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FSU to Explore Appalachian Issues, Activism at Appalachian Festival Symposium



Silas House

As part of the annual Appalachian Festival, FSU will host a film festival and afternoon symposium on Appalachian topics. The theme of this year's symposium is "Unveiling Appalachian Otherness and Stories for Change." It is free and open to the public.

The film festival will take place on **Thursday, Sept. 18**, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Palace Theatre, 31 E. Main St. in Frostburg. The symposium will be held on **Friday, Sept. 19**, from 2 to 9 p.m. on the Upper Quad of FSU's campus.

The symposium will emphasize stories that rarely make the headlines – stories of racial, ethnic and sexual diversity in the region; stories of exploitation and marginalization in the coal fields; stories of environmental and social injustice and efforts addressing these issues; and stories capturing the power of place.

The symposium's highlight will be keynote speaker, author and activist Silas House. House is an award-winning Appalachian author of four books of fiction and one play, and the primary editor of several collections of essays. He is the NEH chair in Appalachian Studies at Berea College in Berea, Ky. At 6 p.m., there will be a dinner and book discussion on House's book "Eli the Good" (2009), which emerged as a number one bestseller on the Southern lists and received the first annual Storylines Prize from the New York Public Library system, an award given to a book for use in the ESL and literacy programs of New York City.

House will speak at 7 p.m. He is also the author of "Clay's Quilt" (2001), "A Parchment of Leaves" (2003), "The Coal Tattoo" (2004) and "Something's Rising" (2009) with fellow anti-mountaintop removal activist Jason Howard, which is a series of profiles of various anti-mountaintop removal activists.

Other symposium events include:

At 2 p.m., three community members will respond to the Regional Economic Studies Institute's report on the impacts of Marcellus shale drilling in Western Maryland.

At 3 p.m., storyteller, farmer and activist Wess Harris will talk about unionization and the Coal Field Wars of the early 20th century. Trained as a sociologist, his most important credentials may be his black hat (a certified underground miner) and background as a union organizer. Harris has edited two books depicting the history of the Coal Field Wars, "When Miners March" and "Dead Ringers: Why Miners March." He has also been active in the movement to preserve Blair Mountain from the ravages of mountaintop removal mining. Recently, he located and digitally preserved more than 50 Appalachian portrait paintings. Harris lives in central West Virginia.

At 4 p.m., Adam Booth, a four-time West Virginia Liars' Contest winner, will blend story, education and traditional and contemporary music in his presentation. He has participated as a storyteller at the Appalachian Festival for several years and appears at major conferences and festivals across the country. With a background in music and Appalachian studies, Booth recently released a CD and website, "The Mountain Came Alive," using stories and song to capture the life cycle of a mountain and encourage listeners to consider the impact of mountaintop removal on the region's fragile ecosystems.

At 5 p.m., Booth will continue storytelling with musician Jay Smar, who for more than 30 years has chronicled and collected oral histories and written songs about Pennsylvania's coal heritage.

At 8 p.m., there will be a performance by Davis and Elkins College Appalachian Ensemble String Band and Dancers, a student ensemble that focuses on North American string band music and percussive dance traditions of the Appalachian region.

This year’s film festival on Thursday will screen “Triple Divide,” Public Herald’s first investigations into inevitable, negative impacts from shale gas industrial development and how those impacts are handled by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. Narrated with help from actor and solutions advocate Mark Ruffalo, major findings include stark negligence and endangerment of public and environmental health due to shale gas extraction. Through personal stories, expert interviews and investigation of state case files, “Triple Divide” tells a cautionary tale about a public agency meant to protect the public and environment that is instead protecting industry.

For info, contact Kara Rogers Thomas at 240-522-7635 or krogersthomas@frostburg.edu or visit www.frostburg.edu/events/afestival.

FSU Celebrates Region’s Unique Culture With Appalachian Festival



FSU’s much-anticipated Appalachian Festival will continue on **Saturday, Sept. 20**. The free, family-friendly event brings together artists and craftspeople to celebrate all that makes the region unique – its history, culture, music, food and more – with performances, workshops, displays, discussions and activities.

Saturday daytime activities begin with Frostburg Pancake Day sponsored by the United Methodist Men and the Pantry Partners Project from 7 a.m. to noon at St. Michael’s Church in Frostburg. Then, starting at 10 a.m., the public is welcome to check out the daylong presentations, arts and crafts demonstrations, live music, environmental talks and more on FSU’s Upper Quad.

The Session/Jam tent returns this year from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., also on the Upper Quad. Musicians of all levels will have a place to gather and play their instruments to the tune of bluegrass, mountain music mix, Celtic and old-time.

Throughout the day, two stages will host 21 musical groups from across the region. This year’s bands will include the Bluegrass Rangers, Highland Grass, Lonesome Highway, Garrett Highlands Pipes and Drums, Davis and Elkins Appalachian Dance Ensemble, Grand Ole’ Ditch, Old Pitch with the Joe Duffey Dance Company, Blue Hill Bluegrass, Marv Ashby and High Octane, and Community Hoedown with the Barnstormers on the Compton stage, as well as the Frostburg Arion Band, Jason Twigg and Fritz Kessler, Cory and Heather Wharton, The Time Travelers, Ray Owen, Michael and Carrie Kline, Brad and Ken Kolodner, Twang!, Jay Smar, Loretta Hummel and Robert Broadwater, and Sparky and Rhonda Rucker on the Sowers stage.

Workshops include the Percussive Dance Workshop at 11 a.m. in the Folkways tent, the Harmony Workshop at 11:50 a.m. in Cook Chapel (in Frost Hall, up the steps from the Quad), Learn to Play the Dulcimer at 12:50 p.m. (for children) and 2:30 p.m. (for adults) in the Folkways tent and the Appalachian Dance Workshop with the Barnstormers and the RockCandy Cloggers at 3:20 p.m., also in the Folkways tent.

Those interested in stories and music should check out Storytelling from 1 to 3 p.m. in Cook Chapel. Accomplished storytellers Adam Booth, Jo Ann Dadisman, Katie and Otto Ross, Rich Knoblich and Sparky and Rhonda Rucker will enchant the audience with stories and lore inspired by their Appalachian upbringings. Then, at 3:40 p.m., the musical Ballad and Song Swap will feature Amy Lough Fabbri, Michael and Carrie Kline, and Grammy-nominated singer/songwriter Ray Owen.

In addition to plenty of food and entertainment for all ages, the festival will provide activities and programming specifically for the younger attendees. Children can be entertained by Punch and Judy puppet shows, join in sing-alongs with Owen, kid around with goats in the Capering Kids 4-H Goat Club pen and make traditional Appalachian toys in Hands-on Art as well as participate in a jug band activity.

The festival will conclude with a capstone concert featuring the Jay Ungar and Molly Mason Band on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Palace Theatre. The group, including some of Ungar and Mason’s all-time favorite musicians, morphs from string band to swing band, Cajun band to Celtic band and country band to Civil War-era dance orchestra. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15.30 for FSU staff and youth under 17, and \$5 for FSU students. For info about the concert or to purchase tickets, visit the Lane University Center box office or call 301-687-3137.

Workshops

Financial Education Workshops

Julia Graham, a representative from Maryland Supplemental Retirement Plans, will present two free financial education workshops on **Thursday, Sept. 18**, in Lane 111. Both sessions are open to all employees. The following topics will be presented at the times listed below:

- “How Much Is Enough for YOUR Retirement?” noon to 1 p.m.
- “Wise Money Habits and Building Good Credit,” 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Employees are welcome to bring their lunch. Watch your email for additional info or contact Lee Ann Nightingale at 301-687-4398 or lnightingale@frostburg.edu.

'Robert's (and Roberta's) Rules of Order' Dinner Workshop to Emphasize Assertiveness and Collaboration Skills

A workshop titled "Robert's and Roberta's Rules of Order" will be held on **Wednesday, Oct. 1**, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). This dinner workshop will feature an overview of Robert's Rules of Order with interactive role playing and a discussion about how the rules can be abused or best used to support organizational functioning and collaboration. The goal of the workshop is to help colleagues, regardless of gender, learn assertiveness strategies that communicate a culture of open and transparent organizational functioning, rather than dominance. The guest facilitator is **Lacie Ashby**, an FSU alumna who does parliamentary work as an agent for 4-H Youth Development for Allegany County (www.agnr.umd.edu/directory/Bio.cfm?ID=lashby).

This event is open to all campus members. Representatives of the Faculty Senate, Student Government Association, department chairs, division leaders and student organization leaders are encouraged to attend. Co-sponsors of this event include the Communication Studies, Leadership Studies and Women's Studies academic programs, the Office of Student Activities and Faculty Senate. For info, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, co-chair of the Department of Mass Communication and Communication Studies and professor of Communication Studies, at elruminski@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4480. Be sure to reply by **Friday, Sept. 26**, to reserve a spot in the workshop.

FSU, Frostburg Grows Workshop on High-Tunnel Greenhouse Construction



A hands-on, high-tunnel greenhouse construction workshop will be held at FSU in early October for those interested in building such a structure. The classroom session, on **Friday, Oct. 3**, from 6 to 9 p.m. in Compton 237, will cover the types of high tunnels, construction methods and typical modifications. On **Saturday, Oct. 4**, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Frostburg Grows site, participants will help with the construction of a basic high tunnel.

In addition to assisting with the construction of a typical high tunnel, participants will be able to see firsthand many modifications that are being used at the Frostburg Grows site. Frostburg Grows is a unique and innovative five-acre food and native plant nursery production, demonstration and teaching facility. The facility has three 30-foot by 120-foot high tunnels that will be in production this spring with tomatoes, peppers and cucumbers and a nursery shade house growing native plants from seeds and cuttings. The facility is unique in that it is being constructed on a reclaimed strip mine site.

This event is sponsored by Frostburg Grows and the University of Maryland Extension – Garrett County.

For info or to register for the workshop, contact Willie Lantz at the Garrett County office of the University of Maryland Extension at 301-334-6960. There is a \$25 fee that can be paid at the time of the workshop. Lunch will be provided on Saturday.

Entertainment

Student Activities and Greek Life to Host Comedian Carly Aquilino



FSU will host comedian Carly Aquilino, a cast member on the MTV show, "Girl Code," on **Thursday, Sept. 18**, at 8 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall.

As a New York native, Aquilino first stepped on the stage at Gotham Comedy Club and has been quickly rising in the comedy scene, performing at the most popular clubs in New York and becoming a regular cast member on the MTV show. Her comedy has been featured on Sirius XM radio. She said she once made her grandma Marilyn laugh so hard that her teeth fell out.

General public tickets, which are \$5, go on sale on **Tuesday, Sept. 16**. FSU student tickets, which are \$3 and \$5, are on sale now. Tickets will be available at the door if the show is not sold out. The program is sponsored by the Office of Student Activities and Greek Life. For info, contact the Lane Center information desk at 301-687-4411.

Readings

Center for Creative Writing to Present Poet T.R. Hummer



The Frostburg Center for Creative Writing will present poet T.R. Hummer as the first reader for the fall 2014 season on **Monday, Sept. 22**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lyric Theatre, 22 E. Main St. in Frostburg. This event is free and open to the public.

Hummer, who combines narration, meditation and lyricism in lush, musically rich and imagistically powerful compositions, will read from his new collection of poems, "Skandalon." His other works include "Translation of Light" (1976), "The Angelic Orders" (1982), "The Passion of the Right-Angled Man" (1987), "The Eighteen-Thousand-Ton Olympic Dream" (1987), "Walt Whitman in Hell" (1996), "Useless Virtues" (2001), "The Infinity Sessions" (2005) and "Ephemeron" (2011), as well as two books of literary criticism –

"The Muse in the Machine: Essays on Poetry and the Anatomy of the Body Politic" (2006) and "Available Surfaces" (2012). He has also edited several well-known literary journals over the past 25 years.

Hummer has won numerous literary awards, including two Pushcart Prizes and fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts. He is the director of the creative writing program at Arizona State University and has taught at Kenyon College, Middlebury College, Virginia Commonwealth University and the University of Georgia – Athens. In addition to his literary

merits, Hummer is also an accomplished saxophonist and can be heard on the album “Young and Evil” by Little Ronnie and the Grand Dukes, his blues group.

For info, contact the Center for Creative Writing at cwcenter@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4340.

Music

Senior Clarinet Recital – Heather Wahl

Heather Wahl will perform her senior clarinet recital on **Saturday, Sept. 27**, at 7:30 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. She will be accompanied by *Dr. Jay DeWire* on piano as well as by guest artists *Dr. Mark Gallagher* on clarinet and *Karen Lu Liu* on cello. This event is free and open to the public.

Wahl will perform “Serenade No. 13 for Two Clarinets” by Vincent Persichetti, “Sonata in C Minor From Methodische Sonaten” by Georg Philip Telemann, “Raga Songs for Solo Clarinet” by John Mayer and “Concertino for Clarinet” by Carl Maria von Weber.

For info, contact the Department of Music at 301-687-4109.

Theatre

Cambridge University to Bring ‘Much Ado About Nothing’ to FSU



FSU will host the Cambridge American Stage Tour (CAST) performance of Shakespeare’s beloved romantic comedy, “Much Ado About Nothing,” on **Tuesday, Sept. 23**, at 7:30 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall.

With a playful script and hilarious dialogue, the play’s plot weaves two love stories and pierces them with one of jealousy and contempt. When a fleet of soldiers arrives in the idyllic town of Messina after a victorious battle against their commander’s half-brother, Don John, Messina’s governor welcomes them into his home. Soldier Claudio quickly falls in love with the governor’s daughter, Hero, while his comrade Benedick is reunited with Hero’s cousin, Beatrice, an old friend with whom he engages in constant bantering. Claudio and Hero, who decide to wed in a week, conspire to make Benedick and

Beatrice admit their love for each other. Meanwhile, the bitter Don John schemes to tear Claudio and Hero apart and ruin the wedding.

CAST, which has performed at FSU since its creation in 2000, is one of Cambridge University’s major international theater tours, founded with the goal of bringing Shakespeare to audiences across the eastern United States. Year after year, its student crew puts on a dazzling performance of one of the famous old plays.

For ticket info, call 301-687-4221. Tickets are \$6 for students and \$12 for general admission. For info about CAST, visit www.castcambridge.com.

FSU to Host Fifth Annual One-Act Play Festival



The FSU Center for Creative Writing will host its fifth annual One-Act Play Festival on **Friday, Sept. 26, and Saturday, Sept. 27**, at the Palace Theater in Frostburg. The festival showcases the top three winning plays of the 2014 One-Act Playwriting Competition with a full performance of the first-place play and staged readings of the second- and third-place plays. Performances will start at 7:30 p.m.

The first-place play is “Love in a Minor Key” by David Finney of Chicago, Ill.; the second-place play is “It’s Your Funeral” by Barry H. Weinberg of Bethesda, Md.; and the third-place play is “The Search for a Life Worth Repeating” by Larry Ukolowicz of Fort Worth, Texas. Plays were judged on plot, character development, dialogue and overall quality. This year, more than 50 plays were submitted to the One-

Act Playwriting Competition from across the country.

“Love in a Minor Key” is about 70-year-old Arthur Clifton, whose wife of 50 years, Millie, has just passed away. Looking to fill the loneliness with someone, he has started dating, and as he tells us, the whole effort has been a complete failure. As he sits on a park bench, recounting his dating experiences and reflecting on his marriage to Millie, Arthur draws a picture of what John Coltrane might call “A Love Supreme.” Local playwright Ty DeMartino, who serves as one of the contest’s final judges, said that “Love in a Minor Key” “is a highly emotional and funny story” and that “it’s a delightful, beautifully written one-act play.”

“It’s Your Funeral” is about a girl named Lisa who is convinced that her Uncle Billy didn’t die by accidentally falling down the stairs. Determined to hunt down her uncle’s murderer, Lisa welcomes the help offered by her late Uncle Billy and by Stacey, the deceased mother of Lisa’s boyfriend Jim. They find four suspects who were in the house the morning that Billy died and who had the motive, the opportunity and the means to do him in. That is, if he were murdered.

“The Search for a Life Worth Repeating” tells the story of Richard, a man who has been searching for the perfect mate in all the wrong places. He introduces the audience to a bevy of women until he finally bridges the gap on a warm, star-crossed evening.

Entries for the 2015 One-Act Playwriting Competition will be accepted starting **Jan. 1, 2015**.

For info, contact the Center for Creative Writing at cwcenter@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4340, or visit the Center’s web page at www.frostburg.edu/cwcenter.

Presentations

Fall Academic Enrichment Series

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

Dr. Marc Michael, an associate professor in the Department of Mathematics, will give a talk on “How to Be a Successful Student” on **Monday, Sept. 15**, at 2 p.m. in Lane 108. This session will highlight a number of strategies for achieving success in college. The presenter will share his experience as a faculty member and will dispel some of the myths about what it takes to be an effective student.

Mark Smith, the director of the Tutoring Center, will present “How to Get the Most Out of Tutoring” on **Tuesday, Sept. 16**, and **Thursday, Sept. 18**; both sessions are at 3:30 p.m. in Lane 113. Learn how to sign up for tutoring, what to expect from tutors and steps to take to make tutoring work for you.

Amy Fynes, the director of Student Activities in the Office of Student & Community Involvement, will speak on “Getting Involved Through Bobcat Connect” on **Wednesday, Sept. 17**, at 3 p.m. in Lane 113. This session will help you select student organizations that match your interests to enhance your experience at FSU.

For info, contact Programs Advancing Student Success at 301-687-4441 or the Retention Office at 301-687-3206.

Appalachian Laboratory Fall Seminar Series

Dr. Ryan Utz, National Ecological Observatory Network, will present “The National Ecological Observation Network: An Open-Access Poised to Expand Spatiotemporal Scales of Inquiry in the Ecological Sciences” on **Thursday, Sept. 18**, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For info, go to www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule.

Visual Arts

FSU Alums’ ‘En Plein Air en Studio’ Exhibition on Display at Roper Gallery



A painting by David Diaz

FSU’s Department of Visual Arts will present “En Plein Air en Studio,” an exhibition of paintings by FSU alumni **David Diaz** and **Linda Humbertson**, **through Wednesday, Sept. 24**, in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in FSU’s Fine Arts Building.

Diaz works in oil and pastels. Primarily a plein air painter with a focus on regional subjects, he loves the rich assortment of subject matter found in the mid-Atlantic region.

Diaz is an award-winning artist and educator who has taught art in Allegany and Anne Arundel counties, working with students from elementary through middle school, as well as adults. His work is in collections in the United States, Europe and Asia. Diaz is a member and former chairman of the board of the Mid-Atlantic Plein Air Painters. Diaz lives in Annapolis, Md.



“Self-Portrait at Maxxi, Rome,” by Linda Humbertson

Humbertson, an artist concentrating on action painting comingled with abstract expressionism, color field painting with a geometric edge, and surrealism drawings and paintings infused with a South Florida interpretation of color, was recently an instructor of visual art and chairperson of the Visual Art Department at Hyattsville Middle School Creative and Performing Arts Focus School in Prince George’s County, Md.

A dedicated painter with best in show awards, one-woman exhibitions and purchase awards, she has exhibited regionally and nationally with exhibitions in Washington, D.C., Florida and Maryland. Retired and a resident of Cumberland, she has exhibited new paintings at the Allegany Arts Council and AAC’s member exhibitions.

For info, contact the Department of Visual Arts at 301-687-4797.

Points of Pride

Odone’s First Graphic Novel Receives Positive Review

Jamison Odone, an assistant professor in the Department of Visual Arts, has published a new book, “Lies in the Dust: A Tale of Remorse From the Salem Witch Trials,” which was recently given a positive review in The Boston Globe. To read the review, go to <http://bit.ly/1sRvOeS>.

This is Odone’s first graphic novel and his first book under the pen name Jakob Crane. In 2015, “Lies in the Dust” is also expected to hit the stage as a play at the Salem Theatre.

For those who tweet, be sure to follow and mention @jakobcrane or #liesinthedust.

Take Note

An Invitation to Fall Convocation

President Jonathan Gibraltar cordially invites the FSU community to Fall Convocation on **Tuesday, Sept. 23**, at 3:30 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall.

FSU Nothing But Nets Campaign Aims to Help Wipe Out Malaria in Africa

This is the final year of a three-year Nothing But Nets commitment at FSU to help defeat malaria in Africa. This year's campaign will run **through October**. FSU's Fellowship of Christian Athletes, through the Intermural program, will kick off the event with a Nothing But Nets Basketball Tournament on **Saturday, Oct. 4**, in the Cordts PE Center main gym. The deadline to sign up a team of five or more (up to 10) through the Intermural website is **Wednesday, Oct 1**. The donation is \$2 per person. Teams can be co-ed.

The campaign focuses on:

- Prevention: Distributing insecticide-treated bed nets (Nothing But Nets) and working to drain standing water where mosquitoes breed
- Education: Teaching people in rural areas how to protect themselves from mosquitoes and identify early symptoms of malaria
- Treatment: Improving existing hospitals and clinics, training community health workers and providing life-saving medicines

Malaria is preventable and treatable. Just \$10 buys a net that can sleep four people and protect them. In Rwanda alone, after bed nets and medication were distributed, the under-five child mortality rate decreased by 66 percent within two years.

More info is coming, but be sure talk to your group(s) or department about participation (e.g., hold a fundraiser, take a member collection). You will need to send the money by **Friday, Oct. 31**, to Chaplain Cindy Zirlott's office in Hitchins 308. All groups and departments that participate will appear in The Bottom Line with the report of FSU's efforts.

Frostburg City Ambulance Service Needs Volunteers

The Frostburg City Ambulance Service is seeking volunteers to be members of its service. Volunteers need to be a certified EMT or higher, have to be 18 years of age and of good moral character, are required to serve a minimum of 3 hours per week and must pass background and reference checks.

This is an excellent opportunity for a great volunteer initiative that serves the community. If interested, stop by 86 W. Main St. to fill out an application. For info, call 301-689-2256.

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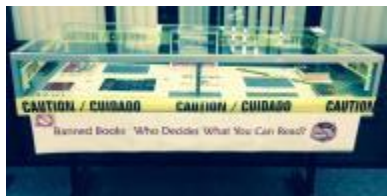
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Be sure to check out the LyndaCampus at FSU information site at www.frostburg.edu/lynda.

Ort Library Presents Four New Displays for September



The first display, on the third floor near the front door, highlights Banned Books Week, **Sept. 21 through 27**. This year's theme is "Freedom: Celebrate the Right to Read." The display provides information on the most frequently banned/challenged books from 2000-2009. Additionally, a display is set up with 20th-century classics that have been banned or challenged. (These books can be checked out.)

The second display, on the fourth floor near the stairs, celebrates the life of Maya Angelou who passed away May 28, 2014. She visited FSU four times during her career, the first time in 1972 and the last in 1998. The display highlights her career, her works and the awards she received during her lifetime as an author, poet, civil rights advocate, actress and director.

The third display, on the fifth floor, celebrates Constitution Day held **Sept. 17**. The display highlights the U.S. Constitution and some books on the Constitution that the library has available. The library also offers a guide for resources on Constitution Day. It can be found at <http://libguides.frostburg.edu/constitution>.

The fourth display, also on the fifth floor, celebrates the 200th anniversary of "The Star-Spangled Banner." The display highlights books on the topic that are available in the library and provides some background info on the song's history.

Continuing through **Sept. 15** is the display, on the third floor near room 318, highlighting the Incan city of Machu Picchu in Peru. One of the National Geographic maps that the Ort Library owns on Machu Picchu is also highlighted. Additionally, there is a quiz to complete to see how much you know about this ancient city.

For info, contact Theresa Mastrodonato at 301-687-4425 or tmastrodonato@frostburg.edu or MaryJo Price at 301-687-4889 or mpprice@frostburg.edu.

Frostburg Science Discovery Center Hosting Science Sundays

The Frostburg Science Discovery Center will host Science Sundays at 5 p.m. every Sunday. For September the presentations will be on "Animals of the Night." The presentation will take place after the first planetarium show hosted by **Dr. Bob Doyle** at 4 p.m. in the CCIT building (and before the second one at 6 p.m.). The Science Discovery Center is on the first floor of the Compton Science Center. For info, email FSDC@frostburg.edu, call 301-687-4723 or go to www.frostburg.edu/fsdc.

Electronics Recycling

In partnership with Allegany Electronics Recycling, the City of Frostburg will hold electronics recycling on **Saturday, Sept. 20**, and **Saturday, Nov. 8**, from 9 a.m. to noon. Frostburg residents may bring their electronics to the Public Safety Building parking lot at 37 Broadway. There is no charge for any electronics except TVs. The fee for TVs is \$5, \$10 or \$15 based on the size of the TV. For info, call Bruce at 301-697-6273.

USM Foundation Art Contest – What's Your Vision?

The University System of Maryland Foundation announces its third annual art contest. Students, faculty and staff affiliated with USM are invited to submit artwork for the chance to win a \$599 cash prize and be displayed throughout the USM Foundation's 2014 Annual Report and on its website. This year's theme is based on the following quote, attributed to Nelson Mandela: "Vision without action is just a dream, action without vision just passes the time and vision with action can change the world."

Submissions of any kind of artwork will be accepted as long as it can be reproduced digitally or photographed. Artwork must be based on an interpretation of the Mandela quote and will be judged on clarity of communicating the theme to the viewer, artistic merit and creative expression and must be representative of the USM Foundation's vision, mission and values.

Submit artwork to USMF-ART@usmd.edu by midnight, **Sunday, Sept. 21**, for a chance to win. FSU artists have been successful in past contests.

For info, go to www.usmf.org/blog/post/the-usm-foundation-is-pleased-to-announce-its-third-annual-art-contest.

Save the Date for the Benefits Fair

FSU will host a state of Maryland Benefits Fair on **Tuesday, Oct. 7**, from 9 a.m. to noon in Lane Manicur Hall. This event is open to all state of Maryland employees and retirees.

For info, contact Lee Ann Nightingale, benefits manager, at 301-687-4398.

Annual Diversity Retreat

The 16th Annual Diversity Retreat will be held from 4 p.m. **Friday, Oct. 24**, through 1 p.m. **Sunday, Oct. 26**. Offered by the Black Student Alliance, the Student Government Association, the Diversity Center and the President's Advisory Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, this year's theme is "Building Community: One for All/All for One." The retreat will include workshops on diversity and other related activities intended to promote student awareness and empowerment in diversity issues, coalition building and social justice.

Participants are challenged and empowered to explore their experiences and feelings about their own groups as well as the groups to which others belong. Skill training and action planning are included so that the participants return to campus prepared to become part of the work of creating and maintaining a warm, welcoming environment at FSU.

Former participants are welcome; however, the participation of new students is strongly encouraged. This is an excellent opportunity to spend quality time with students from various identity groups to develop relationships and understandings that reach beyond the surface.

Applications will be available in the Diversity Center, in Hitchins 126, **Oct. 1 through 10**. All completed applications must be submitted by **Oct. 10**. Participation is limited and there is a selection process based on info provided in the application. Applicants are advised to submit a thoughtful response to the paragraph prompt. Those selected to participate will be required to complete additional forms to confirm their commitment to attend and participate.

All faculty and staff members are encouraged to promote this program to their students and consider making participation in this retreat an option for class assignments, as appropriate.

For info, contact Robin Wynder at 301-687-4050.

Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It!

It's not too early to be thinking about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate on **Saturday, Dec. 20**, at 2 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center.

The Colleges of Business, Education and Liberal Arts and Sciences will present their graduates during a single ceremony. Tickets will be required for admission. The number of tickets will be determined at a later date, based on how many students are graduating.

Complete your graduation application in PAWS now and check that your mailing address is accurate so you'll receive all the necessary upcoming info.

Get Involved

S.A.F.E. Office & BURG Peer Education Network September Activities

Let's Talk Red Zone Forum, Thursday, Sept. 18, 7 p.m., Lane Atkinson Room (232). This meeting focuses on raising awareness to prevent sexual assaults on campus. Students, staff and faculty members can learn what to do if something happens to them or a friend.

Self-Defense Workshop, Thursday, Sept. 25, 8 p.m., Lane Manicur Hall. After learning how to prevent sexual assault at Let's Talk Red Zone Forum, come to the Self-Defense Workshop and learn how to protect yourself or a friend during an assault.

Upcoming UCM Events

For info, contact the Rev. Dr. Cindy Zirlott in Hitchins 308, or at 301-687-7490 or c.zirlott@frostburg.edu.

United Campus Ministry events and programs are open to all members of the FSU Community.

Special Events

Forum on Challenges of College Life: Sex, Sunday, Sept. 21, 7 p.m., Newman Center. This forum will discuss the issues of sex and sexual abuse dangers everyone faces, not just on the FSU campus but in our culture in general. Forum guest speakers will include **Col. Cynthia Smith** representing University Police, **Shawn Golden-Llewellyn** representing the President's Advisory Council Against Gender-Based Violence and Counseling & Psychological Services and the **Rev. Dr. Cynthia Zirlott** representing UCM. Students will also be invited to share their stories.

Service Fair, Thursday, Sept. 25, 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Lane Center. FSU will host a Service Fair for various nonprofit service organizations in the area. Students, faculty and staff will be able to pick up info about these groups and find out how to volunteer in the community.

Weekly Campus Ministry Opportunities

Salvation and Praise Bible Study, Mondays, 7 p.m., Lane 108. This student-led Bible study group starts **Sept. 15**.

Spiritual Study Break – A Contemporary Vesper Worship Experience, Wednesdays, 9 p.m., Lane 108. If interested in joining the Praise team, contact UCM for practice times.

UCM Dance Ministry Practice, Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m., Cook Chapel.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Thursdays, 8:15 to 9:30 p.m., Cordts PE Center, Hall of Fame Room. This is a student-led Bible study.

Finding True North Bible Study, Sundays, 6:45 to 9 p.m., Library 237. This is a "Bible Meets Life" study and discussion group.

Faculty and Staff Reading Group. A reading/discussion group for faculty and staff will be offered again this year. More info will follow about the books, dates and time.

Internships

Students interested in a spring 2015 Sociology Internship should contact Dr. John McMullen by **Friday, Oct. 3**, at 301-687-3162 or jmcmullen@frostburg.edu.

Activities for Life

Youth Swimming Lessons

Youth swimming lessons for children ages 4 to 13 will be offered **Mondays and Wednesdays, Sept. 22 through Oct. 8**, from 6:40 to 7:30 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center swimming pool.

Youth swimming instruction is separated into skill levels based on the child's swimming ability when enrolling in the class.

For info and registration, contact AFL coordinator Amy Nazelrod at 301-687-7934 or anazelrod@frostburg.edu.

Student Life

It's Not Too Early to Start Looking for Housing for 2015-16!

Edgewood Commons has availability for the 2015-16 academic year! All the info about Edgewood Commons is available at 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.

For info or to set up a tour of Edgewood Commons, call 301-689-1370.

Community

Frostburg Museum Open House

Mark your calendars for the Frostburg Museum's Open House on **Saturday, Oct. 18**, from noon to 4 p.m.

The Open House will feature an exhibit on the coal industry in the region, and young people will have many opportunities to learn about the museum and its extensive collections.

Youth can don period costumes, enjoy crafts designed for them, participate in a museum scavenger hunt and explore all the museum collections that include the toy collection, the Arion Band, the school room and the shoe repair shop.

The Open House is designed for all community members. This will be a special treat for children who have not yet experienced the Frostburg Museum.

The museum is located at 69 Hill St. For info, call 301-689-1195 or email frostburgmuseum@verizon.net.

FSU Events Calendar

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

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

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

Be aware of your surroundings!



- **Stay on well-lit and well-traveled pathways.**
- **Become familiar with the locations of campus emergency phones.**
- **Remove ear buds or headphones so you can hear someone approaching.**
- **If you are walking to a car, carry your keys in your hand.**

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