FSU Commencement Slated for Dec. 15

FSU will celebrate and recognize the achievements of its December 2007 graduating class during the University’s 131st commencement ceremonies Saturday, Dec. 15, in the Harold J. Cordts Physical Education Center’s Main Arena.

Dr. Jonathan C. Gibralter, FSU President, will confer degrees on graduates during two exercises throughout the day. The College of Business and the College of Education ceremonies will start at 10 a.m. and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present degrees beginning at 2 p.m.

Courtney Kamauf, College of Business; Heather Shan Holtz, College of Education; and Shavonne Shorter, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, are the featured student speakers for the winter commencement exercises. Thomas G. Slater, a member of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents, will offer a congratulatory greeting at the morning ceremony.

In the words of her professors, Kamauf, a quantitative economics major, “impressed everyone in the department with her maturity, congeniality and academic performance.” It was these qualities that helped Kamauf sail through courses such as micro- and macro-economic theory and 23 credit hours of math, all while maintaining a perfect 4.0 and a busy schedule. During her time at FSU, Kamauf, a resident of Cresaptown, Md., had the honor of serving as an intern with former Sen. Paul Sarbanes. She also was treasurer of the math honors society, Kappa Mu Epsilon, and a member of the business honors organization, Beta Gamma Sigma. Kamauf’s professors feel confident she will represent the College of Business and FSU extremely well, given her history of outstanding scholarship and enthusiastic involvement at FSU.

Shan Holtz arrived at FSU with a dream... CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Dance Concert Features Alum’s Work

A diverse range of styles, music and theatrical movement will come together in an exciting evening of dance when FSU’s Department of Theatre and Dance offers its Winter Dance Concert at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 7 and Dec. 8 in the FSU Performing Arts Center. The concert will feature new choreography by FSU alumna Amelia Derezhinski as well as works by FSU students and dance company coordinator Desiree Witt.

Creativity and spirited movement in a variety of styles, including tap, modern, hip-hop and jazz, are highlighted throughout the concert. Derezhinski’s piece uses classroom desks to create a light-hearted, comedic ambiance. Witt’s work also relies on everyday objects in creative ways—her dance incorporates pillows. New choreography by dance company members Antonia deBarros, Danny Durr, Jonay Aiken, Jessica Seminerio, Grace Gonzalez, Kelly Jones and Katie Weedon complete the repertoire.

A guest choreographer at FSU, Derezhinski recently returned to Frostburg after 11 years in New York City, where she directed two dance companies: Pirate Girl Productions and Torque Dance. Since earning her master’s degree in dance education from New York University, Derezhinski has taught dance in the New York public school system; she currently teaches physical education for Allegany county schools. Derezhinski is the author of two middle school dance texts, “Star Turns” and “Twyla Tharp,” and is also a licensed Gyrotonic instructor.

Tickets to the Winter Dance Concert are $5 for students and $10 for the general public. For reservations and information, please call (301) 687-7462... CONTINUED ON PAGE 2
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She had known since she was five years old—to become a teacher, just like generations of her family before her. Throughout her time here, the Frederick, Md., resident has worked steadily toward her goal by serving as a teacher intern at Middletown Primary School and Middletown Elementary School and helping as a teacher assistant at Flintstone Elementary School—all while maintaining a 3.7 grade point average. She is a member of the Frederick County Reading Council; the Maryland Reading Association and the Maryland Student Education Association and has served as a volunteer for FSU’s popular Storybook Holiday event, in addition to many other activities. Professors praise Shanholz for her strong leadership skills and her calming influence on those around her—qualities that will undoubtedly help her achieve great success in her work with children.

In three and a half years—one semester shy of the four years typically needed to finish college—Shorter has managed not only to maintain a stellar academic record but also stand out as a true leader and advocate for her peers. Her outgoing personality and endless enthusiasm have taken her everywhere from serving as vice president of the Communications Studies Club to working as a resident assistant and Bobcat Ambassador to serving as the president of the Student Government Association. She also represented Frostburg at the state level as secretary-treasurer of the University System of Maryland Student Council, all the while finishing a degree in communication studies, completing a leadership studies minor and becoming fluent in Spanish. A native of Crownsville, Md., Shorter is now taking her outstanding skills as a communicator and scholar to the next level by pursuing a master’s degree in communication studies.

A member of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents since July 2007, Slater has built a successful career as both an educator and an expert of law. After graduating from Frostburg State College in 1966, Slater taught in Frederick County Schools for 16 years and obtained his master’s degree in U.S. history before entering law school at the University of Baltimore. He completed his law degree in 1980 and began practicing law in Frederick part time while teaching high school. Today Slater is the founder and principal partner of the Law Offices of Thomas G. Slater, P.C., based in Frederick, Md. He has contributed to the success of FSU in many ways: he served as a member of FSU’s University Board of Visitors from 1981 to 1991 and was president of the Alumni Association and chair of the FSU Foundation Inc. He received the FSU Alumni Achievement Award in 1990.

Provest Dr. Stephen Simpson; Dr. Ken Witmer, dean of the College of Education; Dr. Danny Arnold, dean of the College of Business; and Dr. Joseph Hoffman, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, will present candidates for degrees during commencement.

Tickets are not required for admission at the December commencement exercises. For more information, visit the commencement Web site at www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement.

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Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., or stop by the box office in the Performing Arts Center lobby between noon and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Visual Art

B.F.A. Exhibit Showcases Students

The public is invited to check out the talents of four innovative artists who work in a variety of different media in “Us Versus Them,” an art exhibition organized by students completing their Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees at FSU. “Us Versus Them” is on view at FSU’s Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery through Dec. 7. The show features works by Allyson Mandich, Amanda Jones, William Spencer and George Kosmides, all FSU seniors who plan to graduate in December 2007.

Mandich is finishing a B.F.A with a concentration in ceramics and painting as well as a minor in art history. Her paintings consist of vivid colors depicting abstract flowers and landscapes. She is known for transmitting organic shapes onto her ceramic forms. She plans to continue her education after graduation by applying to a graduate program, and hopes to eventually teach.

Jones will graduate with a B.F.A. in graphic design and photography, as well as a minor in art history. Using various techniques, she combines photography and graphics in a vibrant color display. She has been passionate about art since childhood, and received an Associate Degree for Specialized Technology from the Art Institute of Pittsburgh in June 2003.

Spencer is influenced by street art and graffiti. He attempts to put a new face on current events through graphic design by utilizing original icons. After graduating in December, Spencer plans to use his graphic design degree to start his own clothing company that will incorporate digital images and silk screening.

Kosmides will graduate with a B.F.A. in ceramics and a minor in art history. His unique forms and functional ceramics are complemented by different glaze techniques. Utilizing the soda kilns at FSU in combination with porcelain, he creates a distinctive look.

The Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery has free admission and is open to the public Sunday through Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m. For more information about the exhibit, please contact FSU Department of Visual Arts at x4797.

Music

FSU Brass Ensembles to Perform Tuesday

The FSU Department of Music’s Brass Ensembles will perform on Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center’s Pealer Recital Hall. The concert will consist of performances by both the Mixed Brass Ensemble and the Low Brass Ensemble. Both ensembles are under the direction of Brian Piltnik.

The Mixed Brass Ensembles will perform “Suite for Brass and Tympani” by Thomas Tyra, “Three Intradas” by Vaclav Nelhybel and “Four Sketches for Brass” by Gordon Jacob and “Finlandia” by J. S. Sibelius.

The Brass Ensemble personnel consists of Anne Lewis, Greg Brightbill, Brent Mitchell, Anthony Palmer, Emmanuel Johnson, David Durham, Wayne Schmidt, Dan Kimble, B.J. Lewis, Lucky Beattie, Heather Buchanan, Kyle Ritchey, with additional help from Mark Gauthier on percussion. The Low Brass Ensemble consists of Brandon Strawther, Brittney Lynn, Ritchey, Buchanan, Hannah Hare, B.J., Lewis, Beattie and Schmidt.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information about this performance, contact the FSU Department of Music at x4109.

Catch the Rhythm of FSU Percussionists

FSU’s Department of Music presents a concert by the FSU Percussion Ensemble, directed by Ronald Horner, on Thursday, Dec. 6, at 8 p.m., in the Pealer Recital Hall of the Performing Arts Center.

The performance will include “Streets of Ankara” by Chris Brooks; “Animas,” by David Strinquest; “120 Degrees” features works by James A. Carter; “Impetus” by David J. Long; “The Easy Winners” by Scott Joplin, arranged by Edward Freytag; and “Sabre Dance” by Aram Khachaturian, arranged by James Moore.

The concert will feature FSU students Milton Alexander, Ryan Atlow, Mark Gauthier, Greg Harris, Hannah Lango, Chris Mischo, Trevor Seits, Colin Shultzberger, Justin Smith, Rebecca Snow, Abbie Vanderwest and Julia Vilece.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call FSU’s Department of Music at x4109.

Intermission Offers Convenient Credits

Interested in fast-forwarding your education in a way that is convenient for you? You might want to consider registering for FSU’s Intersession, a 17-day term that allows you to earn additional credits from a variety of on-site and online courses during the
Check out Holiday Social

Everyone is cordially invited to Dr. Gribilator's Holiday Social from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12, at the Science Center Atrium. Come and share in holiday cheer with friends and colleagues. For more details, call x4111.

Employee Training Sessions Available

FSU will offer a variety of fall 2007 training classes for interested employees. Information Technology is offering "Basic PowerPoint" from 2 to 4 p.m. on Dec. 10 in Compton 101 and "Advanced PowerPoint" from 2 to 4 p.m. Dec. 11 in Compton 101. Check out Human Resources' "Discipline: The Corrective Action Process" from 10 to 11 a.m. on Dec. 4 in Lane University Center Room 202 and "Charting Your Course (Maryland State Retirement System)" from 2 to 3 p.m. on Dec. 11 in LUC Room 202. Health and Safety is offering "Pedestrians: You and the Vehicle You Drive" from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 5 in the Leake Room. To register for training, call x4787 or e-mail humanresources@frostburg.edu.

Nominations for USM Staff Awards Under way

The Council of University System Staff (C USS) is again accepting nominations for Board of Regents' University System of Maryland Staff Awards. These Staff Awards represent the highest honor bestowed by the Regents for achievements of Exempt and Nonexempt employees from USM institutions, and are presented to staff members who have demonstrated excellence in one of the following categories: (1) contribution to the institution and/or unit to which the person belongs; (2) service to students in an academic or residential environment; or (3) public service to the university or to the greater community. Two employees are recognized in each category – one Exempt and one Nonexempt – for a total of six awards.

Nominations are first considered at an institutional level before being forwarded to the C USS Awards Review Committee for final selection. An internal Staff Awards Review Committee made up of the following employees will select nominees from FSU:

- Kelly Durst, Office of Human Resources, x4787, kdurston@frostburg.edu
- Nancy Frost, Office Library, x3058, nfrost@frostburg.edu
- Jay Hegeman, P.A.S.S., x4738, jhegeman@frostburg.edu
- Jesse Ketterman, Student and Educational Services, x4311, jketterman@frostburg.edu

• Gary Love, Physical Plant, x4044, glove@frostburg.edu
• Patrick McLane, Physical Plant, pmclane@frostburg.edu

Please contact any of these Committee members with the name of a potential candidate and why you believe that staff member to be worthy of an award nomination. They will then work with you to complete a competitive nomination packet. Nomination reviews begin in mid-December, with FSU's selected nominees submitted to the C USS Committee in early January.

Calling All Shutterbugs!

Attention all photography enthusiasts: got some great images? You may want to consider submitting them to the Environmental Planning & Land Management Institutes (EPLM) Fifth Annual Environmental Photogra-phy Contest, which starts Jan. 1 and ends April 1. Participants are encouraged to submit as soon as possible.

Tons of prizes are in store. For more info, e-mail mpegg@frostburg.edu or gautyz@frostburg.edu.

News for Grad Students

Important Information for MBA Students: BMIS 607-Information Management in Organizations will now be offered on a rotating schedule of fall semester for main campus and spring semester for Hagerstown students. If you require this course for graduation, please keep this information in mind when registering.

December 2007 Commencement: Students who plan to graduate in December 2007 need to complete the "Application for Graduation" as soon as possible. Forms are available at the Office of Graduate Services 141 Pullen Hall, or by calling x7053.

Master of Arts in Teaching - Elementary (program offered at USM Hagerstown Center) and M.A. in Teaching - Secondary (program offered at FSU and USM Hagerstown Center)

Dr. Kim Rotruck, M.A.T.-E Graduate Program Coordinator, and Dr. William Childs, M.A.T.-S Graduate Program Coordinator, will host information sessions for prospective applicants for the Summer 2008 cohorts. Information sessions will be held on the FSU campus on Wednesday, Dec. 5, from 6 p.m.–8 p.m. at the Lane University Center Room 202 and at the University System of Maryland Hagerstown Center (USMH) on Wednesday, Dec. 12, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the USMH Room 124 and 125, 32 W. Washington St., Hagerstown. Sessions will be informal and students can stop by at your convenience. The deadline for Summer 2008 cohort applications is May 1 for M.A.T. Elementary and April 1 for M.A.T. Secondary. For information please call Dr. Rotruck at (240) 527-2736/2741 or the Graduate Services Office at x7053.
Master of Business Administration
Information Sessions will be held for the MBA program on Wednesday, Dec. 5, from 6 to 8 p.m. at FSU Lane Center Room 202 and on Wednesday, Dec. 12, at the USM Hagerstown Center room 124/125 from 6 to 8 p.m. Interested students should call by at their convenience during these times to get more information on the application process and requirements.

The M.B.A. program requires that students entering the M.B.A. program complete the GMAT (Graduate Management Admissions Test) or the GRE (Graduate Record Examination). GRE testing registration information is available through the Educational Testing Services Web site at www.ets.org or by calling the FSU Counseling Center, at x7990. For information regarding the GMAT please visit the Web site at http://www.gmac.com. Students interested in knowing more about the M.B.A. program can call Ron Ross, Program Coordinator at (240) 675-4990 or Vickie Mazer, Director Graduate Services, at x4595.

Graduate Scholarships for 2008-2009

David Sanford
Graduate Student Scholarship
The recipient must be enrolled full-time 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 are currently available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall or by calling x7053. Deadline is March 1, 2008; one award of $500 is given annually.

F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship
The recipient must have completed high school education or the equivalency 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 (complete and submit the FAFSA form). Applications are currently available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall or by calling x7053. Deadline is March 1, 2008; five awards between $500 and $1,500 are given annually.

Graduate AssistantshipsIntl Fellowships for 2008-2009:
Applications for Graduate Assistant/ International Fellowship positions for the academic year 2008-2009 are currently being accepted. The positions offer paid tuition (up to 30 hours year) and a $5,000 cash stipend per year, in exchange for 20 hours of service each week. These positions represent an academic honor, and thus require the applicant to have been accepted to a graduate program in good academic standing, and remain in good academic standing for the duration of the award. The applications are available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall (x7053) or on the Web at www.frostburg.edu/grad/ga.htm. Applications for the Spring 2008 are currently being considered. The timeline for completed applications for the 2008-2009 academic year is March 15, 2008.

Scholarship Program Expands Applications
The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Graduate Scholarship Program, one of the country’s most competitive private graduate scholarship programs, has opened its applications to include graduating seniors and recent alumni from any of the 2,000 accredited colleges or universities in the United States. The scholarship is open to current FSU seniors as well as alumni who have graduated since Spring 2003. The scholarship awards graduate students with as much as $50,000 per year for up to six years. The Foundation will award the scholarships in the summer 2008 for use during the 2008-2009 academic year, and will renew each award in subsequent years based on performance. Last year, the Foundation awarded 34 of these scholarships.

The foundation is a private, independent foundation established in 2005 by the estate of Jack Kent Cooke to help young people reach their full potential through education. To receive the scholarship, the candidate must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better, plan to attend an accredited public university, will last from 6 to 8 p.m. Information gathered from a previously circulated employee interest survey will be used to identify local resources students have planned and organized all elements of the workshops from scheduling speakers and local to preparing “marketing” materials. The workshops will be Tuesday, Dec. 4, in the Cordts P.E. Center Room 104-1 from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m.

“Relaxation for Mind and Body” will focus on reducing the negative arousal we experience in our daily lives. “Enjoying the Holidays Without the Guilt” will help guide participants in making the best out of holiday feasting. “Make A New Year’s Resolution for Physical Activity and Keep It” works with participants to set realistic goals and identify individual physical activity preferences. Informational fliers and postings with contact information and registration will be circulated through campus mail and appear on Frostburg’s Channel 3.

Mass Comm Organizing Career Panel
The Department of Mass Communication will hold its 4th Annual Career Panel Discussion on Wednesday, Dec. 5. The event, which is free and open to the public, will last from 6 to 8 p.m. in Compton Science Center room 107. Experts in television news, radio, newspaper reporting and graphic design will be on hand to give students advice on their career choices. The guests will give an overview of what their jobs entail and answer any questions that attendees might have. This presentation is helpful for anyone interested in a mass communication field. Students from any major are encouraged to attend. Contact Department of Mass Communication chair Dr. John Lombardi for more information at x4146 or by e-mailing j.lombardi@frostburg.edu.

Appalachian Lab
The University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science Appalachian Laboratory will offer a series of seminars during the fall semester. “Potomac River Ecosystem Project: Hydrogen Templates for Basin-scale Ecosystem Processes” by Jason J. Julian, UMES Appalachian Laboratory, hosted by Bob Gardner. It is scheduled for Dec. 13 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 109.

Open Mic Night is a casual, comfortable way for you to share your art, whether you sing, dance, read poetry, play an instrument, tell jokes, or just want to share your thoughts through a rant. If you are someone who appreciates all of these talents, this is a must see show for you. Please arrive by 7:30 p.m. to get your name on the list.
Depending on the number of people performing, you will get 7-15 minutes on stage. Come out and enjoy the show or be the show. All talent is accepted. For more information, call x4411.

Points of Pride

James C. Saku (Geography) attended the 19th biennial conference of The Association for Canadian Studies in the United States from Nov. 16 through Nov. 18 in Toronto. He chaired a session on “Aboriginal Development and Justice” and presented a paper titled “The Inuvialuit Regional Development Corporation of the Western Arctic of Canada.”

The BURG Peer Education Network attended the BACCHUS General Assembly on Nov. 8 through Nov. 11 in Atlanta. The students attended over 60 educational programs and brought back lots of new ideas and excitement for the spring semester. Frostburg’s Peer Educators won second place in the national exhibit award category and Mark Freeman was also elected as the Area 12 SAC.

Students attending the event were: Crystal Alexander, Taylor Bradley, Melinda Croft, Amanda Demler, Ben Erzukus, Laura Fehele, Mark Freeman, Megan Long, Amber O’Kane, Anastasia Otranto, Dawn Wiggins and Don Swogger, Adviser.

The students are planning to present at the BACCHUS Regional 12 Conference at Virginia Commonwealth University on March 29. They will be presenting their new educational program, “House Rules: Prescription Addiction.” The program is based on the Fox Hit series “House.” The program uses the characters in the TV show to depict lessons about addiction, denial, rationalizing, disease concept, addiction cycle and enabling.

“Elections: the Maintenance of Democracy”
4:30 & 7:30 p.m. Earth Revealed: “Mountain Building”
5 & 8 p.m. Author: Daniel Mark Epstein

Tuesday:
3 & 6 p.m. FSU This Week
3:15 & 6:15 p.m. Live a the Loft: Michael Gulezian
5 & 8 p.m. Roadtrip Frostburg, Los Angeles

Wednesday:
3 & 6 p.m. NASA “Destination Tomorrow”
3:30 & 6:30 p.m. Live at the Loft: Lavish Mikell
4:30 & 7:30 p.m. American Cinema: “The Studio System”*
5:30 & 8:30 p.m. American Passages, A Literary Survey: “Rhythms in Poetry”

Thursday:
3 & 6 p.m. FSU This Week
3:15 & 6:15 p.m. AAST Lecturer: Dr. Susan Mills
3:30 & 7:30 p.m. Documentary: C & O Canal, The Great National Project
5 & 8 p.m. Live at the Loft: Meika Pauley

Friday:
3 p.m.: NASA Connect, “Better Health”
3:30 p.m. “NASA Destination Tomorrow”
4 p.m. “MD State of Mind”
5 & 8 p.m. Exploring the World of Music:
“Rhythms”
5:30 & 8:30 p.m. Earth Revealed: “Earth’s Structures”*

This show has been rated PG or TV13

Want to Get Your Message on TV3?

If you have an announcement about an activity that you would like to advertise on the TV3 message board, log onto www.frostburg.edu/dept/mcom/channel3/messagesform.htm and enter your information. Then click submit. It’s as easy as that. If possible, please try and submit your requests at least a week in advance to make sure your requests are able to be designed and posted in a timely fashion. If you would like to submit your request with a hard copy and need the form, contact Melanie Lombardi at x3011, mlombardi@frostburg.edu or stop by Old Main Room 201.

Schedule for Dec. 3 - 7

Monday:
3 & 6 p.m. NASA SCI Files, “The Case of the Zany Animal Antics”
4 & 7 p.m. Democracy in America:

Call to Action: Get Involved

Get Involved

CCM Offers Monthly Dinner

CCM will join forces with United Campus Ministry by meeting at 5 p.m. on Dec. 4 at the Osborne Newman Center for Christmas caroling at Frostburg Village Nursing Home, ending with hot chocolate and cookies at the ONC.

Non-Traditional Students Unite!

Encore, the group for non-traditional students, will meet for lunch in the Lane University Center cafeteria at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 5. All members are welcome.

The Student Center for Volunteerism

Calling All Frostburg Artists

FrostburgFirst, a program established to foster economic development and cultural growth in the City of Frostburg, invites all Frostburg artists (actors, writers, musicians, visual artists, etc.) to get involved in finalizing an application for a state-designated arts and entertainment district. The deadline to apply for the designation is April 2008, and the Arts & Entertainment Committee needs the input and participation of Frostburg artists for this process to be successful in its representation of the city’s cultural community. To learn more about this ongoing project, artists may submit their contact information to frostburgfirst@gmail.com or by calling (301) 689-6900.

Raise Your Vote Voter Registration Returns

The Student Center for Volunteerism (SCV) is pleased to announce the return of the Raise Your Vote Voter Registration Campaign for the 2008 Election Season. During this year’s campaign, FSU students will have the ability to register to vote in the Maryland Primary Election, request an absentee ballot and get general information about voting in Maryland.

For this year’s campaign, registration tables will be in the Lane University Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 5.

Here are a few tips to ensure that your vote counts in the 2008 Maryland Primary:

1. The last day to register to vote in the Maryland Primary Election is Tuesday, Jan. 22, at 9 p.m.
2. When you register, please make sure the person who registers you is certified to do so in Maryland. If they can’t produce a certification card, don’t register with them.
3. If you need an absentee ballot, make sure you request one early. The deadline to make a request for the Primary by mail or fax is Tuesday, Feb. 5. To apply after that date (through Election Day), you must apply in person at your local board of elections.
4. If you choose to mail your form, make sure it is postmarked on the deadline date or earlier, or your vote won’t count.

All SCV members at the Lane Center table will be certified Voter Registration Volunteers. For information, please visit our Web site at http://organizations.frostburg.edu/studentvolunteerism/ryv2008/ or contact the Center for Volunteerism and National Service at x4210.
Enjoy Holiday Lights
FSU is sponsoring its annual display at Mountain Reflections, the area’s premiere seasonal light display that features over 50 animated and stationary lighted displays throughout beautiful Rocky Gap State Park. Visitors are greeted by friendly volunteers at the toll booth, directed to turn their radios to a specific station and are then free to drive though the show at their own pace. Halfway through the show, Rocky Gap State Park’s Volunteer Team operates Santa’s Snack Shack, where visitors park their vehicles, enjoy refreshments and spend time exploring. All proceeds from the light show will go to the Western Potomac Chapter of the American Red Cross and are used throughout our tri-county region of Allegany, Garrett and Mineral counties. The chapter provides emergency service for people devastated by natural disasters, house fires and floods. The chapter also provides life-saving training to all the communities and blood collection sites throughout the tri-county region. Teams and organizations are encouraged to volunteer in setting up and taking down the displays, nightly coverage of admissions booth and operating Santa’s Snack Shack. For more info or to volunteer, call (301) 722-1760 x126 or e-mail wdurst@allconet.org.

Safety Message
Walk This Way During Winter
Winter weather means walking on slippery sidewalks. Stay safe by practicing the following safety tips:
- Approach stairs, walks, ramps and parking lot surfaces with caution and assume that all wet and dark surfaces are icy and slippery!
- Take small steps, shuffle your feet for more stability and go slowly!
- Avoid wearing shoes and boots that have smooth soles. Wear footwear that will give you traction while on the snow and ice!
- Use extreme caution when exiting and entering your vehicle where slippery surfaces may await! Hold onto your steering wheel and door handle!
- Walk around your building to find another entrance to avoid an icy entrance!
- Carry a granular substance in your coat pocket to throw on the ground.

Don’t Put Your Back Into Shoveling Snow
- Dress warmly—layer your clothes, wear a face mask, hat and/or scarf and gloves—but make sure your outerwear is loose enough to allow easy movement.
- Protect your back by moving your feet when throwing/removing the snow from your shovel (do not twist the torso).
- Spray the shovel blade with a Teflon/cooking spray to allow the snow to slide off more easily.
- Bend at the knees when lifting snow. Take small amounts of snow when it is wet!
- Take your time. Take frequent mini-breaks during extreme cold and go inside to get warm!
- Keep your back to the wind.

FSU Events Calendar

MONDAY, DEC. 3
* BURG Get Twisted Party .......... 10 a.m.-3 p.m. ......................... Lane 201
* Men’s Basketball: Shenandoah University ........................................... 7:30 p.m. Away

TUESDAY, DEC. 4
* Pre-Professional Med Society Blood Drive ...................................... 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Lane ARMH
* BURG Get Twisted Party .......... 10 a.m.-3 p.m. ......................... Lane 201
* Alpha Phi Alpha Black & Gold Pageant ............................................. 7 p.m. Lane ARMH
* Leadership Development Series: Etiquette Dinner ...................... 7 p.m. Lane 201
* FSU Brass Ensembles .......... 8 p.m. .................................... PAC Pealer Recital Hall

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 5—Hanukkah Begins
* Student Center for Volunteerism Voter Registration for Maryland Primary .................................................. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. ......................... Lane Lobby
* Student Recital Series #4 .......... 3 p.m. ..................................... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
* Faculty Senate ........................................ 3:30 p.m. ......................... Lane 201
* Women’s Basketball: LaRoche College ........................................... 6 p.m. Home
* RHA Meeting ........................................ 7 p.m. ......................... Dunkie 218
* BSA Kwanzaa Celebration .... 7 p.m. ........................................... Lane ARMH
* Men’s Basketball: LaRoche College .................................................. 8 p.m. Home

THURSDAY, DEC. 6
* SGA Meeting ........................................ 7:30 p.m. ................. Lane 201
* FSU Percussion Ensemble .......... 8 p.m. .................................... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
* UPC: Open Mic Night .................. 8 p.m. ......................... Lane Drezinski Lounge/Loft

FRIDAY, DEC. 7
Last day for GRADUATE Students to Remove Incomplete (“I”) Grades
Last day to Withdraw from Classes with “WF”
Last day of classes
* Winter Dance Concert .............. 7:30 p.m. ......................... PAC Drama Theatre
* FSU Wind Ensemble ........... 8 p.m. .................................... PAC Pealer Recital Hall
* UPC Feature Film Series: “Aladdin” ........................................... 8 p.m. & midnight Lane 201
* UPC Last Night Frostburg: “Magical Arabian Nights” ........................................... 8 p.m. Lane University Center

SATURDAY, DEC. 8—Reading Day/Common Exams
Interession Late Registration (With Late Fees) through Jan. 2
* Women’s Basketball: Medaille College ........................................... 1 p.m. Home
* Men’s Basketball: Medaille College ........................................... 3 p.m. Home
* UPC Feature Film Series: “Aladdin” ........................................... 8 p.m. Lane 201
* Honor Band Festival Concert ...... 8 p.m. .................................... PAC Pealer Recital Hall

SUNDAY, DEC. 9—Reading Day/Common Exams
* CCM Mass ...................................... noon & 8 p.m. .................. Cook Chapel
* Planetarium: Heavenly Connection ........................................ 4 p.m. & 7 p.m. Tawes Hall
* UPC Feature Film Series: “Aladdin” ........................................... 8 p.m. Lane 201

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