Here are a few items for this week's update.

Storybook Holiday. The Children's Literature Centre Storybook Holiday celebration was a great success – even though the weather was challenging at times. We anticipate seeing segments of the day in the upcoming broadcast on UPtv's "Small Town Christmas" on Sunday, Dec. 18. Use this <u>link</u> to visit a YouTube posting showing some of Saturday's events.

Regional Recreation Center. The visit with Craig Dixson, co-CEO and co-founder of The St. James in Springfield Va., went well, with several government officials attending. Mr. Dixson provided us with some valuable insight into what we should consider as we move forward with the project. The Maryland Stadium Authority continues to work with FSU on the conceptual design process.

Discussion on College Realignment. Thank you to Provost Taylor and the nearly 90 individuals who participated in the campus meeting yesterday afternoon to provide input as we consider different college realignment possibilities. I was able to stay for some of the discussions and heard thoughtful ideas being shared across the tables of faculty and staff.

Middle States Reaccreditation Process. We are in the early stages of our reaccreditation process, which culminates with a self-study and site visit in spring 2025. I encourage faculty interested in participating to respond to Faculty Senate Chair John Lombardi's email request. We have received a list of potential staff members nominated by the Staff Senate. As a reminder, Dr. Bittinger, Dr. Singh and Ms. Wilhelm have agreed to serve as co-chairs.

Holiday Concert. One of my favorite events is the annual holiday concert from the Department of Music. This year's concert will be held this Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Pealer Recital Hall.

My best wishes to all as we begin to wrap up the fall 2022 semester.

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