

Patriot Digest

The Francis Marion University Faculty and Staff Newsletter

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FMU to begin 35th year with start of fall classes

Francis Marion University officially begins its 35th year with the start of fall classes this month.

A new faculty orientation is scheduled Friday, Aug. 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Lowrimore Auditorium. Housing for new students opens at 8 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 21, and housing for continuing students opens at 10 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 22.

FMU president Fred Carter will welcome all faculty members back to campus with a breakfast on Tuesday, Aug. 24, in the Ervin Dining Hall.

Students who have not yet attended an orientation session will be able to do so on Monday, Aug. 23. Students also will be able to meet with their advisers for open registration and pay their fees on Aug. 23.

The first day of classes is Wednesday, Aug. 25. Late registration and drop/add will be held Aug. 25-27 and Aug.

30-Sept. 1.

Area businesses will provide information about their services to students at a community fair Aug. 25 from 1 to 5 p.m. in the Smith University Center commons. Following the community fair, a welcome-back pizza social for students will be held in the commons, from 6 to 8 p.m.

An organizations fair for new students will be held Aug. 31 from 1 to 5 p.m. in the university center commons. The fair will introduce new students to many of the organizations, clubs, departments and activities available to them at FMU.

The university will open a new housing complex for upperclassmen this fall. The Forest Villas will house 237 students in contemporary apartments. Construction will also begin this fall on a 30,000-square-foot building to house the nursing program.

Alumnus Hal Campbell named to FMU Board of Trustees

Hal Campbell of Florence, president and chief executive officer of ACS Technologies, has been appointed to the governor's seat on the Francis Marion University Board of Trustees.

Gov. Mark Sanford made the appointment of Campbell, effective July 1. His term runs coterminous with the governor.

"Hal Campbell will be a wonderful addition to our board," said FMU President Fred Carter. "With a wealth of business experience and his love of the university, he brings great leadership skills to our board."

Campbell is a 1979 graduate of FMU with a degree in business. In 1994, he was presented the FMU School of Business Outstanding Graduate Award. Two years later, he was recognized as one of the university's 25 Distinguished Alumni by the

Alumni Association.

Campbell was named the university's 2003-04 Outstanding Alumnus. A past president of the Alumni Association, he continually supports his alma mater in a variety of ways, including serving as secretary of the FMU Foundation Board.



Campbell

Founded in 1978, ACS Technologies (formerly Computer Dimensions) is the country's leading provider of technology solutions for churches, private schools and other faith-based organizations. Campbell joined the company after graduating from FMU. He was named president and CEO in 1984 when the company

had about 100 clients and 10 employees. Under Campbell's leadership, the firm has grown to more than 300 employees with more than 12,000 clients.

Campbell and the other owners of ACS (Billy Campbell, Marvin Owen and Tom Rogers) were named South Carolina's Small Business Persons of the Year in 2002.

He was a finalist in the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year program in 2004. ACS employs a significant number of FMU graduates with expertise in areas of programming, testing, technical writing, customer support, information technology, accounting, sales and administration.

Campbell and his wife Melaine have two daughters. They are active in the First Presbyterian Church in Florence.

**First day of Fall 2004 classes is Wednesday, Aug. 25.
Welcome back faculty and students!**

Caregivers Seminar to be held in CEMC, Aug. 19

The State Health Plan Prevention Partners will hold a Caregivers Seminar, Thursday, Aug. 19, in the Cauthen Educational Media Center's Lowrimore Auditorium.

The event is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon and admission is free.

The seminar is designed to give participants an overview of some of the most important components of caregiving issues and strategies.

The seminar will cover the stresses of caregiving, types of assessments, types of care services, legal issues, and end-of-life choices.

The deadline to register is Monday, Aug. 16. For more information or to register, contact Becky Culbertson at 1143.

Drug list changes quarterly

As a reminder, Medco Health's preferred drug list, used by the State Health Plan and MUSC Options, is reviewed every quarter. Some drugs are added to the preferred list, and others are removed.

A medication may be removed from the preferred list at any time when a generic drug becomes available to replace the brand name or when there are concerns about its safety.

You may not be aware that the price of a medication has changed until you renew a prescription. Keep in mind you must pay the difference whenever a brand-name drug is dis-

pensed and a generic is available.

Avoid paying higher prices when a generic drug becomes available by asking your physician to include "substitution permitted" on all of your prescriptions.

Then, even though a generic may not be available when your prescription is first written and filled, your pharmacist will be able to substitute the lower-priced generic drug for the brand drug should a generic become available.

When picking up a prescription, if you notice a price change you may need to remind your pharmacist that you want the generic medication instead, since the pharmacist's computer system reflects the previously dispensed medication.

Updates to the preferred drug list are posted on the Employee Insurance Program (EIP) website at www.eip.sc.gov. Go to "News and Updates." New lists are posted as received from Medco Health following the quarterly reviews. A complete list is always available online at www.medco-health.com.

You will need to sign in to view the list or to price a medication. If you have any questions about the preferred drug lists or about your Prescription Drug Program in general, call Medco Health at 800-711-3450.

A committee of independent doctors and pharmacists meets quarterly to

evaluate the preferred drug list's medications for safety and effectiveness and to ensure clinical integrity among all the medication/therapeutic categories of these preferred drugs. Based on the committee's review, certain medications may be added or removed from the list.

If your doctor prescribes -- or you request -- a brand-name drug (preferred or nonpreferred) and an equivalent generic drug is available, you will be charged the generic copayment PLUS the difference in cost between the brand-name and the generic drug. If this amount is less than the preferred or nonpreferred brand copayment, you will pay the brand copayment.

This policy will apply, even if your doctor prescribes the medication as "Dispense As Written" or "Do Not Substitute."

Carowinds discounts available

Carowinds sent FMU a supply of discount coupons for the upcoming weeks. There are two offers:

1. Buy-One Get-One-Free on Aug. 9-13; Labor Day weekend, Sept. 4-6, and Sundays, Sept. 12 and 19.

2. \$15 off General Admission on Aug. 7 and 8, 14 and 15, 21 and 22, 28 and 29, and Sept. 11 and 18.

The coupons will be available in the Human Resources office through Sept. 19. Just come by SAB 105 and pick one up.

Paintings by FMU professor on display in UC through October

"Nature Observed," paintings by Stephen M. Welch, will be on display at Francis Marion University as part of the university's Art Gallery Series through Oct. 29.

The exhibit is open to the public, free of charge, and may be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday in the Smith University Center gallery.

Welch teaches biology at FMU and in the Wilson High School Inter-

national Baccalaureate Program in Florence.

"Growing up in rural Clarendon County, my family instilled in me a great appreciation for the world of nature surrounding me," Welch said.

"For as long as I can remember, one of my favorite pastimes was sketching and I would sketch with anything and on anything available. I loved nature and decided at an early age to become a biologist. The selec-

tion of my work is due in part to actually observing the subjects in the wild and trying to capture them in their natural settings.

"I prefer to paint animals that are often overlooked because of their size or often disliked because of the stigmas associated with them. Through my work, I hope to make people aware that these organisms are just as important as other plants and animals commonly recognized and loved."



Johnson named to head FMU softball program

Francis Marion University athletic officials announced on Monday the hiring of Stacey Johnson of Tampa, Fla., as the school's new head coach for women's softball.

Johnson, 27, replaces Jack Byerley who resigned last month to take a position at Auburn University.

In two seasons, Byerley guided Francis Marion to a 73-26 mark and a pair of fourth-place regular-season finishes in the highly competitive Peach Belt Conference.

Johnson comes to Francis Marion from Saint Leo University, a member of the NCAA Division II Sunshine State Conference, where she spent four seasons as an assistant coach.

The Lions posted a 135-88 mark during those four years, including a national tournament bid in 2002.

She also served as the university's assistant trainer and taught as an instructor during the 2003-04 year, and worked as an assistant strength and

conditioning coach for two seasons.

FMU athletic director Murray Hartzler said, "We are very excited about Stacey joining the Patriot athletic staff. She is very familiar with Division II softball, and



Johnson

we feel she is the right person to lead our program to the next level - both in the Peach Belt and at the NCAA national level. We also feel as though she has much to offer the entire athletic program, and hope she will remain a Patriot for many years to come."

A native of St. Louis, Mo., Johnson was as an assistant coach at Florissant Valley Community College during the fall of 2000, after having served as player/head coach of the Pulheim (Germany) Gophers during

the spring and summer of 2000.

A 1999 graduate of Barry University with a B.S. degree in sports medicine and athletic training, she was a four-year starter at third base.

She helped lead the Buccaneers to the NCAA Division II national tournament each of her four years, including a second-place finish in 1998. She ended her career third on the school's games played list.

"I am very excited about this opportunity," said Johnson. "It is not often that a person gets their first head coaching position in such an ideal situation. Coach Byerley laid a great foundation for the next coach to build upon, and I want to continue the Patriots' march up the ranks of Division II softball.

"I feel that my experience at the Division II level, both as a player and an assistant coach, will aid me in this new position."

Comments being accepted for MUSC nursing accreditation

In November 2004, the College of Nursing at the Medical University of South Carolina is participating in a voluntary, comprehensive self-study and national accreditation process conducted by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

The purpose of CCNE accreditation is to ensure quality and integrity of baccalaureate and graduate education programs preparing nurses.

Many facets of the college will be assessed to determine the extent to

which the college achieves the state mission, educational philosophy and goals/objectives.

CCNE serves to assess and identify programs that engage in effective educational practices, thereby contributing to the improvement of the public's health.

The on-site evaluation conducted to assess the college's compliance with CCNE standards will occur over a three-day period, Nov. 15-17, 2004.

You are invited to submit signed,

written comments about the College of Nursing to CCNE by Oct. 15, 2004, to the following person and address: Commission on Collegiate Nursing, Attention: Ms. Kristen Brewer, Accreditation Assistant, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120.

If you have any questions regarding this, contact Kristen Brewer, Accreditation Assistant, at (202) 887-6791 x252 or at kbrewer@aacn.nche.edu.

Volunteers sought for new student move-in, Aug. 21

In keeping with tradition, all members of the Francis Marion University community are invited to assist our first-year residential students on Saturday, Aug. 21 as they move into campus housing. (Please note the change in day from previous years.)

Last year, more than 200 students, staff, and faculty members volunteered their time, energy, and a little sweat to provide this wonderful welcome to the newest members of the FMU family.

All volunteers should meet in front of the Student Housing Office at the volunteer sign-in table, where they

may receive a free FMU hat and be assigned a location/task. There will be coffee and snacks in the morning, as well as a light meal during the late morning and early afternoon.

More than 400 freshmen are expected to move in on Saturday, and as many volunteers as possible are needed.

If you are able to assist with this effort, please select the time slot when you can help and contact the Student Affairs Office at 1182.

Time slots are 8 a.m. to noon and noon to 4 p.m. Please consider volunteering for the entire day, as many did last year.



Trustees adopt \$32.7 million budget

The Francis Marion University Board of Trustees adopted a \$32.7 million budget for the 2004-05 fiscal year at its summer meeting Aug. 6 at Wampee Conference Center in Pinopolis.

The budget projects \$13.3 million in state appropriations, \$18.8 million in student fees and \$655,652 in other revenue. The university anticipates spending \$26 million in personnel and fringe benefits and \$6.7 million in operations. State support continues to decline as a percentage of the overall budget, now at 40.7 percent, while stu-

dent fees are projected to make up 57.3 percent of the total budget.

In other action, the trustees established the following standing committees: Academic Affairs and Shared Governance, Alumni Development, Commencement and Awards, Financial Affairs and Responsibility, Nominating, Planning and Accreditation, Rules and Policy, Student Affairs and Athletics, and University Development.

The trustees also established meeting dates for the coming year as Nov. 12, Feb. 4 and June 3, all on campus.

Aniello attends conference

Joe Aniello, assistant professor of management, participated in the "Entrepreneurs in Action" Summer Institute in Athens, Tenn., Aug. 5-7.

This entrepreneurship education conference was jointly sponsored by Vanderbilt University and Tennessee Wesleyan College.

Aniello was one of the developers of the EiA program while working under his major professor, Wil Clouse during his doctoral studies at Vanderbilt.

Aniello facilitated a work session based on his research area of interest, "Creativity... the fuel that runs the Entrepreneurial Engine."

Additionally, he presented his proposal for FMU's Entrepreneurship Summer Camps, a new concept brought to the institute.

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Jobs On-Campus

(as of 8-10-04)

- Coordinator of Student Life
- Lead Groundskeeper
- Assistant Dean of Students
- Library Technical Assistant - Cataloging
- Police Officer
- Cheerleading Coordinator (Part-time, Temporary Position)

Visit Human Resources, SAB 105, or call 1140.

Coming Up On Campus

AUG.

- through Oct. 29 Art Gallery Series: Paintings by Stephen M. Welch, UC gallery
- 17-Sept. 30 Art Gallery Series: 2004 Art and Art Education Alumni Invitational, HFAC gallery
- 20 8:30 am New faculty orientation, Lowrimore Auditorium, CEMC
- 21 Housing opens for new students
- 23 8 am Fall registration, UC gym
- 24 8:30 am Faculty breakfast and welcome, EDH Main Dining Room
- 25 Fall classes begin

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- 7 8 pm First Tuesday Arts Event: Artists TBA, Kassab Hall, HFAC
- 30 7 pm Art Gallery Series: Reception for 2004 Art and Art Education Alumni Invitational, HFAC gallery

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