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## FSU Celebrates Region's Culture and Resilience With Appalachian Festival

FSU's much-anticipated Appalachian Festival will return for its 10th year **from Thursday, Sept. 17, to Saturday, Sept. 19**. 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.

This year focuses on “Appalachian Resilience,” featuring stories of the residents of Appalachia who use their ingenuity and expertise to overcome daunting challenges to create a strong sense of community and place.



**Playwright  
and activist  
Si Kahn**

Exploration of the topic will begin Thursday with the one-woman play, “Precious Memories,” at 7 p.m. at the Palace Theatre at 31 E. Main St. in Frostburg. The drama, by playwright and legendary community organizer, songwriter and activist Si Kahn, depicts the life of Sarah Ogan Gunning, an unsung hero of American folk/labor music history, and features social activist and musician Sue Massek as Gunning. There will also be a post-play discussion by Kahn, facilitated by Dr. Gregory Wood, an associate professor in the FSU Department of History.

The theme continues Friday with the FSU Appalachian Symposium, which will launch at noon with a brown bag lunch presentation on 50 years of the Appalachian Regional Commission's work in the mountains and conclude with a presentation on “Community Organizing in Appalachia” and a performance by Kahn at 7 p.m. The symposium will provide the community with an opportunity to engage in productive and positive discussions about a regional economy in transition. The issues of energy, economy, labor, food security and sustainable agriculture will be examined. Presented in two segments, the symposium will first focus on “A Transitional Economy: Energy, Labor and Entrepreneurship in Appalachia” and then “Sustainability, Food Security and the Local Foods Movement.” Recognizing that Appalachia's struggles are shaped by larger social and environmental issues, each segment will include two formal presentations on “big picture” issues, followed by a discussion by regional residents working in these realms and grounding these issues in the context of the region.

On Saturday, numerous presentations and performances address the topic of resilience, including Sparky and Rhonda Rucker's presentation “African-American Voices From Spirituals to Freedom, Songs for Social Justice,” a presentation by Engage Mountain Maryland and the presence of numerous organizations working together to improve the quality of life in the region.

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

Throughout the day, two stages will host 21 musical groups from across the region. The Garrett Highlands Pipes and Drums will perform in the center circle on the Upper Quad. Brad and Ken Kolodner, Brush Creek, the Davis and Elkins Appalachian Dance Ensemble, Allegheny Drifters, the Barnstormers and RockCandy Cloggers, Old Pitch, Bear Hill Bluegrass, and Marv Ashby and High Octane will perform on the Compton stage. On the Sowers stage, On the Run, the Davis Bradley Duo, Rachel Eddy, Time Travelers, Amy Lough Fabbri and Amanda Barger, Sparky and Rhonda Rucker, Loretta Hummel and Robert Broadwater, Twang, the Lickety Split Banjo Boys, Greg Latta, and Cory and Heather Wharton will appear. The Frostburg Arion Band will perform across from Old Main, at the top of the Upper Quad.



**Jayme Stone's Lomax  
Project**

Focusing on songs collected by folklorist and field recording pioneer Alan Lomax, Jayme Stone's Lomax Project will appear from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Cook Chapel for a “collaboratory” session that aims to bring to life the history, stories and traditions that underpin music so participants experience firsthand how music can build a bridge to other cultures and make inroads to their own. This workshop will include discussion, performance and Q&A.

Those interested in stories and music should check out Storytelling from 12:45 to 1:15 p.m. in Cook Chapel. Accomplished storytellers Sparky and Rhonda Rucker, Adam Booth, Katie and Otto Ross, Rich Knoblich and Jo Ann Dadisman will enchant the audience with stories and lore inspired by their Appalachian upbringings. Then at 3:30 p.m., join Kahn, Jay Smar, Michael and Carrie Line, and Massek as they explore Songs for Social Justice – from slavery, to mining and labor struggles, to the Civil Rights Movement and beyond.

Throughout the day, attendees can check out the Explorations Tent. Topics include community organizing in Appalachia; an up-close view of the region’s wildlife; the status of Maryland’s moratorium on fracking; the history of Brownsville, a Frostburg neighborhood where FSU is now that was once home to a substantial African-American community but has since disappeared; Engage Mountain Maryland, dedicated to mindful growth of the area; and Frostburg Grows, FSU’s innovative, sustainable agriculture training center. In the Folkways Tent, they can also learn all about the banjo and how to clog, square dance and play the dulcimer.

A variety of artisans are also featured throughout the festival, offering tatting, pottery, braided rugs, jewelry, knitting, basket making, stained glass, portrait art, photography, decorative gourds, fiber arts, woodworking, hooked rugs, quilted bags, pewter, beeswax items and natural personal and home care products. Also on the grounds are the Western Maryland Chapter of the Archeological Society, the Allegheny Highlands Alliance, Home Ground, Engage Mountain Maryland, the Frostburg Museum, New Meadow Run Community, Campus Ministry at FSU, the FSU Multimedia Learning Center and other organizations.

In addition to plenty of food and entertainment for all ages, the festival will provide activities and programming specifically for children, who can join in sing-alongs with multi-instrumentalist Ray Owen; join the Sunnyside Band and play along on spoons, jugs, washboards and all kinds of instruments from other countries; take a musical journey through the region’s past with Massek; paint goat-shaped silhouettes at the Capering Kids 4-H Goat Club display; and make traditional Appalachian toys at Hands-on Art.

The festival will conclude with a capstone concert featuring Jayme Stone’s Lomax Project on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Palace Theatre. Two-time Juno-winning banjoist, composer and instigator Jayme Stone makes music inspired by sounds from around the world, bridging folk, jazz and chamber music. His award-winning albums defy and honor the banjo’s long role in the world’s music, turning historical connections into compelling music. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15.30 for FSU staff and youth under 17, and \$5 for FSU students. To purchase tickets, visit the Lane University Center box office or call 301-687-3137.

To learn more about the FSU Appalachian Festival, visit [www.frostburg.edu/events/afestival](http://www.frostburg.edu/events/afestival), look for it on Facebook or email Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas at [krogersthomas@frostburg.edu](mailto:krogersthomas@frostburg.edu).

## Student Activities/CES Present New Underground Club Series On the EDGE



Kellylee Evans

Student Activities, in collaboration with CES at FSU, will offer an exciting new underground club series at FSU for 2015-16. The series, titled On the EDGE, will present cutting-edge performers who stretch the boundaries of their art forms. All shows will be held **on Thursdays** and will begin at 8:15 p.m. in the Lane University Center’s Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall.

The series opens on **Oct. 1** with singer and songwriter Kellylee Evans, who incorporates soul, pop, hip-hop, jazz, blues and Caribbean music into her magnetic performances. With an electric, eclectic style that conjures up the spirit of Nina Simone, Evans’ irresistibly original sound is simultaneously fresh and retro.

Additional On the EDGE productions are as follows:

- OVEOUS, **Nov. 19**
- The Becca Stevens Band, **Dec. 3**
- Well-Strung, **March 3**
- Zuzu African Acrobats, **April 21**

On the EDGE performances feature informal table seating, comfortable couch and armchair seating, snacks and beverage options. After each performance, patrons are encouraged to mingle as the venue transitions into the relaxed social environment of the After Room.

On the EDGE tickets are \$15. To order, call 1-866-849-9237 or 301-687-3137 or visit <http://ces.frostburg.edu>.

## Theatre

### CAST to Perform ‘The Taming of the Shrew’



Katherina, played by Kate Reid, offers a chilly response to the attentions of Petruccio, played by Toby Marlow.

The English Department will once again bring the Cambridge American Stage Tour to FSU for a performance of Shakespeare’s “The Taming of the Shrew” on **Monday, Sept. 14**, at 7:30 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. Tickets are \$6 for students and \$12 for general admission. Tickets will be available at the door.

In this play, the rebellious Katherina must consent to marriage before her sickly sweet, and much desired, younger sister Bianca is allowed to be a wife. While Petruccio attempts to “tame” the elder sister, suitors battle to win the younger by disguising themselves, all under the watchful eye of Baptista, their father.

A play within a play, and high on music, dance and laughs, Shakespeare’s greatest comedy is full to the brim of plot twists and turns. Shakespeare’s scintillating dialogue, foolery and daring schemes are jam-packed into a two-hour performance of romance and revenge.

CAST, established in 2000 by Dame Judi Dench, is one of the major international theatre tours of the University of Cambridge. Each September, Cambridge’s most talented actors, directors, designers and technicians travel across the Atlantic to bring a Shakespeare play to colleges, high schools and professional theatres.

For info, call 301-687-4221. To learn more about CAST productions, visit [www.castcambridge.com](http://www.castcambridge.com).

## 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.

## Readings

### Steven Sherrill to Appear at FSU Center for Literary Arts



The FSU Center for Literary Arts (formerly the Center for Creative Writing) will present a reading by Steven Sherrill on **Thursday, Sept. 17**, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lyric Theater at 20 E. Main St. in Frostburg.

Sherrill is a writer and an associate professor of English and integrative arts at Penn State University, Altoona, where he teaches, paints and captains the Allegheny Bilge Rats Shanty Choir.

Sherrill’s first novel, “The Minotaur Takes a Cigarette Break,” was translated into eight languages and was recently released as an audio book. His second novel, “Visits From the Drowned Girl,” was nominated by Random House for the Pulitzer Prize. Sherrill has published two other novels, “The Locktender’s House” and “JOY, PA,” as well as a collection of poetry, “Ersatz Anatomy.” He has also written articles on contemporary artists for Modern Painters and TATE Magazine.

For info on Sherrill, visit [www.stevensherrill.com](http://www.stevensherrill.com). For info on the center, contact Gerry LaFemina at [glafemina@frostburg.edu](mailto:glafemina@frostburg.edu).

## Presentations

### Dr. Anthony Dukes to Present at Mathematics Seminar

The Department of Mathematics will host Dr. Anthony Dukes on **Wednesday, Sept. 23**, at 7 p.m. in room 156 of the Gira Center. In a presentation titled “A Mathematical Approach to Bargaining,” Dukes will discuss the late John Nash’s solution to the bargaining problem and present several interesting applications related to problems in business, economics, political science and everyday life.

Dukes is an associate professor of marketing at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles and a visiting scholar at Humboldt University in Berlin. In his research, he applies game theory to understand firms’ marketing strategies, particularly as it applies to pricing, retail and distribution channels, and antitrust.

For info, contact Dr. Marc Michael at [mmichael@frostburg.edu](mailto:mmichael@frostburg.edu).

### Fall Academic Enrichment Series

**Beth Stallings**, director/freshman advisor, Center for Academic Advising and Retention, will discuss “Designing Your Academic Strategy Plan” on **Tuesday, Sept. 8**, from 11 a.m. to noon and **Thursday, Sept. 10**, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Both sessions will be held in room 127B of the Gira Center. Want more information and hands-on experience designing an Academic Strategy Plan in PAWS? Come learn how to easily create a plan that will help you focus and achieve good academic standing! If you want an extra tool to help you calculate potential grades and improve your GPA, then this workshop is for you. If you are on academic warning or probation, an Academic Strategy Plan is required.

Librarian **Theresa Mastrodonato** will present “Search in eBooks” on **Wednesday, Sept. 9**, from 3 to 4 p.m. and **Friday, Sept. 11**, from 1 to 2 p.m. in room 127A of the Gira Center. This session will show students how to search for eBooks using OneSearch and how to download these books to mobile devices. In addition, students will be shown tips and tricks on how to use OneSearch for all their research needs, including finding electronic articles.

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



# Appalachian Laboratory Fall Seminar Series

Dr. Andrew Elmore, UMCES Appalachian Laboratory, will present “What I Learned While on Sabbatical in Melbourne, VIC” on **Thursday, Sept. 17**, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For info, go to [www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule](http://www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule).

## Points of Pride

### FSU’s Social Work Program Earns Reaccreditation

FSU’s baccalaureate program in Social Work recently earned reaccreditation from the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), joining the 773 programs that have received accreditation nationwide. The reaccreditation affirms the program’s ongoing excellence in preparing students for successful careers in social work.

“National accreditation confirms the quality of Frostburg’s program and is required for graduates to be licensed as social workers,” said Dr. Ahmad Tootoonchi, FSU’s interim provost. “I want to recognize the hard work of the faculty, staff, students and internship supervisors in the community that earned the program a top rating based on national professional standards.”

To receive reaccreditation, FSU performed a comprehensive self-study and underwent a review by CSWE site visitors, including an extensive program evaluation based on the success of past graduates, which can be viewed online at [www.frostburg.edu/dept/sowk/assessment](http://www.frostburg.edu/dept/sowk/assessment). The program was first accredited in 1995.

For info, contact the Department of Social Work at 301-687-7437 or visit [www.frostburg.edu/dept/sowk](http://www.frostburg.edu/dept/sowk).

### Dr. Shawn Golden-Llewellyn Honored as Outstanding Faculty/Staff Member



*Dr. Shawn Golden-Llewellyn*, associate director for Counseling and Psychological Services at FSU, was honored with the 2015 FSU Outstanding Faculty/Staff Member Award at the 2014-2015 FSU Leadership Awards Reception. Golden-Llewellyn’s nominator described her as someone who “sets the bar for what it means to be a student-centered professional.” Her work helps to provide support to FSU students in all aspects of their college careers, within Counseling and Psychological Services. She is also the chair for the President’s Advisory Council for Gender-Based Violence.

### Douglas Baer Named Outstanding Student Organization Advisor



*Douglas Baer*, FSU’s director of Office of Leadership and Experiential Learning, has been honored with the Outstanding Student Organization Advisor Award at the 2014-2015 FSU Leadership Awards Reception. Baer is a passionate advisor for multiple organizations. Each week, he provides support and encouragement for Phi Mu Delta, the national fraternity. Baer has also nurtured LEAD – Learn Empower Act Develop – an organization seeking to foster leadership development for all FSU students. In addition to his work on campus, he has traveled to China, Dubai, Prague, India, Uganda and the Amazon Rain Forest with FSU President’s Leadership Circle students to help them to see all the wonders of the world.

### Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity Honors Jamie Winters



**From left, Michael Bartholomew, colony vice president of Communications, Jamie Winters and Austin Gardener, colony vice president of Education and Development**

Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity recently honored Jamie Winters with its Outstanding Campus Professional Award at the Presidential Awards Banquet during its 120th Anniversary Leadership Convention. Winters is the assistant director of Student Activities at FSU.

The award recognizes the most outstanding campus-based professional from an institution where a Pilam chapter is located. Regardless of the person’s specific title, this individual, who is responsible for fraternity and sorority life on his or her campus, is someone who goes above and beyond to help the Pilam chapter and its members as well as the entire fraternity and sorority community.

During spring semester of 2014, Pi Lambda Phi re-colonized at FSU. The return to campus was scheduled after a mutual decision made by Pilam and the University to close the former chapter in spring of 2011.

## Take Note

### Search for FSU President Now Under Way

The presidential search is under way, and FSU has engaged the search firm Lochlin Partners to work directly with the Search and Screening Committee. Lochlin Partners is a boutique executive search firm headquartered in McLean, Va. **Pat Friel**, an FSU alum, will lead the executive search team from Lochlin and is engaging in a series of meetings with University administration, faculty and the FSU community.

The Search and Screening Committee encourages faculty, staff and students to participate in a campus forum to discuss the search process and the desired profile of the next president of FSU. Friel and Pam Pezzoli of Lochlin Partners will be on campus on **Thursday, Sept. 17**. Campus forums will be offered from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in Lane 111.

Each session will begin with an overview of the search timeline within University System of Maryland guidelines, field questions about the process and engage the campus community in a discussion about the challenges and opportunities for the next president.

For info about the search, visit [www.frostburg.edu/presidential-search](http://www.frostburg.edu/presidential-search). To submit inquiries, comments and nominations for the next president, email the Search and Screening Committee and Lochlin Partners at [FSUPresidentSearch@LochlinPartners.com](mailto:FSUPresidentSearch@LochlinPartners.com).

## FSU to Host MIPS-TEDCO Funding Briefing

The Maryland Industrial Partnerships Program (MIPS) program and the Maryland Technology Development Corporation (TEDCO) will jointly host a free briefing about how faculty and local businesses can participate in their funding programs at FSU on **Sept. 17**, from 2 to 4 p.m. in room 397 of the Gira Center.

MIPS provides funding – matched by participating companies – for university-based research projects that help companies develop new products. MIPS funding goes directly to faculty for research that helps the companies commercialize a product.

Ronnie Gist, MIPS associate director, will give a presentation, followed by a question-and-answer period and one-on-one meetings if desired.

TEDCO is the go-to source for entrepreneurial support and guidance for startups and early-stage companies engaged in bringing innovative ideas to the market. For more than a decade, the organization has provided funding, mentoring and networking opportunities to support Maryland’s innovation ecosystem. From bringing research created in Maryland’s educational institutions and federal laboratories into the commercial marketplace to supporting emerging technologies, TEDCO plays a key role in the state’s startup ecosystem.

Neil Davis, TEDCO’s director of Entrepreneurial Development, will give a presentation on the funding programs available to Maryland entrepreneurs.

MIPS has supported research projects with more than 400 Maryland companies since 1987.

Benefits of MIPS funding for faculty include:

- New product development
- Potential for published papers and improved university facilities
- Valuable experience for students working on commercial technologies
- Rapid proposal evaluations – notification of awards within 60 days of the proposal deadline

Benefits of MIPS funding for Maryland companies include:

- Cost-effective research by collaborating with university faculty
- Access to expert university faculty, students, state-of-the-art facilities, laboratories and equipment
- Efficient transfer of technology from universities to companies
- Opportunity to work with students – potential future hires

MIPS funds an average of 30 projects per year. Applications are due **May 1** and **Oct. 15** each year.

Research supported by MIPS may broadly be in engineering, computer science, physical, environmental and life sciences. MIPS also supports projects designed to help a company plan and develop industrial training programs for its employees.

For info about the MIPS-TEDCO briefing, contact Linda Steele, program specialist at FSU, at 301-687-4137 or [lsteele@frostburg.edu](mailto:lsteele@frostburg.edu).

## FSU Partners With University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Vanung University in Taiwan for Hospitality Management Program



Students in FSU’s collaborative hospitality management concentration will have the opportunity to study a semester in Taiwan at Vanung University, where its teaching hotel and demonstration kitchens, like the one shown, offer a global perspective on the industry.

FSU students will have a unique immersive international opportunity in hospitality management thanks to a new partnership with Vanung University in Taiwan and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. Starting in the spring semester 2016, students can earn a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a concentration in Hospitality Management from FSU.

Frostburg offers a seamless collaborative program where students, while taking courses at three universities, will pay tuition and course fees through FSU and receive an FSU degree upon completion. After completing general education credits, students will take management, small business, entrepreneurship, human resources management and management electives from FSU’s accredited College of Business. Students are also required to complete an internship as part of the program, whether through Rocky Gap Casino Resort or other area hotels and resorts.

UMES will offer online hospitality management courses to the FSU students, including online marketing for hospitality and leisure services, online law for the hospitality industry and hospitality management electives.

During fall semesters, FSU students will fly to Vanung University in Taiwan with a faculty advisor where they will enroll in four six-week courses to gain experience in restaurant management and beverage control, partake in a wine seminar, learn air service customer service management and more. This segment of the program will be open to UMES students as well.

For info, contact Dr. Michael Monahan, associate professor and chair of the FSU Department of Management, or Dr. Tom

## FSU Promotes Student Achievement Through Merit



FSU students don't need to keep track of major awards, accomplishments and involvement to eventually build a resume. The University does it for them on a personalized, public Merit page.

Used by more than 300 colleges in the United States, Merit allows institutions to recognize and promote accomplishments and connect those achievements back to tailored audiences that have a vested interest in each student. Every student has a Merit page automatically created online, which is then updated by the Office of News & Media when they make the dean's list, earn a scholarship, win an award or are inducted into an honor society.

If a student wants to enhance his or her Merit page with additional activities, awards or internships, that student can further customize this self-building resume. Ultimately, students' Merit pages become a collaborative, verified record of success they can share with potential employers.

With more than 70 percent of recruiters in the U.S. reporting that they've rejected candidates because of information they found online, Merit gives students a hub for positive information about themselves. Plus, because updates to students' Merit pages also reach friends and family via social media and other channels, the success of FSU's students helps the University tell its story in a personalized way.

"At Merit, our goal is to make every student's Merit page a place where their verified achievements and affiliations tell the story of their success in college and beyond," said Colin Mathews, CEO of Merit, which launched in 2013 and now includes more than 3 million students with Merit pages.

Students will receive an email in late September from FSU News when new students' names are uploaded to Merit. If you have a directory restriction on your PAWS account, your name will not be uploaded, but you can be added by emailing [news@frostburg.edu](mailto:news@frostburg.edu) and giving us permission. Other students can still opt out of the Merit service at that point by responding to the email they receive from Merit. Returning students who already have claimed their Merit pages don't need to do anything else.

## Mumps in the Local Community

Four cases of mumps have recently been identified in a local high school. Mumps is caused by a virus and is an uncommon disease, thanks to immunizations. The MMR (Measles/Mumps/Rubella) vaccine is required prior to school entrance, with the first dose given at age 15 months and a booster dose given before starting kindergarten. It provides protection against mumps, but it is not 100 percent effective. Outbreaks are more likely to occur with close contact, such as in households, schools, camps or college residence halls. That's why FSU requires two doses of the MMR vaccine for all students.

Brady Health wants students to be aware of the signs and symptoms of mumps, which are fever, headache, muscle aches, tiredness and loss of appetite. But the symptom it is best known for is the swelling of the salivary glands, causing puffy cheeks/jaw. If you think you may have been in close contact with someone who may have this disease and you are exhibiting some of these signs, contact Brady Health at 301-687-4310. And remember these prevention tips for mumps as well as many other diseases: frequent hand-washing, covering the mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing and not sharing eating utensils, drinks and cups with other people.

More info on the mumps can be found at [www.cdc.gov/mumps](http://www.cdc.gov/mumps).

## Students, You've Got Lots of Mail!

The resident student mailroom, located in Frederick Hall and operated by the Residence Life Office, has instituted some changes that make it easier for on-campus students to receive packages. The student mailroom is operated by one full-time staff member, **Paula Livingston**, who processed more than 18,000 packages for students last year!

The regular operating hours for the mailroom window have been adjusted to 9 a.m. to 5:15 p.m., Monday through Friday. The mailroom window will continue to be closed on weekends and holidays, although students may retrieve items from their mailboxes from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. seven days a week. The mailroom will also be open as needed during weather closings and holidays.

Beginning last month, a new electronic package tracking system allows for electronic receipt signatures and automatic email notification for residents with packages at the student mailroom. This new system works in conjunction with all carriers' tracking systems. Students must present their student ID to collect packages; no one will be allowed to pick up packages for friends. Off-campus residents must have their packages delivered to their own addresses.

Campus mail addressed to residents should include their name and their room number and hall. For mail coming from off-campus, the additional address is 1 Sand Spring Dr., Frostburg, MD 21532.

Mail for RLO supervisory staff, including RDs, HRs and interns, should be addressed to the Residence Life Office (101 Braddock Rd.) rather than the student mailroom.

Mail for non-students living in the residence halls, such as visiting faculty and interns, should be addressed to their affiliated department, 101 Braddock Rd. address, rather than the student mailroom.

Letters, magazines, small parcels and other correspondence will be placed in each resident's assigned mailbox, so students are encouraged to check mailboxes regularly, even if they have not received an email package notification.

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## FSU Veterans Center Open for Fall Semester!



The FSU Veterans Center – the new home for the Veterans Services Office and the Student Veterans of America Frostburg Chapter – is open for the fall 2015 semester. This meeting space and lounge is a full-service resource center for FSU's student veterans and military service members and dependents. Be sure to check out the Facebook page at <http://on.fb.me/1Ez3Mlc>.

## Swim Team Tryouts

Anyone who would like to try out for the Men's or Women's Swimming team is invited to check with Coach Anderson in the Cordts PE Center, office 285. To schedule a meeting, email [jaanderson@frostburg.edu](mailto:jaanderson@frostburg.edu) or call 301-687-3135.

## Women's Basketball Team

Anyone who would like to try out for the Women's Basketball team is invited to check with Coach Saunders in the Cordts PE Center, office 287, for more info.

## Frostburg Annual Block Party

Sponsored by the city of Frostburg Parks and Recreation Department and FSU Student Activities, the annual Block Party will be held **Wednesday, Sept. 9**, from 6 to 10 p.m. on Main Street. The event is held to welcome back and introduce students to the local community. Vendors, businesses and organizations are invited to set up on Main Street and show the students what they have to offer. Residents are invited to greet the students and enjoy an evening of music, food and games. Be sure to enter the Seventh Annual Hot Pepper-Eating Contest, which starts on the Main Street stage at 8 p.m.! For info or to register a business or organization, email [bvought@frostburgcity.org](mailto:bvought@frostburgcity.org).

## September Displays at Ort Library

The Lewis J. Ort Library is exhibiting four displays in September. The first display, on the third floor, highlights the resources that the library offers to students, faculty and staff, showcasing resources from reference, government documents, special collections, print magazines/journals and books that can be checked out.

The second display, also on the third floor, highlights some of the foreign language literature books in French, Spanish, German and Russian that the library has in its collection.

The third display, on the fourth floor, highlights four 20th-century American artists whose books are located in Special Collections – Georgia O'Keeffe, Maurice Sendak, Norman Rockwell and Andrew Wyeth. A short biography on each artist is also provided.

The fourth display, on the fifth floor, celebrates Constitution Day (**Sept. 17**). The theme for this year's display is "Life. Liberty. Freedom. Prosperity." The display highlights how the Constitution has played a part in the United States, embodying life, liberty, freedom and prosperity.

## University Store Fall Semester Hours

Regular hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. The University Store will be closed for Thanksgiving break from **Wednesday, Nov. 25, through Friday, Nov. 27**.

### Open Houses

- **Saturdays, Oct. 10 and 31, Nov. 14 and 21**, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Homecoming

- **Saturday, Oct. 17**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### University Store Shed at Bobcat Stadium

The shed will be open for home football games. Discounts offered are 15 percent off imprinted gifts and glassware and 20 percent off apparel.

- **Saturday, Sept. 12**, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- **Saturdays, Oct. 3 and 17, Nov. 7**, noon to 3 p.m.

### Commencement

- **Saturday, Dec. 19**, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## 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](#) on Twitter or visit [facebook.com/commencementatfrostburg](#) for updates and important info throughout the semester.

## 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](mailto:vmgearhart@frostburg.edu). Also, check out the CIE webpage 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 a couple of spaces left for the fall 2015 semester. All the information 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

### Mountainside Baroque to Kick Off Season



Mountainside Baroque will kick off its new season on **Saturday, Oct. 3, and Sunday, Oct. 4**, with George Frederic Handel's "Acis and Galatea." A performance in Cumberland will take place on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Emmanuel Episcopal Parish on Washington Street. A repeat performance will be presented on Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Church of the Nativity, Cedarcroft, in Baltimore. This charming pastoral opera, Handel's first composition after his move to England in 1718, was the most frequently performed composition during the remainder of his life.

For this concert, Mountainside welcomes recent Grammy winners Aaron Sheehan (as Acis) and Ésteli Gomez (as Galatea). Supporting the singers will be an orchestra led by celebrated Baroque violinist Cynthia Roberts. Playing in the orchestra will be Baroque oboist/recorder player Kathryn Montoya, who was featured on the Boston Early Music Festival's Grammy-winning recording.

For info, call 301-338-2940 or visit [www.mountainsidebaroque.org](#). For info on the Baltimore performance, contact the Church of the Nativity at 410-433-4811 or [www.nativitycedarcroft.org](#).

### Allegany Co. Health Department Presents 'The Survivor's Quilt' Raffle



The Allegany County Health Department's Breast and Cervical Cancer Program will raffle off a handmade quilt on **Oct. 30**. Proceeds will benefit the Schwab Family Cancer Center. Tickets are available from the health department for \$1 each. For info, call 301-759-5083 or check out the Facebook page at [http://on.fb.me/1LRLOTN](#).

## 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.



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# September Is Campus Fire Safety Month



- **Never disable a smoke alarm or any other fire protection equipment.**
- **Don't overload electrical outlets and use extension cords properly.**
- **Don't burn candles.**
- **Use a surge protector for your computer and plug the protector directly into an outlet.**
- **Learn to properly use and maintain heating and cooking appliances.**

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2. Improve facilities so that students live and learn in a modern and technologically sophisticated environment.
3. Increase student quality and improve student persistence to graduation.

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