Winter Dance Concert to Include Hurricane Benefit

The FSU Dance Company, under the supervision of its Artistic Director Barry Fischer, will present its Winter 2005 Dance Concert from Thursday, Dec. 1, through Saturday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m. and a matinee on Sunday Dec. 4 at 2 p.m. in the Drama Theatre of the Performing Arts Center.

The concert will feature New York City guest performer Blakeley White-McGuire, a former member of the Martha Graham Dance Company who has worked with such legendary dancers as Jane Dudley and Sean Curran.

Works in the concert have been choreographed by Martha Graham, Jane Dudley, White-McGuire, Fischer, Desiree Witt and FSU Dance Company members. A special a Hip-Hop number will feature members of the Frostburg Dance Academy.

Proceeds from Saturday’s concert will benefit the victims of Hurricane Katrina via the American Red Cross.

Tickets for students are $5 and $10 for the general public. For more information or reservations, please call x4145 or x7462, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Additional Vienna Choir Boys Concert Added

FSU Cultural Events Series has added a performance of the Vienna Choir Boys’ “Christmas in Vienna” on Monday, Dec. 5, 7:30 p.m. at Fort Hill High School, Cumberland. The performance scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall of the FSU Performing Arts Center has limited seating available. Both performances are presented in conjunction with Best Western - The Braddock and NBC 25.

The Vienna Choir Boys performed in Frostburg in 2003 to a sold-out house and return to the area to present their holiday concert. People magazine’s special 2005 holiday edition includes the Vienna Choir Boys’ “Christmas in Vienna” concert in Branson, Mo., as a “Don’t Miss Opportunity.”

Emperor Maximilian I founded the Vienna Choir Boys more than 500 years ago to provide music for imperial court functions. When the Habsburg Empire fell apart in 1918, no funding was available to maintain the choir. Rather than dissolve the group, director Josef Schnitt decided to rename it as the Wiener Sängerknaben, exchange the imperial uniforms for sailor suits and take the choir on tour. Within a year, the Wiener Sängerknaben was performing in Berlin, Prague, and Zurich, and the choir’s itinerary expanded rapidly.

Today, there are around 100 choristers between the ages of 10 and 14, divided into four touring choirs. “Austria’s singing ambassadors” give around 300 concerts and performances each year in front of almost half a million people, visiting virtually all of Europe, Asia, Australia and the Americas. Their “Christmas in Vienna” concert plays to sold-out audiences across America and is a high demand performance.

To purchase tickets or for more information, call the FSU Cultural Events Box Office at x3137 or toll free at 1-866-TIXX-CE5, or visit online at ces.frostburg.edu.


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The concert continues with the production of Menotti’s opera “Amahl and the Night Visitors.” Performers include Amahl-Lauren Spinnenweber (Dec. 3) and Erin Briskey, (Dec. 4); Amahl's Mother - Krysta Deering (Dec. 3) and Krysta Hutton (Dec. 4); King Melchior - Ryan Bowie; King Kaspar - Kerry Lee Jen; Kings; King Balthazar - J. Joseph Brickey-Goldsmith and The Page-Arnold McNeal. The chorus features the FSU Chamber Choir. Musical director is Kerry Jen; stage director is Richard Kagey, Jennifer Clark is costumer and Kerry Jennings, stage director is Richard Kagey. Jennifer Clark is costumer and Kerry Jennings. Karen Soderberg-Sarnaker is the conductor. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, call the FSU Department of Music at x4109.

Faculty Artist Series Presents I Venti Semplice
The FSU Faculty Artist Series presents the trio I Venti Semplice on Thursday, Dec. 1, at 8 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall of the Performing Arts Center. As artistic director and a founding member of the ensemble, Dr. Mark Gallagher, clarinet and music instructor at FSU, has created a group dedicated to the promotion and performance of wind chamber music. This flexible ensemble performs music ranging from solo to large ensemble works. Performances consist of standard works from the literature, new music as well as several transcriptions.

Based in Washington, D.C., I Venti Semplice’s concert halls encompass concert halls to historic churches throughout the Mid-Atlantic region and New England. In 2002 the group completed a highly acclaimed tour of New England and in 2004 completed a tour of Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana.

Recent projects include a series of wind trios by the 18th century Bohemian composers, Wenth, Tribensee and Wranitzky. All of these trios have been performed throughout the Mid-Atlantic region and New England. In 2002 the group completed a highly acclaimed tour of New England and in 2004 completed a tour of Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana.

For more information, contact Dr. John Lombardi mail krogersthomas@frostburg.edu.

Percussion Ensemble to Perform Nov. 30
The FSU Division of Performing Arts-Music’s Percussion Ensemble will present a concert on Wednesday, Nov. 30, at 8 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall of the Performing Arts Center. Ronald Horner is the Percussion Ensemble director, and the event will feature student conductors Brandon Shaffer and Ken Thompson. The concert is free and open to the public.

The program includes “Teamwork” by Lynn Glasscock (conducted by Brandon Shaffer), “Foreign Objects” by John Bergamo (conducted by Kenneth Thompson), “Diners Club” by Chris Crockarell, “Afta-Stubal” by Mark Ford, “Goupn Badagris” by Christopher Rouse and “TrIBUTE to Mangione” by Chris Crockarell. The Ensemble members are Dan Abbott, Milton Alexander, Erin Briskey, Mike Crisp, Thomas Czeh, Emily Finch, Marh Gauthier, Nick Mason, Gwyn Mitchell, Trevor Seits, Brandon Shaffer, Brandon Strawther and Ken Thompson. The Ensemble will be assisted by Laurence Bruner on flugelhorn, Scott Cheesman on tenor saxophone, Wayne Schmidt on bass and Mary Wempe on trumpet.

For more information, contact the FSU Department of Music at x4109.

‘An Evening of Irish Traditional Music’ Set
FSU and the Allegany Arts Council will host “An Evening of Irish Traditional Music” at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10, at the Frostburg Community Center, 27 Water Street.

Performers include FSU exchange student Brid Dunne, of County Limerick, on fiddle; Frostburg resident J eff Thomas on anglo concertina; and Tipperary man Pat Egan on guitar and vocals.

Dunne descends from a long line of talented musicians, including her father Mickey, widely regarded as one of Ireland’s finest pipers. She is an award-winning musician, who has built a solid reputation as a traditional Irish musician by hosting numerous Limerick music sessions and appearing on Irish radio and television.

In January, concertina player Thomas relocated to Frostburg from Asheville, N.C., where he was known as a leading figure in Asheville’s Irish music scene. He began playing more than 15 years ago and has grown into a powerful player, creating a strong following among Irish music aficionados in the Southeast.

Baltimore resident Egan grew up singing and playing in County Tipperary. A current member of “Chulrua,” he developed his own powerful emotive style of guitar accompaniment and vocal delivery. Egan served his apprenticeship with Dublin groups “Old Bawn” and “De Min.” He also made extensive tours of the Unites States and has also performed in Sweden, Norway, Holland, Germany and Scotland.

The concert will present some of Ireland’s finest traditional music and songs. Admission is $5 for adults, $3 for students and free for 12 and under. Prior to the evening event, from 2 to 4 p.m., each musician will offer instrument workshops on Irish music. Egan will present a workshop on guitar style and technique in standard tuning. Dunne’s fiddle workshop will concentrate on the distinctive melodic style of Irish traditional music. Thomas’ concertina instruction will emphasize the rich ornamentation that can be achieved on the anglo concertina. Each of the two-hour workshops requires a $25 registration fee.

For more information or to register to attend a workshop, call Dr. Kara Rogers Thomas, FSU Folklorist, at x3124 or e-mail krogerstomath@frostburg.edu.

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Season Too! Presents Diana Son’s ‘STOP KISS’
FSU Theatre’s Season Too! series will present Diana Son’s contemporary play “STOP KISS” on Friday, Dec. 9 and 10, at 8 p.m. in the F. Perry Smith Studio Theatre of the Performing Arts Center.

Directed by senior Diana Abrecht, “STOP KISS” is both a funny and thought-provoking story of the ways that lives can change irreversibly, over many years or in just a few short seconds. Set in New York City, Callie, a traffic reporter for a news radio station and, Sara, an elementary school teacher from St. Louis, form a fast friendship which soon leads to an unexpected attraction. When their first kiss provokes a violent attack and neither friends nor family understand their bond, where can their relationship possibly go?

For reservations and further information please call the theatre box office at x7462, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. All tickets are $5.

Presentations
Mass Communication Presents Career Panel
FSU’s Department of Mass Communication will sponsor its second annual Career Panel Discussion on Wednesday, Nov. 30, from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Comp Science Center, room 226.

The panel discussion will include representatives from a wide range of mass communication fields including radio and television production, broadcast journalism, print journalism, public relations and advertising, music recording and more.

Individual media representatives will discuss issues related to their specific areas of expertise and issues concerning their organizations. A question and answer period will take place after the individual presentations. After the event, there will be an informal “meet and greet” gathering where students can talk with the representatives and offer their resumes. Refreshments will be served.

This event is free and open to all FSU students as well as area high school and community college students. For information, contact Dr. John Lombardi at x4146 or Connie Capaccione at x3049.

BURG Gets Twisted
On Monday, Dec. 5, visit the Lane University Center Lobby for the Get Twisted Carnival, an event that allows
students to experience an artificial simulation of intoxication. Students will be asked to perform some “twisted” activities that should be lots of fun and very entertaining! Look in the LUC Lobby for all the twisted but sober students!

Arts

Five Unique Artists Join Forces for ‘Five’ Exhibit

Five different artists will come together to present their five different styles when FSU’s Department of Visual Arts holds the opening of “Five” on Friday, Dec. 2, in the Stephanie Ann Roper Fine Arts Gallery. The exhibition opening will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Gallery hours are Sunday through Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m. and the exhibition will run through Wednesday, Dec. 7.

Senior Nikki Bergling has a dual concentration in painting and printmaking. She holds a great interest in art history and is influenced by the works of old masters along with the world around her. Bergling has developed a style that exploits expressive line quality and attempts to capture the originality and quirkiness of her surroundings. She will graduate in May 2006 with her B.F.A.

Senior Ashley Labrie is focusing in photography. Her work is influenced by the people and places surrounding her hometown of Pembroke Pines, Fla., as well as her close friends and family. She will graduate in Dec. 2005 with her B.F.A. as well as a B.S. in liberal studies with a concentration in art history.

Senior Carrie Pratt has spent her two and a half years on campus focusing in painting and ceramics. After graduation, she plans to complete a Masters in Art Education at FSU and eventually teach elementary education.

Senior Emily Rollins has been studying jewelry design for three years under the guidance of Doug Salmon at FSU. She is actively involved in an apprenticeship at J. Kreiger’s Goldsmith in Cumberland. Her jewelry reflects the flow of feminine curvature and is meant to enhance and beautify a woman’s body. She will complete her B.F.A. in Dec. 2005.

Senior Brandon Thompson is a graduate of C. Milton Wright High School and is focusing in painting. His colorful works consist of figures and portraits and uses media which range from watercolor, to acrylics, to oils. After college he plans to attend graduate school to obtain his M.F.A. and eventually teach college-level art.

Case Studies in Eastern Washington and Appalachia,” in the last of the UMCES Appalachian Lab fall 2005 seminar series on Thursday, Dec. 1, at 3:30 p.m. in AL room 109. Refreshments will follow in the lobby.

Hadra Lecture: Creativity and the Visual Arts

The free weekly James Hadra forums continue each Monday at noon in Ort Library room 237. The 50-minute programs are free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring lunch; coffee and tea will be provided.

Upcoming programs are as follows:
• Nov. 28, Judy Dieruf, “Creativity and the Visual Arts: What Is It and How Is It Developed?”

The forum is sponsored by Catholic Campus Ministries, United Campus Ministries and Hillel. For information, contact the Rev. Larry Neumark at x7490.

Kirwan to Speak at Nano/Biotech Conference

Dr. William E. “Brtt” Kirwan, chancellor, University System of Maryland, will be one of the speakers at the conference “Nano and Biotechnology: A Winning Combination, A New Growth Industry,” on Tuesday, Dec. 13, from 8 to 10 a.m. at The Center Club, 100 Light St., in Baltimore.

Sponsored by The Greater Baltimore Committee and University System of Maryland, this is a layperson’s overview of the growing nano/biotechnology revolution. A recent survey from a leading technology magazine said the greatest economic benefit in the next two years will come from the marriage of nanotechnology and biotechnology.

Other speakers include Dr. Mauro Ferrari, the Edgar Hendrickson Professor of Biomedical Engineering, Ohio State, and Special Expert in Nanotechnology, National Cancer Institute, and Dr. William Bentley, the Herbert Rabin Distinguished Professor, Biomolecular and Metabolic Engineering Laboratories, UMCPS. Cost is $35 for GBC members and $50 for non-members.

For more information, call Nancy Marks, 410-727-2820, x26.

Film

Center Stage Presents Int’l Film ‘The Event’

FSU Center Stage will present the international film “The Event” on Tuesday, Nov. 29, at 7 p.m. in the Lane University Center room 201.

“The Event” focuses on a series of unexplained deaths occurring throughout the gay community in New York in the fashionable Chelsea district. A district attorney named Nick is investigating the most recent case of a suspicious suicide. The interviews he has with friends and family of the man who died reveal surprising facts about the man’s life and death.

For more information, contact the Lane University Center Information Desk at x4411.

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President's Holiday Reception Dec. 14

Dr. Catherine Gira’s annual Holiday Reception will be held Wednesday, Dec. 14, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Lobby. Students, faculty and staff are welcome.

Students: Want to Road Trip to L.A. in January?

Be a part of Roadtrip Nation! FSU is putting together a team of four students to take part in an exciting trip for five days to the Los Angeles, Calif., area during January 2006 (the trip will occur sometime between Jan. 10 and 24).

This FSU team will meet with and interview FSU alumni to find out why these individuals chose their particular paths in life and where these paths eventually took them. While this is a self-exploration trip for those involved, students will also take part in filming a documentary of their experiences and chronicling their trip, their meetings and their adventures and accommodations will be provided.

If you are interested in being part of this team, please fill out an application (available at the Lane University Center Information Desk, Students and Educational Services or University Advance- ment) and return it to: Dr. Thomas Bowling, Associate Vice President for Student and Educational Services, First Floor, Hitchins Administration Building, by Monday, Nov. 28, at 5 p.m. Applications will be screened and finalists will be called for in-person interviews.

For more information visit www.roadtripnation.org.

FSU Implements E-billing; No More Paper Bills

Beginning with Intercession 2006, FSU will no longer issue paper bills. Ebills will be available to the students for on-line viewing. Each student must sign up through PAWS to receive an e-mail notification that a bill is available for viewing. To sign up for the e-mail notification, log on to PAWS, finances and click on ebills. Step-by-step directions are available on the Bursar’s Web page (www.frostburg.edu/admin/billing/view.htm). If you have any questions, please contact the University & Student Billing Office at x4321.

SkillSoft Nearing First Anniversary at FSU

It’s been almost a year since SkillSoft e-learning was introduced to FSU employees. During this period, many have taken advantage of the numerous...
benefits that SkillSoft has to offer - 24/7 access, a wide-range of topics, the opportunity to enhance current skills and acquire new ones, prepare for certifications - the list is almost endless.

E-learning is truly the wave of the future, with many campuses and private sector organizations going to 100 percent Web-based efforts for professional development. While FSU has no such plans, we do plan to enhance Web-based initiatives and encourage each employee to take advantage of current opportunities. Working with SkillSoft, once you participate, you’ll understand what all the hype is about. Never before has so much information been at your fingertips - at no cost to your department.

SkillSoft can be easily accessed through a quick link on the Employee Training and Development section of the OHR web site. Pick a topic of interest and hop aboard the SkillSoft Express. You’ll be glad you did!

Join the New Graduate Celebration Dec. 15

FSU alumni and December Grads are coming together to celebrate! The FSU Alumni Association and the FSUF Annual Fund cordially invite you to attend the New Grad Celebration on Thursday, Dec. 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the ARMAH of the Lane University Center. Please join us for an evening of games, delicious food, beer and wine as we welcome you as new alumni to the Alumni Association.

If you can attend, please let us know by Friday, Dec. 9, at x4068 or send an e-mail to alumni@frostburg.edu.

USM-H Sets Open House; M.Ed., MAT Featured

University System of Maryland-Hagerstown will be holding an Open House on Thursday, Dec. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m.

FSU’s Master of Education and Master of Arts in Teaching Elementary and Secondary will hold a reception and onsite discussion of programs in Room 331 of the center at 32 W. Washington St.

Important Reminder for December 2005 Grads

If you are planning to graduate at the end of this semester, please note:

The 127th Commencement Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 17, in the Cords Physical Education Center. The Colleges of Business and Education will hold their ceremony at 10 a.m., while Liberal Arts and Sciences will present its graduates at the 2 p.m. ceremony.

If you have not yet filed a graduation application at the Registrar's Office, you must do so immediately. All Commencement-related mailings go only to students who have filed.

Information is sent to both your local and permanent address. If the registrar does not have an updated local address, provide this info as soon as possible.

Full details about Commencement are on the University’s Web site. Go to “current students.” Commencement information is on the left side of the page.

For additional information, contact Beth Andrews at x3130 or bandrews@frostburg.edu.

Commencement for Graduate Students

Students who plan to graduate in December 2005 need to complete the “Application for Graduation” as soon as possible. Applications received after this date will be processed and candidates may participate in commencement; however, they will not be listed in the program. The forms are available at the Office of Graduate Services 141 Pullen Hall, or by calling x7053.

FSU Sets Informational Meetings on MAT-E

FSU will present informational meetings for prospective applicants for its Master of Arts in Teaching Elementary program, which is offered at the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown.

Dr. Kim Rotruck, MAT-E graduate program coordinator will speak to prospective applicants for the summer 2006 cohort Thursday, Dec. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. and on Wednesday, Dec. 7, at 6:30 p.m. at the 32 W. Washington St. campus.

The deadline for summer 2006 co-hort applications is May 1, 2006. Students must successfully complete Praxis I for admission to program. Go to www.ets.org for more information on the Praxis I or call FSU ETS Computer Based Testing Center at x7990.

For more information, call Rotruck at (240) 527-2736 (x2736 on campus) or the FSU Graduate Services Office at x7053.

Spring MBA Applicants

For Master of Business Administration applicants for spring 2006, the MBA program requires that all students entering the MBA Program complete the GMAT (Graduate Management Admissions Test). The minimum GMAT score for consideration for admission to the MBA program is 400. Testing registration information is available through the Educational Testing Services Web site at www.ets.org or by calling the FSU Computer-Based Testing Center, at x7990.

The test will only be available at FSU until approximately Dec. 21 as a computer-based examination, which is given on the FSU Main Campus (Monday and Friday - 8 a.m. to noon, and Tuesday and Thursday – 1 to 5 p.m.). After the December 2005 date, the FSU ETS Testing Center will no longer offer this service.

For information, review the Web site at www.gmac.com/gmac.

Points of Pride

Dr. John Lombardi and Dr. Lindsey Pack attended the Freedom States Regional Convention of the National Broadcasting Society in Kutstown, Pa., Nov. 4, 5 and 6. Dr. Lombardi recently completed his term as state director of the NBS and Dr. Pack is the faculty advisor for the FSU chapter of NBS.

Dana Severance, Director of Residence Life, was elected Vice President/President Elect of the Mid-Atlantic Association of College and University Housing Officers (MACUHO) at their annual conference held at Split Rock Resort in Lake Harmony, Pa., Nov. 8 to 11. MACUHO serves residence life and housing professionals from colleges and universities in Delaware, D.C., Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and West Virginia through opportunities for professional development and education, networking and interaction, and access to research and current trend information. Having previously served as Program Co-Chair and Program Host, Severance will complete a three-year term on the association’s executive board, serving as president for the 2006-2007 academic year.

Fund-Raisers

Around the World Dinner Raffle

Gamma Theta Upsilon (GTU), the Geography Honor Society, is currently selling Around the World raffle tickets. The first prize winner will receive SIX dinner-for-two gift certificates from restaurants with an international flair, a retail value of $200! Restaurants include Au Petit Paris, Oxford House, Fratelli's, El Canelo, Ginger's Asian Kitchen and Tokyo Steakhouse. The second prize winner will enjoy FOUR dinner-for-two gift certificates to great local bars including Henny's, Baltimore Street Grill, Oscar's and Manhattan Bar & Grill (Over $100 value). Third prize is a $50 gift certificate to Rocky Gap Lodge and Lakeside Restaurant. All gift certificates are valid for one year. Cost is $5 per ticket. The drawing will be held on Dec. 7. To purchase tickets, contact any GTU member or advisor Tracy Edwards (x7956; tedwards@frostburg.edu).

Tickets are selling fast! Get yours soon! Proceeds will support GTU member participation in the 2006 Association of American Geographers Conference in Chicago. Thanks for your support!

Savage River Lodge Package Raffle

The FSU Geography Club is raffling off dinner and a one-night stay at the Savage River Lodge. The tickets are $5 each, and the drawing will be held on Dec. 1. Only 200 tickets will be sold, so your chances are pretty good! For tickets, see a Geography Club member or the FSU Alumni Association.

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Auditions for “The Vagina Monologues”

“The Vagina Monologues” auditions will be held on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 from 6 to 8 p.m. in Performing Arts Center room 224. All women, FSU faculty, staff and students, are invited to audition. Scripts are available on loan in the Theater Office in the PAC room 302.

Women are to have one monologue ready to read; no need to memorize it for the audition. If possible, please bring class and work schedule for the spring semester to the audition. Performances of “The Vagina Monologues” will be on Feb. 17 and 18. Questions? Contact Erica Montgomery at emontgomery0@frostburg.edu, x5193, or 410-562-9595.

Join Campaign to End Violence Against Women

If you are not familiar with V-DAY, you can check it out at www.vday.org or attend planning meetings Monday nights at 5 p.m. in Lane University Center 202 to become involved. V-DAY is a worldwide campaign to stop violence against women and girls. It was formed in 1998 by Eve Ensler - the playwright, performer, and author of “The Vagina Monologues.”

This year the V-DAY organization at FSU is coming together to raise money to donate to the Family Crisis Resource Center and the Dove Center. We will raise money by selling donated scarves and other items throughout the month of February at the Lane University Center and during “The Vagina Monologue” performances on Feb. 17 and 18 at the Performing Arts Center. In addition to raising funds for a local organization, FSU’s V-DAY also organizes events to raise awareness of issues within the university and community.

We are looking for volunteers who can knit or crochet, or individuals who could donate pink yarn or other various materials for our knitters. Please contact Regina Alderton if you are interested in volunteering by knitting, crocheting or donating materials. Regina can be reached at v-pink@hotmail.com or x4716.

Campus College Bowl Tournament Dec. 3

University Programming Council will present the Campus College Bowl Tournament on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 1 to 7 p.m. in the Lane University Center Loft and room 201.

Students—Sign up in teams of 4-5 at the Lane University Center Information Desk. The winning team will represent FSU at the regional tournament. All expenses will be paid for the trip.

Faculty and Staff—Your help is needed during the tournament as moderators, scorekeepers, and timekeepers. You can sign up for one-hour shifts at the Lane University Center Information Desk.

For more information about the event, please contact Tammi Wiley at x4151.

United Campus Ministry

UCM will examine the spiritual discipline of “Centering Prayer” on Tuesday, Nov. 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center’s Leake Room.

On Thursday, Dec. 1, UCM will go to Frostburg Village Nursing Care Center at 7 p.m. for a service project. Meet at 6:30 p.m. behind Ort Library.

Catholic Campus Ministry

On Wednesday, Nov. 30, COM will decorate the Osborne Newman Center for Christmas. Join in the activity at 7:30 p.m.

Community

CLC, Historic Frostburg Set ‘Storybook Holiday’

The FSU Children’s Literature Centre and Historic Frostburg present the second annual “Frostburg Storybook Holiday” on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The day begins at Hotel Gunter on Main Street, featuring “Breakfast with the Elves” from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., followed by the 1K “Jingle Run,” which will start at the West End of the city. Tickets for the breakfast are $4 per person and may be purchased at Main Street Books and The Children’s Literature Centre at FSU. The Storybook Holiday Parade, sponsored by the Frostburg Masonic Lodge, will roll downtown on Main Street at 10 a.m., ending at 11 a.m. with the event kick-off at St. Michael’s Church courtyard, featuring music and festivities.

Holiday storybook readings will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 1 to 2 p.m. at Main Street Books, the Frostburg Community Library, Kramer’s Deli and Thrasher Carriage Museum. Drawings for free children’s books will be held at all locations.

For adults, readings by the FSU Creative Writing Center from “The New Yorker Book of Christmas” will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Tombstone Café. Additionally, Main Street Books will also feature a book signing at 2 p.m. for “A Taste of Maryland History: A Guide to Historic Eateries and Their Recipes.”

Frostburg’s City Place on Water Street will host a variety of activities throughout the day. From 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., children may visit the “Elves’ Secret Workshop” for $1 to 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 the North Pole. Children may also have their picture taken with an elf for $2. From 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., vendor booths will also be selling a variety of crafts and artwork and lumber of coal.

Frostburg Dance Academy will perform at 2 p.m. at the Frostburg Community Center, followed by the Soroptimist Holiday Auction from 3 to 5 p.m.

At noon, children’s authors Marc Harshman and Cheryl Ryan will be at the Frostburg Community Library, followed by a book signing at Main Street Books from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Visitors to the Main Street area will be able to walk past window decorations that revolve around holiday children’s books, created by area schoolchildren. The sidewalks will feature carolers and wandering elves, and hot cocoa, hot cider, Wassail and hot chestnuts. From noon to 4 p.m., free carriage rides will leave from City Place. Restaurants and shops will be open and parking is free throughout the day.

The day will continue at 6:30 p.m. at City Place, with a tree lighting, music, cookies, cocoa and a visit from St. Nick. At 8 p.m., the Palace Theatre will show the classic film, “White Christmas.” Tickets are $5 and may be purchased at Main Street Books, Armstrong Insurance, J.R.’s Custom Screen Printing and the Children’s Literature Centre.

For more information, contact the Children’s Literature Centre at x4420.

AAUW Holiday Luncheon

The Frostburg Branch, American Association of University Women, will hold its annual holiday luncheon on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 11:30 a.m. at the Frostburg United Methodist Church Hall. The Rev. Rebecca Vardiman will entertain on the Celtic harp. Greeters and decorators will be Alice Manicur, Lorain Deuel and Amy Harman. The cost of the luncheon is $10.50 (includes gratuity). Please send your reservations and check to Sharon Robinson by Saturday, Nov. 26. Guests and members are invited to attend. For further information, call Sharon Robinson at 301-689-9347.

International

NSEP Funding Available for Study Abroad

The National Security Education Program (NSEP) provides scholarships for undergraduates who wish to study overseas in areas of strategic interest to the U.S. Students may take part in any approved study abroad program, provided the location is included under NSEP guidelines. Funding is available for summer, semester and full-year programs, and students who plan to participate in language immersion programs are encouraged to apply. The funding deadline for next summer and fall is in early February. Details, including the application is available at www.iie.org/nsep. For information, visit the CIE.

Study Abroad Programs

The Center for International Education offers a variety of ways for FSU students to gain valuable international learning experiences, including study abroad programs in countries throughout the world.
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 programs or scholarships, contact Dr. Amy Simes at the CE in the Fuller House on Bradrock Road, x3091, asimes@frostburg.edu or visit the CE Web page at www.frostburg.edu/admin/clc/cie.htm.

Spend Your Intersession Speaking French

Students interested in taking advantage of an affordable French immersion program should consider the “French and Snow” language/culture program offered by the University of Quebec at Chicoutimi. The program takes place north of Quebec City from Jan. 8-28 and features an introduction to québécois culture and traditions. Students live with families and take classes at the UQ campus. All credits transfer back to FSU. Cost is only $1,500. Even students who have never taken French are eligible. Come by the CE for information or visit the UQ Web site at: ef.uqac.ca/programs/snow.php.

New Affiliate: Cultural Experiences Abroad

FSU has signed an agreement with Cultural Experiences Abroad (www.gowithcea.com), an independent study abroad program provider that sends U.S. students Europe, Australia and Latin America. With CEA as a new affiliate, FSU students will be able to take advantage of all their FSU financial aid along with scholarship opportunities provided by CEA. For information, contact the CE.

Use Your Japanese Skills in Toyo Exchange

Students taking advantage of FSU’s beginning and intermediate Japanese language classes are encouraged to consider an International Student Exchange Program (www.isep.org/index.html) with Toyo University in Tokyo (www.isep.org/highlight/it/Toyo/index.html). Students with Japanese language skills stand a good chance of being accepted. Application deadline for fall 2006 is Feb. 1. For more information, contact the CE.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

FSU Events Calendar

**Classes Resume**

* Delta Sigma Theta Book Club Meeting .......... 6:00 p.m. .......... Library 237

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

* Greek Council .................................. 4:00 p.m. .......... Lane Atkinson Room
* Center Stage International Film: “The Event”  .... 7:00 p.m. .......... Lane Atkinson Room
* Women’s Basketball: Villa Julie College .......... 7:00 p.m. .......... Away
* Men’s Basketball: Shenandoah University .......... 7:30 p.m. .......... Away

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

* Student Recital Series #5 ....................... 3:00 p.m. .......... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
* Leadership Workshop: Etiquette Dinner ........... 6:30 p.m. .......... Lane Atkinson Room
* Delta Sigma Theta Life After College ............ 6:00 p.m. .......... PEC Leake Room
* Center Stage Live at the Loft Open Mic Night ... 8:00 p.m. .......... Derezenski Lounge/Loft
* FSU Percussion Ensemble ....................... 8:00 p.m. .......... PAC Pealer Recital Hall

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1**

* SGA Meeting .................................. 7:30 p.m. .......... Lane Atkinson Room
* I Venti Semplice Wind Trio ...................... 8:00 p.m. .......... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
* UPC Off-Campus Trip: Cosmic Bowling ...... 9:30-11:30 p.m. .... The Bowler, LaValle
* Men’s/Women’s Swimming: Longnecker Swimming & Diving Invitational at Grove City
* Women’s Basketball: Pitt-Bradford ............ 6:00 p.m. .......... Home
* UPC Feature Film: “Dukes of Hazzard” .......... 7:00 p.m. .......... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
* Men’s Basketball: Pitt-Bradford ............ 8:00 p.m. .......... Home

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2**

* Women’s Indoor Track: WVU Holiday Invitational @ Morgantown, WV .......... Away
* Enrollment Management Open House ........... 9:00 a.m. .......... Lane University Center
* UPC College Bowl .................................. 1:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. . Lane Atkinson Room
* Men’s Basketball: Penn State Behrend .......... 4:00 p.m. .......... Home
* Men’s Basketball: Penn State Behrend .......... 6:00 p.m. .......... Home
* UPC Feature Film: “Dukes of Hazzard” .......... 8:00 p.m. .......... Lane Atkinson Room
* Opera Theatre, “Amahl and the Night Visitors” . 8:00 p.m. .......... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
* African American Studies Dance ............... 8:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m. .......... Lane ARMAH

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3**

* CCM Mass ...................................... Noon & 8:00 p.m. .......... Cook Chapel
* Opera Theatre, “Amahl and the Night Visitors” . 3:00 p.m. .......... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
* Unified Voices Under God’s Dominion Concert ... 4 p.m. .......... Lane ARMAH
* Planetarium: “Imagen: Celebrations & the Sky” 4 & 7 p.m. .......... Tawes Hall
* UPC Feature Film: “Dukes of Hazzard” .......... 8:00 p.m. .......... Lane Atkinson Room

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4**

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