

Patriot Digest

The Francis Marion University Faculty and Staff Newsletter

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School of Education presents 2006 alumni awards

Four Francis Marion University School of Education alumni received 2006 awards at a wine and cheese reception, Feb. 23, as part of homecoming activities.

Jamilah Eaddy received the Novice Educator Award, Selina Harley-Blue and Cliff Barrineau received the Veteran Educator Award, and John M. Kirby received the Educational Administrator Award.

Eaddy is a 2004 graduate of FMU with a B.S. degree in elementary education. She is a fourth-grade teacher of English/language arts and social studies at Marion Intermediate School (MIS) in Marion. She is the daughter of Wilson and Beverly Eaddy. She is also a youth minister at Bethel Word Ministries in Mullins.

Blue has been employed with the Marlboro County School District for nine years. She attended Marlboro County public schools and is a 1985 graduate of Clio High School. She is a 1990 graduate of Winthrop University with a B.S. degree in business administration. She completed elementary education certification in 1997 at St. Andrews Presbyterian College and she earned an M.Ed. degree in instructional accommodation from FMU in 2005. She became a National Board Certified Teacher in 2004.

Blue is a native of Clio, where she resides with her husband of 14 years, Eddie, and two children, 12-year-old Breana and 5-year-old Jameson. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Harley, also of Clio.

Barrineau grew up in Lake City and graduated from Lake City High School. He received a B.S. degree in mathematics from FMU, and a Ph.D. in education from the University of South Carolina. He has been teaching in Richland School District 1 at Hand Middle School and Dreher High School for the past 21 years.

During that time his students have won 14 state championships in academics and represented South Carolina at national competitions nine times. Barrineau received a National Educator Award by the Milken Family Foundation in 2003, was Dreher High School Teacher of the Year in



Award winners, from left, are John M. Kirby, Jamilah Eaddy, Selina Harley-Blue, and Cliff Barrineau.

2003, was Richland District 1 Teacher of the Year in 2004, and was a finalist for South Carolina Teacher of the Year in 2005.

His wife, Jude, is also a teacher in Richland 1. They have three children: Patrick, a senior at Dreher High School; Chas, a seventh-grader at Hand Middle School; and Gracie, a first-grader at Brockman Elementary School.

Kirby has been superintendent of Dillon School District 3 since 1990. He served as principal of Latta High School from 1985 to 1990. Prior to coming to Latta, he worked as a teacher, coach, vice principal and athletic director in Marion School District 2.

He earned a B.S. degree in psychology and an M.Ed. degree in elementary education from FMU, as well as a doctorate in educational administration from Nova Southeastern University. He was recognized as a Distinguished Alumnus of FMU in 1995 and has served on the university's alumni advisory board. He and his wife, Vicki, also a two-time FMU alum, established an endowed scholarship at FMU in 2005. Their son, Michael, is also an FMU graduate.

FMU Foundation/Alumni Golf Classic set for March 17

The Francis Marion University Foundation/Alumni Golf Classic sponsored by BB&T will be held Friday, March 17, at the Country Club of South Carolina.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Tom Roop Scholarship and the Neal Thigpen Chair at Francis Marion University.

The event will begin with a luncheon and registration at 11 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at noon. The format will be a modified captain's choice. The Pee Dee Pig Pickin'

cookout will be held following the end of play.

The entry fees are \$1,000 for a team (which includes entry fees for a foursome and sponsorship signage) and \$200 for an individual. Individual hole sponsorships are also available for \$250. The registration deadline is March 3.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three teams, and a hole-in-one contest will be sponsored by King Cadillac-Oldsmobile-GMC Inc. To obtain a registration form, or for more information, call FMU at 1481.

Faculty/Staff News

Russell Ward, assistant professor of sociology, and **Joel Thayer**, professor of sociology, attended the annual meeting of the South Carolina Sociological Association, Feb. 10, at Newberry College. Ward conducted registration and was elected secretary-treasurer. Thayer served as program chair, led a discussion of changes in sociology major requirements, conducted the business meeting, and ended his term as president.

Charles G. Carpenter, professor of accounting, has had his paper, "The 150-Hour Rule as a Barrier to Entering Public Accountancy," published in the *Journal of Labor Research*, Vol. XXVII, No. 1 (Winter 2006). The paper is co-authored by E. Frank Stephenson.

Michael P. Hughes, assistant professor of finance, has had his paper "The Effect of Auctions on Daily Treasury-bill Volatility" accepted for publication in *The Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance*. This paper is co-authored with Drew Winters, Texas Tech, and Stan Smith, University of Central Florida.

Hughes's paper "What is the Source of Different Levels of Time-series Return Volatility? The Intraday U-shaped Pattern or Time-series Persistence," co-authored with Winters, will appear in the *Journal of Economics and Finance*, Vol. 29, No 3.

Buddy Bilbrey, assistant professor of management information systems and computer science, attended the Winter Simulation Conference in

December, in Orlando, Fla. Bilbrey volunteered to chair the Maritime Simulation track at the conference.

Scott Kaufman, associate professor of history, published an article with John Soares of the University of Notre Dame, "'Sagacious Beyond Praise?': Winfield Scott and Anglo-American-Canadian Border Diplomacy, 1837-1860," in the January 2006 edition of *Diplomatic History*.

Kaufman has also signed a contract with the University of Illinois Press for a monograph on the foreign policy of the Jimmy Carter administration. It is tentatively titled, "Complication, Confusion, and Cold War: The Foreign Policy of the Carter Administration."

Library News

James A. Rogers Library adds remote access feature

FMU's James A. Rogers Library has added remote access through its web site to many of its electronic resources. Using the module "Web Access Management" (or WAM) from the second-generation integrated library system acquired in 2005, library systems staff have created links to the online catalog, electronic books, and the 10 electronic database aggregators to which the library subscribes and which permit remote access.

Off-campus users may now access EBSCOhost (including Collegiate DISCUS), InfoTrac (DISCUS), JSTOR, Lexis-Nexis (DISCUS), Newsbank, OCLC FirstSearch, Project Muse, ScienceDirect, SIRS Knowledge Source (DISCUS) and Sociological Abstracts via the Library's web site. Go to www.fmarion.edu/academics/library. Select "Off-Campus Access" from the first page menu in the dark

blue box and then select which service you wish to use ("Library Catalog," "Electronic Books," or "Electronic Databases"). If selecting "Electronic Databases," then click on which one you wish to access. A screen will prompt for your name and barcode number.

Off-campus users must have first "validated" the FMU card with Rogers Library. One can "validate" an FMU ID card by dropping by the CIRCULATION DESK in Rogers Library and asking staff to link the card barcode with the patron database.

Users who have checked out library materials (circulating or reserve items) are automatically linked. Also, users will need their FMU ID card so as to enter name and barcode number (the number directly below the barcode, not the one above it). After having been verified as an FMU student,

faculty or staff member, the system should allow access to the chosen database.

"As much as we believe we add value to users' results when they visit the library, we know that many patrons prefer remote access and will benefit greatly from this new service," library dean Paul Dove said. Last fiscal year users completed 143,100 searches on subscribed databases, Dove said.

Implementation of "Web Access Management" was made possible by the combined efforts of library systems staff, campus academic computing, and PASCAL, the Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries. The University allocated Technology Grant Program funds to provide the second generation integrated library system and its modules, including "WAM."



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FMU grad receives 2005 National Achievement Award

Jessica Smith of Dillon recalls how losing her sight “at the tender age of 14” and then having her mobility limited by multiple sclerosis posed serious challenges to her dreams of academic and professional success.

However, the 25-year-old never gave up and graduated from Francis Marion University. For that, and her extraordinary scholarship, leadership, enterprise and service to others, Smith was honored by Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic (RFB&D®) as one of three top winners of the 2005 Mary P. Oenslager Scholastic Achievement Awards (SAAs).

RFB&D, a nonprofit organization, is the nation’s educational library of recorded textbooks for students with visual impairment, dyslexia or other physical disabilities that make reading standard textbooks difficult or impossible.

Smith told the gathering in Washington, D.C., “I am very grateful to RFB&D for providing audio textbooks for students, such as myself, with special needs. I honestly do not

think I would have been able to perform on an equal footing with fellow classmates if I had been unable to receive my texts in an audio format.”

After her vision began to fail at age 14 and total blindness set in two years later, doctors diagnosed the cause to be multiple sclerosis (MS).

“The initial impact of this unexpected vision loss was detrimental to my academic performance because I could no longer see the print in my textbooks,” said Smith. “I was unable to perform my assignments or study for my tests.”

Smith said she and her mother spent the next four years researching MS and learning first-hand “the devastating emotional and financial effect a chronic illness can have on a single-parent household.”

Smith eventually discovered RFB&D and that “accessing my textbooks in an alternative format enabled me to perform on an equal basis as other students,” she said.

In addition to graduating in the top 7 percent of her class with a bachelor’s



Pictured, from left, are John Kelly, RFB&D President & CEO, Jessica Smith, and Mary Lou McGee, RFB&D National Board.

degree in business administration from FMU, Smith interned at the Department of Defense and now works for the federal government’s Defense Finance and Accounting Services (DFAS). Smith intends to use her math talents to become a certified public accountant and aspires to become the Chief Financial Officer of a major corporation. Smith also gives back to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society by making annual donations and helping the organization raise money for research.

Non-Profit Leadership Institute to host alumni event, March 3

The Non-Profit Leadership Institute at Francis Marion University will hold its first alumni workshop, Friday, March 3.

The program, founded in 2002, has graduated three classes. A fourth class will graduate this year.

The event will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Ervin Dining Hall on the FMU campus.

The day will begin with coffee and networking at 9 a.m. Opening remarks will be given by FMU president Fred Carter and Bradley Callicott, executive

director of the Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation.

A panel discussion, “How Entrepreneurial Spirit Accomplishes Great Things in Non-Profits,” will be held from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Panelists will include Erin Hardwick, founding executive director of the S.C. Association of Nonprofit Organizations (SCANPO); the Rev. Dr. Brad Smith, founder and executive director of the Souper Bowl of Caring; Deborah Smith, executive director of the Newberry Opera House; and Dr.

Virginia Uldrick, president emerita of the S.C. Governor’s School for the Arts and Humanities.

The luncheon speaker will be Thomas C. Keith, executive director of the Sisters of Charity Foundation of South Carolina.

A public policy forum will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Panelists will include state Sen. Gerald Malloy and state Rep. Jay Lucas, both of Hartsville, state Rep. Harry Ott of St. Matthews, and state Sen. Hugh Leatherman of Florence.

Center of Excellence to hold Spring Colloquium, March 15

The Center of Excellence to Prepare Teachers of Children of Poverty at Francis Marion University will hold its Spring Colloquium, Wednesday, March 15, with a speech by education professor Walter Doyle.

The speech will be from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the McNair Science Building auditorium. Admission is free. Reservations are being accepted through the Center of Excellence

at 843-669-3391, ext. 28, or by e-mail at COE@fmarion.edu. Seating is limited and reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Doyle’s speech is titled “Establishing and Maintaining Positive and Productive Classroom Environments.” This talk will explore how classrooms work and how teachers can manage classrooms successfully.



Delta Sigma Pi chapter installed at FMU

Francis Marion University is home to the newest chapter of Delta Sigma Pi, the world's largest co-ed business fraternity.

On Feb. 11, the Omicron Upsilon Chapter was installed and the founding pledge class was initiated into the fraternity.

Delta Sigma Pi currently boasts more than 200,000 members worldwide, and is open to undergraduate and graduate students in the fields of business and economics. There are currently two other chapters in South Carolina: one at Clemson University and one at the University of South Carolina. Members participate in community service, fund raising, professional activities, and must attend chapter meetings and activities.

"We have been working to form this chapter since August 2003," said Mary R. Dittman, FMU instructor of marketing, member of Delta Sigma Pi, and the FMU chapter's adviser. "Being a member of Delta Sigma Pi was a critical part of my undergraduate business

education. Students learn how to translate business theory into real-world application by organizing community service events, sponsoring professional activities, participating in fund raising, and conducting business meetings."

Members of the fraternity's national Board of Directors, alumni, and employees from the Delta Sigma Pi central office in Oxford, Ohio, were on hand to install the chapter and initiate the members.

"Our students have worked diligently to form this colony and to be granted the chapter charter," said M. Barry O'Brien, dean of the FMU School of Business. "They have raised financial resources, recruited students, and networked with faculty, alumni, and the business community. We are very excited to be only the third chapter installation in the state of South Carolina."

Delta Sigma Pi was founded at New York University in 1907, and is open to all students of business administration and economics.

Jobs On-Campus

(as of 2-27-06)

- Part-time Instructor of Biology
- Assistant Professor of Political Science
- Assistant/Associate Professor of Accounting
- Assistant/Associate Professor of Management
- Assistant Professor of Physics
- Assistant/Associate Professor (Elementary Education)
- Assistant/Associate Professor of Education (Educational Technology and Assessment)
- Assistant/Associate Professor of Education (Middle School/Secondary Education)
- Assistant Professor of Psychology in the area of Cognitive Psychology
- Assistant/Associate Full Professor of Psychology (Clinical or Counseling Psychologist)
- Assistant Professor of Psychology in Experimental Psychology (Biological)
- Assistant Professor of Spanish
- Assistant Professor of English
- Assistant Professor of Philosophy
- Assistant/Associate/Professor of Nursing (2)
- Assistant Professor of Mathematics (2)
- Assistant Professor of Fine Arts (Graphic Design/Foundation)
- Women's Volleyball Coach
- Assistant Professor of Marketing
- Instructor of Chemistry
- Assistant Professor of Art Education
- Administrative Coordinator – North Eastern Strategic Alliance
- Senior Administrative Assistant – Financial Assistance (2)
- Computer Application Programmer and Support and Training Specialist
- Assistant Reference Librarian
- Instructor/Assistant Professor of English

Visit Human Resources, SAB 105, or call 1140.

Coming Up On Campus

FEB.

28 8 pm Concert: University Wind Symphony, McNair Auditorium

MARCH

through March 9 Art Gallery Series: Paintings by Jeanne Barnes, UC gallery

through April 6 Art Gallery Series: "Skin Deep - A National Juried Exhibition of Contemporary Ceramic Art," HFAC gallery

3 9 am Non-Profit Leadership Institute alumni event, Ervin Dining Hall

12 3 pm Concert: Florence Independent Music Teachers Association Honors Recital, Kassab Hall, HFAC

14 8 pm First Tuesday Arts Event: The Firenze Quartet, Kassab Hall, HFAC

14-31 Art Gallery Series: Student works by FMU drawing classes, UC gallery

15 4 pm Center of Excellence Spring Colloquium, speech by Walter Doyle, McNair auditorium

15 7:30 pm Hunter Fund Lecture: Randall Kenan, Lowrimore Auditorium

25 Art's Alive Festival

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