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Thursday, March 21, 2013

SPECIAL NOTICES:

* **WEMU NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FOR SPRING PLEDGE DRIVE:** WEMU needs volunteers to answer phones and take pledges during their Spring On-Air Pledge Drive, **Thursday, April 4** through **Thursday, April 12**, in the WEMU studios located on the fourth floor of King Hall. Shifts are a minimum of two hours and run between 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekdays, 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday, and 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday. Lots of great food and beverages donated from area restaurants. Students are eligible for community service credit. Sign up by phone at 487-2229 or online at www.wemu.org.

* **ATTENTION FULL-TIME TENURE TRACK FACULTY:** Are you interested in engaging your students in community-based learning? Become a Fall 2013 Academic Service-Learning (AS-L) Faculty Fellow. Academic service-learning is a teaching methodology which engages students in community service as a means of helping them gain a deeper understanding of course objectives, acquire new knowledge, and engage in civic activity.

As an AS-L Faculty Fellow you would receive one course released time for Fall 2013, attend a weekly two-hour semester-long seminar of sharing, exploring, and learning about AS-L with other faculty members, and a revised course syllabus or creative/scholarly initiative with students which integrates an AS-L experience. For more information call the Office of Academic Service-Learning at 487-6570 or email Jessica 'Decky' Alexander, AS-L Director at jalexand1@emich.edu. Deadline for receipt of application is Friday, April 5, 2013.

* **STUDENT EMPLOYMENT SUMMER & FALL 2013 HIRES:** You may begin hiring your summer and fall 2013 students now with an effective date of 05/01/2013 or later. They will automatically terminate 04/30/2014. All currently working students will automatically terminate on 04/30/2013. Please process a rehire epaf with an effective date of 05/01/2013 if they intend to continue employment in your area. For questions, please contact Crystal Walrath at cwalrath@emich.edu or call 487-1304.

* **HOLMAN SUCCESS CENTER IS NOW HIRING TUTORS:** The Holman Success Center (located in G04 Halle Library) is currently hiring tutors for the Summer and Fall 2013. High demand courses are: Math, Chemistry, Biology, Physics, and Computer Science. The peer tutoring program is certified by the College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA), an international tutor training certification. If you are interested in applying, please fill out a tutor application and attach a copy of your unofficial transcript. Applications are available in G04 Halle Library and on our website at: <http://www.emich.edu/hsc/peer/>

* **GRE PREPARATION COURSE:** There is a Princeton Review GRE Preparation Course being offered by the McNair Scholars Program. The cost to EMU students is \$350 (for a \$1500 course). The course will take place every Monday and Thursday starting Monday, May 6 through Monday, June 10 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. To apply, please contact kbrown4@emich.edu or call 487-8240. The deadline is Monday, April 5.

BREAKING BOUNDARIES: WOMEN AT THE FOREFRONT OF CHANGE: Eastern Michigan University is 'Breaking Boundaries' with Women's History Month March 2013. Produced by the Department of Women's and Gender Studies and the Women's Resource Center, the celebration runs through the month of March. Eighteen diverse events that include panel discussions, films, an art exhibit, a musical performance, a hip hop showcase, and a live demonstration of metalsmithing techniques, will draw students, faculty, staff, alumni and interested community members to campus. Please visit the [Women's History Month Calendar of Events](#) to for the full calendar of events and a list of the sponsors.

SUMMER 2013 TUITION WAIVER DEADLINE: The deadline for submitting tuition waivers for Summer 2013 is **Wednesday, May 15**. 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 Wednesday, May 15 will be denied. For questions, contact Helene Neely at 487-3195, or hneely@emich.edu.

STUDENTS CAN EARN LBC-3 CREDIT AT THE UNDERGRADUATE SYMPOSIUM: Any student who attends a full session of oral presentations, reviews a poster display session, or examines the exhibits in the Design Expo can earn LBC-3 credits during the Undergraduate Symposium on Friday, March 22. To document attendance, students must stop by the LBC table located near the 2nd floor information area upon arrival. For more information about LBC credit at the the Symposium, please contact Theresa Dark at tdark@emich.edu. Visit the [Undergraduate Symposium website](#) for more information.

TRAINING SESSIONS ON PRIVACY ISSUES: To ensure that Eastern and its faculty and staff are in compliance/legal and regulatory requirement 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, is offered on several different dates and times in an effort to accommodate schedules, and will also be offered in an online format. Faculty and staff can attend any of the sessions listed below:

- **Thursday, March 28**, 1 - 2 p.m., Halle Auditorium
- **Monday, April 8**, 11 - Noon, Halle Auditorium

Based on these sessions, a program will be developed for the on-line HR system called Success Factors. 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 to complete on-line (once developed). Additional dates will be announced. If you have any questions regarding privacy training, contact Steve LaChance at 487-1490 or Andrea Jaeckel at 487-3328.

REQUIRED SAFETY AWARENESS, HAZARD COMMUNICATION TRAINING: Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) will be conducting safety awareness & hazard communication training over the next four months. This is required for all EMU employees who have not yet taken this training and for those who may need a refresher. It is open to all employees and student employees, and provides information on the safety systems, practices and expectations to maintain a safe campus community. Available sessions are:

- **Friday, April 12**, 1- 2:30 p.m., in Room 302, Halle Library
- **Friday, May 10**, 1- 2:30 p.m., in Room 302, Halle Library
- **Friday, June 14**, 1- 2:30 p.m., in Room 302, Halle Library

To register, contact EHS at 487-0794 or email at environmental_health_safety@emich.edu.

PHILOSOPHY SPEAKER TO SPEAK: EMU welcomes Coeli Fitzpatrick, professor of philosophy at Grand Valley State University as she speaks on "*Averroes among the Moderns: How a Thinker is Shaped (and Misshaped) for the Legacy of Medieval Islam*," **tonight, March 21**, 5:30 - 7 p.m., in Room 213, Pray-Harrold. This talk considers the history of the "Averroesian phenomenon," examining the promotion and denigration of Averroes' philosophy as part of a larger phenomenon: the battle for ideas and struggle over the portrayal of Islam. This event is free and open to the public and is approved for LBC credit. Contact Peter Higgins at 487-0419 or email at phiggin1@emich.edu for more information.

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. 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

NYT JAM SESSION FOR FACULTY TO LEARN ABOUT FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS: Interested faculty should join Carla Damiano for an open discussion about the Fulbright Scholar Program - an international educational exchange program on **Tuesday, March 26**, 12:30 - 2 p.m., in Room 109B, Halle Library. During the session, Damiano will talk about opportunities to study, teach and conduct research, exchange ideas and contribute to finding solutions to shared international concerns with Fulbright scholarships. Lunch will be provided. Sponsored by the EMU Faculty Development Center and The New York Times. Contact Carla Damiano at cdamiano@emich.edu or call 487-0130 for more information.

GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING: A Graduate Council meeting will be held **Friday, April 12**, from 2:15 - 4 p.m., in Room 300, Halle Library. Please contact Susan Anderson at 487-0042 or email at sanderson1@emich.edu with questions.

EMU FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING: The Eastern Michigan University Foundation Board of Trustees will meet **Friday, May 10**, at 1:00 p.m., at the Eagle Crest Golf Clubhouse. The public is welcome to attend. For information, call Maria Cyars, 481-2304 or email at mcyars@emich.edu.

Seminars and Workshops

LUNCH AND LEARN SESSIONS: Human Resources is pleased to offer the following *Lunch and Learn Sessions* for the Winter 2013 semester. Go to [Lunch and Learn Registration](#) to register using Survey Monkey. All sessions will be held in the Human Resources Training Suite, Room 100. Anyone who might have registered via eTraining is still reserved.

- "Interviewing Skills and EMU Job Searching" - **Wednesday, March 27**, 12 - 2 p.m. Learn interviewing techniques and guidelines for making a positive impression during your next interview. This session will help attendees learn to control anxiety during the interview process. The session will also touch on social media tools to stay up-to-date and informed on open EMU positions. Presenters: Samuel Buttigieg, Director of Compensation & Employment and Katie Aeschliman, Recruitment Coordinator and Jessica Grassmyer, Recruitment Coordinator.
- "Image You!" - **Wednesday, April 3**, 12 - 2 p.m. An interactive workshop designed to help women improve their leadership skills will be held on During the workshop, Stephanie Robinson, director of Benefit Programs will discuss career planning, image control, communication styles and relationship management will be among the topics discussed. Women in all employment classifications and any stage of career are invited to participate in the workshop and share personal experiences.
- "Affirmative Action Update" - **Thursday, April 11**, 12 - 2 p.m. Come learn everything you want to know about affirmative action. Presented by Sharon Abraham, director of Diversity and Affirmative Action.

If you have any questions, please contact Allison Gordon at 487-3430 or e-mail at hr_tod@emich.edu.

SUMMER WRITING CAMP FOR YOUTH: The Eastern Michigan Writing Project (EMWP) is pleased to announce *Inkstains*, a summer writing camp for middle and high school students on the campus of EMU. The middle school writer's camp is scheduled for Monday, July 8 to Friday, July 12. The high school writer's camp is scheduled for Monday, July 15 to Friday, July 19. The camp runs Monday -Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The cost of the camp is \$200. For more information or to request a brochure and application, please contact Kim Pavlock, EMWP Youth and Family Programs Coordinator at kpavlock@emich.edu. Visit the [Inkstains Camp Brochure and Application](#) for more information.

Activities and Events

UNDERGRADUATE SYMPOSIUM: The 33rd Undergraduate Symposium will be held **Friday, March 22**, in the Student Center. This year's event will feature 214 oral presentations, 88 poster displays, and 60 Design Expo exhibits that will be presented by 430 students representing all academic disciplines. Come see the research our students have accomplished. Free and open to the public. For more information, visit the [Undergraduate Symposium website](#) or contact Wendy Kivi at 487-3198 or email at wkivi@emich.edu.

MICHIGAN COLLEGIATE JOB FAIR: EMU'S bi-annual Michigan Collegiate Job Fair (MCJF) is one of the state's largest career fairs, bringing graduating seniors and alumni from Michigan's colleges and universities together with over 120 employers to begin their job search. The upcoming fair will take place on **Friday, March 22**, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Burton Manor in Livonia, MI. Candidates may pre-register online through March 20 for \$10; thereafter candidates may register on-site the day of the fair at a cost of \$15. Additional information can be found online at www.mcjf.org. For additional information, contact Ebony Jones at 487-0400 or ejones49@emich.edu.

BEST BUDDIES MICHIGAN FRIENDSHIP WALK: EMU and the U of M Best Buddies programs are teaming up to spread awareness about disabilities by hosting a Friendship 1-mile Walk, **Sunday, March 24**, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Gallup Park, 3000 Fuller Road in Ann Arbor. \$15 per registrant by **March 20**, \$20 on day of walk. All proceeds go towards the EMU and U of M Best Buddies programs. To register online or for donations, go to [Best Buddies Friendship Walk](#) or call Megan Hoorn at 248-974-7847 or email her at Vis_bestbuddies@emich.edu.

THE SECOND CITY IMPROVISATION COMEDY GROUP COMING TO EMU: The departments of Risk Management and Diversity & Affirmative Action are hosting the event *"How to Manage and Respond to Bullying, Generational Differences and Violence in the Workplace"* on **Tuesday, April 9**, from 9 - 11:30 a.m., in Room 201, Welch Hall. The workshop is presented by the highly acclaimed Second City Communications improvisation comedy group. This interactive, humorous session will help employees explore the behavioral side of these sensitive issues. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Contact Carol Wilkins at cwilkins@emich.edu or 487-1055.

EXPLORE THE POWERHOUSES OF THE UNIVERSE AT THE PLANETARIUM: The EMU planetarium will feature the movie "*Stars*," **Friday, April 12** and **Friday, April 26**, at 7 p.m., in the Mark Jefferson Science Complex. "*Stars*," narrated by actor Mark Hamill, is the Sudekum Planetarium's first original full-dome, digital production. Adventure Science Center collaborated with the National Space Centre in Leicester, England, to create this stunning 26-minute show exploring the powerhouses of the universe and our relationship with the night sky throughout history. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased online at [EMU Tickets](#). For more on the movie, go to [Stars Movie](#). Recommended age for the movie is 13 years and older. Following the movie, participants will get to enjoy a live demonstration of the current night sky locally. Space is limited. Contact Norbert Vance at nvance@emich.edu or Tom Kasper at tkasper@emich.edu for further details about the planetarium.

TRUEMU DAY AT EASTERN MARKET IN DOWNTOWN DETROIT: Shop with your TRUEMU friends or make new ones at Detroit's historic Eastern Market on **Saturday, April 20**. The day starts with a short presentation at 9 a.m. in Shed 5 off Alfred Street. After the presentation, receive a special "I LOVE EASTERN" recycled heavy duty grocery tote bag, which will provide you with discounts at a few selected Eastern Market businesses the rest of the day. TRUEMU students, faculty/staff and alumni and their friends and family are welcomed and encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Ted Coutilish at 487-2483 or tcoutili@emich.edu.

Arts and Entertainment

THEATRE OF THE YOUNG DEBUTS NEW TOURING PRODUCTION: EMU's Theatre of the Young will present "*Taking Flight: Tales of Courage*" on **Friday, March 22**, at 7 p.m., in Room 310, in the Student Center. This premiere was written by two EMU graduate students, Jason and Tori Tomalia, and is directed by Tori Tomalia. In addition to this public performance, the show will tour to area elementary schools throughout March and April. Admission is free, but donations are gladly accepted. For more information, please call 487-1220 or email_cmta_dtfy@emich.edu.

MOVIE - "IMAGES FROM DETROIT'S CASS CORRIDOR": Directed by Shaun Bangert and Kathryn Brackett Luchs, the movie *"Images from Detroit's Cass Corridor,"* will be shown on **Wednesday, March 27**, at 5:30 p.m., in the Halle Library Auditorium. In this film, artists share their personal visions by being in geographical proximity to one another, making works that mark an era in Detroit's history that is now regarded as being highly significant. During the late 1960s and through the 1970s, some artists living in Detroit explored alternative, inventive and personal approaches to making art.

The film is a tense, visual montage combining original silent footage with new information that brings to light the mood and art of the time. Artists presented in the movie include John Egner, Steve Foust, Michael Luchs, Nancy Mitchnick, Gordon Newton, Ellen Phelan, Paul Schwarz and Robert Sestok. Original music by Mick Vranich accompanies this illuminating documentary. For more information, contact Greg Tom at gtom@emich.edu or Julie Myers at jmyers@emich.edu.

HONORS EXHIBITION: Each year, the Art Department awards over \$30,000 in various scholarships to students on both a need and merit basis. The Honors Exhibition will run from **Monday, March 25 to Wednesday, April 3**, in the Ford Gallery giving these talented students an opportunity to showcase their work. Visit [2013 Honors Show](#) for more information.

EMU THEATRE PRESENTS WEDDING BAND: A LOVE/HATE STORY IN BLACK AND WHITE: EMU Theatre is pleased to present *"Wedding Band: A Love/Hate Story in Black and White"* beginning **Friday, April 5 to Sunday, April 14**, at the Sponberg Theatre, in the Quirk Dramatic Arts Building. Ticket prices are \$15 regular admission, \$12 for students and seniors, \$9 for MAINSTAGE patrons, no further discounts apply. Tickets are available by phone at 487-2282 and in person at the Convocation Center, the Student Center ticket office or the Quirk Box Office. Go to [Purchase Tickets Online](#) or visit [EMU Theatre](#) for more information.

GRADUATE THESIS EXHIBITION: Born in Michigan, Adam Ostrowski's work has been shown both regionally and nationally. Though his aesthetic comes from an interest in decorative ornamentation, the content of his work revolves around body image and power in social and sexual relationships. The exhibition will showcase from **Monday, April 8 to Friday, April 12** in the Ford Gallery. Visit [Adam Ostrowski Exhibition](#) for more information.

Athletics

GO EAGLES: 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 SOFTBALL CHARGING ALONG: The Women's softball team will take on Oakland University on **Wednesday, March 27**, 3 p.m., at Varsity Field. Their next home game will be against Central Michigan on Saturday, March 30, at 2 p.m. For the complete schedule, go to [2013 Women's Softball schedule](#).

WOMEN'S TENNIS UPDATE: Women's tennis will play at home **Saturday, March 30**, at 1 p.m. against Toledo. For the complete schedule, go to [2013 Women's Tennis schedule](#) or click on [Women's Tennis homepage](#) for more information.

MEN'S TRACK TWILIGHT: Men's track will be at home for the EMU Twilight **Friday, April 19 - Saturday, April 20**. For the complete schedule, go to [Men's Track & Field schedule](#) or click on the [Men's Track homepage](#) for more information.

Reminders

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY UPDATES: If your Department Directory listing is not accurate, please send the updated information to: dept_directory@emich.edu. For questions, contact Debra Burke at 487-6895 or by e-mail at 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 or call 487-2484. All events are subject to approval.

Scholarships

2013/2014 WOMEN'S COMMISSION SCHOLARSHIP: Applications are being accepted for the 2013/2014 EMU Women's Commission Scholarship. Please download the application at: <http://www.emich.edu/finaid/scholarships.php>. This scholarship is open to both admitted undergraduate and graduate students who plan to be or are enrolled at least half-time. This is a one-time scholarship for the academic year (the award will be split evenly between fall 2013 and winter 2014 semesters). If you meet the additional required criteria, **please submit all documentation by April 30, 2013**. For questions regarding the scholarship, please contact the Office of Financial Aid at 487-0455.

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

On this day..

On this day in 1826 - The Rensselaer School in Troy, NY, was incorporated. The school became known as Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and was the first engineering college in the U.S.

Quote:

"I have only made this letter rather long because I have not had time to make it shorter." - **Blaise Pascal**

Fact:

Sir Henry Morton Stanley, born **John Rowlands**, Kongo byname Bula Matari ("Breaker of Rocks") (January 28, 1841 – May 10, 1904), was a Welsh American journalist and explorer famous for his exploration of central Africa and his search for Scottish missionary and explorer **David Livingstone**. Upon finding Livingstone, Stanley allegedly uttered the now-famous greeting, "Dr. Livingstone, I presume?" Stanley is also known for his discoveries in and development of the Congo region. He was knighted in 1899.