The FSU Dance Company, under the artistic direction of Dr. Barry Fischer, will present its 2002 winter dance concert Thursday through Saturday, Dec. 5 - 7, in the Performing Arts Center’s Drama Theatre. Thursday and Friday’s performances will be at 8 p.m., while Saturday’s performance is a 2 p.m. matinee.

The performance features the premiere of Fischer’s “Class,” a work based on the Martha Graham technique of modern dance that Fischer teaches at FSU from beginning to advanced levels. The piece illustrates each level with elements of Fischer’s choreography set to music composed by Elen Putman. Fischer is also recreating a duet piece featuring Susan Manger and Lori Cannon and contributing “Carpe Diem,” a spiritually influenced all-women’s dance. Cannon will repeat “Charmer,” a solo piece she performed last spring to an enthusiastic audience. Lauren Remmert is contributing a group modern jazz piece accompanied by popular music.

Guest artist Claire Porter of New York’s Claire Porter and Portables Dance Company has contributed a piece for the entire company, “Reading Signs.” Fischer describes it as an “abstract work that utilizes text and rhythmical patterns in a humorous way.” Porter was recently in residence at FSU to work with the company on choreography.

Tickets are $8 for the general public and $4 each for children under 12 and FSU students with a current ID and can be purchased at the Performing Arts Center box office, open Monday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m. They will also be available at the door one hour before each performance. For information and reservations, call x4145.

The exhibition, which is free and open to the public, includes work by six graphic design seniors pursuing bachelor of fine arts degrees in art and design. A specialist in Web design and multimedia, James Derdock will graduate in December. Influenced by the fast-paced and ever-changing world of the Internet and the exponential growth of technology, Derdock has created a style that reflects the hi-tech world.

Mary Gorge will graduate in December with a minor in art history. Her main focus is graphic design, Gorge also works in painting, drawing, ceramics and photography. Her work has been displayed in the Allegany Arts Council Gallery in Cumberland. Adam Hughson, who will graduate next spring, has a minor in art history. He has applied his interests in other types of art, including photography, printmaking and drawing, into his graphic design work. Most of his portfolio consists of logo design, business packages and an interactive Web page featuring a mechanical style with 3-dimensional shapes and a clean-cut, linear design. Natalie McKenzie will graduate in December with a minor in art history. She uses abstract colors, organic and geometric shapes to create a style characterized by simplicity and minimalism.

Charles Owens Jr. plans to graduate next spring. His design interests include Web design, animation and graphics. After graduating next spring, Anthony Ruffin will pursue a master’s degree in studio art/graphic design at Towson University. His Web sites and graphic design work features 3-dimensional designs, text and digital animation. For information, contact the FSU Department of Visual Arts at x4797.

The lecture will be Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 6:45 p.m. in Tawes Hall room 232 on the FSU campus. Dr. Robert Moore of the Department of Sociology will make the presentation. Moore is the editor of a recent book about race relations, “The Quality and Quantity of Contact: African Americans and Whites on College Campuses.”

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Dr. Jean-Marie Makang, coordinator of African American Studies at x3089 or at jmakang@frostburg.edu.

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HIV/AIDS Activist to Speak on Life ‘Down Low’

J.L. King, a national HIV prevention educator, producer and author, will speak about life on the “down low,” men who have sex with other men, but who do not consider themselves to be gay or bisexual. His presentation on the double lives of these men will be Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the Cordts Physical Education Center’s Leake Room.

King, who specializes in the behavior and lifestyles of African American men on the “down low,” has interviewed more...
than 1,000 men in his research, and is himself one of that number. He was married and has three grown children, but also led a second life of relationships with men, all the while denying that he or anyone he loved was at risk of contracting HIV through his actions.

Hapke, who has been featured in more than 75 newspapers, including the New York Times and USA Today, has appeared on numerous radio and television programs. He has been credited by the Centers for Disease Control for exposing the “down low” lifestyle, one which is putting African American women who thought they were in committed relationships at much greater danger of contracting HIV. The presentation, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. and the Black Student Alliance. For more information, contact FSU Diversity Center at x4050.

**Appalachian Laboratory**

The final Appalachian Laboratory seminar of the fall semester will be presented by Dr. Karen Soderberg Sarnaker, and accompanied by Betty Jane Phillips, Collegium Musicum’s performance will include Roland de Lassus’ Christmas motet, “Resonet in Laudibus” and “Four Motets for the Christmas Season” by Francis Poulenc. They will also perform “Kondalilla,” based on Australian aboriginal beliefs of spirituality, by Stephen Leek; “Sigalapa” (Kenya), arranged by S.A. Otieno; and “The Storm Is Passing Over” (American gospel), arranged by Barbara Baker. Collegium Musicum will conclude with “A Nightingale Sang In Berkeley Square,” arranged by Gene Puerling; “Salseo” (Venezuela) by Oscar Galian and “Take the A Train,” arranged by Stephen Zegree.

The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the FSU Department of Music at x4109.

**Engineering Students to Showcase Projects**

FSU engineering students will showcase their semester projects on Tuesday, Dec. 10, from 6 to 9 p.m. at Frostburg’s City Place, 14 S. Water St., Frostburg. Freshmen from three sections of the Introduction to Engineering Design class will demonstrate the products they designed, built and tested. These include a wind-powered water pump and softball pitching machines. A project by senior mechanical engineering students and a go-cart constructed by the Physics and Engineering Club will also be on display. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Linda Steele at x4137.

**Sodexho Environmental Lecture Set for Dec. 3**

The Department of Geography, in cooperation with Sodexho, is hosting the first Sodexho Environmental Lecture of 2002-03. The guest speaker is Dr. Bruce Hapke, emeritus professor in the Department of Geology and Planetary Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh. His topic will be “Space Weathering – A Scientific Detective Story.”

Hapke studies the surface of planets and satellites by analyzing data collected from the Earth and by spacecraft. He conducts experimental studies of terrestrial, meteorite and lunar materials. He has been a member of the Mariner 10 and Viking TV Science Teams and a principal investigator for the study of Apollo lunar samples. He is past chairman of the Division for Planetary Sciences of the American Astronomical Society.

The geography colloquium will be at noon on Tuesday, Dec. 3, in Dunkle Hall 218. FSMU community is welcome. For more information about this and future seminars, please contact Shivaji Prasad at x4412 or sprasad@frostburg.edu.

**Collegeium to Perform at Emmanuel Episcopal Church**

The Emmanuel Episcopal Church of Cumberland, 16 Washington St., will host the FSU Collegeium Musicum in concert, Sunday, Dec. 8, at 4 p.m.

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**New Group Life Insurance Provider**

The Standard Insurance Co. will be the State of Maryland’s new provider of group term life insurance starting Jan. 1, 2003. Employees who currently have term life insurance through Metropolitan Life will automatically roll over to the new provider unless the coverage is changed or terminated during Open Enrollment. Your beneficiary designations will not, however, transfer from MetLife to Standard Insurance.

FSU employees who will have term life insurance through Standard Insurance must complete a new form to designate one or more beneficiaries. The next to last page of the 2003 Summary of Health Benefits booklet is a “Beneficiary Designation and Change Form” from Standard Insurance. Remove that form from the booklet, complete and sign it. If you have more than two primary and/or contingent beneficiaries, make a copy of the form to have enough room for all beneficiary information. Return completed forms to the Office of Human Resources and we will submit all forms to the Employee Benefits Division. Note that this beneficiary form applies only to those employees with insurance provided by Standard Insurance (MetLife in 2002). It does not apply to employees with group life insurance from Unum.

**Open Enrollment Nearing Completion**

Remember that Open Enrollment for Health Benefits ends this Friday, Dec. 6. If you intend to modify your health benefits, do not wait any longer. The IVR (Interactive Voice Response) automated enrollment system will not accept calls to modify benefits after 3 p.m. and you will not be able to make changes until next year’s Open Enrollment period unless there is a “change in family status.”

Confirmation statements for changes already made are being distributed by campus mail as soon as they are received in OHR. Check your statement to make sure your benefits are as you want them to be for 2003. Any changes made will take effect Jan. 1, 2003.

**Commencement Info**

Any student planning to complete his or her studies during this semester must first officially file for graduation.

Undergraduate students should contact the Registrar’s Office (x6349, 144 Pullen Hall), while graduate students should submit paperwork to Graduate Services (x7053, 141 Pullen Hall). Special mailings and notices regarding Commencement are sent only to those students who have completed all filings.

Caps and gowns are provided at no charge to all students cleared to participate in Commencement; however, each student is responsible for placing an order in advance. Orders should be submitted to the University Bookstore as soon as possible.

Information about Commencement is always available on the University’s Web site. Go to www.frostburg.edu, click on “current students,” then on “academics.” A drop-down screen will list Commencement. (You may also type in www.frostburg.edu/events/commenc.htm.) For information, contact Beth Deatelhauser in Special Events and Notices regarding Commencement Program. The seminar will be in room 109.

**Mondays, Muffins and Honors Info**

The final Monday morning Honors Program information session of the semester will be Dec. 9. The sessions are for students and faculty members participating in the program and those who are interested in it. The session will be at 8:30 a.m. in the Fuller House, 19 Braddock Road. As promised, there will be muffins, as well as other continental breakfast items.

**Dept. of Social Work Sets Info Session**

The Department of Social Work will hold an information session Wednesday, Dec. 4, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Department of Social Work.
Social Work Offices in Guild Center 029, for persons interested in a career in social work. The meeting will include information on the curriculum requirements of the FSU social work program.

The session is designed for people who want to learn more about the social work profession and FSU’s undergraduate social work program. Those who plan to attend are asked to call the Department of Social Work at x7497 at least one day in advance of the session. For information about FSU’s social work program, contact Dr. Baxter Wright, department chair, at x3157.

Catholic Campus Ministry

CCM will decorate the Osborne Newman Center and make plans for the spring semester Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 7 p.m. On Friday, Dec. 6, CCM will have its Christmas dinner and exchange Secret Santa gifts in the Osborne Newman Center’s Bishop Murphy Hall at 6 p.m.

Toys For Happiness Drive 2002

The annual Toys for Happiness drive is on! Volunteers are needed to be Collection Site Coordinators in the following collection sites: Braddock House, Brady Health, Children’s Center, Cordts P.E., Dunkle Hall, Fine Arts, Framptom Hall (1st and 2nd floors), Framptom Hall (3rd floor), Fuller House, Guild Center, Gunter Hall, Hitchins (1st floor), Hitchins (2nd floor), Hitchins (3rd floor), Lane University Center, Library, Lowndes, PAC, Pullen (Academic Computing), Pullen (Admissions/Financial Aid/PASS), Pullen (Registrar/Bus Office/Graduate Services), Residence Life, Sand Spring Hall, Stangle (Physical Plant), Tawes, University Police. If you are interested in being site coordinator for any of the above (or if a building was missed) contact Vicki Kaylor, vkaylor@frostburg.edu or call x4309. Some reminders: Toys/items are to be unwrapped; cash donations are acceptable. Gift suggestions: footballs, baseballs, Nerf balls, bats, baseball gloves, compact discs, cassette tapes, walkman radios, backpacks, pocketbooks, wallets, belts, duffel bags, after shave, perfume sets (no glass, please), bulletin boards, books, stationary, dry erase/memo boards, address/phone number books, sports memorabilia (ball cards, trash cans, ball caps), costume watches, costume jewelry, jewelry boxes, makeup, hair accessories, nail care products, bath accessories, gloves, hats, scarves and socks. Toys can be for all age groups.

The campaign last year was an overwhelming success! Can we top it this year?

Holiday Meal Drive

Sodexho Campus Services, in conjunction with FSU, FSU’s Center for Volunteerism and National Service and the Western Maryland Food Bank, will once again help the local community by preparing and delivering warm meals this holiday season for those in need. In the past two years, over 1,400 dinners have been prepared and delivered through this program.

You can help by purchasing an entire meal for someone (which includes roast turkey, potatoes, gravy, stuffing, cranberries, green beans, pumpkin pie and a beverage) for only $4.50. To help out this holiday, present your Bonus Bucks, Bobcat Express or cash to any Sodexho cashier in the Lane University Center, Chesapeake Hall or Sub Connection from now until the evening of Monday, Dec. 16.

For those wishing to give their time, volunteers will be assembling meals on Friday, Dec. 20, from 2 to 6 p.m. in Chesapeake Hall. All interested parties are welcome to participate. Please contact Steve Marr of Sodexho (301-689-8464) in advance if you want to help.

For more information, contact Jim Butler, Sodexho, at x4152. Let’s make the season “full” for those in need in our area.

Sunday Seasonal Passages Returns

Sunday Seasonal Passages is back for the holidays on WFWM 91.9 FM with Tyra Phipps. Tune in from 6-9 p.m. every Sunday beginning Dec. 15 to hear wonderful holiday and new age music featuring artists such as Peter Kater, Diane Arkenstone, Suzanne Ciani and Bradley Joseph.

Scholarship Brochures

FSU scholarship brochures for the 2003-04 academic year are now available in the Financial Aid Office in Pullen Hall.
locations while remaining registered at FSU. All financial aid will transfer. SIT offers programs in Africa, Asia, South America, Europe, and Australasia. This is a fantastic opportunity for students who would like to spend a semester, year or summer off the beaten track.

Semester Overseas for Same Price as FSU

The International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) 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 more than 140 locations. Students may take financial aid with them and may apply for scholarships from the CIE and from ISEP. Students may choose programs taught either in English or other languages. For the price of an airline ticket, this is a great way to earn credit toward your FSU degree while enjoying life in a foreign culture. Apply now for summer or fall 2003.

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 to arrange housing as well. Students can choose from short experiences (one to two months) to longer experiences (four to 12 months), or even look into a more serious commitment (one to three years). Destinations are available throughout the world.

Do Your Student Teaching in Copenhagen

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

Study in Limerick, Ireland

Students interested in taking part in the Ireland Exchange Program in Limerick are encouraged to pick up an application at the CIE. Participating students study at Mary Immaculate College and take one FSU class and three MIC classes. All financial aid will transfer and scholarships are available.

Study in Newcastle, England

Students interested in studying at the University of Northumbria in Newcastle, England, may apply now for the fall 2003 semester in a city known as 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 wide variety of subjects. The cost of the program is about the same as one semester at FSU (in-state) and all financial aid will transfer.

Music from Around the World

Tune in to the university 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 get the latest about study abroad.

Beware of the Return of Ice and Snow

Be alert for that hazard that shows itself this time each year. When it arrives it gets your attention by being so attractive. We are told to be brave and strong and walk on it, in it and through it. Huh? What are we talking about? SNOW and ICE. We all know what the SNOW and ICE brings with it slips and falls, injuries, broken bones, cracked skulls and more serious injuries. It is no joke when you think of what happens when your feet fly out from under you. We all know what to do to prevent slipping on ice and snow, but do we follow the caution? We tell ourselves there is no time to walk around the icy stairs. We have no time to park elsewhere in the lot to keep off of the icy surface when getting in and out of our vehicle. We tell ourselves that it isn’t that bad! We do not have to be told to be careful, or do we? Use caution, be careful and use any means to keep from slipping on icy or snow covered surfaces. If you have a slippery surface experience, call x4897.

REMEMBER when driving on ice or snow covered surfaces, reduce you speed and keep a greater distance from you and the vehicle in front of you.

Safety Message

A Good Safety Record is No Accident

FSU Events Calendar

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

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

Classes Resume
* Alpha Phi Alpha Miss Black & Gold Scholarship Pageant .................... 7:00 p.m. ........ Manicur Assembly Hall
* SCI/University Police - Java with Jamie .......... 8:00 p.m. . Lane Derezinski Lounge/Loft

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

* African American Studies Speaker, Dr. Robert Moore, “Will the African American Middle Class Hold? Implications of the 2002 Election on the Future of Race Relations . 6:45 p.m. ............. Tawes Hall 232

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

* Faculty Senate Meeting ........................................ 4:00 p.m ........ Cords PEC Leake Room
* Women’s Basketball: Villa Julie College .......... 6:00 p.m. ................... Home
* UCM, “Spirituality and Music: Bring Your Own” ....................... 7:30 p.m. ................. Library 237
* Alpha Phi Alpha Poetry Slam ..................... 8:00 p.m. ............... Derezinski Lounge/Loft

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

* Cholesterol & Diabetes Screening ......................... 7:00 a.m.-noon. ..... Lane Atkinson Room
* CAB Lecture, “Sex Signals” ............................... 7:00 p.m. .......... Manicur Assembly Hall
* Men’s Basketball: Westminster College .......... 7:30 p.m. ..................... Away
* SGA Senate Meeting ........................................ 7:30 p.m. ................ Lane Atkinson Room
* Center Stage Open Mic ............................. 8:00 p.m. . Lane Derezinski Lounge/Loft
* Winter Dance Concert ..................................... 8:00 p.m. .... PAC Drama Theatre
* FSU Percussion Ensemble ....................... 8:00 p.m. ........ Pealer Recital Hall

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

* Women’s Basketball: Bethany West Virginia Tournament @ Bethany College (12/6 & 12/7) .......... 7:30 p.m. ........................... Library 237
* Men’s & Women’s Swimming: Longnecker Swimming & Diving Invitational @ Grove City College (12/6 & 12/7) .......... 7:30 p.m. ........................... Library 237
* CAB Fall Film, “Road to Perdition” .................. 7:00 p.m. & Midnight .... Lane Atkinson Room
* Winter Dance Concert .................. 8:00 p.m. ............... PAC Drama Theatre

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

* Men’s & Women’s Indoor Track: Maryland State University Invitational, Landover, MD ..... 2:00 p.m. .............. PAC Drama Theatre
* Men’s Basketball: Westminster College .......... 7:30 p.m. ..................... Away
* Senior Portfolio Exhibit, “The 7th Dimension”, 7:8:30 p.m. .................... Roper Gallery
* Honor Band Concert ........................................ 7:30 p.m. .......... Recital Hall
* CAB Fall Film Series, “Road to Perdition” .......... 8:00 p.m. ............. Lane Atkinson Room
* Alpha Phi Alpha Ice Cold Christmas Party .... 10 p.m.-2 a.m. ........ Manicur Assembly Hall

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

* ACCM Mass ................................................. noon & 8:00 p.m...................... Cook Chapel
* CAB Fall Film Series, “Road to Perdition” ........ 2:00 p.m. .......... Lane Atkinson Room
* College Union Main Center Concert ........ 4:00 p.m.
* Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Cumberland, MD
  * Planetarium: “Christmas and Year End Traditions” ..................... 4:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. ................. Tawes Hall 232

* Open to the public – Questions? – Call 301-687-4411. All information subject to change.

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