‘The Nutcracker’ Comes to Frostburg for the Holidays

The holiday favorite, "The Nutcracker," comes to Frostburg on Friday, Dec. 7, at 8 p.m. as a special gift from FSU’s Cultural Events Series. The performance will take place in the Beall High School Auditorium. Patrons are encouraged to purchase tickets as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Combining the enchanting music of Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky with the magical story by E.T.A. Hoffman, the Nutcracker has delighted people of all ages for more than 100 years. This performance features the talents of the International Ballet Theatre, with award-winning dancers from Russia and the United States, as well as selected child dancers from the Frostburg Dance Academy and FSU Activities for Life Ballet, under the artistic direction of choreographer Vladimir Shumeikin. The theatre was formed to preserve the unique quality of the Russian School of Ballet and classical Russian ballet repertoire. Costumes by Galina Ivanovna Shumeikina and settings ranging from a living room decorated for Christmas, complete with "growing" Christmas tree, to the glittering Land of Snow to the fantastic Kingdom of Sweets, add to the magical setting.

Dinner theatre specials are available prior to the performance and can be purchased through the CES Box Office.

For information and ticket purchases contact the CES Box Office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at x3137 or toll-free at 1-(866) TIXX CES. Based on availability, tickets may also be purchased in the Beall High School lobby one hour prior to the performance.

Honors Seminar Presents Human Rights Fair

The students of the Honors Seminar on Human Rights at FSU will present a Human Rights Fair Tuesday, Dec. 11, from 6 to 9 p.m. in room 201 of the Lane University Center.

The Human Rights Fair will celebrate the anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights on Dec. 10, 1948. For the students, it will also mark the completion of a semester of intensive investigation of human rights issues around the world.

The students have invited other campus groups who work on human rights issues to join the evening of presentations, displays and discussions about the statues of human rights and the role individuals can play to further their implementation.

Short presentations will be offered by the students on issues they have investigated. Todd Melott, an FSU alumnus and current organizer with Amnesty International, will speak about that organization. Representatives of Sens. Barbara Mikulski and Paul Sarbanes will discuss human rights projects.

The fair is free and open to the public.

And Don’t Forget the Toys

The annual collection of toys for needy children in the area will culminate at President Gira’s holiday reception. Toys should be new and unwrapped. Cash donations will also be accepted. Watch your e-mail for the location of the collection in your building, or bring your toy to the reception in the PAC Lobby.

Engineering Students to Demonstrate Designs

FSU engineering students will be presenting their semester projects on Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 6 p.m. in the Leake Room of the Cordts Physical Education Center. Freshmen from three sections of the Introduction to Engineering Design class will be demonstrating the products which they designed, built, and tested. These include wind turbines used to power a model train, catapults and water cooling pumps. These presentations are open to the public. For more information, contact Linda Steele at x4137.
Appalachian Lab
The next seminar in the AL Fall Series will be “Quantifying Constraints to Migration over Simulated Landscapes,” presented by Robert E. Ulanowicz, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, Chesapeake Biological Laboratory, on Thursday, Dec. 6, at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109.

Music

Coming Music Concerts
The FSU Trombone/Euphonium Ensemble will perform Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center’s Pealer Recital Hall. Admission is free. The FSU Percussion Ensemble will perform Thursday, Dec. 6, at 8 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall. Admission is free.
The Honor Band Festival Concert, featuring 150 of the best band students from 35 high schools will be Saturday, Dec. 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall. Admission is free.

Theatre

‘A Soldier’s Play’ to be Presented Dec. 7-8
The Season Too! production, “A Soldier’s Play,” by Charles Fuller, will be presented in the F. Perry Smith Studio Theatre Friday, Dec. 7, and Saturday, Dec. 8, at 8 p.m. both evenings.
Fuller’s Pulitzer Prize-winning drama about an African-American Army captain assigned to investigate the murder of a black company sergeant is recommended for mature audiences.

For more information, call x4145.

Art

Roper Displays ‘Dafusion of Improvisation’
Bachelor of Fine Arts students Jose Moreno and Amanda Moran will display their work, titled “Dafusion of Improvisation” at Roper Gallery in the Fine Arts Building through Wednesday, Dec. 5.

For more information, contact the Department of Visual Arts at x4797.

Portfolio Night to Highlight Graphic Artists
Portfolio Night, which features a diverse collection of graphic art and design, will be Thursday, Dec. 8, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery. The artists will present their professional portfolios and discuss graphic design and FSU’s BFA major. Students featured will be Andrea Kimble, Brian Jones, Janet Murphy, Kathy Arnold, Kevin Christopher, Laura Jacquette and Richard Sharpless. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

For information, contact the Department of Visual Arts at x4794.

Grad Students Dec. Commencement!
Please complete your application for graduation as soon as possible. Applications received from now on will be processed and every attempt will be made to include the names in the December commencement program. Graduate student graduation applications are available from the Office of Graduation Services, 141 Pullen Hall; by telephone at x7053; by fax at x4597; and after hours on the display rack outside the Pullen Hall Office.

Social Services

Undergraduate Commencement
Any student planning to complete studies during the current semester must first officially file for graduation. Undergraduate students should contact the Registrar’s Office (x4348, 144 Pullen Hall). Notices regarding Commencement are sent only to those who have completed all filing requirements.

Caps and gowns are provided at no charge to all students cleared to participate; however, each student is responsible for placing the order in advance. Submit orders to the University Bookstore immediately.

Advance information about Commencement is always available on the University’s Web site, www.frostburg.edu, at the “news and events” link (on the left of the screen), and click on Commencement. For information, contact Beth Deatelhauser in Special Academic Services, x3130, 127 Performing Arts Center, or by e-mail to bdeatelhauser@frostburg.edu.

Graduates-to-Be Invited
The University Advancement Office of Frostburg State University, in coordination with the University’s Department of Social Work Offices in a career in social work. The meeting will include information on the curriculum requirements of the social work program at FSU. For information about FSU’s social work program, contact Dr. Baxter Wright at x3157.

MLK Convocation to Include Resident Scholar
The University’s nextMartin Luther King, Jr. convocation will celebrate Dr. King’s life on the evening of Wednesday, April 17, as part of a three-day residency in leadership, nonviolence, and African American Studies. Our keynote speaker is Dr. Lea Williams, executive director of the Women’s Leadership Institute at Bennett College in Greensboro, N.C., and former vice president for Educational Services at the United Negro College Fund in New York. Powerful from the rostrum and in the field, Williams is author of “Servants of the People: the 1960s Legacy of African American Leadership.” Enhanced by the generous support of the President’s Advisory Council on Diversity, the MLK Committee expects large numbers of students and other community residents to participate in this unique and exciting evening opportunity. It’s not too early to mark calendars and adapt syllabi for April 17 at 7:30 in Pealer Recital Hall. Look for announcements of workshops, discussion groups and other activities integrated into Williams’ April 16 to 18 residencies.

Society for Technical Communication
A meeting to judge interest in forming a chapter of the Society for Technical Communication will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4, in Dunkle Hall 123. Information about the Professional Writing concentration of the English major will also be presented. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Dr. Tannacito at x4241 or Heather at 301-687-0764.

UCM and CCM
The Christmas dinner for senior residents of Frost Village, sponsored by United Campus Ministry and Catholic Campus Ministry, will be Thursday, Dec. 6, at 5:30 p.m. at Frost Village. Students will cook a turkey for senior neighbors.

Graduate Admissions
Graduate Admissions will process and every attempt will be made to include the names in the December commencement program. Graduate student graduation applications are available from the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall; by telephone at x7053; by fax at x4597; and after hours on the display rack outside the Pullen Hall Office.

Get Involved

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**Catholic Campus Ministry**
Decorate the Osborne Newman Center for Christmas Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p.m. Members will also set up a Christmas tree.

**Volunteers**

**Help Sodexho Help Others**
Sodexho Campus Services invites you to join us this year in helping local people in need. Sodexho is again working with the Western Maryland Food Bank and FSU’s Center for Volunteerism and National Service to create a brighter holiday for many people in Western Maryland. In 2000, they were able to provide 670 complete and healthy holiday meals for people through the food bank and their associated agencies throughout the region. This holiday season they hope to reach over 1,000 people with this program.

You can help by buying a meal for someone. Now through Dec. 14 you can use Bonus Bucks, Bobcat Express or cash to purchase a full meal for someone who might not get one otherwise.

For $4 per meal you will be buying roast turkey, potatoes, gravy, stuffing, cranberries, green beans, pumpkin pie and a beverage. Sodexho Campus Services employees and managers will again work without pay to prepare and package each meal. All meals will be delivered in a timely manner to be enjoyed for the holidays.

You may purchase a meal at any Sodexho Cashier in Chesapeake Hall, Appalachian Station, The Loft, Cat Trax or Sub Connection.

Now more than ever, local charities need our help to aid our neighbors in need. Sodexho hopes you will join in helping “Make the Season Bright.”

**BURG Sponsors ‘3-D’ Prevention Week**
The BURG Peer Education Network in conjunction with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Western Maryland Regional Safe Communities Center, will sponsor “3-D Prevention Week.” From Monday, Dec. 3, to Thursday, Dec. 6, in the Lane University Center Lobby.

Information on traffic safety, including the importance of buckling up and the consequences of drinking and driving, will be available at an information table. Those walking by will have an opportunity to pledge not to drink and drive this holiday season and to buckle their safety belts. Additionally, those who knew someone killed in an alcohol- or drug-related crash will have the opportunity to place that person’s name on a memory wall.

“3-D Prevention Week” at FSU is held in recognition of “National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month.” For more information, contact BURG at x3081 or Jennifer Drees, director of the Western Maryland Regional Safe Communities Center at x7692 or e-mail BURG at fsu_burg@yahoo.com.

**Western Md. Food Bank Seeking Donations**
The Western Maryland Food Bank is accepting donations of canned goods and other non-perishable items. These items can be dropped off in one of several containers throughout campus, including the Braddock House. The WHFB will then collect your donations on the third Friday of every month. For information contact Sean King at x7615 or Ryan McGrady of AmeriCorps at (301) 722-2797.

**AAUW Holiday Brunch**
The annual Holiday Brunch of the Frostburg Branch, American Association of University Women, will be held on Saturday, December 8. It will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the home of President, Elizabeth West, 11904 Moores Drive, JW, La Vale. The program will consist of holiday poetry reading by Liz West.

Special guest will be the AAUW scholarship recipient, Vicky Morris. Members are reminded to bring wrapped gifts for ages 14-18 for the Youth Camp or books K-6 years old for the Family Crisis Resource Center. Hostesses will be Ruth Opden, Chair, Alice Shype, Lydia Reeves, Jeanne Cordts, Nancy Cotton and Elizabeth West. For more information, call (301) 722-6445.

**Perkins Loan Exit Interviews Scheduled**
All students graduating in December who received Perkins Loan money as part of their financial aid packages at FSU are required to complete an exit interview prior to commencement. These mandatory sessions will be Monday, Dec. 3, to Thursday, Dec. 6, in the Lane University Center. Students should contact the Perkins Office at x3081 or Jennifer Drees, director of the Western Maryland Regional Safe Communities Center at x7692 or e-mail BURG at fsu_burg@yahoo.com.

**Info Meeting for Summer Study Abroad**
Students are invited to attend a general information meeting about FSU’s summer study abroad programs on Monday, Dec. 3, at 5 p.m. in the Fuller House. Application forms will be available, along with information about scholarships and financial aid. Summer programs are normally held in Ecuador, England, Germany, Ireland and Ghana. For more information please consult the CIE Web site at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/studyabroad.htm

The Center for International Education offers a variety of ways for FSU students to see the world. In many cases students may receive academic credit for earning a semester abroad and can take all financial aid with them and transfer credit back to FSU.

**Study Down Under: Australia, New Zealand**
FSU is affiliated with AustraLearn, an organization that provides unique opportunities to study at universities in Australia and New Zealand. AustraLearn arranges cheap flights, orientation on the Great Barrier Reef, pre-registration and transcript evaluation. Students may choose from a broad range of courses in beautiful and exotic surroundings.

**Scholarships are available from both FSU and AustraLearn.**

**Study in Newcastle, England**
Students interested in studying at the University of Northumbria in Newcastle, England, should visit the CIE. Newcastle is one of the liveliest cities in the UK, just across the Channel from Amsterdam and three hours north of London (one hour south of Edinburgh) by train. Courses are available in a variety of subjects. The cost is about the same as one semester at FSU and all financial aid will transfer.

**Do Your Student Teaching in Copenhagen**
Education majors who would like to earn a semester of FSU credits while studying in Denmark should check with the CIE about the exchange program with the KDAS School of Teacher Training in Copenhagen. Students complete projects and spend several weeks in Danish schools practicing teaching skills. All courses are in English. Financial aid transfers and scholarships are available.

**Octoberfest or Mayfest in Germany**
FSU students who would like to take part in UMUC’s semester programs in Schwabisch Gmund in southern Germany are advised to apply to the CIE. The campus is part of the University of Maryland system, and all credits transfer back to FSU. Live in a beautiful medieval village and study on a campus with students from over 100 countries. All teaching is in English, and German instruction is offered as well. Scholarships are available from both FSU and UMUC. Students may apply for fall or spring.
Study in Limerick, Ireland

Students interested in taking part in the Ireland Exchange Program in Limerick should come by the CIE for information about the spring 2003 program. Participants study at Mary Immaculate College and take one FSU class and three MIC classes. All financial aid will transfer and scholarships are available.

Semester Overseas for Same Price as FSU

The International Student Exchange Program allows FSU students to register at FSU, pay FSU tuition and housing, and then study overseas for a semester, year or summer at one of over 200 locations. Students may take financial aid with them and may apply for scholarships from the CIE. Students may choose programs taught in either English or other languages. For the price of an airline ticket, this is a great way to earn credit towards your FSU degree while enjoying life in a foreign culture. Apply now for summer and fall 2002.

Choose from over 20 Locations to Study

FSU affiliates with the American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS), which offers study abroad programs at universities around the world. Programs are open to all majors. Study in Prague, South Africa or Japan. You may register at FSU and use your financial aid for all programs. AIFS offers scholarships.

Scholarships Available for Overseas Study

In addition to taking financial aid overseas, students may apply for a variety of scholarships for study abroad programs. The CIE offers scholarships for all FSU programs in amounts of $500 and $1,000. Some departments also offer scholarships. There are additional scholarships available from study abroad organizations, such as AustraLearn and ISIE, and there are two scholarships available for Maryland residents (MIEA) and for U.S. students on financial aid (Gilman). There are also national scholarships, such as Rotary, NSEP and Fulbright.

Gain Work/Volunteer Experience Overseas

Students interested in working abroad should come by the CIE for information about internships, volunteer organizations and paid work overseas. Many organizations help students obtain jobs and work permits, and some help arrange housing as well. Students can choose from short (1 to 2 months) to longer experiences (4 to 12 months), or even look into a more serious commitment (1 to 3 years). Destinations are available throughout the world.

Learn More About Study Abroad

Students who would like to learn more about study abroad opportunities and how they fit into a degree program, may come to the CIE. The staff will provide an overview of study abroad programs and requirements and have application forms available. Scholarship and financial aid information will also be available. Students may use the CIE library and computer to search for programs. Videos are also available.

Music From Around the World

Tune in to the university's radio station, WFWM (91.9 FM), every Wednesday between 7 and 8 p.m. for "Planet Frostburg." Listen to both traditional and contemporary world music and hear the latest about study abroad opportunities.

FSU Events Calendar

Look for the FSU weekly events calendar on the Web at www.frostburg.edu/weekcal.htm

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3
Alumni Leadership Dinner Series: Jenny Krampf – "Managing Your Organization’s Marketing Efforts" .......................... 6:00 p.m. .................. Atkinson Room
The Roots Lecture ................................. 7:00 p.m. .................. Lane 142

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4
* Men's Basketball: Shenandoah University ........ 7:30 p.m. ............... Home
* FSU Trombone/Euphonium Ensemble ........ 8:00 p.m. ............... Pealer Recital Hall

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5
* Women's Basketball: Villa Julie College .... 5:30 p.m. .................. Away
* FSU Percussion Ensemble ........ 8:00 p.m. ............... Atkinson Room

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6
* Center Stage Trivia Night ....................... 8:00 p.m. . Lane Derezinski Lounge/Loft

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7
* CAB Battle of the Bands ......................... 6:00 p.m. .......... Manicur Assembly Hall
* Men's Basketball: Bethany College .... 7:30 p.m. ............... Away
* SGA Senate Meeting ............................ 7:30 p.m. ............... Leake Room
* FSU Percussion Ensemble ........ 8:00 p.m. ............... Pealer Recital Hall

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8
* Center Stage Trivia Night ....................... 8:00 p.m. . Lane Derezenski Lounge/Loft

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9
* Men's Basketball: Lake Erie College .... 2:00 p.m. .................. Home
* Honor Band Festival Concert ........ 7:30 p.m. ............... Pealer Recital Hall

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