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Tuesday, January 15, 2013

**SPECIAL NOTICES:**

\* **TRAINING SESSIONS ON PRIVACY ISSUES:** To ensure that Eastern and its faculty and staff are in compliance with all legal and regulatory requirements related to privacy issues, a new training session has been developed by the Office of Business and Finance. The privacy training, which is mandatory for all faculty and staff, will be offered on several different dates in an effort to accommodate schedules, and will also be offered in an online format. Faculty and staff can attend either kind of session. The first public sessions are scheduled for:

Tuesday, January 15, 2 - 3 p.m., Halle Auditorium

Tuesday, January 22, 10 - 11 a.m., Halle Auditorium

Friday, January 25, 11 - Noon, Halle Auditorium

Monday, January 28, 11 - Noon, Halle Auditorium

Based on these sessions, a program will be developed for the on-line HR system called Success Factors, which will be available once developed. If you would like to arrange a training session for your department, please contact Margaret Tsilis at 487-3328. Participation is mandatory to attend one of the training sessions or complete on-line (once developed). No pre-registration is required. Additional dates will be announced. If you have any questions regarding privacy training, please contact Steve LaChance at 487-1490, or Andrea Jaeckel at 487-3328.

**INSTITUTIONAL STRATEGIC PLANNING OPEN FORUM:** Faculty, staff and students are invited to participate in an open forum about Eastern Michigan University's Institutional Strategic Planning process on Wednesday, January 16, from 10:30 a.m. to noon, in Room 310A of the Student Center. During the forum, an update will be provided on the activities initiated so far and participants will have an opportunity to provide feedback and discussion on draft mission, vision and values statements that have been developed by the Institutional Strategic Planning Council (ISPC). A recently completed Market Analysis conducted by Deloitte on behalf of Eastern also will be reviewed. Eastern Michigan University President Susan Martin and Professor of Economics Raouf Hanna, co-chair of the ISPC, will host the forum. This will be the first of several forums to review the process to date and to receive feedback and input.

PLANNED COMPUTING SYSTEM DOWNTIME: Monthly maintenance of EMU's computing systems will be performed on Friday, January 18, from 6 p.m. to midnight. During this month's maintenance program, the following major computer systems will be unavailable:

My.emich (including self-service faculty, student and employee tabs)

Banner

BOE

EMS (Event Planning)

Axiom

Blogs (blogs.emich.edu)

OmniUpdate

programreview.emich.edu

Linguist List

Workflow

irim.emich.edu

Red Lantern

Resource 25

fsaATLAS

IT Custom Webapps

Service Desk Express

Library Services

All other systems and services remain AVAILABLE including:

- Wired and Wireless Internet Access (residence halls, offices, and classrooms)

EMU-Online course management system ( <http://emuonline.edu> )

Online Hiring System ( [www.emujobs.com](http://www.emujobs.com) )

EagleMail (mail.emich.edu)

All planned maintenance for major EMU systems is scheduled in conjunction with the ERP-Business Operations Committee (BOC). The BOC includes representation from various campus units and Faculty Senate. Please contact the Help Desk at 487-2120 or [it.helpdesk@emich.edu](mailto:it.helpdesk@emich.edu) if you have any questions about this scheduled downtime. We appreciate your patience during this important and required system outage.

IT UPDATES AND INITIATIVES TO BE DISCUSSED: Carl Powell, Division of IT CIO, will provide updates on current IT initiatives and answer questions Friday, January 18, from 9 - 11 a.m., in Room 301, Halle Library - Carillon Room.

WINTER 2013 TUITION WAIVER DEADLINE: The deadline for submitting tuition waivers for Winter 2012 is Wednesday, January 16. All tuition waivers must be submitted to the Benefits Office, 140 McKenny Hall. You can also fax your waiver to 487-4389. Tuition waivers submitted after the deadline will not be accepted. For questions, contact Helene Neely at 487-3195, or [hneely@emich.edu](mailto:hneely@emich.edu).

GRADUATE RESEARCH FAIR NOMINATIONS: The 15th Annual Graduate Research Fair will be held Monday, March 18. The online nomination process for students to present is open. Go to Graduate Research Fair for more information. This event is a showcase of graduate student research and creative academic activities and includes oral presentations and poster displays using a professional conference format. The application deadline is Friday, January 18. Email Susan Anderson with questions at [susan.anderson@emich.edu](mailto:susan.anderson@emich.edu) or call the Graduate School at 487-0042. (01/18)

WINTERFEST EVENT HIGHLIGHTS DEPARTMENTS AT EMU: Student Government in collaboration with the Student Center Administration and Campus Life will host EaglePalooza today, January 15, 2 - 5 p.m., in the Student Center Ballrooms A & B. The event will highlight many of the departments the university offers.

UNDERGRADUATE SYMPOSIUM NOMINATION DEADLINE: The deadline for students to complete the online nomination process to presentation at the 33rd Undergraduate Symposium is today, January 15. This year's symposium is scheduled for Friday, March 22 and will be a showcase of EMU student research and creative academic activities through oral presentations, poster displays or Design Expo exhibits. Go to Symposium Nomination Submission for more information or contact Wendy Kivi with questions at [wkivi@emich.edu](mailto:wkivi@emich.edu) or call 487-3198.

**SUBMISSIONS TO EMU TODAY:** Please note, EMU TODAY is a internal daily e-blast sent to faculty and staff only. To submit an announcement or post an event, please forward your entry electronically to [emu\\_today@emich.edu](mailto:emu_today@emich.edu). Please be sure to format your entry with a title and include a description of the event, where the event will be held (room and building), the date and time, and a contact name, phone number and/or e-mail address. For questions, contact Debra Johnson at 487-2484.

**NOTE:** An asterisk denotes a new item.

### Lectures and Meetings

**GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETINGS:** Graduate Council meetings will be held during the following dates from 2:15 - 4 p.m., in Room 203, Marshall. Contact Susan Anderson at 487-0042 or email at [sanderson1@emich.edu](mailto:sanderson1@emich.edu) with questions.

Friday, January 18

Friday, February 15

Friday, March 15

Friday, April 12

**BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING:** The EMU Board of Regents will hold its first meeting in 2013 on Tuesday, February 19 in Room 201, Welch Hall. For additional information, go to the Board of Regents homepage or contact Vicki Reaume at 487-2410 or email [vicki.reaume@emich.edu](mailto:vicki.reaume@emich.edu). Meeting times will be announced at a later date.

### Seminars and Workshops

**NEUROBIOLOGIST CANDIDATES ON CAMPUS:** The Biology Department is conducting a search for a Neurobiologist. The following candidate seminars for the Neurobiologist position will be conducted. The campus community is welcome to attend.

Dr. Jennifer Cummings, from the Molecular & Behavioral Neuroscience Program at the University of Michigan will speak about "Neural Basis of Motivation: From a Female Perspective" on Friday, January 18, 12 - 1 p.m., 154 Mark Jefferson Science Complex.

Dr. Katherine Skaggs, from the Department of Neurology at the University of Michigan, will speak about "A Brain That Heals Itself: Neurogenesis and Regeneration in Response to Brain Injury in Zebrafish" on Wednesday, January 23, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., 154 Mark Jefferson Science Complex.

Dr. Susan Klinedinst, from the Department of Molecular, Cellular & Developmental Biology at the University of Michigan will talk about "The Wallenda Kinase Regulates Synaptic Structure, Injury Signaling and Axonal Transport Through Independent Pathways" on Friday, January 25, 12 - 1 p.m., 154 Mark Jefferson Science Complex.

Dr. Tom Mast, from the Department of Psychology at the University of Michigan will speak about "Thirst Enhances Chorda tympani Salt Responses" on Wednesday, January 30, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., 154 Mark Jefferson Science Complex.

### Activities and Events

WINTERFEST EVENTS PLANNED: Student Government in collaboration with the Student Center Administration and Campus Life will host a week of fun events during WinterFest. Below are the events scheduled for the week:

Student Center Vendor Celebration: Wednesday, January 16, 2 - 4 p.m., in the 1st floor of the Student Center. Students will be able to sample many of the foods offered by the eateries in the Student Center.

Outdoor Winter Celebration: Thursday, January 17, from 12 - 4 p.m., on the outdoor patio at the Student Center. Students will have an opportunity to listen to good music brought to them by Channel 95.5's Bomb Squad from 12 - 2 p.m. Students will see an ice carving, receive a caricature drawing of themselves, and be able to \*ice skate outside (\*weather permitting) while enjoying a free cup of hot chocolate.

Movie Night: Friday, January 18, 7:30 - 11:30 p.m., in the Student Center Auditorium. After a long week of hard work, students will be able to relax at one of the two movie showings of "Hotel Transylvania" - with free popcorn!

Please contact Desmond Miller, student body vice president at [dmille84@emich.edu](mailto:dmille84@emich.edu) or call 487-1471 with any questions.

MARTIN LUTHER KING CELEBRATION 2013: Tickets are now on sale for the 27th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. President's Luncheon, to be held Monday, January 21, in the Student Center Grand Ballroom. Doors open at 11:30 a.m., and the program starts at 11:45 a.m. The distinguished guest and keynote speaker is anti-racist activist/essayist, author and educator Tim Wise. Prices for luncheon tickets are \$10 for students; \$20 for faculty/staff/community members. Tickets can be purchased at the EMU Convocation Center ticket office and the Student Center ticket office, located on the 1st floor of the

Student Center. Go to the MLK 2013 Celebration homepage or contact Ron Reid at 487-2282 for more information.

\* **PANEL DISCUSSION:** As part of Black History Month, the Department of Africology and African American Studies presents keynote speaker Ravi Perry, Thursday, February 7, 1 - 4 p.m., in Room 310AB of the Student Center. Perry will talk about "President Barack Obama's Re-election: demography, race relations & emerging political issues." Panelists include Barbara Patrick, Eric Brown, Joseph Engwenyu, Ravi Perry, Gregg Barak and Robert Perry with Victor Okafor moderating. During the event, the winners of a student essay contest on Obama's presidency to be announced. Free refreshments will be available. This event is LBC credit approved. For more information, contact Victor Okafor at [vokafor@emich.edu](mailto:vokafor@emich.edu).

\* **SESI ENTREPRENEURSHIP CONFERENCE:** The Center for Entrepreneurship at the College of Business is proud to present the Sesi Entrepreneurship Conference Friday, February 8, at the Student Center. The Collegiate Entrepreneurs' Organization of EMU is hosting the event and students and faculty are invited to listen to entrepreneurs as they share their successes and failures. The Skandalaris Business Plan Competition will also be held the conference which includes a continental breakfast and a sit-down lunch. The event is FREE but online registration is required. ALL EMU students and faculty and staff are invited to attend. To register or read more about the conference, go to Sesi Entrepreneurship Conference homepage or contact Jessica Smith of CEO for more details via email at [jsmit204@emich.edu](mailto:jsmit204@emich.edu). (02/05)

#### Arts and Entertainment

**ANNUAL FACULTY AND GUEST ARTIST CONCERT:** Eastern and the Department of Music and Dance present "Merge, The 61st Annual Faculty & Guest Artist Concert," Friday, January 18, or Saturday, January 19 at 8 p.m., or Sunday, January 20 at 2 p.m. All performances will be in Quirk Theatre. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students. For tickets call 487-2282 or to purchase tickets online, go to EMU Tickets Online. The concert will offer a variety of style and diversity and is among the most comprehensive in the concert's history with music ranging from Modern to Classical Ballet.

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA WINTER DANCE PARTY:** Campus Life will be taking an excursion to the Max M. Fisher Music Center for a Winter Dance Party with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra on Saturday, January 26. This winter dance party presents the biggest hits of Richie Valens ("La Bamba"), The Big Bopper ("Chantilly Lace"), and the legendary Buddy Holly, "That'll Be the Day," "Words of Love," "Peggy Sue" and "True Love Ways," and more. We will meet at the Information Desk on the 2nd floor of the Student Center for check-in at 6:15 p.m. The departure time will be at 6:45 p.m and the return time will be approximately 11 p.m. The cost for this excursion is \$10 for students and \$35 for the general public.

The cost includes a bus ride and admission. Tickets can be purchased at all EMU Ticket Offices and are limited to one per EMU ID. Tickets go fast so please don't miss out.

Each ticket holder's complete participation is required when they purchase a ticket to an Eastern Excursion. This requires the ticket holder to ride the transportation and attend the event with the entire group. To purchase tickets, call or visit the EMU Ticket Office at 487-2282. When you have your ticket, you MUST complete an online registration form that can be found at Campus Life Excursions. For more information contact Campus Life at 487-3045, ext. 22038, or email at [campuslife@emich.edu](mailto:campuslife@emich.edu), or find us on Facebook at [fb.me/EMUcampuslife](https://fb.me/EMUcampuslife) and check out our Twitter @EMUcampuslife.

WORLD PREMIERE READING SHAKES THE EARTH AT EMU THEATRE: Eastern Michigan University Theatre invites you to Shaking Earth, a new play for family audiences by EMU faculty member Patricia Zimmer. Performances run Friday through Sunday, January 25-27, in the Sponberg Theatre in the Quirk Dramatic Arts Building. Ticket prices are \$7, no further discounts apply. Tickets are available by phone at 734-487-2282, in person at the Convocation Center, the Student Center ticket office or the Quirk Box Office. To purchase tickets online visit: [www.emutix.com](http://www.emutix.com). For more information, go to EMU Theatre or, fan us on Facebook: Eastern Michigan University Theatre or follow us on Twitter: [emutheatre](https://twitter.com/emutheatre).

\* URINETOWN: THE MUSICAL COMES TO QUIRK THEATRE: EMU Theatre is ready to warm up your winter with the award-winning musical comedy, "Urinetown: The Musical." Directed by Pirooz Aghssa, with musical direction by Howard Cass, Urinetown: The Musical will run February 15-17 and February 21-24, in Quirk Theatre. Ticket prices are \$15 regular admission, \$12 for students and seniors, \$9 for MAINSTAGE patrons, and \$7 for children ages 10-12 (not recommended for younger audiences), no further discounts apply. Tickets are available by phone at 487-2282 or in person at the Convocation Center, the Student Center ticket office or the Quirk Box Office. To purchase tickets online visit: [emutix.com](http://emutix.com). Please note that there is an additional processing fee for tickets purchased by phone or online. For more information about EMU Theatre, our season or directions to our theatres, visit EMU Theatre or, fan us on Facebook: Eastern Michigan University Theatre or follow us on Twitter: [emutheatre](https://twitter.com/emutheatre).

TIESTO: CLUB LIFE COLLEGE INVASION TOUR BRINGS DJ TO CONVOCATION CENTER: Tiesto: Club Life College Invasion Tour brings the world's biggest DJ for a return engagement to the EMU Convocation Center, Wednesday, February 27. Tickets can be purchased online at [emutix.com](http://emutix.com) or call 487-2282. Tickets are \$40 for the Main Floor and \$30 for the Lower Bowl. Students can purchase the lower bowl tickets at a student rate of \$20 in person at any EMU ticket office. For more information go to the convocation website or visit the convocation center facebook page.

## Athletics

Visit the EMU Athletics homepage for information about all Eagles athletic games, schedules, rosters and much more. For ticket information, go to EMU Tickets or call the ticket office at 487-2282.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TAKES ON TOLEDO:** The EMU women's basketball team will play against Toledo on Wednesday, January 16, at 7 p.m., at the Convocation Center. The game will be televised on ALL-ACCESS and can also be heard on WEMU (89.1 News Radio). The next game will be against Bowling Green on Sunday, January 27, at 2 p.m. For the complete basketball schedule, go to 2013 Women's Basketball schedule or click on Women's Basketball homepage for more information. For information on tickets, go to EMU Tickets or call the EMU ticket office at 487-2282.

**MEN'S TRACK INVITATIONAL:** Show your support for the Men's track team at the Harvey-Simmons Invitational on Saturday, January 19, in Ann Arbor. For upcoming track meets, go to Men's Track & Field schedule or click on the Men's Track homepage for more information.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL WILL TAKE ON MIAMI:** The EMU men's basketball team will play against Miami, Saturday, January 19, at 2 p.m., at the Convocation Center. The game will be televised on ALL-ACCESS and can also be heard on WEMU (89.1 News Radio). For the complete basketball schedule, go to 2013 Men's Basketball schedule or click on Men's Basketball homepage for more information. For information on tickets, go to EMU Tickets or call the EMU ticket office at 487-2282.

**WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS VS. BOWLING GREEN:** The EMU Women's gymnastics team will face Bowling Green, Saturday, January 26, at 7 p.m. at Bowen Field House. For the complete schedule, go to 2013 Women's Gymnastics schedule or click on Women's Gymnastics homepage for more information.

**WOMEN'S TENNIS VS. DETROIT TITANS:** The EMU Women's tennis team will take on the Detroit Titans tennis team, Friday, February 1, at 1 p.m., at Chippewa Club. For the complete schedule, go to 2013 Women's Tennis schedule or click on Women's Tennis homepage for more information.

**MEN'S WRESTLING VS. KENT STATE:** The Men's wrestling team will take on Kent State, Friday, February 1, at 7 p.m., at Bowen Field House. To see upcoming meets, go to 2013 Men's Wrestling schedule or click on Wrestling homepage for more information.

**MEN'S SWIM & DIVE TEAM VS. MIAMI:** The EMU Men's Swimming & Diving team will take on Miami, Saturday, February 2, at 1 p.m. at Jones Natatorium. For upcoming meets, go to 2013 Swim & Dive schedule or click on Swim & Dive homepage for more information.

**WOMEN'S TRACK MAC CHAMPIONSHIPS:** EMU will host the MAC Championships Friday, February 22 - Saturday, February 23, at Bob Parks Track. For upcoming track meets, go to Women's Track schedule or click on the Women's Track & Field homepage for more information.

#### Reminders

**EMU-ONLINE LAUNCHES MOBILE APP:** Through the use of smartphones, online learning at EMU just got easier! A new option is now available to students using Android or Apple phones with app functionality. The new app provides another option for students to participate in discussions, view course announcements and even grades for their online classes. For more information on the mobile app view the official press release. If you or any of your students are experiencing issues in downloading or using the app please send an email to [emuonline@emich.edu](mailto:emuonline@emich.edu). To read more, go to EMU press release on new APP.

**DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY UPDATES:** If your Department Directory listing is not accurate, please send the updated information to: [dept\\_directory@emich.edu](mailto:dept_directory@emich.edu). For questions, contact Debra Burke at 487-6895 or by e-mail at [dburke15@emich.edu](mailto:dburke15@emich.edu). Please note that personal directory listings are populated by Banner and you will need to contact Academic HR or Staff HR to update personal listings.

**POST AN EVENT TO THE EVENTS CALENDAR:** To submit a new event, click on Submit an Event, or go to the EMU website, click "calendars," then click the green button labeled "Submit an Event" (located on the bottom left) and enter your event information. If you need help or have questions, please contact Debra Johnson at [djohn144@emich.edu](mailto:djohn144@emich.edu) or call 487-2484. All events are subject to approval.

## Scholarships

SEARCH SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: To find out about current scholarship opportunities, go to [search scholarships](#).

On this day...On this day in 1943 - The Pentagon was dedicated as the world's largest office building just outside Washington, D.C., in Arlington, VA. The structure covers 34 acres of land and has 17 miles of corridors.

Quote: "The shortest period of time lies between the minute you put some money away for a rainy day and the unexpected arrival of rain. - Jane Bryant Quinn

Fact: Thomas Nast (September 27, 1840 - December 7, 1902) was a German-born American caricaturist and editorial cartoonist who is considered to be the "Father of the American Cartoon". Among his notable works were the creation of the modern version of Santa Claus and the political symbol of the elephant for the Republican Party. Contrary to popular belief, Nast did not create Uncle Sam (the male personification of the American people), Columbia (the female personification of American values), or the Democratic donkey, though he did popularize these symbols through his art.