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## FSUF Receives 2nd Largest Cash Gift in University History

#### Donation Reflects Couple's Dedication to Frostburg

The FSU Foundation, Inc., recently received a donation of more than \$600,000—the second largest single cash gift ever given to the University—from the estate of Frostburg residents and longtime champions of the University, Ralph and Martha Race.

The Ralph and Martha Race charitable remainder trust gift will benefit endowments for western history education students and a lecture series. The majority of the Races' donation will go toward scholarships and will provide awards to junior, senior or graduate students in FSU's College of Education.

"Ralph was one of the longest-serving members of the FSU Foundation and its first named Pinnacle Award recipient. He led by example and assisted the development effort in many ways," said Jack Aylor, director of the FSU Foundation, Inc. "He was able to use a charitable remainder trust arrangement during his lifetime and benefited future generations by naming the FSU Foundation as a beneficiary."

Ralph Race died in 2006. His wife passed away in 2000. The Races were both actively involved in FSU. Ralph



Race took an active role with a group of city leaders who helped Frostburg State President Lillian Compton rescue the college from closure in the 1940s. He joined the FSU Foundation in 1976 and two years later

became treasurer, a post he would hold for 12 years. Ralph was also president and chairman of the board of Fidelity Bank. His community commitments were countless, including a 73-year affiliation with the Rotary Club and many City of Frostburg and local civic committee.

Martha Race was deeply involved in community activities as well, including the drive to build a new library in downtown Frostburg.

"Ralph and Martha were mainstream supporters of FSU for many years," Aylor said. "Ralph was responsible for generating many of the FSU Foundation's scholarship endowments from alumni, friends and organizations. The legacy of the Race family name will continue in perpetuity with FSU."

The FSU Foundation is having a record-



setting year for gifts in support of FSU, with over \$2.3 million in gifts and pledges, including \$200,000 to the FSUF Annual Fund. The FSUF manages assets exceeding \$14 million, providing over \$2 million of annual support for FSU students and programs. For more information contact the FSU Foundation at 301-687-4200 or via the Web at www.frostburg.edu/admin/foundation.



Dr. Sudhir Singh

### Professor Honored with USM Award for Service

Dr. Sudhir Singh, a professor of finance in the FSU Department of Marketing and Finance, was honored at the spring meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents with the Regents' Faculty Award for Public Service.

Dr. Singh is a leader and guiding force in fostering FSU's regional economic development efforts. His most significant achievement lies in his joint work with one of his colleagues, Dr. Keramat Poorsoltan of the Department of Management, on The Trident Initiative: Pathways to Entrepreneurship Education,

which was funded with a prestigious three-year grant from the Coleman Foundation. Through this multi-faceted project, the University serves as a catalyst for promoting interaction among regional agencies and small businesses in an effort to make the business climate in Western Maryland more hospitable to attracting and sustaining new businesses in the region, and to build awareness of the economic possibilities in Western Maryland.

Additionally, Dr. Singh won grant support from the Appalachian Regional Commission to support feasibility studies for the creation of centers for the arts in the local community. He also played a founding role in the establishment of the Financial Planning Certifi-

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cate Program at FSU in early 2003 and serves as its director.

"Dr. Singh is a thoughtful and persistent leader who has successfully sought grant support to facilitate his vision for regional economic development," said FSU President Jonathan Gibralter. "He is a great asset to this University and to this region."

"I feel supremely fortunate, blessed, and humbled to have received this most coveted recognition, but I feel I must share it with the many people at FSU who have supported my efforts throughout my tenure here," said Dr. Singh. "This honor would not have been possible without the various productive partnerships and winning collaborations that were established along the way within the College of Business, the University and the community."

Established in 1995, the Faculty Awards are the highest honors presented to USM faculty by the Board of Regents. The Regents Faculty Award Committee, comprised of faculty from the USM's research and comprehensive institutions as well as one member from the System office staff, receives nominations from the president of each institution, along with the nominees' portfolios. The portfolios provide documentation of outstanding performance in the award category for which the faculty member is nominated. Each nominee must have served as a USM faculty member for at least five years

This year, 17 USM educators and researchers were presented with the 2006-2007 Regents' Faculty Awards during the Board's April 13 meeting at the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science's Chesapeake Biological Laboratory in Solomons, Md. The awards recognize the faculty members' professional accomplishments in the areas of research, scholarship, and creative activity; teaching; public service; mentoring; and collaboration. Each award recipient receives \$1,000 and a plaque of recognition for the honor.

#### Literature



### Acclaimed Author to Give Reading

The FSU Department of English and Center for Creative Writing will present a reading by acclaimed author Tim Seibles on Monday, May 7, at 7:30 p.m. in Frost Hall's Cook Chapel. There will be a reception following the reading. This event is free and open to the public.

Philadelphia-native Tim Seibles has authored several books of poems, including "Hurdy-Gurdy," "Hammerlock" and, most recently, "Buffalo Head Solos." He is a former National Endowment for the Arts fellow and has been a writing fellow at the Provincetown Fine Arts Work Center in Massachusetts.

Seibles' work has been featured in anthologies such as "Manthology," "Rainbow Darkness," "Evensong," "The Autumn House Anthology" and "Under



Tim Seibles

the Rock Umbrella." Seibles lives in Norfolk, Va., where he is a faculty member in Old Dominion University's English Department.

For more information, contact the FSU Department of English at x4221 or the Center for Creative Writing at x4024.



#### Music

### Percussion Ensemble Concert Set for May 10

FSU's Percussion Ensemble will present a diverse array of selections during a special performance at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at the Pealer Recital Hall in the Performing Arts Center.

The concert is free and open to the public and is directed by Ronald Horner, with Daniel Abbott serving as student conductor.

The concert will include a lively program with selections from noted composers and musicians such as "Timesliding Towards Twirling" by Steve Riley; "Ostinato-A-Koto" by Tory Breaux; "Ancient Tower Bells" by Steve Riley (conducted by Abbott); "Sinister Minister" by Bela Fleck, arranged by David Steinquest; "Dill Pickles" by Charles Johnson, arranged by Ed Argenziano; "Carlsbad" by Earl Hatch; and "El Caribe" by Lalo Davila.

Featured performers include Daniel Abbott, Milton Alexander, Ryan Atlow, Kaetie Combs, Emily Finch, Amanda Funkhouser, Mark Gauthier, Gregory Harris, Hannah Lagno; Wayne Schmidt, Trevor Seits, Colin Shultzaberger, Sally Stephenson and Abbie Vanderwest.

For more information, please contact FSU's Division of Performing Arts-Music at x4109.

### **Local Music Benefit For Mass Comm**

To bring attention to Western Maryland's vibrant and growing music scene, the FSU's Department of Mass Communication will host the fourth annual Mind Culture Original Music concert on Friday, May 11, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Club on Main Street in Frostburg, Md. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

"This is a great opportunity for area folks to sample some of the incredible musical talent available in this area," said John Lombardi, FSU Department of Mass Communication chair and instructor of the class that produces the Mind Culture Original Music project.

Each spring, mass communication students create a compilation music CD featuring groups and solo artists from around the region. The culmination of the Mind Culture project is a live concert featuring artists from the CD. Several bands and solo artists encompassing a variety of musical genres will perform. All proceeds will benefit the Department of Mass Communication through the FSU Foundation, Inc.

For more information, call x3049 or email mcom@frostburg.edu.

### Free Performances Highlight FSU Talent

The Division of Performing Arts -Music will present several free performances this week.

The **FSU Clarinet Studio** will perform a special recital at 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, in the PAC Pealer Recital Hall. **Mark Gallagher** will direct the concert, with **Betty Jane Phillips** on piano.

Sopranos **Alexandra Cozart** and **Kyrsta Deering** will give a joint junior recital at 8 p.m. Friday, May 11, in the PAC Pealer Recital Hall.

The **FSU Flute Ensemble**, featuring **Kristin Bacchiocchi-Stewart**, will perform at 11 a.m. Sunday, May 13, at the Osborne Newman Center, 130 S. Broadway St.

Then at 3 p.m. Sunday, the **FSU Wind Ensemble**, directed by **William Robinson**, will perform at the PAC Pealer Recital Hall.

For more information on these recitals, call x4109.

#### Visual Art



#### Student Talent Shines in 'Furia'

"Furia," an exhibition featuring artwork by Sheila Beadling, Jennifer Berkow, Racquel Lockett and Lindsay Weaver, all seniors at FSU, will be exhibited at the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery May 12 through May 17. The opening reception is scheduled for Saturday, May 12, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the gallery.

Beadling will display works as both a photographer and graphic designer. Her photography emphasizes traditional black and white portraiture that calls upon her models to convey complex feelings and emotions that the artist wishes to address.

Berkow's works on paper include both printmaking and collage. Glorifying the mundane and commonplace, she pays particular attention to texture through the use of textiles, papers and found objects.

Lockett will display various works from graphics and painting, having a dual focus within the fields. Consistent in the artist's works is the ongoing experimentation with her paintbrush, which offers dynamic lines that display her growing imagination and exploration within the arts.

Weaver's works display a heightened awareness of culture and heritage in both her prints and ceramics. Channeling elements of nature, technology and historical pasts, the artist seeks to tell stories and express her passions through her artwork.

The Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery has free admission and is open to the public Sunday through Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m. For more information about the exhibition, please contact FSU Department of Visual Arts at x4797.

Film



### Check Out Controversial Wal-Mart Documentary

The FSU Programming Council Film Committee will show "Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price" Thursday, May 10, at 7 p.m. in The Lane University Center's Atkinson Room 201.

The controversial film is the newest film from director and producer Robert Greenwald, and the first from his new venture, Brave New Films. The film takes the viewer on a deeply personal journey into the everyday lives of families struggling to fight against a goliath.

From a small business owner in Missouri to a preacher in California, to workers in Florida and a poet in Mexico, dozens of film crews on three continents bring the story of an assault on families and American values. Current and former employees, managers and executives will tell all about the corporation's inner workings. This film is based on individual human beings, all over the world, at all levels of society, telling their story in very personal terms.

This event is free and open to the public and sponsored by the University Programming Councils' Film Committee. For more information, call x4411.

#### **Entertainment**



#### Comedy Night Features Jay Black

FSU will host a night of comedy featuring teacher-turned-stand-up-comedian Jay Black in the Lane University Center's Appalachian Station at 9 p.m. on Friday, May 11. This event is free and open to the public and sponsored by the University Programming Council.

Black started out as an English teacher and eventually decided to take his high-energy daytime act and adapt it to a club setting. Through two years in the club and college circuit, he has wowed audiences with his creative take on our absurd existence. Black has been featured on Comedy Zone.

As an added bonus, UPC will be giving away over \$100 in door prizes throughout the night. Prizes include DVDs, gift certificates and more.

For more information, call x4411.



#### Take Note

### Portrait of Gibralter To Be Unveiled

The unveiling of the portrait of President Jonathan Gibralter will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 10, on the fourth floor of the Lewis J. Ort Library. The portrait was painted by Charles Amos. Refreshments will follow the unveiling.

For more info, please call David Gillespie at x4396.

### Volunteer and Help with FSU Arboretum

Got spring fever and want to get working outdoors? The Arboretum Task Force is pleased to announce volunteer opportunities on Saturday, May 12, from noon to 4 p.m. Volunteers are needed to assist in removing invasive plants and replanting native plants. Meet at the gazebo in the stadium parking lot, or join us at your convenience. Wear work



clothes—all tools will be provided. Funding for these events has been provided by the Chesapeake Bay Trust. Contact Dr. Linda Lyon with any questions at x4213.

### NCATE Visit a Success for College of Education

FSU's College of Education and the members of the teacher education unit at FSU recently received a very positive re-accreditation review by visiting teams from NCATE and the Maryland State Department of Education's Board of Examiners. Congratulations and thanks to all the faculty and staff who have worked for many months on the preparation for this visit and who provided a warm and responsive campus reception to the members of the visiting team. This is another in a series of successful accreditation reviews that serve as tangible reminders of the excellence of this institution.

The final decision regarding continued accreditation is made by the Unit Accreditation Board (UAB) at NCATE and the Maryland State Superintendent of Schools. The Board will meet in October 2007. Dr. Steve Simpson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, said the NCATE/MSDE was successful, that all standards were met by all Initial Certification and Advanced programs in the FSU Professional Education Unit and that the Board of Examiners is recommending full continued accreditation of

the Unit. FSU remains accredited by NCATE and MSDE under its original status, which will not change until the UAB reviews the new BOE recommendation

#### **CTE Faculty Reception**

Please join the CTE Advisory Group from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, for an End-of-the-

Semester Reception and reflections on teaching and learning. The CTEAG will host a drop-by reception for all FSU instructors/teachers (all levels) with refreshments and light snacks in Compton 237. Share ideas, offer suggestions for next year,



meet similarly minded colleagues and enjoy a relaxing moment before exams.

During the reception everyone will have the opportunity to sign the pledge! As the final initiative of the school year, CTEAG is sponsoring a pledge drive. We'd like to get as many people as possible to sign the "Teaching Excellence Pledge," which states the following:

"I pledge to strive to be a better participant in the learning process. As a teacher, I pledge to try at least one new technique, approach or activity in each of my courses. When I review the results of my activities and strategies in the classroom, I pledge to focus on learning. I will not ask 'How did I do?' Rather, I will ask 'Are they learning from what I am doing? What can I do differently to encourage them to learn 'better'?'"

This pledge is a simple way for faculty to state a goal for teaching excellence and to reaffirm their commitment to FSU as a teaching and learning institution. Next year, the CTEAG will report the results of the pledge drive and ask people to share their stories at another reception. Everyone who stops by the reception and signs the pledge will be entered in the door-prize giveaway—a \$50 gift certificate to Giuseppe's!

#### FSU Children's Center

Enrollment for 2007-2008 is presently under way for children between the ages of 3 and 5 at the Children's Center. If you would like to visit the Children's Center, please call x4027 to set up an appointment, or e-mail dpayne@frostburg.edu.

#### **Special Ed Institute**

The special education department at FSU will offer the Joe Divico Special Education Summer Institute Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. from June 25 through June 29 at FSU this summer. The Joe Divico Special Education Summer Institute provides special topics to aid in the learning process of students and adults identified with developmentally disabled and special education needs.

Guest speakers and special education

professionals facilitate the week-long program. There is no cost for non-credit attendance. Graduate credit is available. Contact the FSU Office of Graduate Services at x7053 for more details.

For more information contact Dr. Oma Gail Simmons at x4432 or e-mail osimmons@frostburg.edu.

#### **Graduating in May?**

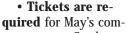
If you are planning to graduate at the end of this semester, please note:

The 130th Commencement Ceremony will be in the Cordts Physical Education Center on Saturday, May 26, at 10 a.m. for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and at 2 p.m. for the College of Business and College of Education

• If you have not filed a graduation application, **YOU MUST** 

## **DO SO IMMEDIATELY.** All mailings related to Commencement are based on those who have filed.

• Commencement information is sent to both your local and permanent address. Please be sure your information is accurate in PAWS.



mencement. Students graduating from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will receive eight tickets each. Students graduating from the College of Business and Education will receive 10 tickets each.

- Caps and gowns are provided at no cost; please submit your order at the University Bookstore now.
- Full commencement details are available on the FSU Web site.

Contact Brittni Teter at x 4423 or bkteter@frostburg.edu or Sheila Pappas, spappas@frostburg.edu if you have any questions about Commencement.

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#### **Alumni Grad Assistant**

The Office of Alumni Programs is looking for a graduate assistant for Fall 2007-Spring 2008. Tuition waiver of no more than 9 credits per term, and 18 credits in a 12-month period; \$2,500 stipend per semester for 20 hours of supervised work per week. Candidates must possess strong organizational and communication skills and be able to work independently as well as part of a team. Candidate must be able to work a flexible schedule including nights and weekends as their academic schedule allows.

Must be computer proficient and able to multi-task. Primary responsibilities include: Assist in the planning and execution of alumni events on and off campus, coordination and implementation of the Homecoming King & Queen competition, perform general office duties as needed, help develop relationships with alumni, faculty, staff and students and assist with mailings and record-keeping of events. If interested,

please contact the Graduate Services Office at x7053 or visit 141 Pullen Hall.

### **Edgewood Commons Hiring Students**

Edgewood Commons is searching for exceptional candidates to fill student staff for both this summer and the upcoming 2007-2008 academic year. The positions are great leadership opportunities for any Frostburg student. The remuneration is a good benefit, as well.

The following positions are open:

• 2007-2008 COMMUNITY ASSISTANTS: Responsible for a floor, wing or area within Edgewood Commons. Helps address students' personal and academic concerns and assists in mediating group conflicts. Encourages a cooperative and considerate group living environment.

**Compensation**: Free housing for the 2007-2008 academic year.

• SUMMER APARTMENT
PREPARATION CREW: Prepares
apartment complex for fall occupancy. Compensation: Free
housing in exchange for 15 hours
of work per week; \$7.50 per hour
for remaining hours up to 40 hours
per week.

• SUMMER COMMUNITY
ASSISTANTS: Summer Conference
Assistants (SCAs) work as part of a
team that manages the summer

community desk operation and supports housing needs. SCAs staff the desk in Edgewood Commons, which includes duties such as conducting registrations, responding to emergencies and providing various desk services. **Compensation**: Free housing plus \$6.15 per hour for work at the desk as customer service representative.

• SUMMER LEASING AGENT: Responsibilities in the position of Summer Leasing Agent are numerous. The primary tasks include customer relations/service, helping with the marketing efforts, tours of the model apartment, participating in open houses and leasing of the building. Compensation: Free housing in exchange for 15 hours of work per week; \$6.50 per hour for remaining hours up to 40 hours per week.

• PEER MENTOR: Twelve Peer Mentors are selected to live in either the Residence Halls or Edgewood Commons to assist with our First-Year Experience/Freshmen Connection programs. They will work closely with incoming freshmen to aid in academic and social support to ensure a smooth transition. We are looking for students with a 3.0 GPA or better. Contact Residence Life at x4121 or Edgewood Commons at (301) 689-1371 with recommendations.



#### **Fund-Raisers**

#### **P&E Club Selling Mugs**

The FSU Physics and Engineering Club is now selling mugs featuring the club logo for \$12, in addition to Tshirts for \$10, to support clubsponsored activities like the campus Physics and Engineering Day. The Club meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday in CSC 233. For information, contact Eric Moore at x4500 or ejmoore@frostburg.edu.



### Want to Get Your Message on FSU TV3?

If you have an announcement about an activity that you would like to advertise on the TV3 message board, log on to www.frostburg.edu/dept/mcom/channel3/messreqform.htm click on the TV 3 Request Form and enter your information. Then click submit. It's as easy as that.

If you would like to submit your request with a hard copy and need the form, contact Cable Channel Manager Melanie Lombardi at x3011, mlombardi @frostburg.edu or Old Main 201.

#### Schedule for May 7-11

Monday:

3 & 6 p.m. NASA SCI Files, "The Case of the Galactic Vacation"

4 & 7 p.m. Democracy in America:
"Interest Groups: Organized to Influence"
4:30 & 7:30 p.m. "Earth Revealed:
"Living with the Earth Part 2"
5 & 8 p.m. Scales & Tales Presentation
Tuesday:

3 & 6 p.m. FSU This Week 3:15 & 6:15 p.m. Student Government Association Meeting held on Thurs. May 3 Wednesday:

3 & 6 p.m. NASA "Destination Tomorrow" 3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Baseball Forever Keynote address: Frank DeFord 4:30 & 7:30 p.m. American Cinema: "The Hollywood Style"

5:30 & 8:30 p.m. "Snowden Crossing" **Thursday:** 

3 & 6 p.m. FSU This Week 3:15 & 6:15 p.m. Student Government Association Meeting held on Thurs. May 3 Friday:

3 & 6 p.m. NASA Connect, "Venus Transit" 3:30 & 6:30 p.m. "NASA Destination Tomorrow"

4 & 7 p.m. "MD State of Mind" 5 & 8 p.m. Exploring the World of Music: "Composers & Improvisers" 5:30 & 8:30 p.m. Ghost Documentary

#### Get Involved



#### Celebrate End of Semester

Celebrate the end of the semester with a party from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, May 12, in the Lane University Center, Appalachian Station. Come to enjoy a night full of good music, door prizes and lots of fun! Admission is \$2 for FSU students with FSU student I.D., \$5 without.

These festivities are sponsored by the University Programming Council Late Night and Weekends Committee. For more info, call x4411.

### Off-Campus Trip to Ocean City, MD

Enjoy a day at the beach Saturday, May 12, with a trip to Ocean City, Md., sponsored by the University Programming Council Off Campus Trips Committee. The bus will depart from the Performing Arts Center Parking Lot at 7 a.m. and leave Ocean City at 9 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 per person and include van transportation and a light snack; they are on sale now at the Lane University Center Information Desk. Call x4411 for more info.

#### Escape to the Hawaiian Paradise

Relax before finals in a tropical paradise during Last Night Frostburg: Escape to the Hawaiian Paradise, 8 p.m. to midnight Tuesday, May 15, in the Lane University Center, Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall. Enjoy food, fun, prizes, and more! This event is sponsored by the University Programming Council Special Events Committee. Call x4411 for more info.

#### Picnic with UCM, CCM

Join the Catholic Campus Ministry



and the United Campus Ministry for an end-ofthe-semester picnic starting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, May

8, in the Osborne Newman Center. Call x7490 for details.

### Community



#### **Spring Concert Features Local Orchestra**

The Allegany Community Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Pat Aaron and Lee Ann O'Brien, will present its 2007 Spring concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 20, at the Pealer Recital Hall in the Performing Arts Center at FSU. The concert is free and open to the public.

### **Summer Arts Academy Offered at FSU**

The FSU Savage Mountain Summer Arts Academy offers a variety of workshops for high school students grades 9-12. The programs offered for Summer 2007 are in creative writing, wind chamber music and stage combat.

Each program is a week long. Students have the option of staying in on-campus housing or commuting.

The Savage Mountain Creative Writing Workshop, held June 24-30, is an opportunity for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors to spend a week of intensive study in fiction writing, poetry writing or creative nonfiction writing led by published writers. Students will get an experience with literature and language beyond the average high school's goals and requirements. Participants will get a greater understanding of what choices make writing individual and powerful. To learn more about this workshop, contact Gerry LaFemina at x4024.

The Wind Chamber Music Institute, held July 29-Aug. 4, provides a creative course of study open to high school music students who play flute, oboe, clarinet, horn and bassoon. Students will rehearse three times a day, receive daily instruction, participate in instrument masterclasses and prepare an end-of-camp concert where all students will perform. For more information on this workshop, contact Mark Gallagher at x4381.

The Stage Combat Workshop, held June 24-30, will consist of group and individual instruction in unarmed and single-sword stage combat. It is designed for the high school actor (ages 15-18) of all levels. Students will enjoy daily warm-ups, classes in unarmed stage combat, single rapier and Hollywood-style single sword, as well as other classes in movement styles. The week will culminate in a performance featuring selected scenes from the class. For more information, contact Darrell Rushton at x4487.

For general information, call x4487 or visit the Academy Web site at www.frostburg.edu/savagemtn.

#### It's Barbecue Season!

Lonaconing Lions Club will officially start its chicken barbecue season on Saturday, May 19, in Midland along Rt. 36, just below RG's Convenience store, from noon until 5 p.m. You can opt to enjoy half a chicken and a roll—or a whole meal, which also includes 2 sides and dessert. For early orders, call (301) 697-6042.

#### Young Math Minds Needed for Program

Applications for children entering grades 5-9 are being accepted for the Maryland Summer Center for Mathematics: Mystery + Mastery \* Beauty + Power = Infinity!" a program for talented students funded by the Maryland State Department of Education that will be held at FSU July 23-27, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. This year will feature worldrenowned Dr. Daniel Biss, 29, of the University of Chicago and the Clay Mathematics Institute, who, when he was 16, was taking advanced college math courses. Dr. Biss will share his love of math and personal experiences as a teenager excited about learning. Students will use and receive the awardwinning software Geometer's Sketchpad.

This year's theme is "What is Infinity?" and activities will cover content not normally included in the typical school curriculum. This program gives 27 young girls and boys from around the

state a time to form friendships and be challenged with others who have similar interests and talents. The program is codirected by Dr. Gerry Wojnar (FSU Math Department) and Pamela Deering (doctoral student in Instructional Design at WVU), with a teaching team of six instructors plus two FSU student assistants. For more info see http://beautyofmath.deering.biz or send e-mail to beautyofmath@ deering.biz. Financial assistance is available.



### Safety Message

#### May is National Electrical Safety Month

The National Safety Council has designated the month of May as National Electrical Safety Month! With summer right around the corner, we will soon be busy using all kinds of electrical equipment to maintain our yards, light up our walkways at night, etc. Be sure to inspect the wiring, the plug and the electrical connection to all your equipment. Use an approved ground fault interrupter (GFCI) and do not use electrical equipment when it is raining or thundering and lightning. Keep your electrical cord away from a pool or puddle of water when in use. Do not use electrical equipment with wet hands or

#### Watch Out For Lightning

The outdoors is the most dangerous place to be during a lightning stormlightning can travel sideways for up to 10 miles. If you hear thunder, take cover. If you see downed power lines, move away from the line and anything touching it; if you're in a vehicle, do no drive over them. The proper way to move away from the line is to shuffle away with small steps, keeping your feet together and on the ground at all times. This will minimize the potential for a strong electric shock. If you see someone who is in direct or indirect contact with the downed line, do not touch the person. You could become the next victim. Call 911 immediately instead.

#### Fire Safety is Every Employee's Responsibility

The Maryland State Fire Prevention NFPA Life Safety Code 101 states that all doors in halls, stairs, student rooms, living areas, kitchen/storage/inter-office areas and basement/attic areas that have a mechanical self-closing device above the door are designated as fire doors.

A fire door that is normally kept closed shall not be secured in the open position at any time and shall be self-closing or automatic-closing.

When you see a door that has a mechanical-self closing device overhead being held open, it is your responsibility to remove the object and allow the fire door to close. When you release a fire door to close, you have eliminated a violation of the State Fire Code.

#### **Clear the Front** of Electrical Panels

The National Fire Protection Association Electrical Code Section 110-16, (a) Working Clearances states: "the work space shall not be less than 30 inches wide in front of all electric equipment. In all cases the work space shall permit at least a 90 degree opening on all equipment doors or hinges panels."

This clearance allows emergency access to electrical panels when required. Having access to electrical equipment and panels during an emergency situation can save time, resources and possibly lives.

If you know of a location where electrical equipment or panels are blocked in your office, storage room, break area, conference or meeting room, call x4897. Reporting this for corrective action will increase the safety level of your immediate area.

Thank you for your attention and continue to keep our campus a safe and healthy place to work, teach, learn and

#### International



#### Study Abroad Programs

The Center for International Education offers a variety of ways for FSU students to see the world. In many cases, students register at FSU during a semester abroad and can take all financial aid with them and transfer credit back to FSU. For information, contact Dr. Henry Bullamore at the CIE in the Fuller House on Braddock Road, x4714, hbullamore@frostburg.edu or visit www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie.

#### Study in Shanghai

The Government of Shanghai is interested in increasing the number of foreign student studying in the area. There are over 20 institutions of higher education in the metropolitan area, and the goal is to have 60,000 international students in the city by 2010. To make this happen, the Government of Shanghai is awarding scholarships to international students in amounts from \$500 to \$5,000.

#### Work in Africa During the **Summer**

Tired of taking classes, but want a study abroad experience? Consider working with a non-governmental development organization in Africa for the summer. Visions in Action offers work experiences in several projects related to rural and community development. Additionally, they offer a program that provides a small stipend for work in more difficult settings.

#### **Earthwatch**

Earthwatch offers more than 100 opportunities for hands-on environmental work all over the world. Most will not generate academic credit, but will make you feel that you did your part.

#### **FSU Events Calendar**



#### **MONDAY, MAY 7**

| * Club & Organization Round Table | le                  |   |
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| 4:30 p.m                          | Lane 201            |   |
| * Spring Fest Planning Meeting    | 5:00 p.m Library 23 | 7 |

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 8**

| * UCM End of Semester Picnic  | 5:30 p.m | Osborne Newman Center   |
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| * FSU Clarinet Studio Recital | 8:00 p.m | PAC Pealer Recital Hall |

#### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 9**

| * Leadership Reception 6:00 | p.m l | ane ARMAH |
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#### **THURSDAY, MAY 10**

| FRIDAY, MAY 11   |                         |
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| * FSU Percussion Ensemble 8:00 p.m                         | PAC Pealer Recital Hall |
| 7:00 p.m.  | Lane 201                |
| * UPC: International/Independent Film: "Wal-Mart: The High | gh Cost of Low Price"   |

| * UPC Comedy Night featuring Jay Black | 9:00 p.m.                |
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|  | Lane Appalachian Station |

#### SATURDAY, MAY 12

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| * UPC Off-Campus Trip: Ocean City, MD                                    |                  |
| Bus will depart from the PAC Lot at 7:00 a.m. and will depart Ocean City |                  |
| * Men's/Women's Outdoor Track: FSU Open                                  | Home             |
| * UVUGD Spring Concert 3:30 p.m  |                  |
| * UPC End of Semester Party 10:00 p.m2:00 a.m Lane App                   | alachian Station |

Late Registration for Summer Sessions for Continuing Students (With Late Fees)

| SUNDAY, MAY 13—Mother's      | s Day           |                         |
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| * FSU Flute Ensemble         | 11:00 a.m       | Osborne Newman Center   |
| * CCM Mass                   | noon & 8:00 p.m | Cook Chapel             |
| * FSU Wind Ensemble          | 3:00 p.m        | PAC Pealer Recital Hall |
| * Planetarium: Get Ready for | Summer Skies    | 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.   |
|                              |                 | Tawes Hall              |

#### Wear a Helmet When Riding a Bike to Prevent **Head Injuries**

