FSU to Celebrate Inauguration of President Ronald Nowaczyk

FSU will celebrate the inauguration of its 15th president, Dr. Ronald H. Nowaczyk, in a ceremony that centers a week bookended by events celebrating student artistic achievement. The ceremony, which is open to the public, will be Friday, April 7, at 2 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall.

During the ceremony, University System of Maryland Chancellor Robert Caret, assisted by Board of Regents Chair James Brady, will perform the investiture, the formal recognition of Nowaczyk’s leadership role. Maryland Secretary of Higher Education James Fielder Jr., Frostburg Mayor Robert Flanigan, FSU Foundation Board of Directors Vice President Ken Oldham and FSU Student Government Association President Nicholas DeMichele will offer greetings, and Caret will speak, delivering the charges for Nowaczyk’s presidency.

The date of the inauguration was chosen in recognition of the anniversary of April 9, 1898, the date that Gov. Lloyd Lowndes signed the bill creating State Normal School No. 2 at Frostburg, the institution that, 119 years later, is now FSU.

Nowaczyk’s address, titled “Living Our Commitment,” will honor the aspirations of those coal miners and community leaders who are responsible for the creation of the institution. He will recognize that the University has gone far beyond the imaginings of those founders, but that the commitment continues to be toward changing lives, student by student.

Nowaczyk, who assumed the presidency on May 9, 2016, has spent his first year in office focusing on building a collaborative administration marked by open communication, with a particular emphasis on student success initiatives and regional outreach. He initiated a strategic planning process, which is under development by a team of more than 50 faculty, staff and students with the input of more than 1,000 individuals from the University’s student body, faculty, staff and alumni, along with numerous community members and other regional stakeholders. It will be presented to the University System of Maryland Board of Regents and to the public in June.

Student-focused events have been planned in conjunction with the inauguration. They begin with the 2017 FSU Student Art Exhibition, which will be on display through Wednesday, April 12. Sundays through Fridays from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery of the Fine Arts Building. Next is an Inaugural Celebration and Ice Cream Social for students on Thursday, April 6, from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Lane Upper Lobby. The other public event is the President’s Concert on Sunday, April 9, at 3 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall.

For info, visit www.frostburg.edu/inauguration.

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 301-687-4109.

Department of Music Presents President’s Concert

FSU’s Department of Music will present the President’s Concert on Sunday, April 9, at 3 p.m. The concert is in honor of President Ronald Nowaczyk on the occasion of his inauguration and will feature performances by Department of Music faculty and students.
Faculty artists include **Dr. Mark Gallagher** on clarinet, **Patrick Sise** on guitar, mezzo-soprano **Lawren Hill** and **Joseph Yungen** on piano.

Music majors selected to perform include **Wesley Mason** on violin; **Paul Zimmerman** on guitar; **Michael Ludmien** on piano; soprano **Marie Romero, Michael Ludmien and Susan Zoller** performing a piano duet; **Shefali Shah and Allie Hill**, who will perform a flute duet; clarinet trio **Joshua Bittenge: Carmen Grimes and Patricia Loscomb**, and jazz combo **Mirco Dorel, Grant Stryckning and Matt Heverly**, who will be joined by faculty member **Dr. Brent Weber**.

**Irish Folk Group Brock McGuire Band to Appear in LIVE! at StarScape**

CES at FSU will present the traditional Irish musicians of the Brock McGuire Band in a LIVE! at StarScape club performance on **Saturday, April 8**, in Lane Manicur Hall. The 7:30 p.m. event features table and bar service and a menu of appetizers and desserts.

Two of Ireland’s most celebrated traditional musicians lead the band: button accordionist and melodeonist Paul Brock and fiddler Manus McGuire. Together, they have been at the forefront of Irish music for many years. Joining them are Dublin-based Garry O’Meara on banjo, mandolin and vocals and acclaimed pianist and composer Denis Carey.

Immediately following the performance, the musicians will join WFWM Station Director Chuck Dicken for an interactive session as part of the Offstage With WFWM program. The Brock McGuire Band is featured regularly on WFWM Public Radio’s Celtic music shows “Ceol Ceilteach agus Craic,” Monday evenings at 8 p.m., and Just Plain Folks,” Saturdays at 4 p.m.

Performance tickets are $22 for adults and $19.80 for youth under 17. Corporate and group discount rates are also available. For info, contact the CES box office at 301-687-3137 or visit CES’ webpage at [http://ces.frostburg.edu](http://ces.frostburg.edu).

**On the EDGE Series Presents A Cappella Singing Group The Filharmonic**

This talented group of young Filipino-Americans first gained national attention in the semifinals of NBC’s competition show, “The Sing-Off,” and through their appearance in the popular movie “Pitch Perfect 2” as Team Philippines/Manila Envy, AOL.com reported, “Whether it’s a new rendition on a Top 100 hit like ‘Work’ by Rihanna or mashing up five different tracks into one seamless song, The Filharmonic know how to put their own signature spin on every piece of music they touch.”

The Filharmonic is a cappella group of young Americans who first gained national attention in the semifinals of NBC’s “The Sing-Off.” On the EDGE features cutting-edge performers who stretch the boundaries of their art forms. Patrons enjoy informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, and food and beverage options.

On the EDGE tickets are $15 and may be ordered by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137 or by visiting [http://ces.frostburg.edu](http://ces.frostburg.edu).

**Greg Hays to Perform Junior Guitar Recital**

FSU junior **Greg Hays** will perform a guitar recital on **Thursday, April 6**, at 7:30 p.m. He will be joined by guest artists **Patrick Sise** and **Paul Zimmerman** on guitars.


Next on the program is “Suite Castellana” by Federico Moreno-Torroba. This relatively short suite is in three movements, the first of which is “Fandanguillo.” After a very brief introduction, the haunting opening theme begins. In the second movement, “Arada,” the composer exhibits his deft skills at shaping beautiful, song-like melodies. The short third movement, “Danza,” closes the piece in a rapid and lively expression of cheer.

After that, Hays will play “Theme and Variations From Mozart’s ‘Die Zauberflöte,’ Op. 9” by Fernando Sor, which is based on a melody from Mozart’s opera “The Magic Flute.” It is one of Sor’s most famous works for guitar and embodies his best characteristics as a composer.

Hays will also present “Sonata in D Major, K.491” by Domenico Scarlatti, arranged by Sise; “Café Para Dos” by Máximo Diego Pujol; and “California Breeze” by Andrew York.

**UVUGD Presents ‘Gathering Place With Unshakeable Faith’**

Unified Voices Under God’s Dominion will present its spring gospel explosion, titled “The Gathering Place With Unshakeable Faith,” on **Saturday, April 8**, at 3 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). The event also features guest speaker David Jean-Julien. For info, contact MenuElle Silver at mmsilverb@frostburg.edu.

**Dr. Brent Weber and Joseph Yungen in ‘Lilith’**

The FSU Department of Music will present **Dr. Brent Weber** and **Joseph Yungen** in their Faculty Artist Series concert “Lilith” on **Friday, April 14**, at 7:30 p.m. Weber will play alto and soprano saxophone, and Yungen, the piano. **Gary Phillips** will join them on the marimba.
For their featured work, Weber and Yungen will play “Lilith,” composed in 1984 by William Bolcom, one of America’s best-known new music composers. “Lilith” is a wild dramatic piece for saxophone and piano, calling on highly virtuosic abilities on the part of the saxophonist, including mastery of a range of unorthodox sounds.

The work is an exploration of several of the personae of the legendary figure of Lilith. Mentioned in Isaiah, she appears also in ancient, traditional extra-Biblical texts as Adam’s first wife and figures in many myths of the Fertile Crescent. Each movement of Bolcom’s “Lilith” is devoted to an aspect of the Lilith legend.

The duo will also perform “Prelude, Cadence, et Finale” written by Alfred Desenclos in 1956, which presents many compositional techniques characteristic of the Impressionist period.

Jazz, rock and classical musical elements are melded into one composition in “Fuzzy Bird Sonata,” written in 1991 by Takashi Yoshimatsu. The first, “Run, Bird,” demonstrates a strong jazz influence; the second, “Sing, Bird,” contains more folk music materials; and the last one, “Fly, Bird,” combines all these materials.

The movements of “Song Book for Alto Saxophone and Marimba,” composed in 1998 by David Maslanka, can be thought of as emotional scenes. “Song for Davy” has a wistful and haunting character; “Lost” implies being lost and needing help; each variation of “Hymn Tune With Four Variations” is a successive speeding up of the chorale statement, with the last being a chaotic scramble; “Serious Music – In Memoriam Arthur Cohn” is the longest and soberest piece in the set; “Summer Song” is a sweet piece; “Song for Alison” is for Maslanka’s wife; and “Evening Song” is openly romantic, ultimately quiet and resigned, with an urgent and passionate statement to make.

“Sonata for Oboe and Piano,” written in 1962 by Francis Poulenc, was dedicated to the memory of his friend Sergei Prokofiev and was one of his last works. The playful scherzo with lively rumba rhythms and staccato motifs offers a portrait of the Russian composer.

**Theatre**

**Misunderstandings and Mayhem in Theatre and Dance Production ‘She Stoops to Conquer’**

Jasmine Proctor (Kate Hardcastle) and Brandon Hugley (Marlow)

FSU’s Department of Theatre and Dance will present Oliver Goldsmith’s delightfully witty comedy, “She Stoops to Conquer,” at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 14, and Saturday, April 15, and Thursday, April 20, through Saturday, April 22, with a matinee on April 15 at 2 p.m., in the PAC Drama Theatre.

When city slickers Marlow and Hastings travel to the countryside in search of love, they find themselves in a tangle of pranks and mistaken identities, including the belief that their prominent host (and Marlow’s possible future father-in-law), Mr. Hardcastle, is a mere innkeeper.

To top it all, Marlow has a serious problem. In the company of barmaids and servant girls, he is strikingly self-assured, but in the presence of gentlewomen, including Kate Hardcastle, he is a shy and stammering schoolboy.

The Hardcastle household becomes uproariously unhinged as Kate takes matters into her own hands, Hastings pursues his love and an outlandish cast of other characters burst their way into the escalating humor.

Directed by Maizy Yost-Rushton. “She Stoops to Conquer” is a satirical romp that promises as much laughter today as it did to audiences more than 200 years ago.

Tickets can be purchased online at [www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance](http://www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance) (click “buy tickets”) or in person in PAC 302, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Tickets are $7 students and $14 for the general public. For info, call the Theatre and Dance box office at 301-687-7462.

**Presentations**

**Spring Philosophical Forum on Advance Directives**

FSU’s Philosophy Department will host its spring Philosophical Forum on “Advance Directives: Problems and Prospects,” presented by Dr. Eric Vogelstein on Tuesday, April 18, at 7 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room.

Advance directives, also known as living wills, allow people to make decisions about what sort of medical treatment they want, or don’t want, should they no longer be able to make those decisions. Advance directives are widely praised among healthcare professionals as an important way of safeguarding patient autonomy. This talk will describe three problems with that conventional wisdom, and an additional philosophical problem with the use of advance directives for patients with severe dementia. In light of those concerns, the question to be asked is whether the widespread use of advance directives should be supported, and whether advance directives should be broadly recommended to patients, as is the current practice. It will be suggested that while advance directives are ethically sound tools for patients in certain fairly specific circumstances, it is dubious that advance directives can serve their intended function for most of us.

Vogelstein is an assistant professor at Duquesne University with a joint appointment in the Department of Philosophy and School of Nursing. His main research is in bioethics and ethical theory. He is interested the ethics of advance directives, decision-making capacity, moral expertise, the moral status of prenatal life and various matters related to autonomy and paternalism. He also specializes in theoretical issues in moral philosophy related to the nature of morality and the relationship between morality and practical reason.

The forum is co-sponsored by FSU’s Health Science and Nursing Programs. For info, contact Dr. Michael Mathias at 304-687-3094 or mbmathias@frostburg.edu, or visit the Philosophy Department’s webpage at [www.frostburg.edu/dept/phil/events](http://www.frostburg.edu/dept/phil/events).
Communication Leadership Lab Events

FSU Leadership Studies Residency to Feature Leaders of a Beautiful Struggle at Dialogue and Poetry Event

Members of the grassroots public policy think tank Leadership of a Beautiful Struggle (LBS) will visit Frostburg for the annual Leadership Studies residency program at FSU from Tuesday, April 18, through Thursday, April 20. The residency program offers opportunities for campus and community members to interact with leadership scholars or practitioners to learn about the interdisciplinary nature of leadership.

As part of the residency, a community dialogue, “Rural and Urban Values,” is being convened by the FSU Communication Leadership Lab on Wednesday, April 19, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Frostburg Community Center at 27 S. Water St. The public is invited to participate in this moderated discussion to explore understandings of rural and urban culture and politics and how they intersect around common concerns in the region. The session will be co-moderated by Tara Taylor, director of Education and Outreach at the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights; Dr. Elesha Ruminski, FSU associate professor of Communication Studies and coordinator of Leadership Studies; and Dr. Diane McMahon, associate professor of Sociology and faculty director of Service Learning and Civic Engagement at Allegany College of Maryland. Refreshments will be provided.

Originating in 2010, LBS promotes transformative change in Baltimore and emphasizes the power of public debate through its mission to advance the public policy interest of Black people in Baltimore through youth leadership development, political advocacy, autonomous intellectual innovation and coordinated efforts with volunteers called “Community Sustainers” (http://lbsbaltimore.com).

LBS members Lawrence Grandpre, director of Research, and Dayvon Love, director of Public Policy and Research, will visit classes and interact with members of campus and student leadership at a networking lunch and open discussion session. Classroom and session discussions will include what LBS offers as strategies for addressing institutionalized racism, building intercultural coalitions and organizing collective action and legislative advocacy and their co-authored LBS book, “The Black Book: Reflections From the Baltimore Grassroots” (2014).

Events will conclude with LBS cultural curator Lady Brion emceeing an open mic poetry event on Thursday, April 20, at 6 p.m. at the Lyric Theatre at 20 E. Main St. Students will be invited to share their poetry and prose.

This experiential learning program is supported in part by the FSU Foundation, African American Studies program, the Black Student Alliance, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Office of Student Affairs and the local branch of the NAACP.

For info on the leadership residency events or the Leadership Studies minor, see www.frostburg.edu/dept/lead or contact Ruminski, coordinator of the minor and Communication Leadership Lab, at eelm@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4480.

FSU “Eat, Learn, Shift” Session Will Focus on Regional Food System, Food Choices and Food Security

The second annual session in the FSU “Eat, Learn, Shift” series will focus on how the region can work together to support a sustainable food system. Campus and community members are invited to join the moderated discussion on Monday, May 8, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Frostburg Community Center on Water Street. Registration for the event is required by Friday, April 28. Participants will enjoy a buffet dinner by event partner, Shift Farm Eats.

Each session participant will also receive a National Issues Forum guide titled “Land of Plenty: How Can We Develop a Food System That Works for All of Us?” The research-based guide will be used to aid conversation to frame local concerns and develop actions to consider for collaborative problem-solving. The research-based guide was developed through focus groups and pilot sessions held by centers for public life from around the nation, including FSU’s Communication Leadership Lab in Frostburg.

Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, associate professor of Communication Studies and coordinator of Leadership Studies at FSU, was a partner in the Kettering Foundation learning exchange that supported development of the lab, along with Christine Willingham, lecturer in Communication Studies and Leadership Studies. For their Communication Studies program internship requirement, some students serve as Communication Leadership Lab assistants, or apprentice communication practitioners, assisting with session planning and facilitation.

Last spring students, faculty and members of the community had an opportunity to experience the first session of the “Eat, Learn, Shift” series, which was a cross-cultural dialogue featuring Saudi Arabian culture and food. This dialogue was co-moderated by Ruminski and leader-in-residence Blaine Siegel of Conflict Kitchen of Pittsburgh. For an overview of this event, go to www.frostburg.edu/dept/lead/scholar-in-residence-program.

The event is supported by an FSU President’s Experiential Learning Enhancement Fund grant. Additional partners include Western Maryland Food Council, Frostburg Grows and Wholesome Harvest.

For info or to register for the event, contact Ruminski at eelm@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4480. For info on the Communication Leadership Lab, visit www.frostburg.edu/dept/cmst or www.frostburgdialogue.org.

CLAS Undergraduate Research Symposium

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will host the annual Undergraduate Research Symposium on Friday, May 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 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 2016, fall 2016 or spring 2017. Note: Full project descriptions/abstracts will be due by Friday, April 7, as an email attachment to Dr. Karen Keller at lkeller@frostburg.edu. For info, email Keller or call 301-687-4174, or contact Linda Steele at lsteele@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4137.
‘Taking Research Beyond FSU’ Part of Graduate Research Symposium

FSU’s third annual Graduate Research Symposium will be held Thursday, May 11, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232).

New and exciting additions to this year’s event include the 3-Minute Thesis Competition and a professional development workshop.

The symposium promotes student growth in skills for disseminating their research. This year all students who apply to this year’s event will be offered a professional development opportunity after the symposium called “Taking Your Research Beyond FSU.” Another exciting addition is the 3-Minute Thesis Competition, a growing concept at universities across the country that allows graduate students the opportunity to develop skills to present their research in a compelling, three-minute speech, relaying the significance and relevance to a non-specialist audience.

For info, contact Vickie Mazer at vmmazer@frostburg.edu.

Academic Enrichment Series

Christie Bohn, an administrative assistant in Special Academic Services, Keith Davidson, an academic counselor in the Center for Academic Advising and Retention, and Travis Hitchins, an accounting clerk in University and Student Billing, will give a presentation, “Make Summer Session Count,” on Tuesday, April 4, from 2 to 2:50 p.m. in Lane 113. Would you like to accelerate your progress toward your degree? Wouldn’t it be nice to keep your academic program on track? You can earn credits wherever you are this summer. Learn how to get ahead!

Amy Shimko, director, Student Development, Career and Professional Development Center, will give a talk, “Resume Basics,” on Wednesday, April 5, from 3 to 3:50 p.m. in Lane 108. This session will highlight a number of basic strategies for building a professional resume so you can get your dream job!

For info, contact CAAR at 301-687-3404.

Appalachian Laboratory Spring Seminar Series

Dr. Jeff Larkin, Indiana University of Pennsylvania and American Bird Conservancy, will present “Linking Avian Ecology and Forest Management to Guide Landscape-Scale Bird Conservation” on Thursday, April 6, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For info, go to www.umces.edu/events.

Workshops

Be Prepared for the Career and Internship Fair!

Career Fair 101

Make sure you’re prepared for the Career and Internship Fair coming up on April 5. Come to Lane 109 on Monday, April 3, at 3 p.m. or Tuesday, April 4, at 12:30 p.m. for Career Fair 101. You’ll learn strategies for interacting with employers and tips for getting the most out of attending the fair. For info, contact Amy Shimko at alshimko@frostburg.edu.

Interviewing Tips

You can also join Shimko on April 3 at noon or 4 p.m. in Lane 108 to brush up on your interviewing skills. During the presentation, you’ll get tips for interviewing, including learning some of the most common interview questions that hiring professionals ask.

Visual Arts

Student Art Exhibition Held in Honor of Dr. Ronald Nowaczyk’s Inauguration

A juried exhibition of FSU student artwork will be on display in FSU’s Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in the Fine Arts Building through Wednesday, April 12. The exhibition is presented in honor of President Ronald Nowaczyk’s inauguration, which will be Friday, April 7. This event is free and open to the public.

Roper Gallery hours are Sunday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m. For info, contact the FSU Department of Visual Arts at 301-687-4797.

Points of Pride

FSU Among First Group of Voter Friendly Campuses

FSU has been designated a Voter Friendly Campus in the inaugural list of 83 such campuses nationwide from the Campus Vote Project in partnership with NASPA, Student Affairs Professionals in Higher Education. Just two Maryland schools earned the designation: FSU and Towson University.

To merit the recognition, FSU enacted a comprehensive plan to engage students in the democratic process throughout the 2016 election and foster ongoing democratic engagement.
FSU’s series of Town Hall Meetings engaged students in moderated discussions about prominent issues. Viewing parties for the presidential debates in the Lane University Center engaged students in further discussions about the candidates and their stances.

Students reviewed Maryland’s new paper ballots with a Board of Elections official, and candidate information was hosted on FSU’s Civic Engagement webpage. With TurboVote, an online tool, FSU also facilitated student voter registration. TurboVote was continuously available through FSU webpages and publicized through numerous campus venues.

Information about absentee balloting ensured students who were registered in distant districts knew how to cast their votes. On Election Day, FSU offered free van shuttles to local polling locations. A campuswide communication campaign helped turn out the vote and promoted awareness of the right to cast provisional ballots if students could not reach their home polling places.

On the evening of the election, a group of students watched election night coverage on a movie screen in the Lane Center, with political science professors and local officials on hand to moderate discussions, explain the Electoral College process and offer historical context for the evening’s events.

The Voter Friendly Campus Designation was created last year by NASPA and the Campus Vote Project to recognize campuses doing excellent work to empower students to engage with democracy. Recognized campuses registered, educated and saw high student turnout for the 2016 election and have plans in place to keep students engaged through 2017 and 2018.

For info about civic and democratic engagement efforts at FSU, visit www.frostburg.edu/sci/civic. For a list of Voter Friendly Campuses, visit https://www.voterfriendlycampus.org/campus-designees.

**FSU Students Marked National Athletic Training Month by Volunteering**

FSU athletic training majors recently participated in an event at Mountain Ridge High School in Frostburg. From left, they are juniors Jessica Buglione, Kourtney McClain, Camaran Dodge, Getromi Sullivan, Allison Short, Holly Biggs and Jordan Owens.

The month of March was dedicated to the athletic training profession as National Athletic Training Month (NATM). During that month, students and staff involved in the FSU athletic training major participated in various events to help the community and share information about athletic training.

The students volunteered at the Mountain Ridge High School basketball playoff game on March 2 to start off NATM. On March 16, the students provided a free CPR and first aid course to local high school students. The students also volunteered their time to provide free blood pressure screenings for FSU students and staff on March 28 and 29. Also on March 29, to end NATM, the program hosted a lecture by the FSU Athletics team physician Dr. Joseph Hahn.

For info about FSU’s Athletic Training Education Program, visit bit.ly/FSUAthleticTraining.

**Sierra Student Coalition Members Celebrate Fracking Ban**

Maryland House Bill 1325 passed this week prohibiting hydraulic fracturing for production of oil or natural gas in the State. Members of the Sierra Student Coalition, with faculty advisor Dr. Sunshine Brosi, hold pictures of endangered species found in Allegany County that would have been negatively impacted by fracking.

**Student Olivia Goldstein Selected for Summer Internship**

Olivia Goldstein, an ethnobotany major, was selected for the Butterfly House and Teacher-Naturalist Summer Internship at Ladew Topiary Gardens in Monkton, Md. She will be caring for the native butterflies and host plants as well as educating guests on their life cycles.

**Visit the State Capitol in Annapolis!**

Visit the state capitol on **Tuesday, April 4**, and meet state governmental officials, tour the statehouse and see live debate on current state legislation! A chartered bus will depart at 8 a.m. from the front entrance of the Performing Arts Center building and will return to FSU at approximately 9 p.m. Seating is limited on, so sign up early! The trip is free but no-shows will be charged a $35 fee.

Lunch will be provided but it’s recommended everyone bring money for a snack. Dress is business casual – no sneakers or jeans.

The trip is sponsored by the J. Glenn Beall Jr. Institute for Public Affairs and the Office of Civic Engagement.

Sign up at the Lane University Center box office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. or register at www.frostburg.edu/studenteventstix. For info, contact Tim Magrat at 301-687-4080 or tmagrath@frostburg.edu, or Bill Mandicott at 301-697-6662 or wmandicott@frostburg.edu.

**Spring Career and Internship Fair**

The Spring Career and Internship Fair will be held on **Wednesday, April 5**, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall.

Visit with employers to discuss internships and jobs. Bring resumes and dress for success!

Watch your Frostburg email and the College Central Network at www.collegecentral.com/frostburg for a list of employers. There are 57 employers currently registered to attend. Watch for additions.

This event is sponsored by the Career and Professional Development Center. For info, call 301-687-4403.
Brownsville Walking Tour

From 4 to 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 11, Lynn Bowman, author of the book “Being Black in Brownsville,” will offer a guided tour of the footprint of the original Brownsville neighborhood. Meet on the second floor of Compton Science Center at the pendulum. The event is free and open to the public.

Brownsville was an African-American neighborhood founded in 1866 by Tamar Brown, possibly a newly freed slave. It consisted of its own schoolhouse, church, ballpark, skating rink and restaurants. By the 1930s, the state of Maryland gradually began to purchase houses in the neighborhood to expand the University (then Normal School No. 2). To commemorate the neighborhood and its previous residents, a group of students, faculty and community members have worked together to propose that a monument be placed in FSU's Upper Quad, which was the heart of Brownsville. The project estimate is $10,000.

For info, contact Dr. Amy Branam Armiento at abranam@frostburg.edu. To donate, visit https://www.gofundme.com/brownsville-fsu.

Department of Communication and Lambda Pi Eta Informational Meeting

Members of FSU’s Department of Communication and the Phi Epsilon chapter of Lambda Pi Eta, the national honor society of the communication discipline, will host an informational meeting on Tuesday, April 11, at 5:30 p.m. in Gira Center 161.

Discover why you should choose communication studies, leadership studies and/or mass communication studies as your major or minor and meet the members and advisors of LPH to learn the eligibility requirements of the organization and the benefits of becoming a member. Information on department awards and scholarships will be shared as well. Then get some valuable information from the Department of Communication professors about their graduate school and research experiences.

For info, contact chapter president Deanna Lucas at delucas0@frostburg.edu or advisors Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski at eruminski@frostburg.edu or Dr. Sheri Whalen at sawhalen@frostburg.edu.

Online Registration Open for FSU Leadership Faculty/Staff Development Conference

Online registration is available for faculty and staff interested in participating in “Focus on the Future: Better Leaders for a Better Tomorrow,” FSU’s fourth annual Leadership Development Conference, on Wednesday, April 12.

Sponsored by the Office of Human Resources and organized by the Learning and Organizational Development Committee, this day-long leadership training in Lane University Center is free and open to all FSU faculty and staff. The conference features keynote speeches from two leaders with connections to the Frostburg area. The morning keynote speaker will be retired Sergeant Major of the Army Kenneth Preston, and the lunchtime speaker will be President Ronald Nowack. Attendees also will choose from a variety of morning and afternoon breakout sessions on leadership and personal and professional development topics led by local experts.

Visit www.frostburg.edu/hr/hr-service-areas/training/leadership-conference-registration to see the complete schedule of sessions and register to attend. For info, call the Office of Human Resources at 301-687-4107.

Nominations Sought for President’s Distinguished Faculty Award

Nominations are being sought for the annual President’s Distinguished Faculty Award. This award recognizes faculty members who advance the University in ways consistent with its mission, goals and action priorities outlined in the Strategic Plan. It is presented during the May commencement ceremony and includes a $2,500 monetary prize, sponsored by the FSU Foundation.

Examples of qualifying activities have included:

- Developing and supporting academic programs that prepare a changing student population for an era of complexity and globalization
- Promoting activities that demonstrate the University’s educational distinction
- Helping FSU increase retention and improve student persistence to graduation
- Enhancing experiential and applied learning opportunities for students inside and outside the classroom
- Assisting in the University’s contribution to economic development in Western Maryland, the region and the state
- Increasing enrollment and advancing programming at the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown

Application must be made through a letter of nomination by FSU colleagues. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Activities outlined in the nomination letter should have occurred in the fall 2016 and/or spring 2017 semester(s). The letter should consist of a narrative of no more than two pages in the form of an executive summary, plus any supporting documentation.

Submit nominations to Sandra Rohrbaugh, Office of the President, by Friday, April 14.

Focus Frostburg Coming Soon

Sponsored and organized by FSU’s Learning Green, Living Green Sustainability Initiative and the President’s Advisory Council for Sustainability, Focus Frostburg: “Learn-In” for a Sustainable Future will take place this year on Monday, April 17, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Lane University Center. Focus Frostburg is FSU’s annual day of learning on sustainability and climate awareness that is free and open to FSU students, faculty, staff and the community.
As in previous years, faculty may want to have students, as appropriate, attend a session in lieu of class or to make any of the seminars and activities an extra-credit assignment.

Student presentations would make a great class activity. Poster presentations are welcome. Hands-on activities and demonstrations are strongly encouraged.

Note to faculty: If your course covers related themes, consider having your class meet for one of these sessions.

For info, email krogerthomas@frostburg.edu.

University Honors Program Offers Enriching Seminars for Fall 2017

Next semester, the FSU Honors Program will feature two interdisciplinary seminar courses. IDIS 491 Democracy in America? will be taught by Dr. Stephen Hartlaub, a professor in the Department of Political Science, and will explore the writings of 19th-century French aristocrat Alexis de Tocqueville. Tocqueville traveled across America and wrote some of the most historically significant observations about American society. This course will examine these writings in the context of the current political and social climate.

IDIS 491 Legal History and Culture in the U.S. will be taught by Dr. Eleanor McConnell, an assistant professor in the Department of History, and will examine some of America’s most critical and defining legal cases.

Library and Student Success Survey for Faculty and Students

The Lewis J. Ort Library is reaching out to students and faculty through a survey to learn more about their use of the library and its services. The library will use the survey information to support continuous improvements in its contributions to student success.

Responses to the survey are confidential. Be sure to complete this survey by Friday, April 21.

The student survey can be found at http://tinyurl.com/mc8xbqx and the faculty survey at http://tinyurl.com/kwl4v4v (for faculty or staff who have taught students in the last five years).

Upcoming BURG Events

BURG events for the week are as follows:

- Mental Health Table, Monday, April 3, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Lane Table 1
- General Body Meeting, Thursday, April 6, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Lane 111
- National Alcohol Awareness, Friday, April 7, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Lane Table 1

For info, contact Armand Jackson at adjackson02@frostburg.edu or visit www.bursepeeducationnetwork.com.

Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It!

It’s not too early to think about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate on Thursday, May 25, in the Cordts PE Center.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present its graduates at 9:30 a.m. and the Colleges of Business and Education will present their graduates at 2 p.m.

Tickets will be required for admission. Liberal Arts and Sciences graduates will each receive five tickets and Business and Education will receive nine tickets.

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

The first of two mailings has been sent to your home and email address. If necessary, update your information in PAWS to ensure that all upcoming mailings will be sent to the correct location.

Caps and gowns are provided at no cost to all graduates (excluding doctoral) and may be ordered online at http://bookstore.frostburg.edu.

A Grad Fair will be held Wednesday, May 17, in Lane Manicur Hall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. You will also have the opportunity to pick up your graduation tickets, enter drawings, purchase graduation merchandise and more.

Full details about the ceremony can be found on the Commencement webpage at www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement. For info, contact Christie Bohn at 301-687-4423 or clbohn@frostburg.edu, or check out Frostburg Graduation on Facebook and @FrostburgGrad on Twitter.

Check Out FSU-TV3 on Social Media

Connect with FSU-TV3 and see what other activities are going on at FSU with the channel’s social media sites.

**Jobs, Jobs, Jobs**

**Summer Positions at Edgewood Commons**


**Student Life**

**Edgewood Commons Contracting for Fall 2017**

Edgewood Commons is accepting applications for the fall semester. Contact Edgewood directly for contracting questions. All the information about Edgewood Commons is available at [www.edgewoodFSU.com](http://www.edgewoodFSU.com).

Apartments come fully furnished and have private bedrooms and semi-private bathrooms. Utilities (gas, electricity, water, Internet and cable) are included in the contract fee.

To set up a tour or find out more, call 301-689-1370.

**FSU Events Calendar**

For info on FSU events, go to [http://events.frostburg.edu/calendar](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.

**Sleepy and Unsafe!**

Sleep deprivation can significantly reduce reaction time, motor control, decision-making ability and situational awareness.

**Fight fatigue!**

**Get 7 to 8 hours of sleep a night.**

**Exercise for energy.**

**Manage stress.**

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