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Tuesday, October 29, 2013

SPECIAL NOTICES:

***** THE MIOSHA TRAINING CLASS CANCELLATION:** The MIOSHA training class originally scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 30 has been cancelled.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS & WELLNESS FAIR: All EMU employees are encouraged to attend the Employee Benefits & Wellness Fair on **Thursday, Oct. 31**, between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Student Center Ballroom. For questions, please contact the Employee Benefits Office at 487-3195.

ANNUAL OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2014 BENEFITS: The annual open enrollment period for 2014 benefits for EMU employees begins **Friday, Nov. 1 through Friday, Nov. 15**. The selections you make during this time will take effect January 1, 2014. During open enrollment, you can:

- Change your health plan elections
- Change your dental plan elections
- Elect to contribute to a flexible spending account (FSA) for 2014
- Change your life insurance elections (increases require evidence of insurability)

See the [Open Enrollment Meeting Schedule](#) or for more information, please call HR Benefits at 487-3195 or visit <http://www.emich.edu/hr/benefits/self-service.php>.

YOU.COMMUNITY.STORY - PLEASE TAKE THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SURVEY: Please share how you engage or have engaged with our local, state, national and global communities. The Community Engagement Survey was sent to your emich.edu email box on 10/23. The survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete. To learn more about the survey, its value and impact by visiting <http://www.emich.edu/asl/carnegieclassification>. For questions, please contact Decky Alexander at aa_asl@emich.edu.

FLU VACCINES ON EMU CAMPUS: The University Health Services would like to remind the campus community that the fall season is a prime time for a variety of health concerns such as flu and pertussis (whooping cough). Take steps to reduce your risk of illness and infection, especially by proper hand washing and making sure your immunizations are up-to-date. You can get a flu vaccine on **Thursday, Oct. 31**, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Ballroom A, Student Center.

EMU employees with BC/BS coverage can get a vaccination for FREE. (Important – You must bring your insurance card with you when you come to get vaccinated.) For non-BC/BS policyholders, the cost is \$30. Students on the EMU student health insurance plan and those with BC/BS coverage can also get the vaccine for FREE (by presenting their insurance card).

Methods of payment are cash, check, Visa, MasterCard or Discover card. Students can bill the charge to their student tuition account (E-bill). For information or questions, call University Health Services at 487-1122.

DEGREE COMPLETION & RETENTION PLAN FEEDBACK: Please plan to attend the [Open Forum](#) on the second draft of the Degree Completion & Retention (DCR) Plan **Wednesday, Oct. 30**, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. or at 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., in the Student Center Auditorium. The draft will incorporate feedback to date and is available on the [DCR website](#).

UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN - "MISSION POSSIBLE": The United Way Campaign has begun on Eastern's campus. Every donation, regardless of how small is critical in addressing the underlying causes of problems and helping people who are faced with challenges move from crisis, to stability - to independence. When families are stable, when children succeed, when individuals stay healthy, our community is stronger. That's why United Way focuses on income, education and health - the foundation of stable families.

UNITED WAY does what no single organization alone can do. We bring together leaders from government, corporations, human service providers and the community to develop innovative solutions to local issues. We leverage funding for the network of programs that - together - can make a meaningful, measurable difference. TOGETHER, we can accomplish more than a single

person, group or organization. United, we can inspire hope and create opportunities so that everyone can become independent. Our mission is to make our “local dollars change local lives.”

It is quicker and easier to donate than ever before! From your My.Emich account, click on “*Click here to donate*” and follow the steps. Paper donations are also an option. Please see your United Way department representative or contact this year’s chair, Kevin Kucera or Linda Moore at 487-8892 or Dawn Stovall at 487-1105.

REQUIRED MIOSHA TRAINING FOR ALL EMU AND STUDENT 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. Please plan to attend one of the following mandatory training sessions:

- **Tuesday, Nov. 5, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.,** in Strong Auditorium
- **Wednesday, Nov. 6, 4 - 5 p.m.,** room 201, in Pray-Harrold
- **Monday, Nov. 11, 4-5 p.m.,** room 201, in Pray-Harrold
- **Wednesday, Nov. 13, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.,** in Strong Auditorium
- **Monday, Nov. 18, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.,** in Strong Auditorium
- **Monday, Nov. 18, 4 - 5 p.m.,** room 201, Pray-Harrold
- **Monday, Nov. 25, 4 - 5 p.m.,** room 201, Pray-Harrold
- **Wednesday, Nov. 27, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.,** in Strong Auditorium

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

CAMPUS SAFETY AWARENESS & HAZARD COMMUNICATION TRAINING: All new employees of the University are required to participate in the Safety Awareness & Hazard Communication Training presented by Environmental Health Safety (EHS). Please plan to attend one of the following sessions. All training sessions will be held in room 300, Halle Library.

- **Monday, Nov. 11, 8:30 - 10 a.m.**
- **Tuesday, Dec. 10, 8:30 - 10 a.m.**

Please register at environmental_health_safety@emich.edu or call 487-0794.

EMU POLICE DEPARTMENT REMINDERS: The EMU Police Department facilitates a variety of community service programs focusing on safety awareness in residential halls, classrooms, crime prevention seminars and training sessions to faculty, staff and students. These include programs on sexual assault and alcohol awareness.

EMU Police use high visibility foot patrols, mobile patrols, bicycle patrols and an extensive video monitoring system to help deter crime. It is important to report crimes or suspicious activities immediately -- police have a better opportunity to apprehend suspects and solve crimes. Please review the information below and report any crimes or any suspicious activities. This can be done anonymously.

- Report an incident, or information anonymously by calling 487-4847 or send an email anonymously to dps_questions@emich.edu.
- Call Crime Stoppers at: (800) SPEAKUP ([800.773.2587](tel:8007732587)) or email at: www.1800speakup.org. Please visit the Crime Stoppers website at: <http://www.emich.edu/publicsafety/police/crimeinformation/crimestoppers.php>.
- To read the EMU Public Safety Tips, please visit: http://www.emich.edu/publicsafety/police/services/prevention/safety_tips.php.
- Eastern Michigan University publishes a Daily Crime Log of all crimes reported to the Eastern Michigan University Department of Public Safety. This information can be viewed at: <http://www.emich.edu/publicsafety/police/crimeinformation/crimelog.php>. Eastern also publishes the Daily Crime Log for the city of Ypsilanti at: <http://www.emich.edu/publicsafety/police/crimeinformation/ypticrimelog.php>.
- Online, real-time crime mapping covering Eastern Michigan University and the city of Ypsilanti is available at: <http://geodata.acad.emich.edu/Crime/Main.htm>.

Telephone numbers and email accounts are set-up specifically for those who wish to report a crime or information related to a crime. **Your identity will remain anonymous.**

For questions pertaining to EMU Safety Tips or crime prevention, please contact Police Officer Candace Dorsey, Crime Prevention Coordinator at 487-0987 or by email at cdorsey@emich.edu. The Crime Prevention office is located within the EMU Police Department at 1200 Oakwood Street. Police Dispatch at 487-1222. **For emergencies, call 911.**

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SOUL SPEAK: A GROUP FOR WOMEN OF COLOR: *Soul Speak* will be held **today, October 29**, 12 - 1:30 p.m., in the Kiva Room, located on the 3rd floor of the Student Center. The environment will provide a safe and supportive space to connect and discuss the unique experiences of being women of color while at EMU. For questions, please contact Joi Rencher at 487-0899 or email jrencher@emich.edu.

LUNCH AND LEARN SESSION: EMU Human Resources will hold a Lunch and Learn Session about "Inside Money: Managing Income and Debt," **today, Oct. 29**, 12 - 1 p.m., room 100, HR Training Suite. Participants are encouraged to bring their lunch with them to the session. Registration for these sessions is completed through [Survey Monkey](#). If you have any questions, please contact Allison Gordon at 487-3430 or email at hr_tod@emich.edu.

FAMILY FUN BASKETBALL NIGHT: All are welcome to attend Family Fun Basketball Night at the EMU Autism Collaborative Center (ACC) **tonight, Oct. 29**, 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the Fletcher Building Gym, located at 1055 Cornell Street, Ypsilanti. Enjoy open gym time with the EMU Eagles women's basketball players. Bring the whole family to shoot hoops and run drills, get photographs and autographs with players and free fan merchandise. The ACC-EMU will also be available to answer questions regarding the ACC and it's services - check it out. For questions, please contact the ACC at autismcenter@emich.edu or call 487-2890.

EMU PLANETARIUM PRESENTS "COSMIC COLORS" MOVIE: The EMU planetarium will show the movie "*Cosmic Colors*," **tonight, Oct. 29**, 8 p.m., in the EMU planetarium, located at 402 Mark Jefferson Science Complex. Please visit "[Cosmic Colors](#)" to see a preview of the movie. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door, at any EMU ticket office, online at [EMU Tickets](#) or by phone at 487-2282. All shows are open to the public. Seating capacity is limited to 37 and all shows will start promptly at their designated times so please arrive early. For questions or more information, please call Norbert Vance at 487-4146 or email Tom Kasper at tkasper@emich.edu.

SUBMISSIONS IN EMU TODAY: Please note, **EMU TODAY** is an internal daily e-blast sent to faculty and staff. 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

PHILOSOPHY SPEAKER SERIES WELCOMES AMI HARBIN: As part of the Philosophy Speaker Series, EMU welcomes guest speaker Ami Harbin, professor of philosophy and women's and gender studies at Oakland University, on **Wednesday, Oct. 30**, 5:30 - 7 p.m., in room 216, Pray-Harrod. Harbin will speak on "The Limits of Post-Traumatic Growth."

Psychologists have long considered the effects of trauma, loss, serious illness and other significant life events on individuals' capacities for going on with their lives. A relatively new field of qualitative research draws attention to the phenomenon of individuals' experiencing 'post-traumatic growth' after such events. The research aims to show how, after devastating experiences, individuals can come to feel they have gained purpose, understanding, or a clearer

vision of what matters. In this presentation, Harbin will critically evaluate this research, highlighting the crucial factors for researchers in any field to consider in providing accounts of personal transformation. For questions, please contact Peter Higgins at 487-0069 or email at phiggin1@emich.edu.

SOUL SPEAK: A GROUP FOR WOMEN OF COLOR: Did you know that approximately 12 million women in the United States experience depression each year? For women of color, specifically, depression can be complicated by issues relating to race and ethnicity. *Soul Speak* group sessions will take place from 12 - 1:30 p.m., in the Kiva Room, located on the 3rd floor of the Student Center. The dates are below:

- **Tuesday, Nov. 5**
- **Tuesday, Nov. 12**
- **Tuesday, Nov. 19**
- **Tuesday, Dec. 3**
- **Tuesday, Dec. 10**

The environment for *Soul Speak* will provide a safe and supportive space to connect and discuss the unique experiences of being women of color while at EMU. You will learn more about yourself and be empowered. For questions, please contact Joi Rencher at 487-0899 or email jrencher@emich.edu.

"A VOTING THEORY APPROACH TO GOLF SCORING" - TOPIC FOR LECTURE: Please join the Mathematics Department for a talk by Michael Jones, associate editor of *Mathematical Reviews*, titled "*A Voting Theory Approach to Golf Scoring*." The talk will be given **Wednesday, Nov. 6**, from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., in room 406, Pray-Harrold. PGA tournaments can be scored under stroke play or the modified Stableford scoring system; these two methods of scoring are equivalent to using voting vectors to tally an election. This equivalence will be discussed and data from the 2004 Masters and International Tournaments will be used to examine the effect of changing the scoring method on the results of the tournament. LBC approved. For additional information, please contact Stephanie Casey at scasey1@emich.edu.

Seminars and Workshops

GROUP ADVISING SESSIONS FOR CRIMINOLOGY/CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJORS: The Francine Parker Advising Center will host a group advising session for all freshman Criminology/Criminal Justice majors and minors on **Wednesday, Nov. 6**, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., in Ballroom A, and on **Thursday, Nov. 7**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in room 300, in the Student Center. This event is intended to advise first year students (freshman) and discuss graduation, major/minor requirements and offer class suggestions for the upcoming semester in a group setting. contact Temii Tellis at 487-4599 or tellis@emich.edu with any questions or concerns.

*** RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE (RAD) COURSE:** A **FREE** 9-hour self-defense RAD course will be offered for women on Eastern's campus. The three session course will be held on **Monday, Nov. 11, 18 and 25**, from 6 - 9 p.m., in room 208, at the Warner Gym. This is a special session to take RAD as a non-credit course. Space is limited to 40 people and you must register for the course. The **registration deadline is Monday, Nov. 4**. Please email Candace Dorsey at cdorsey@emich.edu to register.

SUCCESS FACTORS REFRESHER COURSES: Register today to attend one of the refresher courses on entering Performance and Development Objectives into the SuccessFactors Performance Management System. The sessions will be held on the following dates in room 110, in Halle Library:

- **Wednesday, Nov. 13**, 9 – 10:30 a.m.
- **Tuesday, Nov. 19**, 9 – 10:30 a.m. (Managers ONLY)
- **Thursday, Nov. 21**, 9 – 10:30 a.m.

Registration may be completed through [SurveyMonkey](#). Seating is limited so don't delay. For questions, please contact the Training & Organizational Development Department at hr_tod@emich.edu. "greenbold">**GROUP**

DIALOGUE SESSIONS AT THE FACULTY DEVELOPMENT CENTER: DialoguEMU is your chance to talk about

important issues on our campus in a group setting with fellow students, faculty and staff members. The discussions will take place from 12:30 - 1:45 p.m., in room 300, Halle Library. Below are the dates:

- **Thursday, Nov. 7**
- **Thursday, Nov. 21**
- **Thursday, Dec. 12**

Snacks will be provided and your input is always welcome. Please visit the [Faculty Development Center Events](#) to learn more. LBC approved. Contact Bethany Fort at 487-2530 or email at aavp_fdc@emich.edu with questions.

LUNCH AND LEARN SESSIONS: EMU Human Resources is pleased to offer the following Lunch and Learn sessions for the Fall 2013 semester:

- UAW 1976 PE/PT/PS Contract - **Wednesday, Oct. 30**, 12 - 1 p.m., room 100, HR Training Suite, McKenny Hall
- Personal Safety Strategies: Useful Strategies/Awareness/Options to Avoid Becoming a Victim - **Wednesday, Nov. 6**, 11 - 1 p.m., room 330, the Student Center
- Diabetes Care - **Thursday, Nov. 7**, 12 - 1 p.m., room 100, HR Training Suite, McKenny Hall
- Ladders of Inference - **Thursday, Nov. 14**, 12 - 2 p.m., room 301, Student Center
- Conflict Management - **Thursday, Dec. 5**, 12 - 2 p.m., room 301, Student Center
- EagleMail Tips & Tricks - **Wednesday, Dec. 11**, 12 - 2 p.m., room 110, Halle Library

Participants are encouraged to bring their lunch with them to the session. Please visit the [Human Resource Lunch and Learn Program](#) for a complete description of each session. Registration for these sessions is completed through [Survey Monkey](#). If you have any questions, please contact Allison Gordon at 487-3430 or email at hr_tod@emich.edu.

Activities and Events

PORTER CHAIR SPEAKER SERIES WELCOMES FILMMAKER DAN HABIB: Please join the College of Education as they welcome internationally renowned documentary filmmaker Dan Habib on **Wednesday, Nov. 6**, 7 p.m., in the auditorium in Roosevelt Hall for a screening of his latest film and a panel discussion. Habib's latest film, "*Restraint and Seclusion: Hear Our Stories*," documents the devastating and traumatic experiences of students in public schools resulting from restraint and seclusion. Habib is the Filmmaker in Residence at the Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire and is the former photography editor of the Concord (NH) Monitor newspaper. His other works include the films, *Including Samuel* and *Who Cares About Kelsey?* For more information, please visit the [Porter Chair homepage](#).

*** TITLE IX "TELL SOMEONE" FORUM:** Many know Title IX as it relates to athletics programs, to ensure that there is equal treatment between men and women. But did you know it covers more than just athletics? Come check out the first Title IX "Tell Someone" Forum: Know your Rights with Sex Discrimination, Harassment and Assault on **Tuesday, Nov. 5**, 12 - 1 p.m., in room 310-B in the Student Center. During this forum, you will get to meet the EMU Title IX coordinators on campus, receive an overview of what Title IX means and how it relates to you. Light refreshments will be provided. All are welcome and be sure to watch the "[Tell Someone](#)" video. For more information, please visit the [EMU Title IX Compliance website](#).

"SWOOP-IN" - ACADEMIC ADVISING SESSION FOR STUDENTS: The EMU Academic Advising Career Development will offer academic advising to students **Thursday, Nov. 7**, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., in the Walton/Putnam Breezeway. For questions, please contact the University Advising Career Development Center at 487-0400.

RETIREMENT PARTY FOR FRAN YATES: The Office of Financial Aid invites the campus community to a retirement party for Fran Yates on **Thursday, Nov. 7**, 3 - 5 p.m., in room 320 in the Student Center. Please contact Angela Sarah at asarah@emich.edu or call 487-1048 with any questions.

EMU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WILL HOST ANNUAL TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARDS: Six exceptional faculty members from EMU will be honored at the 23rd Annual Teaching Excellence Awards on **Thursday, Nov. 7**, 6:30

p.m., in the Student Center Ballroom. The event will acknowledge these faculty members for representing educational quality at EMU and for going above and beyond to help their students succeed. Friends and guests are invited to a wine and dessert reception starting at 6:30 p.m. The award ceremony will begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person, \$10 per student. To RSVP and purchase tickets, please contact the Office for Alumni Relations at 487-0250 before Friday, November 1.

CONNECTING THE DOTS: BUILDING INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES: The first annual Brehm Conference entitled, *Connecting the Dots: Building Inclusive Societies*, will take place on **Saturday, Nov. 9**, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., in the EMU Student Center. Presenters include university students, faculty and community members who are doing innovative research and work aimed at building inclusive societies. The goal of the conference is to generate conversations about how we can build societies that are inclusive of all. To register, and for more information, please go to <http://bit.ly/Brehm2013>. Conference registration is \$30, with discounted rates for students, families and self advocates. Contact Kevin Dorn at connectingthedots13@gmail.com with any questions.

CAMPUS LIFE PRESENTS GUEST SPEAKER ANDREW SULLIVAN: Campus Life is please to welcome Andrew Sullivan on **Tuesday, Nov. 12**, at 7 p.m., in the Student Center Ballroom. The Dish blogger, journalist and author is a popular source of provocative, astute political and social commentary. NPR called him "one of the most widely read, influential and prolific political voices online." The event is free event and open to the public. For more information, contact Campus Life at 487-3627 or visit campuslife.emich.edu or fb.com/EMUcampuslife.

"LIGHTS BEFORE CHRISTMAS" AT THE TOLEDO ZOO: The Office for Alumni Relations cheerfully invites alumni and friends to the 6th Annual "Lights Before Christmas" at the Toledo Zoo on **Saturday, Nov. 16**, 6 - 7:30 p.m. Join us at the alumni hospitality station, located in the Nairobi Event Pavilion with refreshments and hot chocolate, and enjoy them while strolling through the amazing displays featuring one million lights and over 200 animal images. Advanced tickets are required and include zoo admission and parking, hospitality pavilion, and a small gift for every guest. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for seniors (60+) and children (age 2-11). Children 1 and under are admitted for free. Toledo Zoo member pricing is \$5 for adults and seniors, \$3 for children. For more information, or to purchase tickets, contact the Office for Alumni Relations at 487-0250. **RSVP by Friday, Nov. 8.**

Arts and Entertainment

THE ROADSHOW 2014 LINEUP: Skillet, Third Day, Andy Mineo, Jamie Grace and more are coming to the EMU Convocation on **Saturday, Feb. 1, 2014**. The concert starts at 6 p.m. This year all seats will be reserved and there will be three ways concert goers can obtain their tickets:

- \$10 at the door (pick-up at venue box office)
- \$10 In advance at the venue box office during regular hours
- \$20 online or by phone

There will not be any additional services fees for the tickets. For more information, call the EMU Ticket Office at 487-2282 or go to www.emutix.com.

EMU PLANETARIUM PRESENTS ITS FALL LINE-UP OF SHOWS: The EMU planetarium has a spectacular line-up of movies that will be shown in the planetarium, located at 402 Mark Jefferson Science Complex. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door, at any EMU ticket office, online at www.emutix.com or by phone at 487-2282. All shows are open to the public. Seating capacity is limited to 37 and all shows will start promptly at their designated times so please arrive early. For questions or more information, please call Norbert Vance at 487-4146 or email Tom Kasper at tkasper@emich.edu.

Below are the movies, dates and times, along with a brief description for each show:

"COSMIC COLORS"

- **Tuesday, Nov. 12** - Showtime 8 p.m.

"Cosmic Colors" will take you on a wondrous journey across the entire electromagnetic spectrum. Discover the many reasons for color like why the sky is blue and why Mars is red. Take a tour within a plant leaf and journey inside the

human eye. Investigate x-rays by voyaging to a monstrous black hole and then back at your doctor's office. You will even see the actual color of a dinosaur – based on recent evidence. Get ready for an amazing adventure under a rainbow of cosmic light! Appropriate for ages 13 and up. Run time is 25 minutes. Each "Cosmic Colors" show includes "Seasonal Stargazing" which has a run time of 15 minutes. Please visit "[Cosmic Colors](#)" to see a preview of the movie.

"STARS" - Returns for a special limited engagement

- **Tuesday, Nov. 5** - Showtime 8 p.m.

Every star has a story. Some are as old as time, faint and almost forgotten. Others burn bright and end their lives in powerful explosions. New stars are created every day, born of vast clouds of gas and dust. Through every phase of their existence, stars release the energy that lights the Universe. Journey to the furthest reaches of our galaxy and experience both the awesome beauty and destructive power of stars. Narrated by Mark Hamill, the EMU Planetarium's most popular show makes a special re-appearance. Catch it before it's gone! Appropriate for ages 13 and up. Run time is 30 minutes. Each "STARS" show includes "Seasonal Stargazing" with a run time 15 minutes. Please visit "[STARS](#)" to see a preview of the movie.

"THE LITTLE STAR THAT COULD"

- **Tuesday, Nov. 26** - Showtime 6 p.m.
- **Saturday, Dec. 7** - Showtime 2 p.m.

"The Little Star That Could" is a story about Little Star, an average yellow star in search 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 your audiences with basic information about our Solar System. Run time is 35 minutes and is appropriate for all ages, recommended for families. K-6 Education Guides are available. Each "Little Star" show includes "Seasonal Stargazing" with a run time of 7 minutes. Please visit the "[Little Star That Could](#)" to see a preview of the movie.

"SEASON OF LIGHT":

- **Saturday, Nov. 23** - Showtime 3:15 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Nov. 26** - Showtime 7:15 p.m.
- **Saturday, Dec. 3** - Showtime 8 p.m.
- **Saturday, Dec. 7** - Showtime 3:15 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 10** - Showtime 8 p.m.
- **Saturday, Dec. 14** - Showtimes 2 p.m. & 3:15 p.m.

The EMU Planetarium presents an all-new show just in time for the holidays. "Season of Light" presentation traces the history and development of many of the world's most endearing holiday customs, all of which involve lighting up the winter season — from the burning Yule log, sparkling Christmas tree lights and candles in windows, to the lighting of luminaries in the American Southwest and the traditional ritual of the Hanukkah Menorah.

The show also recounts the historical religious and cultural rituals practiced during the time of winter solstice — not only Christian and Jewish, but also Celtic, Nordic, Roman, Irish, Mexican and Hopi. It also takes a look at some of our more light-hearted seasonal traditions: from gift-giving and kissing under the mistletoe, to songs about lords a-leaping and ladies dancing, and the custom of decking the halls with greenery and candles. St. Nicholas, Sinterklaas, Kris Kringle, Father Christmas, and Santa Claus all drop by as well.

Naturally, there is some astronomy in "Season of Light". Audiences learn a selection of Northern hemisphere winter constellations, and find out why we even have seasons, as we demonstrate the Sun's path across the sky throughout the year, and the Earth's tilt and orbit around the Sun. And of course, the program explores the possible astronomical explanations for a "Star over Bethlehem" in the last quarter of the show: comets, meteors, novae and supernovae, and planetary conjunctions. Appropriate for all ages. Run time is 36 minutes. Each "Season of Light" show includes "Seasonal Stargazing" with a run time 15 minutes. Please visit "[Season of Light](#)" to see a preview of the movie.

BIG SEAN COMES TO THE CONVOCATION CENTER IN NOVEMBER: Detroit's own Big Sean is ready to hit the stage at EMU's Convocation Center on **Wednesday, Nov. 20**. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the show will start at 8 p.m.

All ages are welcome. Tickets go on sale Friday, Oct. 11 at 10 a.m. Tickets are available online at www.emutix.com or by phone at 487-2282.

HISTORY OF TRACK AND FIELD EXHIBIT: The University Archives will be exhibiting a brief history of track and field at Eastern, in Halle Library on the third floor outside Archives until the end of the year. The exhibition takes a look at the evolution of the sport on campus, its athletes and coaching staff.

JUSTIN MOORE IS COMING TO THE CONVOCATION CENTER: Tickets will go on sale in February 2014 for the Justin Moore's "Off the Beaten Path" tour scheduled for **Saturday, March 15, 2014** at the EMU Convocation Center. Also starring Randy Houser, with special guest John Thompson. For more information on Justin Moore visit www.moorejustinmusic.com.

Athletics

GO EMU EAGLES: The 2013 Fall athletic schedule of events is now available for [Football](#), [Women's Soccer](#), [Women's Volleyball](#), [Men's Swim & Dive](#) and [Women's Swim and Dive](#). Please visit the [EMU Athletics homepage](#) for more 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. All football games will be broadcasted live on WEMU 89.1.

EMU FOOTBALL

- EMU vs. Western Michigan, **Saturday, Nov. 9**, 1 p.m., Rynearson Stadium
- EMU vs. Bowling Green, **Saturday, Nov. 23**, 1 p.m., Rynearson Stadium
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WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

- EMU vs. Western Michigan, **Friday, Nov. 8**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Northern Illinois, **Saturday, Nov. 9**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center

MEN'S SWIM & DIVE

- EMU vs. Oakland, **Saturday, Nov. 9**, 1 p.m., Jones Pool
- EMU vs. EMU Invitational, **Friday, Dec. 6**, 3:30 p.m., Jones Pool
- EMU vs. EMU Invitational, **Saturday, Dec. 7**, 6 p.m., Jones Pool

WOMEN'S SWIM & DIVE

- EMU vs. Akron, **Saturday, Nov. 2**, 1 p.m., Jones Pool
- EMU vs. Oakland, **Saturday, Nov. 9**, 1 p.m., Jones Pool
- EMU vs. EMU Invitational, **Friday, Dec. 6**, 3:30 p.m., Jones Pool
- EMU vs. EMU Invitational, **Saturday, Dec. 7**, 10 a.m., Jones Pool
- EMU vs. EMU Invitational, **Saturday, Dec. 7**, 6 p.m., Jones Pool

Reminders

HELP THE EMU CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE HELP ORPHANED KITTENS: The EMU Children's Institute has teamed up with the Michigan Orphan Kitten Rescue and Shoe Box Recycling to help local orphaned kittens. Please donate usable pairs of men's, women's and kids shoes to the Children's Institute, located at the Fletcher School on Cornell. The money raised from the sale of the used shoes will be donated to the rescue. To date the Children's Institute has helped raise over \$500 for the Michigan Orphan Kitten Rescue through shoes that have been donated. For questions or additional information, email mokr@mikittens.org or visit the [Michigan Orphan Kitten Rescue homepage](#) or go to the [Michigan Orphan Kitten Rescue Facebook page](#). You can also contact Tracey Buhinicek at the Children's Institute at 487-2348 or email at tbuhinice@emich.http://mikittens.org/

HONORS COLLEGE SEEKS FACULTY MENTORS: The Honors College seeks to identify faculty and administrators at EMU who have received or mentored a student for Boren, Truman or Rhodes scholarships. EMU has many students who would qualify for these highly competitive external scholarships and applicants will benefit greatly from advice from informed mentors. If you have received or helped a student apply for any of these awards, please contact Rebecca Sipe at rsipe@emich.edu. Involvement in this effort will provide university-level service on a mentoring group and include several meetings during the fall semester.

EMU LIBRARY'S ROBOTIC COLLECTION STORAGE SYSTEM CLOSURE: The EMU library's robotic collection storage system (known as The ARC) is closed through **mid-November**. During this time, materials will not be available from the ARC. Faculty, students and staff will be directed to inter-library loan options for titles needed. If you have questions, contact Brian Steimel at bsteimel@emich.edu or 487-2558 or contact Tara Fulton at tfulton1@emich.edu or 487-2573.

THE ACADEMIC PROJECTS CENTER OFFERS CONSULTING: The Academic Projects Center is open for drop-in consulting. The APC is located in room 116 of the Halle Library and the hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The Center offers point-of-need help with research, writing, and technology to students working on research papers and other academic projects. For more information, please visit the [Academic Projects Center homepage](#).

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

ROAD TO COMPLETION SCHOLARSHIPS: Consider applying for a Road to Completion Scholarships of \$2,500 for this winter semester. Eligibility requirements are:

- Resident of Detroit currently or prior to attending EMU.
- 2.5 GPA or higher and 110 earned credits by the end of fall semester.
- FAFSA completed for 2013-14.
- Full time enrollment of 12 credits winter semester.
- No outstanding EMU account balances.
- Declared major/minor and program plan for graduation.
- Completion of math and English core classes.

Applications are available at 104 Porter. **The deadline is November 15, 2013.**

CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS: The office of Extended Programs and Educational Outreach (EPEO) is now accepting scholarship applications for six Winter 2014 Continuing Education Scholarship awards. The deadline for submission is **Friday, Nov. 1**. Only students enrolled in a program offered at EMU regional sites or EMU-Online are eligible. Additional information and the scholarship application form can be found at [EPEO Scholarships](#). Please contact Kathy Graham at kgraham@emich.edu or call 487-0427 if you have any questions.

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

On this day...In 1945 - The first ballpoint pens to be made commercially went on sale at Gimbels Department Store in New York at the price of \$12.50 each.

Quote: "Patience is the companion of wisdom." - **Saint Augustine**

Fact: Archimedes of Syracuse, was a Greek mathematician, physicist, engineer, inventor, and astronomer. Although few details of his life are known, he is regarded as one of the leading scientists in classical antiquity. Among his advances in physics are the foundations of hydrostatics, statics and an explanation of the principle of the lever. He is credited with designing innovative machines, including siege engines and the screw pump that bears his name. The oldest known copy of Archimedes' work sold for \$2 million at a New York auction in 1998.