

Patriot Digest

The Francis Marion University Faculty and Staff Newsletter

March 30, 2007

FMU names new Women's Basketball Coach

Francis Marion University athletic director Murray Hartzler announced on March 21 the hiring of Heather Macy as the university's new head coach for women's basketball. The announcement was made at a news conference at the Cottage on the FMU campus.

Macy, 28, replaces Valecia Tedder, who resigned on March 5 after five seasons on the Patriot bench. Macy becomes the 10th head coach in the storied history of the Francis Marion program, and the youngest new coach since Sherri Tynes took over the coaching reigns as a 27-year-old in 1988.

The Hamptonville, N.C., native comes to Francis Marion after two seasons as head coach at Pfeiffer University in Misenheimer, N.C. This past season, Macy guided the Falcons to a 26-5 record, the CVAC regular-season and tournament championships, and an appearance in the NCAA Division II national tournament. She was named the CVAC Coach of the Year, and her squad led the nation in scoring offense (83.8 ppg) at the end of the regular season.

In her first season, Macy guided Pfeiffer to a 14-15 mark after inheriting only four returnees from an 8-20 squad. Her Pfeiffer squad represented

the United States in the Barbados vs. USA Friendship Basketball Tour during the summer of 2006.

Her coaching resume also includes stints as an assistant coach at two Division I institutions, University of Maryland-Baltimore County and High Point University, and a pair of Division II schools, Lenoir-Rhyne College and Catawba College. In her six seasons as an assistant, her teams' combined records were 84-60.

Macy served as head coach for a USA Athletes International squad that toured Australia in 2004 and won a gold medal with a 7-0 mark at the Australian Youth Games. She is founder of The Focused 50 Basketball Camp.

"We are extremely excited to have Heather join our staff," Hartzler said. "She was identified early in the search process and was our number one



Heather Macy, FMU Women's Basketball Coach

choice. She has a background both at the Division I and II levels, and in just a short time, turned the Pfeiffer program into a national contender. We feel she possesses all the qualities needed to guide our program into the upper division of the Peach Belt Conference while recruiting quality student-athletes."

"I am very excited about this new challenge," Macy said. "I want to express my gratitude to (FMU president) Dr. Carter, athletic director Hartzler, and the administration for this opportunity.

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Nominations sought for Outstanding Staff Service Award

It is time again for Francis Marion University faculty and staff to make nominations for the Outstanding Staff Service Award. The award, established in 1999, honors two permanent, full-time, non-academic employees of Francis Marion University for sustained exceptional service in their jobs. These awards, which carry a \$1,000 cash prize and a plaque, will be presented at the annual staff luncheon, scheduled in July at a date to be announced. The awards recognize the outstanding contributions of employees to the university and community at large.

One award is designated for the university's service areas, including physical plant staff, custodians, groundskeepers and dining services. The second award is designated for academic and administrative support staff. Nominations are encouraged to honor those employees who are truly making a difference for FMU.

Nominations should be submitted no later than May 15, 2007, to the Communications Services Office, 116 Stokes Administration Building. A nomination form appears in this issue and is available to be submitted electronically from our website at www.fmarion.edu/news/. Contact Nancy Wright at 1220 for additional information.

Rogers Library offers "PASCAL Delivers"

Rogers Library is now offering "PASCAL Delivers" to its students, faculty and staff. The service allows users to request books from participating academic libraries in South Carolina. Requested books are delivered daily by courier service and are usually received at the library within a few business days.

To utilize the service, go directly to PASCAL's catalog on the Rogers Library home page at <http://www.fmarion.edu/academics/library/>.

Participating libraries include Clemson, the University of South Carolina, the College of Charleston, the Citadel, Florence-Darlington Technical College, South Carolina State, Aiken Technical College, Winthrop, Wofford, Coastal Carolina, Horry-Georgetown Technical College, Spartanburg Methodist, and FMU. Soon Lander, Furman, Presbyterian College, Bob Jones, and MUSC will add their holdings to the PASCAL union catalog.

Eventually the catalog will provide access to over 12,000,000 holdings in all South Carolina academic libraries in accredited institutions.

For now, users may only request books. For more information, go to <http://www.pascalcat.org>.

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"The emphasis they have placed on the women's basketball program was one of the drawing points for me. The successful history of the program was also very appealing."

"I look forward to establishing the program at a level of national prominence. The Peach Belt is one of the top Division II conferences, with top quality coaches and student-athletes.

"Because I am joining the program so early in the spring, I look forward to working with the players during off-season workouts and laying a foundation for 2007-08. It will give me a chance to introduce new terminology for the system we will utilize, and the core group of returning seniors has me excited about the possibilities next season."

Macy received a B.S. degree in sport and exercise studies (cum laude) from Greensboro College, where she was a four-year letterwinner on the basketball court. She ended her career 11th on the Pride's career scoring list (707 points) and in the top 10 for assists (207). In 2002, she earned a master's degree in human performance and recreation from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Upon her graduation, she quickly moved into the coaching ranks, accepting the position at Catawba.

The Francis Marion program has an all-time record of 675-335 in 34 seasons. The Patriots have captured two national championships, the 1982 AIAW Division II title and the 1986 NAIA title, and also advanced to the 1998 NCAA Division II Final Four. The program made five straight NCAA Division II Tournament appearances between 1997 and 2001.

Francis Marion loses only one senior from this past season's 6-22 squad that finished 3-13 in PBC play and placed sixth in the North Division standings.

Want the latest news about the Patriots?



Join the FMU sports e-mail list by e-mailing Michael Hawkins at mhawkins@fmarion.edu

FMU to honor Adele Kassab, April 3

Faculty and friends of Francis Marion University will honor long-time university supporter Adele Kassab in concert Tuesday, April 3, as part of FMU's First Tuesday Chamber Music Series.

The performance will take place at 8 p.m. in the Hyman Fine Arts Center's Kassab Recital Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

Honoree Adele Kassab has supported FMU since its inception in 1970. Kassab attended Converse and Coker colleges, where she pursued her love of music. She has spent her life involved in the studying, teaching and performing of music, serving as a piano teacher, choir member, choir director and pianist.

On April 24, 1982, in honor of her love of music and for the university, the Adele Kassab Recital Hall in the Hyman Fine Arts Center was named for her. She has been a major supporter of the university's music program. The Adele Kassab Music Scholarship has been awarded annually since 1971 to FMU students studying music. Kassab donated the concert grand Steinway piano in the recital hall to the university.

Kassab was a charter member of the Friends of Francis Marion, an organization of Pee Dee residents dedicated to helping the university by raising funds for student scholarships. She has also served on the FMU Foundation board and continues to serve on the committee that plans FMU's annual Art's Alive Festival.

Those performing at the First Tuesday event include: Benjamin Woods (piano); Terry Roberts (horn); Jane Gower (soprano); Fred Kunz (tenor); Rebecca Culbertson (piano); Craig Alberty (wind controlled synthesizer and saxophone); Kathy Henderson (piano); Sue Orr (soprano); and The Firenza Quartet consisting of Thelma Hawkins (violin), Starr Ward (violin), Sherry Woods (viola) and Julia Krebs (cello).



Faculty/Staff News

School of Business faculty members, **Neil Riley** and **Jerry Bilbrey**'s paper titled "The Use of Cluster Analysis in Determining Client Risk Tolerance", was awarded the Best Paper Award at the 2007 meeting of the American Society of Business and Behavior Sciences.

August E. Noll of Florence has joined the FMU staff as a craftsman.

Heather Macy of Hamptonville, N.C. has joined the FMU staff as head coach of the women's basketball team.

Larry Jordan, a former faculty member who taught ceramics for the Department of Fine Arts from August 1980 until May 1994, died on Saturday, March 17, in Norfolk, Va.

Human Resources Update

FMU offers health screenings on-site

On April 24, FMU employees and retirees whose primary insurance coverage is either the SHP Standard Plan, the SHP Savings Plan, BlueChoice HealthPlan, or CIGNA will have the opportunity to receive a preventive health screening at the Student Health Center in the McLeod building adjacent to campus.

This screening, a \$200 value, will be available for just a \$15 co-payment. Insurance pays the rest.

Within two weeks of the screening, participants will receive their personal health profile, highlighting any values outside the normal range. The report can be sent to the participant's physician or taken to the doctor at their next visit, which could result in financial savings.

The screening will include the following:

Health Behavior Risk Appraisal

- Family history
- Lifestyle information
- Clinical/medical data
- Blood pressure measurement
- Body height/weight measurement

Blood Chemistry Profile

- Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN) and creatinine tests to

help assess kidney function

- Glucose to assess risk for diabetes
- Electrolytes

Hemogram

- Red/white blood cell levels
- Hemoglobin concentration – number of chemical compounds which transport oxygen to and carbon dioxide from the body's tissues and organs
- Hematocrit amounts – number of red blood cells in entire blood stream

Lipid Profile

- Total cholesterol
- High density lipoproteins
- Low density lipoproteins
- Triglycerides

An educational brochure is available online at www.eip.sc.gov (click on Prevention Partners) or through the FMU Human Resources office if you are interested in a more detailed description of the screening components.

For more information or to register, contact Rebecca Culbertson, coordinator of benefits, at 1143 or email her at rculbertson@fmarion.edu.

FMU offers tuition assistance to employees

Full-time employees have the privilege of taking FMU classes under the tuition assistance program and have the tuition cost waived. There are currently 21 employees taking 33 courses during the Spring 2007 semester. Five employees earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in the Fall 2006 semester.

For faculty members to be eligible to apply for tuition assistance, they must be employed in a "slotted" position, have successfully completed six months of employment, and have been admitted to FMU through the appropriate admissions process.

For staff members to be eligible to apply for tuition assistance, they must be employed for at least 30 hours per week in a permanent "slotted" position, have satisfactorily completed six months of employment, and have been admitted to FMU through the appropriate admissions process.

Eligible faculty and staff members may apply to take up to six hours for academic credit (audit courses are not allowed under this policy) per semester at no charge, on a space available basis. Employees may take only one course per semester during normal working hours.

For more information or to obtain an application, contact Rebecca Culbertson, coordinator of benefits, at 1143 or email her at rculbertson@fmarion.edu.



Human Resources Update

McLeod offers health and fitness screenings

McLeod Health & Fitness is offering healthcare screenings throughout the month of April.

All screenings are held at the McLeod Health & Fitness Center located at 2437 Willwood Drive.

A blood pressure screening will be held Monday, April 2, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. A cholesterol, blood pressure and blood sugar screening will take place on Tuesday, April 10, between the hours of 7 and 10 a.m. and 5 and 7 p.m.

Another blood pressure screening will be held Monday, April 16, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The cost of the screenings is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members.

For more information, contact the McLeod Health & Fitness Center at 843-777-3000.

McLeod Health offers breast cancer screenings

McLeod Health is offering free breast cancer screenings on Tuesday, April 17, at McLeod Family Medicine Center at 555 E. Cheves Street. The screenings will take place from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

To register, contact McLeod Reservations & Scheduling at 843-777-2005 or 800-667-2005.

FMU offers scholarships

The sons, daughters, stepsons, and stepdaughters of members of the FMU family are eligible to receive scholarships in the amount of \$100 per semester as entering full-time FMU freshmen.

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Jobs On-Campus

(as of 3-28-07)

- Assistant Professor of Sociology (Gerontology/Health)
- Assistant/Associate/Professor of Management
- Assistant Professor of English
- Assistant Professor of Art Education
- Instructor of Chemistry
- Part-time, temporary grant writer for Center of Excellence activities
- Assistant Professor of Physics
- Assistant Professor of Speech Communications
- Assistant Professor of History (Public History/United States History)
- Coordinator of Multicultural Affairs
- Performing Arts Center Director
- Child Care Director
- Visiting Assistant Professor of Management
- Director of University Communications
- Custodian
- Police Officer
- Part-time adjunct English faculty
- Part-time, temporary reference librarian

Visit Human Resources
SAB 105, or call ext. 1140

Coming Up On Campus

APRIL

April 3	8 p.m.	First Tuesday Arts Event: Chamber Music and Art Exhibits, FMU Faculty and Friends honor Adele Kassab, Kassab Recital Hall
April 3-17	8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.	Art Gallery Series: Student Works by FMU Visual Arts Classes, UC Gallery
April 5	8 p.m.	FMU Jazz Express, McNair Auditorium
April 8	3 p.m.	Dooley Planetarium, Stars of the Spring and Summer, CEMC, Second Floor
April 10-May 5	8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.	Art Gallery Series: Senior Shows by graduating FMU Visual Arts Majors, HFAC Gallery
April 10	10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	Hewn-Timber Cabins open for public viewing
April 10	3:30 & 8 p.m.	Cinema 2006-07 Film Series: The Edukators, CEMC Auditorium

Patriot Digest Deadlines

Patriot Digest is published twice monthly and distributed on paydays. The schedule for the next edition is: **Copy Due** April 11 for **Publication** on April 13. Submit articles via e-mail at acrosland@fmarion.edu.

Questions or comments? Contact Angela Crosland at 1227.

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NOMINATION FORM

2007 OUTSTANDING STAFF SERVICE AWARD

FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY

Name of Nominee _____

Job Title of Nominee _____

Department Employed _____

Number of Years Nominee Employed at FMU _____

Why Should This Employee Be Recognized?

Describe How This Employee's Service Has Made a Difference at FMU. _____

Attach a resume, biographical information or any documents or materials that you deem appropriate to support your nomination. Include campus involvement, service on committees, community activities, etc.

Submitted by _____ Date _____

(Name of Person Making Nomination)

Return to Communications Services Office, 116 Stokes Administration Bldg., no later than May 15, 2007.

N: forms

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Nominations are encouraged to honor those employees who are truly making a difference for Francis Marion University. Nominations should be submitted no later than May 15, 2007, to the Communications Services Office, 116 Stokes Administration Bldg.

The following criteria have been established:

- (1) Recipients must be full-time, permanent employees of Francis Marion University with classification below major department head level. Department heads, vice presidents, deans and faculty members are not eligible for this award.
- (2) Recipients must have demonstrated exceptional service for a sustained period of time, exercising sound judgment and character in their work. Community service activities also will be considered.
- (3) New nominations are required each year. Nominations may be made by any administrative, faculty or staff member at Francis Marion University. Self nominations are not accepted.
- (4) The deadline for nominations is May 15, and should be made on a nomination form available on the back of this page or through the Communications Services Office. Supporting materials, such as campus involvement, service on committees, and community activities, should be included with the nomination form.
- (5) Nominations will be judged by a committee appointed by the president.
- (6) Past winners will not be eligible to receive the award a second time.

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