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Monday, November 25, 2013

SPECIAL NOTICES:

BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING: The EMU Board of Regents will hold its December board meeting on **Tuesday, Dec. 10**, at 1:30 p.m., in room 201, Welch Hall. Below is the schedule for the committee meetings. All meetings are in Welch Hall.

- Athletic Affairs: 8:30 - 9:15 a.m., Room 201
- Educational Policies: 8:30 - 9:15 a.m., Room 205
- Faculty Affairs: 9:30 - 10:15 a.m., Room 205
- Student Affairs: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m., Room 205
- Finance, Audit and Investment: 11:30 - 12:15 p.m., Room 201

For additional information, please visit the [Board of Regents homepage](#) or contact Vicki Reaume at 487-2410 or email vicki.reaume@emich.edu.

EXHIBITION TAKES A LOOK AT THE EVOLUTION OF TRACK & FIELD AT EMU: The University Archives has an exhibit on the third floor in Halle Library (outside Archives). The exhibition takes a look at the evolution of the sport on campus, its athletes and coaching staff. The exhibit will be up until the end of the year.

REMINDER TO ALL EMPLOYEES WHO MAY WISH TO CHANGE THEIR PAYROLL EXEMPTIONS: According to Internal Revenue Service regulations, if you are changing your exemption status or withholding allowances for 2014, you are required to complete a new Federal W-4 Form (Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate). You can find the electronic form by going to my.emich, click the "Employee Tab" and then click on W4. If you are not making a change you do not need to take any action. For questions, please call 487-2393 or email at payroll.questions@emich.edu.

ADDITIONAL MIOSHA HAZARD TRAINING SESSIONS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED:

Based upon the demand, and the requirements for receiving the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) Hazard Communication training including the Globally Harmonized System, additional training sessions have been scheduled through the end of the year as follows:

- **Monday, Nov. 25**, 4 - 5 p.m., room 201, Pray-Harrold
- **Tuesday, Dec. 3**, 5 - 6 p.m., Halle Library Auditorium
- **Thursday, Dec. 5**, 10 - 11 a.m., Halle Library Auditorium
- **Monday, Dec. 9**, 2 - 3 p.m., room 300, Halle Library
- **Thursday, Dec. 12**, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., room 300, Halle Library
- **Tuesday, Dec. 17**, 9 - 10 a.m., Halle Library Auditorium
- **Wednesday, Dec. 18**, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., room 300, Halle Library

To register, go to environmental_health_safety@emich.edu or call 487-0794.

BEWARE: NEW "RANSOMWARE" COMPUTER THREAT: A new type of malicious computer threat called CryptoLocker is receiving a lot of attention because of its extremely harmful and potentially irreversible consequences. Known as "ransomware," this type of attack encrypts files on infected computers running Microsoft Windows. Victims must pay a sizeable "ransom" to decrypt and recover their files. CryptoLocker can seize files on a computer hard drive, as well as on shared network drives, USB drives, and even some cloud storage connected to an infected computer.

CryptoLocker generally infects computers through malicious email attachments, such as fake FedEx and UPS tracking notices. Do not open email attachments unless you can verify that they are safe. Since email addresses can be spoofed, do not open attachments you did not request, even if they appear to be from someone you know and trust. For more information about cyber security and safe computing, visit www.emich.edu/esafe.

* ACE-EMU SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR 2014 DISTINGUISHED WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP IN HIGHER EDUCATION: ACE-EMU, an arm of the Michigan ACE Women's Network, seeks nominations for a new award - the *2014 EMU Distinguished Woman in Leadership in Higher Education*. Nominations are due **Monday, Dec. 9, 2013**. Nominees will have until **Monday, January 6, 2014** to supply their curriculum vitae and philosophy statements to the awards committee. The awardee will be announced in March 2014.

A nominee must be an employee of EMU and be an individual who has exhibited outstanding leadership to other women on campus and in the community. The award is open to women at any level or position at EMU and is designed to recognize work on behalf of women in higher education that is outside the scope of the nominee's formal staff or faculty job responsibilities. Preference will be given to women with the following attributes:

- an evident philosophy of helping other women that goes beyond job responsibilities
- a reputation for fairness, equity, and justice that is based on actions on behalf of women
- a positive impact on women in leadership that goes beyond the nominee's own campus
- publications or presentations that provide new information of use to women
- evidence of advancement on behalf of women in general by breaking gender barriers (e.g., in career roles normally dominated by men).

Send name, title, and campus address/contact information of both nominee and nominator to Diane Winder at dwinder@emich.edu or to Anita Schnars at aschnars@emich.edu or call 487-4380 for questions. Include a short paragraph describing why you feel the person should be selected for the this honor and be sure to reference the qualities outlined above. Inform your nominee that the ACE-EMU selection committee will be requesting their curriculum vitae.

EMU PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS AND REMINDERS: The EMU Police Department facilitates a variety of community service programs focused on safety awareness for our residential halls, classrooms and campus. These include crime prevention seminars, and training sessions and programs on sexual assault and alcohol awareness for faculty, staff and students.

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. Reporting a crime or suspicious activity can be done anonymously.

- To report an incident, or information anonymously, please call 487-4847 or send an email to dps_questions@emich.edu.
- Call Crime Stoppers at (800) SPEAKUP (800) 773-2587 or email at www.1800speakup.org or visit the [Crime Stoppers homepage](#).
- For more information on public safety, please visit the [EMU Public Safety Tips homepage](#).
- EMU publishes a Daily Crime Log of all crimes reported to the EMU Department of Public Safety. This information can be viewed at [EMU Daily Crime Log homepage](#). EMU also publishes the [Daily Crime Log for the City of Ypsilanti](#).
- Online, real-time crime mapping covering EMU and the City of Ypsilanti is available at: <http://geodata.acad.emich.edu/Crime/Main.htm>.

Telephone numbers and email accounts listed above 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.**

Today's Events

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 & Presentations

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, 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.

Conferences & Workshops

CONFLICT MANAGEMENT - LUNCH AND LEARN SESSION: EMU Human Resources is pleased to offer "Conflict Management" Lunch and Learn session on **Thursday, Dec. 5**, 12 - 2 p.m., room 301, Student Center. Learn how to understand your predispositions to rely on some conflict behaviors more or less than necessary, as well as strategies to overcome conflict situations successfully. Participants will complete a conflict management assessment to help in gaining insight into conflict management styles used by both themselves and others around them. Additionally, they will be provided with appropriate uses for each style and diagnostic questions concerning the overuse of underuse of a particular style. Presenter: Lauren Hansbarger, Training and Development Consultant

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

SEMINAR FOR FACULTY & LECTURER COLLEAGUES: The Faculty Development Center will offer a seminar on "Information Fluency Across the Curriculum Seminar: Facilitating Student Development as Researchers and Life-long Learners," during the Winter semester. Join faculty and lecturer colleagues who are interested in re-thinking how students develop fluency in identifying a need for information, and in locating, retrieving, assessing, and using information efficiently and ethically.

We will develop strategies to improve student research/literature review practices that will allow them to produce stronger research papers and projects. Learn more and apply at <http://www.emich.edu/facdev/Informationfluency.php>. **Applications are due by Friday, Dec. 6.** Contact Suzanne Gray at sgray17@emich.edu or call 487-2517 for more information.

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 the training on **Tuesday, Dec. 10**, 8:30 - 10 a.m., room 300, in Halle Library. Please register at environmental_health_safety@emich.edu or call 487-0794.

EAGLEMAIL TIPS & TRICKS - LUNCH AND LEARN SESSION: EMU Human Resources is pleased to offer "EagleMail Tips & Tricks" Lunch and Learn session on **Wednesday, Dec. 11**, 12 - 2 p.m., room 110, Halle Library. EagleMail has a number of tools that can help you become more productive. The goal of this session is to show EagleMail tools that will help you: Compose professional e-mail messages, organize and classify your data for ease of retrieval, and respond quicker to requests for information. Presenter: Kathy Robertson, Senior Performance Improvement Tech.

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

Activities and Events

DINE AND DONATE FUNDRAISER AT BUFFALO WILD WINGS IN LIVONIA: There will be a "Dine to Donate" fundraising event to raise funds for the EMU Social Work Alumni Endowed Scholarship on **Monday, Dec. 2**, at the Buffalo Wild Wings located at 37651 Six Mile Road, Livonia. During the event, 20% of your purchase will be donated to the scholarship fund. You must present the certificate at the time of purchase. Please click on the link <http://www.emich.edu/chhs/sw/resources/social.php> to print the certificate. For questions, please contact Rae Ann Yuskowatz at raeanne.yuskowatz@emich.edu or call 487-8040.

RETIREMENT PARTY FOR SKIP LAWVER: Please join the College of Technology Dean's office, and the School of Technology Studies on **Friday, Dec. 6**, 4 - 6 p.m., in the Roosevelt Hall lobby as we send Skip Lawver off into a well deserved retirement. We are accepting donations to establish a Skip Lawver Scholarship to benefit an Information Assurance student. Please make your tax deductible donation to the EMU Foundation. Please bring photos and stories so we can compile a memory book and we may even roast Skip. For questions, please contact Nancy Snyder at 487-2490.

16th ANNUAL STUDENT DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE: EMU Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) at EMU is excited to host our 16th Annual Student Development Conference on **Friday, Dec. 6**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., room 310B in the Student Center. The cost is \$10 per person and the deadline is Friday, Nov. 29. The price includes lunch, which will be served at 11:45 a.m. The conference is an annual student workshop designed to help students in public relations, communications, journalism, marketing, advertising and other related fields gain valuable knowledge through workshops, speakers, a career building seminar and an internship fair. For more information visit our website at emuprssa.com. Please RSVP to Lisa McClees at lmcclees@emich.edu.

* YPSILANTI MEALS ON WHEELS HOSTS 17TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY TOUR: The Ypsilanti Meals on Wheels is hosting the 17th Annual Holiday Tour and Downtown Stroll on Saturday, Dec. 14 and 15. Enjoy the Saturday evening stroll in downtown Ypsilanti by browsing through unique lofts and festive businesses while enjoy a strolling dinner, "A Taste of Ypsi," prepared by local restaurants. The final stop is desserts, beverages and entertainment at Materials Unlimited. Tickets are limited and can be purchased at the YMOW office, Haab's, MIX, and Nelson Amos Studios. Saturday, Dec. 14, 6 -10 p.m. and tickets are \$40. Saturday tickets can also be used on Sunday. Sunday, Dec. 15, 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. and tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 the day of the tour. All proceeds benefit Ypsilanti Meals on Wheels. For more information visit: www.ymow.org/fundraising-events/holiday-tour-downtown-stroll/. EMU makes the Meals for the Ypsilanti Meals on Wheels.

2013-2014 STAR LECTURE SERIES WELCOMES 5TH GUEST SPEAKER: The EMU Honors College invites all students, staff, faculty and community members to the 2013-2014 Star Lectures: "Manifestations of Poverty." Please join us for the 5th lecture of the series featuring Marty Raymond who will address "Poverty Makes Me Ill," on **Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2014**, 7 p.m., in the Student Center Ballroom. This session will explore the complex factors that contribute to personal health including access to health care, nutrition, exercise, community violence, pollution, and health literacy. For additional information, please contact rebecca.sipe@emich.edu.

Arts, Film & Entertainment

EMU PLANETARIUM PRESENTS ITS LINE-UP OF MOVIES: The EMU planetarium has a spectacular line-up of shows that will be shown in the 28-foot dome, 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:

"THE LITTLE STAR THAT COULD"

"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. Show dates and times are:

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

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":

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. Show dates and times are:

- **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 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.

DARIUS RUCKER IN CONCERT: Darius Rucker and his *True Believers Tour* featuring Eli Young Band with special guest David Nail will be coming to the EMU Convocation Center on **Friday, Jan. 31, 2014**. Tickets go on sale Friday, Nov. 15 at 10 a.m. For more information, call the EMU Ticket Office at 487-2282 or go to www.emutix.com.

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 for the Roadshow 2014 Lineup 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 this concert. For more information, call the EMU Ticket Office at 487-2282 or go to www.emutix.com.

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 available for [Men's Basketball](#), [Women's Basketball](#), [Women's Soccer](#), [Women's Volleyball](#), [Men's Swim & Dive](#), [Women's Swim and Dive](#), [Wrestling](#), [Women's Gymnastics](#).

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.

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

- EMU vs. Central Michigan University, **Friday, Feb. 7**, Bowen Field House
- EMU vs. Western Michigan University, **Saturday, Feb. 15**, Bowen Field House
- Eagle Invitation, **Saturday, March 8**, Bowen Field House
- MAC Championships, **Saturday, March 22**, Convocation Center

MEN'S SWIM & DIVE

- 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
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- 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

WRESTLING

- EMU vs. Olivet College, **Tuesday, Dec. 17**, 7 p.m., Bowen Field House
- EMU vs. Northern Iowa, **Sunday, Jan. 5**, 1 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Northern Illinois, **Friday, Jan. 17**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Kent State, **Friday, Jan. 31**, 7 p.m., Bowen Field House
- EMU vs. Buffalo, **Sunday, Feb. 16**, 1 p.m., Convocation Center

MEN'S BASKETBALL

- EMU vs. Massachusetts, **Tuesday, Dec. 3**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Green Bay, **Tuesday, Dec. 10**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Rochester, **Saturday, Jan. 4**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Western Michigan, **Tuesday, Jan. 14**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Akron, **Wednesday, Jan. 22**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Ohio, **Saturday, Jan. 25**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Bowling Green, **Wednesday, Jan. 29**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Kent State, **Saturday, Feb. 8**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Toledo, **Saturday, Feb. 15**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Central Michigan, **Wednesday, Feb. 26**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Northern Illinois, **Saturday, March 1**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Ball State, **Tuesday, March 4**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- EMU vs. Marygrove, **Saturday, Nov. 30**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Lawrence Tech, **Tuesday, Dec. 31**, 1 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Ball State, **Thursday, Jan. 9**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Western Michigan, **Wednesday, Jan. 15**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Akron, **Sunday, Jan. 26**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Miami, **Sunday, Feb. 2**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Kent State, **Thursday, Feb. 6**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Bowling Green, **Saturday, Feb. 15**, 4:30 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Toledo, **Wednesday, Feb. 19**, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Northern Illinois, **Sunday, March 2**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Central Michigan, **Saturday, March 8**, 2 p.m., Convocation Center

Reminders

SUCCESS FACTORS PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT USERS: Thank you to everyone who has logged in to create their performance objectives for the 2013/14 fiscal year. This review cycle runs from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 with all forms due by August 31, 2014. If you have not already done so, please be sure to log in and make sure your reporting relationships are correct. If you would like to attend a refresher course on how to enter objectives, please sign up at <http://www.emich.edu/hr/tod/performance/>. For all other questions, please use the SuccessFactors Help Desk to ensure the most prompt assistance <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BS36M3T>

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, please visit the [Community Engagement Survey](#). For questions, please contact Decky Alexander at aa_asl@emich.edu.

UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN - "MISSION POSSIBLE": The United Way Campaign on Eastern's campus still needs your help. Every donation, regardless of how small is important and your contributions will help many EMU organizations including the Autism Collaborative Center, WEMU and the EMU Foundation, just to name a few. 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. **The campaign deadline is Friday, Dec. 6**. For questions, please contact Kevin Kucera or Linda Moore at 487-8892 or Dawn Stovall at 487-1105.

EMU ATHLETICS AND FOOD GATHERERS OF WASHTENAW COUNTY FOOD DRIVE: Throughout the month of November, the EMU Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is asking students, fans and the community members to donate canned food items to the main atrium area of the Convocation Center. The food donation box is set-up through Food Gatherers of Washtenaw County. All food donations will go to service 150 non-profit agencies and programs providing direct food assistance in the form of hot meals, nutritious snacks and more to low-income adults, seniors and children in Washtenaw County.

CELEBRATE #GIVING TUESDAY ON DECEMBER 3: Eastern Michigan has become an official partner of #GivingTuesday, a national movement that kicks-off the giving season on **Tuesday, Dec. 3**. We invite you to take the pledge to make a gift to EMU on #GivingTuesday and use the power of your social network to encourage others to celebrate their good fortunes and make a gift as well. All gifts made to EMU via the web, phone and mail on Dec. 3 will count towards our #GivingTuesday campaign. Please be a part of the first-ever single-day fundraising campaign in our University's history and [make your gift](#) on Tuesday, Dec. 3.

HELP HOMELESS FAMILIES IN WASHTENAW COUNTY - DONATE TO THE SALVATION ARMY: Now through **Friday, Jan. 31, 2014**, EMU has the opportunity to show the Washtenaw County community just how much we care – all while showing our Eagle pride.

EMU's PRSSA is partnering with The Salvation Army to give hope to those in need this holiday season. We are competing against other state universities (including Wayne State University and the University of Michigan – Dearborn) to raise the most money for this noble cause and we are asking for your help.

Please make a tax-deductible donation to the EMU PRSSA online Red Kettle at www.onlineredkettle.org/EMUPRSSA or give “EMUgives” to 71777.

This past year, money raised through the Red Kettle Campaign helped The Salvation Army provide more than 23,500 meals and more than 12,000 nights of shelter to those in need in Washtenaw County. For more information, please follow along with EMU PRSSA on Twitter (@emuprssa) or their website: www.emuprssa.com.

UNDERGRADUATE SYMPOSIUM OPEN FOR STUDENT NOMINATIONS: The nomination process for students to present at the Friday, March 28, 2014 Undergraduate Symposium is underway at www.emich.edu/symposium/nomination. This nomination site is open to students through January 15, 2014. To learn more about the value of student presentation of research, here is a link to a special EMUblog post: <http://blogemu.com/kerris-konsciousness-undergraduate-symposium/> by Symposium Undergraduate Research Fellow Kerri Musick. For more information, contact wkivi@emich.edu.

WINTER BREAK COURSE - BECOMING JEWISH IN AMERICA: Earn up to three credits this Winter break traveling to New York, Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. learning about the Jewish contribution to America. Visit emich.edu/ust for more information or contact Jen Short at 487-3229 or jen.short@emich.edu.

COMMUTER HANG TAGS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ONLINE: Commuter hang tags for Winter 2014 are now available to be purchased online at <http://www.emich.edu/parking>. Hang tags ordered on or before **December 17, 2013** will be mailed. Hang tags ordered after **December 17, 2013** must be picked up at the Parking Department located at 1200 Oakwood. Photo identification will be required to pick-up the hang tag. The hours for online pick-ups will be as follows through February 1, 2014: Monday - Friday 4:30 - 8 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Starting **December 9, 2013** commuter hang tags may be purchased in person at the Parking Department. Commuter hang tags must be displayed on the rear view mirror by **January 15, 2014**. Any vehicle that is parked in a designated lot on or after **January 16, 2014** without a valid hangtag, on the rear view mirror will be ticketed. Residents (anyone living on campus) must have their hang tag displayed on the rear view mirror by **January 5, 2014** and must be parked in designated Resident areas only. If a vehicle is parking in a resident area without a hang tag it will be ticketed. For questions, please call 487-3450.

POINSETTIAS, WREATHS & GARLAND FOR YOUR HOME OR OFFICE: The EMU Women's Association Annual Poinsettia Sale has begun! This year, you can buy beautiful, long-lasting poinsettias, wreaths, and garlands to decorate your office or home or for gifts. All proceeds will go to the EMU Women's Association Scholarship fund. Last year, the organization awarded four scholarships totaling over \$3,500. **The order deadline is Monday, Nov 25.** Please download the [print order form](#) or [order online](#).

EMU DINING SERVICES CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY: The EMU Dining Services invites you to participate in a Customer Satisfaction Survey. This quick and simple survey has been sent directly to your Emich email. By participating in the survey, you can let them know what you like about their services or what improvements they can make to enhance your dining experience. There will be prizes that range from Dining Services meal coupons to high-end electronics devices, including an Apple iPad and iPod. Don't miss out on your opportunity to shape this campus into the best dining experience possible. The survey runs through Wednesday, Nov. 27. For any questions or comments regarding the survey, please contact Dining Services at 487-0418 or email at dining_services@emich.edu.

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.edu or <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 homepage, then click on "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

ATTENTION STUDENTS WHO COMMUTE TO EMU: Are you a student who commutes to EMU? If so, you should consider applying for The Connelly Scholarship for Commuter Students. The Connelly Scholarship for Commuter Students, (named for EMU alumnus Jeffrey A. Connelly), is a one-time scholarship award of \$250 for the academic year. **Deadline for submission is Monday, Dec. 2, 2013.** Download the application at <http://campuslife.emich.edu/commuter-life.html>.

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

On this day...

In 1850 - Texas relinquished one-third of its territory in exchange for \$10 million from the U.S. to pay its public debts and settle border disputes.

Quote:

"Language... has created the word 'loneliness' to express the pain of being alone. And it has created the word 'solitude' to express the glory of being alone." - **Paul Tillich**

Fact:

Sybilla Thomas Masters was the first American woman inventor in recorded history to be granted a patent for a device for pulverizing maize by a stamping, rather than the usual grinding process.

The patent was issued on November, 25, 1715 and was actually issued in her husband's name by the British courts because laws at the time, did not allow for women or minorities to own patents.