museums throughout the U.S.

Bender will speak about five of his books: “Barnyard Song,” “Lima Beans Would Be Illegal,” “The A to Z Beastly Jamboree,” “Ribbit Riddles” and “Never Eat Anything That Moves.”

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the FSU Children’s Literature Centre at x4420.

If You Loved Me...**

The BURG Peer Education Network, Brady Health Center and the Counseling Center will present “If You Loved Me, You Would Do It...” everything you wanted to know about sexual health, on Monday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. in Lane University Center 201 (Atkinson Room).

Speakers will be Pat Deasy from the Counseling Center and Mary Tola from the Brady Health Center.

**Entertainment**

**Iota Phi Theta Sponsors Party Walk Competition**

The men of the Epsilon Zeta Chapter of Iota Phi Theta Fraternity Inc. will host their second annual Party Walk Competition on Friday, March 12, in the Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall. The event will start at 8 p.m. and there will also be an After Party in the same venue which will run from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m.

The price for admission into the Party Walk Competition will be $3 for FSU students and $5 for non-FSU students. Admission into the After Party is $2 for FSU students and $3 for non-FSU students. Everyone must provide a valid driver’s license to gain access into the events.

NPHC groups who are interested in competing in the event should contact Jon Mason or Reggie Turner at 301-689-5248. There will be two cash prizes of $200 given to the top fraternity and sorority groups.

**Art**

Billy Colbert Exhibit Open Through Feb. 29

FSU’s Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery is showing artist Billy Colbert’s exhibition “Remembering Things That Never Happened” through Sunday, Feb. 29. 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.

**Take Note**

**Room Lottery for Returning Students**

The time for returning students to select a room in the traditional on-campus residence halls is fast approaching. Beginning on Feb. 23, returning students will have the opportunity to select a room for fall 2004. Students may sign up for their present room, another room in their building, a single room, or any other available room on campus. They may also choose to sign up with a group of friends in a cluster of rooms in Frederick Hall or Westminster Hall.

Priority for selection of rooms is based on a randomly determined lottery number within students’ class year; lottery numbers were sent recently to all undergraduates currently assigned on campus. At the time of sign-up, students will sign a housing contract which will be in effect for the entire academic year, through May, 2005. Beginning this year, all damage deposits will be billed directly to the student on their fall bill, rather than be paid at the time of sign-up.

The dates for the various room selection options are as follows:

**Feb. 23 - March 4:** Same Room Sign-Up, Residence Life Office, Annapolis Hall, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**March 5:** Same Building Sign-Up, Residence Life Office, Annapolis Hall, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**March 9:** Single Room Sign-Up, Lane University Center ARMAH, 5 p.m.

**March 10:** Cluster/Group Lottery, Lane University Center ARMAH, 5 p.m.

**Regular Room Lottery, Lane University Center ARMAH, 9:30 p.m.**

Questions may be directed to the Residence Life Office at x4121, or to rlio@frostburg.edu

**Info Meeting Set for MAT – Secondary**

An information meeting for those interested in FSU’s Master of Arts in Teaching – Secondary program will be held Wednesday, March 3, at 6:30 p.m. at the FSU Hagerstown Center on Public Square. Dr. Kim Rotruck, MAT–E graduate program coordinator, will have information for prospective applicants. Thursday, April 1, is the deadline to apply for the program that begins study in summer of 2004. The summer 2004 applicant admissions interviews will be scheduled for the evening of Wednesday, April 21, at the Hagerstown Center.

FSU’s Master of Arts in Teaching program is designed for career changers or recent college graduates who want to pursue a career in teaching. The full-time program that lasts just over a year provides its students with all the necessary coursework and classroom experience to obtain teacher certification in the State of Maryland.

For more information, call Rotruck at (301) 791-4026 or call the FSU Graduate Services Office at x7053.

**Research Study on Social Development**

The FSU Center for Children and Families, in the Department of Psychology at FSU, is conducting a research study on children’s social development. We are looking for children between the ages of 6 and 9 years to participate in this study. The children will play with a variety of typical toy store games for approximately 20 minutes total. We also need at least one parent or guardian to accompany the child to the University and fill out very brief questionnaires. The data collected will be kept confidential and will be used to gain an understanding of children’s social development. This study received approval by the University ethics committee.

Your child will receive a prize for participating and we will work around your schedule. If your family is interested, please call Dr. Megan Bradley at x4194 for more specific information. We are hoping to schedule families throughout the months of February and March. Please keep in mind that there are certain aspects of the study that cannot be listed here but will be discussed with you on the phone.

**Commencement News for Graduate Students**

Students who plan to graduate in May 2004 need to complete the "Application for Graduation" as soon as possible. The forms are available at the Office of Graduate Services 141 Pullen Hall, or by calling x7053.

**Commencement Announcement**

Any student planning to complete studies during the current semester (May 2004) must first officially file for graduation. Undergraduate students should contact the Registrar’s Office (x3429, 144 Pullen Hall), while graduate students should submit all necessary paperwork to Graduate Services (x7053, 141 Pullen Hall). Mailings and notices regarding commencement are sent only to those students who have completed all filing requirements. The initial mailing will be sent the second week in March. Caps and gowns are provided at no charge to all students cleared to participate in the commencement ceremony; however, each student is responsible for placing orders in advance. Orders should be submitted to the University Bookstore by March 15. All graduating students are also encouraged to attend the Grad Fair on Friday, March 12, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall in the Lane Center. Advance information about Com-
Points of Pride

A team from FSU’s collaborative Mechanical Engineering program won a prestigious award at the International Mechanical Engineering Congress of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. ASME is the professional society for mechanical engineering in the United States.

FSU students Cliff Elliott, Matthew Buie, Christopher Petrocelli, Derek Ruby and David Higgs worked under the direction of Dr. Chandra Thamire, associate professor of engineering. They developed a novel system that enables physically handicapped people to transfer easily from a wheelchair to an automobile or to another destination. The team created a conceptual design, performed precision stress analyses and built a prototype. The group competed in the research competition with teams from all over the world. After a rigorous review process, the FSU students won third place. First place went to a team of faculty and students from Boston VA Medical Center, Cornell University, Harvard University and University of Louisville. Second place went to a team from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. The projects were cited at the Congress Banquet for their quality and innovation. This is the second time that a team from FSU has entered the finals of a major research competition. In 2001 a mechanical engineering project won an honorable mention in the annual research competition of the Bioengineering Division of the ASME. Students and faculty in the program have presented other research projects, including convection in the human eye, buoyancy-driven flows around aneurysms and design of biomedical devices, at research conferences of the ASME and American Physical Society.

For the fourth straight year, Joan DeVee Dixon, associate professor of music at FSU, has won an Individual Artist Award in Solo Instrumental Performance from the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC).

This year Dixon submitted a CD of spirituals and design of biomedical devices, at research conferences of the ASME and American Physical Society.

Summer Planning Student Positions

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Attention students: Student and Educational Services will be accepting applications for student assistant to work in the Summer Planning Conferences this summer. We will be hiring 16 student assistants to work along with our 16 faculty advisors. There are five sessions. There are no large breaks between sessions. Student assistants will be committed from June 3 through June 29. Conference dates and workshop requirements are as follows:

- Student workshop - June 13-16
- Staff/SA workshop - June 17
- Session I - June 18-19
- Session II - June 20-21
- Session III - June 23-24
- Session IV - June 25-26
- Summer V - June 28-29.

Salary is $850, plus room and board. Following a review of the applications, qualified students will be invited for an interview (April 5-6). Those students selected to work in the program will be notified on or before April 9. Among other factors, academic standing will be taken into consideration in the selection process.

Applications will be available beginning March 1 in the Student and Educational Services office in 116 Hitchins Administration Building, in the Residence Life Office in Annapolis Hall and at the Lane University Center Information Desk. Applications must be returned to the SES office by March 19.

04-'05 Resident Assistant Positions

Are you looking for a new challenge at FSU? Are you a campus leader looking for a new goal? Why not become a resident assistant?

The Residence Life Office is looking for potential candidates of quality and character who are interested in becoming a resident assistant for the 2004-2005 academic year. You must maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA and a 2.3 semester GPA. RLO will hold R.A. Information Sessions on Monday, Feb. 23, in Annapolis Hall’s first floor lobby at 8 p.m. and Tuesday, Feb. 24, in Allen Hall’s basement at 8 p.m. Application packets will be available during those times and in the Residence Life Office on the ground floor of Annapolis Hall starting Wednesday, Feb. 25.

For more information, contact Philip Stamper at the Residence Life Office at x4121.

Deadlines

Attention All Education Students!

The application deadline for students entering Phase I, Phase II or Phase III of the Teacher Education Program will be Monday, March 15. All applications should be returned to the Office of Unit Assessment, Frampton Hall room 206-6. If you need an application form or have any questions, please call x7953 or stop by the Office of Unit Assessment.

Volunteers

Reading, Math Tutors Still Being Accepted

Read To Succeed and Mathletics are still accepting applications for tutors. Everyone is welcome! This is a great opportunity to enhance the life of a child while gaining valuable experience.

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 Elementary - Mondays, 6-8 p.m.

If none of the planned times fit into your schedule, we can try to set a different meeting time for both you and your tutee to work together.

Training workshops will be offered in late February. For more information or to sign up for a workshop, please contact Hope Cober, Read to Succeed coordinator, at 687-7615.

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.

With the help of basic federal and Maryland income tax returns will be offered from early February through 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 Form 1040.
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 Frampton 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 from 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

Get Published!

Bittersweet Art & Literary Magazine is looking for submissions for the Spring 2004 edition. Submissions may include: poetry and fiction/nonfiction (3 pages typed or less), black and white artwork and photographs.

Submissions should be sent to Lane University Center Box 260 or e-mailed to fsbittersweet@yahoo.com. Please supply name and contact information with each submission.

Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service

There will be an ecumenical Ash Wednesday service on Feb. 25 at 8 a.m. in Frost Hall’s Cook Chapel. Come and celebrate the beginning of Lent.

Catholic Campus Ministry

CCM will celebrate Mardi Gras with parade cards on Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 6 p.m. in the Osborne Newman Center’s Bishop Murphy Hall. Prepare for Lent with the traditional pancake dinner.

On Ash Wednesday, Feb. 25, begin Lent by being signed with ashes. There will be a noon Mass, a 6 p.m. ashes service and an 8 p.m. ecumenical ashes service in Cook Chapel in Frost Hall.

On Channel 3

FSU TV 3 Schedule for Feb. 23-27

Monday:
3 p.m. Unified Voices Under God’s Dominion Winter Choral Concert 2003 4:45 p.m. Out & About Featuring: Merge
5 p.m. Frostburg City Council Meeting Held on Thursday, Feb. 19
Tuesday:
3 & 6 p.m. Penn State Altoona vs. FSU Men’s Basketball Game 4:30 & 7:30 p.m. Destination Tomorrow 5 & 8 p.m. Live at the Loft: The Day
Wednesday:
3 & 6 p.m. MD State Of Mind 4 & 7 p.m. Frostburg Idol 5 & 8 p.m. Urban Music Report
Thursday:
3 & 6 p.m. Zen Lecturer: Amala Wrightson 5:55 & 7:55 p.m. Live at the Loft: Amanda Garrigues
Friday:
3 & 6 p.m. Destination Tomorrow 3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Café Frostburg: Greg Latta & Gullin 5:30 & 8:30 p.m. FSU Phat Padz

Internships

Governor’s, MDOT Fellows Internships

It is time to recruit applicants for the Governor’s Summer Internship Program and the Maryland Department of Transportation Fellows Internship Program. Both programs provide internships with stipends. All majors are encouraged to apply.

Governor’s Summer Internship Program:
This program introduces college students to the unique challenges and rewards of working within Maryland State Government. The program will run from June 7 through Aug. 13 and will have placements in Annapolis and the Baltimore area.

Applicants must be entering their junior or senior year during the fall 2004 semester, with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Interns are selected on the basis of their leadership skills, academic achievement and creativity in their essays. The on-campus deadline for applying is Friday, March 5.

Md. Dept. of Transportation Fellows:
This program introduces college students to the rewards and challenges of working within Maryland’s integrated transportation system. This program will run from June 14 to Aug. 6.

Applicants must be entering their senior year during the fall 2004 semester, with a GPA of at least 3.0. Students submit their credentials directly by March 22.

For additional information on both programs, please attend an internship information meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 4:30 p.m. in Old Main 104. Contact Dr. Kevin Kehrwald at x4714 or fsukehrwald@frostburg.edu. Information about the MDOT program can also be found on the web at www.shrivercenter.org/mdot.

Scholarships

David Sanford Graduate Student Scholarship

The David Sanford Graduate Student Scholarship, $500 awarded annually, is given to a full- or part-time graduate student who has previously been an undergraduate at FSU and received a varsity sport participation letter. An FSU overall grade point average of 3.0 or better is required. Applications are available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall or by calling x7053. Deadline is March 1.

F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship

The F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship. $1,500 awarded annually, is given to an FSU student who completed high school or the equivalent in either Allegany or Garrett counties who has an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better. The recipient must demonstrate financial need (complete and submit the FAFSA form). Applications are available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall or by calling x7053. Deadline is March 15.

International Information Meeting for Ireland Study Abroad

Students who would like to participate in the Mary Immaculate College study abroad program in fall 2004 or spring 2005 are invited to attend an information meeting on Monday, Feb. 23, at 4 p.m. in Dunkle Hall 103. Dr. Kevin Kehrwald will take the group next spring and will be teaching three classes: Introduction to Film Studies, Introduction to Literature, and American Film Studies. The program costs are comparable to one semester at FSU and financial aid is available. For further information, contact the IE.

Apply for Summer Programs Overseas Now

Students who are interested in studying overseas during the summer should submit an application form to the OE as soon as possible. Applications are being accepted for summer programs in Ecuador, Ireland, Ghana, England, and many other locations. For further information about summer programs, or to download an application form, visit the OE website.

Meet our International Students Every Friday

Any students or staff who are interested in meeting our international students should plan to drop by the OE any Friday between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. The OE provides coffee and doughnuts for internationals and anyone who would like to meet international students. Currently FSU is home to foreign students from over 26 countries. For more information, call the OE at x4714.

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 Dr. Amy Simes at the OE 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 OE 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 OE 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 OE 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 OE 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 Frofrostburg." Listen to both traditional and contemporary world music and get the latest about study abroad.

Safety Message

Fire Doors Are Not to Be Mistreated

The National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Code 101, Chapter 5, Section, 2.1.8 Self Closing Devices. STATES: “A door designated to normally to be kept closed in a means of egress shall be a self-closing door and shall not be secured in the open position at any time.”

Look at the top of the door you just walked through. Do you see a mechanical/ self closing device? If you do, then this door shall be kept closed at all times. Look around, do you see a door that is held open? Remove that item and allow the door to close for your protection. Doors with mechanical/ self closing devices are fire doors; they are our first line of defense from fire and smoke. Such fire doors are at the entrance to halls, stairs, kitchen areas, inter-office areas and doors leading from office areas into halls. We will be available to identify a fire door if required. It’s not just your life, but the life of your co-worker, and here’s your chance to protect both.

FSU Events Calendar

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

BURG Program, "If You Loved Me . . ." 7:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

WOMEN'S Basketball: Washington & Jefferson 7:00 p.m. Away

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

NAAACP Voting On Party Lines 7:00 p.m. Lane ARMH

FMLA Self-Defense Program 7:30 p.m. Lane ARMH

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Greek Council Meeting 5:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

NFPC Black History Month Event 7:00 p.m. Lane ARMH

RHA Meeting 7:30 p.m. Dunkle Hall 218

UPC & FLMC V-Day Open Mic, Dana Gilmore 7:30 p.m. Derezenski Lounge/Loft

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

SGA Senate Meeting 7:30 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Men's/Women's Indoor Track: New York University Track Invitational, New York, NY

UPC Feature Film Series, "Radio" 7 p.m. & midnight Lane Atkinson Room

UPC Fun Night 9:00 p.m.-midnight Chesapeake Hall

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Center Stage LVE! at the Loft, K.J. James 7:00 p.m. Derezenski Lounge/Loft

UPC Feature Film Series, "Radio" 8:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29

CCM Mass 9:00 a.m., Noon & 8:00 p.m. Cook Chapel

Kappa Mu Epsilon Induction 10:00 p.m. Library 237

Residence Life Office Diversity Program 2:00 p.m. Lane 142

CES, Gregory Popovich's "Comedy Pet Theatre" 3:00 p.m. PAC Pealer Recital Hall

Planetarium, "Saturn, the Masas and Black Holes" 4 & 7 p.m. Tawes Hall

UPC Feature Film Series, "Radio" 5:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

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