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CES Presents Latin Jazz Ensemble April 1

FSU Cultural Events Series presents Hilton Ruiz and Dave Valentin Latin Jazz Ensemble on Friday, April 1, at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Pealer Recital Hall.

The Ruiz/Valentin Jazz Ensemble delivers a sizzling combination of Latin jazz, progressive jazz and blues. Audiences from all around the world have experienced the hot Latin rhythms and cheerful jazz vibrations of this superbly entertaining ensemble. Valentin received a Grammy for Best Latin Jazz Album in 2003.

This program is sponsored in part by Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts Regional Touring Program. To purchase tickets or find out more information, call the FSU Cultural Events Box Office



Dave Valentin, above, and Hilton Ruiz, right

at x3137 or toll free at 1-866-TIXX-CES, or visit online at ces.frostburg.edu. Ask about FSU's Get-Away packages.

Ruiz, Valentin to Present Lecture-Demo

The FSU Cultural Events Series will offer an exciting lecture-demonstration with world-famous jazz artists Hilton Ruiz and Dave Valentin, on Friday, April 1, from 4 to 5 p.m. The program will take place in the Performing Arts Center Pealer Recital Hall, and is free and open to the public. During the program, Ruiz and Valentin will discuss jazz, paying particular attention to the Latin jazz genre, and will even treat the audience to some of their hot Latin rhythms and cheerful jazz vibrations. For more information, contact Susan Manger at x7420 or e-mail smanger@frostburg.edu.

Music

'Live! at the Loft' Series Presents Jim Boggia

Center Stage "Live at the Loft" series presents critically acclaimed pop musician Jim Boggia on Thursday, March 31, at 7 p.m. in the Lane University Center Loft.

Boggia's talent for writing surefire hits has made him an emerging star in the music industry. Boggia has opened for Michelle Branch after he received a personal invitation from the Grammy winning singer. The Philadelphia Music Conference voted Boggia the Artist of the Millennium. This event is free and open to the public.

Celebration of Clarinet Music Set for April

Dr. Mark Gallagher and his FSU Clarinet Studio students will present a celebration of clarinet music over a three-weekend period beginning April 2.

All performances are in the Pealer Recital Hall.

On the first weekend, there will be a duo student recital by Kara Klucsarits

and Brett McIntyre on Saturday, April 2, at 8 p.m. and an FSU Clarinet Studio Recital on Sunday, April 3, at 3 p.m.

The second weekend will feature a faculty artist recital on Sunday, April 10, at 3 p.m. with Gallagher on clarinet and guests mezzo soprano Karen Soderberg-Sarnaker and Todd Shelar on guitar.

The third weekend will feature junior LaNae Keene performing a clarinet recital on Sunday, April 17, at 3 p.m.

City Place Café Returns for Second Year

The City Place Café returns for the second straight year. The event will take place on Sunday, April 3 at City Place on 14 S. Water Street, Frostburg.

The doors will open at 6 p.m. and the show starts at 7 p.m. The entertainment for the art venue includes live music, poetry, dance, theater and more. Following the performances, there will be an open mic session from 9 to 10 p.m. There will be food and drinks from local Frostburg merchants.

Admission is \$2 at the door. Proceeds benefit Historic Frostburg Main Street Program. A poster sale in conjunction with the event will benefit the Allegany County Animal Shelter.

City Place Café is sponsored by

Historic Frostburg, Allegany Arts Council, FSU's Community Outreach Partnership Center, FSU's Theatre Department and the City of Frostburg.

For more information, contact Karen Tedesco at (301) 689-6900.

Rising Phoenix to Present Music and Art Show

Rising Phoenix Retreat Center in Flintstone will present a creative afternoon of music and art on Sunday, April 3, from 3 to 7 p.m.

The art show and sale will feature many artists who have exhibited at Rising Phoenix over the years. This large display will include sculptures by Ken Braitman, collage prints by Judy Creneti, various pieces by Cindy Crites, water colors by Pat Donohoe, nature masks by Rosemary Luckett, labyrinth art by Sandra Wasko-Flood, photography by Penny Besa, and the complete Martha Tabor collection.

The musical portion of the afternoon will be a piano concert by FSU's Dr. Joan DeVeve Dixon beginning at 4 p.m. Dixon will present the world premiere of "Eighteen Psalms for Piano" by Dr. Emma Lou Diemer. These pieces were commissioned by Dixon in 2003 as part of an ongoing collaborative effort by

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Pianist Joan DeVeve Dixon with the sculpture "Jacob's Ladder" by Martha Tabor.

Dixon and Diemer to produce musical settings of all 150 psalms.

The art show and musical presentations are free and open to the public.

Displayed artwork will be available for sale. For more information or directions, call (301) 578-2715, or (800) 322-1090 or x4115, or these Web sites: www.risingphoenixretreat.com or www.joandeveedixon.com.

Open Mic Night

Center Stage will present an Open Mic Night on Friday, April 8, from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Lane University Center Loft.

Come support Todd Smith and Dennis Wellington. They will be showcasing their rapping and dancing talents. Other FSU students are welcome to perform their talents also. Signup upon arrival.

There will be another Open Mic Night on Thursday April 21.

Literature



LaFemina to Read at Main Street Books

Gerry LaFemina, author of "The Parakeets of Brooklyn" and director of the FSU Center for Creative Writing will give a poetry reading and book signing at Main Street Books, 2 E. Main St., Frostburg on Monday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m.

LaFemina's latest collection of poems, "The Parakeets of Brooklyn," received the 2003 Bordighera Prize in Poetry and was released in a bilingual edition in Italian and English. His other collections include "Shattered Hours: Poems 1988-94," "Zarathustra in Love," "Graffiti Heart" (winner of the 2001 Anthony Piccione/MAMMOTH Books Prize in Poetry) and "The Window Facing Winter." LaFemina directs FSU's Center for Creative Writing.

For more information, call (301) 689-5605 or e-mail Powell@hereintown.net.

UPC Presents Poetry Night with Def Jam's Ivy

University Programming Council presents "Poetry Night" featuring HBO Def Jam Poet J. Ivy on Saturday, April 9, at 8 p.m. in the Lane University Center Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall.

Ivy's work bridges traditional poetry with hip-hop, as well as several other

genres. His infectious mix of word play and musicality has transfixed audiences across the country, from his native Chicago to Los Angeles, Nashville, Philadelphia, New York and Jamaica. Ivy uses his word play to uplift, acknowledge and entertain.

For more information, contact the Lane University Center Information Desk at x4411.



Dance

Dance Co. Presents Spring Dance Concert

The FSU Dance Company, under the artistic direction of Dr. Barry Fischer, will present its Spring Dance Concert on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 7, 8 and 9, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 10, at 2 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Drama Theatre.

Guest choreographer will be FSU alumna Lori Cannon, one of the first graduates of FSU's dance major. She will present two works. The first is a solo titled, "Charmer," performed by freshman dance major Sarah Lucas-Haji, a work Cannon performed as a student to high acclaim. The second work is a group piece featuring the women of the FSU Dance Company.

Fischer, marking his 10th year as Dance Company artistic director, will present a fun new work set to Bette Midler's rendition of the lively Rosemary Clooney classic, "Mambo Italiano."

Guest artist Claire Porter, a modern dance performance artist, and her company, Portables, are internationally recognized for using theatrical elements and humor in performances. She will perform two solos.

Dance majors from the Dance Composition I class will perform a variety of their own works in hip hop and modern styles.

Tickets for the general public are \$10. Tickets for students, faculty and staff with ID and children under 12 are \$5. Group discounts are available. Tickets will be available beginning Monday, March 28, in the Division of Performing Arts office, PAC 302. They will also be available in the PAC box office one hour prior to the performances. For reservations or more information, call x4145, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Presentations



AAST Presents Summer Mini Grant Colloquium

The African American Studies Program at FSU has rescheduled its Summer Mini Grant Colloquium for Tuesday, March 29, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Cordts Physical Education Center Leake Room.

Come and celebrate the work and share the research findings of Suzi Mills, Music/Performing Arts, and Kate Keely, Visual Arts. Mills and Keely were the first two recipients of the AAST Summer Mini Research Grant Program initiated this past year. The focus of

Mills' project, "Salsa Caliente," was "to better understand the collaborations that took place in the early decades of the 20th century between Cubans in the U.S., African Americans and other Latin American musicians that resulted in the contemporary Latin musical genre of Salsa. Keely's research focus on African American and Afro-Hispanic artists yielded great insight into the happenings and movements in the contemporary world of art. After a brief presentation by each of the grant recipients, they will share some of the sights and sounds of their research efforts.

Refreshments will be served. For more information, call x4995.

Epidemiologist's Talk: Bioterrorism Response

Dr. Betsy Kagey, epidemiologist at the Allegany County Health Department, will present a talk titled "Environment Health and Epidemiology, 2005" on Tuesday, March 29, at 7:45 p.m. in Compton Science Center 327. She is sponsored by the Western Maryland Local Section of the American Chemical Society.

Kagey's presentation will focus on the field of environmental epidemiology and how it is used in emergency response to acts of bioterrorism at the county level. Her talk will be preceded by a dinner at Giuseppe's on Bowery Street in Frostburg at 6 p.m. The public is invited both to the dinner meeting and the presentation. If you plan to attend the dinner at Giuseppe's, please contact Dr. James D. Stickler at (301) 784-5256 or Dr. Don Weser at x4157.

34th Mathematics Symposium Set April 15

The 34th FSU Mathematics Symposium will be held on the FSU campus on Friday, April 15, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Under its ongoing theme, "Teaching, Learning, Exploring," the Symposium is designed to serve mathematics educators at all levels and attracts over 100 mathematics teachers from the tri-state area.

The featured speaker for this year's meeting is Patrick Vennebush, editor of the popular "Media Clips" column in NCTM's "Mathematics Teacher" journal. Vennebush will speak on "Developing Algebraic Thinking with Real-World Algebra."

In addition, the Symposium will feature talks on geometry, mathematics in sports, statistics, mathematics pedagogy and other topics of interest. Among the speakers are FSU professors Marc Michael, Lance Revenaugh, Vaughn Snyder, Edward White and Gerard Wojnar.

The Mathematics Symposium is supported by grants from the FSU Provost's Office and the FSU Faculty Development Subcommittee. For more information on fees and registration for the symposium, contact the FSU Mathematics Department at x4384, e-mail Dr. Karen Parks at kparks@frostburg.edu, or consult the Symposium Web site at <http://faculty.frostburg.edu/math/wojnar/mathsymposium/2005/>.

'Mind Yoga,' 'Discovering Aces in Game of Life'

David G. Speer, Ph.D., will present the workshops "Discovering Your Aces in the Game of Life" on Thursday, April 7, from 6 to 9 p.m. and "Mind Yoga" on Saturday, April 9, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at FSU. Both events will be held in Dunkle Hall Rm. 218.

"Discovering Your Aces in the Game of Life" is designed to help participants uncover skills and talents that individuals perform easily and at which they excel, yet they often either ignore or take for granted. "Mind Yoga" was developed to support meditation and help aspirants take control of their mind.

Both the Thursday and Saturday sessions are designed to help attendees discover their talents and abilities, give 100 percent to life and fill their places in the FSU community and the community at large as movers, shakers, contributors and leaders.

Both sessions are free and open to the public. The Saturday session will have a one-hour break for lunch. The FSU Faculty Development and Sabbatical Subcommittee funded these events.

For more information, contact Dr. Judy Pula at x4240.

A Day Under the Stars

The FSU Planetarium and Center Stage present "A Day Under the Stars" on Wednesday, March 30, in the Lane University Center's Manicur Assembly Hall in FSU's Portable Planetarium. Show times will be 11 and 11:30 a.m., noon, 12:30, 1, 1:30, 2 and 2:30 p.m. Cookies and lemonade will be served.



Appalachian Lab

On Thursday, March 31, Dr. Gary Felton of the University of Maryland will present another in the UMCES Appalachian Lab spring seminar series. He will speak at 3:30 p.m. in AL room 109. Refreshments will follow.

Hadra Forum: Our Nation's Fresh Water

The free weekly James Hadra forums continue each Monday at noon in Ort Library room 237. The 50-minute programs are free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring lunch; coffee and tea will be provided.

Upcoming programs are as follows:

March 28: Richard Raesly, "Fishable and Swimable? The Integrity of Our Nation's Fresh Water."

April 4: Mary Jo Price, "The Arts and Crafts Movement in America."

April 11: Steve Simpson, "Exploring Political Psychology."

The forum is sponsored by Catholic Campus Ministries, United Campus Ministries and Hillel. For information, contact Rev. Larry Neumark at x7490.



Take Note

Spring Convocation

Mark your calendars. Dr. Gira's Spring Convocation will be Tuesday, April 12, at 3 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Drama Theatre.

Mind Culture Original Music Seeking Musicians

FSU's Mass Communication Department is looking for musicians to perform on the second annual Mind Culture Original Music Project.

The project consists of recording a CD of songs compiled by several area musicians, as well as putting on a concert featuring those musicians. If you think you have a song that is good enough, you may be chosen to be on the CD. All types of music are welcome. If you have already recorded a song, you can submit a copy of it on either tape or CD to: Mind Culture Original Music Project, FSU Mass Communication Department, Guild Center Room 118. If you have an idea for a song, but don't have a way to record it, the Mass Comm. Department can do it for you. What better way to gain exposure and kick-start your musical career?

All submissions are due by April 4.

For more information, contact Dr. John Lombardi at x4146 or Connie Capacchione at x3049.

Summer Courses Online

Attention students! Are you ready for summer? Are you ready for Summer Online 2005? Are you ready to earn credits from anywhere in the world this summer? FSU is offering its largest ever selection of summer courses online. With 43 courses being taught via the Internet, students have the capability of earning credits and fulfilling program requirements from home ... or wherever the summer takes you. Registration starts April 4, and courses promise to fill quickly, so check to see if there is a course that will earn you credits so you can graduate sooner. This is a cutting-edge way to learn. Look for the hot pink "Summer Online Course" brochures and posters around campus for course listings and requirements.

Or you may visit www.frostburg.edu/admin/cit/blackboard/onlineCourses.html for course descriptions and information. Contact the Center for Instructional Technologies at x4353 or cit@frostburg.edu for further information.

Financial Planning Registration Open

Registration for the Spring-II term of FSU's Financial Planning Certificate Program (FPCP) is now open. The course being offered this term is "FPCP V: Employee Benefits and Retirement Income Planning." Classes will be held on Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., beginning April 2 and ending May 21.

FPCP is a noncredit program that can be completed in 15 to 18 months. The program is being offered at the Frostburg main campus as well as the University System of Maryland Center at Hagerstown using Distance Education (interactive video) technology. Completion will fulfill the educational requirements and enable students to sit for the CFP Examination.

For information, contact Program Co-Director Dr. Sudhir Singh at x4093 or e-mail fpcp@frostburg.edu. Program features are provided in more detail on the Web at www.frostburg.edu/fpcp.

Health Fair April 7

The SAFE Office, BURG Peer Education and the Office of Human Resources are sponsoring a Health Fair on April 7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Manicur Assembly Hall. There will be a wide variety of exhibitors with displays concerning health and wellness issues.



MAHE Distinguished Program Awards

The Maryland Association of Higher Education is soliciting nominations for the 2005 MAHE Distinguished Program Awards. The purposes of the awards are to provide recognition for innovative and outstanding programs in higher education and to facilitate communication about successful, replicable programs among member institutions. Awards are given in three categories: instructional, student services, and other (any program that advances higher education in Maryland, including community outreach programs). Programs must be nominated by the sponsoring institution. The deadline for consideration for FSU nomination is May 1.

Application materials are available from Mary Gartner, Assistant Provost and MAHE Institutional Representative, Office of the Provost, Hitchins; x4212 or mgartner@frostburg.edu. Dr. Rhodes also has distributed application materials to all faculty. Completed applications should be returned to Gartner no later than May 1 for review, selection (if there are multiple applications in one category), and nomination by the President.

Award recipients are invited to describe their programs at the MAHE Fall Conference and may be asked to prepare an abstract or article for the MAHE Journal. FSU's Center for Volunteerism and National Service/AmeriCorps programs received an award previously.

DC Day Trip: Holocaust Museum and More

All interested students, faculty and staff are cordially invited to attend the DC Day Trip of Saturday, April 23, to the Holocaust Museum and other places. The trip is limited to 48 people. There is no cost, except for lunch and snacks. We will leave by bus at 7 a.m. from Allegany College of Maryland and tour the Holocaust Museum at approximately

10:30 a.m. Following that, we are on our own. There are 25 reserved tickets to the National Museum of the Native American at 2:15 p.m. This trip is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The bus will leave Washington at 4 p.m. We will arrive back in Frostburg at 7:30 p.m. For information, contact Larry Neumark at neumark@mindspring.com or x7490.

SkillSoft: Make Skills Development a Priority

"Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence." -- Abigail Adams, 1780

Abigail Adams understood the importance of making time for learning, and she didn't even



have the SkillSoft program. For FSU employees, SkillSoft e-learning puts hundreds of topics at your fingertips, making it easy to enhance your existing skills and learn new skills. E-learning is yours for the taking, from the nearest computer, with no travel and no charge involved.

If you aren't taking advantage of the SkillSoft program yet, use the SkillPort Quick Start document that has been e-mailed to all employees or contact the Office of Human Resources at x7487 to make it a priority starting today.

What Does Pizza Have to Do With Leadership?

Absolutely nothing ... but FSU's Leadership Studies Minor program will be



sponsoring an information session for students interested in participating in this program on Thursday, March 31, at 5 p.m. in Lane University Center 201.

The meeting is informal. Pizza and beverages will be provided. Students currently involved in the leadership minor will share their experiences. For more info, call Ruth Wallinger, Program Coordinator at x4709.

Nominations Sought for Staff Excellence Awards

One of the goals of the University's Strategic Plan is to reward outstanding service to the institution. Again this year the FSU Foundation Inc. will fund three \$500 Staff Awards for Excellence to employees who have demonstrated excellence in service. All members of the University exempt/nonexempt staff are eligible to be nominated, whether contractual, full-time, or part-time.

The Staff Awards Review Committee will select award winners based on demonstrated evidence of all of the nomination criteria.

Any FSU employee may nominate him/herself or another staff member.

Detailed nomination criteria and nomination forms have been distributed

to employees. Direct any questions to Kelly Durst at kdurst@frostburg.edu or x7487, or to Patrick McLane at pmclane@frostburg.edu. Complete nomination packets will be due no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, March 31. Any nominations received after this deadline will not be considered. The awards will be presented in conjunction with Dr. Gira's Spring 2005 Convocation.

The FSU Staff Awards for Excellence are sponsored by the alumni and friends of FSU through the 2005 Annual Fund Campaign.

Info Meeting Set at USM-H on MAT

FSU will present an information meeting for prospective applicants for its Master of Arts in Teaching programs, both elementary and secondary, for the group beginning studies in summer 2005. on Thursday, March 31, at 6:30 p.m. at the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown, 32 W. Washington St., room 124-125.

MAT-Secondary Program Coordinator Dr. William Childs and MAT-Elementary Program Coordinator Dr. Kim Rotruck will be there to speak to prospective applicants.

The Master of Arts in Teaching – Elementary is offered at USM-H. The deadline for summer 2005 cohort applications is May 1, 2005. The summer 2005 applicant admissions interviews will be scheduled for the evening of Wednesday, April 13, in room 124-125.

The Master of Arts in Teaching – Secondary program is now offered both at FSU's Frostburg and Hagerstown locations. The deadline for summer 2005 applications is April 1.

For more information, call the FSU Graduate Services Office at x7053 or contact Rotruck at (240) 257-2736 for questions about the elementary program or Childs at x4216 for questions about the secondary program. The USM-H number is (240) 257-2060.

April 1 Environmental Contest Photo Deadline

The second annual Environmental Photography Contest is currently being held by the Environmental Planning and Land Management Institute of FSU (a joint venture between the FSU Department of Geography and the Maryland Bureau of Mines, MDE).

Anyone over the age of 11 who lives, attends school or works in either Allegany or Garrett County is eligible to enter. This is an amateur contest, no professionals. The photographs should be environmental or natural habitat scenes of either Allegany or Garrett County which depict an interpretation of the natural environment that defines the beauty and richness of these counties.

To enter, submit one to three 8" x 10" photographs, either black & white or color to the FSU Department of Geography, Room 202 FSU Gunter Hall or the Maryland Bureau of Mines, Room 309 Dunkle Hall.

The deadline for all photos is 4 p.m. on

April 1. The photographs that receive a "finalist" award will be on display at the FSU Ort Library from April 15 to 21. The award ceremony to will recognize the top four finalists (first, second, third places and honorable mention) will be held on April 21 at 5 p.m. in the Compton Science Center atrium. For information or entry forms, call x4369 or x4721. The entry forms are also available on the FSU Web site at www.frostburg.edu/dept/geog/einstitute.

News for Summer-Fall MBA Applicants

The 2004-2006 Graduate Catalog is available at the Graduate Services office, 141 Pullen Hall. The revised MBA program requires that all students entering as of spring 2005 complete the GMAT (Graduate Management Admissions Test). Test registration information is available through the Educational Testing Services Web site at www.ets.org or by calling the FSU Computer-Based Testing Center, Sand Spring Hall, at x7990. The test is available as a computer-based examination, given at FSU Monday and Friday, 8 a.m. to noon, and Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

Grad Students: Summer, Fall Registration Info

Registration for graduate students begins for summer and fall 2005 sessions on the PAWS system on Monday, April 4. Please remember that the summer semester code is 2053 and the fall semester code is 2058. Registration for summer is with payment only, and there are no deferred payment plans available.

May 2005 Commencement

Graduate students who plan to graduate in May 2005 need to complete the Application for Graduation as soon as possible. Friday, April 15, is the deadline for candidates to be included in the May 2005 Commencement Program. Please remember to apply as soon as possible to make sure that you have time to obtain the required admission tickets. The Application for Graduation and cap and gown ordering forms are available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall, or by calling x7053.

Points of Pride



Dr. Amy Harman, Biology, has passed the examination to become a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians, receiving a 100 percent score.

The **FSU Wildlife Society** attended the 2005 Southeastern Wildlife Conclave hosted by Florida University, an annual competition between student Wildlife Society Chapters that tests knowledge and skill through a variety of events. They were sponsored by the SGA.

The main event, the Quizbowl, pits schools against one another in a variety

of subjects ranging from general biology, wildlife techniques, genetics, ecology, mammalogy, ornithology, herpetology and ichthyology. Other events in which the FSU students participated included game calling, individual competitions and a team competition. Out of 24 schools, FSU students placed eighth in the Quizbowl and second in the field team competition. The team competition consisted of 15 stations containing everything from fish, mammal skulls, insects, bird songs, rope knots, frog calls and field equipment to identify. **David Kazyak** also placed third in color photography. The awards and pictures will be displayed in the Compton Science Center.

Students participating were **Adam Brant, Jayson Thompson, Morgan Bogard, Jenny Saville, Kerry Wixted, Kazyak, Peter Skidmore, Staton Klein, Michael Lutmerding, Michael Porta, Shawn Morrell, Andrew Cole, Hutch Walbridge, Lewis Bernier** and **Tim Muesella**.



Deadlines

Deadline for May 2005 Graduation Exceptions

Are you planning a May 2005 graduation? If your official degree audit indicates you have not completed all requirements and you have a basis to request an exception, submit your written appeal letter and supporting letters and documentation to the Academic Standards Subcommittee, Office of the Provost, Hitchins Building, by 4 p.m. on April 14 for the April meeting (last chance for graduation exceptions and inclusion in the Commencement Booklet). If you have questions or concerns, please call the Provost's Office at x4212.

On the Radio



NPR and WFWM Present 'This I Believe'

"This I Believe," a national project that presents America's core beliefs and values through the voices of its most famous citizens and everyday Americans, will debut on more than 600 public radio stations, including WFWM (91.9 FM) public radio from FSU on April 4. Each week, NPR will feature a three-minute essay read by its author and introduced by award-winning producer Jay Allison on NPR's newsmagazines "Morning Edition" or "All Things Considered."

The following Americans, all leaders in their fields, have agreed to participate and more essayists are expected: former heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali, author Isabel Allende, musician Laurie Anderson, athlete Charles Barkley, actress Drew Barrymore, commentator William F. Buckley Jr., playwright Eve Ensler, AIDS researcher Dr. Anthony Fauci, politician Newt Gingrich, former President Bill Clinton, author and journalist David Halberstam,

director Ron Howard, Sen. John McCain, Her Majesty Queen Noor, actor Robert Redford, writer and activist Gloria Steinem and author John Updike.

At the conclusion of each segment, the host will ask listeners to submit their own essays through NPR.org for possible inclusion in NPR's programs or online archives. NPR encourages potential participants who wish to express the core values that guide their lives and how they arrived at them, to submit an essay for consideration. The best listener essays and essays commissioned from prominent Americans will air on NPR's news magazine programs and/or appear on NPR's Web site at www.npr.org/ thisbelieve, which also has essay-writing guidelines.

"This I Believe" is based on the popular 1950s radio show of the same name, which was hosted by iconic journalist Edward R. Murrow.

WFWM broadcasts "All Things Considered" from 4 to 6 p.m. and "Morning Edition" from 5 to 9 a.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call x4143.

Get Involved



Groups Sought to Help with Senior Picnic

A campus-wide event honoring our graduating seniors is being scheduled for Sunday, May 15, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. The Office of Alumni Programs needs student organizations who want to organize games, activities, etc...

Call Dina Rephann for information at x7588. A commitment is needed by Wednesday, April 20. If your organization is interested, there will be a planning meeting Wednesday, April 20, at 5 p.m. in the President's Conference Room. Please call to say you will attend.

Center Stage Sets Trip to Baltimore Inner Harbor

On Saturday, April 2, (the weekend after spring break), Center Stage will sponsor a trip to Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Enjoy a day at Baltimore's Inner Harbor and a night of comedy with Mickey Cucchiella from Baltimore's 98 ROCK. This trip includes a coach bus trip and a comedy club ticket to Baltimore's Comedy Factory! The charter bus will leave from the Performing Arts Center parking lot at 10 a.m.

Cost is \$20 for FSU students (school ID must be shown at time of purchase) and \$25 for non-FSU students

Sign up at the Lane University Center information desk Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Reservations are first come, first served.

Catholic Campus Ministry

CCM will discuss "What the Church Teaches: Life Issues – Abortion, Capital Punishment, etc." on Tuesday, March 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the Osborne Newman Center.

United Campus Ministry

UCM will have a movie night on Wednesday, March 30, at 7:30 p.m. in Ort Library room 237.

Athletics



Wrestling Club Goes National

The FSU Wrestling Club has gone national. Three of its members placed in the recent regional tournament, with Frostburg placing ninth overall in the region.

Team Captain Stephen Byrd placed sixth at 235 lbs., John Marshall placed sixth at 133 lbs. and Andrew Payne placed third at 197 lbs.

Despite the end of the regular season, there are several open tournaments coming up, with the wrestling club still competing. The club is also opening practice to submission grappling martial arts, such as Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Judo and Sambo. For more information on the wrestling club and practice times, contact Stephen Byrd at sbyrd0@frostburg.edu.

Jobs, Jobs, Jobs



Student Developmental Math Instructors Sought

FSU's Learning Center is seeking student instructors for its Developmental Math Program. Participants can earn \$500, receive three field experience credits and build their resumes.

For information, contact Beth Stallings at The Learning Center, 150 Pullen Hall, x4442 or bstallings@frostburg.edu. Deadline to apply is April 1.

Volunteers



Read to Succeed and Mathletics Needs You

Read to Succeed and Mathletics are accepting applications for tutors. 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.

A training workshop will be offered March 28 in the PE Center Leake Room. For information, contact coordinator Lesley Baker at x7615

Students Offer Free Tax Return Preparation

Free help preparing 2004 tax returns is available through the IRS-sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program.

Help with basic federal and Maryland income tax returns will be offered by FSU's College of Business students who have been trained and approved by the IRS. Faculty members will oversee these student preparers.

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 FSU's Framptom Hall. A drop-off service will also be available throughout the week.

Community



Lyon to Speak at Frostburg AAUW

Dr. Linda Lyon of the FSU Biology Department will be the guest speaker at the April meeting of the Frostburg Branch, American Association of University Women. Dr. Lyon will speak on "The Ethnobotanical Uses of Plants Among the Ananosy of Madagascar." The meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the social hall of the Frostburg United Methodist Church, Main Street, Frostburg. Refreshments will be served by hostesses Alice Shupe-Rhoton and Teddy Latta. There will also be a silent auction to support Branch activities. The public is welcome. For more information, contact Amy Harman at (301) 689-8657.

International



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 programs or scholarships, contact Dr. Amy Simes at the CIE in the Fuller House on Braddock Road, x3091, asimes@frostburg.edu or visit the CIE Web page at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm.

Apply Now for Summer, Fall Study Abroad

Students are encouraged to visit the CIE and pick up a study abroad application for summer and fall programs. Deadlines for both application and scholarships are late February/early March. There are hundreds of programs available to FSU students. FSU students may apply for the following faculty-led summer programs:

- China (see Dr. Li's Web page at <http://faculty.frostburg.edu/biol/hli/Study-In-China/2005.htm>)
 - Madagascar (see Dr. Linda Lyon in 304 Compton, llyon@frostburg.edu)
 - Ireland Social Work (see Dr. Maureen Connelly in the Fuller House, mconnelly@frostburg.edu)
 - England (see Dr. Judy Dieruf in 122 Fine Arts, jdieruf@frostburg.edu)
- Other summer programs are available:
- American Institute of Foreign Study (AIFS): www.aifsabroad.com/
 - International Student Exchange Program: www.isep.org/nus/summer.html
 - Summer at Sea: www.semesteratsea.com/voyages/summer2005/index.html

Students may also apply for fall 2005 programs through the following affiliates:

- Australia/New Zealand

(www.australearn.com)

- England (Northumbria University - <http://northumbria.ac.uk/>)
- Many locations through AIFS (www.aifsabroad.com/)
- Many locations through ISEP (www.isep.org)
- Many locations through SIT (www.sit.edu/studyabroad/index.html)

Gilman Scholarships for Fall Study Abroad

Students who receive the Federal Pell Grant and have been accepted to any fall semester study abroad program may be eligible to apply for the Gilman Scholarship (www.iie.org/gilman). **Deadline for online applications is April 4.**



Safety Message

Fire Safety Tips

The National Fire Protection Association 101 Life Safety Code and the Maryland State Fire Code requires each building to have a safe and unobstructed way out. All occupants of each building shall know that there is a direct and clear way to the door that leads outside and a safe refuge during an emergency evacuation. Definitions

pertaining to building evacuation state:

Means of egress (the safe and clear way out of your building): A continuous and unobstructed way from any point in a building to a public way consisting of three separate and distinct parts: the exit access (halls, ramps), the exit (stairs, lobby, foyer), and the exit discharge. (the open sidewalk, street, parking lot, field, patio).

Means of egress reliability: Means of egress shall be continuously maintained FREE of all obstructions and impediments to full instant use in the case of fire or other emergency.

Furnishings and decorations in means of egress: NO furnishings, decorations or other objects shall obstruct exits or their access, egress or visibility.

Please survey your building for items being stored in your means of egress, such as desks, tables, unused file cabinets and other items. When found, process a Work Performance Request for their removal.

When You're Talking Safety, Shout it Out Loud



FSU Events Calendar



MONDAY, MARCH 28

Classes Resume

- * Hadra Lecture Series, Dr. Richard Raesly, "Fishable and Swimmable? The Integrity of Our Nation's Fresh Water" noon Library 237
- * Delta Sigma Theta Week Event, *Taebo-Taboo* ... 5:00 p.m. Lane ARMAH

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

- * Women's Softball: Bridgewater College (DH) 2:30 p.m. Away
- * Delta Sigma Theta Week, *Hip-Hop Mass Media* ... 5:30 p.m. Lane ARMAH

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

- * Center Stage Planetarium 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Lane ARMAH
- * Baseball: Mt. Aloysius College (DH) 1:00 p.m. Away
- * Women's Softball: Mt. Aloysius College (DH) 2:30 p.m. Home
- * Delta Sigma Theta Week, *Men's Appreciation* 4:00 p.m. . Cordts PEC Leake Room
- * Greek Council 5:00 p.m. Lane 202
- * Sierra Student Coalition Date Auction 7:00 p.m. Lane ARMAH
- * SGA Election Debate 8:30-10 p.m. ... Derezinski Lounge/Loft

THURSDAY, MARCH 31

- * Center Stage LIVE! at the Loft, *Jim Boggia* 7:00 p.m. Derezinski Lounge/Loft
- * SGA Meeting 7:30 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room
- * Amnesty Int'l, *Stop Torture Against Detainees* 7:30 p.m. Library Quad

FRIDAY, APRIL 1

- * UPC Feature Film, "*Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events*" 7 p.m. & midnight .. Lane Atkinson Room
- * CES, *Hilton Ruiz/Dave Valentin Latin Jazz* 8:00 p.m. PAC Pealer Recital Hall

SATURDAY, APRIL 2

- * Men's/Women's Outdoor Track & Field: Goucher College, Baltimore, MD Away
- * Enrollment Management Open House 8:30 a.m. Lane University Center
- * Center Stage Trip to Baltimore Inner Harbor Bus to leave from PAC at 10 a.m.
- * Baseball: Hilbert College (DH) 1:00 p.m. Away
- * Women's Softball: Hilbert College (DH) 1:00 p.m. Home
- * UPC Feature Film Series, "*Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events*" 8:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room
- * Delta Sigma Theta Crimson & Cream Sch. Ball .. 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Lane ARMAH

SUNDAY, APRIL 3

- * CCM Mass Noon & 8:00 p.m. Cook Chapel
- * Celebration of Clarinet Music 3:00 p.m. PAC Pealer Recital Hall
- * Planetarium, "*The Lives and Deaths of Stars*" 4 & 7 p.m. Tawes Hall
- * UPC Feature Film Series, "*Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events*" 8:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

* **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 Hitchens, 301-687-4102, TDD 301-687-7955.