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“Life of the Land,” with artwork by FSU senior Pam Baker, John Cline and Lynford Yoder, will be exhibited in the Stephanie Ann Roper Gallery, located in the Fine Arts Building. The artists’ paintings and drawings feature optimistic images inspired by nature and its beauty.

The show will run from Friday, April 26, until Wednesday, May 1. An opening reception will be Friday at 7 p.m. in the gallery, and is free and open to the public. Regular gallery hours are Sunday through Wednesday from noon to 4 p.m.

Pam Baker works in pen and ink, printmaking and painting. Inspired by nature, she creates works that are primarily representational, with detail that comes from close observation of the subject.

John Cline uses the landscape as a metaphor for spiritual concepts. Working from sketches prompted by the sight of the Allegheny Mountains, he imbues his paintings with a mystical feeling through the use of unusual compositions, light and shadow.

Lynford Yoder paints a variety of subjects in oils, including portraits and landscapes. His paintings are not exact transcriptions of nature, but rather attempts to make worlds that could be real through the use of light and harmonious colors.

For information, contact the Department of Visual Art at x4797.

From left, John Cline, Pam Baker and Lynford Yoder, artists of “Life of the Land.”
and two gospel selections, “My God Is an Awesome God” and “Praise His Holy Name,” by the American composer Keith Hampton. The University Chorale will conclude the concert with “The Battle Hymn of the Republic” arranged by Peter J. Wilhousky.

Collegium Musicum’s performance will include Henry Purcell’s “Hear my Prayer, O Lord” and “My Prayer” by Bob Chilcott. They will also perform the Japanese folk song “Sakura” arranged by Toru Takemitsu, “Airaing,” a Korean folk song, arranged by Chen Xi, “Song for a Young Country,” a setting of a traditional Maori text and poems by Robyn Hyde from New Zealand, by David Hamilton, and “Kondalilka” from Australian composer Great Southern Spirits. Collegium Musicum will conclude their performance with “Makin’ Whoopee,” arranged by Kirby Shaw, and arrangements of the Beatles “Yesterday” and “Blackbird.”

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

The seminar, part of the AL Spring Seminar Series, will be presented at 3:30 p.m. in AL Room 109. Refreshments will be served after the seminar in the AL Lobby.

**Multicultural Music Ed. Summer Institute**

Registration is currently open for Music Education Summer Institute at FSU being held from July 14-18, 2002. This weeklong institute is entitled “Multicultural Music Education.” The institute is available for graduate credit and will focus on Multicultural K-12 music education, including Caribbean music for Orff instruments, South African choral singing, Chinese percussion ensemble and World Music Drumming.

In addition to daily workshops, there is a pot luck dinner and “informance” of world music on Thursday night (July 17) that will be open to the public.

For registration information, contact Dr. Susan Mills at x4119.

**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 x4027 between 1:15 p.m. and 2:45 p.m.

**Name the Hall: Be a Part of FSU History**

The FSU Campus Activities Board will host a lecture by former football coaches Herman Boone and Bill Yoast, of the famed T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria, Va. Boone and Yoast’s story was immortalized on screen in the inspirational 2000 film “Remember the Titans.”

The campus event will take place on Monday, April 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lane University Center’s Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall. Doors will open at 7 p.m. and admission is free.

In 1971, racial tensions ran high in Alexandria as three schools were newly integrated to form T.C. Williams High School. As a result of combining the three schools, the Titan football team was formed; formerly rival schools, they now faced school integration.

After many tumultuous months, the two coaches, Boone and Yoast, were able to put aside their differences and force their players to unify by establishing common goals and visions. Both men brought the school and community together at a volatile time when race relations were frayed. Compiling a 13-0 record, the Titans became one of the best teams in Virginia and went on the win the state championship.

CAB will show the film Saturday, April 20, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 21, in the Atkinson Room.

For more information, contact the FSU CAB Office at x4192.

**Appalachian Laboratory**

On Thursday, April 25, Deborah Lawrence of the Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Virginia, will present “Effects of Soil Fertility, Landuse History, and Species Diversity on Nutrient Cycling in Tropical Forests.”

**Spreadsheet (Excel) Workshops Offered**

FSU’s Center for Community Partnerships will offer two workshops on the computer program Microsoft Excel 2000, one on building spreadsheets and one on advanced spreadsheets.

“Microsoft Excel 2000 I: Building Spreadsheets” will be offered Monday, April 22, from 6 to 9 p.m. in 208 Frampton Hall on the FSU campus. The class is an introduction to the power of Excel, which enables the user to build, maintain and utilize advanced formulas. Excel’s formulas, tables and what-if scenarios are user-friendly. Students will learn to build a basic spreadsheet and develop workbooks.

“Microsoft Excel 2000 II: Advanced Spreadsheets” will be offered Wednesday, April 24, from 6 to 9 p.m., also in 208 Frampton Hall. Progress from basic to intermediate/advanced features of MS Excel. Students will continue building, maintaining and utilizing the analytical tools and what-if scenarios of the software and continue to learn advanced formulas and how to further build intermediate to advanced spreadsheets.

To register, contact Dr. Amit Shah or Tammy Alexander at x4008. The cost of registration is $20 per session. Seating is limited to 15 people per session, so early registration is recommended.

**Points of Pride**

The students have been selected to serve as Commencement speakers for their respective Colleges at the 120th Commencement (May 25) and the 12th Commencement at the Hagerstown Center (May 28):

- The College of Education has selected Casey Doggett. Casey, an early childhood/elementary education major, “has
distinguished herself as an outstanding teacher candidate, in the elementary classroom as an effective teacher intern, as well as in the university classroom as an excellent student," observes her faculty nominator. During her various internships, Casey organized a classroom science that undergirds three successful student learning experiences: science projects. The College of Business has chosen as its outstanding student the FSU student who has performed most effectively in the classroom as an effective teacher intern, as well as in the university classroom as an excellent student. Among the student interns who have served in this role, Casey is distinguished for her exceptional teaching skills and her ability to engage and challenge students in the classroom. Casey will graduate from FSU with a 4.0 GPA.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will be represented by Justin Van Fleet. Justin will earn a double major in International Studies (Internation Politic) and Spanish, achieving an overall GPA of 4.0. Justin’s interest in international human rights have led to a study abroad program in Guatemala, where he conducted interviews with families of victims of human rights abuses. He has held an internship in the Science and Human Rights Program at the American Association for the Advancement of Science and is currently conducting research on protection mechanisms for indigenous knowledge in Latin American patent law. Justin has also volunteered as a Spanish instructor at Frost Elementary School and has participated in FSU’s International Relations Club. In addition, he was head delegate to both the American Organization for the Advancement of Science and is currently conducting research on protection mechanisms for indigenous knowledge in Latin American patent law.

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Bobcat Spring Crawl 5K Run/Walk

The Bobcat Spring Crawl 5K Run/Walk is scheduled for April 28 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. For information, call the intramural office at 4466. We hope to see each of you April 28.

Registration is at 9 a.m. on the track. The race starts at 10 a.m. Entry fees are $10 for students and $15 for adults.

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 at the Bobcat Stadium. A course map will be available at your request.

Catholic Campus Ministry

CCM will play the “Faith Game” Tuesday, April 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the Osbourne Newman Center. Come see how much you know about Catholicism.

United Campus Ministry

UCM will hold a “Fun Night” and progressive dinner Wednesday, April 24, at 6 p.m.

That weekend, Friday, April 26, to Sunday, April 28, will be the Northeastern Jurisdiction Conference held at Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pa. The theme is “A Fusion of Mind and Spirit: A Weekend of Worship, Service and Fellowship.

For more information on either event, call x7490.

Summer Work Study Jobs Available

The Office of Financial Aid will be sponsoring a summer work-study program for the first session of summer school (May 26 to June 30). In order for a student to be eligible for this program, he/she must meet all of these requirements:

- be registered for summer or fall semester
- demonstrate financial need based on the results of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

The sign-up will be during the week of April 29 through May 3 in Pullen Hall, Room 114. At that time, students will be provided with the dates for job placement.

Supplemental Instructors Wanted

FSU’s Learning Center is looking for students to participate in the Supplemental Instruction (SI) Program. A Supplemental Instructor attends a selected course, models good student behavior (like reading the book, taking notes, asking questions), and coordinates a weekly lab where students participate in structured activities designed to improve classroom and test-taking performance.

Current positions, among others, include History 100, Sociology 100, and English 101.

Students interested in teaching or tutoring are encouraged to apply, but the positions are available to any FSU student willing to share study tips and motivate students!

An SI Leader receives a stipend of $250.00 and Education Field Experience credits. Job duties include class attendance, weekly supervisor conference, and a one-hour per week lab.

Opportunities for additional service, and pay, are available.

For applications or additional information, visit the Learning Center, 150 Pullen Hall, or contact Dr. Sandy Eckard at x3046 or seeckard@frostburg.edu.

Apply Now for Fall, Spring Study Abroad

A few spaces remain open for students who want to study abroad fall or spring 2002. Two options for fall 2002 are available:

- Study in Newcastle, England:
  - Three classes. All financial aid will transfer.
  - Scholarships are available
- Study Down Under: Australia, New Zealand:
  - Recherche, 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.

Applicants should contact the CIE office by 5 p.m. May 2. Awards will be made after May 10. For more information, contact Mr. Tom Carr at x7447 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. For more 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 Australasia. 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 should 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 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-arrival 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

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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 faculty, staff, 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.

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 x7447 or tcarr@frostburg.edu.
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 must 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 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.