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Scholarship Recognizes Value of Veterans, Leadership



Del Perdeu

Sometimes the act of leadership can be as simple as asking people about their lives and taking time to listen. That was one of the things **Dr. Evan Offstein** noticed – and appreciated – about **Del Perdeu** after he joined FSU's College of Business as a new professor in the Department of Management in 2004. He got to know Perdeu, an FSU alumnus, through Perdeu's work in providing IT support for the College.

"Del was one of the first people I met when I came here and for whatever reason, he and I connected over sports and became friends. He took an interest in my daughters, who are both athletes. ... He was the guy always asking about my kids and how I was liking Frostburg. I never forgot that."

Perdeu and Offstein also shared another bond – both were U.S. Army veterans. Offstein, a West Point Academy alumnus and noted scholar and author, often draws upon his experiences in the military in his writing and work with leadership.



Dr. Evan Offstein

A long-time supporter of all things Frostburg, Perdeu became ill, eventually passing away in 2011. In recognition of their connection as friends and veterans, Offstein established the Dr. Evan H. Offstein and Del Perdeu Leadership Scholarship. To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must be active military and/or veterans enrolled full time in the College of Business, have an overall grade point average of 3.25 and possess leadership potential, as demonstrated by past experiences.

The scholarship also helps uphold another goal – supporting the College of Business' commitment to produce leaders.

"Leaders come in all shapes and sizes. You don't have to be a West Point graduate; you don't have to have a Ph.D. Del really struck me in that regard. At its atomic unit, leadership is about impacting people. Del is certainly one of the reasons I stayed at Frostburg, and he had an impact on me," Offstein said.

To learn more about how to support the Dr. Evan H. Offstein and Del Perdeu Leadership Scholarship, visit www.frostburg.edu/foundation or call x4161.

Music

Unless otherwise noted, recitals and concerts will take place in PAC Pealer Recital Hall and are free and open to the public. For info, contact the Department of Music at x4109 or visit www.frostburg.edu/music.

Tenor Troy Bennett in Junior Recital

Troy Bennett will perform his junior tenor recital on **Sunday, April 6**, at 3 p.m. He will be accompanied by pianist **Dr. Jay DeWire**.

Bennett will perform "C'est mon ami" by Marie Antoinette; "Plaisir d'amour" by Jean-Paul-Egide Martini; "Oiseaux si tous les ans" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart; selections from "Myrthen," including "Widmung," "Freisinn," "Lieder aus dem Schenkenbuch im Divan: Nos. 1 and 2" and "Zwei Venetianische Lieder: Nos. 1 and 2," by Robert Schumann; "Vorre" by Francesco Paolo Tosti; "Spirate pur spirate" by Stefano Donaudy; "Musica Proibita" by Stanislao Gastaldon; and selections from

"Old American Songs," including "At the River," "The Dodger," "Long Time Ago" and "Bought Me a Cat," by Aaron Copland.

Upcoming Music Events at MCTA

Mountain City Traditional Arts is at 25 E. Main St. in Frostburg. For info, contact MCTA at 301-687-8040 or mountaincitytradarts@gmail.com.



Irish folk singer Seán Tyrrell will perform at MCTA on **Wednesday, April 9**, at 7:30 p.m. The suggested donation is \$10.

Tyrrell, a native of the slower-moving West of Ireland, was surrounded by music all his life, coming from a family immersed in the musical traditions of his native Galway. Since his first solo recording was released in 1994, he's built a strong reputation as a solo artist and guest musician. Tyrrell's American tour kicks off the release of his seventh solo CD, "Moonlight on Galway Bay."

Gallagher and Weber to Perform as Part of Faculty Artist Series

The FSU Department of Music Faculty Artist Series will present Duo Vif, the woodwind duo of clarinetist *Dr. Mark Gallagher* and saxophonist *Dr. Brent Weber*, on **Thursday, April 10**, at 7:30 p.m.

The pair will perform "Sonata" by Francis Poulenc, "Concert Duo No. 2 in D Minor" by Bernhard Henrik Crusell, "Duo Sonata No. 5 in Ab Major" by Georg Phillip Telemann, "The Ox and the Lark" by Nikola Resanovic, "Moods for B-flat Clarinet and Alto Saxophone" by Violet Archer and "Concert Duo" by Grigory Kalinkavich.

CES Final LIVE! at StarScape Performance by Spanish Harlem Orchestra



FSU's Cultural Events Series will present its final LIVE! at StarScape event of the 2013-14 season when the Spanish Harlem Orchestra performs on **Saturday, April 12**, at 8 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall.

The Grammy Award-winning Spanish Harlem Orchestra electrifies audiences with a performance of hot Latin jazz. The 13-member ensemble's irresistible salsa rhythms and high-energy vocals combine magically in original compositions as well as fresh arrangements of classic salsa tunes from bandleader and founder Oscar Hernandez.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$17 for youth under 17. Corporate and group discount rates are also available.

As part of the Arts for Enrichment series, a discussion with the Spanish Harlem Orchestra will immediately follow the performance on **April 12** in Lane Manicur Hall. Join the artists for a question-and-answer session about New York salsa.

A salsa dance class will also be held on **Thursday, April 10**, at 7 p.m. in the Lyric Theatre at 20 E. Main St. in Frostburg. Reservations are required for this free workshop where participants will learn the basic moves of the Latin social dance.

For more information, contact the CES box office at x3137 or visit CES' webpage at ces.frostburg.edu.

Mind Culture Original Music Project Is Back!



The Department of Mass Communication is once again sponsoring the Mind Culture Original Music project. Each spring semester students in the department's Music Promotion and Production class produce a full-length CD featuring musical talent from the FSU campus, surrounding community and beyond.

Students in the class will help promote the artists included on the CD. The final CD will be made available for purchase within the department and at select retail establishments in the area.

If you have an original song, consider submitting it for consideration for this year's project. All musical genres are welcome, but the submitting person(s) must hold the copyright to the song.

If you have a produced song that you'd like to submit, submit it on or before **Thursday, April 10**.

For info, contact the Department of Mass Communication at mcom@frostburg.edu, x3049 or Guild 119.

All proceeds will benefit the Department of Mass Communication through the FSU Foundation, Inc.

'Heroes, Heroines, Lovers and Villains' Theme of Opera Performance

Opera Director *Dr. Mariana Mihai-Zoeter* and pianist *Dr. Jay DeWire*, together with student sopranos *Bailey Kerr*, *Catey Mayhe*, *Katie Hendrix* and *Sakkara Turner*; tenors *Lane Conklin* and *Robert Brown*; baritone *Johnathan Archer*; and bass-baritone *Matthew Purnell*, will perform **Friday, April 11**, and **Saturday, April 12**, at 7:30 p.m. The production will include arias and scenes from Bizet's "The Pearl Fishers"; Mozart's "Don Giovanni," "The Magic Flute" and "The Marriage of Figaro"; Cavalli's "La Calisto"; Cimarosa's "The Secret Marriage"; Puccini's "La Bohème"; Lehar's "The Merry Widow"; Donizetti's "Lucia di Lammermoor" and "The Elixir of Love"; Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess"; and Copland's "The Tender Land."

Presentations

FSU to Participate in National ‘Enough Is Enough’ Campaign to End Campus Violence

FSU will participate in “Enough Is Enough,” the national campaign to end campus violence, the week of **Monday, March 31, through Friday, April 4**. Each day will have a different theme, and events, workshops and information will be offered throughout.

Monday is kick-off day, starting with the “No More Violence in My Life” introduction workshop. Students, faculty and staff are welcome to attend from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center Hall of Fame.

On **Tuesday, April 1**, join the women of NCNW in taking action against violence against women (Lane 111). More info on the content of this program will follow.

The Black Student Alliance will host motivational speaker Darryl “Doc” Scriven in examining “The Love Commitment” by exploring problems and solutions for commitment in relationships on **Wednesday, April 2**, at 7 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. This event is held in conjunction with the annual “Black Love Dinner.” There is limited admission and sign-up in the BSA Office in Lane 225 is required.

On **Thursday, April 3**, RLO staff member Brian Medina will present “Speak-Out,” a workshop to examine intervention strategies, at 7 p.m. in Lane 111.

The week will culminate on **Friday, April 4**, with the annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration at 4:30 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). The theme is “Living a Life of Purpose; Leaving a Legacy for Life.” The lives and legacies of King and local legend **Bernard Wynder** will be celebrated. All students, faculty and staff are encouraged to join in the celebration of these two men who were committed to living a life promoting peace, social justice and service.

There will be information tables and activities in the Lane University Center upper lobby every day between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. In addition to the Diversity Center, BSA, BTGLASS, BURG and NCNW will host a table with a different theme or focus each day. Student organizations, faculty and staff are invited to submit to the Diversity Center any program, activity, classroom assignments or discussion, or events they are holding that support the EIE mission.

For info, contact Robin Wynder at x4050 or rwynder@frostburg.edu.

Spring Academic Enrichment Series

The spring 2014 Academic Enrichment Series, presented by Academic Affairs and Student & Educational Services, will assist with preparing for life after college, improving your academic skills, building self-confidence and networking skills and learning more about yourself and campus resources.

In the coming week, **David Stern**, a lecturer in the Department of Communication Studies, will give a talk on “Speaking and Presenting With Confidence” on **Monday, March 31**, at 5 p.m. in Lane 108, and **Wednesday, April 2**, at 6 p.m. in Lane 113.

For info, contact Programs Advancing Student Success at x4441 or the Retention Office at x3206.

Rescheduled – Leadership Expert Dr. Janie Harden Fritz



FSU will host leadership expert Dr. Janie Harden Fritz **Monday, March 31**, and **Tuesday, April 1**, for a series of events. (Note: This has been rescheduled from March 3-5.) Fritz will present “Promoting a Culture of Citizenship in Student Organizations” on **March 31** at 6:30 p.m. in Compton 226. The session is open to all students to help them develop leadership practices to organize their campus organizations.

In addition, she will speak with students in Leadership Studies courses and deliver a keynote address about leadership ethics and organizational culture at the Faculty/Staff Leadership Development Conference on **April 1**. The day-long event, which is free and open to faculty and staff and sponsored by the Office of Human Resources, will include a variety of conference sessions led by FSU faculty and staff. Additional details and registration will be sent to faculty and staff by campus email.

Fritz will serve as the scholar in residence for one of the largest interdisciplinary minors at FSU, the Leadership Studies minor, and contribute to the University’s efforts to develop leadership internally.

For info, go to www.frostburg.edu/dept/lead or contact coordinator Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, chair and assistant professor of Communication Studies, at elruminski@frostburg.edu or x4480.

Kamala Lopez to Speak on Importance of ERA

Kamala Lopez, founder and executive director of the ERA Education Project, will give two presentations of her talk “Equal Means Equal” on **Wednesday, April 9**, at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). Both sessions are free and open to the public.

The ERA Education Project was created to raise public awareness about the need to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment, which would ensure equality between men and women. Ratifying the ERA puts the American woman’s sizeable accomplishments and gains throughout the last century on a solid immovable foundation.

For info on Lopez and the ERA Education Project, visit <http://eraeducationproject.com>. For info about this event, contact Dr.

Third Annual CLAS Undergraduate Research Symposium

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will host the third annual Undergraduate Research Symposium on **Friday, May 2**, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Lane University Center. The symposium showcases the research and experiential learning projects of FSU's undergraduate students and provides participants the opportunity to present their work to their peers and share experiences across disciplines.

The symposium will include poster presentations, oral presentations and physical displays representing work completed during summer 2013, fall 2013 or spring 2014. Full abstracts will be due on **Monday, April 21**.

For info, contact Dr. Karen Keller at klkeller@frostburg.edu or x4174, or Linda Steele at lsteale@frostburg.edu or x4137.

Come Experience the Culture of Tanzania

The FSU Science Discovery Center will host "Tanzania Cultural Tourism," a presentation that includes an information session by *Steria Ndaga* and a display featuring the art of Tanzania, as well as a video on the country's national parks, on **Wednesday, April 30**, at 3 p.m. on the first floor of the Compton Science Center.

For info, contact Susan Snow at srsnow@frostburg.edu or x4723.

Appalachian Laboratory Spring Seminar Series

Mark Conner, Chesapeake Farms, Dupont Corporation, will present "White-Tailed Deer Management and Research at Chesapeake Farms, Maryland" on **Thursday, April 10**, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For info, go to www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule.

Theatre

Center for Creative Writing Announces Annual Playwriting Competition

The FSU Center for Creative Writing will hold its fifth annual One-Act Playwriting Competition to showcase new works. Writers must submit their one-act plays (with a running time of 40 minutes or less) to the center by **Tuesday, April 15**. Entries will be judged on plot, character development, dialogue and overall quality.

The first prize winner will receive \$750 and production of his or her play at the Frostburg One-Act Playwriting Festival, which will be held on the FSU campus in September. Second and third prize winners will receive \$250 and \$100, respectively, as well as staged readings of their works.

For complete submission guidelines, go to www.frostburg.edu/cwcenter/one-act-play-festival on the Center for Creative Writing's website.

Workshops

Basket Symposium and Exhibit to Feature the McCrobies of Garrett County



A symposium and exhibit on the art and craft of Garrett County basket maker James McCrobie, Sr., will be held on **Saturday, April 5**, from 1 to 3 p.m. at MCTA at 25 E. Main St. in Frostburg. Hosted by Mountain City Traditional Arts and the Center for Research in Basketry, Inc. (CRB), the symposium will launch an exhibit of McCrobie baskets, which will continue **through April 11**. Come hear treasured McCrobie family stories highlighting a basket maker and his family who made and sold baskets to support themselves during the Depression.

The event is the result of research by Dr. Kathleen Beauchesne of CRB and FSU "Folklore in Appalachia" students who identified and recorded basket craftsmanship throughout Western Maryland and the entire state. **Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas**, an associate professor in the Department of Sociology at FSU, and Beauchesne will speak about the work of these FSU students and the research done for the basketry project, *Woven Traditions: Maryland Basket Making Culture and Communities, Past and Present*. Symposium speakers will also include Dr. Charles Camp, who interviewed McCrobie and his family during the 1970s for the Smithsonian; McCrobie's son, the last of six generations of basket makers; and Richard Yoder, curator of the Springs Museum in Springs, Pa., and McCrobie basket collector.

For info, contact Beauchesne at 410-967-3585 or kobeauchesne@basketresearch.org, or call MCTA at 301-687-8040.

Teaching Tuesday to Focus on 'Classroom Climate'



"The Classroom Climate" will be the April topic of the Center for Teaching Excellence's Teaching Tuesday to be held **April 8** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Lane 244 (South Addition).

The group will discuss what a good classroom climate means, including methods used to create a comfortable, engaging atmosphere; how to deal with challenges (environmental and attitudinal) that undermine a good classroom climate; and whether it is possible to fix a class that seems to have gone astray or become resistant. Come share experiences and insights!

Teaching Tuesdays are a series of informal discussions of topics in teaching and learning. Bring your lunch, and drop in anytime

between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

For info, contact Shoshana Brassfield at srbrassfield@frostburg.edu. Stay in touch by liking the CTE Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/CTEFSU.

Need Some Help Managing Your Money?

MONEY SMART WEEK APRIL 5-12, 2014 | @ your library

As part of Money Smart Week, a Money Management Basics Workshop will be presented **Wednesday, April 9**, from noon to 12:50 p.m. in the Library Instruction Center on the third floor of the Ort Library. Presented by **Tamara Lowry** of Student Support Services, the workshop will cover tips related to smart money management as well as CashCourse, FSU's self-paced online money management workshop.

Brown-bag lunches are welcome.

Watch your email for updates and reminders. For info, contact Lisa Hartman at x4734 or lahartman@frostburg.edu.

Can't wait for Money Smart Week? Money Smart Hunt, the national scavenger hunt, has already begun! Check out www.moneysmartweek.org/hunt.

Visual Arts

All-Student Art Show to Be Held at Roper Gallery

The 2014 FSU All-Student Art Show Opening and Awards Ceremony will be held **Friday, April 4**, at 7 p.m. in the Stephanie Anne Roper Gallery in the Fine Arts Building. The event is free and open to the public and will feature the artwork of FSU students from all majors.

The show is an opportunity for the FSU community to showcase the visual arts talents of its students and is open to all themes and art styles, including paintings, illustrations, sculptures, prints, photographs, graphics and ceramics. Students can submit as many artworks as they would like for \$3 per entry on **Monday, March 31**, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Roper Gallery. Winning pieces will be displayed in the gallery through **Monday, April 21**.

The Roper Gallery is open Sunday through Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m.

For info, contact the FSU Department of Visual Arts at x4797.

Creative Writing Center Calling for Submissions of Art and Poetry

The FSU Center for Creative Writing is calling for submissions of art and poetry for its second annual BroadSides and More Project. Regional artists are invited to submit artwork and poetry for a chance to be featured in the upcoming juried ekphrastic art show in April.

Artwork submitted should incorporate some or all of the text of a poem. Poetry submitted should describe or be based on a work of art. All work should be brought to the Center for Creative Writing, 22 E. Main St. in Frostburg, by **Saturday, April 5**. Students can submit work for free, and community members can submit their work for a fee of \$10 per visual art piece.

For info, contact Michelle Yost at cwcenter@frostburg.edu or x4340.

Points of Pride

Brosi Presents Research at Museum of Natural History

Dr. Sunshine Brosi presented recent research on March 21 at the Smithsonian Institute's Museum of Natural History. Her talk, "The Botany of Cherokee Basketry: Sustaining Natural Resources and Cultural Traditions," was part of the Botany Seminar Series. Her project focused on her students' research with the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation, which resulted in materials for creating over 900 baskets.

Brassfield Comments on Descartes Paper at Philosophy Conference

Dr. Shoshana Brassfield recently participated in the philosophy conference "Sentiment and Reason in Early Modern Ethics" in Buffalo, N.Y., which brought together scholars of 17th- and 18th-century ethical theories. She commented on the paper "Descartes and Princess Elisabeth on the Regulation of Disordered Passions" presented by Lauren Kopajtic of Harvard University. Brassfield's recent research focuses on Descartes' moral psychology, drawing on his work "The Passions of the Soul," as well as his correspondence.

Take Note

Sign Up for Summer Session 2014

Registration begins **Monday, March 31**, and the first session starts **Tuesday, May 27**. Undergraduate and graduate courses are offered online or on campus. Payment plans are available for six convenient sessions. A computer lab in Dunkle 125 is available 24/7 for all FSU students during the Summer Session. Call x4423 for info or check out www.frostburg.edu/summer.

City of Frostburg Traffic Study – Informational Public Meeting



The City of Frostburg is completing a traffic study for the intersection of Park Avenue, Braddock Road and Center Street. A public meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 1**, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in Dunkle 218. Students and residents in the area who are interested in the study findings and possible upgrades to the intersection are encouraged to come view the conceptual design and offer input on the Park Avenue and Braddock Road Intersection and Approach Project.

For info, contact Elizabeth Stahlman at Frostburg City Hall at 301-689-6000 x15 or estahlman@allconet.org.

Applications for Allegany County Opportunity Scholarship Due April 1

Current and prospective FSU students from Allegany County are encouraged to apply for the Allegany County Opportunity Scholarship. The application deadline, which is normally March 1, has been extended to **Tuesday, April 1**. The application can be found on the FSU Financial Aid website or by going to www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/ungrad/faid/ACOA.pdf.

Eligible recipients are required to have been a resident of Allegany County for at least three years, must be admitted to FSU, have at least a 3.0 grade point average and complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Undergraduate and graduate students and those seeking professional certification are eligible.

The scholarship was established by the Allegany County Commissioners with funds from revenues to the county from the Rocky Gap Casino Resort.

For info, contact the FSU Financial Aid Office at x4301 or fsufinaid@frostburg.edu.

Career and Internship Fair

A Career and Internship Fair will be held on **Wednesday, April 2**, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. Regional employers will offer internships, jobs and networking opportunities. All students are invited to attend. Dress for success and bring your resumes!

For info, contact Dr. Robbie Cordle, director of Career Services, at x4403.

March Book Madness Winding Down: Vote for Your Favorites

In the spirit of the NCAA Basketball Tournament, the Ort Library will crown one book the Champion of March Book Madness. Eight categories of books were selected – fantasy, science fiction, horror, mystery, romance, nonfiction, contemporary literature and classics.

The Champion Book will be crowned on **Friday, April 4**.

Some of the books selected for March Book Madness will be available for review on the main floor of the library (third floor). Just look for the March Book Madness display case. Paper ballots will be available by the display case. A Library Guide has been created so that you can see the brackets and vote online. The guide can be accessed via <http://libguides.frostburg.edu/book-madness>. On the Library Guide, there is a PDF bracket that you can fill in and email to tmastrodonato@frostburg.edu.

Voting for the Final Four and the Championship will take place soon.

For info, contact Theresa Mastrodonato at tmastrodonato@frostburg.edu or x4425.

Office for Civil Rights to Conduct Focus Groups April 8 and 9

Campus sexual violence is an important issue that FSU takes very seriously. The U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) is reviewing the University's policies and practices related to Title IX of the Education Amendment Acts of 1972, which is the federal law that prohibits sexual harassment and sexual violence.

Representatives from OCR will be on campus on **Tuesday, April 8**, and **Wednesday, April 9**, to conduct focus group sessions with the campus community on issues related to sexual harassment and sexual violence. OCR will also be available to speak privately with anyone regarding these issues, or to anyone who is a survivor of sexual violence or sexual harassment.

All sessions will be held in Lane 111. The schedule of the focus groups on **April 8** is: 10 a.m. – resident assistants; 11 a.m. – FSU staff; 1 p.m. – FSU faculty; 2 p.m. – Student Government Association and campus leaders; 3 p.m. – Staff, faculty and students participating in FSU organizations that address issues of importance to women; and 4 p.m. – individual meetings with OCR. **Note that you can call an OCR representative at one of the numbers below to schedule a private meeting. Walk-ins are also welcome.** The schedule for **April 9** is: 10 a.m. – student-athletes, 11 a.m. – members of fraternities, 1 p.m. – members of sororities and 2 p.m. – individual meetings with OCR.

OCR has asked the University to inform individuals attending focus groups and meetings that it keeps records of its contacts, which are considered public records and are therefore subject to public disclosure laws, but any identifying information in these records is redacted or removed before release.

If you are unable to come to a focus group or a private meeting with OCR while they are on campus, the following OCR staff are also available on an ongoing basis before and after their visit to speak with you during their normal business hours: Amy Niedzalkoski, attorney, at amy.niedzalkoski@ed.gov or 215-656-8571, and Beth Gellman-Ber, supervisory attorney, at beth.gellman-beer@ed.gov or 215-656-6935.

FSU's A STAR! in Western Maryland Holding Annual Book Giveaway

FSU's A STAR! in Western Maryland AmeriCorps program will hold its 19th annual book giveaway **from Saturday, April 12, to Thursday, April 17**, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at City Place, 14 S. Water St., in Frostburg. The event is funded in part by the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism and the Corporation for National and Community Service.

New books are delivered to Frostburg for the book giveaway and are available to the public for free. There are books for children, teens and adults that span a variety of genres. Students, faculty and community members are welcome to browse through the books and take home as many as they would like.

For info, contact Meghan Voelkel at x4191 or mevoelkel@frostburg.edu.

Participate in the First Annual FSU 5K Run/Walk and Help Local Children



The first annual FSU 5K Run/Walk will be held **Friday, May 2**, at 6 p.m. in Bobcat Stadium. Proceeds will benefit CASA of Allegany County. CASA's mission is to recruit, train and support volunteers to be court-appointed advocates for abused and neglected children in the court system, and to collaborate with other local agencies in an effort to ensure that all children are in a safe and nurturing home.

All participants may opt to help raise funds for local children via CASA of Allegany County.

A fun kids' run will also take place on the track (more details to follow).

The entry fee is \$10 for FSU students, \$12 for FSU faculty and staff through **April 21** and \$15 after **April 21**, \$15 for the general public through **April 21** and a pre-registration discounted family rate of \$12 per person in family through **April 21** and \$20 after **April 21**.

For info, go to www.frostburg.edu/fsu5k.

Call for Presentations for Focus Frostburg



FSU will host Focus Frostburg, the University's annual day of learning on sustainability and climate awareness, on **Wednesday, April 23**, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Lane University Center. This year's event, titled "Learn-in for a Sustainable Future," is free and open to FSU students, faculty and staff as well as the community. Focus Frostburg is part of FSU's Learning Green, Living Green initiative.

As in previous years, faculty may want to have students, as appropriate, attend a Focus Frostburg session in lieu of class or to make any of the seminars and activities an extra-credit assignment.

For info, email Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at krogersthomas@frostburg.edu.

Help FSU Celebrate Arbor Day 2014!

Come hear environmental music from the FSU Chamber Choir, plant trees and celebrate FSU's second year as a Tree Campus USA on **April 23** from noon to 1 p.m. at the Clock Tower.

For info, contact Dr. Sunshine Brosi at slbrosi@frostburg.edu.

FSU Offers Health and Human Performance Lab

The Health and Human Performance Lab featuring body fat testing, flexibility testing, cardiovascular testing, blood pressure screenings and more is free for faculty, staff and students. The lab is in room 110 of the Cordts PE Center. Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Fridays and weekends are by appointment only. For info, contact Dr. Melody Kentrus, the lab director, at x4415 or mhkentrus@frostburg.edu, or tmrodgers02@frostburg.edu.

Graduation Is Coming Soon!

The Colleges of Business and Education will present their graduates at 9:30 a.m. and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present its graduates at 2 p.m. on **Thursday, May 22**, in the Cordts PE Center. Tickets will be required for admission. The number of tickets will be determined at a later date, based on the number of graduating students.

Complete your graduation application in PAWS now and check with the Registrar's Office to assure everything is in order for you to graduate in May. This will enable you to receive all the necessary information.

Caps and gowns are provided at no cost to graduates and can be ordered at the University Store. Your order must be placed by **Friday, April 4**. Announcements and thank-you cards should also be ordered by **April 4** at www.balfour.com.

A Grad Fair, where students can pick up caps and gowns and graduation tickets, enter drawings and more, will be held **Wednesday, May 14**, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232).

Full details about the ceremony can be found on the Commencement website at www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement. For info, contact Brittnei Teter at x4423 or bkteter@frostburg.edu.

Deadlines

Deadline for Undergrad Withdrawals

Following the drop/add period, undergraduate students will have until **Friday, April 11**, to withdraw from courses on their PAWS account. This process will be implemented during each "W" period.

Get Involved

United Campus Ministry Events

For info, contact the Rev. Dr. Cindy Zirlott in Hitchins 308 or at x7490 or c.zirlott@frostburg.edu.

Frostburg Community Lenten Dinner and Reflection Observances. This will take place every Wednesday through Lent, with dinner at 6 p.m. and a time of reflection at 7 p.m., at St. John's Episcopal Church on Broadway. Dinner is free and open to all.

Seeing the Face of God: Anti-Racism Workshop, April 11 and 12. The workshop is free and runs from 6 to 9 p.m. on Friday, then from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. **The deadline to register is Monday, March 31.**

Summer Camp Volunteer Experience, July 26 through Aug. 3. Educators and tutors are needed! **The deadline for registration is Wednesday, April 2.** This week-long learning camp is for the native children (K through eighth grade) of the Yankton Sioux Tribe in South Dakota. These camps help native children improve or maintain reading, math, computer and science skills and encourage them to stay in school. The cost is \$750 with airfare or \$400 without. Brochures and registration forms are available in the UCM Office, or contact Dr. Robin Bissell, the camp director, at 240-444-4219 or robin@pennswoods.net.

Passover Seder, Tuesday, April 15, 6 p.m., Fellowship Hall, St. John's Episcopal Church on Broadway. As part of the Holy Week experience, celebrate Passover with UCM. Learn about and enjoy a Jewish Seder with Communion. Sign up at any UCM event or email Chaplain Cindy to get on the list by **Sunday, April 13.**

Get Ready to Dance for a Cure for ALS!



Join six local instructors for two hours of Zumba fun on **Saturday, April 12**, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Auxiliary Gym of the Cordts PE Center.

All proceeds will be donated to the Robert Packard Center for ALS Research at Johns Hopkins University.

Purchase your tickets from participating instructors **Kelly Robison, Kimberly Schrock, Brandi Krampf, Krisiti DeVore, Crystal Frantz** and **Melanie Lombardi**. Early Bird pricing is \$10; on the day of the event it will be \$15.

Wear your blue, bring water and a towel and come dance for a cure.

For info, visit the Facebook Event Page at www.facebook.com/events/24648245523040 or email Melanie Lombardi at malary@atlanticbb.net.

International

Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?

For info, visit the Fuller House (across the street from the Braddock House), call x4714 or email Victoria Gearhart at vmgearhart@frostburg.edu. Also, check out the CIE website at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm and the Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/FSUStudyAbroad.



Gabby Blassou – Ireland (fall 2013)

The Center for International Education offers various ways for FSU students to see the world. In some cases, students can pay FSU tuition, room and board and study a semester or a year in Ireland, England, Spain, France, China, Italy, Australia, Peru, South Africa or in many other countries. FSU also offers summer study abroad programs. Financial aid, student loans and scholarships may help fund a study abroad experience.

Study Abroad in England at Northumbria University – Fall 2014!

Students have an opportunity to study in England for a semester or full year. Tuition and fees are paid to FSU while room and board are paid to Northumbria University. Courses will transfer back to FSU with prior approval. Check out the university at www.northumbria.ac.uk.

Spring Study Abroad and International Fair

Students are invited to attend the Study Abroad Fair on **Monday, March 31**, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). Representatives from various study abroad programs and former study abroad students will be available to answer questions about overseas opportunities. Also, FSU's international students will talk about their countries and cultures.

Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

Looking for a Summer Job at FSU?

The Office of Conferences and Events is seeking energetic, professional and friendly staff to join its summer team. If interested, pick up an application in Hitchins 305 or apply online at www.frostburg.edu/admin/confer/conferences-and-events-staff-application. Applications are due to the office by **Friday, April 11**. Paper applications can be delivered to Hitchins 305 or sent through campus mail to Dave Treber, Office of Conferences and Events. For info, email summercamps@frostburg.edu.

Edgewood Commons Hiring for Summer

Edgewood Commons will be hiring a summer turn crew (for cleaning and painting) and summer RAs. Applications are available on the website at www.edgewoodFSU.com or at the front desk at One University Dr. Applications are due to Edgewood by **Friday, April 11**.

Student Life

Registration Process for Room Selection for 2014-2015

The current registration process gives students committed to living on campus the opportunity to choose a room for the coming year. **Students who register for a room in any part of this process will sign a contract that will be in effect for the entire academic year.**

Single Room Sign-Up: Students who wish to sign up for a single room will be permitted to do so according to their enrollment appointments for fall class registration. Come to the Residence Life Office any time after the day and time of your course enrollment appointment and choose from available single rooms. Your lottery number is irrelevant.

Cluster/Group Sign-Up: Students who want to sign up in a cluster in Frederick or Westminster Hall may do so on **Wednesday, April 9**, in Lane Manicur Hall. The group lottery (for groups of three or more) will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Regular Room Lottery: Students who wish to sign up for a room in Frederick or Westminster Hall or any other available rooms on campus may also do so on **April 9** in Lane Manicur Hall. The regular room lottery for pairs and individuals begins at 9 p.m.

Off-Campus Students: These students and any others who did not take part earlier may come to the Residence Life Office weekdays **beginning April 14** between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Be sure to log in at www.welcome-mat.net/frostburg_terms to make sure your housing application is submitted before coming to select a room.

Edgewood Commons Now Contracting for Fall 2014

Edgewood Commons is **not** raising its rates for fall 2014! All the necessary application forms are available at www.edgewoodFSU.com. You can also pay your \$200 administrative fee online.

Stop by during the week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to take a tour. For info, call 301-689-1370 or email info@edgewoodFSU.com.

FSU Events Calendar

For info on FSU events, go to <http://events.frostburg.edu/calendar>.

Questions? Call 301-687-4411. All information is subject to change.

Note: FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. To request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, call 301-687-4102 or use a Voice Relay Operator at 1-800-735-2258.

April showers bring ... hydroplaning.



**If possible, drive in lanes that are not flooded with water
and stay clear of rain puddling in the roadway.**

FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT

Frostburg State University is a student-centered teaching and learning institution featuring experiential opportunities. The University

offers students a distinctive and distinguished baccalaureate education along with a select set of applied master's and doctoral programs. Frostburg serves regional and statewide economic and workforce development; promotes cultural enrichment, civic responsibility and sustainability; and prepares future leaders to meet the challenges of a complex and changing global society.

INSTITUTIONAL PRIORITIES

1. Enhance experiential and applied learning opportunities for students both inside and outside the classroom.
2. Improve facilities so that students live and learn in a modern and technologically sophisticated environment.
3. Increase student quality and improve student persistence to graduation.