Scholar-in-Residence to Speak at Convocation

The Spring 2002 Martin Luther King Convocation will take place on Wednesday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center's Pealer Recital Hall, culminating several days of activities.

Keynote speaker Dr. Lea Williams will participate in a series of workshops, discussions, and other activities at FSU on April 15 through 17 as part of a three-day residency in leadership, nonviolence, and African American Studies.

Williams, executive director of the Women's Leadership Institute at Bennett College in Greensboro, N.C., and former vice president for Educational Services at the United Negro College Fund in New York, will speak at Convocation.

A scholar and writer, she is author of "Servants of the People: The 1960's Legacy of African American Leadership." Describing herself as "an educator by training and experience, a teacher by temperament and a writer by passion," Williams has received the Kentucky State University Distinguished Service Award, the Hilda A. Davis Award for Educational Leadership of the National Association for Women in Education and the Paducah Black Historian Achievement Award in Education. Her article "Missing, Presumed Lost: Teachers of Color in the Nation's Classrooms," published in Black Collegian, won the 1989 Unity Award in Media for education reporting.

As part of FSU's Scholar-in-Residence Program, Williams will meet with student leaders for a discussion and dinner on Monday, April 15. The sponsors for this event are the Department of Student and Community Involvement, the Communication Studies Program and the Leadership Studies Minor.

On Tuesday, April 16, she will present a lecture/discussion, "African American Leaders, Then and Now," from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Lane University Center. This presentation, which is free and open to the public, will focus on African American leaders of the Civil Rights movement, their legacy for minority leadership and the role of campuses in emerging paradigms of minority leadership in the 21st century. A reception will immediately follow the program.

Tuesday evening, the MLK Speak Out Program will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. in the LUC Loft. Students, faculty, staff and the public are invited to this celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Participants will perform live musical selections, engage in creative readings and short stories and display artwork. Norma Blacke Bourdeau, a professor of African American Studies, English and Philosophy at FSU, will serve as the program facilitator.

On Wednesday, April 17, a Community Service Project will take place from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the FSU Arboretum. For the fourth year, FSU's national service programs invite the public to serve alongside A STAR! and Allen HallSTARS! AmeriCorps members honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The day's service projects will include trail maintenance and placing and securing a gazebo for classroom instruction. For information, contact Sean King at x4210 or sking@frostburg.edu.

After Wednesday evening's Convocation, Williams will conduct a book signing in PAC lobby. Books will be available for purchase from Main Street Books of Frostburg.

For information, contact Bill Mandicott at x4151 or Dr. Philip Allen at x4141.
‘Sankofa’ Next in African Film Series

The Africana Film Series sponsored by African American Studies for Spring 2002 continues. The next film to be presented is “Sankofa,” from the producer Haile Gerima. The showing is scheduled for Monday, April 22, at 7 p.m. in Lane University Center, the Atkinson Room (Room 201).

Haile Gerima is a film professor at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and a well-known film director and producer within the African Diaspora. Sankofa, an Akan word meaning, “one must return to the past in order to move forward,” is the story about the transformation of Mona, a self-possessed African-American woman sent on a spiritual journey in time to experience the pain of slavery and the discovery of her African identity. “Sankofa” is also an attempt to tell a different story of the slave plantation in the Americas than that told by Eurocentric historians. The film fictionalizes forms of slave resistance that would discount inherited racial stereotypes and would affirm the not so popular view that the slave truly believed in her/his humanity, inherent worth and equality with the slaveholder.

The event is free and open to the public. The next film in the series, “Flame,” will be shown on Tuesday, May 14, at 7 p.m., also in the Atkinson Room.

For more information, please contact Jean-Marie Makang, coordinator of African American Studies at x3089.

20th Spring Festival of Children’s Literature

The FSU’s 20th Annual Spring Festival of Children’s Literature is slated for Friday and Saturday, April 26 and 27 in the FSU Lane University Center. Embracing the theme “A Patchwork of Story: Celebrating 20 years of Children’s Literature,” the weekend event will feature the award-winning authors and illustrators Peter Catalanotto, Floyd Cooper, Patricia Reilly Giff and Martin Waddell.

Catalanotto, an author/illustrator, started his career at the Pratt Institute in New York City. According to Catalanotto, he tries to write and illustrate his books in a way that encourages the reader to think. His book “The Painter” is a “delightful work of art that deserves a place in every collection,” notes The School Library Journal. In addition, Catalanotto has illustrated works by well-known authors including Cynthia Rylant and George Ella Lyon.

Cooper, an award-winning children’s book author/illustrator, began illustrating as a way of complementing his advertising career. His first book, “Grandpa’s Face,” is an American Library Association Notable Book. He was also chosen to illustrate books that deal with discrimination such as “Eddie Lee,” the story of a young boy with Down’s Syndrome. “I feel children are at the frontline in improving society,” Cooper states. “This might sound a bit heavy, but it’s true. I feel children’s picture books play a role in counteracting all the violence and other negative images conveyed in the media. Because it is “like breathing to me,” Giff begins each day by writing. The award-winning author taught for 20 years before deciding to write for children.

“I want the children to bubble up with laughter or to cry over my books,” says Giff. She has written more than 60 books including the Newberry Honor Book “Lily’s Crossing.” Giff is also the author of the book series “Kids of the Polk Street School.” Her novel, “Nory Ryan’s Song,” was awarded the American Library Association’s Best Book for Young Adults.

Northern Ireland native and resident Waddell’s life was forever changed when he was injured by a 1969 Belfast bomb explosion. “I became Mr. Mom,” he states. “What I didn’t know was that I was sitting on the richest vein of ideas.”

Waddell’s first work “Can’t You Sleep, Little Bear?” became the first of this award-winning author’s Big and Little Bear stories. In addition to having written over 100 books for children and young adults, Waddell has worked with outstanding illustrators including Helen Oxenbury.

Throughout its history, the FSU Festival of Children’s Literature has welcomed a “packed house” of librarians, educators, parents and students who travel to Western Maryland to share their love of children’s literature and learn more about the successful ways to share that love with children.

This year’s agenda includes small group sessions and large group presentations offered in topics ranging from using children’s literature as bibliotherapy, to using brown bags to help integrate children’s literature into students’ homes. Participants will have the opportunity to mingle with fellow educators and exchange ideas, purchase books and learn from the wisdom and experience that the visiting authors share.

In addition to the numerous workshops, the Festival includes the R. Margaret Hamilton Children’s Hour for children ages 4 to 13, Friday, April 26, beginning at 4 p.m. in the Lane University Center. Age-specific programs by the guest authors offer an opportunity for them to share their works with children and to offer guidance in the process of writing, illustrating and enjoying of literature.

Contact Dr. William Bingman, Director of the Children’s Literature Centre, at x4420 for information.

Writer Daniel Mark Epstein to Offer Reading

The Department of English and Western Maryland Writers’ Workshop will feature Baltimore writer Daniel Mark Epstein on Tuesday, April 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lane University Center Room 201. An award-winning poet, essayist, playwright, translator, biographer and musician, Epstein has read to enthusiastic audiences throughout Western Europe, Africa and the United States.

In his most recent collection, “The Traveler’s Calendar,” the poems — by turns mysterious, tender, ironic and apocalyptic — explore the healing power of poetry in times of crises. “A book of night thoughts, of the poet in the middle of his life peering backward, marveling at the mysteries, dramatizing other lives and daydreaming about his own, crafting his song with a gift and a passion, as he so forcefully puts it, ‘for filling/Darkness with music,’” notes poet Edward Hirsh.

A reception and book-signing will follow the 7:30 p.m. reading. This event is free and open to the public. For information, contact the FSU Department of English at x4221.

‘Traces of Reality’ on Exhibit at Roper

“Traces of Reality,” featuring artwork by FSU student Jennifer DeMarco, Wanda Wagus and Gregory Davidson, will be exhibited through Wednesday, April 17, in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery in the Fine Arts Building.

The exhibit is free and open to the public. Regular gallery hours are Sunday through Wednesday from noon to 4 p.m.

DeMarco will graduate in May with a BFA in art and design and a minor in art

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percent passed, 175 out of 186 taking the test. The statewide rate was 93 percent.

Overall, 91 percent, 139 of 152 passed all tests, including academic content areas, compared with 88 percent statewide.

In the professional knowledge portion of the National Teachers Examination (NTE), which measures the methods and theories of teaching and has been replaced by Praxis tests, 97 percent passed, 67 of the 69 taking the test. The statewide pass rate was 92 percent. The NTE was once required but now is no longer administered by the Educational Testing Service.

At FSU, students must pass Praxis I, the basic skills test, to be accepted into the teacher education program. Currently, Early Childhood/Elementary, Elementary, and Master of Arts in Teaching Elementary majors must pass Praxis II in order to graduate, and all other programs have instituted this requirement in the 2001-2003 catalog.

"While the changes that we have made in our programs in order to assure candidate success, I predict that our test scores will continue to increase," said Dr. Susan Atsiman, dean of the College of Education. "We have excellent programs at FSU, and the performance of our graduates will continue to confirm this fact."

In the elementary and early childhood education content areas, 100 percent of the students passed the Elementary Education Content Knowledge test (38 students), the Early Childhood Education test (56 students), and the Education in the Elementary School test (50 students). The pass rate on the Early Childhood Education test increased by 16 percentage points from the previous year, primarily because of an increase in the number of required courses for early childhood education.

In the content areas, 91 percent, or 10 of the 11 students who took the physical education content knowledge test passed, compared to an 83 percent passing rate statewide. Other content areas had too few FSU students taking the test for a passing percentage to be reported.

Pinnacle Honors Non-Traditional Students

Nominations and self-nominations are being solicited for Pinnacle, the national honor society for non-traditional undergraduates. To be eligible a student must be 25 years of age or older, have a minimum 3.0 GPA and have earned at least 85 undergraduate credits, at least 24 of them at Frostburg.

Students with less than 24 but who are graduating in December 2002 may be considered. Nominees must also document at least 2 years of leadership activities. For non-traditional students these often include community activities such as PTA, children’s sports coaching, and civic and religious organizations.

Nomination forms are available from Dr. Bill Bingman, Educational professions; Kathy Powell, Social Work; Dr. Zita McShane, English, Dr. Mikal Crawford, Sociology; and Dr. John Lowe, Student and Educational Services. They are due in the Student and Educational Service Office by Friday, April 19. There is a $20 fee payable to FSU Processing and Funds. Certificates and pins will be presented at a reception Sunday, May 12, at 2 p.m. in the Leake Room.

Places Available at Children’s Center

Looking for a developmentally appropriate pre-school program or quality child care for your child? The FSU Children’s Center has openings beginning May 20 for children between the ages of 2 1/2 and 5 years of age. For more information, e-mail DPayne@frostburg.edu or call 240/777-1970 between 1:15 p.m. and 2:45 p.m.

Name the Hall: Be a Part of FSU History

You can make a contribution that will be a permanent part of FSU. A new residence hall will be built on the lower end of campus, one of the residence halls in the fall of 2003, and FSU is looking for a name. All members of the campus community are encouraged to submit suggestions.

In response to student requests at the time they were built, all the newer (downhill) residence halls have been named for cities in Maryland. That history will be taken into account, but all suggestions will be considered.

Send your ideas by April 22 with your name, phone and e-mail address to Liz Medcalf by campus mail at 228 Hitchins or by e-mail at lmedcalf@frostburg.edu. This is your chance to have lots more than 15 minutes of fame and be a part of FSU forever.

Department of Social Work Sets Info. Session

The Department of Social Work at FSU will hold an information session Saturday, April 20, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Department of Social Work Offices in Guild Center 029, for persons interested in a career in social work. The meeting
will include information on the curriculum requirements of the social work program at FSU.

The session is designed for people who want to learn more about the social work profession and FSU’s undergraduate social work program.

Those who plan to attend are asked to call the Department of Social Work at x7497 at least one day in advance of the session.

The FSU undergraduate social work program is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education. For information about FSU’s social work program, contact Dr. Baxter Wright at x3157.

Van Driver’s Training Sessions for April

Thursday, April 25, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., LUC Room 207/208

You must register by calling x4897 to attend this training.

Deadline

Commencement Announcement

Students planning to complete their studies during the current semester (spring 2002) must first officially file for graduation. Undergraduate students should contact the Registrar’s Office (x4549, 144 Pullen Hall), while graduate students should submit all necessary paperwork to Graduate Services (x3130, 141 Pullen Hall).

Mailings regarding Commencement are sent only to those students who have completed all filing requirements. Caps and gowns are provided at no charge to all students cleared to participate in the Commencement Ceremony; however, each student is responsible for placing an order in advance. Orders should be submitted to the University Bookstore immediately.

Information about Commencement is always available on the University’s Web site. Go to www.frostburg.edu/events/commenc.htm. For information, contact Beth Deatelhauser in Special Academic Services, x3130, 127 P AC, or via e-mail bdeatelhauser@frostburg.edu.

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Fund-Raisers

Thai Dinner Auctioned to Benefit French Club

The French Club is auctioning a dinner for six persons to raise money. Food will be prepared and delivered to the highest bidder by Special Thai Chef Pai Johnson, an FSU student.

The deadline for bidding is Friday, May 3. Please e-mail Mary Anne Meyers (mameyers@frostburg.edu) or Pai Johnson (tippjohnson@yahoo.com) in the Foreign Languages Department. The current bid is $70.

Pai has prepared Thai dinners at the Tombstone Restaurant in Frostburg and has also prepared a Thai dinner for Frost Elementary School auction.

Fund-Raiser

Bobcat Spring Crawl 5K Run/Walk

The Bobcat Spring Crawl 5K Run/Walk is scheduled for April 26, on the Bobcat Track. This event is a fund-raiser for the Intramural Department. We would like to have as much support from the staff and faculty as possible. Pre-Register by April 17 to get a discount. If you have any questions, call the intramural office at x 4466. We hope to see each of you on April 17.

Registration is at 9 a.m. on the track. The race starts at 10 a.m. Entry fees are, for students, $8 for pre-registration, $10 after April 17; and for adults, $12 for pre-registration, $15 after April 17.

The top overall female and male finishers in the run/walk will receive a trophy. Medals will be awarded to the top winner in each group. T-shirts will be awarded to all participants of the race.

The course will go through Midlothian Road and parts of FSU main campus. Runners will start and finish in the Bobcat Stadium. A course map will be available at your request.

Relay for Life Auction

Looking for a date to distract you from schoolwork? Or is your room so messy you don’t want to clean it? Well April 17, is your lucky day. From 7 to 10 p.m. in the Lane Center Loft there will be an auction to raise money for Relay for Life. Everyone is welcome to come and bid money on a date for the weekend, bid on chores that need to be done, and specialized packages. All funds raised will go to the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life. If you are interested in volunteering your time or donating an item to the auction please call Pheona at x4531 or Clarissa at x4521. You never know what you might find; it will be worth the trip.

Catholic Campus Ministry

On Friday, April 19, CCM will hold its Spring Formal. Start with dinner in the Osborne Newman Center’s Bishop Murphy Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Western Maryland SPCA

There will be a meeting of the Western Maryland SPCA, Wednesday, April 17, at 5:30 P.M. in Guild 205. Students and staff who care about the welfare of animals are urged to attend.

For further information or questions contact Dan Moorhead—President 301-722-4152.

Kids’ Activity Day

A Kids’ Activity Day will be offered on Wednesday, April 24, at the Cordts Physical Education Center. Allegany County public schools are closed that day.

The day is open to children in kindergarten through fifth grade. Children will participate in activities such as swimming, kickball, basketball, dodgeball and various other activities.

Participants are required to bring a packed lunch, swim suit and a towel. Arrival time is between 18 and 8:30 a.m. in PE Room 177. Children must be picked up between 4 and 6:30 p.m. at the Racquetball Court Area. There is a fee of $15 per child for the day. The last day to register is Monday, April 22.

To register contact EFL Coordinator Amy Nazelrod at x7934.

Golf Clinic

A Golf Clinic is being offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from July 9 to Aug. 15. The class will be held at the Maplehurst Country Club with Rick

Dr. Susan Mills of Music Department presented a music education workshop on the Family Tradition in Bluegrass, Reggae and Zydeco Music at the Music Educators National Conference in Nashville, Tenn., Saturday, April 13. The Conference was attended by thousands of K-12 educators, collegiate music educators, and music industry representatives from all over the U.S. FSU Music Education students Alison Wellborne, Stephanie Carroll, David Myers and Karen Yeisley attended the conference and assisting Dr. Mills’ during the workshop.

Carol Gaumer and Amit Shah, both from College of Business, presented a paper titled: “Targeting the Child Consumers: Strategies for Global Marketers” at the 2002 International Conference of Society for Advancement of Management. Shah also served as a discussant at the conference.

FSU’s Society for Advancement of Management (S.A.M.) student chapter won second place nationally in the undergraduate division in the National Case Competition at the annual conference held in McLean, Va. April 5 through 8. The case competition follows the Business Policy type case analysis (Capstone Course in Undergraduate Business Program). There were 25 teams from various Universities across the nation that competed at the conference.

Jeff Anderson, Elizabeth Brant, Ryan Binker and Jennifer Erin Shaffer from FSU’s S.A.M. Chapter made up the team. Jeff Anderson, president of FSU’s SAM student chapter, and Jennifer Erin Shaffer, vice president, also received Regional Outstanding Student Awards. Furthermore, Jeff was also selected as a National SAM Outstanding Student Award recipient, one of only 15 students recognized.

Amit Shah also received the “Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award” for 2001-2002.
Flowers, Golf Pro, as the instructor. Flowers will offer 12 clinics (one hour each) over a six-week period. Clinics will include group and individual instruction. Sessions will focus on the golf swing, putting, chipping, rules/etiquette, etc. Beginner and intermediate golfers will benefit most from these classes. Players will benefit most by having a full set of golf clubs; however, a 7-iron, wedge, putter and wood are adequate. Sneakers will be sufficient; golf shoes would provide the most benefit. There are seven slots available in this class (as of April 9). There is a cost for the course as well as a small cost per class day for range balls. For more information and registration contact Amy Nazelrod, Center Coordinator at x7934.

International

Int’l Council Needs Students for 2002-3

Students who are interested in serving on the International Education Council during the 2002-3 academic year are invited to get in touch with Dr. Amy Simes, Director of the CIE (x3091). The International Education Council consists of four faculty and three student representatives: one each representing the Honors program, returning study abroad students, and international students. The Council meets once a month during the semester on Fridays, usually between 1 and 2 p.m.

Apply Now for Fall, Spring Study Abroad

A few spaces remain open for students who want to study abroad fall semester 2002 through UNN, AustraLearn, or some ISEP, AIFS or SIT programs. Deadlines are approaching in mid- to late April. Students who want to study abroad during spring 2003 need to apply as soon as possible. There are many overseas opportunities in a wide variety of locations. Students interested in studying in Newcastle, England, may apply now for spring 2003 and scholarships are available. Students interested in studying in Newcastle, England, may apply now for spring 2003 and scholarships are available.

Rowe Scholarship Deadline - May 1

International students who are studying at FSU on F or J visas and who will have completed one year of study by fall 2002 are invited to apply for the Harold R. Rowe International Scholarship. Applications are available from Tom Carr in the CIE office or can be downloaded from the CIE Web site: www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm. Completed forms should reach the CIE office by 5 p.m. May 2. Awards will be made after May 10. For more information, contact Mr. Tom Carr at x4747 or tcarr@frostburg.edu.

Study Abroad Programs

The Center for International Education offers a variety of ways for FSU students to see the world. In many cases students register at FSU during a semester abroad and can take all financial aid with them and transfer credit back to FSU. For information on any of the programs or scholarships that may be available, check with Dr. Amy Simes at the CIE in the Fuller House on Braddock Road, call her at x3091 or e-mail her at asimes@frostburg.edu, or visit the CIE web page at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm.

School for International Training

FSU is affiliated with the School for International Training (SIT). 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 Austral-asia. This is a fantastic opportunity for students who would like to spend a semester, year or summer off the beaten track.

Study in Limerick, Ireland, Spring 2003

Students interested in taking part in the Ireland Exchange Program in Limerick during spring 2003 are encouraged to pick up an application at the CIE office. Participants in the program study at Mary Immaculate College and take one FSU class and three MIC classes. Next spring, Dr. Kenneth Witmer (Educational Professions) will accompany the group and will teach three classes. All financial aid will transfer and scholarships are available.

Study Down Under: Australia, New Zealand

FSU is affiliated with AustraLearn, an organization that provides unique opportunities for students to study at universities in Australia and New Zealand. AustraLearn arranges cheap flights, an orientation program on the Great Barrier Reef, pre-registration and transcript evaluation. Students may choose from a range of courses at campuses in exotic surroundings. Scholarships are available from both FSU and AustraLearn. Applications for fall 2002 and spring 2003 are now being accepted.

Study in Newcastle, England

Students interested in studying at the University of Northumbria in Newcastle, England, may apply now for spring 2003 semester. Newcastle is one of the liveliest cities in the UK, just across the Channel from Amsterdam, and three hours north of London (one hour south of Edinburgh) by train. Courses are available in a wide variety of subjects. The cost is about the same as one semester at FSU and all financial aid will transfer.

Semester Overseas for Same Price as FSU

The International Student Exchange Program allows FSU students to register at FSU, pay FSU tuition and housing, and then study overseas for a semester, year or summer at one of more than 200 locations. Students may take financial aid with them and apply for scholarships from the CIE. Students may choose programs taught in English or other languages. For the price of an airline
ticket, this is a great way to earn credit toward an FSU degree while enjoying life in a foreign culture. Apply now for spring 2003. Choose from Over 20 Locations to Study

FSU affiliates with the American Institute for Foreign Study, which offers study abroad programs at a variety of universities around the world. Programs are open to all majors. Study in Prague, South Africa or Japan. Register at FSU and use your financial aid for all programs. AIFS offers scholarships to qualified students. Apply now for spring 2003.

Do Your Student Teaching in Copenhagen

Education majors who would like to earn a semester of FSU credits while studying in Denmark should apply now for the spring 2003 semester's exchange program with the KDAS School of Teacher Training in Copenhagen. Students complete projects and spend several weeks in Danish schools practicing student teaching skills. All courses are in English. Financial aid transfers and scholarships are available.

Gain Work/Volunteer Experience Overseas

Students interested in working abroad should come by the CIE for information about internships, volunteer organizations and paid work overseas. Many organizations help students obtain jobs and work permits, and some help to arrange housing as well. Students can choose from short experiences (one to two months) to longer experiences (four to 12 months), or even look into a more serious commitment (one to three years). Destinations are available throughout the world.

Learn More about Study Abroad

Students who would like to learn more about study abroad opportunities and how they fit into a degree program may come to the CIE. The CIE staff will provide an overview of study abroad 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.

Music from Around the World

Tune in to the university’s commercial-free radio station, WFWM (91.9 FM), every Wednesday between 7 and 8 p.m. for “Planet Frostburg.” Listen to both traditional and contemporary world music and get the latest announcements from the CIE about study abroad opportunities.