President’s Message

Dear UMW Neighbor,

As you can see, my annual fall message to the community has taken on a different look, in the form of a newsletter format. I hope you will enjoy receiving this publication and that it will provide you with much useful information about what’s happening at the University.

For me, one of the great joys of working in a university environment is the sense of excitement and optimism that comes each fall as we begin a new academic year. The arrival of enthusiastic new students, the return of our great faculty, and the opening of long-awaited facilities combine to create an atmosphere filled with electricity.

I hope that you, as a resident of this community, share that thrill when UMW comes fully back to life. As our neighbor, you are encouraged to participate in the culture of the University by attending many of our upcoming events and activities. You may keep up-to-date and learn even more by visiting our website frequently (www.umw.edu).

I believe that the University of Mary Washington is a vital partner in making the Fredericksburg region a great place to live and work. We want to be a responsible and responsive community member. In that regard, we remain committed to supporting regional engagement and economic development and to serving as an important educational and cultural resource for the entire area.

I hope to see you often at UMW.

Richard V. Hurley

Presidential Inauguration September 30

Richard V. Hurley will be officially installed as the ninth president of the University of Mary Washington on Friday, September 30. He assumed the presidency on July 1, 2010, with the primary goal of making UMW the best public liberal arts university in the nation. The inauguration will formalize his leadership, acknowledging and celebrating his 11 years of dedication to Mary Washington and his three decades of service in higher education.

The theme of President Hurley’s inauguration is “Engaging Minds. Serving the World.” This theme expresses his strong belief in the importance of a stimulating educational environment and the value of a liberal arts education coupled with his support for the Mary Washington community’s remarkable dedication to public service.

While the installation ceremony itself and a number of other inauguration week events are by invitation only, others are open to the public. Tickets may be purchased to the inaugural ball, which will be held on September 30 from 7:30 p.m. to midnight in the new William M. Anderson Center. For more details on the inauguration events, please go to the inauguration website: inauguration.umw.edu.
New Students Arrive – Fall Semester Begins

On Wednesday, August 24, approximately 1,000 new freshmen and 250 transfer students are expected to arrive on the Fredericksburg campus to begin orientation. Returning students will filter back to Fredericksburg over the weekend, and fall semester classes will begin on Monday, August 29.

While move-in usually goes very smoothly and efficiently, be aware that there may be increased traffic and additional cars as parents come from far and wide to deliver their sons and daughters to their home-away-from-home. A new feature of the orientation program this year will be a family BBQ with live music on Ball Circle from 5-7 p.m. on August 24. Afterwards, family members will be asked to say their “goodbyes.” Later, the new students and their orientation leaders will participate in outdoor activities on the lighted Campus Recreation Field (adjacent to Route 1) from 9-10:30 p.m.

Another newly developed orientation activity that you may observe is a candlelight ceremony, “Eagles Gathering,” on Ball Circle at 10 p.m. on August 25. This promises to be a meaningful and reflective experience for our new students. Then, on August 26, the new students will make their way over to the Brompton lawn for a 6:30-8 p.m. event hosted by President and Mrs. Hurley. That will be followed by an acoustic music event from 8:30-10 on Ball Circle.

Other outdoor events slated for Ball Circle during orientation week are a carnival from 3-7 p.m. on August 27, band music and a remote broadcast by Vibe 93.3 from 5-8 p.m. on August 28, and a student BBQ with music from 4-6 p.m. on August 29.

Be a Patron of the Arts at UMW

The University of Mary Washington offers a wide variety of visual and performing arts opportunities. For an up-to-date schedule and information on how you can support the arts, please visit the Arts and the Community website at: www.umw.edu/arts4community

Here is a listing of the Fall 2011 exhibits and productions on the Fredericksburg campus.

Fall 2011 Exhibitions in the UMW Galleries

Phone: 540/654-1171
www.umw.edu/galleries/

Ridderhof Martin Gallery
ART AND NATURE: Reflections on the Sublime
September 2-30, 2011

VAN GOGH, LICHTENSTEIN, WHISTLER: Masterpieces of World Art from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
October 21-Dec. 2, 2011
This exhibition has been organized by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in celebration of 75 years of sharing art statewide with generous support from Altria Group

duPont Gallery
UMW Studio Art Faculty Exhibition
September 2-October 7, 2011

Students Offer to Help with Yard Work

In late October and early November, UMw students will be out in College Heights and College Terrace helping with outdoor projects such as raking, garage/shed organizing, porch/deck cleaning, and other light yard work. The dates will be announced as the fall season approaches and the leaves start to turn. Please look to your neighborhood association for that announcement.
SUPER-SIZED: Large Scale Drawings
October 28-Dec. 2, 2011

Fall 2011 Theatre Productions in Klein

Theatre, duPont Hall
Box Office: 540/654-1111
www.umw.edu/cas/theatre/current_season

Women of Lockerbie
By Deborah Brevoort
September 29-October 9, 2011
Thursday-Saturday at 8 p.m.,
Sunday at 2 p.m.
AfterWords on Oct. 2

RENT
Book, Music And Lyrics By Jonathan Larson
November 3-20, 2011
Thursday-Saturday at 8 p.m.,
Sunday at 2 p.m.
AfterWords on November 6

Fall 2011 Musical Concerts
540/654-1012
www.umw.edu/cas/music

University of Mary Washington Philharmonic Orchestra
Dodd Auditorium, George Washington Hall
www.umw.edu/orchestra

Masterworks
Pomp and Circumstance:
Music of the Royal Wedding
Saturday, October 22, 2011 7:30 p.m.

Holiday Pops Concerts
Thursday, December 8, 2011 7:30 p.m.
Friday, December 9, 2011 7:30 p.m.

UMW Ensembles

The University features a wide variety of student ensemble groups. These groups will hold free concerts throughout the fall semester. Please check the department website or call the music department for details.

Music Department Showcase
Saturday, September 24, 2011 • Dodd Auditorium • 7:30pm.

Electro Acoustic Barn Dance
Thursday, Friday, and Saturday October 27-29, 2011
more information at: www.marksnyder.org/EAJJ/

Concert Band/Jazz Band concert
Friday, November 11, 2011 • Dodd Auditorium • 7:30pm.

Holiday Choir Concert
Friday, November 20, 2011 • Dodd Auditorium • 7:30pm.

Fredericksburg Forum featuring Karl Rove

Political pundit Karl Rove will be the featured guest at the Fredericksburg Forum on Wednesday, September 28. Best known for his roles as senior advisor and chief of staff during the presidency of George W. Bush, Rove has been called a “master political strategist.” He is a Fox News contributor and a Newsweek columnist, writes a weekly op-ed for the Wall Street Journal, and is author of the New York Times bestseller Courage and Consequence: My Life as a Conservative in the Fight. Join students, professors, and community members for this special event at 8 p.m. in Dodd Auditorium, located in George Washington Hall. Ticket information is available online at www.umw.edu/forum

Some Other Upcoming Campus Events on Ball Circle

September 1    Elby Brass    7:00 p.m.
September 7    “Drive-In” Movies  Sundown-11 p.m.
October 7  Annual “Roctoberfest” Concert 4-6 p.m.

Note: The Homecoming concert on October 21 will be held in the Anderson Center this year, and there will be no fireworks show.
Come Cheer the Hometown Team

The University of Mary Washington consistently boasts one of the best NCAA Division III athletic programs in the nation. The caliber of competition is top notch and UMW often sees its teams ranked among the best in the country. Bet you didn't know that you can attend any of our regular season contests absolutely free! We invite you to catch the excitement of Eagles athletics – come out and see what you’ve been missing.

Here is the fall home schedule for UMW athletic contests.

### FIELD HOCKEY

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For more information about Eagle intercollegiate athletics, including conference championship and other post-season contests, please go to the Athletics website at: umweagles.com
Anderson Center to be Dedicated

On Thursday, August 25 at 3 p.m., the William M. Anderson Center, a 52,000-square-foot athletics and convocation facility, will be formally dedicated. This new multi-use building, located on the north end of the Fredericksburg campus adjacent to Route 1, will provide an outstanding venue for intercollegiate athletic contests as well as for concerts and other University events. It contains seating for 2,000 spectators at UMW varsity basketball and volleyball games, and seating for up to 3,000 for other community events.

Named to honor the 23 years of service by the University's sixth president, the William M. Anderson Center will be open to students and the public. President Emeritus Anderson will be in attendance for the dedication ceremony, which will be followed by a reception and the first major occasion to be hosted in the Center: the annual Honor Convocation. At that ceremony, new students accept the honor pledge and become official Mary Washington students by agreeing to uphold this cherished system.

Monroe Hall Reopening: Preserving the Past, Preparing Students for the Future

Following a two-year renovation, Mary Washington's original academic building, Monroe Hall, is reopening for the fall semester. While taking measures to protect the historical character of the building, the University has introduced the most advanced technological features to enhance the teaching and learning experience in the building. Monroe will house the departments of History and American Studies, Political Science and International Affairs, Geography, and Sociology and Anthropology. Monroe Hall, named after the fifth president of the United States, James Monroe, was completed in 1911 and is one of the original buildings on the Fredericksburg campus.

New Artificial Turf Fields Coming to the Battleground Complex

If you drive along Hanover Street, you will notice that a lot of earth is being moved. This is to prepare for the installation of two new artificial turf fields on the Battleground Athletic Complex. One of these, adjacent to the baseball stadium and nearest Hanover Street, will provide an outstanding new playing surface for UMW's field hockey and women's lacrosse teams. The second field, located at the back of the complex behind the tennis courts, will have artificial turf and lights. That field will be used primarily for student recreational activities.
Student Center/Dining Hall being Planned

Soon, the current site of Chandler Hall on the Fredericksburg campus will become the location of a new student center and dining hall complex. A committee is being formed to help determine the exact configuration of the new building, which is anticipated to be a 110,000-square foot structure. Community involvement will be sought. The University hopes to minimize any disruptions to the neighborhood during construction, and it also expects that the building will present an attractive and inviting new entrance to the campus along College Avenue. The new center is expected to contain a small auditorium, a ballroom, offices for student clubs, the University post office, and dining space. The building should be completed during the summer of 2013.

Technology and Convergence Center will Enhance Teaching and Learning

UMW has received funding for a new 76,720-square foot Information and Technology Convergence Center, slated to open in fall 2014. The four-story facility will be constructed in the heart of the campus, connected by an enclosed walkway to the second floor of Simpson Library. The center is to house conference and training rooms, teaching space, video and audio production rooms, student collaboration rooms, an “incubator classroom” for testing new technology, and a digital auditorium. It is to be constructed with an eye toward the future so that it can easily accommodate new innovations and technological equipment that has yet to be developed.

Eagle Village Continues to Soar

Eagle Village, which is being developed by the private UMW Foundation, continues to bring new and exciting retail and business outlets to the city of Fredericksburg. Additional restaurants continue to open, providing a wide variety of choices to UMW students and Fredericksburg residents alike.

Recently, the University of Mary Washington Foundation has announced it has received financing to build a $13 million-plus select-service hotel in the second phase of the Eagle Village mixed-use development. The UMW Foundation has formed a new company called Eagle Hospitality LLC, which will own and manage the hotel. Currently, the foundation is in negotiations to select a prospective hotel franchise and management company.

Initial plans call for a hotel with approximately 100 rooms and suites, meeting and conference areas, and mixed-used retail space. The hotel will be located between Giant Food and the new section of Eagle Village, and will be connected to the campus of Mary Washington Healthcare by a connector road to be completed and open within the next six to eight months.
Family Weekend

Parents and families of UMW students are invited to visit the campus from Friday, September 23 to Sunday, September 25, 2011. Family Weekend includes a myriad of events such as a run, a cookout, and a club showcase on Ball Circle. Check out all of the activities at www.umw.edu/familyweekend.

Town and Gown Committee brings UMW and Community Together

The Town and Gown Committee was formed several years ago through the efforts of Rick Hurley, city officials, and neighborhood leaders. The goals are to enhance communication between the University and the community and to work collaboratively to solve issues and concerns. The committee continues to be an important venue for enhancing relations between the UMW and local residents. Currently, the Town and Gown Committee is comprised of approximately 25 members – heads of neighborhood associations, City Council members, city staff, UMW administrators, student leaders, and representatives from both city and University police. The committee meets four times each year, alternating its meeting site between the University and city facilities. If you have issues or concerns that you would like the committee to consider, please contact the president of your neighborhood association.
If you have questions or comments, please contact the Office of the President by calling 540/654-1301.