Frostburg State University Celebrates Homecoming 2014

Homecoming season is here and FSU will celebrate from Thursday, Oct. 16, to Sunday, Oct. 19. Past, present and future students are invited to show their school spirit and participate in the fun and varied events – like the pep rally, rock show, football game and Frostburg Finale – during homecoming weekend.

The weekend will begin with the annual pep rally, where the 2014 Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned, on Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Main Arena of the Cordts PE Center.

Friday's events will begin at 9 a.m. with the Career Expo, when FSU alums will give presentations across campus. A Career Expo luncheon will be held at 12:15 p.m. in the Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall in the Lane University Center. The deadline to register for the luncheon is Oct. 14. For info, call Career Services at 301-687-4403.

At 5 p.m., the Bobcat Hall of Fame cocktail hour, induction ceremony and dinner will begin in the Main Arena of the Cordts PE Center. The Hall of Fame will welcome four new inductees, commemorate the 30th anniversary of the 1984 women's field hockey team’s first NCAA win and celebrate the 50th anniversary of the women's basketball program. The event costs $25 for adults and $15 for children 12 and younger.

Homecoming-goers can choose between two exciting events that evening: a play about a monster-fighting Dungeons & Dragons player at 7:30 p.m. or a concert by the classic rock band Firefall at 9 p.m. Opening night of the action-packed comedy-drama “She Kills Monsters” will be in the F. Perry Smith Studio Theatre of the Performing Arts Center. The Firefall concert will be in Lane Manicur Hall.

Homecoming attendees can start Saturday off right with the Jim Anderson Memorial Baseball Breakfast at 8 a.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. The breakfast costs $20 for adults and $10 for children 12 and under. For football fanatics, tailgating, held in the stadium parking lot, also begins at 8 a.m. and lasts until 4 p.m. There will be free parking on a first-come, first-served basis as well as giveaways and refreshments at the Alumni Tent.

At 1 p.m., the Bobcat football team kicks off against Ithaca College at Bobcat Stadium. Admission to the game is free. Also at 1 p.m., the exhibition of “The Tie That Binds” is open again to view.

From 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., the fun-filled Frostburg Finale will be in the Lane University Center, thrown by the FSU Office of Alumni Relations. There will be a DJ, karaoke, arcade games, hors d'oeuvres and more. The event costs $10, and attendees must be 21. Students can enjoy the Student Government Association dance in the Cordts Main Arena from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. The dance costs $10 for FSU students and $20 for guests.

The Alumni Association board will meet Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). The Men’s Alumni Basketball Game will begin at 11 a.m. in the Cordts Main Arena. A worship service will be held at 11:30 a.m. in Frost Hall’s Cook Chapel.
Then, at noon, the Student Government Association will hold its Big Event; everyone is invited to help clean up the streets of Frostburg. At 2 p.m., the men's soccer game against Salisbury starts.

To RSVP for any event listed, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 301-687-4068, email alumni@frostburg.edu or register online at www.frostburg.edu/homecoming. Information is also available at www.facebook.com/frostburgstatealumniss. Access info about events, athletic scores, access maps and directories using the free Frostburg2Go mobile app, available for iPhone and Android. Visit www.frostburg.edu/computing/services/mobile.

FSU to Host Q&A With Writer/Comedian Bruce Vilanch

Writer, comedian and actor Bruce Vilanch, who has written jokes for other comedians including Lily Tomlin, Robin Williams, Rosie O'Donnell and Joan Rivers, will present an open question-and-answer session on Thursday, Oct. 16, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in PAC Pealer Recital Hall. Vilanch's past college appearances have covered topics ranging from writing, show business, defining self, sexuality, weight and relationships with parents.

Vilanch will pass through Frostburg on his way to Washington, D.C., to write for the upcoming Kennedy Center Mark Twain Prize for Humor ceremony. He is possibly most familiar as a panelist and head writer on the revived version of the game show, "Hollywood Squares," one of several collaborations with the show's executive producer, Whoopi Goldberg. He writes for every major awards show – the Oscars, the Emmys, the Grammys and the Tonys – and he has won six Emmys himself.

His wide-ranging career also includes writing for shows such as the “Donny and Marie Show" and acting in "Mahogany" in the 1970s, collaborations with singer-actress-comedian Bette Midler in the 1980s and '90s and stand-up work throughout. He is the subject of the 1999 documentary, "Get Bruce," and starred in the one-man Off-Broadway show, “Bruce Vilanch: Almost Famous” in 2000. Vilanch also regularly donates his time and expertise to various benefit events, especially those focusing on GLBT issues.

Vilanch's booking manager is FSU alumnus Matt Byars. Byars, who left FSU in 2009 just a few credits short of a degree, spent the last five years building his business and reputation in the entertainment business. He decided last year to earn the last few credits and became an FSU graduate in 2013. Vilanch is waiving his appearance fee in recognition of Byars’ FSU connection.

This event is hosted by the departments of Theatre and Dance and English. For info, contact Nicole Mattis at 301-687-3212 or nmmattis@frostburg.edu.

Theatre & Dance to Open Season With D&D Thriller ‘She Kills Monsters’

Theatre and Dance at FSU will open its 2014-2015 season with the award-winning thriller “She Kills Monsters” by up-and-coming playwright Qui Nguyen, an artist known for his innovative nods to pop culture, puppetry and multimedia. Performances will take place in PAC's F. Perry Smith Studio Theatre on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17 and 18, and Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 23 through 25, at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee on Oct. 18 at 2 p.m.

Directed by Darrell Rushton, an associate professor in the department, performances will feature original fight choreography by guest artist Michael G. Chin, who created fights for the New York premiere of the play in 2011.

“She Kills Monsters” follows average Agnes as she grapples over the tragic fate of her sister Tilly with whom she had very little in common. While packing up her family home in Athens, Ohio, Agnes stumbles on a Dungeons & Dragons module created by her weird sister, and before long her world is anything but ordinary.

With a cohort of Tilly's nerdy friends, Agnes vanquishes evil during a gaming quest for the lost soul of Athens and, in the process, discovers more than she ever imagined about her sister, as well as herself.

Filled with randy ogres, blood-sucking cheerleaders and hostile fairies, “She Kills Monsters” is a comedic drama that celebrates the D&D warrior and awesome geek within us all.

Tickets are $6 for students and $12 for the general public. Season subscriptions are available until Oct. 25. Main stage subscriptions are $40 and student subscriptions are $20. Group discounts are also available.

For info, call the Theatre and Dance Box Office at 301-687-7462, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4 p.m.
Visual Arts

‘The Tie That Binds’ on Display at Roper Gallery

From left, artwork by Katie, Blade and Megan Wynne

“The Tie That Binds,” a collaborative experiment in the unconscious shared experience and influence family members have on each other, is on display through Wednesday, Nov. 5, at the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in the Visual Arts Building.

For info, call 301-687-4797. Gallery hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Readings

Center for Creative Writing to Present Writer Reginald McKnight

The Frostburg Center for Creative Writing will host writer Reginald McKnight, a novelist, short story writer and educator, on Thursday, Oct. 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lyric Theatre, 20 E. Main St. in Frostburg. This event is free and open to the public.


McKnight is a winner of the O. Henry Award, the Kenyon Review Award for Literary Excellence, the PEN Hemingway Special Citation, the Pushcart Prize and a Whiting Writer’s Award. Since 2002, he has been the Hamilton Holmes Professor of English at the University of Georgia in Athens.

For info on the fall 2014 reading series, contact the Center for Creative Writing at cwcenter@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4340. Visit www.blackpast.org/aah/mcknight-reginald-1956 for more about McKnight.

Music

Preston Pugmire to Demonstrate Looping Technique

The FSU Tunes at Noon series will host musician Preston Pugmire on Tuesday, Oct. 14, at noon in the loft of the Lane University Center. The concert is sponsored by FSU’s Office of Student Activities and is free and open to the public.

Pugmire is a solo artist who creates beats, guitars, bass and vocals simultaneously. With the use of an electronic floor pedal, he records anything he plays live. This unique technique is called looping, which allows him to layer multiple sounds on one another. With the use of traditional instruments and everyday items like a deck of cards, the sounds Pugmire produces are like no others.

His website is www.prestonpugmire.com. For info, contact the Lane Information Desk at 301-687-4411.

CES/Alumni Association Present Classic Rock Group Firefall in LIVE! at StarScape Performances for Homecoming Weekend

CES at FSU joins the FSU Alumni Association in celebrating FSU’s Homecoming Weekend by presenting classic rock greats Firefall in two intimate LIVE! at StarScape performances at 9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 17, in Lane Manicur Hall.

Since their debut in 1974, Firefall has captivated classic rock fans with their soaring harmonies, heartfelt showmanship and musical dexterity. Recognized for multiple chart-topping hits, including “You Are the Woman,” “Just Remember I Love You” and “Strange Way,” Firefall has endured as a radio mainstay throughout their 40-year history.

Tickets range from $30 to $200 for a VIP Meet and Greet experience.

For info, contact the CES box office at 301-687-3137 or visit CES’ webpage at ces.frostburg.edu.

Mikayla Young and Zachary Dodge in Joint Junior Recital

Soprano Mikayla Young and guitarist Zachary Dodge will perform a joint junior recital on Sunday, Oct. 19, at 3 p.m. They will be accompanied by pianist Dr. James DeWire.

Young will perform “Sapphische Ode,” “Immer Leiser” and “Dein Blaues Auge” by Johannes Brahms; “Clair de Lune,” “Les Beaux-arts” and “Au bord de L'eau” by Gabriel Fauré; “Cowboy Songs,” including “Bucking Bronco,” “Lift Me Into Heaven” and “Billy the Kid,” by Libby Larsen; “Porgi Amor” from “La Nozze di Figaro” by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart; “ Quando Men Vo” from “La Boheme” and “Signore, Ascolta!” from “Turandot” by Giacomo Puccini; and “El Vito” by Fernando Obradors.

Together, Dodge and Young will perform “En Jerez de la Frontera” and “Adela” by Joaquin Rodrigo and “Il Bacio” by Luigi Arditì. They will be joined on “Il Bacio” by Charles Engleka on guitar.

Faculty/Guest Artist Series: Dr. Mark Gallagher and Frank Corliss

The FSU Department of Music Faculty/Guest Artist Series will present clarinetist Dr. Mark Gallagher and pianist Frank Corliss in concert on Saturday, Oct. 25, at 7:30 p.m.

Their program will include “Canzonetta for Clarinet and Piano” by American composer Samuel Barber, arranged by Mark Gallagher; “Sonata in C Major” by French composer Francois Devienne; “Sonatina for Clarinet and Piano, H. 356” by Czech composer Bohuslav Martinu; and “Sonata in A-flat Major for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 49, No. 1” by German Composer Maximilian Reger.

Corliss is the associate director and director of Admissions at the Bard College Conservatory of Music in New York. He is also the director of the Post Graduate Collaborative Piano Fellowship. A frequent performer on the Boston Symphony Prelude Concert series, he also performs throughout the United States as a chamber musician and collaborative pianist.

Grand Mid-Atlantic Fiddle, Banjo and Mandolin Championship

Award-winning bluegrass band the Steep Canyon Rangers will be the headline performers at the 21st anniversary of the Grand Mid-Atlantic Fiddle, Banjo and Mandolin Championship on Saturday, Oct. 25, at the Lyric and Palace Theatres in Frostburg. This event is presented by the Cumberland Lions Club in cooperation with Del’s Army and WFWM Public Radio.

The championship will take place in the Lyric Theatre, 20 E. Main St., from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and features contestants in Youth (ages 18 and under), Adult (19 to 54 years old) and Senior (55 and older) categories for each instrument. There is no entry charge for contestants or those attending, although donations to the Cumberland Lions Club are appreciated.

Following the competition, the Steep Canyon Rangers and Grand Ole' Ditch will perform at the Palace Theatre, 31 E. Main St., beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets, required for the evening concert, can be purchased from Main Street Books in Frostburg and the Book Centre in Cumberland or online at www.midatlanticfiddle.com.

For info or to receive entry materials for contestants, call 301-724-7976.

Tenor Robert Brown to Perform Junior Recital

Tenor Robert Brown will perform his junior recital on Sunday, Oct. 26, at 3 p.m. He will be accompanied by Dr. Sean Beachy on piano.


Hunter Martin to Present Senior Recital

Hunter Martin will play the tuba as well as bass trombone in his senior recital on Sunday, Oct. 26, at 7 p.m. He will be accompanied by Dr. Jay DeWire on piano.

Martin will perform “Sonate für BaTuba und Klavier” by Paul Hindemith, “Rock” by Alan Raph and “Concerto for Tuba and Orchestra” by Raymond Premru. He will then perform his own arrangement of “Pastorale” by Eric Ewazen and will be joined by guest artist Dr. Philip Klickman on the French horn and DeWire. After an intermission, Martin will continue with “The Chief” by John Stevens, also his own arrangement, and “Vocalise, Op. 34, No. 14” by Sergei Rachmaninoff, arranged by Virginia Allen. For his last piece, Martin will perform his own composition, “The Lost but Not Forgotten Rangers.”

CES to Feature Jim Brickman in His Platinum Tour ‘Celebrating 20 Years’

CES at FSU will present a performance with award-winning pianist, composer and recording artist Jim Brickman on Friday, Nov. 7, at 7:30 p.m.

To mark the 20-year milestone of a dynamic career, Brickman’s Platinum Tour showcases new music along with the hits that earned the artist two Grammy nods, four gold albums and the distinction of being Billboard’s most charted adult contemporary artist. It’s an experience of emotion, warmth and humor that takes the audience on a musical journey of Brickman’s signature romantic piano melodies like “Valentine,” “ Love of My Life” and “If You Believe.”

Tickets are $30 for adults and $25.50 for youth under 17. Corporate and group discount rates are also available.

For info, contact the CES box office at 301-687-3137 or visit CES’ webpage at ces.frostburg.edu.
Info Session on ‘Disabilities and Reasonable Accommodations’

Disability Support Services, Communication Studies and Leadership Studies; the office of ADA/EEO Compliance; and the President’s Advisory Committee on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion will host an information program on “Disabilities and Reasonable Accommodations: Building Access for an Inclusive Campus” on Wednesday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in CCIT 397.

The program will be facilitated by Glendora C. Hughes and Tara B. Taylor from the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights. They will lead the group discussions on applicable laws, reasonable accommodations, workplace discrimination, disability language and awareness.

Be sure to RSVP by Oct. 15 to Rhiannon Morgret at 301-687-4483 or rcmorgret@frostburg.edu.


Dr. Seán Henry will host three open library tools and tips sessions for students, faculty and staff on Monday, Oct. 13, from 3:30 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, Oct. 14, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.; and Wednesday, Oct. 15, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., all in the Ort Library instruction classroom (Ort 316 – just inside the main entrance to the left). Be sure to stop by to see what’s new, because some library tools, such as catalogUSMAI and Research Port, may be replaced soon! For info, visit the Library blog or contact Henry at shenry@frostburg.edu.

Dr. Gerry Wojnar to Present Statistics/Geometry Seminar

Dr. Gerry Wojnar, an associate professor in the Department of Mathematics, will present a seminar weaving together his last 13 years of research investigations using the software Geometer’s Sketchpad, titled “New Discoveries Connecting the Cardano Cubic Formula, Statistics, Triangle Geometry and Polynomial Graphs,” Wednesday, Oct. 15, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in CCIT 221. Attendees should have some knowledge of derivatives and basic statistics.

Dr. Austin Dacey to Discuss Hobby Lobby Case at Philosophical Forum

As part of FSU’s fall 2014 Philosophical Forum, Dr. Austin Dacey, a lecturer in the Department of Philosophy, will give a talk on “Beyond Religious Freedom: Conscience and the Law After Hobby Lobby” on Tuesday, Oct. 21, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232).

Dacey, a former NGO (non-governmental organization) representative to the United Nations, is the author of “The Secular Conscience: Why Belief Belongs in Public.” His writings have appeared in the New York Times, USA Today, Salon and Dissent.

For info, contact Dr. Michael Mathias at 301-687-3094 or mbmathias@frostburg.edu.

Leadership Studies Program Event Set for Oct. 21

The Leadership Studies Minor program dinner will be held on Oct. 21 from 4:30 to 5 p.m. in CCIT 397. Current Leadership Studies faculty and students and those considering enrolling as a minor are invited to learn more about upcoming LEAD courses, professional conference opportunities and next semester’s leadership scholar-in-residence event, which will focus on how leadership can rely on contemplative practices like meditation. For, contact Dr. Elesha L. Ruminski, coordinator, at 301-687-4480 or elruminski@frostburg.edu, or visit www.frostburg.edu/dept/lead or the FSU Leadership Studies Minor Facebook page.

Fall Academic Enrichment Series

The fall 2014 Academic Enrichment Series, presented by the Academic Success Network, 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.

Angie Hovatter, director, Student Financial Aid will give a talk on “Financial Literacy” on Monday, Oct. 13, at 1 p.m. in the Lane Atkinson Room (232). Come learn how credit cards, student loans, checking accounts and no credit can affect your future.

Victoria Gearhart, Study Abroad advisor, and Nicole More, director, Center for International Education, will present “Study Abroad” on Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 10 a.m. in Lane 113. Study Abroad is a great opportunity to learn about the world, experience other cultures, earn course credits, enhance your job prospects, make new friends and learn about yourself.

For info, contact the Center for Academic Advising and Retention at 301-687-3404.
Appalachian Laboratory Fall Seminar Series

Dr. Tsvetan Bachvaroff, UMCES Institute of Marine and Environmental Technology, will present “Unwrapping Dinoflagellate Evolution” on Thursday, Nov. 6, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. For info, go to www.umces.edu/al/seminar/schedule.

Points of Pride

FSU Named Military Friendly for Fourth Straight Year

Victory Media, which serves military personnel transitioning into civilian life, has named FSU to its coveted Military Friendly Schools list for the fourth year in a row. The Military Friendly Schools list honors the top 15 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools in the country that are doing the most to embrace America's military service members, veterans and spouses as students and ensure their success on campus.

FSU ranked highly in the categories of on-campus military support, credit acceptance, tuition assistance, spouse and dependent policies and flexibility.

“Because of our ongoing commitment to veterans and their families, Victory Media has once again designated our University a Military Friendly School,” said President Jonathan Gibralter. “By doing what we can to ensure their success in college and after graduation, we honor those who have sacrificed so much.”

In addition, last year FSU was named one of the top-ranked schools in the 2014 edition of the U.S. News & World Report's Best Colleges for Veterans rankings, recognizing schools that participate in federal initiatives helping veterans and active service member apply, pay for and complete their degrees.

Also in the past year, FSU teamed up with University of Maryland University College to offer its undergraduate education program at military installations across Europe, part of a major Department of Defense contract with UMUC. The initial program is presenting FSU's secondary education program at Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany, which began this fall.

The Military Friendly Schools media and website (www.militaryfriendlyschools.com) feature the list, interactive tools and search functionality to help military students find the best school to suit their unique needs and preferences.

For info about services to military and veteran students and their dependents at FSU, contact the FSU Veterans Affairs office at 301-687-4409 or VAoffice@frostburg.edu.

President Jonathan Gibralter Presents at Nat’l Climate Leadership Summit

President Jonathan Gibralter was a part of the 2014 Presidential Summit on Climate Leadership, both as an attendee and a presenter. Hosted by Second Nature, the summit brought together more than 250 college and university leaders from across the U.S. to focus on ways to strengthen campus climate action and sustainability initiatives, as well as higher education’s leadership role in developing strategic responses to climate and sustainability challenges in community, regional and national contexts.

Like Gibralter, most summit participants are signatories of the American College & University Presidents’ Climate Commitment (ACUPCC). Gibralter is also a member of the ACUPCC steering committee.

Gibralter’s presentation was as part of a panel discussing “Sustainability in Conservative Communities,” one of several sessions devoted to the topic, Higher Education's Climate Leadership Imperative. He joined Linda Lujan, president of Chandler Gilbert Community College, and Jake Schrum, President of Emory & Henry College. They focused on how presidents take a leadership role in helping communities and campuses understand the importance of climate leadership, while being sensitive to the concerns of communities that may express skepticism about climate change science, concerns about the moral dimensions of sustainability or conflicting values regarding the purpose of higher education.

FSU was also recognized as a finalist for the 2014 Climate Leadership Award from Second Nature for its innovative Frostburg Grows: Grow It Local Greenhouse project.

Learn more at www.secondnature.org and www.presidentsclimatecommitment.org. For info about the Summit, visit www.secondnature.org/resources/summit-2014.

Take Note

Flu Vaccines Still Available at Brady Health

Brady Health Center still has flu vaccine available for students, faculty and staff for the low cost of $10. Payment is by cash, check or Bobcat Express. Students can also bill their FSU account. To schedule an appointment, call Brady Health at 301-687-4310.

Frostburg Winter Market at MCTA

The winter market is coming to Mountain City Traditional Arts at 25 E. Main St. in Frostburg. The first market will be on Saturday, Oct. 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Other dates include Nov. 1 and 15 and Dec. 6 and 20 (first and third Saturdays). Participating local farms include Savage River and Goodness Grows. For info, email info@wholesomeharvestfnods.com.
Guest speaker Kristina Anderson

University Police will hold its eighth annual Law Enforcement Awareness Day on **Wednesday, Oct. 22,** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Lane Manicur Hall. The guest speaker will be Kristina Anderson, a survivor of the 2007 Virginia Tech shootings. She will speak at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Tickets are free and will be issued on the first floor lobby of Lane beginning at 9:45 a.m. on **Oct. 22.** There will be three drawings throughout the event for chances to win a Sony 40-inch flat-screen TV, clothing and accessories from the University Store or an Xbox 360, and you must be present to win.

For info, contact Sr. Cpl. Michael C. Ruppenkamp at MCRuppenkamp@frostburg.edu.

National Chemistry Week – The Sweet Side of Chemistry

The American Chemical Society will celebrate the Sweet Side of Chemistry on **Thursday, Oct. 23,** from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the second floor lobby of Compton Science Center. Come explore and taste the science behind candy and ice cream. This hands-on event is appropriate for all ages, free and open to the public.

For info, contact Dr. Benjamin Norris at 301-687-4157 or bnnorris@frostburg.edu.

BITS Test to Be Offered Oct. 25

The Basic Information Technology Skills test will be offered at FSU on **Saturday, Oct. 25.** Students must register for the test by **Thursday, Oct. 23,** by contacting Todd Burke in the Computer Science and Information Technologies Department (CCIT 274-A). 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 thurke@frostburg.edu.

Four New Ort Library Displays for October

The first display, on the third floor near the front door, highlights the eighth annual Independent Lit Festival, including some of the independent presses, authors and publishers.

The second display, on the fourth floor near the stairs, titled “Comics: From the Newspaper to the Bookshelves,” highlights some of the comic books that Special Collections has available.

The third display, on the fifth floor, titled “Scary Good Reads: Classic Horror Books,” highlights classic horror books and their writers, including Mary Shelley, Bram Stoker, Edgar Allan Poe and H.P. Lovecraft. To complement the display, the third floor offers a display of classic and current horror books that can be checked out.

Continuing through **Oct. 15,** the display on the third floor near room 318 highlights the history of Hispanic-Americans in the United States and some of the resources the library offers on the subject of Hispanic-Americans.

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

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

This is the final year of a three-year Nothing But Nets commitment at FSU to help defeat malaria in Africa. This year’s campaign will run through **October.**

Malaria is preventable and treatable. Just $10 buys a net that can sleep four people and protect them.

Talk to your group(s) or department about participation (e.g., hold a fundraiser or take a member collection). Money is due by **Friday, Oct. 31,** to Chaplain Cindy Zirlott’s office in Hitchins 308. All groups and departments that participate will appear in The Bottom Line with the report of FSU’s efforts.

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 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesdays. Fridays and weekends are by appointment only. For info, contact Dr. Melody Kentrus, the lab director, at 301-6874415 or mhkentrus@frostburg.edu, or Tonnisha Rodgers at tmrodgers02@frostburg.edu.

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. 20,** at 2 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center. The Colleges of Business, Education and Liberal Arts and Sciences will present their graduates during a single ceremony. Tickets will be required for admission. The number of tickets will be determined at a later date, based on how many students are graduating.

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

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

Bobby Petrocelli, Thursday, Oct. 23, 7 p.m., Lane Manicur Hall. This will be Petrocelli’s 13th appearance at FSU. More than an impaired-driving education event, his program teaches students that 10 seconds can change a life forever.

The Girls’ Room, Monday, Nov. 17, 7 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room (232). This interactive workshop, complete with tips, demonstrations, and more, empowers college-aged female students with the tools they need to be successful in making a move toward a healthier lifestyle.

Upcoming UCM Events

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

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

Weekly Campus Ministry Opportunities

Salvation and Praise Bible Study, Mondays, 7 p.m., Lane 108. This is a student-led Bible study group.

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

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

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

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

Deadlines

Undergraduate Grade Changes

The last day for undergraduate grade changes, including removal of incomplete grades for the spring and summer 2014 semesters, is Tuesday, Oct. 14.

Study Abroad

Where in the World Would You Like to Study Abroad?

Devin Francillon in Morocco (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 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, student loans and scholarships can help fund a study abroad experience. For info on programs or scholarships, visit the Fuller House (across the street from the Braddock House), call 301-687-4714 or email Victoria Gearhart at vmgearhart@frostburg.edu. Also, check out the CIE website at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm.

Northumbria University, England, Spring 2015

Students can study in England for a semester or a 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.

Brazil, Summer 2015

The College of Business Global Experiential Learning Program will sponsor a study abroad trip to Brazil June 1 through 10, 2015. Students will visit Rio De Janeiro and Sao Paulo. Trip activities will introduce students to the splendor of Brazil’s culture and history, its growth and opportunity, and the challenges of economic development in more rural areas.

Students will earn 3 credits by taking one of a number of courses that will be taught online in the first summer session. The cost is $4,675, plus summer tuition and fees. Students from all majors are welcome.

For info, contact Dr. Jeff McClellan at 301-687-4372 or Dr. Carol Gaumer at 301-687-4052.

New Zealand, Summer 2015

Led by FSU faculty from the College of Education, this three-and-a-half-week experiential program will examine resource conservation and the natural, and related social, history of New Zealand’s South Island. Students will travel to many of the stunning national parks, forests, wildlife reserves and coastlines of New Zealand to learn from local experts and practitioners, government officials, iwi (Māori tribes) and scientific research bodies.
Students will earn 3 credits. The dates are **May 23 through June 17, 2015.**

An info session will be held on **Wednesday, Oct. 22,** at 5 p.m. in Lane 111. Check out the Facebook page at [facebook.com/FrostburgNewZealandStudyAbroad](http://facebook.com/FrostburgNewZealandStudyAbroad) or [www.BobcatsDownUnder.org](http://www.BobcatsDownUnder.org). For info, contact Dr. Natalia Buta at nbuta@frostburg.edu.

**New – China, Summer 2015!**

The College of Business Global Experiential Learning Program is organizing a study abroad trip to China from **May 29 through June 9, 2015.**

Students will tour Beijing and Shanghai, a developmental project in Guilin and the Rice Terraces of Longji, as well as visit ethnic minority communities.

Students will earn 3 credits by taking one of a number of courses that will be taught online in the first summer session. The cost is $3,990, plus summer tuition and fees. All majors are welcome.

For info, contact Dr. Suzanne McCoskey at 301-687-4897 or Dr. Sudhir Singh at 301-6874093.

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**Student Life**

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

Edgewood Commons has availability for the 2015-16 academic year! All the info about Edgewood Commons is available at [www.edgewoodFSU.com](http://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.

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**Community**

**Frostburg Museum to Hold Open House**

The Frostburg Museum will hold its 2014 Open House on **Saturday, Oct. 18,** from 1 to 4 p.m. Visitors of all ages can enjoy special activities and exhibits as well as the museum’s extensive collections.

In the gallery, several vintage maps from FSU’s Ort Library collection feature coal company property rights and identify plots owned by local families.

There will be three activities designed especially for children: a craft activity in the toy collection gallery, a scavenger hunt for items throughout the museum and photo opportunities for kids to dress in period costumes (bring your cameras!).

The museum is at 69 Hill St. Regular hours are Thursday, Friday and Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. All events are free and open to the public. For info, call 301-689-1195 or email info@frostburgmuseum.org.

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**FSU Events Calendar**

For info on FSU events, go to [http://events.frostburg.edu/calendar](http://events.frostburg.edu/calendar).

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

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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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