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Center Stage Hosts World AIDS Week Activities

FSU's Center Stage will host World AIDS Week activities from Monday, Nov. 29, to Thursday, Dec. 2.

National speaker Elaine Pasqua will present "Living and Loving in a World with AIDS" on Nov. 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lane University Center, room 201. Pasqua is an educator about HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases. Both of her parents died from AIDS and from this experience, she has been able

to offer an inspiring message. She also adds comedy and realism to this extremely important topic.

The film "Gia" will be featured on Tuesday, Nov. 30, and Wednesday, Dec. 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the Alice R. a Manicur Assembly Hall in the Lane University Center. This film is about Gia Carangi who was an '80s fashion model whose career fell apart after being diagnosed with AIDS. The film stars Angelina Jolie. Food

and refreshments will be offered at the showing of the film.

Center Stage and the Brady Health Center will be offering free HIV antibody testing on Wednesday, Dec. 1, and Thursday, Dec. 2. For these two days the HIV antibody testing will not require the usual \$10 office fee. You can call the Brady Health Center at x4310 to make an appointment. Confidentiality is guaranteed.

Music

Chamber Choir Presents 'A Choral Tapestry'

The FSU Chamber Choir presents its Winter Choral Concert entitled "A Choral Tapestry," Sunday, Dec. 5, at 3 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center's Pealer Recital Hall. The Chamber Choir is under the direction of Dr. Karen Soderberg-Sarnaker with Betty Jane Phillips, accompanist.

The concert will include "Songs for the Soul" with a setting of "Ave Maria" by Javier Busto, "A Hymn to the Virgin" by Benjamin Britten and the seasonal spiritual "Here's a Pretty Little Baby" by André Thomas.

The second part, "Songs Without Words," consists of "Air" by George Frederic Handel and arranged by Ward Swingle, "Fäbodpsalm från Dalarna," arranged by Anders Öhrwall and "Solfeggio" by Arvo Pärt.

Part three, "Song for the Spirit," features Stephen Leek's "Uluru," expressing the most sacred of all Aboriginal spiritual places. Ayres Rock is where the creation of Dreamtime took place and it is here, for Australian Aborigines, that all life began.

The fourth section, "Songs for the Season," are settings of vocal jazz arrangements of "Christmas Time is Here," arranged by Tina Chinn, "A Child Is Born," arranged by Michele Weir and featuring alto Heather Footen, and Ward Swingle's "A Visit from St. Nicholas."

The Chamber Choir will conclude its performance with "Songs with a Swing," which includes "Straighten Up and Fly Right," arranged by Kirby Shaw,

"Stachmo," based upon "The Entertainer" by Scott Joplin and arranged by Ward Swingle and Manhattan Transfer's choreographed arrangement of "Trickle, Trickle," featuring tenor Daniel Durr.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. Tickets can be reserved by calling x7462 and will also be available at the door.

Community



Frostburg City Presents 'Storybook Holiday'

The city of Frostburg will be transformed into a holiday winter wonderland, as local organizations come together to present "Frostburg's Storybook Holiday," a daylong event of seasonal activities, on Saturday, Dec. 4, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The opening celebration will occur in the courtyard of St. Michael's Church on Main Street with music and festivities. Multiple events will take place at various locations throughout the city.

Holiday storybook readings will take place from 11 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 2 p.m. at Main Street Books, the Frostburg Community Library and Thrasher Carriage Museum. Drawings for a free book will be held at each location.

Frostburg's City Place on Water Street will host a variety of activities throughout the day. From 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.,

children may visit the "Secret Elves' Workshop." For \$1, the children can choose a craft to make and wrap as a "secret" gift. They may also visit the "Letters to Santa" station, where they can write and mail their letters to Santa Claus. Throughout the day, vendor booths will also be selling crafts and artwork. Lumps of coal will also be on sale, as a gift for that "special someone."

Restaurants and stores will be open, with special holiday offerings, and will showcase window decorations created by Beall, Frost, Mount Savage and St. Michael's school children. All restaurant/store patrons will receive a commemorative bookmark and will be able to gather special bookmark stickers at participating retailers.

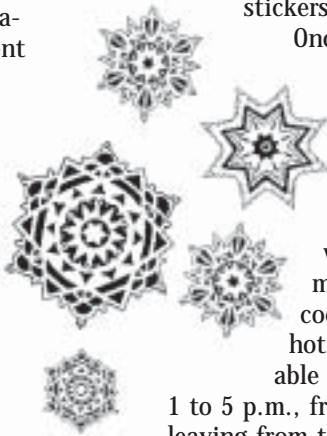
Once a person receives five stickers, he or she will be able to redeem the bookmark for a special treat.

The sidewalks of Frostburg will feature wandering carolers, musicians and elves. Hot cocoa, hot cider, wassail and hot chestnuts will be available at several locations. From

1 to 5 p.m., free carriage rides will be leaving from the new Armstrong Insurance site on Water Street (across from City Place).

From 5 to 7 p.m., luminaries will line the sidewalks of local churches, which will open their doors to the public, presenting music and a time of quiet reflection.

The celebration wraps up with two events. At 7 p.m., a holiday program will be presented at City Place, with a tree lighting ceremony, musical pro-



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grams, cookies, cocoa and a visit from St. Nick. At 8 p.m., the Palace Theatre will host a one-time showing of Frank Capra's classic film "It's a Wonderful Life," starring Jimmy Stewart. Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased in advance at Main Street Books, the Mary Carol Shop, Armstrong Insurance and J.R.'s Custom Screen Printing. For more information, call x4254, x4420 or 301-689-6900.

Parking is free throughout the entire day and evening.

Frostburg's Storybook Holiday is sponsored in part by The Children's Literature Centre at FSU, Historic Frostburg, Beall Elementary, Frost Elementary, Mount Savage Elementary, St. Michael's Elementary, Frostburg Community Library, Main Street Books, the Palace Theatre, Frostburg City Parks and Recreation, Frostburg Business and Professional Association, Maryland Student Education Association, Friends of the Frostburg Community Library, the Frostburg Ministerium, Maryland Coal Association, Thrasher Carriage Museum and the Garden Club of Frostburg.



Speakers

Hadra Forum: American in Castro's Cuba

The free weekly forums named for James Hadra will continue Monday, Nov. 22, at noon in Ort Library room 237 with Dr. Paul Charney of the History Department presenting "An American in Castro's Cuba."

The 50-minute program is free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring a bag lunch; coffee and tea will be provided.

On Nov. 29, Dr. Skott Brill will present "Does It Matter that Nothing We Do Will Matter in a Million Years?"

On Dec. 6, Dr. Ken Witmer will present the final talk of the semester, "The Greater Dimensions of Education."

The forum is sponsored by Catholic Campus Ministries, United Campus Ministries and Hillel. For more information, call Gary Horowitz at x4271.

Art



'Atomic Philosophy' Art Exhibition at Roper

FSU presents the "Atomic Philosophy" art exhibition through Nov. 24 in the Stephanie Ann Roper Art Gallery.

The exhibition will feature the works of Beth Johnson, Corinne Knight, Dan Martin, Robert Van Tassel III and Sandra Martin. Johnson has a dual studio focus in photography and ceramics with a minor in art history. Her photography tends to be architectural and landscaped based. Knight has a focus in painting with a minor in art history. Her paintings are figurative based with an emotional backbone.

Martin has a focus in sculpture with a minor in art history. His sculptures employ a variety of media including metal, wood and plastic. Van Tassel III has a dual focus in graphic design and sculpture. His works range from graphic design to industrial design to sculpture. Sandra Martin has a focus in sculpture with a minor in art history. Her works are termed sculpture ceramics however they cannot be completely defined or understood.

The gallery will be open to the public from 1 to 4 p.m.



Take Note

Brady Health Offers Testing for AIDS Day

World AIDS Day is Dec 1. In recognition of that day, Brady Health Center will be offering limited appointments for free HIV antibody testing on Dec. 1 and Dec. 2. Of the 850,000 to 950,000 people estimated to be living with HIV/AIDS in the U.S., an average of one-quarter, but as many as a third do not know they are infected. Knowledge of HIV status is important for preventing the spread of disease, since HIV testing provides an opportunity to receive counseling and information about risk reduction. Also early knowledge of HIV infection is important to link people to needed medical care and services. Individuals who have participated in high-risk behavior should consider testing. High-risk behaviors include EVER having

- Unprotected sex with someone who is infected with HIV
- Shared drug needles and syringes
- Had a sexually transmitted disease, like chlamydia or gonorrhea
- Received a blood transfusion or blood clotting factor between 1978 and 1985
- Had unprotected sex with someone who has had any of these risk factors

For further information or to schedule an appointment, call the Health Center at x4310.

Annual Holiday Party – Mark Your Calendars

Dr. Catherine Gira's annual Holiday Reception will be Wednesday, Dec. 15, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Lobby.

NBS Sponsors Career Panel Discussion

The FSU chapter of the National Broadcasting Society will be sponsoring a Career Panel Discussion. There will be participants from a wide range of Mass Communication fields. They will include representatives from the Cumberland Times-News, WROG-FM, WQZK-FM, WCBC-AM, WKGO-FM, NBC-25, Fox 5 in Washington, Aad Inc. - a public relations/advertising firm, McClarran & Williams - also a public relations/advertising firm, WKGO-FM, and possi-

bly the Discovery Channel, National Public Radio and WFWM-FM.

The event is open to all interested students. Area high school students will also be invited.

Representatives will be discussing issues related to their specific job and their organization. A question and answer session will follow the presentations. After the formal event takes place, there will be an informal "meet and greet" gathering where students can talk one-on-one with the various representatives and present copies of their resume to the representatives. The event will take place Tuesday, Nov. 30, from 7 to 10 p.m. in Compton 226. Please direct questions or comments to John Lombardi at x4146 or Connie Capacchione at x3049.

SkillSoft E-learning Launch Nov. 30, Dec. 1

In cooperation with other USM institutions, FSU is pleased to announce the launch of the SkillSoft e-learning program for faculty and staff. The SkillSoft program will provide a wonderful opportunity for employees to enhance their existing skills and learn new skills, all as close as the nearest desktop computer and at no charge.

Available 24/7/365 from any computer with Internet access, the SkillSoft program includes an extensive catalog of interactive courses in information technology skills, business skills, and interpersonal skills. SkillSoft also provides online access to books, real world simulations, workshops, seminars, and mentoring. Employees will be able to take job-related training during work hours with supervisor approval, or training of their choice from home or anywhere else. Training can be taken at your own pace and as time permits, with certificates printed upon successful completion of courses.

An account executive from SkillSoft, the world's largest e-learning solutions provider, will be at FSU to present more details about the program during general information sessions and hands-on lab demonstration sessions scheduled as follows:

- **Tuesday, Nov. 30**

General information sessions at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in Lane Center 140-141

Lab session at 3:30 p.m. in Compton Science Center 101

- **Wednesday, Dec. 1**

Lab sessions at 9 and 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. in Compton Science Center 101

Refreshments, door prizes, handouts, and SkillSoft giveaways will be available at the general information sessions. No registration is required for the general information sessions. Due to limited seating in the Compton computer-training lab, the Office of Human Resources will coordinate pre-registration for the lab sessions.

Employees are encouraged to attend a SkillSoft launch session or participate in the program after launch to find out more about the benefits of this exciting new e-learning opportunity.

Commencement News for Graduate Students

The deadline has passed for students who plan to graduate in December 2004 to complete the "Application for Graduation" and still be guaranteed a listing in the December 2004 Commencement Program. However, applications will be continue to be processed for degree completion. Those graduates still have a chance to be in the Commencement Program, but a listing is not guaranteed. The forms are available at the Office of Graduate Services 141 Pullen Hall, or by calling x7053.

News for Spring 2005 MBA Applicants

The 2004-2006 FSU Graduate Catalog is available at the office of Graduate Services, 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.

Info Meeting for MAT-Secondary

Dr. William Childs, MAT-S, K-12 graduate program coordinator, will host an information meeting for prospective applicants for the Master of Arts in Teaching -- Secondary Summer 2005 cohort on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. in Framptom Hall. The deadline for Summer 2005 co-hort applications is April 1, 2005. For information, please call Dr. Childs at x3087 or the Graduate Services Office at x7053.

Interviews Open for MAT-E 2005 Cohort

Admissions interviews for the Master of Arts in Teaching - Elementary May 2005 Cohort will be scheduled on Tuesday, Nov. 23, at FSU's Hagerstown Center.

Interested students must have completed the FSU graduate application and have an entrance portfolio completed prior to making an appointment for an interview. The deadline for the group that will begin studies in summer 2005 is May 1.

Dr. Kim Rotruck, MAT-E graduate program coordinator, will host the interviews. To make an appointment for an interview or for more information, contact Dr. Rotruck at x4126 or the Graduate Services Office at x7053.

Points of Pride



Joseph Hoffman, Rob Smith and Cindy Herzog did a presentation on Nov. 11 entitled "Student Retention

With Regards To A Changing Student Population and Diminishing Resources" at the 2004 Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. The other panelists included Thomas Jones (Dean of the Henson School of Science and Technology at Salisbury University), Gerald Intemann (Dean of the College of Science and Mathematics at Towson University), and Beth Cunningham (Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Bucknell University).

Dr. Sally Stephenson, assistant professor in the Department of Educational Professions, gave a presentation entitled "Artistic Transformations: Responding to Literature Through Music and Dance" at the National Association of Gifted Children annual convention in Salt Lake City, Utah, on Nov. 6. The presentation was a collaboration with Dr. Gail Herman of Garrett College. Stephenson also co-presented "Infusing the Classroom with Creative Arts" at the Board of Directors Institutes session.

Director of Residence Life **Dana Severance** received the James Hurd Outstanding Service Award at the Mid-Atlantic Association of College and University Housing Officers (MACUHO) conference this October.

Severance served as co-chair of the MACUHO 2004 conference. In the letter nominating Severance, Jennifer R. Adam, assistant dean at Colgate University, commended Severance for his chairing duties. Even though he faced setbacks when organizing the conference, he met and far surpassed all expectations for the conference. He has been noted for including the needs of all components and constituents of the region. He also worked to balance the needs of all committees. Through his active leadership in creating the MACUHO 2004 conference, he positively showcased professionals from the state of Maryland, Adam wrote.

John O'Rorke, associate professor of political science, attended the 36th Annual Northeastern Political Science Association meeting in Boston, Mass. O'Rorke presented on "Fifteen Years in the Field: What They Never Taught Us About Teaching" and served as a chair/discussant of a panel on Contemporary Approaches to Teaching & Learning. He continues to serve as Teaching, Learning & the Profession section chair and Web manager for NPSA.



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 undergraduate at FSU and have received a varsity sport participation letter. An FSU overall grade point average of 3.0 or better is required. Applications will

be available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall or by calling 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). Applications will be available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall or by calling x7053. Deadline is March 15, 2005; award is \$1,500 annually.



Schedule for Nov. 22-26

Monday:

3 p.m. Fiction Writer: Jack Driscoll
4 p.m. NASA SCI Files, "The Case of the Prize-Winning Plant"
5 p.m. Frostburg City Council Meeting held on Thursday, Nov. 18.

Tuesday:

3 & 6 p.m. FSU Women's Basketball vs. Lycoming College
4:30 & 7:30 p.m. FSU Women's Basketball vs. Delaware Valley College

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

3 & 6 p.m. Destination Tomorrow
3:30 & 6:30 p.m. James Miltenberger Piano Recital
5:50 & 8:50 p.m. The Diversity Center

Volunteers



Sociology Club Sponsors Heifer Project

The Sociology Club will be taking the Heifer Project, in which they raise money to buy an animal such as a heifer, water buffalo, llama, etc. for a family in a Third World country to use. They will place donation jars in McDonald's, Sheetz, the Lane University Center at the register, the cafeteria and possibly at Wal-Mart.

Get Involved



Thanksgiving Service

On Monday, Nov. 22, gather to give thanks to God before returning home for Thanksgiving Break. The service will be at 7 p.m. in Frost Hall's Cook Chapel. The Chamber Choir will perform.

Geography Club Raffle

The FSU Geography Club is raffling off a gift certificate for \$250 to the Savage River Lodge. Tickets are \$5 and a maximum of 200 will be sold. The

drawing will be held on Dec. 1. The proceeds will help students attend the Association of American Geographers' annual meeting in Denver this spring. If you are interested, see a Geography Club member or call Danny Welsch in Geography at x4891.

speed of 5 to 10 miles an hour faster. Be sure there's plenty of room and that you're not at a double yellow line or you might not make it – to work, home,

to visit your parents, a friend, school, the movies, store or to the car wash. Safe driving is everyone's business. Do you part: Drive carefully.

International

Learn More about Study Abroad at CIE Session

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

Financial Aid for Studying Overseas

FSU students are able to transfer all federal financial aid overseas to help pay for study abroad programs, along with most state and institutional aid for most FSU sponsored programs. The CIE also awards study abroad scholarships of \$500 and \$1,000 to qualifying students. Many other state and national scholarships are also available to help cover overseas costs.

Study in Non-Traditional Locations with SIT

FSU is affiliated with the School for International Training. This enables FSU students to study through SIT in over 50 locations while remaining registered at FSU. All financial aid will transfer. SIT offers programs in Africa, Asia, South America, Europe and Australia. This is a fantastic opportunity for students who would like to spend a semester, year, or summer off the beaten track.

Choose from Over 20 Locations to Study

FSU affiliates with the American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS), which offers study abroad programs in a variety of locations at universities around the world, including Richmond College in London. 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 to qualified students.

Safety Message

Better Think Twice Before Trying to Pass

Is it really worth the risk? Passing another vehicle can be dangerous. To pass another vehicle you must achieve a

FSU Events Calendar

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22

- Intersession Registration (Without Payment) through December 22*
- * Hadra Lecture Series, Dr. Paul Chaney, "An American in Castro's Cuba"
 - Noon Library 237
- * JV Men's Basketball: Frederick Community College 6:00 p.m. Home
- * Fall Leadership Workshop, "Diversity" 7:00 p.m. ... Lane Atkinson Room
- * SGA Town & Gown 8:00 p.m. Lane 202

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

- * Women's Basketball: Mary Washington College 6:00 p.m. Away
- * Men's Basketball: Waynesburg College 7:30 p.m. Away

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

- Residence Halls Close @ 7:00 p.m.*
- Lane University Center Closes @ 7:00 p.m.*

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25 – Thanksgiving

Have a safe & happy Thanksgiving Break

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26 AND 27 – Thanksgiving Break

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28

- Residence Halls Open @ Noon*
- Lane University Center Opens @ 4:00 p.m.*
- * JV Men's Basketball: Montgomery College-Germantown 2:00 p.m. Home

Lane University Center Thanksgiving Break Hours

Building Hours

Wednesday, November 24	7:45 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 25 through Saturday, November 27	Closed
Sunday, November 28	4:00 p.m.-10:45 p.m.

Administrative & Reservations Office

Wednesday, November 24	8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 25 through Sunday, November 28	Closed

Information Desk

Wednesday, November 24	8:00 a.m.-4:15 p.m.
Thursday, November 25 through Saturday, November 27	Closed
Sunday, November 28	4:00 p.m.-10:45 p.m.

Game Room

Wednesday, November 24 through Saturday, November 27	Closed
Sunday, November 28	4:00 p.m.-10:45 p.m.

F & M Bank

Wednesday, November 24	10 a.m.-1 p.m., 2-4 p.m.
Thursday, November 25 & Friday, November 26	Closed

Bookstore

Wednesday, November 24	8:30am-4:15pm
Thursday, November 25 through Sunday, November 28	Closed

* 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.

Use Caution When Walking on Wet Surfaces

