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125th Commencement Ceremonies Scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 18

The 125th commencement ceremonies at FSU will be held Saturday, Dec. 18, in the Cordts P.E. Center Main Arena.

Dr. Catherine R. Gira, FSU president, will confer degrees on graduates during two exercises throughout the day. The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present degrees beginning at 10 a.m. and The College of Business and the College of Education ceremony will start at 2 p.m.

Student speakers at the winter commencement are Amanda D. Buskirk, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Rebekah A. Brunner, College of Business; and Martin (Marty) McFadden, College of Education.

A native of Lonaconing, Buskirk took classes at FSU during her senior year of high school. Her goal was to eventually attend medical school. However, when her mother was diagnosed with a



Amanda Buskirk

terminal and incurable illness, she decided to major in biotechnology to research medical mysteries. Buskirk has continued to excel in the classroom and the laboratory and was inducted into Tri Beta (biology honor society). This past summer, she received a competitive internship at the Windber Research Institute in Pennsylvania to focus on breast cancer research. Through her placement at Windber, Buskirk's work will be published in scientific journals. Buskirk will attend graduate school and work towards a Ph.D. in biochemistry.

Brunner has juggled a full-credit course load, worked as an administrative assistant and commuted from Hagerstown to the Frostburg campus while pursuing her business administration/marketing degree from FSU. A graduate of Hagerstown Community College, Brunner was a member of the Honors Club and matriculated with high honors. In addition, Brunner is an avid volunteer, both at home and abroad.

Her service has taken her from local rescue missions and churches to labor/missions work in Rwanda, Africa. She has secured a position as a marketing coordinator at her present employer, Skelly and Loy Inc., an engineering/environmental consulting firm in Hagerstown.

McFadden, a resident of Towson, graduates with a degree in recreation and parks from FSU's collaborative

program at The Community College of Baltimore County-Catonsville. A non-traditional student, McFadden earned a degree in psychology from Salisbury University in 2002. This past summer, he completed an internship with the Baltimore City Recreation and Parks Division, where he organized events at both children's and adults' day camps. He is the site director of an after-school program for 50 school children, grades kindergarten through eight, at Roland Park Elementary/Middle School in Baltimore City. He is a member of the National Recreation and Parks Society, National Therapeutic Recreation Society and the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association, Therapeutic Branch.

Presenting candidates for degrees will



Martin McFadden

be Dr. Stephen Simpson, provost; Dr. Susan Arisman, dean of the College of Education; Dr. Danny Arnold, dean of the College of Business; and Dr. Joe Hoffman, interim dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

For more information, visit www.frostburg.edu/events/commenc.htm.



Rebekah Brunner

Dr. Gira's Annual Holiday Reception

President Catherine Gira's annual Holiday Reception will be

Wednesday, Dec. 15, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Lobby.

Faculty, staff and students are cordially invited.

Theatre



CES Offers '7 Brides for 7 Brothers' in New Year

FSU's Cultural Events Series welcomes in the New Year with a musical production of the Broadway favorite "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 23, and 7:30 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 24 and 25, 2005, in the Performing Arts Center's Drama Theatre.

"Goin' courting" has never been as much fun as in this rip-roaring stage version of the popular MGM movie. Millie, a young bride living in the 1850s Oregon wilderness, plans to civilize and marry off her six rowdy brothers-in-law to ensure the success of her own marriage. Her plan backfires when the brothers, in their enthusiasm, kidnap six women from a neighboring town to be their brides. Bursting with rambunctious energy, "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" is all boisterous fun and romance that harkens back to the glory days of the movie musical.

Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$22 for children under 13. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the FSU Cultural Events Series Box Office at x3137 or toll free at 1-866-TIXX-CES or visit online at <http://ces.frostburg.edu>.

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Take Note

Senior Send-Off to the Graduating Class of '04

December 2004 graduates and faculty and staff are cordially invited to the FSU Foundation, Inc., Alumni Association and Office of Annual Giving's ninth Senior Send-Off.

In your honor the FSUF Annual Fund Campaign will sponsor a "Senior Send-Off" exclusively for graduating seniors from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 16, at Duncan's on Main Street. There will be a sign-in, trivia game, giveaways, food, beverages and fun in what has now become as traditional as making an Annual Fund contribution.

Admission is free with the FSU Senior Survey and \$1 towards the Senior Class Gift. Admission is also free to faculty and staff. If you can attend, please let us know by Tuesday, Dec. 14, at x4758 or send an e-mail to fsudevelopment@frostburg.edu.

Children's Center Holiday Performances

The Children's Center will visit the Frostburg Village Nursing Home on Friday, Dec. 10, at 10 a.m. to share a few of their holiday songs. They will also sing at 3:30 p.m. at the President's Holiday Reception on Wednesday, Dec. 15.

Introductory Italian Offered in Intersession

Introductory Italian will be offered evenings at FSU from Jan. 3 to 25, 2005.

The emphasis of the course will be on the ease of oral communication in Italian, in situations that are common to most tourists and students abroad, including: ordering, reservations, talking about ourselves, talking about our families, talking about our hobbies and activities and talking about our classes. The students will also learn how to write in Italian.

Dr. Katherine Almquist, who has worked with the FSU Foreign Language Department for three years, will teach the course. She has designed the course to prepare the students to be able to travel to Italy and be able to efficiently discuss personal interests and life tasks. She will also expose the students to the different regions of Italy, local culture and the importance of understanding regional differences for speaking with Italians. The course will continue, using the same textbook, with MDFL 290.001 in Spring 2005 taught from 11 to 11:50 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

For more information, contact the Department of Foreign Languages and Literature at x4378.

Spring 2005 Graduate Course Registration

Registration with payment for spring graduate courses continues over the PAWS Registration System. Spring 2005 bills have been sent and are due in the

Student Billing Office on Jan. 3, 2005. Late registration and payment fees begin Jan. 4, 2005, for continuing students.

News for Spring 2005 MBA Applicants

The 2004-2006 Graduate Catalog is available at the Graduate Services office, 141 Pullen Hall. The revised MBA program requires that all students entering as of spring 2005 complete the GMAT (Graduate Management Admissions Test). Test registration information is available through the Educational Testing Services Web site at www.ets.org or by calling the FSU Counseling Center, Sand Spring Hall, at x7990. The test is available as a computer based examination, given at FSU Monday and Friday, 8 a.m. to noon, and Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

Points of Pride



Members of *Dr. Yun Chu's* Marketing Research class presented the results of their surveys to board members of the Allegany Chamber of Commerce on Dec. 8. Class members include *Travis D. Bennett, Christopher Omar Dixon, Sarah R. Dorman, Crystal Lynn Ellis, Ryan Joseph Ferriter, Richard Seth Johnson, Crystal Mann, Scott Michael McGregor, Emily Marie McVitty, James Anthony Mudd III, Keiron Brian Raphael, Kamillo Rosenthal, Marc Edward Steiner, Valarie Ann Stewart and Beau Richard Thompson.*

Dr. Chu's class worked with the Chamber of Commerce to develop its member survey. The students also compiled and analyzed the over 100 surveys gathered.



Schedule for Dec. 13-17

Monday:

3 & 6 p.m. Author: Daniel Mark Epstein
4 & 7 p.m. NASA SCI Files, "The Case of the Radical Ride"
5 & 8 p.m. Live at the Loft: Lavish Mikell

Tuesday:

3 & 6 p.m. Zen Lecturer: Amala Wrightson
5 & 8 p.m. Live at the Loft: Amanda Garrigues

Wednesday:

3 & 6 p.m. Destination Tomorrow
3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Motivational Speaker: Bobby Petrocelli
4:05 & 7:05 p.m. The President's Concert Fall 2004
5:05 & 8:05 p.m. Poet: Lawrence Raab

Thursday:

3 & 6 p.m. Cafe Frostburg: Greg Latta & Cuillin
5 & 8 p.m. AAST Lecturer: Dr. Jerome Miller

Friday:

3 p.m. MD State of Mind
4 p.m. Scales and Tales Presentation
5 p.m. Frostburg City Council Meeting to be held on Thursday, Dec. 17.



Scholarships

David Sanford Graduate Student Scholarship

The recipient of the David Sanford Graduate Student Scholarship must be enrolled full- or part-time as a graduate student, have previously been an FSU undergraduate and have received a varsity sport participation letter. An overall FSU grade point average of 3.0 or better is required. Get an application at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall or call x7053. Deadline is March 1, 2005; award is \$500 annually.

F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship

The recipient of the F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship must have completed high school or the equivalent in either Allegany or Garrett counties in Maryland and be enrolled at FSU with an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better. The recipient must demonstrate financial need (completed FAFSA form). Get an applications at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall, or call x7053. Deadline is March 15, 2005; award is \$1,500 annually.

International



International Education

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, can take all financial aid with them and transfer credit back to FSU. For information on available programs or scholarships, check with Dr. Hank Bullamore in the Fuller House or e-mail him at hbullamore@frostburg.edu.

Study Abroad Express

China

Join Dr. Hongqi Li, Assistant professor, Department of biology, in a hands-on summer program designed for students interested in biology and Chinese culture. Students will stay on the campus of the China University of Mining and Technology in Beijing. Afternoon and weekend trips to selected regional sites will be included. Program details can be found at <http://faculty.frostburg.edu/biol/hli/>. Dates: May 23 to July 4.

Honduras

This program will provide hands-on experience to deepen and enhance the students' knowledge of the social and economic circumstances of Central America. This course will include two weeks with a volunteer community development work program (Peacework). Excursions with other volunteers will be organized by Peacework. Dr. Maria-Luisa Sanchez from the Foreign Languages Department will accompany the students. Web link: www.peacework.org Dates: May 23 - June 17.



FSU Events Calendar

Malaysia

Travel to the Far East, take two courses and live on a paradise island this summer! Business and international studies majors have a chance to broaden their business horizons by traveling to Malaysia with Dr. Keramat Poorsoltan of the Department of Management. Web link: www.usm.my/en/ Dates: July 5 to Aug. 17.

Belize

Science majors have an opportunity this summer to improve the science education in a third world country while developing their own skills with Dr. Frederick Senese of Chemistry Department Preparatory and follow-up work will be done in Frostburg. Two weeks will be spent in Belize working with local science teachers. The ProBelize Service Corps will plan several excursions, including environmental tours and other cultural events. Web link: www.proworldsc.org Dates: July 5 - Aug 17.

Apply For Study Abroad Express: Pick up an application at CIE or from the program director. Apply by Feb. 25, 2005.



Safety Message

Prevent Holiday Fires

Tree Safety:

Special fire safety precautions need to be taken when keeping a live tree in the house. A burning tree can rapidly fill a room with fire and deadly gases. Needles on fresh trees should be green and hard to pull back from the branches, and the needle should not break if the tree is fresh. The trunk should be sticky. If many needles fall off when a tree trunk is bounced on the ground, the tree is a fire hazard.

Holiday Lights:

Maintain your holiday lights. Inspect holiday lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots, gaps in the insulation, broken or cracked sockets and excessive kinking or wear. Use only lighting listed by an approved testing laboratory. Do not link more than three strings to an extension cord. The wires should not be warm to the touch.

Candle Care:

Avoid using lit candles. If you do use them, make sure they are in stable holders and place them where they cannot be easily knocked down. Never leave the house with candles burning. Never put lit candles on a real tree. Do not go near a real tree with any type of open flame. Finally, have working smoke alarms installed on every level of your home, test them monthly and keep them clean and equipped with fresh batteries at all times. Know when and how to call for help. And practice your home escape plan.

The Office of Human Resources Safety Office wishes each employee a safe, peaceful, relaxing and enjoyable Holiday Season. For more information contact The U.S. Fire Administration, Office of the Fire Management Programs, 16825 S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg, Md. 21727.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

- Final Exams (through December 17)
- Intercession Course Cancellations
- Late Registration for Intercession (with Late Fees) through January 3
- * Bookstore Book Buyback 9 a.m.-4 p.m. FSU Bookstore
- * SCI Study Hall 6-11 p.m. Lane 205-6 & 207-8

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14

- * Bookstore Book Buyback 9 a.m.-4 p.m. FSU Bookstore
- * SCI Study Hall 6-11 p.m. Lane 205-6 & 207-8

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

- * Bookstore Book Buyback 9 a.m.-4 p.m. FSU Bookstore
- * President's Holiday Reception 3-5 p.m. PAC Lobby
- * SCI Study Hall 6-11 p.m. Lane 205-6 & 207-8

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

- * Bookstore Book Buyback 9 a.m.-4 p.m. FSU Bookstore
- * Thursday Senior Send-Off 4:30 -7 p.m. Duncan's, Main St.
- * SCI Study Hall 6-11 p.m. Lane 205-6 & 207-8

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

- Lane University Center closes @ 7 p.m.
- Residence Halls Close @ 7 p.m.
- * Bookstore Book Buyback 9 a.m.-4 p.m. FSU Bookstore

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18—Commencement

- * Commencement Brunch 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. . Appalachian Station
- * The College of Liberal Arts & Sciences 10 a.m. Corrts PEC Main Arena
- * The Colleges of Business & Education 2 p.m. Corrts PEC Main Arena

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

- * Men's Basketball: Christopher Newport 2:00 p.m. Home
- * Planetarium, "Year End Wonders: Yule Holy Days and Sky Sights" 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Tawes Hall

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

Lane University Center Final Exam Hours

Building Hours

- Monday, Dec. 13, through Thursday, Dec. 16 7:45am-10:45pm
- Friday, Dec. 17 7:45am-7:00pm
- Saturday, Dec. 18 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 19 Closed
- Monday, Dec. 20, through Wednesday, Dec. 22 7:45am-4:30pm
- Thursday, Dec. 23, through Sunday, Jan. 2 Closed
- Monday, Jan. 3 7:45am-4:30pm

Administrative & Reservations

- Monday, Dec. 13, through Friday, Dec. 17 8:00am-4:30pm
- Saturday, Dec. 18, & Sunday, Dec. 19 Closed
- Monday, Dec. 20, through Wednesday, Dec. 22 8:00am-4:30pm
- Thursday, Dec. 23, through Sunday, Jan. 2 Closed
- Monday, Jan. 3 8:00am-4:30pm

Information Desk

- Monday, Dec. 13, through Thursday, Dec. 16 8:00am-10:45pm
- Friday, Dec. 17 8:00am-4:15pm
- Saturday, Dec. 18, & Sunday, Dec. 19 Closed
- Monday, Dec. 20, through Wednesday, Dec. 22 8:00am-4:15pm
- Thursday, Dec. 23, through Sunday, Jan. 2 Closed
- Monday, Jan. 3 8:00am-4:15pm

Game Room

- Monday, Dec. 13 through Thursday, Dec. 16 Noon-10:45pm
- Friday, Dec. 17 through Saturday, Jan. 24 Closed

F & M Bank

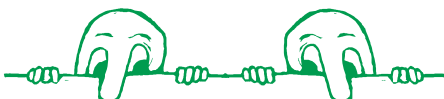
- Monday, Dec. 13, & Wednesday, Dec. 15 10:00am-1:00pm & 2:00pm-4:00pm
- Friday, Dec. 17 10:00am-2:00pm

Bookstore

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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.



Work Together to Prevent Accidents