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On this day... In 1965 – [A Charlie Brown Christmas](#), first in a series of Peanuts television specials, debuted on CBS.

Quote: "It is far better to be alone, than to be in bad company." - **George Washington**

Fact: [Petrified Forest National Park](#) is a United States national park in Navajo and Apache counties in northeastern Arizona. Named for its large deposits of petrified wood, the park covers about 146 square miles, encompassing semi-desert shrub steppe as well as highly eroded and colorful badlands.

EMU Ethics and Compliance Reporting Hotline:

The Ethics and Compliance Reporting Hotline is active and available to faculty and staff. Established by the Board of Regents in January 2007, the Hotline includes a toll-free telephone number and website where individuals can report, anonymously if they choose, an ethical or compliance-related issue involving any Eastern employee. The Hotline is operated by Global Compliance, a leading global provider of comprehensive, integrated compliance solutions. The toll-free number and website are available 24/7, 365 days a year. The toll-free number is 866-213-4862. The website can be accessed at [Compliance Helpline](#).

Tuesday, December 09, 2014

SPECIAL NOTICES:

OFFICE FOR ALUMNI RELATIONS IS MOVING: The Office for Alumni Relations will be moving from the EMU Foundation building, back to campus at 234 McKenny Hall starting Wednesday, Dec. 10 through Monday, Dec. 15. During this time, the office will have very limited access to phone and emails. For questions or comments, please email alumni.relations@emich.edu.

ESL PROGRAM FOOD DRIVE WITH SOS COMMUNITY SERVICES: The ESL Program as part of the World Languages Department is holding a food drive in partnership with SOS Community Services now through **Monday, Dec. 15**. We are collecting personal care items such as soaps, toothpaste, toilet paper, etc. We are also collecting canned and boxed goods for the holiday season. There are two drop off box locations: the third floor of King Hall and second floor of Alexander building. Become more involved in the community that you are studying in. Everyone can help! Thank you for your contributions.

EMU'S #GIVINGTUESDAY INITIATIVE BRINGS IN OVER \$200K: On December 2, EMU participated in the second annual global #GivingTuesday movement, a day dedicated to celebrating generosity and giving back. This year's donations large and small from over 450 donors amounted to a total of \$200,058 in cash and pledges - a 45% increase over last year's total. These funds will allow us to continue to enhance educational opportunities and experiences for EMU students. Thank you to those that participated and helped spread the word!

EVANS-STRAND DIVERSITY AWARD: Modeled after the Nobel Peace Prize, the Evans-Strand Diversity Award (\$1,000) annually recognizes an individual for significant contributions that advance the understanding and acceptance of diversity at EMU. Faculty and staff nominate students and the recipients are honored at the EMU Martin Luther King Day luncheon celebration on January 19, 2015. For the application and eligibility requirements, please visit: http://www.emich.edu/cas/students/scholarships/evans_strand.pdf. **Hurry - the**

deadline for application materials has been extended to Monday, December 15, 2014. Please send the application to Kate Mehuron at kmehuron@emich.edu or drop off at the Office of the CAS Dean, 214 Pray Harrold or call 487-4348.

HOLIDAY SHARING TREES: Help a family in the Washtenaw County Salvation Army program or the Ypsilanti Housing Commission (Parkridge Center) by donating a gift to them for the holidays. The EMU VISION Volunteer Center will have Holiday Sharing Trees set up in Student Center, Halle Library and Pray-Harrold for students, faculty and staff who would like to participate.

All you need to do is select a tag from one of the Holiday Sharing Trees, purchase the gift listed on the tag and deliver the gift to the VISION Volunteer Center (located in room 346 in the Student Center). When you select a tag from the tree, please record your name and e-mail address on the log located next to the tree. Also, please record the tag number (if available) or age/sex associated with the tag. All gifts need to be brought to the VISION Volunteer Center by Wednesday, Dec. 10. Thank you for your generosity. For questions, please contact Lorraine Hallinen at 487-1313.

GOOGLE DRIVE REPLACING U: DRIVE: In March 2015, Google Drive will formally replace EMU-provided U: drives. Google Drive provides unlimited storage space to EMU faculty and staff, and allows files to be shared with others within and outside of the university. Google Drive also allows for easy file access from any computing platform (desktop, tablet or mobile).

In addition to unlimited file storage space, Google Drive has mobile apps so you can access your files from your smartphone or tablet, too! There is also a tool that will allow you to sync all of the contents of your Google Drive to a desktop folder on your Windows or Mac computer. Full details on how to access your EMU-provided Google Drive account, where to get the mobile apps, and how to set up syncing are available at: <http://www.emich.edu/it/services/googleapps/drive.php>.

The decision to decommission the use of EMU-provided U: drives was made because the storage technology in use is outdated and the available storage capacity no longer meets the needs of faculty and staff. (Please note that the departmental shared drives, known as the W: drive or the Z: drive, will remain available and are not affected by this change.)

Anyone with files stored on their U: drive that they wish to keep must move those files to Google Drive (or another storage location) before March 1, 2015. Any files remaining on the U: drive after that date will be permanently deleted. Questions or concerns about this change may be directed to Rocky Jenkins 487-3145 or rjenkins@emich.edu.

Today's Events

WORKSHOP FOR FACULTY AND STAFF: The EMU Office of Research Development and Administration will hold a workshop for faculty and staff on the "Introduction to Technology Transfer" **today, Dec. 9** from 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. in the Faculty Development Center (109 Halle). For more information, please contact Harriet Lindsay at hlindsay@emich.edu.

EQUALITY SPEAKER SERIES: ADVANCING THE LGBT COMMUNITY IN NORTHWEST MICHIGAN: Please join the Equality Research Center **today, Dec. 9**, at 2 p.m. in room 300 in Halle Library to learn more about this brand new research. Nick Romerhausen and Nina Brennan, traveled to the small northern Michigan city of Cadillac to conduct structured interviews to illuminate how event organizers negotiate the identity of LGBT community and strategies of advocacy in a region that has never held an organized pride celebration. This event is free and LBC credit approved. Please contact Nicole Richards at nrichar8@emich.edu or call 487-3032 with questions.

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 or email at djohn144@emich.edu.

NOTE: An asterisk denotes a new item.

Lectures & Presentations

PHILOSOPHY SPEAKER SERIES: Eastern welcomes Max Cherem from Kalamazoo College on **Wednesday, Dec. 10** from 5:30 – 7 p.m. in room 300 in Halle Library. Cherem will speak about "Refugee Human Rights." The traditional legal conception of "refugee" is often dismissed as overly restrictive. In this talk, Professor Cherem defends the traditional definition as having unanticipated benefits for the protection of refugees' human rights. LBC credit approved. For questions or more information, please contact Peter Higgins at pfiggin1@emich.edu.

"THE RICHLIY TEXTURED LIFE" TOPIC FOR 2015 STAR LECTURE SERIES: The Honors College proudly announces the 2014-15 Star Lecture Series: "Soar Higher: Pursuing a life well-lived." The forth Star Lecture will be held on **Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015**, 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the Halle Library Auditorium. Ron Delph, professor of history at EMU will speak on "The Richly Textured Life." How does one achieve a richly textured, well-lived and fulfilled life? This is not merely the result of success in one's chosen profession, although that is important. It is not dependent upon material wealth, although that too plays a role. A large circle of friends and family are part of the equation, of course, but they alone will not define a well-lived, fulfilled life. Fulfillment in life, and creating a life that is well lived and richly textured, comes when an individual's thoughts, actions, time, and engagement allow him or her to nourish the mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual needs inherent within the human condition. Creativity, kindness, wonder, sweat, an appreciation of beauty and a sense of one's place in the world—past, present and future—all are present in a life well lived. In his talk, professor Delph will explore the many facets that go into a life well lived and show how they work together to create a rich and rewarding, fulfilled life. To see the complete series, please visit [2014-15 Star Lecture Series](#). For questions, please contact Rebecca Sipes at rsipe@emich.edu.

STAR LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES WITH FIFTH GUEST SPEAKER: The Honors College is pleased to host the fifth Star Lecture on **Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015**, 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the Halle Library Auditorium. The guest speaker will be Minnie Bluhm, assistant professor of Healthcare Administration, who will talk about "Improving the Odds of a Life Well-Lived: Links Between Health and Emotion." Physical health and state of mind are significant influences on our ability to live life well. Finding pleasure, satisfaction and meaning in work, in relationships with partners and others and in relationship to one's self are all affected by how we feel physically and emotionally. In this talk, Dr. Bluhm will provide an overview of a newly emerging area of interest in public health: the link between emotions and health. She will discuss the impact of factors such as stress, optimism and attitude on one's health, and ultimately, on the ability to live life well. To see the complete series, please visit [2014-15 Star Lecture Series](#). For questions, please contact Rebecca Sipes at rsipe@emich.edu.

"BEING PREPARED FOR AN UNPREDICTABLE LIFE" STAR LECTURE: The Honors College will host its final Star Lecture for the year entitled "Being Prepared for an Unpredictable Life," on **Tuesday, Mar. 10, 2015**, from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the Halle Auditorium. The featured guest speakers will be Rebecca Sipe, director for the Honors College; Patrick Barry, faculty member, CMTA; Reggie Barnes, director of Diversity and Community Involvement; John Feldkamp, associate director for the Honors College and Tuong-Vi Huynh, from Housing and Residence Life. As college students, how can one possibly prepare for a future that is both unpredictable and constantly evolving? What sorts of experiences—academic and extra-curricular—are most

important? What types of personal qualities might need to be developed in order to be ready when new possibilities arise? This interactive panel discussion will provide multiple perspectives on these questions and offer all participants the opportunity to apply information from the series to their own planning for the future. For questions, please contact Rebecca Sipes at rsipe@emich.edu.

Conferences & Workshops

FREE OSHA COURSE: EMU's Department of Professional Programs and Training is offering a free OSHA course for EMU staff, faculty and students on **Tuesday, Dec. 16** from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in room 350 in the Student Center. The Introduction to the Safety and Health Management course will cover a variety of workplace health and safety issues and is designed for those without a background in safety. If workplace health and safety is part of your job and you would like to attend this FREE seminar, contact Beth Stoner at estoner@emich.edu or 487-8285 to register.

Activities and Events

EMU PLANETARIUM MOVIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS: The EMU Planetarium will feature two seasonal movies for the holiday as follows:

"[The Little Star that Could](#)," is a story about a 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. This movie is appropriate for all ages.

- **Saturday, Dec. 13** - Showtime 1 p.m.
- **Saturday, Dec. 20** - Showtime 1 p.m.

"[Season of Light](#)" The 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. Appropriate for all ages. Run time is 36 minutes. Show date and time:

- **Saturday, Dec. 13** - Showtime 2:15 p.m.

Tickets are \$5, and are available 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. The EMU Planetarium is located at 402 Mark Jefferson Science Complex. Ticket price includes seasonal stargazing prior to the featured movie. For questions or more information, please call Norbert Vance at 487-4146 or email Tom Kasper at tkasper@emich.edu. Visit the [Planetarium Facebook Page](#) or go to www.emich.edu/planetarium.

Arts, Film & Entertainment

"THE ELAPSING CITIES" EXHIBITION: AMP! a student organization at EMU is pleased to present "The Elapsing Cities" exhibition on **Thursday, Dec. 11**, 8:30 – 10 p.m., in the lower level of Mark Jefferson Science Complex. The Elapsing Cities is a public art show that conveys knowledge about global climate change through face painting art. The exhibition is a photo exhibit reflecting the process. This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be offered during the exhibition. For more information about AMP! please visit their website at www.emuamp.com or visit their Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/emuamp. For questions, please contact Mei Mei at mmei2011@yahoo.com or call (734) 604-7282.

EMU UNIVERSITY GALLERY FEATURES FIBER EXHIBITION: The EMU University Gallery, located in the Student Center is pleased to present the exhibit New Fiber 2014 open now through **Dec. 10**. This national juried exhibition featuring contemporary fiber art in a broad range of forms. Works selected will include pieces rooted in traditional and contemporary approaches to fiber art. The University Gallery hours are: Mon. and Thurs. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tues. and Wed. 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To see the complete schedule of upcoming exhibits, please visit [University Gallery events](#). For questions, please contact Gregory Tom at 487-0465.

MA THESIS EXHIBITION AT FORD GALLERY: The EMU Ford Gallery, located in Ford Hall will feature the MA Thesis Exhibition of Meghan Lee and Amanda Zsot open now **through Friday, Dec. 12**. Exhibit hours are Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A reception will be held on **Wednesday, Dec. 10**, 4:30 – 7 p.m. To see the complete schedule of exhibits, please visit [Ford Gallery events](#). For questions, please contact Gregory Tom at 487-0465.

Athletics

GO EMU EAGLES: 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.

Reminders

THE GIVING TREE PROJECT: Do you remember last winter? So does Michigan's 86,000 homeless. The EMU National Pan Hellenic Council (NPHC), Black Student Union (BSU) and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) student organizations are teaming up to help keep the homeless warm this winter. They are asking for donations of new and gently used/clean items listed in order of priority: Coats, hats, gloves and scarves.

Their goal is to keep 500 people warm this winter. Items will be disbursed throughout the Metro Detroit and Ypsilanti to communities in need. There are three ways to donate: a) Contact any NPHC, NAACP or BSU member; b) Donate clothing items at their Lobby Table in the Student Center on Tuesdays from 1-3 p.m. or c) Drop-off items in their Christmas themed donation boxes located in the Student Center and Pray-Harold. For questions, please contact Cherise Floyd- Gallon at cfloyd3@emich.edu.

THE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER NEEDS VOLUNTEERS TO SPEAK AT THEIR BROWN BAG SERIES: The Women's Resource Center will be kicking off another round of the Brown Bag Lecture Series in January and they are seeking interested graduate and undergraduate students, faculty and/or staff to present on women's-related research topics during the Winter 2015 semester. The Brown Bag sessions are held every Wednesday from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. in the Halle Library. If you are interested in becoming a presenter, please click on the link at: <http://goo.gl/forms/mWRKr4FTRc>. For questions, please call the WRC at 487-4282 or email at wrc_brownbag@emich.edu.

RECYCLE YOUR GENTLY USED SHOES: The EMU Children's Institute has once again teamed up with the Michigan Orphan Kitten Rescue and Shoe Box Recycling to help locally rescued orphaned kittens. Please drop off all paired children's, men's and women's shoes that are still usable to the Children's Institute, located at Fletcher School on Cornell. The Michigan Orphan Kitten Rescue gets money for the shoes to help orphan kittens. Please keep in mind, they can't use heavy boots, flip flops, skates or blades. For questions or additional information, please email mokr@mikittens.org. To see photos of kittens they have rescued, please visit their Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/mikittens. If you have any questions, please call Tracey Buhinicek at 487-2348.

UNDERGRADUATE SYMPOSIUM NOMINATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED: The [2015 Undergraduate Symposium nomination site](#) is now open for students to submit their research projects. The site will remain open for student submissions through January 15, 2015. The 35th Undergraduate Symposium will be held on **Friday, Mar. 27, 2015** at the EMU Student Center. For more information, please visit the event website at emich.edu/symposium or contact Wendy Kivi at 487-31978 or email wkivi@emich.edu.

EMU UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES OFFERS SCREENING FOR TRAVELERS WHO MAY HAVE BEEN TO A COUNTRY AFFECTED BY EBOLA OUTBREAKS: While Ebola poses little risk to the U.S. general population, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) has recommended that college health services contact all students, staff and faculty coming to campus from any of the countries where Ebola has had a significant impact. EMU University Health Services (UHS) will be conducting phone screenings for those who, within the past 21 days, may have been in a location where outbreaks have occurred. If UHS determines that someone is at risk, it will work with the Washtenaw County Health Department for guidance on how that person should be monitored.

UHS has reached out to those who it believes to have traveled to/from an area of concern, however it can be difficult to identify all who might be affected. For those who may have traveled to or from Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone, or Nigeria within the past 21 days, please call University Health Services at 487-1122, so that staff can determine your level of risk exposure and provide you with information for monitoring your health. When calling, please let UHS know that you were recently in one of the countries where outbreaks are occurring and that you would like to speak with a nurse. For those seeking further information, you may access the [CDC website and read the "Advice for Colleges, Universities and Students on Ebola."](#)

NEW EMU CAMPUS DIRECTORY FOR STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF NOW AVAILABLE: The Division of Communications in collaboration with the Division of Information of Technology has developed a new EMU campus directory. The new directory is touch compatible and features a responsive design for optimized display and functionality on desktop, tablet or mobile devices. Users can now search for students, faculty or staff via a single search box with results being cleanly displayed in expandable/collapsible rows. The new campus directory can be accessed directly at www.emich.edu/directory or by using the single search box at the top of any EMU webpage. For more details, please read the press release about the new [EMU Campus Directory](#). Please contact Darcy Gifford at 487-5375 or dgiffor2@emich.edu if you have any questions.

PERSONAL DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS/UPDATES: Personal Directory Listings are populated through the Banner system. To check your personal listing for accuracy, please visit <http://it.emich.edu/service/online/directory/index.cfm?fuseaction=main>.

If a listing needs to be updated, an employee's supervisor should update the information through a link located on the supervisor's My.Emich Employee tab. Instructions are as follows:

- Visit My.emich.edu
- Click on the Employee tab

- Click on the Employee link below the row of tabs
- Click on the Update Employee Campus Address link. You will then see a table of your direct reports. To edit, click on the EID or Phone links to edit. Once you have completed your edits, click the Submit button. NOTE: it may take up to 24 hours for your change to take effect.

For non-supervisory staff, alternate update methods are explained on the Directory Information Updates page at <https://www.emich.edu/it/services/directoryupdates.php>.

EMU ONLINE DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS: Please take the time to check your department directory listing at <http://www.emich.edu/telephones/> for accuracy. If the information needs to be updated, please send the information to: dept_directory@emich.edu. For questions, contact Debra Burke at 487-6895 or by e-mail at dburke15@emich.edu.

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.

EMU PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS AND REMINDERS: The EMU Police Department provides 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.

The EMU Police Department 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.**

Scholarships

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



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