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'Kenya and its Biodiversity: The Challenges of Living With Our Riches'

Mordy Ogada, a Ph.D. candidate in Wildlife Ecology at Kenyatta University and a research associate at FSU, will present "Kenya and its Biodiversity: The Challenges of Living With Our Riches," at FSU on Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. in Compton Science Center room 226.

Ogada, who became interested in animals as a young child while watching conservation films, is now one of the foremost carnivore ecologists in Kenya. Before working on his Ph.D. research on otters, Ogada assisted with issues related to livestock damage caused by large carnivores such as lions.

Ogada is studying with Dr. Tom Serfass, FSU professor of biology, whom he met during the Otter Colloquium at FSU in 2004. The two are working on a project to survey the populations of Kenya's two



species of otters. This project's focus is to educate young students about the importance of clean water to the health of wildlife and human populations.

Ogada's overriding aim as a wildlife

biologist is to make conservation in Kenya an objective pursuit, managed with scientific data and facts obtained from research. He considers Kenya as the front line of conservation, which has exposed the country's conservation efforts to forces driven by greed, self interest, and politics.

His presentation will focus on these issues as well as the natural beauty of the Kenyan landscape and its wildlife resources.

Ogada's presentation is sponsored by an FSU Faculty Development Grant, the FSU

Chapter of the Society for Conservation Biology and the Elkins Professorship.

For more information, call the FSU Department of Biology at x4166.

Candlelight Vigil for Peace Feb. 20 in Cook

On Monday, Feb. 20, a special all-campus event, a Candlelight Vigil for Peace, will take place in Cook Chapel at 7:30 p.m. Music will be provided by "Kids for Peace," a singing group of children from the Bruderhof, an intentional peace community in Farmington, Pa. Students, faculty and staff will share readings. Brief reflections will be made by Kathy Powell, associate professor of Social Work; Dr. Craig Etchison, professor of English at Allegany College of Maryland, the Rev. Larry Neumark, protestant chaplain; and Fr. Ed Hendricks, Catholic chaplain.

The event is open to the public. It is sponsored by United Campus Ministry, Catholic Campus Ministry, and the Peace Club at Allegany College of Maryland.



Music

UPC presents the Music of Alexa Ray Joel and Syd

University Programming Council will present Alexa Ray Joel, daughter of Billy Joel and Christie Brinkley, along with singer/songwriter Syd on Saturday,

Feb. 18, at 8 p.m. at the Lane University Center Manicur Assembly Hall.

Joel recently made her New York City musical debut at the Cutting Room before a standing-room-only crowd. Joel is now on tour throughout the northeast.

Syd's music evokes the mood and melody of his influences, which include Ani DiFranco and Pearl Jam, yet he stands comfortably on his own. The Bostonian recently completed his sophomore album, "Fault Lines."

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

Faculty Artist Series Sets Clarinet-Piano Recital

FSU's Faculty Artist Series will feature clarinet instructor Mark Gallagher and guest artist Michael Adcock in a recital of clarinet and piano music on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 3 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center's Pealer Recital Hall.

The program includes "Vier Stücke für Klarinette und Klavier, op. 5" by Alban Berg, "Sonate für Klarinette und Klavier, f-moll, op. 120, no. 1 by Johannes Brahms, "Deuxième Sonate pour Clarinette et Piano, op. 28" by François Devienne and "Drei Romanzen für Klarinette und Klavier, op. 94 by

Robert Schumann.

Gallagher made his New York recital debut performing with violinist Sylvia Rosenberg at the Lincoln Center and is a winner of the Artist International Competition in New York. An active chamber musician and co-founder of I Venti Semplice, Gallagher has recorded with the Albany Records label and can be heard on the Eastman "American Music" Series.

Winner of the 1998 Lili Boulanger Memorial Award, pianist Adcock has cultivated a versatile career as both a soloist and frequent chamber music collaborator. A former Artist-in-Residence at the Aspen Institute, Adcock recently completed the Doctorate of Musical Arts at The Peabody Conservatory, where he was also an adjunct member of the theory and chamber music faculties.

For more information, contact the Department of Music at x4109.

Theatre



'Vagina Monologues' Part of V-Day Celebration

FSU will present Eve Ensler's Obie Award-winning play "The Vagina Monologues" on Friday, Feb. 17, and Satur-

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day, Feb. 18, at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center's Pealer Recital Hall. All proceeds will benefit the Family Crisis Resource Center in Cumberland and the Dove Center of Garrett County.

Tickets are \$5 with student ID, \$10 for the general public. Call the PAC box office at x7462.

The play is being performed as part of V-Day, a campaign to stop violence against females worldwide. This is the fifth year FSU has marked V-Day. Through campaigns, local volunteers and college students, performances are produced to raise awareness and funds for anti-violence groups within their communities.

Some of the other events planned for FSU's V-Day campaign include:

- Feb. 14, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Valentine's Day/Promotion Day, Lane University Center
- Feb. 20: "Men Can Stop Rape," (time and place TBA)
- Feb. 22: Philosophy Club Discussion, (time and place TBA)
- Feb. 24, 7 p.m.: Take Back the Night and My Own Monologues, Upper Echo Circle behind Compton Science Center then to The Lane University Center Loft. (Special thanks to the LUC for opening the Java City coffee bar that evening.)

For more information, visit the Web site at www.vday.org.

UT Opens Spring Season with 'Dames At Sea!'

University Theatre's Season Too! will present "Dames at Sea," with music by Jim Wise and book and lyrics by George Haimsohn and Robin Miller. A preview performance is scheduled for Feb. 23 with opening performances on Feb. 24 and 25. All shows begin at 8 p.m. in the F. Perry Smith Studio Theatre of the Performing Arts Center.

Directed by Coty Warn, "Dames at Sea" is a heartfelt, comedic tribute to musicals of a bygone era. Set in the early 1930s, "Dames" takes us back to a time when people expressed their feelings through song and dance and approached the world with inherent truth and goodness. The original Off-Broadway hit contains musical numbers such as "Wall Street," "Broadway Baby," "Sailor of My Dreams" and, of course, "Dames at Sea." With performances by Jenny Tabb (Mona Kent), Deanna McDonald (Joan), Matt Cooper (Hennesey), Mallory Smith (Ruby), Colby Lehman (Lucky) and Ryan Adams (the Captain), "Dames" is a classic song and tap extravaganza.

All tickets are \$5. For reservations and information, call the University Theatre box office at x7462, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Irish Classic 'Playboy of the Western World' Set

University Theatre will present J.M. Synge's Irish classic, "The Playboy of the Western World" on March 3, 4, 9, 10 and 11 at 8 p.m., and March 4 at 2 p.m., in the Performing Arts Center Drama Theatre.

When Christy Mahon saunters into a small Irish town claiming to have killed his father in self-defense, the villagers

become captivated by his mystique and bravery, proclaiming him, "Playboy of the Western World." Their praise gives Christy newfound confidence and he quickly becomes a favorite among the village girls and Widow Quinn. He also wins the affections of the strong-willed Pegeen Mike who runs her father's pub where Christy has taken refuge. However, when another stranger comes to town, Christy's image takes a turn for the worse, causing townsfolk to reveal some harsh realities that underlie their isolated community.

When this humorous and satirical play opened at Dublin's Abbey Theatre in 1907, riots filled the streets, as people thought Synge had misrepresented both Irish life and women, for he scandalously mentioned females "standing in their shifts." Since those initial nationalistic shock waves, "The Playboy of the Western World" has become a poetic masterpiece.

Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for the general public. For reservations, call the University Theatre box office at x7462, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Workshops



Legal Landmines In Higher Education . . .

. . . will be the focus of the Maryland Association of Higher Education's (MAHE) Spring Conference on Friday, March 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Community College of Baltimore County - Catonsville. In addition to a workshop on "The Five Most Pressing Legal Issues Impacting Maryland Colleges," participants may choose specialized workshops on such topics as academic dishonesty, COMAR regulations for new program approval, keeping campus technology secure, federal compliance issues that impact the classroom and legal issues when hiring and orienting new faculty and staff. The keynote speaker will be Michael Kiphart from the Middle States Commission (and formerly MHEC). FSU's very own Kathy Powell, Lori Senese and Emily White will be honored for receiving an MAHE Distinguished Program Award for the university/community engagement in the Frostburg Community Outreach Center.

Due to the importance of, and potential wide interest in the topic, President Gira has agreed to fund the conference registration fee of \$50/person for an FSU delegation that includes faculty and at least one administrator from each division. Contact Mary Gartner, MAHE Institutional Representative, no later than FEB. 17 for information. You must register through Mary to be considered for Presidential funding. Group transportation will be provided, leaving early in the morning.

Film



UPC Presents Tournées Festival of French Films

The Tournées Film Festival will continue with the next two to be shown at the

Palace Theatre on Main Street in Frostburg. "Moolaadé," shown on Friday, Feb. 17 and Saturday, Feb. 18, at 8 p.m., takes on the controversial issue of female circumcision. It is unrated. "A Very Long Engagement," Saturday, Feb. 25, at 8 p.m., follows the story of Mathilde, who is in search of her missing fiancé, Manech, who served in World War I. It is rated R. Admission is free for FSU students and \$5.50 for the general public.

The Festival will end with the film "Viva Laldjerie" on Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 7 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room, 201. The unrated film explores the lives of three women in Algiers trying to get by despite hardships. Admission is free.

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

Entertainment



Comedy Night Features Queen Aishah and Tess

University Programming Council will present its Celebrity Comedy Night featuring Queen Aishah and Tess live in the Lane University Center's Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall on Saturday, Feb. 25, at 8 p.m.

The feature performers are renowned entertainers familiar to both live and television audiences. Queen Aishah is the highly requested celebrity judge on the "Ricki Lake Show, a BET "Comic View" favorite, and is always called upon by the U.S. Military at home and abroad. Her observations on her own life, relationships, public figures and the like are aimed at making the audience feel that they belong, a very important aspect of the Queen's art. Queen Aishah gives her performance a personal feel, spreading love and laughter to her loyal subjects.

Tess Drake was a finalist in 2003's "Last Comic Standing" on NBC. The Ohio native discovered her gift for comedy in high school where she was voted both class president and class clown. Afterward she took only her first name and left home, marrying for only 90 days. During that rocky period, Tess unearthed the foundations of her comic career, her strength giving her the ability to laugh at a divorce and the absurdities of dating. Tess has shared her insight at the 2001 UW Comedy Arts Festival on NBC's "Late Friday," "The Jamie Foxx Show," BET's "Comic View," Def Jam Comedy Tour and on Brian McKnight's "Back at One" tour.

The performance is free to FSU students with a student ID, and the cost is \$10 for the general public. Tickets will be available at the door.

Presentations



'Looking At Ourselves: Millennial Generation'

On Tuesday, Feb. 14, at 7:30 p.m., a special all-campus event, "Looking at Ourselves: The Millennial Generation," will take place in Room 237 of the Ort Library. Recent studies indicate that the

present generation of students is quite different from previous ones. What are its strengths and needs? What historical events have impacted this generation? What values, attitudes, and behavioral patterns distinguish it from previous ones? What about parental roles? How can students and professors relate in more creative ways?

Dr. John Lowe, Dean of Student Development, and Larry Neumark, Protestant Chaplain, will facilitate an insightful PowerPoint presentation and interactive dialogue. This program will be valuable for students and faculty/staff alike. Everyone will gain new perspectives on a fascinating topic. All persons interested in this subject are invited to be present. The event is sponsored by United Campus Ministry and Student and Educational Services.

'Thurgood Marshall is Coming' Portrayal

Dr. Lenneal Henderson will present "Thurgood Marshall is Coming," a portrayal of the celebrated Supreme Court Justice and Maryland native on Tuesday, Feb. 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Lane University Center Manicur Assembly Hall. The event marks the 10th anniversary celebration of African American Studies at FSU.

Marshall, a civil rights pioneer who was instrumental in a number of cases, most notably *Briggs v. Elliott*, which became part of the *Brown v. Board of Education* ruling that desegregated schools, was appointed Solicitor General, then a Federal Judge, and then to the Supreme Court of the United States, the first African American to hold that post.

Born in New Orleans and raised in the housing projects of San Francisco, Henderson was a former head of the Department of Political Science, director of the Bureau of Public Administration and a professor of Political Science at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. He has written a number of books, published papers and made presentations all over the world on energy policy, urban dynamics, organizational theory and racial and ethnic studies.

He is currently distinguished professor of Government and Public Administration and senior fellow at both the William Donald Schaefer Center for Public Policy and the Hoffberger Center for Professional Ethics at the University of Baltimore where he was also a Henry C. Welcome Fellow at UB.

Sponsors include the Frostburg Historical Museum, the Maryland Humanities Council, Columbia Gas of Maryland, FSU's African American Studies Program, African American Studies Student Society and the Sociology Club. A question and answer period will follow the presentation. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Dr. Robert Moore at x4995.



Speakers

Appalachian Lab

On Thursday, Feb. 16, Dr. Michael Kemp of UMCES Horn Point Lab will present "Inferring Biogeochemical and Ecological Processes from Observatory Data: Examples from the Patuxent River Estuary," another in the UMCES Appalachian Laboratory's spring seminar series. Kemp will speak at 3:30 p.m. in AL room 112. Refreshments will follow in the lobby.

UVUGD, NAACP Present Pastor Peyton Grey

Unified Voices Under God's Dominion and NAACP will present Pastor Peyton Grey of Evangel Cathedral, Upper Marlboro, Md., on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 12:15 p.m. in Lane University Center 201.

A leader of the young adult ministry, Powerplant, Peyton is a phenomenal speaker and has spoken at youth and young adult conventions, colleges and churches all over the U.S. He is the co-creator of Boot Camp held at Evangel Cathedral.

Art



Berman: Photographs, Paintings & Installations

An exhibit by photographer and installation artist Michael Berman will be on display in the Stephanie Ann Roper Art Gallery through Wednesday, Feb. 22. Berman's newest installation can be viewed from Sunday through Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Berman's work is a record of his wanderings of the borderlands of the Southwest and Mexico. He is attracted to un-peopled places where he walks and photographs.

For seven years, Berman has photographed El Gran Desierto, the 6,000-square-mile swath of desert along the Southwest Arizona and Sonora border.

For more information, contact the Department of Visual Arts at x4797.



Take Note

Neighborhood Group to Address Public Safety

The area of Frostburg adjacent to the FSU campus is a mixed neighborhood of owner-occupied housing and rental properties. Residents and property owners have public safety needs unique to a mixed neighborhood in a college town. As a means of identifying these unique needs and discussing ways to address them, the Frostburg Neighborhood Association is sponsoring a Public Safety Forum on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 7 p.m. at City Place (Water and Mechanic Streets in Frostburg). Representatives from the Frostburg City Police, University Police, Office of Student and Educational Services, the Allegany County Sheriff's Office, the Maryland State

Police, the Allegany County States Attorney's Office, the District Court of Maryland and anyone who lives or owns property in the neighborhood adjacent to campus is invited.

Among the topics to be discussed are substance use and abuse, ways to curtail underage drinking and inter-organizational cooperation. Neighborhood Association members have prepared discussion items; however, participants will be invited to raise other topics as well.

The Association is designed to bring together year-round residents, student renters, landlords and rental agents to work together to improve the quality of life in the neighborhood adjacent to FSU. It meets the third Sunday of each month at 7 p.m. at City Place. The February meeting is devoted to this Public Safety Forum. Although the Association is still in the forming stages, it has already implemented a number of projects, including a welcome wagon campaign, an informational meeting on the future of the neighborhood and a workshop on responsible pet ownership. Representatives have participated in meetings with FSU's President's Advisory Council on Substance Abuse, the annual Main Street Block Party and a Housing Fair sponsored by FSU's Student Government Association. This fall, the Association hosted a series of meetings with FSU and city officials, and this spring it will distribute its first neighborhood newsletter.

Currently, the Association is negotiating with city and FSU officials to place trash cans in the neighborhood to help address the littering and trash problem. Residents and neighborhood property owners formed the Association with help from the staff of the Community Outreach Partnership Center (COPC), established by a grant to FSU by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

For more information, contact any member of the Association's Leadership Team: Maxine Bond (301-689-5464), Lois Deasy (301-689-8082) or Eleanor Miller (301-689-3572).

WMHS, FSU in Healthy Choices for Life

Employees from FSU and other Allegany County organizations are teaming up with Western Maryland Health Systems to compete in a three-month Healthy Choices for Life Challenge. Employees who register and participate can accumulate points for engaging in a variety of physical activities (e.g., walking, using stairways, aerobic or other exercise classes), choosing healthy foods, attending free health and wellness workshops and choosing to adopt other positive wellness options. FSU employees will also have the opportunity to work directly with Health, Physical Education and Recreation students to plan and track their progress. Prizes will be awarded monthly and at the end of the program to employees who complete and turn in their participation log each month.

Register in the Lane University Center from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Feb. 15, 16 and 17. If you are interested but

cannot register at those times, contact fsuwellness@frostburg.edu.

Registration Info for Spring 2006 BITS Test

Registration for the spring BITS (Basic Information Technology Skills) Test will take place at the FSU Bookstore the week of Monday, Feb. 20, to Friday, Feb. 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The BITS Test is one option available at FSU for students who entered college in fall 2005 or later to meet their technology fluency graduation requirement. Students must score 70 percent or higher on this 100-item, timed, online, group-proctored test to fulfill the requirement. (To see other options, refer to the 2005–2007 FSU Undergraduate Catalog.)

To Register, go to the FSU Bookstore, present your FSU photo ID, pay your non-refundable \$15 registration and choose your BITS Test session:

- Monday, March 13, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 14, 8 p.m.

Payment may be made by cash, check, Bobcat Express, Visa, MasterCard or Discover.

• You MUST have your FSU photo ID with you to register and to enter your BITS Test session in March.

• Any student with a disability needing accommodation should contact Disability Student Services (x4483) as soon as possible after registering.

• The BITS Tests will be held in Pullen 107, 108 and/or 109, depending on how many students register for each session.

For information, contact the Office of the Provost, Hitchins 213, or x4211.

Shutterbug Contest: Environmental Photos

The Third Annual Environmental Photography contest sponsored by the Environmental Planning and Land Management Institute (a cooperative effort of the FSU Department of Geography and the MDE Bureau of Mines) is under way.

Please submit environmental photographs of either Allegany or Garrett counties to the FSU Geography Department or the Bureau of Mines Laboratory (307 Dunkle Hall). The contest ends on April 5, with an April 20 awards ceremony in Compton Science Center. Numerous prizes, cash and certificates will be awarded. Contact either the Geography Department (x4369) or the Bureau of Mines Lab (x4721) or view the FSU Web site for details, rules and entry forms.

Important Reminder for May 2006 Graduates

If you are planning to graduate at the end of this semester, then please note:

• The 128th Commencement Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, May 27, in the Cordts Physical Education Center. The College of Business & College of Education ceremony will be at 10 a.m., while Liberal Arts and Sciences will present graduates at the 2 p.m. ceremony.



• If you have not yet filed a graduation application at the Registrar's Office, YOU MUST DO SO IMMEDIATELY. All mailings related to Commencement are based on the listing of students who have filed for graduation.

• The first mailing, which details Commencement information, is scheduled for the first week in March. Information is sent to both your local and your permanent address. If the Registrar does not have an updated local address, please provide one as soon as possible.

• Caps and gowns are provided at no cost to all graduates. However, you must be fitted in advance. Order your cap and gown now at the University Bookstore ... the deadline for orders is MARCH 29

• A Grad Fair will be March 27 in the Alice Manicur Assembly Hall in the Lane University Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Vendors will be present for ordering your class ring or diploma frames along with the bookstore for fitting and ordering your cap and gown or announcements.

• Full details about Commencement are on the University's Web site. Go to "current students," then on the left hand side is commencement information.

For other Commencement questions, please contact Beth Andrews, (x3130; bandrews@frostburg.edu).

Commencement for Grad Students

Students who plan to graduate in May 2006 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. Please remember that tickets will be required for entrance into the commencement ceremony on the Frostburg campus on Saturday, May 27. See www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement/ for more details. There will be a commencement ceremony for students attending the USM- Hagerstown Campus on Tuesday, May 30, tickets are not required to attend this event.

Info Meetings Set at USM-H on MAT

FSU will present an information meeting for prospective applicants for its Master of Arts in Teaching programs, elementary, secondary and K-12 education, on Thursday, Feb. 23, and Monday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the University of Maryland-Hagerstown at 32 W. Washington St.

Secondary, K-12 Program Coordinator Dr. William Childs and Elementary Program Coordinator Dr. Kim Rotruck will speak to prospective applicants for the group beginning studies in summer 2006. The MAT-Secondary, K-12 is offered at FSU's Frostburg campus and at USM-H. The deadline for summer 2006 cohort applications is April 1. The MAT-Elementary is offered at USM-H; application deadline is May 1.

Students must successfully complete Praxis I for admission to program (see www.ets.org for more information on the Praxis I or call the FSU ETS Computer Based Testing Center at x7990). The

Summer 2006 applicant admissions interviews will be scheduled in mid-March.

For information, call Childs at x4216, Rotruck at (240) 527-2736 (x2736 on campus) or the Graduate Services Office at x7053.

Info Meeting Set for MAT-Secondary, K-12

FSU will present an information meeting for prospective applicants for its Master of Arts in Teaching program for secondary and K-12 education on Tuesday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m. in 149 Pullen Hall on the FSU campus.

MAT-Secondary Program Coordinator Dr. William Childs will speak to prospective applicants for the group beginning studies in summer 2006. The Master of Arts in Teaching – Secondary program is offered at FSU's Frostburg campus and at the University System of Maryland-Hagerstown. The deadline for summer 2006 cohort applications is April 1.

Students must successfully complete Praxis I for admission to program (see www.ets.org for more information on the Praxis I or call the FSU ETS Computer Based Testing Center at x7990). The summer 2006 applicant admissions interviews will be scheduled in mid-March.

For information regarding the MAT-S, K-12, call Childs at x4216 or the Graduate Services Office at x7053.

Notice for Spring, Summer MBA Applicants

For Master of Business Administration applicants for spring and summer 2006, the MBA program requires that **all** students entering the MBA Program complete the GMAT (Graduate Management Admissions Test). New admissions criteria for those entering the MBA program in the fall are in the approval process. The GMAT is no longer given at the ETS FSU Computer Based Testing Center. See www.gmac.org/gmac for more information. The closest testing centers are Towson University, Towson, Md.; and West Virginia University, Morgantown, W.Va.

The 2004-2006 FSU Graduate Catalog is available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall.

Points of Pride



FSU student **Michael J. Burt** has published "Experience Is Impossible Without a Chance: A Collection of Poems." His work has also been published in *PRIVATE! PRIVATE!*, an independent quarterly review of photography and writing and has been highly rated on the Web site, poemhunter.com. Burt will have book-signings on Saturday, Feb. 25, Karibu Books at Bowie Town Center, 5 p.m., Bowie, Md., (with a reading from "Experience Is."), and Thursday, March 9, at the Howard University Bookstore, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Washington, D.C., and Sunday, April 8, The Woman in Me 2002, Book Fair, Comfort Inn, 5716 S. Van Dorn St., Alexandria, Va., 12:30 p.m.



Deadlines

Teacher Education

Attention teacher education candidates! Applications for phase I, II and III for fall semester 2006 are due to the Office of Unit Assessment (Framptom 203-3) by Friday, March 17. Questions? Stop by or call x7953.

Deadline For May 2006 Graduation Exceptions

Are you planning a May 2006 graduation? If your official degree progress report 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 Feb. 16 for the February meeting, March 9 for the March meeting or April 13 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.



Alumni News

Frostburg with Pride

Frostburg with Pride - Hagerstown will be Thursday, March 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Four Points Sheraton, 1910 Dual Highway in Hagerstown. If you plan to attend, please e-mail your RSVP to Barb at bfiler@frostburg.edu by March 13.

On the Radio



New Programs on WFWM Radio

WFWM (91.9 FM), FSU's public radio station, has added two programs to its weekend schedule. "The People's Pharmacy" on Saturday at 7 a.m. is a live call-in program featuring nationally recognized authorities on medicine, mental health, nutrition, fitness and related issues. Guests discuss current issues and answer call-in questions from listeners. Joe and Terry Graedon, two of the nation's leading health care authorities, host the show. "Living On Earth," an award-winning program from NPR, on Sunday at 6 p.m., delves into the leading issues affecting the world we inhabit and covers topics from the challenges of everyday life to the future of our environment, our health and our well-being.

Call WFWM at x4143 for information on these or other WFWM programs.



Scholarships

F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship

Applicants for the F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship, with an award of

\$1,500 annually, must have completed high school education or the equivalency in either Allegany or Garrett counties in Maryland and be enrolled at FSU with an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better. The recipient must demonstrate financial need (submit the FAFSA form). Applications are available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall, or by calling x7053. Deadline to apply is March 15.

Graduate Assistantships/International Fellowships

Applications for positions for the academic year beginning with the fall semester are available. The positions offer paid tuition (up to 30 hours year) and a \$5,000 cash stipend per year in exchange for 20 hours of service each week. These positions represent an academic honor, requiring the applicant to have been accepted to a graduate program in good standing and remain in good academic standing for the duration of the award. Applications are available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall (x7053) or on the Web at www.frostburg.edu/grad/forms.htm. The deadline to apply is March 15.

Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

Developmental Math

Help Wanted: FSU's Learning Center is seeking student instructors for its Developmental Math Program.

Earn \$670, receive three EDUC Field Experience Credits and build your resume while teaching Pre-Algebra or Intermediate Algebra students. Students who are interested in education or mathematics are encouraged to apply. However, the search is open to all students interested in helping others build their basic math skills.

For information or application materials, contact Beth Stallings at The Learning Assistance Center, 150 Pullen Hall, x4442 or bstallings@frostburg.edu.

Deadline for applications is March 6.

Student Telemarketing Positions Available

The Office of University Advancement, Office of Annual Giving is hiring experienced telemarketers for the spring Annual Fund Telemarketing Campaign. This is an excellent opportunity to earn money and gain experience. Candidates will solicit contributions from alumni, friends and parents for unrestricted gifts to the University. The positions are part-time evenings most of the semester paying \$6.75 to \$9.75 per hour.

Prior telemarketing experience, advanced marketing and sales skills are helpful. Excellent organization and communication skills are a must. Candidates must be available to work most evenings, Sunday through Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Application are online at www.frostburg.edu/admin/foundation/roi/annualfund/phonathon/index.htm.

Return the application to University

Advancement, Hitchins Room 228 by Feb. 13. For information, call x3163.

Call for Applications for Community Fellowship

Americans for Informed Democracy, a non-profit organization that raises global awareness in the U.S., is now accepting applications from young leaders with a demonstrated interest in public service who seek to plan and coordinate a coalition to persuade their city's mayor to sign on to the Urban Environmental Accords (UEAs). AID is looking for six regional directors across the nation. The position would begin in mid-February and last through early summer with an expected community service component of 15 hours per week. AID is able to offer a stipend of \$1,500 to each regional director for his or her involvement. AID seeks to work with small to mid-size cities and is looking particularly for students with leadership experience and an interest in politics, environmental awareness or non-profit organizations. To apply, you must be planning to stay the summer in your campus community (although you can work for another organization during that time) and would be expected to collaborate with community leaders and reach out to diverse community populations. Planning will take place during the spring 2006 semester, with a conference in April and continued involvement at least through June. Visit www.aidemocracy.org/Initiative.cfm?initiative_id=regionaldirector for information.

Volunteers

Students Offer Free Tax Return Preparation

Free help preparing 2005 basic federal and Maryland income tax returns is available through the IRS-sponsored VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program at FSU.

Help will be offered through mid-April by College of Business students trained and approved by the IRS. Faculty will oversee these student preparers.

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

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 (except for March 18 and 25). A drop-off service will also be available throughout the week.

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

Get Involved



SGA Event Funding

Student Government Association will hold an Event Funding Seminar on Thursday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. in LUC 201. The seminar will explain new guidelines. All FSU recognized organizations should attend. For information, contact Stewart Lentz or Shavonne Shorter at x4304.

Catholic Campus Ministry

CCM will finalize its plans on Wednesday, Feb. 15, for the next retreat. Meet at the Osborne Newman Center at 7:30 p.m.

Chocolate Fest '06

Come join us for a "sweet" on Tuesday, Feb. 28, at Manicur Assembly Hall from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Enjoy the chocolate and help judge the recipes, visit some vendors and play chocolate trivia. Best chocolate recipes win cash prizes of \$100, \$50 and \$25. There will be sweets, chocolate, prizes, raffles, music and more. The event is sponsored by the FSU SAFE Office. To pre-register, e-mail dswogger@frostburg.edu with your name and name of recipe your by Feb. 20.

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.

Summer/Fall Deadlines Approaching

Students who plan to participate in a summer or fall study abroad program should make sure that all applications are submitted before March 1 (some summer programs have earlier deadlines). CIE scholarship deadline for summer/fall is **March 15**.

Watercolor in Britain 2006

Dr. Judith Dieruf will be leading a group of students to Oxford, England, this summer in conjunction with Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She will offer ART 221/421/621. The program runs from July 21 to Aug. 12. Deadline for those wishing to be included in the group flight is April 1. For students wanting to apply for scholarships, deadline is **March 15**. For more information, visit the IUP Web site at www.chss.iup.edu/oxford/

Numerous Cultural Experiences Abroad

Frostburg's newest affiliate, Cultural Experiences Abroad (CEA), has new programs in Buenos Aires, Argentina, as well as in Budapest, Hungary, and Prague, Czech Republic. They are also

opening their second CEA Study Center in Barcelona (Paris was the first). Also, in London, they have added Goldsmiths University to their group of partner schools. For information, visit the CEA Web site at www.gowithcea.com/ or the CIE Web site at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm

Learn Spanish in Ecuador this Summer

The Center for Interamerican Studies is offering its intensive 9-credit Spanish program in Cuenca, Ecuador, once again this summer from June 7 to Aug. 23. For information, visit the CEDEI Web site at www.summer.cedei.org/ssp/ or contact the CIE. Deadline to apply for CIE scholarships is **March 15**.

New FSU Programs in Puerto Rico, Prague

Two new faculty-led summer programs will be available this summer for all qualified FSU students:

Dr. Suzi Mills will lead a group of students to San Juan, Puerto Rico, as well

as the Puerto Rican rainforest, to complete MUSC 117 "Music of the Americas."

Dr. Sally Boniece (International Studies/History) and Dr. George White (Geography) will lead a group of students to Prague, Czech Republic, this summer to participate in IDIS 491 Honors Seminar/HIST 390 Special Topics/GEOG 490 Special Topics: "Czech Identity in Central Europe: Bridge to the West, Bridge to the East." This will be an online/short-term study abroad course offered in association with the Society for Legal and Economic Education in Prague. Contact the CIE, Boniece or White for information.

Social Work in Ireland, Summer 2006

Social Work and Human Services students who want get hands-on experience and academic credit for SOWK 498 are invited to apply for the summer Social Work in Limerick program. Information is available from Dr. Maureen Connelly at mconnelly@frostburg.edu or the CIE.

FSU Events Calendar



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- * Women's Basketball: Mary Washington Clg. ... 5:00 p.m. Away
- * UPC Information Meeting 6:00 p.m. Lane 202
- * Leadership Workshop: Personal Finances 7:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room
- * S.A.F.E. Office Relationship Program 7:00 p.m. Lane ARMAH

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 – Valentine's Day!

- * N.A.A.C.P. General Body Meeting 7:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room
- * UCM: "The Millennial Generation" 7:30 p.m. Library 237

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- * BSA General Body Meeting 8:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- * UPC Information Meeting 4:00 p.m. Lane 202
- * BURG General Body Meeting 5:30 p.m. Library 237
- * SGA Event Funding Info Session 7:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

- * UPC Tournées Film Festival: "Moolaade" 8:00 p.m. . Palace Theatre, Main Street
- * UPC Feature Film Double Feature: "The Untold Story of Emmitt Till" and "The Color Purple" 7:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room
- * V-Day Vagina Monologues 8:00 p.m. PAC Drama Theatre

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

- * Women's Indoor Track: Mason Dixon Championship-Christopher Newport University, Newport News, VA (2/18 & 2/19) Away
- * Enrollment Management Open House 9:00 a.m. Lane University Center
- * Women's Basketball: Pitt-Greensburg 2:00 p.m. Home
- * Men's Basketball: Pitt-Greensburg 4:00 p.m. Home
- * UPC Feature Film Double Feature: "The Untold Story of Emmitt Till" and "The Color Purple" 8:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room
- * UPC Music: "Syd" and "Alexa Ray Joel" 7:30 p.m. Lane ARMAH
- * V-Day Vagina Monologues 8:00 p.m. PAC Drama Theatre
- * NAACP Black History Month: Old School Party 10 p.m.-2 a.m. Lane Appalachian Station

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

- * CCM Mass Noon & 8:00 p.m. Cook Chapel
- * Faculty Recital: Mark Gallagher, Clarinet 3:00 p.m. PAC Pealer Recital Hall
- * Planetarium: "Quick & Easy Intro to Our Moon". 4 & 7 p.m. Tawes Hall
- * Alpha Phi Alpha Black History Month Program .. 6 p.m. Lane ARMAH
- * UPC Feature Film Double Feature: "The Untold Story of Emmitt Till" and "The Color Purple" 6:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

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