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### FSU's Dr. Robert Kauffman Honored With USM Award for Public Service



**Dr. Robert Kauffman**, a professor in the FSU Department of Recreation and Parks Management, has been awarded the Regents' Faculty Award for Public Service, the highest honor that the University System of Maryland Board of Regents bestows to recognize exemplary faculty achievement. He will be honored at the April meeting of the board.

Kauffman's honor marks the sixth time since 2007 that an FSU faculty member has been honored by the regents.

Recently and for the past 25 years, Kauffman has made a significant public service contribution in recreational boating safety that has saved lives on the nation's waterways. His major contribution has been in the development of educational materials that are being used across the nation as well as within Maryland.

"While Dr. Kauffman continues to produce an outstanding record in professional development and teaching, it is the dedication and passion to his outreach and service in the area of water safety that sets him apart as a national expert in this field," said President Jonathan Gibralter. "His participation, influence and contributions in all of his activities have elevated the stature of Frostburg State University in the state, region and nation."

Kauffman was the primary author of the textbook, "Integrated Risk Management for Leisure Services," which addresses the topics of negligence, the accident process, risk management plans and the post-incident actions. Published by Human Kinetics in March 2013, the textbook brings full-circle Kauffman's safety involvement by bringing real-life case studies from the field back to the classroom. In addition, the book services the recreation and parks profession by creating new knowledge and infusing new content into the profession. In 2008, Kauffman wrote two chapters in "Outdoor Adventures: Canoeing," and two chapters in "Outdoor Adventures: Kayaking." He also wrote a 126-page boating safety manual in 1995 titled "Boating Fundamentals: A Manual of Boating Safety."

Kauffman has produced award-winning videos and boating safety materials, including "Cold, Wet and Alive," the most widely used boating safety video among boating law educators in the United States; "Decide to Return"; and "Almost a Perfect Day," which is being used in state boating education programs in all 50 states.

He has produced safety wallcharts, including Defensive Boating: Rules of the Road for Paddlers, Coastal Kayaking and River Kayaking, which are designed to reach paddlers at their point of contact with important safety information.

Kauffman has presented at 11 national or international conferences over the last five years, including the International Boating and Water Safety Summit, the Association of Experiential Educators and the SPRE Teaching Institute. Nine of these presentations were boating safety related. He has served on 13 expert witness cases in the boating safety area. Kauffman has received over 20 grants for a total of over \$1,100,000 from the U.S. Coast Guard to the American Canoe Association, National Safe Boating Council and the National Recreation and Parks Association for boating safety projects.

He has also written a series of articles for the Cumberland Times-News supporting the repurposing of the Potomac River access in Cumberland, Md. "This initiative would allow for better recreational use of the Potomac's resources for the purpose of appropriate community development following several nationally recognized exemplars," noted Dr. Clarence Golden, dean of the College of Education at FSU. "This is in keeping with Dr. Kauffman's long tradition of writing water-related books and monographs dealing with water safety and recreation from the standpoint of a scholar as well as a recreational practitioner."

#### Music

### **Brass in Blue to Perform Brass Quintet Favorites**



As part of the FSU Department of Music Guest Artist Series, Brass in Blue, the brass quintet from the Air National Guard Band of the Northeast, will present an exciting concert of brass quintet favorites on **Tuesday, March 11**, at 7:30 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. The concert is free and open to the public.

Brass in Blue has played throughout the United States and abroad, and features a variety of classical, jazz, popular music, marches and show tunes arranged for the brass quintet.

A traditional Air National Guard squadron, the band consists of 40 members, all traditional National Guard members with civilian careers. Its ranks are filled with professional musicians, educators, students,

administrators, salesmen, builders and other professionals. The band has received many awards, including the Air Force Outstanding Unit award and the Pennsylvania Governor's Unit Citation.

### **Upcoming Music Events at MCTA**

Mountain City Traditional Arts is at 25 E. Main St. in Frostburg. For info, contact MCTA at 301-687-8040 or mountaincitytradarts@gmail.com.

#### Legendary Irish Fiddler Kevin Burke and Multi-instrumentalist Cal Scott



Celebrate Saint Patrick's Day with a traditional Irish music performance by legendary fiddler Kevin Burke and multi-instrumentalist Cal Scott on **Sunday, March 16**, at 3 p.m. The suggested donation is \$10.

Burke has been established as a first-class musician ever since his work in the early 1970s with such renowned performers as Arlo Guthrie, Christy Moore and the Bothy Band and with his far-reaching solo album, "If the Cap Fits." He has earned international acclaim in Europe and America as a solo performer, a teacher and as a member of some of folk music's foremost groups. Burke is also a featured

member of Grammy winner Tim O'Brien's crossover band, The Crossing. He is a recipient of the National Endowment for the Arts 2002 National Heritage Fellowship, the United States' highest honor for excellence in the folk and traditional arts.

Scott is a multi-instrumentalist whose professional credentials span a wide range of music, from traditional to bluegrass to jazz. He plays and sings in the eight-piece folk ensemble, The Trail Band, and is a noted composer and arranger with dozens of scores for documentaries, films and commercials under his belt. In 2006, his film score for "Scotland's Lighthouses" was recognized by the Just Plain Folks Music Awards with fourth place in the Celtic Album of the Year and fifth place in the Celtic Song of the Year.

## **Mind Culture Original Music Project Is Back!**



The Department of Mass Communication is once again sponsoring the Mind Culture Original Music project. Each spring semester students in the department's Music Promotion and Production class produce a full-length CD featuring musical talent from the FSU campus, surrounding community and beyond.

Students in the class will help promote the artists included on the CD. The final CD will be made available for purchase within the department and at select retail establishments in the area.

If you have an original song, whether it's fully produced, words on paper or just a thought in your head, consider submitting it for consideration for this year's project. All musical genres are welcome but the submitting person(s) must hold the copyright to the song. If your song is not yet produced, students in the class will be available to record, mix and master your song.

If you would like to schedule a date to be recorded, contact the Department of Mass Communication on or before **Thursday**, **March 27**. If you have a produced song that you'd like to submit, submit it on or before **Thursday**, **April 10**.

For info, to schedule a recording time or to drop off a song for submission, email the Department of Mass Communication at <a href="mcom@frostburg.edu">mcom@frostburg.edu</a>, call x3049 or stop by Guild 119.

All proceeds will benefit the Department of Mass Communication through the FSU Foundation, Inc.

### **Theatre**

# FSU's Cultural Events Series Presents "Driving Miss Daisy"



The FSU Cultural Events Series will present Alfred Uhry's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, "Driving Miss Daisy" on **Tuesday, March 11**, at 7:30 p.m. in the PAC Drama Theatre.

Deftly exploring themes of friendship, prejudice and racism, the play follows the southern Jewish widow, Daisy Werthan, and her loyal chauffeur, Hoke Colburn, throughout several decades in mid-20th-century Georgia. Actors from Philadelphia's Walnut Street Theatre, who visited Frostburg in 2011 with a moving production of "The Glass Menagerie," will return for the performance of "Driving Miss Daisy."

Tickets are \$24 for adults and \$20.40 for youth under 17. Corporate and group discount rates are also available.

As part of the Arts for Enrichment series, a discussion with members of Walnut Street Theatre will immediately follow the performance on **March 11** in the PAC Drama Theatre.

Audiences can also attend a viewing of the Academy Award-winning film adaptation of the play, starring Jessica Tandy and Morgan Freeman. The movie will be screened on **Wednesday**, **March 12**, at 7 p.m., both in Lane 111.

For info, contact the CES box office at x3137 or visit CES' webpage at ces.frostburg.edu.

#### **CES Hosts Educational Performance of 'Math Maniac Show'**



FSU's Cultural Events Series invites family audiences to attend an educational performance of "The Math Maniac Show" on **Monday, March 24**, at 4:30 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall.

"The Math Maniac Show" is a fun-filled journey that helps children in grades K-5 to be successful with numbers. Guided by Max Millions, students will learn about place values, arithmetic, integers, fractions, geometry, measurement, money and basic probability.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for youth under 17. Corporate and group discount rates are also available.

For info, contact the CES box office at x3137 or visit CES' webpage at ces.frostburg.edu.

### **Center for Creative Writing Announces Annual Playwriting Competition**

The FSU Center for Creative Writing will hold its fifth annual One-Act Playwriting Competition to showcase new works. Writers must submit their one-act plays (with a running time of 40 minutes or less) to the center by **Tuesday, April 15**. Entries will be judged on plot, character development, dialogue and overall quality.

The first prize winner will receive \$750 and production of his or her play at the Frostburg One-Act Playwriting Festival, which will be held on the FSU campus in September. Second and third prize winners will receive \$250 and \$100, respectively, as well as staged readings of their works.

For complete submission guidelines, go to <a href="www.frostburg.edu/cwcenter/one-act-play-festival">www.frostburg.edu/cwcenter/one-act-play-festival</a> on the Center for Creative Writing's website.

#### **Presentations**

### Third Annual CLAS Undergraduate Research Symposium

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will host the third annual Undergraduate Research Symposium on **Friday, May 2**, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Lane University Center. The symposium showcases the research and experiential learning projects of FSU's undergraduate students and provides participants the opportunity to present their work to their peers and share experiences across disciplines.

The symposium will include poster presentations, oral presentations and physical displays representing work completed during summer 2013, fall 2013 or spring 2014. The registration form is posted on the CLAS website at <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu/colleges/clas/research/learn-about-presenting-in-2014-symposium">www.frostburg.edu/colleges/clas/research/learn-about-presenting-in-2014-symposium</a> and should be submitted electronically to Dr. Karen Keller at <a href="https://kkeller@frostburg.edu">kkeller@frostburg.edu</a> by <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu">Monday</a>, <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu">April 21</a>.

For info, contact Keller at klkeller@frostburg.edu or x4174 or Linda Steele at lsteele@frostburg.edu or x4137.

# **Spring Academic Enrichment Series**

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

The schedule for the upcoming week in March is as follows:

- Tuesday, March 11, 12:30 p.m., Lane 108 "Internships" by Amy Shimko
- Wednesday, March 12, 4 p.m., Lane 113 "Achieving Deeper Learning" by Rachel Hoover

For info, contact Programs Advancing Student Success at x4441 or the Retention Office at x3206.

# **FSU to Host MIPS Research Funding Briefing for Faculty, Local Businesses**

The Maryland Industrial Partnerships Program will host a free briefing about how faculty and local businesses can participate in the MIPS funding program at FSU on **Tuesday**, **March 11**, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Compton 237.

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 benefits the company's ability to commercialize a product.

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

MIPS is funding projects at FSU with Cumberland-based Berkeley Springs Instruments and Hagerstown-based vCalc, LLC.

Previous MIPS-supported projects with FSU included companies such as Instant Access Networks in Cumberland and Sustainable Systems, Inc., in Frostburg.

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

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 workshop, contact Linda Steele, program specialist at FSU, at x4137 or <a href="mailto:lsteele@frostburg.edu">lsteele@frostburg.edu</a>.

### **Next CTE Teaching Tuesday Planned for March 11**



Peer Review of Teaching: Ideas and Possibilities

The March Teaching Tuesday discussion sponsored by the Center for Teaching Excellence will take place on **March 11**, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Lane 109. It will feature a brief presentation by **Dr. Gregory Wood**, an assistant professor in the History Department, on peer reviews of teaching, to be followed by an informal discussion of ideas for peer review possibilities. All faculty and staff are welcome. Bring your own lunch. (Feel free to arrive late or leave early if you cannot attend the whole discussion.)

For info, contact Dr. Shoshana Brassfield at <a href="mailto:srbrassfield@frostburg.edu">srbrassfield@frostburg.edu</a> or x7391.

### Safe Zone to Hold Brown Bag on Genderbread Person

The Safe Zone Training Committee will host its second brown bag lunch discussion on **Wednesday**, **March 12**, from noon to 1 p.m. in Lane 108. **Robin Wynder** of the Diversity Center will facilitate a lunch discussion about the Genderbread person. This is a fun and informative graphic that depicts the complexities of gender identity, gender expression, biological sex and sexual orientation. Bring your lunch and give your input! For info, contact Shawn Golden-Llewellyn at <a href="mailto:smgoldenllewellyn@frostburg.edu">smgoldenllewellyn@frostburg.edu</a> or Wynder at <a href="mailto:rwynder@frostburg.edu">rwynder@frostburg.edu</a>.

### Rescheduled – Leadership Expert Dr. Janie Harden Fritz



FSU will host leadership expert Dr. Janie Harden Fritz **Monday, March 31**, and **Tuesday, April 1**, for a series of events. (Note: This has been rescheduled from March 3-5.) Fritz will present "Promoting a Culture of Citizenship in Student Organizations" on **March 31** at 6:30 p.m. in Compton 226. The session is open to all students to help them develop leadership practices to organize their campus organizations.

In addition, she will speak with students in Leadership Studies courses and deliver a keynote address about leadership ethics and organizational culture at the Faculty/Staff Leadership Development Conference on **April 1.** The day-long event, which is free and open to faculty and staff and sponsored by the Office of

Human Resources, will include a variety of conference sessions led by FSU faculty and staff. Additional details and registration will be sent to faculty and staff by campus email.

Fritz will serve as the scholar in residence for one of the largest interdisciplinary minors at FSU, the Leadership Studies minor, and contribute to the University's efforts to develop leadership internally.

Fritz, who has a doctorate in Communication Arts from the University of Wisconsin, is director of the bachelor's and master's programs for the Department of Communication and Rhetorical Studies at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh. Her research focuses on communicative practices that constitute, sever and restore the ties that bind individuals to the institutions of which they are a part. She has served as a leader in communication associations at the state, regional and national levels.

The leadership scholar-in-residence program is sponsored by the Leadership Studies minor, the Office of the Provost, Student and Educational Services and the Office of Student Activities. For info about the program or the minor, go to <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu/dept/lead">www.frostburg.edu/dept/lead</a> or contact coordinator Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, chair and assistant professor of Communication Studies, at <a href="mailto:elruminski@frostburg.edu">elruminski@frostburg.edu</a> or x4480.

# **Appalachian Laboratory Spring Seminar Series**

Dr. Todd Petty, West Virginia University Forestry and Natural Resources, will present "Where Did the Big Brook Trout Go? Hints From a Well-Mixed Population" on **Thursday, March 13**, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For info, go to <a href="https://www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule">www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule</a>.

## **Workshops**

### Be an Online Ambassador for Yourself and FSU!

Do you have a LinkedIn Profile that you'd like to use more for networking and professional development? Are you interested in publicizing your research, publications and other work you do at FSU in a way that connects you to a larger online conversation? Join *Becca Ramspott* for "LinkedIn and Being an Online Ambassador for Frostburg" on *Friday, March 14*, at 2 p.m. in Pullen 108 as part of the Office of Human Resources' Employee Training program. The class will share resources, tips and tricks that can help you begin to position yourself as a thought leader in your field and an online ambassador for the University, briefly highlight other ways to develop your personal brand on other social media and discuss the value of helping students learn how to use LinkedIn to their advantage and ways FSU focuses on this goal. Note: This workshop is for people who already have a LinkedIn Profile but aren't sure how to get the most out of it.

Register at <a href="http://bit.ly/1g6Hymr">http://bit.ly/1g6Hymr</a>. For info, contact Ramspott at <a href="mailto:reramspott@frostburg.edu">reramspott@frostburg.edu</a>.

#### Film

#### Women's Studies to Host 'Makers: Women Who Made America'

The Program in Women's Studies will host a screening of the film "Makers: Women Who Made America – Charting a New Course" for Women's History Month on **Wednesday**, **March 26**, at 7 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). This event is free and open to the public. **Dr. Eleanor McConnell**, an assistant professor in the Department of History, will present an introduction. A discussion will follow the film.

"Makers: Women Who Made America" is a three-part documentary charting the course of feminism in the United States in the last half of the 20th century. "Charting a New Course" focuses on the period from 1980 to today, as the women's movement achieved long-sought goals and women began examining the obstacles still in place. By the 2000s, the movement was again under attack from conservatives seeking to roll back abortion and contraception laws and younger women fleeing the idea of feminism.

For info, contact the program coordinator, Dr. Julie Hartman-Linck, at <a href="mailto:jehartman@frostburg.edu">jehartman@frostburg.edu</a> or x3198.

### Readings

## **FSU Center for Creative Writing to Host Reading by Award-Winning Writer**



The FSU Center for Creative Writing will host a reading by Michael Martone, whose literary forte is in "false biographies." The reading will take place **Wednesday**, **March 12**, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lyric Theatre, 20 E. Main St., in Frostburg. This event is free and open to the public.

Martone is the author of more than a dozen books, including "Four for a Quarter: Fictions," a book that blends fact and fiction around the number four, and "The Blue Guide to Indiana," a fictional guide of the state of Indiana that exaggerates the state's history in a comical way by adding in landmarks like the Trans-Indiana Mayonnaise Pipeline and stories like the License Plate Insurrection of 1979.

In 1998, Martone won the Associated Writing Programs Award for Creative Nonfiction for his book "Flatness and Other Landscapes." Martone is a professor at the program in Creative Writing at the University of Alabama, where he has been teaching since 1996.

For info, email <a href="mailto:cwcenter@frostburg.edu">cwcenter@frostburg.edu</a> or visit <a href="mailto:www.frostburg.edu">www.frostburg.edu</a>/cwcenter.

#### **Visual Arts**

# **Contemporary International Tapestry Lecture and Exhibition**

FSU will present a lecture by Dirk Holger about the art of tapestry on **Thursday**, **March 13**, at 6 p.m. in Fine Arts 132. The lecture will coincide with an art exhibition "The New Art of the Loom: Contemporary International Tapestries," featuring a traveling showcase with 24 artists from 16 countries.

"The hand-woven and not painted images in this exhibition combine the ancient craft of hand weaving with contemporary art and design," said Holger. "In tapestry, the craft is the art!"

Holger's book "To Weave or Not to Weave: A Basic Tapestry Book for the Lay Person," which gives an overview of style development in tapestry art through 2,000 years, will be available at the exhibition venue.

The Roper Gallery is open Sundays through Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. For info, call FSU's Visual Arts Department at x4797.

# **Two New Library Displays for March**

The first display, on the third floor (by the main entrance), focuses on Irish American Heritage Month. This year the focus is on singers with Irish-American or Irish heritage. The display also highlights some books from the library's collection on Irish music.

The second display, on the fifth floor, highlights the 25th anniversary of the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska on March 24, 1989, which released more than 11 million gallons of crude oil into Prince William Sound.

For info, contact Theresa Mastrodonato at x4425 or <a href="mastrodonato@frostburg.edu">tmmastrodonato@frostburg.edu</a> or <a href="mastrodonato@frostburg.edu">MaryJo Price at x4889 or <a href="mastrodonato@frostburg.edu">mprice@frostburg.edu</a>.

# **Creative Writing Center Calling for Submissions of Art and Poetry**

The FSU Center for Creative Writing is calling for submissions of art and poetry for its second annual Broadsides and More Project. Regional artists are invited to submit artwork and poetry for a chance to be featured in the upcoming juried ekphrastic art show in April.

Artwork submitted can include, but is not limited to, sculptures, paintings or drawings, and should incorporate some or all of the text of a poem. Poetry submitted should describe or be based on a work of art. All work should be brought to the Center for Creative Writing, 22 E. Main St. in Frostburg, Md., by **Saturday, April 5**. Students can submit work for free, and community members can submit their work for a fee of \$10 per visual art piece.

In addition to the juried art exhibition, the Broadsides and More Project features a free art and writing workshop on **Saturday**, **March 29**, and an ekphrastic poetry chapbook collection.

For info, contact Michelle Yost at <a href="mailto:cwcenter@frostburg.edu">cwcenter@frostburg.edu</a> or x4340.

#### **Points of Pride**

### **Duncan Nominated Again for Science Fiction Nebula Award**

The Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America have named **Andy Duncan**, an associate professor in the Department of English, a finalist for this year's Nebula Award in the Novella category for "Wakulla Springs," co-written by Duncan and Ellen Klages and published in October 2013 at Tor.com (<a href="www.tor.com/stories/2013/10/wakulla-springs">www.tor.com/stories/2013/10/wakulla-springs</a>; note this is the first of four pages). This is Duncan's eighth Nebula nomination. He won the award in 2013 in the Novelette category for "Close Encounters." Winners will be announced **May 17** at the Nebula Awards Weekend in San Jose, Calif. For info, visit <a href="www.sfwa.org/nebula-awards/nebula-weekend">www.sfwa.org/nebula-awards/nebula-weekend</a>.

#### **Hein Work Exhibited in Online Presentation**

**Robert Hein**, an assistant professor in the Department of Visual Arts, has work being exhibited in the online presentation of the Print Center of Philadelphia's 88th Annual International Competition.

For info, go to <a href="https://www.printcenter.org/pc">www.printcenter.org/pc</a> comp future.html.

### **Three Honors Students Present Research at MCHC**



Honors Freshman Composition class.

On March 1, FSU sophomores *Tevin McDonald*, *Jacob Vacura* and *Ruth Fabre* presented research at the Maryland Collegiate Honors Council conference held at McDaniel College in Westminster, Md. The session, titled "Leaders in Our Fields," focused on controversies in the students' prospective fields, including the pervasive use of lies on resumes, the misperceptions of computer scientists in relation to hackers and the precarious position of abortion in obstetrics and gynecology. These presentations were originally created for *Dr. Amy Branam Armiento*'s English 111

#### Take Note

# **Applications for Allegany County Opportunity Scholarship Now Available**

Current and prospective FSU students from Allegany County are encouraged to apply for the Allegany County Opportunity Scholarship. The application deadline, which is normally March 1, has been extended to **Tuesday, April 1**. The application can be found on the FSU Financial Aid website or by going to <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/ungrad/faid/ACOA.pdf">www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/ungrad/faid/ACOA.pdf</a>.

Eligible recipients are required to have been a resident of Allegany County for at least three years, must be admitted to FSU, have at least a 3.0 grade point average and complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Undergraduate and graduate students and those seeking professional certification are eligible.

The scholarship was established by the Allegany County Commissioners with funds from revenues to the county from the Rocky Gap Casino Resort.

For info, contact the FSU Financial Aid Office at x4301 or <a href="mailto:fsufinaid@frostburg.edu">fsufinaid@frostburg.edu</a>.

# **FSU Football to Join New Jersey Athletic Conference**



FSU, along with Christopher Newport University, Salisbury University and Wesley College, recently agreed to become associate football members of the New Jersey Athletic Conference beginning in the 2015-16 academic year. In addition, Southern Virginia will be an affiliate member of NJAC starting in fall 2014 and will elevate to associate member in 2015-16.

"Frostburg State University is very proud and excited to be partners with the New Jersey Athletic Conference. The NJAC's excellent academic profile is a significant asset, and we look forward to a bright future together," said President Jonathan Gibralter. "This outstanding

conference provides a high-quality level of competition that will be a true benefit to the experience of Frostburg State University's student-athletes."

FSU currently competes in the Empire 8 as an affiliate football member and will begin its fourth season of competition in the league this fall (2014). The other associate football members, like FSU, compete primarily in the Capital Athletic Conference; CAC does not sponsor football.

The Bobcats have competed against members of NJAC as far as back as 1962 and as recently as 2005. FSU and Salisbury have met 41 times over the years, including the last 15 years in the annual Regents Cup Game. FSU and Wesley have met 19 times and both are former members of the Atlantic Central Football Conference.

With the addition of the five schools in 2015-16, NJAC will increase its football membership to 10 institutions, including full-league members Kean University, Montclair State University, Rowan University, The College of New Jersey and William Paterson University.

## The Lewis J. Ort Library Presents March Book Madness

In honor of the NCAA Basketball Tournament, the Ort Library will crown one book the Champion of March Book Madness. Eight categories of books were selected – fantasy, science fiction, horror, mystery, romance, nonfiction, contemporary literature and classics.

The tournament will start out with 64 teams (books). Students, faculty and staff votes will determine which books move onto the round of 32. Once the 32 books are selected, additional rounds of voting will take place to get to the championship title game. The Champion Book will be crowned on **Friday, April 4**.

Some of the books selected for March Book Madness will be available for review on the main floor of the library (third floor). Just look for the March Book Madness display case. Paper ballots will be available by the display case. A Library Guide has been created so that you can see the brackets and vote online. The guide can be accessed via <a href="http://libguides.frostburg.edu/book-madness">http://libguides.frostburg.edu/book-madness</a>. On the Library Guide, there is a PDF bracket that you can fill in and email to <a href="maintenant-timestate">tmmastrodonato@frostburg.edu</a>.

Voting for the Round of 64 ends on **Tuesday, March 11**. Voting for the titles that move to the Round of 32 will begin on **Wednesday, March 12**, and end on **Saturday, March 15**. Voting for the Sweet 16, the Elite 8, the Final Four and the Championship will take place after Spring Break.

For info, contact Theresa Mastrodonato at tmmastrodonato@frostburg.edu or x4425.

### **Sociology Honor Society, Internships**

Any student interested in applying for AKD, the sociology honor society, should contact Dr. John McMullen by **Monday, March 10.** AKD is open to all students who have completed 12 credit hours of sociology, have a 3.3 overall GPA and a 3.0 GPA in sociology courses and have junior or senior status.

Any student interested in a summer 2014 or fall 2014 sociology internship should contact McMullen as soon as possible. Sociology internships are open to anyone who has completed 18 credit hours of sociology courses and has a 2.0 GPA. Sociology internships are part time or full time and can be done locally or outside the region.

For info, contact McMullen at x3162 or <a href="mailto:imcmullen@frostburg.edu">imcmullen@frostburg.edu</a>.

### **Diversity Center to Host Events in Recognition of Women's History Month**

The FSU Diversity Center will host Rock the Red Pump: National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day on **Monday, March 10**, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at its Lane Center information table.

Everyone is encouraged to wear red pumps (or any other red shoes) and stop by the table to learn updated info about HIV/AIDS and young women. Pictures of those sporting red pumps will be taken and uploaded to the Rock the Red Pump website.

"I Am My Sister's Keeper," part of a brown bag lunch series, will be held on **Tuesday, March 11**, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Diversity Center in Hitchins 126.

For info, contact the Diversity Center at x4050.

# McCampbell and Hall to Hold Public Presentations of Graduate Work

Two FSU graduate students in the Applied Ecology and Conservation Biology Master's program, *Michael McCampbell* and *Mitchell Hall*, will hold public presentations of their graduate work. Everyone is welcome to attend.

McCampbell will present his thesis defense, "Seedling Establishment of American Chestnut ('Castanea dentata') in Pennsylvania," on **Thursday, March 13**, at 2 p.m. in the FSU Discovery Center on the first floor of Compton. His research focuses on how initial seedling height, root collar diameter, root system size and genetic family affect the establishment of American chestnut seedlings planted at sites throughout Pennsylvania.

Hall will present "Prioritizing Management Strategies in Washington, D.C., Urban Forests," on **Friday, March 14**, also at 2 p.m. in the Discovery Center. His research focuses on improving the management strategies of Washington, D.C., urban foresters regarding numerous exotic pests and diseases.

# **Call for Presentations for Focus Frostburg**



FSU will host Focus Frostburg, the University's annual day of learning on sustainability and climate awareness, on **Wednesday**, **April 23**, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Lane University Center. This year's event, titled "Learn-in for a Sustainable Future," is free and open to FSU students, faculty and staff as well as the community. Focus Frostburg is part of FSU's Learning Green, Living Green initiative.

As in previous years, faculty may want to have students, as appropriate, attend a Focus Frostburg session in lieu of class or to make any of the seminars and activities an extra-credit assignment.

Student presentations make a great class activity. Poster presentations are welcome. Hands-on activities and demonstrations are strongly encouraged.

To participate as a presenter, email <a href="mailto:krogersthomas@frostburg.edu">krogersthomas@frostburg.edu</a> and submit a presentation title and one- or two-sentence abstract of your topic. Topics may be varied but should cover a sustainability, environment or climate awareness issue. All presentations should span a maximum of 50 minutes, since the normal MWF class schedule will be followed. In your response,

indicate if there is a preferred time of day when you would like to present. Room space for presentations is limited. The deadline to respond is **Saturday**, **March 15**.

### 'Lead the Break' 2014

Join NASPA – Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education, the Century Council and the BURG Peer Education Network for "Lead the Break." Students from across the state will be posting their safe and healthy spring break photos on Instagram with the hashtag #LeadtheBreak and their school (#FrostburgState for FSU) to be entered into a drawing to win an Apple computer, iPad or a cash prize. Learn more by going to <a href="https://www.leadthebreak.com/#.gd0jggfLjjibBA">www.leadthebreak.com/#.gd0jggfLjjibBA</a>.

### **SCSA Events and Membership Info**

The Student Communication Studies Association will participate in the Sustaining Campus and Community dialogues on **Thursday, March 27**, and **Tuesday, April 29**, at 5:30 p.m. in the Lyric Theatre, 20 E. Main St., in Frostburg.

Members also plan to raise funds for a trip to the centennial convention of the National Communication Association (<a href="www.natcom.org">www.natcom.org</a>) to be held Nov. 20 through 23 in Chicago. Submission of proposals, registration and travel arrangements will be discussed at the next meeting so interested members can register by the Wednesday, March 26, convention deadline.

Membership in SCSA includes an opportunity to be part of the communication honor society, Lambda Pi Eta. The group is based in Communication Studies but is open to any major. Membership forms are available at <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu/dept/cmst">www.frostburg.edu/dept/cmst</a>. For info, contact Ryan Jones, SCSA president, at <a href="majones0@frostburg.edu">mjones0@frostburg.edu</a> or Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, SCSA advisor, at <a href="majones0@frostburg.edu">elruminski@frostburg.edu</a> or x4480.

### **Community Dialogue to Focus on Keeping FSU Alums in Frostburg**

The Frostburg Sustaining Campus and Community Dialogue Series aims to strengthen community relationships and foster civility and collaborative problem-solving in Frostburg.

The next dialogue session to discuss "Building the 'Burg: Inviting FSU Students to Join and Grow the Local Community" will be held **Thursday**, **March 27**, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Lyric Theater at 20 E. Main St. in Frostburg. Invited participants will include local business owners, internship supervisors and FSU graduates who have remained in the region to live and work. The public sessions are open to anyone in the Frostburg community interested in discussing this topic.

Supported by FSU, the Maryland Judiciary's Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office and Mountainside Community Mediation Center since spring 2012, the dialogue sessions convene students, year-round residents, local officials and University leaders to discuss issues and create new opportunities for collaborative problem-solving and coalition-building in Frostburg. In this second year of the series, community members are working toward tangible solutions for deeper-level, sensitive and structurally challenging town-and-gown tensions that bring about safe, secure living conditions and civil relationships between long- and short-term residents in the college town.

For info, contact project manager Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, chair of FSU's Department of Communication Studies, at <a href="mailto:elruminski@frostburg.edu">elruminski@frostburg.edu</a> or x4480. Details and documentary segments about the project are available at <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu/dept/cmst/dialogue-series">www.frostburg.edu/dept/cmst/dialogue-series</a>.

#### **BITS Test to Be Offered March 29**

The Basic Information Technology Skills test will be offered on the FSU campus on **Saturday, March 29**. Students must register for the test by **Thursday, March 27**, by contacting Todd Burke in the Computer Science and Information Technologies Department in Lowndes Hall 216. The cost to take the exam is \$25.

No in-person registration or payment will be allowed on the day of the exam.

For info, contact Burke at tburke@frostburg.edu.

# **FSU Competing in RecycleMania**



FSU is once again participating in the RecycleMania Tournament to see who can reduce, reuse and recycle the most on-campus waste. RecycleMania is an eight-week challenge among more than 461 colleges across the country and Canada that started on Feb. 3 and ends on **March 29**. FSU is competing to have the highest percentage of recycled materials, the largest number of pounds of recycling per person on campus and the lowest number of pounds of garbage per person.

**Get information** on how FSU is doing in the competition by visiting the Learning Green, Living Green Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/frostburglglg">www.facebook.com/frostburglglg</a>. You can find out more about RecycleMania at <a href="https://www.recyclemania.org">www.recyclemania.org</a>.

For info, contact Lawrence Gingerich, Safety and Sustainability coordinator, at <a href="mailto:lagingerich@frostburg.ed">lagingerich@frostburg.ed</a> or x4360.

# **City of Frostburg Traffic Study – Informational Public Meeting**



The City of Frostburg is completing a traffic study for the intersection of Park Avenue, Braddock Road and Center Street. A public meeting will be held on **Tuesday**, **April 1**, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in Dunkle 218. Students and residents in the area who are interested in the study findings and possible upgrades to the intersection are encouraged to come view the conceptual design and offer input on the Park Avenue and Braddock Road Intersection and Approach Project.

For info, contact Elizabeth Stahlman at Frostburg City Hall at 301-689-6000 x15 or <a href="mailto:estahlman@allconet.org">estahlman@allconet.org</a>.

# **Career and Internship Fair**

A Career and Internship Fair will be held on **Wednesday**, **April 2**, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. Regional employers will offer internships, jobs and networking opportunities. All students are invited to attend. Dress for success and bring your resumes!

For info, contact Dr. Robbie Cordle, director of Career Services, at x4403.

### Participate in the First Annual FSU 5K Run/Walk and Help Local Children



The first annual FSU 5K Run/Walk will be held **Friday, May 2**, at 6 p.m. in Bobcat Stadium. Proceeds will benefit CASA of Allegany County. CASA's mission is to recruit, train and support volunteers to be courtappointed advocates for abused and neglected children in the court system, and to collaborate with other local agencies in an effort to ensure that all children are in a safe and nurturing home.

The course is a 3.1-mile loop around the FSU campus, which will start and finish on the track at Bobcat Stadium.

All participants may opt to help raise funds for local children via CASA of Allegany County.

A fun kids' run will also take place on the track (more details to follow).

The entry fee is \$10 for FSU students, \$12 for FSU faculty and staff through **April 21** and \$15 after **April 21**, \$15 for the general public through **April 21** and a pre-registration discounted family rate of \$12 per person in family through **April 21** and \$20 after **April 21**.

For info, go to <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu/fsu5k">www.frostburg.edu/fsu5k</a>.

## Be a Part of Frostburg's Big Picture



Have you heard about #instaFrostburg? It's a way for faculty, staff and students to help spread their ideas, upcoming events and news to the campus community. Tag your best pictures with the hashtag #instaFrostburg on Twitter, Tumblr and Instagram so we can show them off on FSU's social media. To get an idea of what the pictures look like, go to the University's photo album on Facebook at <a href="http://on.fb.me/1cpW603">http://on.fb.me/1cpW603</a>.

For info, contact efrostburgcomm@frostburg.edu.

#### **FSU Offers Health and Human Performance Lab**

The Health and Human Performance Lab featuring body fat testing, flexibility testing, cardiovascular testing, blood pressure screenings and more is free for faculty, staff and students. The lab is in room 110 of the Cordts PE Center. Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Fridays and weekends are by appointment only. For info, contact Dr. Melody Kentrus, the lab director, at x4415 or <a href="mailto:mhkentrus@frostburg.edu">mhkentrus@frostburg.edu</a>, or <a href="mailto:tmrodgers02@frostburg.edu">tmrodgers02@frostburg.edu</a>.

#### **Graduation Will Be Here Before You Know It!**

It's not too early to think about graduation, especially if you intend to graduate in the Cordts PE Center on Thursday, May 22.

The Colleges of Business and Education will present their graduates at 9:30 a.m. and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present its graduates at 2 p.m. Tickets will be required for admission. The number of tickets will be determined at a later date, based on the number of graduating students.

Complete your graduation application in PAWS now and check with the Registrar's Office to assure everything is in order for you to graduate in May. This will enable you to receive all the necessary information.

Caps and gowns are provided at no cost to graduates and can be ordered at the University Store. Your order must be placed by **Friday, April 4**. Announcements and thank-you cards should also be ordered by **April 4** at <a href="https://www.balfour.com">www.balfour.com</a>.

A Grad Fair, where students can pick up caps and gowns and graduation tickets, enter drawings and more, will be held **Wednesday, May 14**, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232).

Full details about the ceremony can be found on the Commencement website at <a href="www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement">www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement</a>. For info, contact Brittni Teter at x4423 or <a href="bkteter@frostburg.edu">bkteter@frostburg.edu</a>.

#### **Deadlines**

### **Last Day for Undergraduate Grade Changes**

The last day for undergraduate grade changes, including removal of incomplete grades for the fall 2013 and intersession 2014 semesters, is **Monday**, **March 10**.

#### **Deadline for Withdrawals**

Following the drop/add period, undergraduate students will have until **Friday, April 11**, to withdraw from courses on their PAWS account. This process will be implemented during each "W" period.

#### **Get Involved**

### **United Campus Ministry Events**

For info, contact the Rev. Dr. Cindy Zirlott in Hitchins 308 or at x7490 or c.zirlott@frostburg.edu.

**Frostburg Community Lenten Dinner and Reflection Observances.** This will take place every Wednesday, starting **March 12**, with dinner at 6 p.m. and a time of reflection at 7 p.m., at St. John's Episcopal Church on Broadway. Dinner is free and open to all.

**Seeing the Face of God: Anti-racism Workshop, April 11 and 12**. The workshop is free. It takes place on Friday from 6 to 9 p.m., then Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration runs through **March 30**.

**Summer Camp Volunteer Experience, July 26 through Aug. 3.** Educators and tutors are needed! This week-long learning camp is for the native children of the Yankton Sioux Tribe in South Dakota. These camps help native children improve or maintain reading, math, computer and science skills and encourage them to stay in school. Registration info will be available soon. For a brochure about the program, contact Chaplain Cindy at x7490.

#### **International**

### Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?

For info, visit the Fuller House (across the street from the Braddock House), call x4714 or email Victoria Gearhart at <a href="mailto:wmgearhart@frostburg.edu">wmgearhart@frostburg.edu</a>. Also, check out the CIE website at <a href="www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm">www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm</a> and the Facebook Page at <a href="www.facebook.com/FSUStudyAbroad">www.facebook.com/FSUStudyAbroad</a>.



Gabby Blassou - Ireland (fall 2013)

The Center for International Education offers various ways for FSU students to see the world. In some cases, students can pay FSU tuition, room and board and study 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, student loans and scholarships may help fund a study abroad experience.

#### Study Abroad in England at Northumbria University – Fall 2014!

Students have an opportunity to 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 <a href="https://www.northumbria.ac.uk">www.northumbria.ac.uk</a>.

#### **Spring Study Abroad and International Fair**

Students are invited to attend the Study Abroad Fair on **Monday**, **March 31**, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). Representatives from various study abroad programs and former study abroad students will be available to answer questions about overseas opportunities. Also, FSU's international students will talk about their countries and cultures.

# Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

#### **Preview Guides Needed for Summer 2014**

The Office of Student and Educational Services is seeking Preview guides for summer 2014.

Interested applicants must be current FSU students in good standing, have a minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA, have demonstrated involvement with campus activities and organizations, be able to facilitate presentations to large groups of people and possess a genuine interest in working with first-year students.

Preview guides are employed **from June 16 until July 1** during which they will work with top FSU administrators, faculty and incoming Bobcats and their families. This is a compensated position; applicants are expected to be available days and nights during Preview and should not be enrolled in summer courses or hold other positions of employment.

Applications are available at <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu/previewfsu">www.frostburg.edu/previewfsu</a> and must be submitted to the Office of Student and Educational Services by Friday, March 14, at 4:30 p.m.

For info, email ses@frostburg.edu or call x4311.

### **Edgewood Commons Hiring for Summer**

Edgewood Commons will be hiring a summer turn crew and summer RAs. Applications are available on the website at <a href="https://www.edgewoodFSU.com">www.edgewoodFSU.com</a> or at the front desk at One University Dr. Applications are due to Edgewood by **Friday, April 11**.

### **Upward Bound Tutoring Positions**

The Upward Bound office is accepting applications from FSU students who are able to tutor students in algebra, English, geometry, calculus, trigonometry, environmental science, biology, chemistry or Spanish at the high-school level. Tutors would need to be available during late afternoons and/or evenings to meet with students after school hours. The pay is \$7.25 per hour. For info, go to <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu/UpwardBound">www.frostburg.edu/UpwardBound</a> or the application link at <a href="https://www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/clife/ubp/AY">www.frostburg.edu/fsu/assets/File/clife/ubp/AY</a> Tutor Application.pdf, visit the Upward Bound office at Sand Spring 121, call x4994 or email <a href="https://estealegofrostburg.edu">esteele@frostburg.edu</a>.

#### **Student Life**

## **Edgewood Commons Now Contracting for Fall 2014**

Edgewood Commons is **not** raising its rates for fall 2014! All the necessary application forms are available at <a href="https://www.edgewoodFSU.com">www.edgewoodFSU.com</a>. You can also pay your \$200 administrative fee online.

Stop by during the week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to take a tour. For info, call 301-689-1370 or email info@edgewoodFSU.com.

### **Community**

# Togbetse to Exhibit "Woven Into Me" at Frostburg Museum



**Heather Prince Togbetse**, who will graduate this semester with a Master of Interdisciplinary Studies in Education and Visual Arts (Painting), will exhibit her work at the Frostburg Museum at Hill and Oak streets from **March 15 through 29.** The opening reception will be on **Saturday, March 15**, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Her current series, "Woven Into Me," uses mixed media, graphite and fabric to retell stories of her grandmother's life in the mountains of West Virginia. Fabrics from Ghana, Africa, are included in the exhibit. Togbetse taught classes in Ghana and currently teaches in Cumberland, where she was honored as Teacher of the Year in the K-12 system in Allegany County.

For info, call 301-689-1195 or email frostburgmuseum@verizon.net.

#### **FSU Events Calendar**

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

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.

# It's sunny! Spring is just around the corner.



# Always wear sunscreen and don't forget your sunglasses!

#### FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT

Frostburg State University is a student-centered teaching and learning institution featuring experiential opportunities. The University offers students a distinctive and distinguished baccalaureate education along with a select set of applied master's and doctoral programs. Frostburg serves regional and statewide economic and workforce development; promotes cultural enrichment, civic responsibility and sustainability; and prepares future leaders to meet the challenges of a complex and changing global society.

#### **INSTITUTIONAL PRIORITIES**

- 1. Enhance experiential and applied learning opportunities for students both inside and outside the classroom.
- 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.