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*All members of the University Community are cordially invited to  
President Catherine Gira's Holiday Reception  
Thursday, Dec. 18, from 3 to 5 p.m.  
Compton Science Center Lobby*

## 123rd Commencement Ceremonies Slated for Dec. 20

The 123rd commencement ceremonies at FSU will be held Saturday, Dec. 20, in the Harold J. Cordts Center Main Arena.

Two exercises will be held during the day. The College of Business and the College of Education will present degrees beginning at 10 a.m. and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences ceremony will start at 2 p.m. FSU President Catherine R. Gira will confer graduate and undergraduate degrees at both events.

The featured speaker this semester will be FSU alumna Mary Beth Pirolozzi, who graduated with both a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's in education. Since 1987, Pirolozzi has worked as a district administrator for the Maryland General Assembly, having served with Senators John N. Bambacus and John J. Hafer.

Student speakers at the winter commencement include Danielle Mullen, College of Business; Courtney Bryan, College of Education, and Kathleen Murray, College of Liberal Arts and



**Danielle Mullen**

Sciences.

A native of New Jersey, Mullen is a business administration major and member of the American Marketing Association and FSU's Marketing Club. Last spring, she was nominated by one of her professors to represent the FSU College

of Business at the Great Baltimore Committee, an invitation extended to only a few students. In the summer, Mullen shares her leadership skills with young girls at the Ramapo Country Day Camp in New York, where she has worked as a counselor. She plans to pursue a position in marketing.

Bryan, a recreation and parks management major with a minor in psychology, has worked as a resident assistant for FSU's Residence Life Office. For several years, she has been involved with the Maryland Conservation Corps, the state's premier environmental youth service program. In addition, Bryan is a water safety instructor for the American Red Cross and a Search & Rescue and First



**Courtney Bryan**

Responder for the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. She served as an AmeriCorps member from 2000 to 2002 and was inducted into Pinnacle, an honor society for non-traditional students. She is a resident of Calvert County, Md.

Murray, a native of Frostburg, is an English

major with a minor in Women's Studies. She has served as editor of the campus student newspaper, "The Bottom Line" and was the student assistant coordinator for FSU's Summer Planning Conference for freshmen. In addition, Murray worked for FSU's Vice President of Student and Educational Services, editing publications and planning events. She is also a member of the President's Student Advisory Council and the Judicial Board Panel. Murray participated in a study abroad program in the spring of 2003 and spent a semester at Mary Immaculate College in Limerick, Ireland.

For information about commencement, visit [www.frostburg.edu/events/commenc.htm](http://www.frostburg.edu/events/commenc.htm).



**Kathleen Murray**

### Presentations



#### Orientation to Zazen Meditation Offered

Dr. La Paul Chance will offer a free orientation to zazen meditation in the Cordts P.E. Center Leake Room on Wednesday, Dec. 17, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Participants are asked to wear loose clothing and bring two small, firm pillows and two blankets (for sitting support). The event is in response to a request from the Zen Theory Class (English 309) to afford the FSU community some Zen practice as a complement to the semester-long study of Zen Theory.



### Take Note

#### Family Weekend, Homecoming Dates Set

The dates for Family Weekend and Homecoming for the fall semester of 2004 have been confirmed. Family Weekend will be held from Oct. 8-10, and Homecoming will take place Oct. 21-24.

#### Nominations for Staff Awards Being Accepted

The FSU Staff Awards Review Committee is accepting nominations for the 2004 Board of Regents' University

System of Maryland Staff Awards. Detailed information on the Staff Awards nomination process has been distributed to employees. Please consider taking this opportunity to nominate yourself or a fellow employee for a Staff Award. Refer to the campus mailing for eligibility requirements and required documentation. Nomination packages are due no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 8, 2004.

### Points of Pride



**Sally Boniece**, History, presented a paper, "The Moral Face of the Revolution: Left SR Individual and State Terrorism, 1917-19," at the 35th National Conven-

tion of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies in Toronto, November 2003.

**FSU faculty, staff and students** donated enough that **21 food baskets** were provided to 21 families through the Thanksgiving Sponsor-A-Family program. The goal for this year was 16 baskets. Over the last five years, FSU has provided a total of 108 baskets.

Volunteer Services offers thanks to all who donated and to FSU and AmeriCorps alum **Tony Washington**, who took time off from work and returned to Frostburg to deliver the baskets.

## Volunteers

## 2003 Toys for Happiness Campaign

The annual FSU Toys for Happiness drive is on! Thanks to those of you who supported this cause in the past. The toys, other items and cash collected are distributed to local families.

Toys and other appropriate items are to be unwrapped. Cash donations are acceptable. Gifts will be collected at the President's Annual Holiday Reception, on Thursday, Dec. 18.

Let's join together and make this a wonderful year for the children in our area. Call Vicki x4309 or e-mail vkaylor@frostburg.edu for information.

## Take Food Bank Donations to Edgewood

Donations to the food bank may be dropped off at Edgewood Commons. There will be a barrel/box to place the food in the lobby. The next pick up will be on Tuesday, Dec. 16. This should be nonperishable items. If you have any questions, contact Christine O'Neil at (301) 689-1396.

## On Channel 3

### FSU TV 3 for Dec. 15-19

#### Monday:

3 & 6 p.m. "Eye On Frostburg" Episode 4  
3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Frostburg Idol  
4:30 & 7:30 p.m. Biographies: J. Glenn Beall Jr.  
5:30 & 8:30 p.m. FSU Phat Padz

#### Tuesday:

3 & 6 p.m. Live at the Loft: Reggie Wayne Morris Blues  
4:25 & 7:25 p.m. Destination Tomorrow  
4:55 & 7:55 P.M. Dr. Suzi Mills Lecture & Recital

#### Wednesday:

3 & 6 p.m. "Eye On Frostburg" Episode 4  
3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Frostburg City Council Meeting Held on Nov. 20  
5:30 & 7:30 p.m. AAST Lecturer: Dr. Robert Moore

#### Thursday:

3 & 6 p.m. Destination Tomorrow

3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Live at the Loft: KJ James  
4:30 & 7:30 p.m. Counting Doves  
5:45 & 8:45 p.m. "Night Before XMAS"  
5:50 & 8:50 p.m. A Multi-cultural Holiday

#### Friday:

3 p.m. "Eye on Frostburg" Episode 4  
3:30 p.m. Live at the Loft: Edgar Cruz  
4:40 p.m. A Significant Journey  
5 p.m. Frostburg City Council Meeting to be held on Dec. 18

## International

## Apply for Summer Programs Overseas Now

Students who are interested in studying overseas during the summer should submit an application to the CIE as soon as possible. Applications are being accepted for summer programs in Ecuador, Ireland, Ghana and England.

For information about summer programs, or to download an application, visit the CIE website at: [www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm](http://www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm) or phone the CIE at x4714.

## Study Abroad Programs

The Center for International Education offers a variety of ways for FSU students to see the world. In many cases, students register at FSU during a semester abroad and can take all financial aid with them and transfer credit back to FSU. For information on any of the programs or scholarships that may be available, check with Dr. Amy Simes at the CIE in the Fuller House on Braddock Road, call her at x4714 or e-mail her at [asimes@frostburg.edu](mailto:asimes@frostburg.edu), or visit the CIE's Web page at [www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm](http://www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm) or the newsletter at [www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/newsletter.htm](http://www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/newsletter.htm).

## FSU Events Calendar

Look for the FSU weekly events calendar on the Web at [www.frostburg.edu/weekcal.htm](http://www.frostburg.edu/weekcal.htm)

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

*Intersession Course Cancellations*  
*Late Registration for Intersession (with Late Fees) through January 5, 2004*  
*Final Exams (through December 19)*

- \* SCI Study Hall ..... 8:00 a.m.-10:45 p.m. .... Lane ARMAH, 202
- \* Bookstore Book Buyback ..... 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. .... FSU Bookstore
- \* SCI Study Hall ..... 6:00 p.m.- 10:45 p.m. . . Lane 203-4, 205-6, 207-8

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

- \* SCI Study Hall ..... 8:00 a.m.-10:45 p.m. .... Lane ARMAH, 202
- \* Bookstore Book Buyback ..... 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. .... FSU Bookstore
- \* SCI Study Hall ..... 6:00 p.m.-10:45 p.m. .... Lane 203-4, 205-6, 207-8
- \* B.A.S.I.C. .... 7:30 p.m. .... BSM Center

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- \* W.N.B.S. .... 9:30 p.m. .... BSM Center

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

- \* Bookstore Book Buyback ..... 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. .... FSU Bookstore
- \* Annual Senior Send-off @ Gandalf's 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. .... 16 W. Main St., Frostburg

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

- Residence Halls, Lane University Center Close @ 7:00 p.m.*
- \* Bookstore Book Buyback ..... 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. .... FSU Bookstore
- \* Commencement Rehearsal ..... 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. .... Cordts PEC Main Arena

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20—Commencement

- \* Commencement Brunch ..... 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. .... Lane ARMAH
- \* Commencement
  - Colleges of Business, Education ..... 10:00 a.m. .... Cordts PEC Main Arena
  - College of Liberal Arts & Sciences ..... 2:00 p.m. .... Cordts PEC Main Arena
- \* Men's Basketball: Christopher Newport .... 7:00 p.m. .... Away

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

- Lane University Center Closed*
- \* CCM Mass ..... Noon & 8:00 p.m. .... Cook Chapel
- \* Planetarium: "Year End Skies & Heavenly Connections"
  - 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. .... Tawes Hall

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

FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services, and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. You may request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, 302 Hitchins, 301-687-4102, TDD 301-687-7955.

## Do it Safely All the Time