FSU’s Dean of Students Dr. Jesse Ketterman Wins National Award

FSU assistant vice president for student services and dean of students, Dr. Jesse Ketterman, was recently recognized as Mid-Level Student Affairs Professional of the year by NASPA, Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education. Ketterman was formally recognized at the NASPA conference March 9.

Ketterman, an 11-year FSU employee, has served various roles as a student conduct liaison, including director of Student Development and assistant and associate director of Residence Life. Ketterman maintains local partnerships with community officials and provides leadership to the summer orientation program. The Brady Health Center and the campuswide wellness program operate under Ketterman’s direction.

“Dr. Ketterman has been an enormous asset to Frostburg State University and our alcohol prevention program. He has been on the front lines. His receipt of this award should first and foremost recognize his efforts on this campus on behalf of all of our students,” said FSU President Dr. Jonathan Gibralter. “His efforts have contributed to Frostburg State’s efforts to reduce reported binge drinking and to change to demeanor of our student body.”

“Jesse Ketterman’s interactions with campus and community leaders, students and citizens have brought about the kind of cooperation that comes only from persistence and mutual understanding,” said NASPA Executive Director Gowendolyn Jordan Dungy. “He is a credit to the student affairs profession, and we look forward to even bigger and better things from him in the future.”

The NASPA Mid-Level Student Affairs Professional Award recognizes individuals with a minimum of five years’ experience in student affairs who demonstrate outstanding commitment to the profession, have contributed to programs that address the needs of students and are experienced in creating campus environments that promote student learning and personal development. The honor is one of seven national awards presented each year at NASPA’s annual conference.

NASPA is the leading voice for student affairs administration, policy and practice, and affirms the commitment of the student affairs profession to educating the whole student and integrating student life and learning. With over 11,000 members at 1,400 campuses, and representing 29 countries, NASPA is the foremost professional association for student affairs administrators, faculty and graduate and undergraduate students. NASPA members are committed to serving college students by embracing the core values of diversity, learning, integrity, collaboration, access, service, fellowship and the spirit of inquiry.

Ketterman has two master’s degrees from FSU in business administration and education and holds a Ph.D. in educational leadership from Touro University International. Before joining the FSU staff, Ketterman graduated from Military Police Basic Training School and served in the U.S. Army Reserve, going onto active duty after Sept. 11, 2001, under Operation Noble Eagle. His is a member of the Association for Student Judicial Affairs, American College Personnel Association and the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. He has presented nationally on addressing student behavior off-campus and has written articles on due process in student conduct systems.

“Jesse has addressed the political as well as monumental, administrative task of addressing student behavior and community relations,” wrote John Lowe, retired assistant vice president of student development at FSU, in his letter nominating Ketterman for the award. “People with conflicting interests have come together under his leadership to make significant differences in their lives.”

Music

For info on the following three events, contact the FSU Department of Music at x4109.

FSU Brass Faculty Recital

The members of the FSU Brass Faculty will perform a recital on Friday, March 26, at 8 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. Faculty members include Derek Scott (trumpet), Philip Klickman (horn) and Kevin McManus (trombone). The program will consist of several pieces for solo trumpeters without accompaniment, such as “Farable XIV for Trumpet” by Vincent Persichetti, “Blues and Variations for Monk” by David Amram and “Elegy for Mippy II” by Leonard Bernstein. Also featured on the program is “Fanfare for St. Edmundsbury” by Benjamin Britten. This piece was written for three trumpet players, and Scott will play all three parts in this performance. The program will also include Francis Poulenc’s “Sonata for Brass Trio,” featuring all three performers. Admission to the recital is free.

Corbett to Perform Senior Vocal Recital

FSU senior Wesley Corbett will perform his senior vocal recital Saturday, March 27, at 8 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. Corbett will be accompanied by pianist Nancy Witmer. This event is free and open to the public.

Corbett will perform several pieces written by composers Stefano Donaudy, Ludvig van Beethoven, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and John P. Sacco.

Corbett will perform in thanks to the late Betty Jane Phillips, who taught him how to say thank you. Phillips, who passed away in February, was his accompanist on many occasions.

Laut to Perform Junior Vocal Recital

FSU junior Stephanie Laut will perform her mezzo-soprano junior recital Sunday, March 28, at 4 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. Laut will be accompanied by pianist Judith Brown.
This event is free and open to the public.

Last will perform several pieces written by composers Antonio Vivaldi, George Frideric Handel, Robert Schumann, Georges Bizet and Samuel Barber.

Mass Comm Presents Annual MCOM Project

Each year, the Department of Mass Communication solicits original music to be included on a compilation CD to give students the experience of promoting and producing a music CD and to give local and regional bands another opportunity to be heard.

If you have an original song (with or without lyrics), Mass Comm invites you to submit your work. If your song is already produced, submit it on CD to Guild 119. All produced music must be received by Thursday, April 22. If you would like to be recorded, you must contact Mass Comm by Monday, March 22. Submitted songs will be considered for the Mind Culture Original Music vol. 7 CD to be released later this semester. All musical acts will be considered for a live show in May. Submissions must include a release form giving FSU permission to use the song for the CD. Forms are available in Guild 118.

Previous copies of the MCOM CD are available for $7 (including tax, shipping and handling). Call x3049 to order. Proceeds will benefit Mass Comm through the FSU Foundation.

Mass Comm, with the MCOM project, will host two open mic/karaoke events on Saturday, March 27, and Saturday, April 10. Both events will take place from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Mountain City Coffeehouse and Creamery in Frostburg.

For more info, contact Mass Comm at x3049 or e-mail mcom@frostburg.edu. You can also visit the Facebook group, Mind Culture Original Music.

Presentations

Journalist Liza Featherstone to Speak

Liza Featherstone, a journalist based in New York City, will visit FSU to discuss her work on social justice activism, gender and the workplace, as well as politics and consumerism, the theme of a forthcoming book, on Tuesday, March 23, and Wednesday, March 24, in Dunkle 218. The FSU-TV3 production LEAD-TV will also feature an interactive interview with Featherstone on Tuesday, from 7 to 8 p.m., that will invite audience members to ask questions about activism, politics, journalism and issues affecting students. The event is free and open to the public.

A contributor to The Nation magazine, Featherstone also writes for Slate, “The New York Times” and Columbia Journalism Review. She is the author of “Selling Women Short: The Landmark Battle for Workers’ Rights at Wal-Mart” and co-author of “Students Against Sweatshops.” She has been a Knight-Bagehot Fellow in Business and Economics Journalism at Columbia University and teaches at the City University of New York and New York University.

The Division of Student and Educational Services, Office of Leadership and Civic Engagement, Leadership Studies Minor and Department of English at FSU are sponsoring a leadership scholar-in-residence program. Her visit is made possible in part by an FSU Faculty Development and Sabbatical Subcommittee Workshop/Speaker Grant.

FSU is recognized for providing curricular and co-curricular leadership development opportunities for students. The scholar’s visit precedes the Institute for Excellence in Leadership on March 26.

For info about the leadership scholar-in-residence program or Leadership Studies Minor, contact Dr. Elesha Ruminski at u4480 or eruminski@frostburg.edu. For info on leadership and civic engagement programs on campus, contact Amy Carter at x3224 or acarter@frostburg.edu.

FSU to Host MLK Celebration

Maryland’s Lieutenant Governor, FSU Students Featured

In memory of the life and achievements of Martin Luther King Jr., FSU will hold its annual MLK celebration, featuring keynote speaker Anthony G. Brown, lieutenant governor of Maryland, with musical performances and student speakers offering inspirational stories. The event will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 15, in PGC Pealer Recital Hall.

These student stories, along with Brown’s reflections, will be a powerful and stirring tribute to Dr. King. It is also a perfect opportunity for everyone, especially student groups and organizations, to come together to show their admiration for the life and contributions of this great civil rights leader.

Brown is a Harvard-educated attorney and has been a member of the Active and Reserve Components of the United States Army since 1984. He was inaugurated as Maryland’s eighth lieutenant governor on Jan. 17, 2007. He is a former chair member of the Prince George’s Community College Board of Trustees and has traveled the state visiting community colleges and opening a dialogue with students and administrators alike.

The celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.’s life and work will be preceded by a special Harmony Walk. All who are interested are invited to meet at the FSU Clock Tower at 6 p.m. The walk will conclude at the doors of the Performing Arts Center in time for the event at 7:30 p.m. There will be a small reception following the celebration in the Performing Arts Center lobby. This event is free and open to the public.

For info, contact the Office of Provost at x4211.

FSU Continues Herbalist Series

The Appalachian Center for Ethnobotanical Studies, in partnership with Mountain City Traditional Arts, presents “The Mountain Herbalist Series.” Events will be Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at MCTA, 25 E. Main St. in Frostburg. The programs are free and open to the public.

Mimi Hernandez is the coordinator for this series.

The third event of the series will take place Mar. 22. “Medicinal Flora of Appalachia” explores one of the most diverse and abundant ecosystems for medicinal plants. Stories of their traditional use and how science supports those uses will be discussed.

On April 12, come take a look at the “Weeds, Healing From Your Backyard.” Hernandez will explore the practical uses of kudzu on April 26. The last event will be held May 10, showcasing “Medicinal Mints.”

For info, call 301-687-8040 or e-mail mherandez@frostburg.edu.

Appalachian Lab Spring Seminar Series

Silvan Povich and Ron Litwin, USGS, will present “Geologic and Time Stratigraphic Framework of Wythe County” Thursday, March 25, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109.

For info, see www.al.umces.edu/seminar/schedule.

Literature

Writing Green

Students are encouraged to submit materials for the spring 2010 issue of
The magazine will consider 50- to 500-word articles with an environmental or sustainability emphasis that pertain to student research, class activities, nature appreciations, club activities, reportage and more, including photos and digital artwork. Submissions from all students are welcome. For info, contact Dr. Sydney Duncan at x4225. Submit materials to lgmar@frostburg.edu by Tuesday, March 23.

FSU Int’l Film Series

A scene from “The Island”

The FSU Programming Council concludes its international film series, “Bridges to the World,” which brings views of unique cultures from around the world to the campus of FSU. The series will end Tuesday, March 23, with a film from Russia. “The Island” is a biographical film about a 20th century Eastern Orthodox monk. The film offers a moving parable about sin, faith, prayer, forgiveness and redemption played out in a monastery on the shores of the White Sea. Show time is 7 p.m. in Tawes 153. The film is free and open to the public. For info, contact Robert Cooper at x4049.

S.E.A.L. of Excellence Launched at FSU

To celebrate success and promote new accomplishments in meeting University planning goals, the Office of Planning and Assessment announces the launch of the S.E.A.L. of Excellence Spotlight campaign. S.E.A.L. stands for Sustainability, Engagement, Academics and Leadership, and is the cornerstone of the current strategic plan. Each week, a Spotlight announcement will highlight a University activity or accomplishment that supports one of the following planning themes:

- Sustainability – Promoting environmental, fiscal and social sustainability initiatives, as well as the sustainability of personal health and wellness
- Engagement – Providing members of the FSU community with opportunities for educational, economic and cultural engagement
- Academics – Providing traditional and interdisciplinary programs that promote critical thinking and learning, and maintaining quality through learning outcomes assessment
- Leadership – Attracting and building leaders by providing development opportunities, including service learning and experiential learning

For info, e-mail SEAL@frostburg.edu.

Want to Be an RA?

The Residence Life Office and Edgewood Commons seek students interested in becoming resident assistants. The following info sessions are offered at 6 p.m.:

- March 23: Sowers Hall
- March 25: Frederick Hall

Applications are due to the RLO at noon on March 31.

Room Registration

RLO is conducting room registration for the residence halls for the coming year. Regardless of where they wish to live on campus, students must preregister online at www.welcome-mat.net/frostburg_terms. Students wishing to sign up for their current room have the option of bringing new roommates into their cluster in the high-rise halls. Students who register will sign a contract that will be in effect for the academic year.

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Playwriting Competition to showcase new works

Writers are encouraged to submit their one-act plays (with a running time of 40-minutes or less) to the center by April 1. Entries will be judged on plot, character development, dialogue and overall quality. The first prize winner will receive $75 and a production of his or her play at the Frostburg One-Act Playwriting Festival to be held on the FSU campus in September. Second and third prize winners will receive $250 and $100, respectively, and staged readings of their works.

For submission guidelines, visit the Center for Creative Writing’s Web site at www.frostburg.edu/cwc.

FSU S.E.A.L. of Excellence

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bug.blogspot.com for details on how to log in with your FSU ID and post questions and comments. Alternately, you can post directly on the Blog itself in a chat feature box provided on the Blog, but your comment will appear as “Anonymous.”

Blog from the BURG was launched in fall 2008 to create a campuswide conversation online and give Dr. Gibraltar another communications outlet through which to share ideas, insights and updates on important University initiatives with the FSU community. These online chat sessions are the latest development in Dr. Gibraltar’s ongoing efforts to communicate and connect with FSU friends, alumni, faculty, staff and students. For info, e-mail bugblog@frostburg.edu.

Academic Scheduling/Religious Observances

It is FSU’s policy that its academic programs and services be available to qualified students who have been admitted to its programs, regardless of their religious beliefs. Students will not be penalized because of observances of their religious holidays and will be given an opportunity to make up, within a reasonable time period, any academic assignment that is missed because of individual participation in religious observances. It is the student’s responsibility to notify his or her instructors of conflicts between religious observances and scheduled course activities.

Students should notify their instructors of conflicts and make arrangements for making up missed work before an absence due to religious observance. Faculty and staff have been sent the link to a Web-based interfaith calendar for reference.

Creative Writing Sponsors Competition

The FSU Center for Creative Writing announces its first annual One-Act Playwriting Competition to showcase new works.

The FSU Programming Council concludes its international film series, “Bridges to the World,” which brings views of unique cultures from around the world to the campus of FSU.
Here is the room lottery schedule:
• Same room sign-up for students who want to return to their current room: through Friday, March 26, at www.welcome-mate.net/frostburg terms
• Students who wish to join a cluster with friends who signed up for their current room and Frost Hall residents wishing to move to Cambridge Hall: Tuesday, March 30, or Wednesday, March 31, at RLO, Annapolis Hall, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
• Single room lottery for students who want to sign up for a single room in Cambridge Hall: Tuesday, April 6, Tawes Hall, 5 p.m.
• Cluster/group sign-up for students who want to sign up in a cluster in Frederick or Westminster Hall (with at least three others): Wednesday, April 7, Tawes Hall, 8 p.m.
• Regular room lottery for students who wish to sign up for a room in Frederick or Westminster Hall or any other available rooms on campus: Wednesday, April 7, Tawes Hall, 9:30 p.m.

Off-campus students and any other students who did not take part earlier may come to RLO weekdays beginning April 12 between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Calling All Readers!
The Center for Teaching Excellence is hosting the virtual book club bandwagon (see this month’s Tech Corner article of the CTE e-newsletter) and inviting all faculty and staff to join. During April, CTE will conduct a virtual book club experience with the book “What the Best College Teachers Do” by Ken Bain. They will have about 10 copies of this book available for loan. The book club kickoff party will be Friday, April 2, at 3 p.m. at Sand Springs Salon in Frostburg. The virtual book club will be conducted on Blackboard; a CTE member will moderate the discussion during each week in April. You can visit the site’s Discussion Board to share your thoughts on each chapter and discuss the book with other readers. Plan to attend the kickoff to become a book club member and receive a copy of the book. If you are unable to attend, contact Jodi Welch at jwelch@frostburg.edu to register.

You + U.S. Census = More $ for FSU!
Just by taking a few minutes to fill out the 2010 U.S. Census, you can directly bring more services to Allegany County and FSU. The 2010 Census determines where and how much money will be given to local communities. Because you live in Allegany County for most of the year, your voice needs to be heard! Off-campus students should look for the form in the mail this week.

For info, visit census.gov or one of the local Census centers: Frostburg City Hall, 59 E. Main St., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and City Place, 14 S. Water St., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 2 to 7 p.m. through April 19.

Graduating in May?
The 136th commencement ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, May 22, in the Cordts PE Center. The College of Business and College of Education will hold their service at 10 a.m., while the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present its graduates at 2 p.m. Complete your graduation application in PAWS now to receive information about commencement.

The first commencement mailing is scheduled for March (after spring break) and will be sent to your local and permanent addresses. Update your address information in PAWS to ensure you will receive the details. Caps and gowns are provided at no cost; orders must be placed at the bookstore by March 26.

A Grad Fair will be held March 22 at the bookstore from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Vendors will be present for ordering class rings and diploma frames; you can also order your cap and gown and announcements.

Full details about commencement are on the University’s Web site at www.frostburg.edu/events/ commencement.

For info, contact Brittni Teter at bteter@frostburg.edu.

Points of Pride
FSU’s Ethnobotany Program Wins Funds
Four students and two faculty members will travel to Xalapa, Mexico, this summer to attend the 51st annual meeting of the Society for Economic Botany Conference June 5-13. Sunshine Brosi is a co-principal investigator on a National Science Foundation grant that awarded travel funds to students and faculty to attend. The awardees were involved in creating and critiquing online learning modules for the Open Science Network in Ethnobiology. Awards were given to Mimi Hernandez and Natalie Walsh and Robbie Kutchman, graduate students in the Applied Ecology and Conservation Biology Program. Chris Massimino and Mitra Karimian, undergraduate ethnobotany students, also received funding.

Get Involved
Green Internship Fair
FSU’s Appalachian Center for Ethnobotanical Studies and the Learning Green Living Green Committee plan to have a booth at this event in Bethesda on Saturday, March 27, and will be taking a van.

The fair will offer young adults and students an opportunity to explore careers in “Fields of Green” through local internships, apprenticeships and education. The event will also include many exhibiting companies and academic institutions.

This event is free and open to FSU students. Pre-registration is required. For info, go to www.bethesdaecogreen.org or contact Mimi Hernandez at m hernandez@frostburg.edu.

FSU has joined 607 schools representing 49 states, D.C., and Canada in a friendly competition to see who can reduce, reuse and recycle the most on-campus waste. Through March 27, FSU will submit weekly recycling weights to be included in overall RecycleMania rankings. At the end of the competition, recognition is given to winning colleges and universities in several categories, including who recycles the most on a per capita basis, who produces the least amount of waste and who recycles the largest percentage of their overall waste stream. The competition also awards for success in recycling materials such as paper, cardboard, cans and bottles, and food waste. For info about RecycleMania, visit www.recyclemaniacs.org. For info about FSU’s participation, e-mail lhp@frostburg.edu.

Greek News
Charity Events
Shoes for Souls: Bring a pair of new or slightly used shoes to a member of Alpha Sigma Tau.

Upcoming Events
March 24, Antiaizing Workshop for Greek Life New Members, Dunkle 218, 7 p.m.
March 27, Delta Zeta Region III Day
Upcoming UCM Events

- **Agape Latte** study breaks are informal conversations with the chaplain Mondays from 1 to 3 p.m. (or any time the UCM office is open). Location is near Java City.

- **Christian Meditation Lunch Bunch** meets Wednesdays from 12:10 to 12:50 p.m. and is for faculty and staff.

- **Spiritual Study Breaks** on Wednesdays are from 9 to 9:45 p.m.

- **PCA Huddle Bible Study** meets Thursdays from 8 to 9 p.m. Athletes are invited to attend and bring a friend.

- **Fill Your Cup Coffee House**, 47 E. Main St., is a UCM project to provide a substance-free Friday night live entertainment experience for college students and young adults. The next event on **April 2** from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. will be Live Music Night. If you would like to perform, contact the UCM office.

- **True North Meetings** are on Sundays from 7 to 9 p.m. This semester True North is exploring the Book of Revelation.

- **National Cathedral Tour and Cherry Blossom Festival Trip** registration is being taken for this **March 26-27** event.

- **Dakota Nation Learning Camp** is designed to help improve reading and science scores for Native American elementary children. Registration and applications for the July Summer Mission Trip are due this week.

Grad Students News

**Interested in Graduate Programs at FSU?**

Visit the Graduate Program Open House **March 24** from 5 to 7 p.m. in Pullen 141.

Advising appointments are available with the director of Graduate Services, Vickie Hazer, by office or phone. Call x4595 or e-mail vmaazer@frostburg.edu.

**Last Call for Those Interested in the FSU MAT – Elementary & Secondary, K-12 Program**

The deadlines for application for the MAT programs are fast approaching. The deadline for MAT-Elementary summer 2010 cohort applications is **May 1**. The MAT-E summer 2010 applicant admissions interviews will be scheduled an evening in April. The deadline for MAT-Secondary, k-12 Art Ed summer 2010 cohort applications is **April 1**. For info, call the Graduate Services Office at x7053 or register by e-mail, gradservices@frostburg.edu.

**May 2010 Commencement**

Students who plan to graduate in May 2010 need to complete the “Application for Graduation” as soon as possible. The forms are available online at www.frostburg.edu/grad/forms.htm, at the Office of Graduate Services in Pullen 141 or by calling x7053. Go to www.frostburg.edu/events/ commencement for more details.

**Jobs, Jobs, Jobs**

- **Work at FSU-TV3**
  - FSU-TV3 is looking for two students for student-produced programming this semester. Educational stipends provided by a Comcast grant will be given. The **graphic designer** creates messages for local nonprofit groups for the message board about events, and creates posters, fliers, and other promotional material for FSU-TV3 and the MCOM Department.
  - The **Final Cut pro editor** captures and edits single-camera events taped on the FSU campus, and develops openings for the events with graphic editing software on the Mac, making sure no content violates copyright laws and FCC regulations.
  - For info, visit www.frostburg.edu/ dept/mcom/channel3/staff.htm, or contact Melanie Lombardi at mlombardi@frostburg.edu or x3011.

**Student Instructors**

FSU’s PASS Office seeks student instructors for its fall 2010 Developmental Math Program. Earn $800 and receive three field experience credits.

The search is open to all students. For info, contact Beth Stallings in 150 Pullen, or at x4442 or bstallings@frostburg.edu.

The deadline for applications is **March 26**.

**Frostburg Jobs**

- The City of Frostburg pool is accepting employment applications from qualified applicants for the positions of lifeguard, assistant manager and ticket booth attendant for the 2010 summer season. Applicants must be 16 or older and lifeguard applicants must have lifeguard and first aid certifications valid through Sept. 6. Assistant manager candidates must also have a Certified Pool Operator certification valid through September.

Applications must be received no later than **Friday, April 2**. For info, contact Brian Vought, Frostburg Parks & Recreation Dept., at 301-689-6000, ext. 18, or bvought@allcomet.org.

**Census Temp Jobs**

The Census Bureau is looking for workers for its 2010 operations. Full- and part-time temporary jobs are available, with a starting pay of $15.50 an hour. Paid training for the five positions starts soon. Call 1-866-861-2010 to reserve a spot at the application sessions, or go to www.2010censusjobs.gov for info.

**International**

**Interested in Study Abroad?**

The Center for International Education offers ways for FSU students to see the world. Students can study for a semester in Ireland, England, Spain, France, China, Italy, Mexico, Malta, Botswana or many other countries. FSU also offers summer study abroad programs. For info, visit the Fuller House (across the street from Braddock House), call x4714 or e-mail Victoria Gearhart at vgearhart@frostburg.edu.

**Study Abroad in Limerick, Ireland**

Students can study abroad for the fall 2010 semester in Ireland at Mary Immaculate College and pay FSU tuition. Credits will transfer back to FSU. Financial aid can be used to help cover the costs of room and board. Check out the Web site for Mary Immaculate College at http://www.mic.ie.

**Study Abroad in Shanghai, China**

The Maryland in Shanghai program allows FSU students to study at Fusan, one of the most prestigious universities in China. Choose courses suitable for a wide range of majors, taught in English and taken alongside Chinese classmates. Disciplines offered include business, economics, history, social sciences and Asian/Chinese studies. Take Chinese language courses at the beginner, intermediate or advanced level. Credits will transfer back to FSU. The deadline to apply for this fall 2010 program is **March 25**.

**Volunteers**

**Free Tax Prep!**

Free help preparing 2009 tax returns is available through the IRS-sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program at FSU.

Help with **basic** federal and Maryland income tax returns will be offered through **early April** by FSU’s College of Business students trained and approved by the IRS. Faculty members will oversee preparation.

The VITA program offers this assistance to taxpayers filing a Form 1040EZ, 1040A or 1040 return. Electronic filing will be available.
Appointments must be made in advance by calling Dr. Joyce Middleton, the co-coordinator, at x4154. Drop-off service is available.

**Student Life**

**Edgewood Commons Accepting Applications**

If you would like to live at Edgewood for the fall, go to [www.edgewoodcommonsapt.com](http://www.edgewoodcommonsapt.com) and fill out the documents and return them to the Edgewood office with the application fees.

Each apartment comes fully furnished and contains a full-size washer and dryer and central heat and air conditioning. A full kitchen is provided, where a full-size refrigerator with icemaker, dishwasher, stove, microwave and garbage disposal are standard equipment. Apartments have private bedrooms and semi-private bathrooms.

Other amenities include a fitness center; high-def media room with an Xbox360, Wii and Playstation 3; hotel-style lounge with a big-screen TV; game room with two pool tables; three conference/study lounges; high-speed wireless Internet; and 24-hour computer lab with free printing.

Edgewood has on-site management and a full-time maintenance staff. Utilities (gas, electricity, water, Internet) are included in the contract fee. At $658 a month, Edgewood offers students an unbeatable value!

For info, call 301-687-1370 or e-mail info@edgewoodcommonsapt.com

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**Deadlines**

**Graduation Exceptions**

If 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 213, by 4 p.m. April 15 for the April meeting (last chance for graduation exceptions and inclusion in the Commencement Booklet). For info, call the Provost’s Office at x4212.

**MCTA Offerings**

For info, e-mail [mountaincitytradads@gmail.com](mailto:mountaincitytradads@gmail.com). Call 301-687-8040 (dial complete number from FSU) or look for MCTA on Facebook.

**Regularly Scheduled Offerings**

Tuesdays: Spinning With Fiber meets Tuesday evenings at MCTA at 7 p.m. Instructors are Theo Ewers and Missy Martz.

Thursdays: The Crochet and Knitting Gathering meets Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Carolyn Groves will lead these sessions.

Final Friday MCTA hosts a monthly Drum Circle on the last Friday of the month at 7 p.m. Bring a rhythm instrument (it can be homemade); some chairs provided.

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**Document Freedom Day Presentation**

A Document Freedom Day 2010 presentation and discussion will be March 31 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Frostburg Public Library. The presenter/facilitator will be Andrew Jensen. The presentation will cover why open document standards are important to citizens in a free society, the role of the International Standards Organization in defining the open document format and free Open Source Software. A discussion will follow. For info, contact Jensen at 301-338-2715 or ajensen@openoffice.org

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**FSU Events Calendar**

**MONDAY, MARCH 22 – Classes Resume**

Amnesty International: Women of Juarez
7 p.m. Compton 226

Phi Beta Sigma Women’s Day
7:30 p.m. Tawes 208

**TUESDAY, MARCH 23**

Softball: Catholic (DH), Washington, D.C.
3 p.m. Away

Baseball: Stevenson
3:30 p.m. Home

Men’s Tennis: Penn State Altoona, Altoona
4 p.m. Away

Liza Featherstone Presentation
7 p.m. Dunkle 218

UPC Int’l. Film Festival: “The Island” (Russia)
7 p.m. Tawes 153

UPC General Board Meeting
7 p.m. Tawes 152

Mime Ministry
7 p.m. Cook Chapel

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24**

Men’s Tennis: Juniata
3:30 p.m. Home

Disney College Program
5:30 p.m. Tawes 226

Mime Ministry
7 p.m. Cook Chapel

**THURSDAY, MARCH 25**

Blackout Day (tum computers & lights off) noon–1 p.m. Campuswide

Softball: Hood (DH)
3 p.m. Away

Women’s Lacrosse: Susquehanna, Selinsgrove
4 p.m. Away

RHA Assembly
5 p.m. Compton 226

CHILL Reads Book Club
5 p.m. Tawes 153

BURG General Body Meeting
5 p.m. Guild 104

Amnesty International: Sex Trafficking in the USA
7 p.m. Tawes 153

Phi Beta Sigma: Fried Chicken & Kool Aid
7:30 p.m. Tawes 153

**FRIDAY, MARCH 26**

10th Annual Sloop Institute for Excellence in Leadership, Bedford Springs Resort
Men’s Tennis: Westminster, New Wilmington, Pa.
4 p.m. Away

Faculty Artist Series: FSU Brass Faculty Recital
8 p.m. PAC Pealer Recital Hall
UPC Feature Film: “Blind Side”
8:30 p.m. Dunkle 218

**SATURDAY, MARCH 27**

10th Annual Sloop Institute for Excellence in Leadership, Bedford Springs Resort
Men’s/Women’s Track & Field: Selinsgrove, Pa.
9 a.m. Away

Men’s Tennis: Penn State Behrend, Erie, Pa.
4 p.m. Away

Piano Studio Recital
4 p.m. PAC Pealer Recital Hall

African Student Association Showcase
5 p.m. Cordts Main Arena

Senior Recital: Wesley Corbett, Tenor
5 p.m. Cordts Leake Room

UPC Feature Film: “Blind Side”
8:30 p.m. Dunkle 218

**SUNDAY, MARCH 28**

COM Mass
noon & 8 p.m. Cook Chapel

1 p.m. Away

Women’s Lacrosse: Greensboro
1 p.m. Home

Junior Recital: Stephanie Laut, Mezzo-Soprano
4 p.m. PAC Pealer Recital Hall

Planetarium: “Quick intro to Stars”
4 & 7 p.m. Tawes 153

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