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Monday, July 15, 2013

SPECIAL NOTICES:

* **PLANNED COMPUTING SYSTEM DOWNTIME:** There will be a planned computing system downtime on **Friday, July 19**, 6 p.m. to midnight. Monthly maintenance of EMU's computing systems is routinely performed on Friday evening from 6 p.m. to midnight. During this month's maintenance program, the following major computer systems will be unavailable:

- Banner
- Banner Self-Service (faculty, student and employee tabs in my.emich)
- my.emich
- EMU Website (www.emich.edu)
- BOE
- Library Catalog
- Mailing Lists

For a full list of all systems affected please visit IT's systems outage page:
<http://it.emich.edu/portal/systems/index.cfm?fuseaction=all>

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)
- 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 if you have any questions about this scheduled downtime. We appreciate your patience during this important and required system outage.

REQUIRED MIOSHA TRAINING FOR EMU EMPLOYEES: MIOSHA has updated the Hazard Communication Standard (Employees Right to Know) by adopting the Global Harmonization System. These changes to the standard require all employees to receive updated training by the December 1, 2013 deadline. All training sessions will be in room 300 in Halle. The July training schedule is as follows:

- **Tuesday, July 16**, 5 - 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday, July 24**, 6 - 7 a.m.

Additional training sessions will be offered through November. If you would like to schedule a training session for your department, please contact Environmental Health & Safety (EAS) at 487-0794 or environmental_health_safety@emich.edu. EHS will work with departments to ensure all EMU employees are trained by the deadline.

2012-2013 PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS ARE DUE AUGUST 31: It's time to finalize your 2013 performance evaluations that cover the period from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. The performance management process for AP, PT, AH, AC, CC, CS, CP, and PS employees must be completed and all documents on file with Human Resources by **Saturday, August 31**.

AP, PT, AH, CC, CS, AC Only:

All performance evaluations are to be completed using the online SuccessFactors system. Instructions can be found at the following link:

<http://www.emich.edu/hr/tod/performance/sfms.php>

Access to SuccessFactors is achieved via the Employee tab of your my.emich portal. Log in to my.emich, click the Employee tab, and the link is located in the right-hand column under the Training and Development logo. Instructor led training is being offered to the campus. Registration is required prior to training attendance and can be completed at the SurveyMonkey link listed below the training dates.

All of training sessions will be held in room 100 of McKenny Hall, Training Suite.

- **Thursday, July 18**, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
- **Wednesday, July 24**, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
- **Tuesday, July 30**, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
- **Thursday, August 1**, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- **Tuesday, August 6**, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
- **Thursday, August 8**, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- **Tuesday, August 13**, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
- **Thursday, August 15**, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
- **Tuesday, August 20**, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
- **Wednesday, August 21**, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- **Thursday, August 22**, 9:30 - 11 a.m.
- **Wednesday, August 28**, 9:30 - 11 a.m.

To register for a training session follow the link below or copy the link into your web browser.

[Click here, to register for a SuccessFactors class with SurveyMonkey](#)

Additional training sessions will be created if needed, and a subsequent announcement will be emailed. Specific questions may be directed to Anita Schnars, Director Training and Organizational Development at aschnars@emich.edu or Allison Gordon, TOD Assistant at hr_tod@emich.edu.

EMPLOYMENT PROCESS TRAINING SESSION: The Human Resource units on campus have made changes to the processes involving how employees are hired, paid and/or entered into Banner. The changes are necessary in order to properly monitor hours worked (in accordance with the Affordable Care Act) as well as to be in compliance with the newest version of the Form I-9 (eligibility to work form). If you have responsibilities which involve the hiring (or originating ePAFs) **OR** approving hires/ePAFs of: student employees, Graduate Assistants (GAs, GIs, GSs, etc.), staff, employee consultants, or independent contractors, please plan to attend the information session on **Wednesday, July 17**, 9 - 10:30 a.m., in the Halle Auditorium. Contact Sam Buttigieg sbuttigi@emich.edu or Crystal Walrath cwalrath@emich.edu with any questions.

EMPLOYMENT PROCESS TRAINING SESSION: Human Resource will conduct a employment process training session **today, July 15**, 9 - 10:30 a.m., in the Halle Auditorium. If you have responsibilities which involve the hiring (or originating ePAFs) **OR** approving hires/ePAFs of: student employees, Graduate Assistants (GAs, GIs, GSs, etc.), staff, employee consultants, or independent contractors, please plan to attend the information session. Contact Sam Buttigieg sbuttigi@emich.edu or Crystal Walrath cwalrath@emich.edu with any questions.

DISSERTATION DEFENSE: Lynn Methner, from the department of leadership and counseling will defend her dissertation on, *"The Relationship Between Organizational Culture and the Implementation of Response to Intervention in One Elementary School,"* **today, July 15,** 10 a.m., room 300B/C, Porter.

SUBMISSIONS IN EMU TODAY: Please note, **EMU TODAY** is an 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

THESIS DEFENSE: Bethany Gourley, from the psychology department, will defend her thesis, *"Validation of the Adapted CogState Brief Battery in Hematopoietic Cell Transplant Survivors,"* **Friday, July 19,** 1:30 p.m., room 327, Science Complex. For more information, contact Ashley Stauffer at 487-1155.

DISSERTATION DEFENSE: Syreeta Scott, M.S. from the Psychology Department, will defend her dissertation, *"The Association between Attachment-Related Trauma and Adult Representations of Attachment and the Role of Maternal Mental Health,"* **Tuesday, July 23,** 4:15 p.m., room 327 Science Complex. For more information, contact Ashley Stauffer at 487-1155.

Seminars and Workshops

WEEK-LONG TEACHER SEMINAR OFFERED: Extended Programs & Educational Outreach at EMU is pleased to offer a week-long seminar "*Witnesses to the Holocaust*," **Monday, August 12 - Friday, August 16**, at the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills, MI. The seminar will build an instructor's content base through the latest academic and instructional practices, making lessons about the Holocaust understandable and meaningful for students. Teachers will become familiar with the extensive primary resources available through the museum survivor network, library, and beyond and will develop a lesson plan to be shared with other participants at the conclusion of the seminar. Space is limited and registration is required by Friday, August 2. Seminar tuition is \$100 (SCECH eligible). For more information, go to <http://www.ep.emich.edu/holocaust>).

Activities and Events

FAREWELL PARTY FOR JON MARGERUM-LEYS: The College of Education cordially invites the campus community to a retirement party for Jon Margerum-Leys on **Thursday, August 1**, 3 - 5 p.m., room 300 in the Student Center. Remarks will be presented at 4 p.m. If you have questions, please contact Pauline Banks at 487-1415 or email at pbanks@emich.edu.

VISIT THE GREEN TENT AT THE HERITAGE FESTIVAL: Stop by and visit the GREEN TENT at the Heritage Festival on **Friday, August 16 through Sunday, August 18**, 12 - 6 p.m., at Riverside Park in Depot Town. Sponsored by the City of Ypsilanti and EMU. Visit with folks from the Huron River Watershed Council, sustainably focused vendors, MIDEQ and the Washtenaw County Solid Waste coordinator and learn more about how you can contribute. They will have educational displays, workshops and children's activities such as painting and a butterfly tent. The GREEN tent will be located on the southeast end of the festival, near the river and Native American Encampment. Hope to see you there!

EMU PLANETARIUM'S SUMMER SHOW LINE-UP: The EMU planetarium has a "star-studded" line-up of movies planned to entertain and educate its audiences. All shows will be viewed in the planetarium, located at 402 Mark Jefferson Science Complex. Tickets must be purchased in advance from any EMU ticket office or online at [EMU Tickets](#). Below are the dates, times and details for each movie:

"The Little Star That Could" story is about Little Star, an average yellow star searching for planets of his own to protect and warm. Along the way, he meets other stars, learns what makes each star special, and discovers that stars combine to form star clusters and galaxies. Eventually, Little Star finds his planets. Each planet is introduced to the audience with basic information about our solar system. Show date is **Saturday, July 27**, 2 p.m. Run time is 35 minutes. This movie is appropriate for all ages and recommended for families. Each "Little Star" show includes "Seasonal Stargazing" with a run time of 7 minutes. Visit [The Little Star That Could Movie](#) to watch a preview.

"Galileo: The Power of the Telescope" Two eyes and two pieces of glass revolutionized human understanding 400 years ago. The eyes belonged to Galileo Galilei, and the curved pieces of glass were the lenses of his telescope. In "Galileo: The Power of the Telescope," you'll learn Galileo's personal and powerful story, and explore how his discoveries displaced long-held views about the universe. Narrated by Dava Sobel, author of the award-winning biography *Galileo's Daughter*. Show date will be **Saturday, July 27**, at 3:15 p.m. This show is appropriate for ages 13 and up. Run time is 30 minutes. Each "Galileo" Show includes "Seasonal Stargazing" with a run time 15 minutes.

Visit our Facebook page at [Facebook.com/emuplanetarium](https://www.facebook.com/emuplanetarium). Contact Norbert Vance at nvance@emich.edu or Tom Kasper at tkasper@emich.edu for further details about the planetarium.

WASHTENAW COUNTY ANNUAL FREE HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF EVENT: The Washtenaw County Home Toxic Reduction Program will have a regional environmental cleanup/free hazardous waste drop-off day on **Saturday, October 26**, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at EMU's Rynearson Stadium. County members and EMU students can bring materials such as; traditional recyclables, electronic equipment, freon appliances, household hazardous materials such as paint, oil, & cleaning supplies, old furniture or tires. Please contact 734-222-3827 for additional information or for questions on what to do with hazardous materials on campus, call the Physical Plant at 487-3591.

Arts and Entertainment

EMU PRESENTS PHOENIX: The EMU Convocation Center is pleased to welcome the band PHOENIX <http://www.wearephoenix.com/> on **Sunday, Sept. 29**, with special guest The Vaccines <http://www.thevaccines.co.uk/us/home/>. Tickets will be on sale Friday, June 14 at 11 a.m. and can be purchased at emutix.com and at ticketfly.com. Main Floor General Admission \$42.50, Lower Bowl Reserved \$35.50, Upper Bowl Reserved \$27.50, Upper Bowl Reserved Student Ticket \$22.50. For more information call the ticket office at 487-2282. Check out their YouTube videos at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HL548cHH3OY>, <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4BJDNw7o6so>.

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.

Reminders

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES LOOKING FOR 2011 COMMENCEMENT BOOKLETS: The University Archives is looking to obtain copies of the December 2011 Commencement Booklets. If anyone has a copy and is interested in donating please send them to John Clark at 310 Halle Library. If you have any questions, please contact John Clark at 487-2589 or john.clark@emich.edu.

EMU DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY REMINDERS: For questions pertaining to crime prevention, please contact Police Officer Candace Dorsey, Crime Prevention Coordinator at 487-0987 or email at cdorsey@emich.edu. The Crime Prevention office is located within the EMU Police Department at 1200 Oakwood Street. **For emergencies, call 911.** For all other calls, or to report an incident, please call 487-1222. To leave a message on the anonymous tip hot-line, call 487-4847. General questions can be emailed to dps_questions@emich.edu.

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

JULIA NISWENDER ENDOWED TWIN SCHOLARSHIP: In memory of Julia, a scholarship has been endowed and designated to be awarded to a twin, or multiple, undergraduate student at Eastern in any field of study. Applications for the first award of this \$500 scholarship are due by August 1, 2013. Along with an application, a brief resume and an additional 1-2 page essay about what it means to be a twin or multiple must be submitted. Applicant should have at least a 2.5 GPA. For complete criteria and an application, go to <http://www.emich.edu/cmta/scholarships/index.php>. Contact CMTA for further details, cmta_info@emich.edu or 487-3131.

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

On this day...

In 1885 - In New York, the [Niagara Reservation State Park](#) opened.

Quote:

"Peace is a journey of a thousand miles and it must be taken one step at a time." - **Lyndon B. Johnson**

Fact:

Over 74,000 Pittsburgh steel workers went on strike on this day in 1901.