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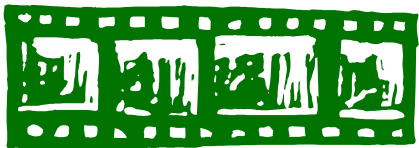
University Theatre Offers “She Stoops to Conquer”

University Theatre will present “She Stoops to Conquer” on March 3, 4, 9, 10 and 11 at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Drama Theatre. There will be an afternoon matinee at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 5.



This play, by Oliver Goldsmith, is one of the funniest drawing room comedies ever written. Watch as a shy young man, on his way to meet his intended bride for the first time, finds himself misdirected. He mistakes his betrothed’s house for an inn, her father for the innkeeper, and herself for a maid. After a series of misadventures, all is happily resolved.

Tickets and reservations for this production can be made by calling x4145 between 1 and 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.



FLIXTOUR to Feature Filmmaker's Talk

On Monday, Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m., the independent film “Nice Guys Sleep Alone” will be screened in the Performing Arts Center Pealer Recital Hall. Following the screening, the filmmaker, Stu Pollard, will speak and take questions from the audience.

The program is made possible by FLIXTOUR, a group that brings independent films and filmmakers to college campuses.

Pollard, who wrote, produced and directed this romantic comedy that exposes the trials and tribulations of courtship, also attempts to answer the question “Why do healthy, happy relationships continually avoid those folks who strike us as kind, caring and considerate?”

The film, based on Bruce Feirstein’s book of the same name, takes a satirical look at the lives of two adults who have been “doing hard time in dating purgatory.” Carter is an English teacher who has every type of friend except a girlfriend. Maggie is a veterinarian whose search for “Mr. Right” has yielded only

“Mr. Remote Possibility.” These two might be right for each other, but with their first date looming, is it time for them to stop being nice and start playing games?

The cast features well-known actors including co-stars Sean O’Brien, the star of the ABC sitcom “Brothers Keeper” and “I’ll Be Home for Christmas,” and Sybil Temchen, who can be seen in “NYPD Blue” and appears opposite Eric Stoltz in the critically acclaimed Showtime movie, “The Passion of Ayn Rand.” The cast also includes Morgan Fairchild, Vanessa Marcil (“The Rock,” “General Hospital”), Gina Kincaid (“Beverly Hills 90210”) and Maggie Lawson (“Pleasantville”).

After graduating from Georgetown University, Pollard worked for McCann-Erickson advertising in Manhattan. He then moved to Los Angeles to attend graduate school at the University of Southern California where he produced dozens of short films. Following graduation, he founded Lunacy Unlimited, a production company under which he has created award-winning commercials, music videos and multimedia for clients including Epic Records, Fineline Features and Time Bomb Records.

This program, sponsored by FSU’s Center Stage, is free and open to the public. For information, contact the CS Office, x7398.

Africa’s Legacy in the Americas Lecture Set

Dr. Robert Hall, professor of history and chairperson of the African American Studies department at Northeastern in Boston, will lecture at FSU Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. in the Atkinson Room (Lane Center 201). The lecture is titled “Africa’s Legacy in the Americas: Foodways and Medical Practices” and is the third event of the African American Studies Forum 2000. It is also part of the celebration of Black History Month in the year 2000.

For more information, contact Dr. Jean-Marie Makang, Coordinator of African American Studies at x3089 or jmakang@frostburg.edu, or visit him at Dunkle Hall 130.



TRIO ProgramstoMark NationalTRIOWeek

Participants in the TRIO programs at FSU will celebrate National TRIO Week, Feb. 21 to 26. TRIO is a group of federally funded educational outreach programs created to enhance educational opportunities for first-generation college students, economically disadvantaged students and students with disabilities.

Student Support Services (SSS), one of the four TRIO programs at FSU, will acknowledge several local businesses that have been especially supportive of its programming and participants: Pizza Hut, Sheetz, Dominos, 7-Eleven, Pizza Outlet, Four Star Pizza and McDonald’s. In addition, Denny’s and AMC 6 Theatres of LaVale have made generous donations.

Throughout the week, representatives of FSU’s TRIO programs — Student Support Services, Upward Bound, Regional Math/Science Center and the Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program — will be available in the Lane Center from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to provide information about the programs.

In addition, during the week, SSS participants will present certificates of appreciation to FSU faculty and staff who have been nominated for being particularly supportive of SSS students.

Representatives from SSS also plan to attend the National TRIO Day celebration at Baltimore City Community College Saturday, Feb. 26.

FSU Student Support Services is an academic support program entirely funded by the U.S. Department of Education. With an annual budget of more than \$200,000, SSS serves 275 FSU students by providing academic advisement, personal counseling, financial aid assistance, professional tutoring, academic success workshops and educational and cultural events.

FSU’s Upward Bound program provides high school students with the skills and motivation necessary to succeed in high school and college. Participants are involved in both academic year and summer residential programs. The FSU Upward Bound program is funded to serve 60 students who attend high school in Allegany County.

The Upward Bound Regional Math/

Science Center is comparable to the Upward Bound program but addresses the need for specific instruction in math and science.

The Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program's mission is to increase the number of undergraduates from underrepresented populations enrolling in graduate school to pursue doctoral degrees. Participating FSU attend classes, work with a faculty mentor and prepare research projects during the summer at University of Maryland, College Park.

For information on the FSU programs and events for TRIO Week, call x4481. All FSU TRIO events are free and open to the public.

African and Caribbean Dance Ensembles to Visit

The African and Caribbean Dance ensembles from West Virginia University are coming to FSU Tuesday, March 7. The performance will be a 7 p.m. in Pealer Recital Hall and is free and open to the public.

The ensemble, founded and directed by Dr. Paschal Younge, is comprised of a group of professors and students from WVU who are interested in promoting the African and Caribbean cultures through musical and dance performances. All of the music and dancing in the show is native to these cultures and has been developed over the last century.

Prior to the evening performance, Younge and his group will hold two workshops on African dance, the first, for FSU students and other members of the university community, from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the recital hall. The second, from 3 to 4:15 p.m., in the Dance Studio, will involve teenaged boys from the Maple Run Youth Center. It will not be open to the public.

This event constitutes the fourth program of the African American Forum 2000, which invites participants to discover and appreciate the contribution of people of African descent to human culture in the Americas and elsewhere. This program is sponsored by African American Studies, the Maryland State Arts Council, the Center for International Education, Black Student Alliance, the Office of the Provost and the Office of University Advancement.

For information, contact Ms. Susan Manger at smanger@frostburg.edu or x3163 or Dr. Jean-Marie Makang at x3089 or at jmakang@frostburg.edu.

Student Art Show Continues at Gallery

The bi-annual student art show, "The Gift of Jesse," will continue through Sunday, Feb. 27, in the Stephanie Ann

Roper Gallery in the Fine Arts Building.

This exhibit honors Jesse

Gardiner, an FSU student of visual arts who passed away in February 1999. It will highlight the works of current bachelor of fine arts candidates from the areas of sculpture, painting, printmaking, graphic design and ceramics.

For information, contact the FSU Department of Visual Arts at x4797. Roper Gallery hours are Sundays through Wednesdays, 1 to 4 p.m.



Ex-Aryan Nation Member to Speak on Hate Groups

Floyd Cochran, a former member of the Neo-Nazi group, Aryan Nation and now Director of the Education and Vigilance Network, will speak on "Hate Groups on the Rise — What Can We Do?" Tuesday, March 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Multi-Use Room of Lane Center.

He will speak on how racist organizations are formed and maintained and how we can combat them. Mr. Cochran has spoken before many campuses and has appeared on numerous national television and radio programs including "DateLine," "48 Hours," "Good Morning America" and "All Things Considered" (National Public Radio).

The Interfaith Council and numerous other campus organizations are sponsoring the event.

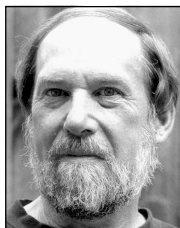
Mr. Cochran is available as a guest lecturer for Tuesday, March 14, for morning and/or afternoon classes. If you have an interest in having him speak in your class, please let Larry Neumark know as soon as possible at x7490 or by e-mail at neumark@mindspring.com.

Award-Winning Poet to Present Reading March 2

FSU's Western Maryland Writers' Workshop and Department of English will present award-winning poet Stephen Dunn on Thursday, March 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the FSU Performing Arts Center Studio Theatre.

Dunn, one of the most highly respected writers in this country, is noted for the ordinary questions his poems probe.

According to Judith Kitchen of the Georgia Review, "Stephen Dunn's subject has never been the large issue,



Dunn

the political or the abstract. What is at stake in his poetry is more immediate and more essential: how to live the one life we're given with integrity, with humor and exuberance and yes, grace."

The recipient of the Academy Award in Literature from The American Academy of Arts & Letters and Fellowships from the Guggenheim and Rockefeller Foundations, Dunn is the author of ten collections of poetry, including *Loosestrife*, which was a finalist for the National Book Critic's Circle Award. He teaches at Richard Stockton College in New Jersey.

This reading is free and open to the public. A reception and book signing will follow. For further information, contact the FSU Department of English, x4221.

Celebration of Womanhood

Mark your calendars now for "Celebration of Womanhood: Body, Mind, and Spirit," the Saturday, March 11, FSU Women's Forum program open to students, faculty, staff and community women. The program will be held in the PAC from 11:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Registration is free, lunch (space limited!) is \$9.95 for faculty, staff, and general public, \$5 for FSU students.

10:30-11:00: Registration

11:00-12:15:

Introduction; Drumming: Madonna Pool; Panel of four women sharing their personal celebration of womanhood: Madonna Pool, Ina Hicks, Leontyne Peck, Naomi Byler

12:30-1:30: Catered

lunch: Opportunity for each person to share her own celebration of womanhood at her table

1:45-2:30: Concurrent Sessions I: (a) "Journaling: Connecting with the Spirit," Nancy-Elizabeth Nimmich, (b) "Get Real: Straight Talk About Women's Health," Sherri Schubert

2:45-3:30: Concurrent Sessions II: (c) "Hands for Health: Massage Therapy," Martha Schadt, (d) "'Mirror, Mirror on the Wall,' Reflections of Myself," Mikal Crawford and Lynn Wiljanen, (e) "Growing Yoga," Abbie Weiskopf

3:45-4:30: Plenary Session: "The Journey Woman," written by Norma Blacke-Bourdeau, performed by Miss Cumberland, Gabrielle Gellinas; Poetry Reading by Barb Hurd: "Is it Memory She Brings, or News?": (1) Tibetan children's poems about their mothers and (2) Hurd's poems about women of India; "Desire," choreographed and performed by Dana-Marie Williams; "International Dance of Universal Peace," led by Patty Wells.

Between sessions, attendees can visit exhibitor's tables to browse and/or buy crafts, soaps, hand-woven items, books, vitamins, herbs, jewelry, organic products, and aromatherapy products.

Registration forms have been mailed. If you did not receive one, or if you want more information, contact Phoebe Wiley, chair, FSU Women's Forum, x4066, 114 Gunter Hall.

WFWM Plans Benefit Concert at Henny's

A benefit concert for WFWM, the public radio station at FSU, will be held at Henny's Lounge in LaVale on Sunday, Feb. 27, from 3 to 5 p.m. Traditional music of Ireland will be performed by the group "Shanty Irish."

Tickets, \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door, are now on sale at Henny's Lounge or next door at Gehauf's Restaurant. Complimentary refreshments will be served.

For information, contact the station at x4143.



Learn How to Build a Business on the Internet

Dr. Elias M. Awad will speak on how to build a business on the Internet Thursday, Feb. 24, at 2 p.m. in Lane Center 201, Atkinson Room. His talk will cover the life cycle of building a presence

on the Internet, from vision to design, installation, marketing and maintenance. It will also cover constraints such as security, integrity and confidentiality of the transactions online.



Awad is an Association of Computing Machinery Distinguished Lecturer and professor of MIS at the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia.

The event, sponsored by the FSU student chapter of ACM, is free and open to the public. For information, contact Peter Mburu at (301) 689-6241.

Café Frostburg to Present Evening of Jazz with Zoot

FSU's Café Frostburg will present an evening of jazz with Zoot Friday, March 3, at 8 p.m. in the Lane Center Greenhouse.

After years of playing in one of the Southeast's most established independent jazz bands, Rob Chaseman and

Andrew Dykers decided it was time to branch off into what they feel is a more natural setting for their craft. This exciting duo, with Dyker's vocals and Chaseman's saxophone, is delighting audiences with each performance.

They have shared the stage with numerous other well-known artists including the Dave Matthews Band, Edwin McCain, The Verve Pipe and Sister Hazel.

This event is free and open to the public. For additional information, contact the Lane Center Information Desk, x4411.



Film Series to Present "The Dinner Game"

The FSU International Film Series will present "The Dinner Game" on Tuesday, March 7 at 7 p.m. in the FSU Lane Center room 201.

This French film, with English subtitles, is a side-splittingly funny romp that revels in the infamous, French sense of humor as it tells the story of a group of friends and their bizarre dinner engagement they maintain each week. Every Wednesday, Pierre Brochant and his friends meet for supper, adhering to one simple condition – everyone attending must bring an idiot. Each member of the group spends the week searching for the most appropriate "guest" with friends offering helpful suggestions along the way.

This event is free and open to the public. For additional information, contact the FSU Lane Center Information Desk, x4411.

Mark Your Calendars

The annual convocation to honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be Monday, April 17, at 11 a.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Norman Fortenberry of the National Science Foundation.

Peer Ed Conference: "Field of Dreams"

Coming soon to a campus near you, FSU's first Peer Education Conference, "Field of Dreams."

On April 7 and 8, peer education organizations from colleges in seven states (Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia) and Washington, D.C., will be making their way to Frostburg.

This two-day event will feature several workshop sessions put on by

local agencies and the attending schools themselves on a variety of issues affecting peer education and student leadership. Highlighting the conference will be national speaker Eric Chester.

Friday, April 7, at 7 p.m. in the Lane Center Multi-Use Room, Chester will address issues of value building, self-esteem, leadership development and healthy choices. The former teacher, mentor and ESPN color analyst now makes presentations to 100,000 teens a year.

For more information on Chester, visit his Web site at <http://www.ericchester.com>.

Student organizations from FSU are also invited to attend and present. There is a cost involved. For more information, contact the S.A.F.E. Office in 017 Compton Hall or call x4761.

NPC Formal Recruitment Begins Wednesday

FSU's National Panhellenic Conference is hosting its formal recruitment beginning Wednesday, Feb. 23. All sorority rush parties are held in the Lane Center, and all participants must fill out a registration form by 4 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 21. Forms are available in Lane Center 234.

Formal recruitment will consist of the four nationally recognized sororities on the FSU campus. The sisters of Alpha Xi Delta, Alpha Sigma Tau, Delta Zeta and Phi Mu will host individual parties under the management of the National Panhellenic Conference. These parties give interested women the chance to meet the different sororities on campus.

Upon successful registration, the first night of parties will be Wednesday, Feb. 23, from 6 to 11 p.m. The second night of parties will be Thursday, Feb. 24, from 6 to 11:30 p.m. The third round of parties will be Friday, Feb. 25, and will begin at 5:30 and last until 8 p.m. Bid day will be Sunday, Feb. 27, beginning at noon.

The requirements for joining any national sorority is a minimum of 12 completed credit hours and a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0. Individual sororities may carry higher G.P.A. requirements. There is also a \$5 registration fee which can be paid when the registration form is returned. Any questions or comments concerning formal recruitment should be directed toward Juliet Blank, Lane Center 234, x4151.

National Inter Fraternity Council Recruitment

FSU's National Inter Fraternity Council is holding its formal recruitment through Feb. 23. Any interested male can register in Lane Center Room 234.

The nationally recognized fraternities on the FSU campus are Delta Chi, Pi Lambda Phi and Sigma Alpha Epsilon. During recruitment, each fraternity will host its own parties, and they will be publicized individually.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the IFC recruitment, contact Juliet Blank, Lane Center Room 234 or x4151.

Who Wants To Be A 'Millionaire'? (In 8 Weeks!)

Take the Stock Investment Challenge! Manage a simulated \$500,000 stock



portfolio for eight weeks (Feb. 28 to April 28). Prizes are \$250, \$100 and \$50. The challenge is open to all students in Business, Accounting and Economics.

Course registration is not required.

For information, contact Sudhir Singh at x4093 or in 311 Framptom Hall by Wednesday, Feb. 23. The Challenge is sponsored by the FSU Finance Club & Primevest Investment Center.

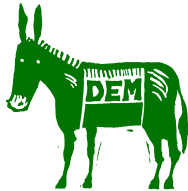
United Campus Ministry

United Campus Ministry will lead Bingo at the Frostburg Village Nursing Home Monday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m. Share an evening of fun and service to others.

College Democrats

The FSU College Democrats meet at 6 p.m. every Wednesday in Lane Center Room 203. For more information, send to

fsudemocrats@hotmail.com, or visit the Web site at <http://www.geocities.com/fsudemocrats>.



Spring Diversity Retreat

The Spring Diversity Retreat sponsored by NCBI, The President's Advisory Council on Diversity, and the Office of Student and Educational Services will be Saturday and Sunday, March 4 and 5, at Herrington Manor State Park. The retreat is open to all students who have an interest in diversity issues and coalition building. Applications are available at the Lane Center Desk and are due back Monday, Feb. 21. For information, contact Leonard Brown Jr. at x4121.

Pick Up Your Scholarship Brochures Now

Scholarship brochures for the 2000-2001 academic year are now available. These brochures provide information

about departmental and institutional awards.

Pick up a brochure in the Financial Aid Office, 114 Pullen Hall, or on the second floor of Ort Library in the section identified for scholarship information.

Deadline to apply is March 1.



Governor's Summer Internship Program

The Governor's Summer Internship Program was created to introduce college students to the unique challenges and rewards of working within Maryland State Government. This summer the program will run from June 5 through Aug. 11 and will have placements in Annapolis and the Baltimore area.

Applicants must be entering their junior or senior year during the Fall 2000 semester, with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Interns are selected on the basis of their leadership skills, academic achievement, and creativity in their essays. ALL MAJORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY. The deadline for applying is Friday, March 3.

For further information and an application, contact John Bambacus, Department of Political Science, Guild Center 135, or call x4283 or e-mail jbambacus@frostburg.edu

Political Science and Justice Studies Majors

There will be an important meeting of all Political Science and Justice Studies majors interested in interning in the summer or fall of 2000 Wednesday, Feb. 23, at 4:30 p.m. in Old Main 104. It is vital that you attend this meeting if you want to participate in an internship at any time during the rest of 2000.

Education Major Money

FSU Educational Professions Scholarship applications are now available to undergraduates and graduates. The deadline for most scholarships is March 1. For information, contact Dr. Joyce Wheaton, Room 206-7 of Framptom Hall, x4362

Would-Be Teachers Eligible for Scholarship

If you are an education major and would like to become a classroom teacher in the Maryland public schools upon graduation, the new Maryland Teacher Scholarship may provide an annual \$3,000 scholarship for you.

To qualify, a student must have a cumulative 3.0 grade point average, be a Maryland resident and be a full-time

student. In addition, a recipient must agree to work full-time in Maryland for one year for each academic year the award is received.

To apply for this scholarship, an applicant must complete the Maryland HOPE Scholarship Program application and submit it to the Maryland State Scholarship Administration by Wednesday, March 1. The application is available in the Office of Financial Aid, 114 Pullen.

Scholarships for Returning Women Students Offered

The Women's Forum is pleased to announce that applications are being accepted for the Women's Forum Scholarships. Full-time and part-time students are invited to apply. To qualify, you must be a woman who has completed 12 or more credits; be currently enrolled at a USM institution; be in good academic standing; and be in financial need. Scholarship money is for school-related expenses, which may include books, child-care, or transportation. For more information or for an application, contact Phoebe Wiley, Gunter 114, x4066. Deadline is Friday, March 31, at 4 p.m.

Academic Exception Appeal Deadlines

Following are the deadlines for receipt of appeals to the Academic Standards Subcommittee for exception to academic rules and regulations and degree requirements for the spring 2000 semester. A written letter of appeal, and any supporting documentation must be received in the Office of the Provost, Hitchins 213, by 4 p.m. on the date specified in order for your request to be considered at that month's meeting of the Committee.

- Thursday, March 16
- Thursday, April 13 (Final deadline for all exception requests that affect May 2000 graduation or commencement participation)
- Thursday, May 11 (Final deadline for summer off-campus requests)

Academic Probation Information Meetings

Students on academic probation and warning (and faculty and staff who want to learn more about probation regulations for advising purposes) are strongly advised to attend one of the following meetings with members of the Academic Standards Subcommittee. Discussion will center on academic standards policies and support services available to assist students who want to do better. Pick one of the following dates:

- Monday, Feb. 28, 4:00 p.m. Tawes

- Wednesday, March 1, 7:00 p.m. Tawes 335
- Thursday, March 2, 3:30 p.m. Lane Center 201

Computer Help

The FSU Computer Club has a new forum on its Web site for people with questions about computers. Visit the web site at <http://goliath.frostburg.edu/~compclub/>

then click the link for the forum in the item about COSC tutoring.

Leave a message or your question on the forum site.



Tuition Assistance for Human Services Careers

There is a tuition assistance program available to students willing to work in the field of human service. This program is administered by the Maryland State Scholarship Administration and will help students who agree to work as employees in community-based programs that serve individuals with mental health disabilities.

To qualify, a student must be a Maryland resident, possess a high school diploma or GED, be accepted for admission at an eligible institution of higher education in Maryland and be enrolled as a full-time or part-time student in a human services degree program such as social work or psychology.

The award is valued up to \$100 per credit hour toward tuition charges. Recipients, upon graduation, must agree to work as an employee in a community-based program in Maryland that serves individuals with mental health disabilities.

The deadline to apply is July 1, 2000.

Applications are available in the Financial Aid office, Room 114, Pullen Hall. For specific information and concerns, please contact Ms. Angel Jackson, Associate Director, Maryland State Scholarship Administration, 15 Francis St., Annapolis, MD 21401-1781 or call (410)974-2971.

Tutoring Positions Available

Looking for a way to help your fellow students succeed in their classes? Want to earn money at the same time? Apply to be a peer tutor. The staff of PASS is accepting applications from students to be tutors for all entry-level courses. The pay is \$5.50/hour. Applications and job descriptions can be obtained in the Learning Center located in Gunter Hall,

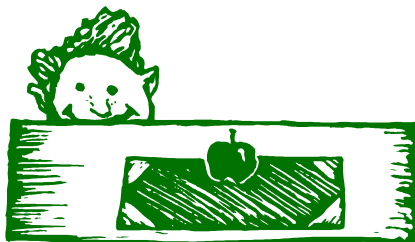
Room 111. Call Lois Bennett at x4441 if you have any questions.

Need a Little Extra Help?

Tutoring is open to students enrolled in entry-level courses who have been recommended by their instructors or advisors to receive tutoring. There is no charge for tutoring. If you would like a tutor, bring your completed Tutoring Referral Form to the Learning Center located in Gunter Hall, Room 111. Blank referral forms are available from your instructor, advisor, or the Learning Center. Call Lois Bennett at x4441 if you have any questions.

Attention Past Annual Fund Telemarketers

All students who participated in last fall's Annual Fund Phonathon and would like to participate again this year should stop by the University Advancement Office on the 2nd floor of the Hitchins Building to fill out a new contract and submit spring calling schedule.



Attention Teacher Education Students

If you are planning to enroll in courses for either Phase I or Phase II of the Teacher Education Program for both the summer 2000 and fall 2000 terms, you must apply before Monday, March 13.

Applications may be picked up from the Office of Field Experiences, Framptom Hall 203, beginning Feb. 14. If you have any questions, please contact Becca Lewis at x4776.

For students entering Phase III (student teaching) of the Teacher Education Program during Fall 2000 semester, applications for admission to Phase III (teaching internship) are available through March 6 in the Office of Field Experiences, 203 Framptom Hall. Applications are DUE March 6. If you have any questions, contact Carol Abernathy at x4216.

Activities for Life

A SCUBA certification class will be offered from Feb. 22 through March 12 in the Physical Education Center. Classroom time is scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m. with pool time from 8 to 10 p.m.

Use of diving equipment and the cost of check-out dives, textbook and certification fees are included in the course fee. An Open Water, I.A.N.T.D.

certification will be awarded upon successful completion of the course. Participants must have basic swimming skills and provide their own mask, snorkel and fins.

For information and registration, contact Amy Nazelrod, AFL Center director, x7934.



Business Students Offer Free Tax Help

Free help preparing 1999 tax returns is available through the IRS-sponsored VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program at FSU.

Help with basic federal and Maryland income tax returns will be offered from early February through early April by volunteers from FSU's College of Business accounting and business students who have been trained and approved by the IRS.

Help is offered to taxpayers who file Form 1040EZ, Form 1040A, or a basic Form 1040 federal tax return. Volunteers will alert taxpayers to special credits and deductions for which they may be eligible.

Appointments must be made in advance by calling Dr. Joyce Middleton, VITA site co-coordinator, at x4154. Student volunteers will work Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Framptom Hall.

At your appointment, bring the tax packages mailed by the IRS and the state, Form W-2 from all employers, interest and dividend statements (Form 1099), a copy of last year's returns, if available, and any other relevant information about income and expenses.

S.A.F.E. Office

What is the S.A.F.E. Office? Some think of it as the place to get great incentive items and giveaways. Others think it's all about prevention. But there's so much more.

The S.A.F.E. office is contained within the walls of 017 Compton Hall. S.A.F.E. stands for Substance Abuse Facts & Education. However, substance abuse is only one of many aspects of the office.

The S.A.F.E. Office promotes substance abuse prevention by providing education, training and various informational packets. Its message is to know the facts and not listen to fiction. Don Swogger is the director of the S.A.F.E. Office and has held that position for eight years. Administrative assistance is provided by Kathy Neubauer.

Also found in the office is the Western Maryland Regional Safe

Communities Center. Directed by Jennifer Drees, they promote highway and traffic safety for the five Western Maryland counties of Garrett, Allegany, Washington, Frederick and Carroll. Coordinating assistance is provided by Philip Stamper.

A student-run organization, the BURG Peer Education Network also works within the S.A.F.E. Office to reach out and spread the message of healthy decision-making. They provide information to the FSU campus and local community on healthy decisions and various health issues, including substance abuse prevention, violence prevention, motivation, life and living, time and stress management and general health and well-being.

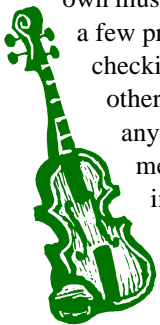
Together, the components of the S.A.F.E. Office provide to both the FSU campus and the region an effort toward making responsible decisions that lead to healthy lifestyles.

In the past, they've worked together to bring such presenters as Bobby Petrocelli and Patty Hendrickson to FSU; events such as Mocktail contests, seat belt checkpoints and National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Month; and provided many educational, training and recreational alternative opportunities to the community at large.

For more information on any of its programs or events, contact the S.A.F.E. Office in 017 Compton Hall or call x4751.

If You Build It, They Will Write About It

The Office of News and Media Services is working on a feature story about faculty mentors who create their own musical instruments. We have a few professors lined up, but are checking to see if there are any others. If you have constructed any type of musical instrument and would like to be included in this story, please call x4161 by Friday, Feb. 25, or e-mail tdemartino@frostburg.edu.



Study Abroad Opportunities

University of Northumbria, UK, Information Meeting

Students interested in studying at the Univ. of Northumbria in Newcastle, England during the fall or spring semesters 2000-1 should attend an information meeting Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 6 p.m. in Room 203/4 of the Lane Center. Information about the program will be available, along with program applications and scholarship applications. For further information, contact Amy Simes at the Center for International Education, x3091, or asimes@frostburg.edu.

Ireland Exchange Program Information Meeting

Students who are interested in studying in Ireland next spring (2001) at Mary Immaculate College should attend an information meeting on Thursday, Feb. 24, at 6 p.m. in Room 210 of the Ort Library. Program and travel information will be available along with application forms and scholarship information. For details, contact Dr. Amy Simes, CIE, Fuller House on x3091, or asimes@frostburg.edu. Five Exciting Overseas Destinations for summer 2000:

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1. Study in Oxford, England in August

Students who would like to spend three weeks in Oxford at St. Edmund Hall, Oxford University, and earn credit towards their FSU degree should apply for this program which is co-sponsored by Indiana University in Pennsylvania. Two FSU faculty members are offering courses next summer:

Dr. Judy Dieruf (Fine Arts), who also coordinates the program, will be teaching

Watercolor in Britain - Art 221,

421 or 621, and Dr. Eira

Patnaik (English) will be teaching Greco-Roman Mythology (Engl 290). The program fee includes excursions to points of interest within the area. For more information, visit their web site at <http://www.iup.edu/intserv/oxford.html>

2. Study/Work experience in Limerick, Ireland

Social Work and Human Services students are invited to apply for a four-week program (June 15 - July 15) in Limerick, Ireland. Students will be placed in social service agencies in the Limerick area and complete up to 100 hours of field experience. They will also have the option of taking one three-credit course. This program is co-sponsored with Hood College, and students may get more detailed information from Dr. Maureen Connelly, Coordinator of the program, at x4998.

3. Study Geography in Germany

Students may apply for a four-week at the University of Maryland University College Schwabisch Gmund branch campus near Stuttgart in southern Germany. Both Human Geography (GEOG 104) and Geography of Europe (GEOG 401) will be offered by Dr. George White, and will be taught during the first summer session. More information is available from the CIE at x3091, or from Dr. White at x4264. For more information about the Schwabisch Gmund campus, visit their web site at <http://www.sg.umuc.edu/>



4. Spend six weeks in Ghana, West Africa

Co-sponsored by FSU and the North Carolina State University, students may take part in a six-week program at the University of Ghana, in either Art and Design, or the Social Sciences and Humanities. For more information, see the Program coordinator, Dr. Jean-Marie Makang, x3089, or visit the NCSU web site at http://www2.ncsu.edu/ncsu/intl_programs/ghana/program.html for Art and Design or <http://courses.ncsu.edu/classes/mds495a001/ghana99.htm> for the Social Sciences and Humanities.

5. Study in Ecuador in the Andes

Students may study Spanish or other programs during the summer through Augustana College, Illinois. The program takes place at the Centro de Estudios Interamericanos in Cuenca, Ecuador. For further information, contact Dr. MacGregor O'Brien, x4287, or visit the Augustana Web site at <http://helios.augustana.edu/snsummer/>

Travel to the Land Down Under!

FSU is now affiliated with AustraLearn, an organization that provides unique opportunities for students to study at a variety of universities in Australia. AustraLearn arranges cheap flights, a weeklong orientation program, pre-registration, and transcript evaluation. Students may choose from a variety of Australian and New Zealand universities, all offering a broad range of course offerings at campuses set in beautiful and exotic surroundings. For more information, or to find out when the AustraLearn representative will visit FSU this semester, phone Amy Simes at x3091, or e-mail asimes@frostburg.edu.

Scholarships Available for Overseas Study

FSU students who have been accepted to take part in an FSU sponsored study abroad program may apply for a scholarship from CIE. Scholarships are awarded to students in amounts of \$500 and \$1000 for study overseas. The deadline for students applying for the summer, fall semester, and academic year

is March 15. Application forms are



available at CIE in the Fuller House on Braddock Road. Contact Amy Simes at 301-687-3091 or asimes@frostburg.edu.

Culture Shock is a Good Thing

FSU affiliates with both the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) and the American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS). Both organizations offer study abroad locations in hundreds of universities around the world. If you are

an adventurous student looking for an exciting and unique experience overseas, and you would like to enhance your job resume, come by CIE to find out more about these programs and how to apply. Contact Amy Simes at x3091.

Work Overseas - Enhance your resume!

Students interested in working abroad should come by CIE for information about internships, volunteer organizations and paid work overseas. Many organizations help students obtain jobs and work permits, and some help to arrange housing as well. Students can choose from short experiences (1-2 months) to longer experiences (4-12 months), or even look into a more serious commitment (1-3 years). Destinations are available throughout the world. For more information, contact Amy Simes at x3091, or email at asimes@frostburg.edu.

International Students - Coffee & Donuts morning

All international students are invited to join us at the Fuller House for coffee and donuts in the lounge on Friday

morning, Feb. 25, from 10 to 11 a.m. Come fill up on sugar and java, and get to know other students. For information, contact Allison Kiser at x4747, or akiser@frostburg.edu.



Broaden Your Musical Horizons Every Wednesday

WFWM radio offers a variety of traditional and contemporary world music every Wednesday evening from 7 to 8 p.m., hosted by Amy Simes. Tune your FM dial to 91.9, or log on at <http://www.wfwm.org>

Bowery St. Headaches

Starting probably in May and lasting to Thanksgiving, Bowery Street will be under construction as it undergoes an upgrade similar to Center Street's. If you come into campus that way, make sure to leave extra time or scout out an alternate route now.



FSU EVENTS CALENDAR

Look for the FSU weekly events calendar on the Web at www.frostburg.edu/weekcal.htm

MONDAY, FEB. 21

NPC Rush (through February 27) 7:00p.m. Frostburg Village Nursing Home
 UCM: "Bingo"
 * Women's Basketball: Washington & Jefferson College 7:00p.m. Away

TUESDAY, FEB. 22

* CCM Mass noon Cook Chapel
 * African American Studies Forum 2000
 Dr. Robert Hall - "Africa's Legacy in the Americas: Foodways and Medical Practices" 7:00p.m. Atkinson Room

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23

RHA Meeting 5:00p.m. Atkinson Room
 CAB Meeting 7:00p.m. Atkinson Room
 BSA Meeting 8:00p.m. Library 210

THURSDAY, FEB. 24

* Men's Basketball: AMCC Tournament - TBA
 * Women's Basketball: AMCC (Play-in-Game) - TBA
 * SGA Senate Meeting 7:30p.m. Atkinson Room

FRIDAY, FEB. 25

* Men's & Women's Indoor Track & Field: Denison University Last Chance Meet @ Granville, OH

SATURDAY, FEB. 26

* Men's Basketball: AMCC Tournament - TBA (26-27)
 * Women's Basketball: AMCC Tournament - TBA (26-27)

SUNDAY, FEB. 27

* Women's Lacrosse: Randolph Macon College - Scrimmage - TBA
 * CCM Mass noon & 8:00 p.m. Cook Chapel
 * Men's Baseball: Catholic University (2) noon Away
 * Planetarium - "Explorers" 1:30 & 7:00p.m. Tawes Hall

* Student Art Show - "The Gift of Jesse" - Sunday through Wednesday - 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Roper Gallery (through 2/27)

* Open to the public. Questions? - Call 301-687-4411. All information subject to change

FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services, and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. You may request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, 102 Compton Hall, 301-687-4102, TDD 301-687-7955

