

StateLines

www.frostburg.edu/news/statelines.htm

For and about FSU people
Volume 42, Number 31, May 14, 2012

A publication of the FSU Office of Communications and Media Relations
Copy deadline: noon Wednesday, statelines@frostburg.edu

Frostburg State University Commencement Ceremonies Slated for May 19



Mitchell Hall, Hannah Schott and Lydia Valenta

FSU will celebrate and recognize the achievements of its May 2012 graduating class during the University's 140th commencement ceremonies on **Saturday, May 19**, in the Cordts PE Center's Main Arena.

President Jonathan Gibralter will confer degrees on graduates during two exercises throughout the day. The College of Business and the College of Education will start at 9:30 a.m. and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will begin at 2 p.m.

Mitchell Hall, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; **Hannah Schott**, College of Business; and **Lydia Valenta**, College of Education, are the featured speakers for the spring commencement exercises.

Hall will graduate with a degree in ethnobotany and is the first in his household to attend college and receive a degree. He was selected for the Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program. He has participated in molecular biology research involving cloning, purifying and expressing proteins in microorganisms. Hall is the president of the Sierra Student Coalition and a member of Beta Beta Beta Biology Honors Society. He has been accepted into the FSU Applied Ecology and Conservation Biology Graduate Program. "One of the most incredible things about being an FSU student is my ability to get hands-on experience with projects that hold an immense amount of value and importance to me," says Hall. "I was able to design and experiment to test if a modified tomato plant conferred resistance to phloem-feeding and chewing insects. I received a grant from the Open Science Network to present the results of my research at an international conference."

Schott will graduate with a double major in international studies and economics and has earned a 4.0 grade point average. She spent a semester as an intern in the office of U.S. Sen. Benjamin Cardin through the Beall Institute for Public Affairs. Schott

participated in FSU's Shakespeare Festival, Beta Gamma Sigma Leadership Forum and the Sloop Institute for Excellence in Leadership. She worked as a student assistant and as a tutor in the Department of Economics and took the lead in reviving the students' Economics Club. "I have had so many wonderful experiences as a student at Frostburg State University, and my academic pursuits have prepared me for success in the professional world," says Schott. "In particular, I have acquired a unique set of analytic and quantitative skills as an economics major that will set me apart from other graduating seniors. I will always be grateful for the lasting relationships I have formed with my fellow students and with the dedicated faculty of the FSU Economics Department."

Valenta will graduate as an exercise and sport science major and biology minor and has earned a 4.0 grade point average. A resident of Frostburg, she was homeschooled prior to coming to FSU. As a student, she participated with the FSU cross country and track and field programs. Valenta did volunteer work in Chicupe, Mozambique, and Guangxi, China, as well as for many community organizations. She is a member of Phi Eta Sigma and is a lifetime member of Beta Beta Beta Biological Honors Society. She has been accepted into a doctoral program in physical therapy at Shenandoah University. "My education at Frostburg State University has given me the skills to better understand people as a health promoter and a physical therapist," says Valenta. "Along with academic preparation, Frostburg has also contributed to social growth in my life. I have gained leadership experience and confidence through both coursework and experiences."

Provost **Dr. Stephen Simpson**; **Dr. Clarence Golden**, interim dean of the College of Education; **Dr. Ahmad Tootoonchi**, dean of the College of Business; and **Dr. Joseph Hoffman**,

dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, will present candidates for degrees during commencement.

Commencement will be streamed live; to view the live streaming, visit www.frostburg.edu on the day of commencement and click on the link for live streaming.

Tickets are required for admission to the spring commencement. For more information, visit the commencement website at www.frostburg.edu/commencement or the Commencement Facebook event at <http://on.fb.me/fsucommencement>.

The Office of the Provost

cordially invites you to join

the Frostburg State University
community

in celebration of
academic excellence

THE UNIVERSITY
HONORS CONVOCATION

Friday, May 18, 2012

7:30–9:30 p.m.

Pealer Recital Hall
Performing Arts Center

Reception following in
PAC Lobby

Please join us to recognize the
recipients of the

Faculty Achievement Awards

Graduate Program Honors

Undergraduate Departmental
Honors

Honors in General Education

FSU to Offer Doctor of Education, Its First Doctorate

FSU has received final approval to offer a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership, with the first students to begin studies in the fall. This applied doctoral program is FSU's first, the culmination of more than three years of work by the FSU faculty and administration.

Approval for the Ed.D. was required from the FSU Faculty Senate, the University System of Maryland, the Maryland Higher Education Commission and the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, the agency that oversees the University's accreditation.

"I am thrilled that FSU has been able to take this important step forward," said President Jonathan Gibraltar. "The trend nationally is for comprehensive regional universities to offer applied doctoral degrees. This development puts FSU in the same tier as those other universities nationally."

"Education professionals in this area have long requested a doctoral program," said FSU's provost, Dr. Stephen Simpson. "I am very pleased that FSU will be able to meet this crucial workforce development need. This is a significant landmark in the evolution of this institution."

The new degree will be an applied doctorate designed to provide a professional practitioner with a practical connection between theory

and practice. The 60-credit program will be rooted in authentic experiences, case studies, problem-based learning activities and professional theory, as well as an integrated practicum.

The theme of leadership is woven throughout the program of study. Students will enter in a group, or cohort, and spend two years doing coursework and a third year in a practicum and producing a dissertation.

Students are expected to hold full-time professional positions, which will be the source of many of the course assessments. They should already hold a professional license if the area of study requires one, and they must have already earned a master's degree. Classes will be presented in a variety of ways to accommodate the working professional, including traditional evening classes, blended classes mixing online and in-class time, sessions on Friday evenings and Saturdays, seminars and a fully online class. The program's sequence is designed to highlight connections among the courses within a semester or summer to streamline learning.

The program will be administered in the College of Education's Department of Educational Professions, where a number of faculty members have been co-teaching doctoral courses at the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown with doctoral faculty from University of Maryland, College Park, and serving on dissertation committees.

"Particular credit is due to Dr. Clarence Golden (interim dean of the FSU College of Education), Dr. William Childs (acting associate dean of the College of Education) and Dr. Mary Gartner (associate provost), who have put in much of the hard work to bring this program through all the necessary steps for approval and implementation," Gibraltar said.

The first cohort of 25 students will be admitted at the FSU campus this fall, with another cohort of 25 students admitted to the FSU program at the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown in fall 2013. Cohorts will be admitted at each location in alternate years thereafter, pending sufficient enrollment.

Prospective students can apply to the Office of Graduate Services. The deadline to apply for the fall has been extended to **June 8** because of the shortened application period. Information is available at the website www.frostburg.edu/edd, and an informational webinar will be offered on **Wednesday, May 16**, at 7 p.m. Register for the webinar at <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/250367432> or visit the Graduate Services website at www.frostburg.edu/grad. Email gradservices@frostburg.edu or call x7053 for info on program requirements and a checklist for the application process.

The inaugural cohort will then attend an orientation in **late July or early August** in preparation for classes that begin on **Aug. 29**.



Presentations

Educational Technology Expert Keynote Speaker at FSU's TASTE 2.0



Greg Ritter, director of Product Management at Blackboard, will be the keynote speaker for FSU's TASTE 2.0 Conference **May 23 and 24**, a two-day event featuring

various presentations on teaching excellence focusing on meeting the needs of today's tech-savvy students.

Ritter has been involved in education and educational technology for over 20 years. He taught in the English departments at Virginia Commonwealth University and the University of Richmond, where he worked on an Annenberg Foundation grant around integrating technology into the writing classroom. He served as the Academic Technology Program manager at Gallaudet University (the university for the deaf and hard of hearing) for three years before joining

Blackboard in 1999. In his 13 years at Blackboard, Ritter has worked in Consulting, Partner Alliances and Product Management, where for the last seven years he has helped define the direction of the Blackboard Learn platform.

The TASTE Conference is sponsored by Academic Computing and Instructional Technologies, Blackboard and Daly Computers. For info, call x7090 or email acit@frostburg.edu.



Workshops

Summer Creative Writing Workshop for High School Students

The Frostburg Center for Creative Writing announces the upcoming annual Savage Mountain Creative Writing Workshop. The workshop is an opportunity for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors to spend a week of intensive study in fiction or poetry writing.

Students will get the experience with literature and language beyond the average high school's goals and requirements – including the production of polished poems, stories or essays; publication online; and the opportunity to study with respected

and well-published contemporary poets, fiction writers and essayists.

The Savage Mountain Creative Writing Workshop is a week-long event, **beginning Sunday, June 24, and ending on Saturday, June 30**. This year, the faculty features FSU faculty member **Gerry LaFemina** (fiction), author of the short story collection "Wish List," and Jennifer Merrifield (poetry), author of "American Proper." Friends and family are invited to attend a student reading and reception on **Saturday, June 30**.

The cost for commuter students is \$300, and for students who wish to reside on campus, \$550.

To register, visit www.frostburg.edu/savagemtn/writing/writing.htm. For info about financial assistance, contact LaFemina at glafemina@frostburg.edu or x4340.



Visual Arts

New Exhibits at Ort

The Ort Library has several new exhibits on display on the third and fifth floors. "Freedom of the Press: History, Hotspots and Journalists in the Crossfire" highlights the danger journalists face while covering the news in "hotspots" around the world. For example, in 2011 alone, 86 journalists and media staff were killed.

This display also highlights the history of freedom of the press in the United States. This display is located on the third floor near the Library Instruction classroom.

“Wildflowers of Maryland” gives information about the wildflowers seen growing throughout the region. Books, Internet sources and more provide images and descriptions of various plants. Many wildflowers are native, some are invasive and some will always be “weeds” to many of us. The wildflower display can be found on the fifth floor.

Finally, the library is highlighting its 24/7 chat reference service, “Maryland AskUsNow!” This exhibit is located on the third floor.

Stop by the Ort Library to see these and the continuing exhibits “Polar Explorer,” located on the third floor, and “The Political Posters and Display Exhibit” throughout the fourth and fifth floors.



Points of Pride

Faculty Achievement Award Winners to Be Honored



Dr. Amy C. Branam, Dr. Fritz C. Kessler, Dr. Amit J. Shah and Dr. Gregory J. Wood

This year’s Faculty Achievement Award recipients, who will be honored at the **May 18** University Honors Convocation, are **Dr. Fritz C. Kessler**, Department of Geography, for Academic Accomplishment; **Dr. Gregory J. Wood**, Department of History, for Academic Accomplishment; **Dr. Amit J. Shah**, Department of Management, for Teaching; and **Dr. Amy C. Branam**, Department of English, for University and Community Service. The awards are made possible through generous gifts to the FSU Foundation, Inc.

Since Kessler joined FSU in 1999, his dedication to the field of cartography, specifically map projections, has resulted in numerous conference presentations and publications, including an atlas, a cartography textbook and peer-reviewed articles in major geography journals. He spent time as editor of “Cartographic Perspectives,” where he increased readership and expanded a student poster competition into the most important showcase of new cartographic talent and research in the country. Kessler, an associate professor of geography, continues to research map projections, using his knowledge and skills in the classroom. He is researching recent assessments of the lack of attention to geographic literacy and education in the United States.

Kessler integrates his research, a key component of his work, into the curriculum to enhance student learning.

Wood, an assistant professor of history, recently published his research in a book, “Retiring Men: Manhood, Labor and Growing Old in America, 1900-1960,” which examines the preservation of masculinity and its influence on labor politics in the 20th century. He has authored several peer-reviewed journal articles, encyclopedia entries and book reviews. One of his articles received the prestigious James Soltow Award, and he has presented academic papers at conferences across the country. His labor studies research provides an expansion of our understanding of the combination of gender and labor through the lens of history. Wood is a model teacher and researcher: an individual who not only values research, but values the teaching of it to students to enhance their critical thinking skills.

A professor of management, Shah receives high accolades for his teaching skills from his colleagues and students. He is known for being highly accessible to students and possessing a deep desire to have a positive impact on their academic lives. His teaching techniques result in high-quality learning and retention. He relies on a learning model of conversational and discussion-based learning, encouraging students to actively construct meanings from course materials. He provides extensive feedback to students to improve academic performance. Letters from current and former students portray him as a deeply caring professor. Shah is the only faculty member in FSU history to have earned a Regents’ Award and all three categories of Faculty Achievement Awards.

Branam, an assistant professor of English, has shown profound dedication to FSU through her service to the University and surrounding community. She serves on numerous departmental and University committees and advises several student organizations. Her commitment to service is exemplified by her involvement in the Women’s Studies and African-American Studies programs. As an advisor for V-Day, she has taken a prominent role in organizing events such as the Clothesline Project, the Scarf Project, Take Back the Night and “The Vagina Monologues.” As a member of the African-American Studies steering committee, she has organized and secured grant funding for the Frostburg exhibition of “Hateful Things,” a traveling exhibit from the Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia. Branam engages in a remarkable amount of service to better her institution and the experience of her students.

For info, contact the Office of the Provost at x4211.

FSU Does Amazing Job in RecycleMania Tournament

FSU came in among the top fifth of the 605 college campuses that participated in the 2012 RecycleMania Tournament, ranking 54th overall.

FSU ranked above most Maryland colleges and universities, including Johns Hopkins, Towson University, UMBC, Morgan State University and University of Maryland-College Park. In Maryland, the only school that ranked higher than FSU was Harford Community College.

As in the past, FSU has done well in this competition. This year FSU has demonstrated its care for its environment, placing 109th for the per capita classic (the combined weight of the recyclables divided by the campus population), 33rd for paper recycled and 37th for bottles and cans recycled.

RecycleMania is an eight-week challenge that ignites classic college rivalries, rallying students, faculty and staff to increase on-campus recycling rates beyond their collegiate competitors. As a part of its pledge to the ACUPCC, FSU participates annually in the Waste Minimization component of the RecycleMania competition. In addition, FSU is committed to three waste reduction measures: establishing and continually improving the campus recycling program, replacing the promotion of paper products with online alternatives and creating and promoting a system to report wasteful practices and offer suggestions for waste reduction.

For more information, visit www.frostburg.edu/lglg/lglg.htm.

Five FSU Students to Bike Cross-Country With 4K for Cancer



From left to right, top row, Alex Ramsey and Eric Stinchcomb, bottom row, Colette Hapi, Tracey Pearson and Sidni Giordano

This summer FSU students **Alex Ramsey, Eric Stinchcomb, Colette Hapi, Tracey Pearson** and **Sidni Giordano** will participate as part of the Baltimore-to-Portland team in 4K for Cancer, a 4,000-mile charity bicycle ride across the U.S. to raise money and support communities affected by cancer. The three teams of 30 college-aged riders will bike from Baltimore’s Inner Harbor to Portland, San Francisco or Seattle. All riders will

depart from Baltimore’s Inner Harbor on **May 27** and will arrive in their respective destination cities on **Aug. 4**.

Riders will stay in 178 host communities throughout the summer. In each community, riders have the opportunity to share their connection to the cancer fight and play a part in uniting and inspiring these communities to overcome challenges posed by this destructive disease.

In 2012, 4K for Cancer aims to raise over \$400,000 to support the efforts of the Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults. UCF provides direct support services through the Patient Navigation program, peer mentoring and college scholarships. To accomplish these goals each rider is charged with raising \$4,500.

For info, visit <http://4kforcancer.org/2012-team-portland/>.

BURG Peer Education Network Awarded at BACCHUS Conference



Left to right, Nathan Rosenberger, Shayna Kramer, Sam Hammett, Chris Lucas, Caitlin Weems, Chrissy DelloStritto, Veronica Morris, Johnny Li, Tristian Ferres, Desiree Desperett, Jasmine Wilson, advisor Don Swogger, Melissa Johnson, Bobby Croft (president) and Chris Lucas (hidden in background)

In mid-April, members of the BURG Peer Education Network attended the BACCHUS Area 12 Conference at Longwood University. Students attended sessions about college health issues and keynote sessions from some nationally known motivational and leadership speakers.

The group and several individuals received awards, including:

- Outstanding Leadership Award – **Bobby Croft** and **Laura Fehle**
- Outstanding Education Program Award
- Outstanding Exhibit Award
- Outstanding Spirit Award

GTU Visits DC Embassies



Left to right, Gabrielle Garlitz, Ashley Young, Christyna McCormick, Dr. Matt Ramspott, Amanda Meneghini, Kelsey

Parker, Chris Gallo, Kyra-Marie Moir and Scott McDonough at the Islamic Center of Washington

In early May, students from FSU visited several embassies in Washington, D.C., as part of the city’s annual “Passport DC” event. The group took in a photography exhibit at the Finnish Embassy, as well as food, music, art and dance at the embassies of Bolivia, Brazil, Venezuela and Turkey. The group also had the opportunity to visit inside the District’s largest mosque, the Islamic Center of Washington. Geography faculty **Dr. Matthew Ramspott** and **Dr. Richard Russo** accompanied the students on this trip organized by the Geography Club and the GTU geography honor society.

Outdoor Fun at the Evergreen Heritage Center



In early May, visitors to the Evergreen Heritage Center Open House, co-sponsored by the Evergreen Heritage Center Foundation and the Western Maryland Health System, learned how to plant and harvest a kitchen garden of vegetables and herbs, how to identify plants and insects in the garden and the importance of water and how to conserve it. Visitors also discovered outdoor activities the whole family can enjoy, and were introduced to some of the visiting animals at Evergreen, including the three bunnies shown in the photo with Kelly Rodgers (EHC environmental instructor on the far left), **Katy Limpert** (an FSU intern participating in an EHC service learning project) and Elaine Raesly (manager of the EHC environmental education program). Tours of the historic Evergreen Museum and Barn were also available.

For info, visit www.evergreenheritagecenter.org, email foundation@evergreenheritagecenter.org or call x0664.

Commencement will once again be streamed live!

Tickets will be required for admission. Liberal Arts and Sciences students will receive six tickets and Business and Education students will receive 12 tickets.

Full details about commencement are on the University’s website at www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement.

For info, contact Brittnei Teter at x4423 or bkteter@frostburg.edu.

Spring Cleaning

Once again Infinity Logistic Management is donating a moving truck to collect still-usable but unwanted furniture and household items. The trailer will be parked in the College Avenue lot **from May 14 through 21**, and the goods, including small and large appliances, bedding and towels (no clothing), will be transported to help those in southern West Virginia and Kentucky. If help is needed to transport items, call Jim at 301-689-5958. Don’t forget to encourage your students to donate their unwanted furniture as they prepare to move!

FSU Renewable Energy Activities to Be Exhibited at House of Representatives

FSU will exhibit its renewable energy activities at the 15th Annual Congressional Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Expo and Forum on **Thursday, June 21**, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Caucus Room of the Cannon House Office Building, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. The event is free and open to the public.

Dr. Oguz Soysal and **Hilkat Soysal**, of FSU’s Department of Physics and Engineering and co-directors of the Renewable Energy Center, will exhibit information about the Sustainable Energy Research Facility, Maryland Industrial Partnerships Program projects and Constellation Energy project at the expo.

More than 50 businesses, sustainable energy industry trade associations, government agencies and energy policy research organizations will showcase the status and near-term potential of the cross-section of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies. The expo will address the role that sustainable energy technologies could play as congress, the administration, the business community, environmental advocates and American voters search for options to stimulate the economy and find green jobs. It will address issues of national security, higher energy costs, increased reliance on energy imports and the environmental

Take Note Graduating May 19?

The 140th commencement ceremony is scheduled for **Saturday, May 19**, in the Cordts PE Center. **The colleges of Business and Education will hold their service at 9:30 a.m., while the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present its graduates at 2 p.m.**

threats associated with energy consumption, including the technical aspects of renewable energy and energy-efficient technologies.

Small Business Resource Day

The U.S. Small Business Administration's Baltimore District Office will hold an open house at FSU on **Wednesday, May 30**, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Compton 226. The event will showcase programs and services that can help with the development and growth of small businesses. This open house will feature the office's resource partners – the Maryland Small Business Development Center and SCORE, along with representatives from federal, state and local government organizations.

- The agenda is as follows:
- Registration from 9:30 to 9:45 a.m.
 - A panel presentation from 9:45 to 11 a.m.
 - An information trade fair from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Come found out about small business resources in the community, meet face to face with representatives and get connected and grow your business!

The event is free but space is limited. Advance online registration is recommended at <http://tinyurl.com/SBA-MD-Events>.

For info, contact Arnette Carter at 410-962-6195, ext. 338, or l.carter@sba.gov.



Need an Internship or College Credit?

FSU-TV3 has two main positions open for the fall 2012 semester: Final Cut Pro editors and graphic designers. If you need to complete a directed study or an internship, this is the place for you. For info, visit www.frostburg.edu/fsu-tv3/work-opportunities. To be considered, fill out the online application.



Get Involved

Upcoming UCM Events

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

UCM will collect food and shoes during finals week. The collection boxes will be in the Lane Center. Food donations will go to the local food pantry. Students, if you don't want to pack up any food you have left and it is unopened, you can donate it. UCM is also collecting gently used shoes. UCM is partnering with an organization called "Shoe Beggars for

Christ, Inc.," which collects new and used shoes, sorts them for areas and conditions they will best serve, prepares them for shipping and distributes them to contacts in needy areas. This year most of the shoes are being sent to tornado-ravaged areas of the U.S. South and Midwest and elsewhere, including Haiti.

For info, go to www.shoebeggars.org/sb.nsf/Jamie!OpenPage.

Catholic Campus Ministry

For info, contact Kathleen Broadwater in the Osborne Newman Center, or at 301-689-5041 or k.broadwater@frostburg.edu.

Word-to-Action Bible Study, Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., Osborne Newman Center. The group will read scriptural passages and plan ways to live out their messages. All are welcome. **Dinner and Program**, 7 p.m. (dinner), 7:30 p.m. (program). CCM provides a home-cooked meal every Tuesday evening followed by a program on faith and intimacy.



International Where Would You Like to Study Abroad?



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, Botswana or in many other countries. FSU also offers summer study abroad programs. Financial aid, student loans and scholarships are available. For info, visit the Fuller House (across the street from Braddock House), call x4714 or email Victoria Gearhart at vmgearhart@frostburg.edu. Also check out the CIE website at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm.

Changsha, China – Fall 2012

Through the China Exchange Program, FSU students can spend a semester at Hunan Normal University (www.hunnu.edu.cn/english) in Changsha, Hunan Province, P.R. China. Students pay FSU tuition and fees (based on residency status) through their student e-bill account and room and board costs to Hunan Normal University. Living costs are generally less expensive than at FSU and courses are taught in English.

Limerick, Ireland – Fall 2012

Students can study for a semester in Ireland at Mary Immaculate College and pay FSU tuition. Financial aid can be used to help cover the costs of room and board. Credits will transfer back to FSU. Check out the website for Mary Immaculate College at www.mic.ul.ie.



Frostburg Museum Exhibitions

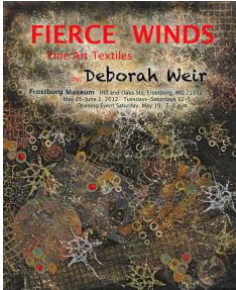
The nonprofit Frostburg Museum, at the corner of Hill and Oak Streets, is open Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. Admittance to the museum is always free; donations are appreciated. For info, contact Garry Ritchie at 301-689-1195 or FrostburgMuseum@Verizon.net. The museum is also on the web at FrostMuseum.Allconet.org.

"Play in the Streets"



The Museum Galleries at the Frostburg Museum are presenting "Play in the Streets," their second annual juried art exhibition, **through June 9**. All entries are original works of art that have been completed within the last two years and have not been previously exhibited in the Museum Galleries or in the Frostburg area. The show exhibits a variety of media in two- and three-dimensional works. Entries for this show came from as far away as California and include candidates from seven states.

"Fierce Winds" by Deborah Weir



The Frostburg Museum will present "Fierce Winds," an exhibition featuring new work by artist Deborah Weir **from May 15 through June 2**. The artist's opening reception will be held on **Saturday, May 19**, from 5 to 8 p.m. and is free and open to the public. From her start as a costume designer, through her 34-year career in linguistics, Weir has never lost interest in art. Since retiring, she has worked to develop as a mixed-media textile artist. This exhibit focuses on fierce winds from the far reaches of the globe: Garm Hava from the Indian

subcontinent, Oroshi from Japan and the Brickfielder, which sweeps across the Australian Outback. Additional pieces represent other natural phenomena, like the view of the sky over the Pacific Ocean at sunset from the Palos Verdes Peninsula in Southern California, and the other-worldly minerals bubbling through the earth’s thin crust at Rotorua in New Zealand.

‘A Wellington Retrospective II’ at Gilchrist Museum

The C. William Gilchrist Museum of the Arts, at 104 Washington St., presents “A Wellington Retrospective II,” the second of a three-part series celebrating Cumberland-born artist

John Louis Wellington. Running **through June 3**, this exhibit provides a view into the true depth and breadth of the artist’s work. Several special events will be scheduled throughout the run of the show
For info, visit www.facebook.com/gilchristgallery or www.gilchristgallery.com.



Student Life

Edgewood Commons Accepting Applications for 2012-2013 Academic Year

Now is your chance to complete the application process and secure your space for the fall.

All the necessary application forms are available on the website at www.edgewoodcommonsapts.com. Simply print and fill out the documents and return them to the Edgewood office along with the application fees.

Each apartment at Edgewood Commons comes fully furnished and contains:

- Full-size washer and dryer
- Central heat and air conditioning
- Full-size refrigerator with icemaker
- Dishwasher
- Stove
- Microwave
- Garbage disposal

All Edgewood apartments have private bedrooms and semi-private bathrooms.

Other student amenities include:

- Fitness center
- High-def media room with an Xbox 360, Wii and PlayStation 3
- Hotel-style lounge with a big-screen television
- Game room with two pool tables
- Three conference/study lounges
- High-speed wireless Internet
- Extended basic cable television with HBO
- 24-hour computer lab with free printing

Edgewood has on-site management and a full-time maintenance staff. Additionally, utilities (gas, electricity, water, Internet and cable) are included in the contract fee.

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@edgewoodcommonsapts.com.



FSU Events Calendar

MONDAY, MAY 14		
Final Exams		
FSU Bookstore Cap and Gown Pickup	8 a.m.-5 p.m.....	Lane 108
TUESDAY, MAY 15		
Final Exams		
FSU Bookstore Cap and Gown Pickup	8 a.m.-5 p.m.....	Lane 108
WEDNESDAY, MAY 16		
Final Exams		
FSU Bookstore Cap and Gown Pickup	8 a.m.-5 p.m.....	Lane 108
THURSDAY, MAY 17		
Final Exams		
FSU Bookstore Cap and Gown Pickup	8 a.m.-5 p.m.....	Lane 108
Men’s/Women’s Track and Field: ECAC		
Division III Championships (Rensselaer		
Polytechnic Institute), Troy, N.Y.	TBA.....	Away
Blackout Day	noon-1 p.m.....	Campuswide
FRIDAY, MAY 18		
Final Exams		
Residence Halls Close – 7 p.m.		
FSU Bookstore Cap and Gown Pickup	8 a.m.-5 p.m.....	Lane 108
Men’s/Women’s Track and Field: ECAC		
Division III Championships (Rensselaer		
Polytechnic Institute), Troy, N.Y.	TBA.....	Away
Honors Convocation.....	7:30 p.m.....	PAC Pealer Recital Hall
SATURDAY, MAY 19		
Commencement:		
Colleges of Business and Education.....	9:30 a.m.....	Cordts Main Arena
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences	2 p.m.....	Cordts Main Arena
Note: Tickets are required and a limited number are available.		
SUNDAY, MAY 20		
Chapel Worship Service.....	11 a.m.	Cook Chapel
Planetarium: “Grazers of the African Plains		
and Their Skies”	4 p.m.	Compton 224
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.		

Leavin’ on a Jet Plane This Summer?



- **Connect automatic timers to indoor and outdoor lights, as well as to a radio or television.**
- **Turn down the ringer on your phone. If you have an answering machine, make sure your message does not tell callers you are on vacation.**
- **Tell a neighbor or relative where you can be reached at all times.**