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On this day... In 1888 – [Richard Wetherill](#) and his brother in-law discover the ancient Indian ruins of [Cliff Palace](#) in Mesa Verde.

Quote: "The excellence of a gift lies in its appropriateness rather than in its value." - **Charles Dudley Warner**

Fact: [Epimetheus](#), also known as Saturn XI, is an inner satellite of Saturn named after the mythological Epimetheus, brother of Prometheus.

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](#).

Thursday, December 18, 2014

SPECIAL NOTICES:

* **PUBLIC SAFETY WILL TEST CAMPUS OUTDOOR/INDOOR SPEAKERS:** The EMU Department of Public Safety will be conducting a test of all of the campus outdoor speakers along with the in-building speakers for two buildings, the Oakwood Parking Structure and the Indoor Athletic Practice Facility on **Friday, Dec. 19** at 12 p.m. The test message will run for approximately two minutes. If you have any questions regarding the test process or any matter related to emergency response on campus, please contact the Emergency Management Office at 487-0799.

* **ACADEMIC HR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:** The Office of Academic Human Resources in McKenny Hall will be closed from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. **today, Dec. 18**. The office will reopen at 1:30 p.m.

PARKING DEPARTMENT WILL CLOSE AT NOON ON THURSDAY, DEC. 18: The Parking Department will be closing at noon **today, Dec. 18** and will re-open on Friday Dec. 19 at 8:30 a.m.

YEAR-END GIFTS: The end of the year is quickly approaching and The Foundation is asking for your assistance so that they can process year-end gifts in a timely manner. If you have any checks delivered to your office, be sure to include the envelope when sending them to the EMU Foundation for receipting. The IRS requires EMU to prove delivery by Dec. 31, 2014 in order to process a 2014 tax receipt. All gifts that arrive to individual departments during the holidays should be delivered to the EMU Foundation on or before the end of the business day, Monday, January 5, 2015 to receive a 2014 tax receipt. Please direct any questions to Cherie Burkheiser, Midge Elkins or Garima Sharma at The Foundation at 484-1322.

PLANNED NETWORK DOWNTIME: Maintenance of EMU's wireless and wired network is scheduled for **Friday, Dec. 19**, beginning at 6 p.m. and completing by midnight. During this maintenance, the following buildings will experience extended network service interruptions and services will be sporadically unavailable:

- Wireless network - all buildings.
- Wired Network - Marshall Building ONLY; The wired network in all other buildings will remain available.

This maintenance is scheduled for this date after residence halls close and finals are complete to minimize impact on classes and students living in residence halls. During this maintenance window, please make arrangements to access EMU systems from the campus wired network (except Marshall) or via remote/Internet access (where appropriate). For a full list of all systems affected please visit [IT's system outage page](#). All other systems and services remain AVAILABLE via the campus wired network (except Marshall) or via remote/Internet including:

- Banner
- My.emich self-service faculty, student and employee tabs
- EMU-Online course management system (<http://emuonline.edu>)
- Online Hiring System (www.emich.edu/jobs)
- EagleMail (available at <https://mail.emich.edu/>)
- Google Apps (<http://google.emich.edu>)

Please contact the Help Desk at 487-2120 or it.helpdesk@emich.edu if you have any questions about this scheduled downtime. We appreciate your patience during this important and required system outage.

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.

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 or email at djohn144@emich.edu.

NOTE: An asterisk denotes a new item.

Lectures & Presentations

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

- **Friday, Jan. 9, 2015** - 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015** - 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- **Thursday, Feb. 12, 2015** - 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2015** - 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- **Monday, Mar. 9, 2015** - 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Apr. 14, 2015** - 1:30 - 3 p.m.
- **Wednesday, May. 13, 2015** - 1:30 - 3 p.m.

- **Tuesday, June 9, 2015- 1:30 - 3 p.m.**

To register please contact the EHS office at environmental_health_safety@emich.edu or call 487-0794.

"THE RICHLI 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.

2014-2015 JOHN W. PORTER SPEAKER SERIES: The John W. Porter Distinguished Chair in Urban Education presents the 2014-2015 Speaker Series: The African American Young Men of Promise Initiative. The College of Education welcomes keynote guest speaker Seena Skelton who will be presenting on the topic of "Institutionalizing Cultural Knowledge: A Process for Engaging in Critical Reflection on Policy," on **Thursday, Mar. 26, 2015**, from 9 – 11 a.m. in the Student Center. This event is free and open to the public. The 2014-2015 Speaker Series is hosted by the Department of Leadership and Counseling and Theresa Saunders is chair of the Porter Chair Speaker Series Steering Committee. Please visit the [John W. Porter Speaker Series homepage](#) for more information or contact Sally Rosales at 487-2778.

Activities and Events

EMU PLANETARIUM MOVIE FOR THE HOLIDAYS: The EMU Planetarium will feature the seasonal movie "[The Little Star that Could](#)," on **Saturday, Dec. 20** with a showtime 1 p.m. "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. 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.

Tickets are \$5, and are available at any EMU ticket office, online at www.emutix.com or by phone at 487-2282. The movie is 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. 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.

MARGARET TSILIS RETIREMENT RECEPTION: Please join the Office of Business and Finance to celebrate the retirement of Margaret Tsilis, who has worked for EMU for 18 years. The reception will be held on **Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2015** from 2 – 4 p.m. in room 300 in the Student Center. For questions, please contact Jada Wester at 487-2031.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. DAY PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON: Each year, the University presents the Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Awards at the MLK Day President's Luncheon. The 2015 MLK Luncheon will be held on **Monday, Jan. 19, 2015**. These awards recognize individuals from within the University and the surrounding community who exemplify the values and ideals of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. For more information, please visit the [Martin Luther King Luncheon](#).

Arts, Film & Entertainment

WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER HOLDS "OUR VOICES" VAGINA MONOLOGUES: The Women's Resource Center will host their own Vagina Monologues called "Our Voices" to be performed on **Friday, Feb. 6, 2015** from 6 - 9 p.m. in the Alexander Recital Hall. "Our Voices" will be a collection of monologues written and performed by EMU students. "Our Voices" is open to all self-identified women (cis or trans).

There will be three workshops led by a group of knowledgeable and supportive women who will aid performers with crafting their monologues. You do not have to perform or share your monologue. You can write one and have someone else perform it, or you can write a monologue just for yourself and not share it at all. The workshops will be held in room 302 in Halle Library on the following dates and times:

- **Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015** from 7 – 8 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015** from 7 – 8:30 p.m.
- **Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015** from 7 – 8 p.m.

There will be a dress rehearsal to run through the monologues on **Thursday Feb. 5** from 7 – 9 p.m. If you have any questions, feel free to call them at 487-4284 or email the Women's Resource Center at emu_womenscenter@emich.edu.

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

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.

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.

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](http://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

STELLA AND ROSE ROMANOW ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Applications and nominations are now being sought for the Stella and Rose Romanow Endowed Scholarship Fund for Excellence in Library Sciences, which is available to both undergraduate and graduate students for the 2015/16 year. The scholarship fund is available for students pursuing degrees relevant to work in libraries, archives and related organizations. **Applications received by February 15, 2015 will receive first consideration.** Information and application forms are available at the following website: <http://www.emich.edu/library/about/romanow-scholarship/>

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



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