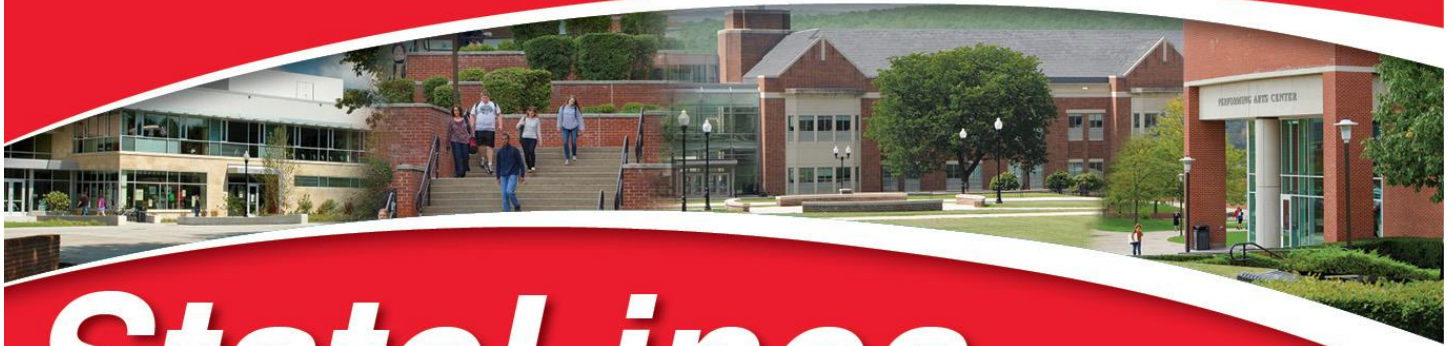




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3:30 p.m.

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Performing Arts Center

FSU Reports Largest Overall and Undergraduate Enrollment

With the fall 2015 semester, FSU has reached its highest overall enrollment in its 117-year history, including its highest-ever undergraduate student population. Solid numbers of returning students and a healthy increase in graduate students were the strongest contributors to this year's enrollment numbers.

"I am pleased that Frostburg State University continues to grow in intelligent ways," said FSU Interim President Thomas Bowling. "Our programs serve an increasingly broad range of potential students beyond the traditional pool of recent high school graduates. Increasingly, community college transfers, international students, veterans and military students and working professionals are finding that Frostburg provides them with the educational experience they need and desire."

Total enrollment at FSU is 5,756, 111 students, or 2 percent, higher than in the fall of 2014. Total undergraduate enrollment is 4,961, compared to 4,915 in 2015, a difference of 46 students, or 1 percent. Over the past decade, undergraduate enrollment has grown by 15 percent, from 4,321 in 2005.

Graduate enrollment grew to 721, up 9 percent or 60 students. This growth was driven largely by an increase from 22 to 64 students in the Master of Science in Computer Science, which began offering an online option in the last year, and an increase from 10 to 23 students in the new Master of Science in Nursing program, a fully online program that began last fall. In addition to the 721 master's students, FSU's doctoral program, now in its fourth year, has reached an enrollment of 74 students, up five from last year and up 49 from 25 students in its inaugural year of 2012.

The number of international students has also grown to a record level of 116 – both exchange students and degree-seeking students – welcomed through FSU's Center for International Education.

Student retention, representing first-year, full-time students from last year who returned for a second year, was 77 percent, up a percentage point from the previous year and tying the highest rate in the past 15 years.

Last year, FSU created the Academic Success Network to leverage the value of existing student support services and intervene more effectively in situations that might impact students' success. It included an early-alert Freshman Progress Survey that

gave faculty and advisors the opportunity to intervene with a struggling student before midterms while there is still time to salvage a semester's grades. The first year's results include 100 fewer freshmen receiving warnings and a 7 percent increase in the number of freshmen in good academic standing for their second semester.

The number of all undergraduate students continuing their educations, not just freshman, is 3,323, up 3 percent from the 3,232 continuing students in 2014.

Music

Student Activities and CES Present Kellylee Evans in First On the EDGE Performance



The On the EDGE series at FSU will present soulful singer and songwriter Kellylee Evans on **Thursday, Oct. 1**, at 8:15 p.m. in the Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall in FSU's Lane University Center.

Soul, pop, hip-hop and jazz unite in Evans' magnetic performances. With a style that conjures the spirit of Nina Simone, her irresistibly original sound is simultaneously fresh and retro. In 2011 she received the Juno Award for Best Jazz Vocal Album. Jazz Review praised her this way: "Try to put singer/songwriter Kellylee Evans into any one musical category and marvel as she effortlessly soars over, under, dances around or bursts through it. Her electric, eclectic vibe is a heady brew of jazz, soul, blues, Caribbean and more."

On the EDGE is an exciting new underground club series presented as a collaboration between FSU Student Activities and CES at FSU. The series features cutting-edge performers who stretch the boundaries of their art forms. Patrons will enjoy informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, snacks and beverage options and are encouraged to stay after the show as the venue transitions into the relaxed social environment of The After Room.

On the EDGE tickets are \$15 and may be ordered by calling 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137 or by visiting ces.frostburg.edu.

MSO, Featuring Spanish Violinist Francisco Fullana, to Perform Masterpieces of Tchaikovsky and Sibelius



CES at FSU will present the always-popular Maryland Symphony Orchestra when it returns to the FSU Performing Arts Center Pealer Recital Hall for a Masterworks concert on **Friday, Oct. 9**, at 7:30 p.m.

Under the leadership of Musical Director Elizabeth Schulze, this year's performance will feature two classic masterpieces. Tchaikovsky's "Violin Concerto in D Major, Opus 35" is considered one of the most demanding works for the violin virtuoso. Jean Sibelius' "Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Opus 43," featuring surging melodies and glowing orchestration, is often regarded as the Finnish composer's most popular symphony.

Joining MSO is award-winning Spanish violinist Francisco Fullana, an emerging superstar who has performed in many of the great concert halls throughout Europe and the United States. A graduate of Juilliard, Fullana has amassed multiple international awards for his exuberant musicianship. His recent accolades include first prizes at the prestigious 2014 Brahms International Violin Competition in Austria and the 2015 Menetsugu International Violin Competition in Japan.

Preceding the performance, through the CES Inspiring Audiences program, Schulze will meet with ticket holders for a Prélude session during which she will share details about the evening's musical selections. Prélude begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall.

Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$29.75 for youth under 17. Corporate and group discount rates are also available. For info, contact the CES box office at 301-687-3137 or visit CES' web page at ces.frostburg.edu.

FSU Wind Ensemble to Perform Music of the Masters

Creativity, history and masterful composition will fill the air of PAC Pealer Recital Hall when the FSU Wind Ensemble plays its fall concert on **Saturday, Oct. 10**, at 7:30 p.m. The ensemble will explore the music of great and masterful composers, first presenting two pieces by noted American composer Clifton Williams – "Symphonic Suite" and "Symphonic Dance No. 3 – Fiesta." **Dr. Mark Gallagher**, professor of clarinet at FSU, will be the featured soloist with the ensemble on "Concertino" by noted German composer Carl Maria von Weber. The group will next perform "A Moorside Suite" by English composer Gustav Holst, a master of composition in many genres. To round out the program, the ensemble will perform "Shepherd's Hey" by Percy Grainger, who was known as one of the most unique and creative composers during the first half of the 20th century. This event is free and open to the public. For info, contact the FSU Music Department at 301-687-4109.

Theatre

FSU Theatre and Dance Presents Agatha Christie's 'The Mousetrap'

The FSU Theatre and Dance season kicks off with Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap," a thrilling production from one of the world's foremost mystery writers. Shortly after Mollie and Giles Ralston welcome an eccentric group of visitors to their guest house in the English countryside, news of a nearby murder casts a dark shadow over the weekend, and a snowstorm ends any plans to escape. As the snow grows deeper, so does the mystery. Secrets from the past cause a flurry. Another murder takes place. Everyone is a suspect, and in this deadly game of cat-and-mouse, only one of them knows the rules. Performances will take place in the PAC Drama Theatre at 7:30 p.m. on **Friday and Saturday, Oct. 16 and 17**, and **Thursday through Saturday**,

Oct. 22 to 24, with a 2 p.m. matinee on **Saturday, Oct. 17**.

Season subscriptions are available **until Oct. 24**. For \$40, Main Stage subscribers receive four tickets (one ticket per show for Main Stage productions). In addition, Main Stage subscribers can reserve tickets in advance of the general public and may purchase tickets to the Fall and Spring Dance Concerts at student rates. Individual tickets are \$12 for general admission and \$6 for students.

For info, call the Theatre and Dance box office at 301-687-7462 Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4 p.m.

Readings

FSU to Host Banned Books Reading ‘Celebrating the Freedom to Read’



Commemorating the books and their authors who have pushed boundaries for freedom of speech and press, FSU will have an evening dedicated to reading books deemed too controversial and therefore banned or challenged. The English Honors Society Sigma Tau Delta, the Department of English and the Lewis J. Ort Library at FSU will host the event **Tuesday, Oct. 6**, at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the Ort Library.

The reading is held in conjunction with the American Library Association’s Annual Banned Book Week: “Celebrating the Freedom to Read.”

All attendants are encouraged to read a selection if interested. Examples of some challenged books include “The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian” by Sherman Alexie, “The Kite Runner” by Khaled Hosseini and “The Perks of Being a Wallflower” by Stephen Chbosky.

For info, or if interested in reading at the event, contact Dr. Mary Anne Lutz of FSU’s Department of English at mlutz@frostburg.edu or Dr. Lea Messman-Mandicott of the Ort Library at lmessman@frostburg.edu.

Presentations

Watershed Moments Community Learning Series Launch and Welcome Reception

The Appalachian Laboratory will launch its Watershed Moments Community Learning Series with a presentation by Dr. Donald Boesch, president of the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, on **Wednesday, Oct. 7**, at 6 p.m. at the AL facility at 301 Braddock Road in Frostburg. In “Deep Water: Get a Rare Look at the Largest Oil Spill in U.S. History,” Boesch will provide a look at the catastrophic 2010 explosion of the BP Deepwater Horizon oil platform. A New Orleans native and biological oceanographer, he will describe his role as an expert witness in the \$18.7 billion court case against BP as well as what led to the Macondo well blowout, the loss of 11 human lives and the immense damage to the Gulf of Mexico ecosystem. In addition to fielding questions from attendees, Boesch will introduce Dr. Eric Davidson, AL’s new director. This event is free and open to the public. To attend, RSVP to 301-689-7102 by **Sept. 30**.

Philosophy Department to Host Forum on Police Legitimacy

FSU’s Philosophy Department will present Dr. Jim Nolan, a professor of sociology at West Virginia University, in a forum titled “The Thinning of the Thin Blue Line: The Struggle for Renewed Legitimacy in American Policing,” on **Tuesday, Oct. 13**, at 7 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room. This event is free and open to the public.

In this presentation, Nolan will focus on the struggle for a renewed legitimacy in American policing. Following decades of declining crime rates, there is a growing undercurrent of dissatisfaction with the status quo in American policing. The deaths of unarmed African-American men at the hands of the police in Ferguson, New York, Baltimore, North Charleston and other cities has raised serious concerns about the use and misuse of force by the police. The public discourse on the issue of police legitimacy is polarizing, which some suspect has put the police in danger of retaliatory violence.

Nolan was a police officer in Wilmington, Del., for 13 years and a unit chief in the FBI’s Crime Analysis, Research and Development Unit. His research focuses on urban policing, intergroup relations and the measurement of crime. He is coauthor of “The Violence of Hate: Confronting Racism, Anti-Semitism and Other Forms of Bigotry.”

The forum is co-sponsored by the African-American Studies Program, the Sociology Department and the FSU Honors Program.

For info, contact Dr. Michael Mathias at mbmathias@frostburg.edu.

Academic Enrichment Series

Dr. Terri Massie-Burrell, assistant provost/Student Success, Center for Academic Advising and Retention, will give a “Withdraw With a ‘W’ Workshop” on **Thursday, Oct. 1**, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Lane 113. To withdraw from a class or not to withdraw ... is a “W” right for you? Find out by speaking with staff from CAAR, Financial Aid and the Academic Success Network.

For info, contact the Center for Academic Advising and Retention at 301-687-3404.

Appalachian Laboratory Fall Seminar Series

Dr. Steve Sheffield, Bowie State University, will present “Gone With the Wind: The Impacts of Tornadoic Blowdowns on Small Mammal Assemblages and Forest Dynamics in Western Pennsylvania” on **Thursday, Oct. 15**, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For

Workshops

Conversations on Teaching – What’s on Your Mind?



You asked for different days, and you got it! Teaching Tuesdays is now Conversations on Teaching. The Center for Teaching Excellence will present its first workshop of the semester **today, Sept. 28**, from noon to 1 p.m. in Lane’s South Addition.

Conversations on Teaching is a casual lunchtime discussion table where instructors and staff share strategies, tips and ideas about teaching. For this first conversation, come share what’s on your mind, what’s happening in your classes and what topics you’d like to see for future conversations

and CTE events.

For info, contact Dr. Justin Dunmyre at jrdunmyre@frostburg.edu.

Free Capoeira Workshop to Be Offered on Oct. 3



Busho Professor de Capoeira Roberto Tapia and assistants from his Roda Movements Studio in Takoma Park, Md., will present a free Capoeira workshop for FSU students, faculty and staff on **Saturday, Oct. 3**, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the FSU Dance Studio in the Cordts PE Center. Note: The program is \$10 for the general public.

Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian blend of martial arts, dance, acrobatics and music created by enslaved Africans in Brazil during the 16th century. The art form proliferated as a symbol of personal power in the face of hardship. Participants form a roda (circle) and take turns playing instruments, singing and sparring in pairs in the center of the circle. The game is marked by fluid acrobatic play.

This energetic, exciting and fun workshop will introduce attendees to the culture and history of Capoeira in an experiential setting. Experience is not required.

The event is sponsored by the President’s Advisory Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, the Department of Theatre and Dance and African-American Studies.

Registration is recommended. For info, contact Nicole Mattis at 301-687-3212 or nmattis@frostburg.edu.

Visual Arts

Works by Gallery Owner Jordan Faye Block on Display at Roper Gallery



FSU’s Department of Visual Arts will host an exhibit featuring the works of Jordan Faye Block **through September** in the University’s Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery. It is open Sundays through Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

Block graduated from the Maryland Institute College of Art in 2005 and decided to open the Jordan Faye Contemporary gallery after noticing the discomfort her fellow student artists had marketing and promoting their work. Founded in 2006 in the Bromo Arts District of Baltimore, the gallery showcases the work of early to mid-career artists and offers arts consulting, workshops, residencies and open-call exhibitions through its program THRIVE.

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

Points of Pride

FSU’s Gira Center Earns LEED Gold Certification



FSU’s Gira Center for Communications and Information Technology has been awarded LEED® Gold certification, a program developed by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) and verified by the Green Building Certification Institute. LEED, or Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, is a certification program that recognizes best-in-class building strategies and practices.

FSU’s Gira Center achieved LEED Gold certification by satisfying prerequisites and earning points in areas such as sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection and indoor environmental quality to achieve different levels of certification. LEED-certified buildings have a positive impact on the health of occupants while promoting renewable, clean energy. FSU’s Lane University Center is also certified as LEED Gold.

The Gira Center forges connections among diverse academic departments and encourages the public to engage with its programs. The three-story building occupies a key juncture among the Performing Arts Center, the Compton Science Center and Lane Center, responding to its site with an accessible and inviting design. The center also benefits from a well-connected campus environment that provides access to at least 10 basic services and public transportation.

Mediating a steep slope between the campus’ historic “uphill” core and the more contemporary “downhill” campus, the Gira Center is arranged around an outdoor courtyard to provide a gathering space and a threshold reached from existing pathways. The site design maximizes open space and manages storm water quality, while hardscape, green roof and other roofing material choices minimize the “heat island” effect.

The Gira Center employs energy-efficient measures such as a high-performance building envelope, reduced interior lighting power density and a high-efficiency condensing boiler to realize energy savings. Reduction in energy use was calculated at 28.6 percent. Refrigerants were selected that minimize the potential for ozone depletion and global warming.

The contractor diverted 86.4 percent of construction wastes from landfills to minimize construction’s environmental impacts. Specifications also favored products with recycled content and regional sourcing. Of the products used, 25.3 percent were recycled and 21.4 percent of the materials used were regional. Individualized controls for lighting and temperature allow occupants to adjust the indoor environment to their unique needs. Low-emitting materials were installed throughout to ensure good indoor air quality, and outdoor air delivery is monitored.

The building’s minimization of potable water use with low-flow fixtures and other measures and inclusion of a LEED-accredited professional earned the project innovation points. Reduction in water use was calculated to be 41.7 percent.

For info on the Gira Center’s LEED Gold certification, visit www.usgbc.org/projects/ctr-communication-info-technology?view=overview.

Sara-Beth James Promoted to Director of Assessment and Institutional Research



Sara-Beth James has been promoted to the position of director of Assessment and Institutional Research at FSU. James was previously a research analyst in that department.

“Sara-Beth is a wonderful colleague with outstanding interpersonal skills and work ethics,” said Dr. Ahmad Tootoonchi, FSU’s interim provost. “She has assumed an increasing level of responsibility in her present role, and I believe she has the knowledge and the skills to lead this office.”

Before coming to FSU, James was the executive director of the Family Crisis Resource Center, Inc., in Cumberland. She also served as the director of Institutional Research at Allegany College of Maryland and as an evaluation and program specialist at the Local Management Board of Allegany County, Inc., also in Cumberland.

An active professional in the community, James has been a member of the Allegany County Board of Education since 2010, serving as president in 2012. She was chair and is currently vice chair of the Allegany County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Allegany! Steering Committee and was co-chair of the County United Way Annual Campaign. James also served on the board of directors of Jane’s Place, Inc. (Allegany County’s child advocacy center) and the Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault. She is a member of the Western Maryland Health System Community Advisory Committee.

James earned her bachelor’s in economics from FSU and her master’s in applied economics from the University of Delaware in Newark, Del. She is pursuing her doctorate in educational leadership from FSU.

Inside Higher Ed Recognizes Five of FSU’s Newly Tenured Faculty

Five of FSU’s newly tenured faculty members were mentioned this month in Inside Higher Ed’s roundup of professors receiving tenure: **Dr. Dwane Dean**, Marketing and Finance; **Dr. Heather Gable**, Nursing; **Dr. Wei Li**, Sociology; **Dr. Suzanne McCoskey**, Economics; and **Dr. Richard Russo**, Geography.

View IHE’s list at <http://bit.ly/1Ff6l2B>.

University Business Highlights Dr. George Rinard for MIPS Grant Award

University Business highlighted **Dr. George Rinard**, professor of Computer Science and Information Technology, for his new Maryland Industrial Partnerships (MIPS) grant of \$140,900. Through MIPS, Rinard is partnering with Baltimore-based Tutela Industries LLC to expand the mobile app functionality of the company’s patient engagement platform, which improves communication across the healthcare continuum.

Read about Rinard and other MIPS recipients at <http://bit.ly/1YBNyot>.

Jamison Odone’s ‘A Life Out of Lines’ on Display at St. John’s University



“A Life Out of Lines,” illustrator and author **Jamison Odone’s** children’s book exhibition, will be on display through **Thursday, Oct. 22**, at St. John’s University in Queens, N.Y. Odone, an assistant professor in FSU’s Visual Arts Department, draws inspiration from the likes of world-renowned illustrators such as Maurice Sendak, author of “Where the Wild Things Are,” and Edward Gorey. The exhibition features Odone’s whimsical and clever illustrations that have led to the success of more than five published books within five years. Featured in this exhibition are several of his books, including “Poor Joseph,” “Honey Badgers” and “Mole Had Everything.” “A Life Out of Lines” brings together all of Odone’s work under one roof, echoing themes of materiality and adaptation to the life of an artist in today’s fast-paced world.

For info, go to www.stjohns.edu/about/events/life-out-lines-jamison-odone.

Music Workshops a Hit at Appalachian Festival



At FSU’s Appalachian Festival this past Saturday, music education students, accompanied by **Dr. Rebecca Birnie**, a lecturer in the Music Department, held two hands-on workshops for festival attendees. Birnie led students in performing, demonstrating and teaching festival attendees several simple folk songs to play on the dulcimer, a user-friendly instrument known for its simplicity in playing.

FSU Student’s Internship Experience Featured in Cecil Whig

The Cecil Whig featured FSU student **Nicole Amos** and her summer internship at the Rising Sun, Md., Town Hall. Amos spent two months organizing the town’s offices and working through the town’s building maintenance codes to make them more understandable for the public.

During her internship, Amos was introduced to government work, a field she intends to pursue after graduation. “This is the start of my career,” she said. “I really want to work in a congressional office ... in the communications aspect. I’m also considering law school.”

Read more about Amos’s internship experience in the Cecil-Whig’s article at <http://bit.ly/1Nv63FV>.

Take Note

Have You Signed Up for BURG Alerts?

Emergency text messaging isn’t just important for finding out if FSU is delayed or closed by snow. This is the best way to be alerted of a hazardous situation on or near campus, including dangerous weather, fire, crime or other hazards.

If you were receiving text messages last spring and have not gotten a message that your account is due to expire, you should be in good shape. But if you are a new student or employee, or you stopped receiving messages (the last one was sent on July 9), you need to sign up.

Go to www.frostburg.edu/computing/services/burg-alerts to sign up or find out when your account expires. Use your FSU log-in information and follow the instructions. Make sure to complete the validation step to activate your account.

All users have the option of entering two numbers for text messages (message and data rates may apply) and six email addresses. Use these for alternate forms of contact or to allow family members to be informed.

Signing up for BURG Alerts is highly recommended. Don’t miss out on important messages.

African-American History Trip to D.C. Free to FSU Students

FSU’s Black Student Alliance, the President’s Advisory Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and the Leadership Studies program are partnering with the Allegany County NAACP to offer students and local residents the opportunity to take part in an educational trip to Washington, D.C., to explore African-American history, the civil rights movement and the U.S. Capitol on **Friday, Oct. 9**. The program will include visits to the temporary home of the National Museum of African-American History and Culture, the Library of Congress and the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center.

Bus transportation is available to local residents for \$25, and there is no fee for FSU students.

The National Museum of African-American History and Culture is a place where all Americans can learn about the richness and diversity of the African-American experience, what it means to their lives and how it helped us shape this nation. The museum, which will be located on a five-acre tract adjacent to the Washington Monument when it opens in 2016, maintains a temporary exhibit at the National Museum of American History.

The Library of Congress exhibition titled “The Civil Rights Act of 1964: A Long Struggle for Freedom,” which commemorates the 15th anniversary of the landmark Civil Rights Act of 1964, explores the events that shaped the civil rights movement, as well as the far-reaching impact the act had on a changing society. Audiovisual stations throughout the exhibition present archival footage and contemporary interviews with civil rights leaders and activists reflecting on the civil rights era.

Following visits to the National Museum of American History and Library of Congress, the group will tour the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center and the House and Senate galleries.

Space is limited and reservations are required by **Sept. 28**. For info, contact Robin Wynder at rwynder@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4050 or visit www.naacp7007.org.

FAEYC Meeting Dates for Fall

Frostburg’s Association for the Education of Young Children is an early childhood organization that provides opportunities for students to learn, interact and develop key components for teaching young children. Meetings for the fall semester will be held on the following **Wednesdays: Sept. 30, Oct. 14 and 28, Nov. 11 and Dec. 9**. For info, contact Shani Williams at sawilliams0@frostburg.edu.

Save the Date for the Benefits Fair

FSU will host a state of Maryland Open Enrollment Benefits Fair on **Thursday, Oct. 1**, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in room 397 of the Gira Center. This event is open to all Maryland employees and retirees.

For info, contact Lee Ann Nightingale, manager, Benefits and Wellness Program, at 301-687-4398.

Upcoming BURG Peer Education Network Events



The only event this week is the General Body Meeting on **Thursday, Oct. 1**, from 6:15 to 7:45 p.m. in Lane 113.

For info, contact Kasandra Owen, peer educator and PR chair, at kowen0@frostburg.edu.

Children's Literature Centre to Hold Book Award Banquet



The Children's Literature Centre will host its Book Award Banquet on **Saturday, Oct. 3**, at the Lyric Theatre at 20 E. Main St. in Frostburg. During an evening to celebrate courage, love and compassion, CLC will present the fourth annual Children's Literature Centre Book Award to Vern Kousky for his book "Otto the Owl Who Loved Poetry." Dinner will be held at 6 p.m. followed by the presentation of the award at 7 p.m. (There will be a cash bar at 5:30 p.m.)

Kousky works as a private tutor and as an adjunct professor of English for Touro College in New York. "Otto the Owl Who Loved Poetry" is his first picture book.

Tickets are \$30 per person, \$50 per couple and \$230 for a table of eight. Register online at www.frostburg.edu/clc/events/clc-book-award-banquet/reg-form. For info, visit www.frostburg.edu/clc.

Hoops 4 Haiti

The Frostburg Women's Basketball team will host a 3 on 3 basketball tournament on **Wednesday, Oct. 7**, from 6 to 10:30 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center Main Arena to benefit Hoops 4 Haiti. The cost of the tournament is \$25 per team with a maximum of four people per roster. The tournament includes free T-shirts for participation, and the champions will win a prize. To sign up, contact Coach Hall at snhall@frostburg.edu. The last day to sign up is **Oct. 6** by 3 p.m.

Positive Psychotherapy Groups to Start Oct. 15

A Positive Psychotherapy Group for Depression will begin on **Thursday, Oct. 15**, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Counseling and Psychological Services office at Sand Spring 101. The group will help you learn skills to get more enjoyment out of daily activities, feel more optimistic about your future, understand and develop your strengths, experience more gratitude and interact more constructively with friends and loved ones. After completing rewarding activities as homework and relating your experiences with others, you should be able to increase the positive emotion, deep engagement and meaning you experience in life. For info, contact Dr. Kelly Bailey at kabailey@frostburg.edu to schedule a necessary pre-screening appointment.

Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It!

It's not too early to think about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate on **Saturday, Dec. 19**, 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 and the number allotted will be announced at a later date.

If you haven't yet done so, contact the Registrar's Office to complete your graduation application and check that your home mailing address is accurate in PAWS so you'll receive all the necessary upcoming info.

Follow [@FrostburgGrad](https://twitter.com/FrostburgGrad) on Twitter or visit facebook.com/commencementatfrostburg for updates and important info throughout the semester.

Get Involved

United Campus Ministry

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.

Upcoming UCM Events

Agape Latte, Tuesdays in September, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Lane Loft Area. Chaplain Cindy will treat you to a beverage of your choice from Starbucks in exchange for some conversation, to get to know you better or to answer any questions.

September Service Project Sign-ups. The **Good News Club Afterschool** program starts **Sept. 30** at Beall Elementary School. Want to mentor a child? Join this service club. If interested, contact Chaplain Cindy.

Faculty or Staff Brown Bag Book Club. This fall there will be a discussion group starting **Tuesday, Oct. 20**. The group will read and discuss the book "Sacred Rhythms." If interested, email Chaplain Cindy and she will order your book. This group will meet during the lunch hour. Location TBA in a couple of weeks.

Weekly UCM Opportunities

Salvation and Praise Bible Study, Mondays, 7 p.m., Lane 113. This is a student-led Bible study group.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Mondays, 7:30 to 8:45 p.m., Library 237. This is also a student-led Bible study. It's not just for athletes; all are welcome.

Spiritual Study Break – A Contemporary Vesper Worship Experience, Wednesdays, 9 p.m., Lane 108.

Believers Love World Bible Study, Thursdays, 7 to 8:15 pm, Gira Center 155. This is a student-led group.

Finding True North Bible Study, Sundays, 6:45 to 8:45 p.m., Library 237. This is a "Bible Meets Life" study and discussion group. The topic is "Staying Connected to God While in College."

FSU-TV3



Did you know FSU has its own cable channel? FSU-TV3 is available on Comcast's Channel 3 on campus and in Frostburg, Mount Savage and Lonaconing and offers a variety of programming.

New Children's Programming

"Story Time at the Community Library" is for children ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers who are invited to participate in an interactive program that incorporates age-appropriate books, songs and movement to nurture pre-reading skills. Tune in Monday through Friday at 6:30 a.m.

"The Children's Corner" is based on "The Slouch in the Couch" series of children's learning books and hosted by Sheriff Stephen J. and his friends on reading adventures and more. Tune in Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6:30 a.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

For info, log on to www.frostburg.edu/fsu-tv3.

Message Board

FSU-TV3 cablecasts an automated educational and community message channel when not showing programming. The channel provides info about FSU events, nonprofit organizations and community events.

Follow FSU-TV3 on www.facebook.com/FSUTV3, <https://twitter.com/fsutv3> and <https://instagram.com/fsutv3>.

Deadlines

Last Day for Undergraduate Grade Changes

The last day for undergraduate grade changes, including removal of incomplete grades for the spring 2015 and summer 2015 semesters, is **Friday, Oct. 9**.

Study Abroad

Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?



Kathleena Morgan – India (January 2015)

The Center for International Education offers a variety of ways for FSU students to see the world. In some cases, students can pay FSU tuition, room and board and study for a semester or a year in Ireland, England, Spain, France, China, Italy, Australia, Peru, South Africa or in many other countries. FSU also offers summer study abroad programs. Financial aid and student loans and scholarships are available. For info, visit the Fuller House (across the street from the Braddock House), call 301-687-4714 or email Victoria Gearhart at vmgearhart@frostburg.edu. Also, check out the CIE web page at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm and the Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/FSUStudyAbroad.

Study Abroad in England at Northumbria University – Spring 2016

Students can study in England for a semester or full year. Tuition and fees are paid to FSU while room and board are paid to Northumbria University. Courses will transfer back to FSU with prior approval. Check out the university at www.northumbria.ac.uk. The application deadline is **Oct. 10**.

Student Life

Edgewood Commons Has Availability for 2015-2016

Edgewood Commons has several female spaces left for the fall 2015 semester and is accepting applications for the spring semester. Contact Edgewood directly for availability.

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.

All the info about Edgewood Commons is available at www.edgewoodFSU.com. To set up a tour or find out more, call 301-689-1370.

Community

Mountainside Baroque Opens Season With Handel's 'Acis and Galatea'



From left, Aaron Sheehan, Estelí Gomez, Bradley King, David Grogan and Jacob Perry Jr.

Mountainside Baroque's new season kicks off on **Saturday, Oct. 3**, and **Sunday, Oct. 4**, with George Frederic Handel's "Acis and

Galatea.” This charming pastoral “little opera,” Handel’s first composition after his move to England, was the most frequently performed composition during the remainder of his life. A performance in Cumberland will take place on **Oct. 3** at 7:30 p.m. at Emmanuel Episcopal Parish on Washington Street in Cumberland. A repeat performance will be presented on **Oct. 4** at 3 p.m. at the Church of the Nativity, Cedarcroft, in Baltimore.

For this performance, Mountainside welcomes an exceptional group of singers and players.

Aaron Sheehan (Acis) has received numerous awards, especially as the tenor lead in opera recordings for the Boston Early Music Festival (BEMF). The BEMF performance of Charpentier’s “La Decente d’Orphé aux Enfers” won the Grammy for best opera recording in 2015. Esteli Gomez (Galatea) divides her time between contemporary and early music. This past June, Bradley King (Damon) took top honors at the James Toland Vocal Arts Competition and won the audience favorite and Masterworks Chorale awards. Tenor Jacob Perry Jr. (Coridon) has performed as a soloist and chorister for the Handel Choir of Baltimore, Countertop Ensemble and hexaCollective; he sings with the vocal ensembles Third Practice and Chantry. David Grogan, a faculty member at the University of Texas at Arlington, has been a favorite soloist for Mountainside.

Supporting the singers will be an orchestra led by celebrated Baroque violinist Cynthia Roberts. Among the other orchestra members is Baroque oboist/recorder player Kathryn Montoya. Mountainside’s Lyle Nordstrom will direct.

Individual tickets are \$20. For info, call 301-338-2940 or visit www.mountainsidebaroque.org. For info and tickets for the Baltimore performance, contact the church at 410-433-4811 or www.nativitycedarcroft.org.

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.

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