**Fellowship of Christian Athletes**

With rising involvement from the student body, and high regards by students, Fellowship of Christian Athletes has opened its doors for worship Tuesday nights at 9 p.m.

The program is dedicated to descriptions of the scripture as well as song worship. While there is great involvement from the campus, Religious Life student staff would like other students to know that FCA is not limited to the student-athlete.

The program is a fun, friendly environment where anyone can come as they are, regardless of religious beliefs or background. Along with the weekly activities there are also other programs taking place, such as religious retreats, and times of prayer, that FCA promotes to all students looking to get involved with Religious Life on campus**.** For more information on these and other FCA related events, you may contact Eric Pollitz at epollitz@ashland.edu.

 The next retreat taking place is September 24-26th. The retreat, which is dedicated solely to the students of Ashland University, hosted over 100 students in their past retreats. Huddle groups are also available to students. Huddle groups are small groups of students that get together to discuss their faith with each other. FCAmeets in the lower level of the Jack and Deb Miller Chapel.

**-THE HEADLINE OF YOUR STORY SUGGESTS FCA WAS GONE AND CAME BACK. IS THAT TRUE? IF SO, EXPLAIN WHY IT TEMPORARILY STOPPED. IF NOT, DON’T SAY “BACK IN THE GAME” OR CONVEY THEY ARE RETURNING IN ANY WAY. MAKE IT SOUND MORE LIKE THERE MAY BE AN INCREASE IN POPULARITY THIS YEAR (IF THAT IS THE POINT YOU ARE TRYING TO GET ACROSS.) ALSO, YOU SHOULD PROBABLY SPELL OUT GROUP NAMES IN A HEADLINE SO THAT OTHERS (ESPECIALLY FRESHMAN) KNOW WHO IT IS.**

**-THE LEAD IS OFF TO A GOOD START AND GETS THE READER’S ATTENTION.**

**-THERE ARE NO QUOTES IN THIS STORY. I THINK IT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO INTERVIEW THE HEAD OF RELIGIOUS LIFE AND FCA. SOME QUESTIONS YOU MAY WANT TO ASK:**

 **-HOW DO YOU THINK THE INCREASE IN STUDENT BODY WILL AFFECT FCA?**

 **-ARE THERE ANY REQUIREMENTS FOR ATHLETES OR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN FCA? OR CAN TRULY ANYONE ATTEND?**

**-BE SURE TO GIVE MORE OF A BACKGROUND ABOUT FCA. WHAT IS THEIR GOAL? HOW MANY STUDENTS ARE IN IT? WHEN DID IT BEGIN? WHAT ALL DO THEY DO ON TUESDAY NIGHTS? WHY DID IT BEGIN? MAKE THE READER CARE ABOUT THIS GROUP. MAKE IT PERSONAL.**

**-IN THE THIRD PARAGRAPH WHEN YOU SAY ANYONE CAN COME AS THEY ARE, ELABORATE. DO YOU MEAN THEY CAN DRESS HOW THEY WANT? OR DO YOU MEAN, THEY CAN ATTEND REGARDLESS OF THEIR BELIEFS, ETC.?**

**-IN THE FOURTH PARAGRAPH, YOU MENTION HOW THERE ARE RETREATS AND TIMES OF PRAYER THAT FCA PROMOTES. BE SURE TO FIND OUT WHAT THESE RETREATS WILL BE, WHEN THEY WILL TAKE PLACE AND HOW STUDENTS CAN GET MORE INFORMATION ON THEM. TALK ABOUT RETREATS IN THE PAST, WHAT STUDENTS DID, WHERE THEY WENT AND HOW THEY LIKED IT. THE SAME GOES FOR THE TIMES OF PRAYER…PROVIDE DETAILS ON THIS.**

**-YOU SHOULD INTERVIEW ATHELETES WHO ARE A PART OF FCA AND FIND OUT WHY THEY JOINED, WHY THEY LIKE IT AND WHY THEY WOULD RECOMMEND OTHERS TO ATTEND. ALSO, ASK THEM ABOUT PAST RETREATS AND FUNNY/INSPIRATIONAL/INTERESTING STORIES THEY MAY HAVE.**

**-TRY TO ALSO INTERVIEW STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT ATHLETES AND WHY THEY MAY HAVE JOINED FCA (SINCE YOU MENTIONED IT’S NOT LIMITED TO THE STUDENT-ATHLETE.) ASK THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHY THEY FEEL INCLUDED AND WHAT MOVED THEM TO JOIN.**

**\*\*I THINK THIS IS A GREAT TOPIC THAT WILL INFORM THOSE ON CAMPUS WHO MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT FCA. ONCE INDIVIDUALS ARE INTERVIEWED,THE ARTICLE INVOLVES PERSONAL STORIES FROM MEMBERS/LEADERS AND MORE DETAILS/BACKGROUND ON FCA ARE PROVIDED, IT SHOULD ALL COME TOGETHER.**