FSU Students, Middle-Schoolers to Speak to Astronaut Alumnus in Space, Join Science Activities

On Monday, April 9, students from FSU and local middle schools will have the opportunity to speak with FSU alumnus and NASA astronaut Ricky Arnold via a live downlink from the International Space Station, where Arnold is in the early weeks of his six-month mission. The 20-minute downlink is scheduled to begin at 9:55 a.m., and can be viewed on NASA TV via NASA.gov.

In addition, approximately 1,200 students from Allegany and Garrett County middle schools, Frankfort Middle School in West Virginia and three local private schools will be on campus to participate in a wide range of NASA and space-related educational activities directed by more than 100 College of Education students and faculty in sites all around campus. The questions, 25 in all, will come from a mix of FSU teacher candidates and other students from the College of Education, local middle school students and teacher education students from Bowie State University and University of Maryland, College Park. They will cover a range of topics involving education and spaceflight. Arnold will be joined by fellow astronaut Drew Feustel.

Arnold, FSU Class of 1985, earned his accounting degree and teaching certification from FSU, along with a master’s degree in marine and estuarine science from UMCP. After teaching all over the world, he was chosen in 2004 among the first Educator Astronauts, a renewal of the program that began with Teacher in Space Christa McAuliffe, who died in the 1986 Challenger accident. His six-month mission is the second half of NASA’s Year of Education on Station, in which NASA’s two educator astronauts will execute the lesson plans McAuliffe created but never got to teach, among other educational activities.

Read more about Arnold’s thoughts on returning to space [here](#).

FSU to Focus on Sustainability and Climate Awareness at Focus Frostburg

FSU will once again be fully focused on sustainability and climate awareness during the upcoming Focus Frostburg event, an annual day of learning, on Wednesday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event, free and open to the public, will feature green activities for everyone, including presentations in the Lane University Center.

Learn all about FSU’s environmental commitment from a wide range of presentations from faculty and students at the Lane Center, including those on the topics of religion and environmental activism, food co-ops, genetically modified organisms, natural disasters, food waste, social and environmental sustainability, environmental justice and food recovery. In addition to the Focus Frostburg presentations on April 18, there will also be a film and photography exhibit that evening at 7 p.m.

As part of Focus Frostburg, several table and poster displays will be available for viewing. Learn about waste prevention, reuse and recycling at the Allegany County Recycling Table and find out about the Western Maryland Food Council at the Wholesome Harvest Co-op Information Table. In addition, drop by to explore the Key Sustainability People and Events Poster Display created by students and complete a poster scavenger hunt to earn a prize.

On Earth Day, April 22, FSU, an official host for the Earth Day Film Festival, invites the campus community and area residents to celebrate Earth through film. One of the films selected is “A Simpler Way,” the University’s documentary that chronicles FSU students’
experience in Uganda. The screenings will begin at 3 p.m. in Gira Center room 397. In addition to "A Simpler Way," four other short documentaries and one animated short will be screened, then, following a brief intermission, a second FSU documentary, "A Vision Within," will be shown.

A final FSU sustainability event will take place on Monday, April 23, when students will host a screening of “Before the Flood,” share information about the Sustainability Studies Minor and discuss ways for students to become more involved in on-campus sustainability projects. “Before the Flood,” presented by National Geographic, features Leonardo DiCaprio on a journey as a United Nations Messenger of Peace, traveling to five continents and the Arctic to witness climate change firsthand.

For info and a schedule, visit www.frostburg.edu/lglg/focusfrostburg.htm.

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**Theatre**

**FSU’s Department of Theatre and Dance Presents ‘Bus Stop’**

Pictured from left are Brandon Huguley (Bo), Jayna Raines (Cherie) and Willard Brewington (Virgil).

The Department of Theatre and Dance at FSU will present William Inge’s play “Bus Stop” on Friday and Saturday, April 27 and 28, and Thursday through Saturday, May 3 to 5, at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee on April 28 at 2 p.m. Directed by William J. Clark, an alumnus of FSU’s theatre program, the performances will take place in the Pealer Drama Theatre.

In this 1955 drama, strangers on a cross-country bus are forced to take shelter at a quaint roadside diner near Kansas City, Mo., during a blizzard. Soon the depths and many guises of romantic relationships emerge. A worldly nightclub singer tries to escape the clumsy affections of an innocent and headstrong cowboy, a hard-drinking scholar faces his past, a naïve young waitress gets a first glimpse into the complexity of intimacy and the wise café owner and bus driver develop a secretive bond of their own. Infused with humanity and compassion, “Bus Stop” is a bittersweet comedic drama that exposed the hopes, dreams and fears of love and longing.

Tickets can be purchased online through University Tickets or at the box office. Visit the website at www.frostburg.edu/TheatreDance and click “Buy Tickets” to make an online reservation (service fees apply). Or, for more information about the show and to make group reservations, call the box office at 301-687-7462 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Tickets are $7 for students and youth, $12 for FSU faculty and staff and seniors, and $15 for the general public.

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**Music**

Unless otherwise noted, recitals and concerts will take place in Pealer Recital Hall and are free and open to the public. For info, contact the Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

For all CES performances, students can guarantee their seat by purchasing the discounted ticket price listed on promotional materials, or they can pick up free tickets at the door if any are available.

**CES at FSU Hosts Singer-Songwriter Risa Binder in On the EDGE Series**

The On the EDGE series at FSU will host Nashville-based singer-songwriter Risa Binder on Thursday, April 12, at 8:15 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. The performance features informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, and food and beverage options.

A native of Maryland, Binder first broke through with her critically acclaimed 2014 EP “Nashville” and received a Daytime Emmy Award nomination for her song “Just Like That.” Binder, who splits her time between Brooklyn and Nashville, brings a background in musical theater to her pop-country endeavors, along with a love of classic singer/songwriters like James Taylor and Loretta Lynn. The result is a unique sound that has Binder entering heavy rotation on Sirius/XM radio, accepting Emmy nominations and touring with country legend Ronnie Milsap.

Tickets are $18. Member and group discount rates are also available. Tickets may be ordered online by visiting http://ces.frostburg.edu or by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The box office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**CES at FSU to Present LIVE! at StarScape Performance by Jazz Musician Etienne Charles**

CES at FSU will host visionary jazz musician Etienne Charles in a LIVE! at StarScape Performance of “Creole Soul” on Friday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. The club-style event includes table and bar service and a menu of appetizers and desserts.

A native of Trinidad and Tobago, Charles taps into his Afro-Caribbean roots and plumbs the musical depths of the islands, from calypso to Haitian voodoo music. “Jazz is Creole music,” says Charles, “I come from a fusion of rhythms, a fusion of cultures.”

Hailed by Jazz Times as “a daring improviser (who) delivers with heart-rending lyricism,” the Juilliard-educated musician has earned high praise, including a prestigious Guggenheim Fellowship in 2015. Together with a masterful band of jazz musicians on piano, alto saxophone, guitar, upright bass and percussion, Charles’ strikingly original style will be on full display with “Creole Soul.”
Immediately following the performance, CES will join forces with FSU’s own WFWM-FM Public Radio to present the Offstage Series With WFWM, when station director Chuck Dicken joins the artists onstage for a lively interactive discussion with the audience.

Tickets for the performance are $22 for adults and $19.80 for youth under 17. Member and group discount rates are also available. Tickets may be ordered online by visiting http://ces.frostburg.edu or by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137. The box office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Brass Studio and Ensemble Recital to Explore ‘The Many Genres of Brass’

The FSU Department of Music will present a concert by the Brass Studio and Ensemble, “The Many Genres of Brass,” on Thursday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m.

The Brass Studio program will feature students from the studios of Joshua Long, trombone, euphonium and tuba instructor, and Cecilia Ruegsten, French horn instructor. The group will be accompanied by pianist Joseph Tungen.

Performers will include DeAndre Cook on the trombone, performing “Vocalise, Op. 34, No. 14” by Sergei Rachmaninoff, arranged by Quinto Maganini; Aaran Mills on the euphonium, performing “Thoughts of Love” by Arthur Pryor; Maakeh Boayue on the trombone, performing “Morceau Symphonique, Op. 88” by Alexandre Guilmant; Hanna Livingston on the French horn, performing “Morceau de Concert” by Camille Saint-Saëns; and Boayue and Cook on trombones and Long and Mills on euphoniums, performing “Sheep May Safely Graze” by Johann Sebastian Bach, arranged by Long.

The Brass Ensemble, directed by Long, will perform “Triumphal March” from “Aida” by Giuseppe Verdi, arranged by Bill Holcombe; “Rock,” “Refrain” and “Rag” from “Pop Suite” by Arthur Frackenpohl; “Rondeau” from “Sinfonie de Symphonie” by Jean Joseph Mouret, arranged by David R. Thomas; “Semper Fidelis” by John Philip Sousa, arranged by Julian Menken and Samuel Baron; “Rass’ Theme” by Manaka Kataoka, arranged by Livingston; and “March” from “First Suite in E-flat” by Gustav Holst, arranged by Wes Summers.

Brass Ensemble members include Alexandria Blank on the trumpet, Livingston on the French horn, Cook on the trombone, Mills on the euphonium and Boayue on the tuba.

FSU Student Mirto Dorcil to Perform Junior Piano Recital

FSU student Mirto Dorcil will present his junior piano recital, “Selections in the Key of Jazz,” on Saturday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. He will be joined on several pieces by guest artists Dr. Brent Weber on the saxophone, Grant Styrckning on bass guitar and Matt Heyer on drums.


FSU’s Piano Ensemble Set for Spring Recital

FSU’s Department of Music will present the Piano Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Jay DeWire, in a recital on Sunday, April 15, at 7 p.m.

The program first features “Allegretto” from “Symphony No. 7 in A Major, Op. 92” by Ludwig van Beethoven, composed between 1811 and 1812. The instant popularity of “Allegretto” resulted in its frequent performance separate from the complete symphony.

The next piece is “Evocación From “Iberia,” a suite for piano written between 1905 and 1909 by the Spanish composer Isaac Albéniz. “Evocación” combines elements of the southern Spanish fandango and the northern Spanish jota song forms.

The third selection, “Prelude and Fugue in G Major” is from “The Well-Tempered Clavier I,” a collection of preludes and fugues in all 24 major and minor keys, written for solo keyboard by Johann Sebastian Bach in 1722. Bach composed it “for the profit and use of musical youth desirous of learning.”

This will be followed by “L’isle joyeuse” (“The Joyful Island”), an extended solo piano piece by Claude Debussy composed in 1904.

After intermission comes “Mephisto Waltz No. 1” by Franz Liszt. This work was composed between 1859 and 1862 and is the most popular of his four Mephisto waltzes. Titled “Der Tanz in der Dorfschenke” (“The Dance in the Village Inn”), the waltz has become a concert favorite because of its passion, sensuality and dramatics.

Next up is “Voiles,” translated as veils or sails, a composition by Claude Debussy for solo piano from 1909 and a piece from his “Préludes” published in 1910. “La Cathédrale engloutie” (“The Submerged Cathedral”) is also a prelude for solo piano. It is characteristic of Debussy in its form, harmony and content. This prelude is an example of Debussy’s musical impressionism in that it is a musical depiction of, or allusion to, an image or idea.

The recital will end with the whirling dance-energy of “Allegro con brio,” the last movement from Beethoven’s “Symphony No. 7.” The main theme is a variant of the recurring passage in Beethoven’s arrangement of the Irish folk-song “Save Me From the Grave and Wise” from his “Twelve Irish Folk Songs.”


FSU Student Grant Stryckning Presenting Junior Guitar Recital

FSU student Grant Styrckning will present his junior guitar recital on Sunday, April 15, at 3 p.m.
Simple Gifts Duo to Perform Ethnic Folk Music From Many Lands at MCTA

Linda Littleton (left) and Karen Hirshon of Simple Gifts

FSU’s Mountain City Traditional Arts will host Pennsylvania duo Simple Gifts on Thursday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. at 25 E. Main St. in Frostburg. The live entertainment is free and open to the public with a suggested donation of $15.

Two women plus 12 instruments equal one good time when Simple Gifts takes the stage. Drawing on an impressive variety of ethnic folk styles, this award-winning duo plays everything from lively Irish jigs and down-home American reels to hard-driving Klezmer frailachs and haunting Gypsy melodies, spicing the mix with the distinctive rhythms of Balkan dance music, the lush sounds of Scandinavian twin fiddling and original compositions written in a traditional style.

Combining tradition with innovation, Simple Gifts creates some of the finest arrangements in folk music today: swing fiddle creeps into a Romanian dance, spoons show up in an Irish reel and a blues lick introduces a Klezmer melody.

Linda Littleton and Karen Hirshon play an amazing array of instruments, including the fiddle, mandolin, banjo, guitar, guitjo, recorders, bowed psaltery, hammered dulcimer, baritone fiddle, guitar and percussion.

Littleton, the founding member, began her musical studies with classical violin lessons at age 7. She has a strong background as a classical violinist, having served as principal second violin in the Nittany Valley Symphony. In addition to the violin, Littleton plays hammered dulcimer, bowed psaltery, five-string banjo and recorders.

Hirshon grew up singing and harmonizing hymns, began violin lessons at age 10 and later studied folk guitar. As a student at Grinnell College in Iowa, she designed her own specialty, Traditional Music in American Culture, within the field of American Studies, combining history, anthropology and music. She studied and was influenced by ragtime, classical, American string band music, African drumming, blues, gospel and jazz.

For info, email MCTA at mountaincitytradarts@gmail.com or call 301-687-8040.

Presentations

Conference on Public Service and Social Change

Special guest Heather Mizeur

A conference for FSU faculty, staff and students, titled “Moving Beyond Theory to Practice: Engaging in Social Change,” will be held on Saturday, April 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in FSU’s Lane University Center. Staged in an interactive and engaging format, guest panelists and FSU alumni will address how their experiences at FSU and beyond have prepared them for lifelong careers in public service and have helped them turn their aspirations into reality. Heather Mizeur of MizMaryland Soul Force Politics will deliver opening remarks to set the tone for the conference. A panel discussion from 1 to 2:30 p.m. will feature Diane Fink, executive director of Emerge Maryland; Taylor Schmitz of Congressional Sportsmen’s Foundation; Jake Shade, president, Allegany County Board of Commissioners; and Kaitlan Sumpter of Our Revolution Maryland. Students can also meet and interact with special guests to promote future networking opportunities.

For info, contact Misty Schurg, conference assistance, at mdschurg@frostburg.edu.

Robert Hein to Give Gallery Walk and Talk

Robert Hein, an associate professor in FSU’s Department of Visual Arts, will give a gallery walk and talk for the Allegany National Photography Competition and Exhibition on Saturday, April 14, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Allegany Arts Council Saville Gallery, 9 N. Centre St. in Cumberland.

For info, visit www.alleganyarts council.org/event.php?id=566#Wro9J3yZMo8.

FSU Leadership Faculty/Staff Development Conference

“Answering the Call to Action: EVERYONE Can Lead,” FSU’s fifth Annual Leadership Development Conference, will take place on Tuesday, April 17. This daylong, on-campus leadership training conference features leadership development sessions hosted by local experts, keynote addresses and moderated group discussions on how every employee can take the lead in his or her area. This event is free and open to all faculty and staff.

FSU faculty and staff should register at www.frostburg.edu/hr/hr-service-areas/training/leadership-conference-registration. The deadline for registration is Monday, April 9. The complete schedule of sessions is also available at this link.

For info, call the Office of Human Resources at 301-687-4107.
Center for Literary Arts Presents Poet Mary Azrael

The FSU Center for Literary Arts will host author Mary Azrael on **Thursday, April 19**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lyric Theatre at 20 E. Main St. in Frostburg. This presentation is free and open to the public.

Azrael is the author of three books of poems, the libretto for a choral work, “On Paper Bridges,” and an opera libretto, “Lost Childhood,” performed in New York and Tel Aviv. Her poems have appeared in many journals, including Prairie Schooner, Harpers and Calyx. She is the co-founder of Passager Books and an editor of Passager, a national literary journal featuring the work of older writers. Azreal has been a staff writer for Jacques Cousteau and a writer/consultant for the Maryland Homeless Services Program. A Maryland State Arts Council Artist in Residence for many years, she now teaches poetry writing in the Odyssey Program at Johns Hopkins University.

For info, contact Jennifer Browne at jabrowne@frostburg.edu.

Points of Pride

FSU Student Benjamin Forrest Honored as 2018 Newman Civic Fellow

FSU sophomore **Benjamin Forrest** was chosen by Campus Compact to be honored as the 2018 Newman Civic Fellow, which acknowledges motivation and potential in public leadership. Forrest is one of the 268 students who were honored among all Campus Compact institutions.

Forrest, of Hagerstown, is a double major in political science and mathematics. He is the Student Affairs Committee chair in the FSU Student Government Association this year and was recently elected president of SGA for next year. He is also a student alumni ambassador, helping to build connections between alumni and the current student body.

“On campus, my focus is advocating for students’ interests and well-being, and doing what I can to build bridges that can mitigate the political polarization that is dividing our country,” Forrest said. “In the community, I am committed to partnerships to address poverty and the hurdles it presents for those who are trying to create better lives for themselves and their families.”

Forrest is the second Newman Fellow from FSU. Senior **James Kirk** is spending the current academic year participating in the fellowship.

The Newman Civic Fellowship is a one-year experience emphasizing personal, professional and civic growth. Through the fellowship, Campus Compact provides a variety of learning and networking opportunities, including a national conference of Newman Civic Fellows in partnership with the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the U.S. Senate. The fellowship also provides fellows with access to apply for exclusive scholarship and postgraduate opportunities. The Newman Civic Fellowship is supported by the KPMG Foundation and Newman’s Own Foundation. For more information, visit www.compact.org.

Take Note

New Fellowship Program Established for Area Students

The Board of County Commissioners of Allegany County recently approved a new program providing summer internship opportunities for students at FSU and Allegany College of Maryland. The Commissioners’ Fellowship Program is a 12-week internship program with Allegany County Government. The program, which is a partnership with FSU and ACM, provides real-life work experience for students at these institutions.

Selected students will work under the direction of the county administrator and other county staff to develop an understanding of local government. County personnel will work with the students on projects and policy proposals that will ultimately be presented to the county commissioners at the end of the students’ internship. Selected students will be paid a stipend of $2,000 for their participation.

To be considered, a student must attend FSU or ACM, must be a rising junior or senior (or have at least 30 credit hours at ACM) in the summer of participation, must possess an overall GPA of 2.7 or above and must be available to work between **Tuesday, May 29**, and **Friday, Aug. 10**. All interested students should apply online at [http://alleganygov.org](http://alleganygov.org).

This Is National Library Week

National Library Week extends through **Saturday, April 14**. The first event was sponsored by the American Library Association in 1958. Come to the Ort Library and help celebrate the 60th year of library week! Use the white board at the entrance to tell how libraries have helped you succeed. Libraries lead through lifelong learning, promoting curiosity and education, providing a sense of community and intellectual freedom, and being a place of quiet or to meet friends.

For info, contact MaryJo A Price at mprice@frostburg.edu.
Day of Civility to Highlight Community Partnerships and Civility in Action

Allegany County’s first annual Day of Civility will be celebrated Thursday, April 12, by various organizations and groups throughout the region. Leadership Allegany, the Allegany County Library System and the Women’s Action Coalition launched the Allegany chapter of Choose Civility on Feb. 13. Leadership Allegany’s Class of 2018 is championing the initiative as its class project this year, and activities of that group commemorating this first annual celebration will be held at FSU.

FSU’s scheduled activities will include two sessions to discuss P.M. Forni’s book, “Choosing Civility: The 25 Rules of Considerate Conduct.” The discussions, open to the public, will be led by students in the CMST 345 Conflict Management class at 12:30 p.m. and the LEAD 401 Citizen Leader class at 2 p.m. (both sessions in Gira 156). The Ort Library will also feature displays of materials focused on civility throughout the day. Nominations will be sought for the Civil Citizen Communicator award at the day’s events, with the winner to be announced in May. For info, visit www.frostburgdialogue.org.

At 5 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232), FSU President’s Leadership Circle members will lead interactive presentations as a follow-up to a social media campaign they created focusing on Forni’s book. A program at 6 p.m. will include ceremonial presentations, including the county proclamation designating April 12 as the annual Day of Civility, and an interactive forum focusing on various understandings and examples of “Civility in Action.” This session will be moderated by the FSU Communication Leadership Lab and will feature diverse, cross-generation members of the campus and community who represent a range of “Civility in Action” understandings and initiatives, from service- or spiritually oriented efforts to democracy-enhancing and justice-oriented efforts. The public is invited to join this interactive session on making sense of what “civility” means and what it might be like when happening in emergent or organized ways.

For info or to join in Day of Civility events at FSU, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, associate professor of communication studies and coordinator of the Communication Leadership Lab, at eruminski@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4480; or Dr. Sudhir Singh, dean of the College of Business and member of Leadership Allegany’s Class of 2018, at ssth@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4019. Find or share Allegany County Day of Civility events online at https://www.facebook.com/choosecivilityalleganycountymd.

Choose Civility Book Discussions Explore Race Relations in America

As part of the Choose Civility: Allegany County initiative, a series of book discussions will be held in April that will look at the book “Between the World and Me” written by Baltimore native Ta-Nehisi Coates. Coates is the author of the Black Panther series for Marvel comics. “Between the World and Me” was the winner of the 2015 National Book Award for Nonfiction and was Coates’ second book. Written as a series of letters to the author’s teenaged son, the work examines race relations in America, expressing the feelings, symbolism and realities associated with being black in the United States. The Allegany County Library System owns several copies of this book that are available to check out, and it is also available in audio format via YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/choosecivilityalleganycountymd.

Dates, times and locations for the discussions are as follows: Tuesday, April 17, 7 p.m., Emmanuel Episcopal Parish Hall, 16 Washington St.; Tuesday, April 24, 2:30 p.m., Special Functions Room, College Center, Allegany College of Maryland; and Monday, April 30, 5:30 p.m., LaValle Library, 815 National Highway.

FSU students in the LEAD 401 Citizen Leader class will help to lead the session at ACM on April 24. Contact Dr. Elesha Ruminski at eruminski@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4480 if interested in helping to lead this or any of the other sessions, or just attend to participate.

The book discussions are being hosted by the Women’s Action Coalition of Greater Allegany County and the Allegany County Library System to encourage face-to-face communication and dialogue about relating to people perceived to be “different.” For info on the book discussion series, contact Jennifer Howell, director of Programming, at jhowell@alleganycountylibrary.info or 301-777-1200, ext. 1006.

FSU A STAR! Book and Resources Giveaway Starts April 14

FSU’s A STAR! in Western Maryland AmeriCorps program will hold the 23rd Annual Book and Resources Giveaway from Saturday, April 14, through Wednesday, April 18, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day at City Place, 14 S. Water St. in Frostburg.

The public is invited to choose from a large variety of books and other resources at no cost. This event, open to the public, will feature new and gently used books of all genres and for all ages. Participants may take as many books as they like. Supply is limited, so those interested are encouraged to arrive early.

For info, contact Joshua Mallow, Read to Succeed! program coordinator at FSU, at jnmallow@frostburg.edu or call 301-687-4191.

Spring Career and Internship Fair

The spring Career and Internship Fair will be held Wednesday, April 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall.

Check your Frostburg email for the directory of employers and your College Central account at www.collegecentral.com/frostburg for the directory. Not registered? Enter through the Student icon; your student ID is the user ID for CCN. Enter a password of choice and register.

Don’t forget to dress professionally and bring resumes to the fair!
Nominations Sought for Civil Citizen Communicator Award

The Communication Studies and Leadership Studies programs at FSU will award the fourth annual Civil Citizen Communicator Award this May. This award is given to an FSU student who has, within the previous year, demonstrated communication leadership or a commitment through word and actions to civility and constructive change within an organization or community. This person should have demonstrated communication competence, leadership competence and an awareness of and responsiveness to matters of civility that impact others. This award aligns with the mission of these programs and FSU to support the oral communication competency and leadership development of students, and it supports regional development through recognition of efforts linking the campus to community partners.

Do you know someone who fits this description? If so, nominate a candidate or yourself by emailing Connie Capacchione, administrative assistant of the Department of Communication, at ccapacchione@frostburg.edu. Nominations will be accepted until Wednesday, April 18.

Nominations should include the following:

- The nominee’s full name, major(s)/minor(s) and intended graduation date
- If not a self-nomination, the name, role and relationship of the nominator to the nominee
- A brief rationale (1,000 or fewer words) explaining why the nominee fits the criteria above
- Additional support for the nomination (up to three written documents, photos or videos of speeches or events, promotional materials, letters of acknowledgement, etc.)

Judges for the award include Amy Williams, CPA ’97, Dr. Dorothy Campbell and Dr. Melinda Farrington. Williams is a senior accountant with the Allegany County Government. Campbell is the interim dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at FSU. Farrington is an assistant professor of Communication at Saint Vincent University in Latrobe, Pa.

For info, contact Dr. Elesha Ruminski, associate professor of Communication Studies and coordinator of Leadership Studies and the Communication Leadership Lab, at eleshruminski@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4480. This call for nominations is also available at the Communication Leadership Lab website at http://frostburgdialogue.org. A panel of reviewers external to the Department of Communication will rank and determine the award winner, and public announcement will be made before FSU’s May graduation. The award winner’s name will be etched on the Civility Cup, which will be displayed in the award case outside the Department of Communication. In addition to this public recognition, a formal certificate and small token of acknowledgement will be given to the winner.

Attention All Honors Students!

Priority registration has begun. Move quickly to register for fall classes. Slots fill quickly.

Juniors, don’t give up; the finish line approaches. Be sure to get those few Honors classes you need to fulfill requirements so you can graduate with Honors in General Education.

For info, visit Dr. Greg Wood in Fuller House or contact him at 301-687-4998 or gwood@frostburg.edu.

Upcoming Chess Club Meetings

A general body meeting for Chess Club members will take place on Wednesday, April 11, at 2 p.m. There will be another Chess Club meeting on Friday, April 13, at 3 p.m. All are welcome.

For info, contact Aderemi Abosede at aibosede0@frostburg.edu.

Welcome to EAT!

Welcome to EAT! the new take-home meal program by Frostburg Catering. The chef has prepared a dinner menu consisting of several items to choose from each week. Pickup and delivery options are available. All orders will be placed in a thermal bag. Bring your thermal bag for your next order to receive a $2.50 discount per meal on that order. You can pay online with a credit or debit card when you place your order.

For info and/or to place an order, visit https://www.dineoncampus.com/frostburg/eat-meals-to-go.

Available for Pickup: Meals-to-Go Menu

Monday, April 9, Through Friday, April 13

- Ropa Vieja – Cuban-Style Shredded Beef, White Rice, Black Beans and Corn
- Teriyaki Grilled Chicken, Edamame, Vegetable Stir Fry, White Rice and Bok Choy
- Vegetarian – Spiced Chickpeas, Onions and Peas, and Mashed Potatoes
- Special – New York Strip Steak With Chimichurri, Fingerling Potatoes and Mixed Seasonal Vegetables
Who Will Be the Next Iron Chef?

Frostburg Dining is looking for four teams of five to compete for the ultimate title of Iron Chef! Interested in competing? Visit goo.gl/zjsrHN to sign up.

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 24, in the Cordts PE Center. The Colleges of Business and Education will be held at 9:30 a.m., and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at 2 p.m.

Tickets will be required for admission. College of Business and College of Education graduates will receive 10 tickets and College of Liberal Arts and Sciences graduates will receive six tickets.

If you have not applied for graduation, contact the Registrar’s Office to submit your application and to ensure everything is in order for you to graduate in May.

Check your PAWS account to make sure your home address is correct. If you need to update your home address, you can send an email from your FSU account to the Registrar’s Office at reginfo@frostburg.edu.

A Grad Fair will be held Tuesday, May 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. If you have ordered your cap and gown and selected pick up at the Frostburg main campus, it will be available for pickup at the Grad Fair. Those who pick up orders at the fair will receive a coupon for 30 percent off one apparel item at the University Store. 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 website at www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement. For info, contact Christie Bohn at 301-687-4423 or clbohn@frostburg.edu.

Student Life

Residence Life 2018-19 Room Selection

To select a room for 2018-19, first go to www.frostburg.edu/applyhousing to submit your housing application or snap the code to the left to reach your self-service portal. Use your FSU Username and Password to log in.

As a reminder, students who register for a room during any part of this process will sign a contract that will be in effect for the entire 2018-2019 academic year. Therefore, any students who are undecided about moving off campus should not submit a housing application; they may sign up at a later date once they are committed to an on-campus contract.

All room selection processes will take place online.

Cluster/group sign-up: Groups of three to 10 students may choose a cluster of double rooms in Frederick or Westminster Hall Monday, April 9, through Friday, April 13, according to priority number.

Regular room lottery: Students who wish to choose an available double room with a roommate or individually may sign up Monday, April 16, through Friday, April 27.

Off-campus students: These student and any other students who did not take part earlier may sign up for a room beginning Monday, April 30.

Edgewood Commons Apartments – FSU’s Only On-Campus Apartments

Edgewood Commons Apartments is accepting applications for the fall semester. Contact Edgewood directly for contracting questions. Online housing application can be found at www.EdgewoodFSU.com.

Single bedroom apartment layouts include a four-bed/two-bath and two-bed/two-bath apartment. All apartments come with furniture and appliances, including a washer and dryer. Utilities (gas, electricity, water, Internet and cable with HBO) are included in the contract fee.

Stop by for a tour Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or call 301-689-1370 to find out about availability.

Study Abroad

Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?

Zachary Cunningham in Thailand (summer 2017)

FSU students have the opportunity to study abroad all over the world.

Financial aid can be used for overseas experiences during the fall and spring semesters. There are also exchange programs available that allow students to pay FSU tuition prices.

For info, contact Sarah Heilig at 301-687-4747 or seheilig@frostburg.edu.
VALUES AND VISION: FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

CORE VALUES

- Frostburg State University is a place where every student can experience a myriad of opportunities both in and out of the classroom, fostered by a sense of inclusion and close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff.

- Frostburg State University is committed to developing cultural competence and cultivating understanding of and respect for a diversity of experiences and world views that encourage each person’s ability to “take the perspective of the other.”

- Frostburg State University is committed to a system of shared governance that allows faculty, staff and students to learn about the issues the University confronts and that provides a structure for meaningful input into University decisions.

OUR VISION FOR FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2023

Frostburg State University is a regionally acclaimed and nationally recognized academic institution that provides distinctive programs to support state and regional workforce needs. Faculty, staff and students foster collaboration in a welcoming and inclusive campus culture.

Students value the opportunities open for them at FSU and form close mentoring relationships with faculty and staff, who are committed to their success and well-being. Students apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom to internship, civic engagement, study abroad and research experiences to meet the challenges of a complex and changing global society.

The University is integrated into the fabric of the community as a valued and respected regional asset. We are committed to making changes that secure our future while celebrating the values that reflect our history.

STRATEGIC GOALS

- Focus learning on the acquisition and application of knowledge.

- Provide engaging experiences that challenge our students to excel.

- Expand regional outreach and engagement.

- Align University resources – human, fiscal and physical – with strategic priorities.