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Monday, October 29, 2012 SPECIAL NOTICES:

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING BUFFET: President Susan Martin's office presents the Annual Thanksgiving Buffet, Wednesday, November 14, at the EMU Student Center. Tickets are required. There will be two seatings - one at 11 a.m. and again at 1 p.m. The cost for a ticket is $5.00. Tickets will be on sale at the Quirk Building 12 - 5:30 p.m., the Student Center 1 - 9 p.m. and the Convocation Center 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., weekdays from October 19 through November 9. In the spirit of Thanksgiving, EMU's Vision Office will be collecting cash and packaged food donations for a local charity, in front of the Ballroom during the event. For more information click HERE.

* YELLOW RIBBON REMEMBRANCE FOR FALLEN SOLDIERS: Members of the Student Veterans of America (SVA) Organization and ROTC volunteers will tie 255 yellow ribbons around the trees around campus on Sunday, November 4. The ribbons will remain around the trees until November 13. The ribbons will have the name of soldiers from Michigan who gave their lives overseas since the Iraq/Afghanistan wars started. The Yellow Ribbon Remembrance is to raise awareness for the fallen soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Please take a moment to reflect as you see these yellow ribbons around campus.

BENEFITS ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE OPEN ENROLLMENT ENDS NOV. 2: Electronic Enrollment Guides and other important information, including group meeting schedules are posted on the HR/Benefits web page at: http://www.emich.edu/hr/benefits/health/open-enrollment.php.

BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING: The EMU Board of Regents will hold its October meeting Tuesday, October 30. The meeting will be held in Welch Hall. The day will begin with Committee meetings as follows:

- 9 - 9:45 a.m. - Athletic Affairs Committee, 201 Welch Hall
- 9 - 9:45 a.m. - Educational Policy Committee, 205 Welch Hall
- 10 - 10:45 a.m. - Student Affairs Committee, 201 Welch Hall
- 10 - 10:45 a.m. - Faculty Affairs Committee, 205 Welch Hall
- 11 - 11:45 a.m. - Finance, Audit and Investment Committee, 201 Welch Hall

The regular Board of Regents meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m., Room 201, Welch Hall.
CYBER SECURITY TIP OF THE DAY: October is Cyber Security Awareness Month. For more cyber security awareness tips and information, go to SANS Security Awareness Tip of the Day. Today's tip is:

Check and make sure your friend sent that great screensaver.

A common method of transmitting malware is by infecting some unsuspecting user’s computer and then using that computer to infect others. One simple way to do this is for a hacker to hijack your address book and send copies of the malware to everyone in that address book. Of course, YOU need to be enticed to run the malware, and the best way to do that is to fool you into thinking the attachment is something else. If a friend or acquaintance sends you a "great screensaver" or something like that, which you were not expecting, take a few minutes to confirm that person really sent it. If they know nothing about it, delete the message.

HALFWAY TO GOAL FOR UNITED WAY: We are halfway to our goal of $100,000 and almost halfway through the campaign. Even a small gift of $1.00 per week, would make a long-lasting impact by 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.

There are 3 ways you can make a donation:

• Express Link: http://uwwc.unitedwayepledge.org/epledge/emuquick

• Traditional Link: http://uwwc.unitedwayepledge.org/. User ID is your emich email address, password is "liveunited." Then, you will be asked to change your password.

• Paper donations are also an option. Please see your United Way department representative or contact this year's chair, Kevin Kucera, associate VP of enrollment management, or Linda Moore, coordinator at 487-8892 or email at lmoore14@emich.edu.

DINING SERVICES CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY: Dining Services will conduct a survey starting Thursday, November 1 through November 21. It is a quick and simple survey of the many dining locations that we offer at EMU. During the survey you will be able to let us know what you think makes us the best college dining experience or even what improvements we can make to increase your dining experience here. There will be prizes that range from free Advantage Meal Cards to high-end electronics devices that include the Apple IPad 3. Don't miss out on your opportunity to shape this campus into the best dining experience available. For questions or comments regarding the survey, please email to dining_services@emich.edu or call 487-0418.
EMU CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE FUNDRAISER: The EMU Children’s Institute is selling Savory Sweets cookie dough and popcorn through Wednesday, November 14. The 3-pound tub of ready-to-bake cookie dough or popcorn costs $12 per tub, (due with the order). Proceeds ($3.25) will go towards the Children’s Institute Family Scholarship Fund. Items will be available for pickup Wednesday, December 5 after 12 p.m. at 1055 Cornell, Fletcher Building, Room 160. For more information, call Beth Kahl, 487-2348.

DISSERTATION ORAL DEFENSE: Lara Dixon, from the College of Education, will defend her dissertation, "A Comparison of Priorities and Effectiveness of Female and Male Superintendents in K-12 Public School Districts," today, October 29, 1 - 3 p.m., Room 310, Porter. For more information, contact James Berry at 487-0255.

POST AN EVENT TO THE EVENTS CALENDAR: Would you like to post an event or happening around campus? The new events calendar is an easy to use template that gives any user with a my.emich username and password the ability to submit and manage an event. To submit an event, go to the EMU website, click on "calendars," 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.

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.

SUBMISSIONS TO EMU TODAY: Please note, EMU TODAY is a internal daily e-blast sent to faculty and staff only. To submit an announcement or post an event, please forward your entry electronically to emu_today@emich.edu. Please be sure to format your entry with a title and include a description of the event, where the event will be held (Room and Building), the date and time, and a contact name, phone number and/or e-mail address. For questions, contact Debra Johnson at 487-2484.

NOTE: Asterisk denote new items.
Lectures and Meetings

* SEMINAR ABOUT WHAT'S KILLING OUR BATS: Tri-Beta and the EMU Biology Club are sponsoring a seminar entitled "What's Killing Our Bats?", by Allen Kurta, Wednesday, October 31, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Room 230, Mark Jefferson Science Complex.

PHILOSOPHY GUEST SPEAKER AT EMU: Paul Thompson, professor of Philosophy and Agricultural, Food and Community Ethics at MSU will speak Tuesday, November 13, 5:30 - 7 p.m., room 216, Pray-Harrold on "Three Challenges in Food Ethics." Hunger, obesity and sustainability of food production are urgent ethical problems whose scope is global. In this talk, Thompson will examine how these challenges, and their solutions, are related to one another. For more information, contact Peter Higgins, at 487-0419 or email at phiggin1@emich.edu.

Seminars and Workshops

OFFICE OF RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT TRAINING WORKSHOPS: The Office of Research Development (ORD) will have the following development and training modules for faculty. For more information, go to ORD workshops or contact Margie Dargo at 487-3090 (ORD) or email at mdargo@emich.edu to register for the workshops.

• Building Effective Relationships with Program Officers: Friday, November 2, 12 - 1 p.m., at the FDC in Halle. Presentd by Harriet Lindsay.

• Involving Undergraduates in your Research: Friday, November 9, 12 - 1 p.m., at the FDC in Halle. Presentd by Harriet Lindsay.

• Technology Transfer at EMU: Friday, November 30, 12 - 1 p.m., 2nd floor in Starkweather. Presentd by Phil Rufe.

• Developing the Grant Budget: Friday, December 7, 12 - 1 p.m., 2nd floor in Starkweather. Presentd by Susan Campbell.

SPECIAL WORKSHOP ON GRANT BUDGETING: The Office of Research Development will offer a workshop focusing on grant budgets for faculty, principal investigators, project directors and new department heads, Tuesday, November 7, 1 - 3 p.m., Room G07C, Halle Library. The workshop will cover how to manage a grant budget using My.Emich budget queries and the BEO reporting system. Attendees will learn how to query for available balance and transaction detail, and how to monitor payroll with the Labor Distribution report.

For more information, click on training session and registration.
WELL-BEING EDUCATIONAL SERIES FOR FACULTY & STAFF: The EMU Benefits Office is pleased to offer the Ceridian Emotional Well-Being Education Series. Join them for the following Lunch & Learn sessions which are currently available for registration. Please call the Benefits Office at 487-3195 to register for one or all of the sessions.

"Silencing the Inner Critic: Building Self-Esteem," - Tuesday, November 6, 12 - 1 p.m., HR Training Suite (100 McKenny). Many people are their own toughest critic. But being too hard on yourself can be damaging to your self-esteem. This seminar offers strategies for tempering the messages that your inner critic gives you. As a participant in this seminar, you will be able to:

•Define & identify sources of adult self-esteem
•Make the connection between irrational thinking and low self-esteem
•Learn how to interpret comments of your inner critic
•Learn strategies for controlling the critic and enhancing self-esteem
•Create a personal plan for developing positive self-esteem

"Understanding the Difference Between Depression and the "Blues," - Thursday, November 15, 12 - 1 p.m., HR Training Suite (100 McKenny). Everyone feels a little down from time to time, especially when dealing with tough life events. But there's a difference between feeling "blue" or "down in the dumps" and experiencing a clinical depressive disorder. If the sad feelings continue for a prolonged period of time and interfere with enjoyment of life, it could be depression. Participants will learn to:

•Recognize the myths about depression
•Clarify the difference between depressive disorders and the "blues"
•Define depression and the various types
•Identify the symptoms, causes, evaluation components, and treatments for depression
•Learn ways to cope with depression and support a family member or friend who is depressed

ATTENTION FULL-TIME TENURE TRACK FACULTY: Are you interested in engaging your students in community-based learning? Become a Winter 2013 Academic Service-Learning (AS-L) Faculty Fellow. Academic service-learning is a teaching methodology which engages students in community service as a means of helping them gain a deeper understanding of course objectives, acquire new knowledge, and engage in civic activity.
As an AS-L Faculty Fellow you would receive one course released time for Winter 2013, attend a weekly two-hour semester-long seminar of sharing, exploring, and learning about AS-L with other faculty members, and a revised course syllabus or creative/scholarly initiative with students which integrates an AS-L experience. For more information call the Office of Academic Service-Learning at 487-6570 or email Jessica 'Decky' Alexander, AS-L Director at vtomalia@emich.edu. Deadline for receipt of application is November 12, 2012.

Activities and Events

ST. JUDE’S "UP 'TIL DAWN" FUNDRAISER: The campus community is invited to help raise money for St. Jude’s Children Research Hospital. Join this fun event on Tuesday, October 30, 8 p.m., in the ballroom of the Student Center. All you have to do is register a team and then bring 50 addresses to the event and start writing letters. The event will be a Halloween costume party. There will be a live DJ, pumpkin carving and lots of free prizes and giveaways. To register, go to www.myuptildawn.org.

EMU SCIENCE COMPLEX PHASE II CELEBRATION: All are welcome to attend the celebration of the completion of the Science Complex Phase II on Tuesday, October 30, 3 p.m., 158 Mark Jefferson. Learn more about the renovation, enjoy presentations by faculty and staff, and take a tour of the renovated facility. The program begins at 3 p.m., with a reception including light refreshments immediately following. RSVP to Marian Oswalt at moswalt@emich.edu or call 487-2312.

RETIREMENT RECEPTION FOR MARY SCHMALTZ: Extended Programs and Educational Outreach will host a retirement reception to honor Mary Schmaltz and her more than 37 years of service at EMU. Please join them on Thursday, November 1, 3 - 6 p.m., in Room 352, of the Student Center. To RSVP and/or contribute to a gift for Mary, contact Kathy Graham at kgraham@emich.edu or call 487-0427.

* SPORT MANAGEMENT GUEST SPEAKER AT EMU: Tyler Tumminia, VP of Marketing and Operations for the Goldklang Group will speak Friday, November 2, 12 - 1 p.m., room 108 Marshall on "Breaking Through the Barriers and Hitting a Homerun." The Goldklang Group is a sports entertainment consulting and management firm. For more information, contact Brenda Riemer, 487-2830 or email at briemer@emich.edu.

MOCK GRE AND MCAT EXAM: The CSIE program will hold a Mock GRE and MCAT exam on Saturday, November 3, at 10 a.m., in room GL7A/GL7B, in Halle Library. Students must RSVP before Friday, October 26 by emailing the CSIE office at csie.info@emich.edu or by calling 487-0281.
FACULTY HONORED AT TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARDS CEREMONY: The EMU Alumni Association is proud to announce the seven outstanding faculty members of Eastern Michigan University that will be honored at the 22nd Annual Teaching Excellence Awards ceremony on Saturday, November 3, at 9:30 a.m., in the Student Center Ballroom. Breakfast will be served. Tickets are $15 per person, $8 per student, and $5 for children 12 and under. Purchasing tickets in advance is required. RSVP by calling the Office for Alumni Relations at 487-0250.

The Alumni Association will honor seven distinguished professors:

- Brigid Beaubien (Teacher Education)
- John G. Cooper (Communication, Media and Theatre Arts)
- Margaret A. Crouch (Women's and Gender Studies/History and Philosophy)
- Anahita Mistry (Health Sciences)
- John M. Palladino (Special Education)
- John L. Waltman (Management)
- Michael L. Williams (Nursing)

These professors have been selected by alumni and students for their outstanding dedication in the classroom. The professors have displayed a scholarly grasp of their subject matter and created a dynamic classroom learning environment. The Teaching Excellence Awards are sponsored by Meemic and Krumm Agency, LLC. They provide insurance coverage specifically for educators. To learn more, visit: http://meemic.com/emu. Questions? Please contact the Office for Alumni Relations at alumni.relations@emich.edu or 487-0250.

* FALL STUDY ABROAD FAIR: The Fall Study Abroad Fair will be held Tuesday, November 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., in Room 310, in the Student Center. If you have a program going in 2013 or would like to help with exchange programs, please contact Steven Burwood at 487-2424 or email at sburwood@emich.edu. Feel free to bring video, photos or other artifacts to help spur interest and conversation.
Arts and Entertainment

EMU THEATRE PRESENTS "MERCHANT OF VENICE": Enjoy Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice," one of William Shakespeare's most popular yet controversial comedies, running through Sunday, October 28. All performances are in the Quirk Theatre in the Quirk Dramatic Arts Building. Ticket prices are $15 regular admission, $12 for students and seniors, $9 for mainstage patrons, no further discounts apply. Tickets are available by phone at 487-2282, in person at the Convocation Center ticket office, the Student Center ticket office, or the Quirk Box Office. To purchase tickets online visit: www.emutix.com. Please note that additional fees apply for tickets purchased online or by phone. For more information about EMU Theatre, our season and directions to our theatres visit www.emich.edu/emutheatre or, fan us on Facebook: Eastern Michigan University Theatre or follow us on Twitter: emutheatre.

U.S. ARMY FIELD BAND AND SOLDIERS' CHORUS AT PEASE AUDITORIUM: The internationally acclaimed United States Army Field Band of Washington, DC, will continue its long history of presenting free public performances when it appears at Eastern Michigan University's Pease Auditorium on Thursday, November 1, at 7:30 p.m.

The Field Band's members, selected through a highly competitive audition, represent some of the finest musical talent in America. More than five decades as the military's most traveled musicians have earned them the title, "The Musical Ambassadors of the Army." Accompanying the Field Band will be the Soldiers' Chorus, which was founded in 1957, this 65-member concert band presents a powerful and diverse program of marches, overtures, popular music, patriotic selections, and instrumental and vocal solos.

The Field Band's concert is sponsored by the EMU Department of Music and Dance and EMU Campus Life. Admission is free and the public is welcome. For additional information about the Field Band's performance at Pease Auditorium, please contact the EMU Department of Music and Dance at 734-487-4380 or emu.music@emich.edu.

MATISYAHU COMING TO PEASE AUDITORIUM: Grammy nominated artist Matisyahu will be coming to Pease Auditorium, Thursday, November 8. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with a 7:30 p.m. show. Tickets are available at emutix.com or by phone 487-2282. As one of America's most successful touring artists, Matisyahu has spent the summer months co-headlining with the Dirty Heads and making stops in over 50 cities to support his fourth studio album Spark Seeker, which was released to rave reviews. Spark Seeker debuted at No. 19 on the Billboard 200 chart, No.1 on the Reggae Chart, No.3 on the Independent Album Chart and No. 7 on the Digital Album Chart. Also garnering well-deserved acclaim is album track, "Live Like a Warrior" which sat at No.1 on the Reggae Single Chart and "Sunshine" at No. 2 during Spark Seeker's release week.
THE NIGHT 89X STOLE CHRISTMAS: Featuring The Killers along with Tegan and Sara, Thursday, December 20, with doors opening at 7 p.m. and the show at 8 p.m., at the EMU Convocation Center. Tickets range from $32.50-$59.50. Tickets will be available online at emutix.com, by phone at 487-2282 or in person at any of the EMU ticket office locations. For more information go to the convocation website or visit the convocation center facebook page.

TIESTO: CLUB LIFE COLLEGE INVASION TOUR BRINGS DJ TO CONVOCATION CENTER: Tiesto: Club Life College Invasion Tour brings the world’s biggest DJ for a return engagement to the EMU Convocation Center, Wednesday, February 27. Tickets can be purchased online at emutix.com or call 487-2282. Tickets are $40 for the Main Floor and $30 for the Lower Bowl. Students can purchase the lower bowl tickets at a student rate of $20 in person at any EMU ticket office. For more information go to the convocation website or visit the convocation center facebook page.

Athletics

EMU EAGLES FOOTBALL SCHEDULE: Show your support for the EMU Eagles and attend one or all of the football games. Below are the home and away games or click on 2012 football season. For ticket pricing and/or to purchase tickets, go to 2012 Football Tickets.

• Nov. 1 (at Ohio), 6 p.m.
• Nov. 10, Central Michigan, 1 p.m.
• Nov. 17 (at Western Michigan), 2 p.m.
• Nov. 23, Northern Illinois, TBA
• Nov. 30, vs. MAC Championship

FALL FITNESS CLASSES AT THE REC/IM: The 2nd session of the 2012 Fall Group Fitness Program will start on Friday, October 29 - Friday, December 14. Drop-in day pass (only $10) or sign up for an all-access pass for $75 for seven weeks. For more information, call the Rec/IM at 487-1338 or go to all fitness programs. Programs are offered through b.young b.fit.
Reminders

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT CENTER FALL WORKSHOPS: There are several events offered by the FDC. To see a complete list of events, go to FDC Events or contact Kelly Frisch at 487-0020, ext. 2112 or email at aavp_fdc@emich.edu for additional information.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES OFFERED: The Academic Projects Center, an academic support service offering one-to-one writing, research, communication and technology assistance is pleased to announce the addition of communication consulting services for the fall 2012 term. Communication consultants will be available Mondays from 1 - 3 p.m., and Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 1 - 5 p.m., in the Academic Projects Center, 116 Halle Library, now through the last day of classes. Communication consultants offer training and coaching for individual and group speeches/presentations on content, research, writing, and delivery, including work with visual aids and other presentation technologies. Consultants facilitate communication and decision making when project groups are experiencing conflict, and assist students in the management and reduction of speech/presentation anxiety. Services provided through the generous support of a grant from Women in Philanthropy at EMU and a partnership with the Communication Across the Curriculum Program.

BOOK DRIVE TO HELP MCNAIR SCHOLARS STUDENTS: The McNair Scholars Program is looking for books that faculty and staff wish to donate for use for scholarly research by students. Any book donation could help. They hope to build a library of resources for McNair students. If you have a book to donate, please email Kelli Dowd at kdowd@emich.edu with your office location and the best time to pick-up the books between now and November 1st. They will have a student come and pick-up the books. If you don't have any books to donate but would still like to help, please purchase a book from Amazon (or other bookstore), or donate funds to their library fund which will be used to find books for these students.

DO YOU LOVE TO COOK?: The EMU Children's Institute cookbook is now available and filled with over 140 recipes contributed by families and staff. The cookbook is $10.00 (spiral bound) and $5.00 for the CD (cash or check ) with proceeds going to the Family Scholarship Fund. Stop by the Children's Institute, 1055 Cornell, Suite 101, Fletcher between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or contact Tracey Buhinicek at 487-2348, or email at tbuhinice@emich.edu. Try a new recipe and help a child.

HEATING SEASON TIPS: As the cold weather arrives, there are a few things you can do to make your space more comfortable - and save energy. As always, dress appropriately for the weather. Open blinds during the day and close them at night. Turn your thermostat down to 68-72 F where possible. If your space is too hot, please contact the Physical Plant at http://mrgreenwrench.emich.edu/. Finally, during milder weather, don't forget to shut your windows at night.
Scholarships

CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS: The office of Extended Programs and Educational Outreach (EPEO) is now accepting scholarship applications for six Winter 2013 CE Scholarship awards. The deadline for submission is Thursday, November 1. Only students enrolled in a program offered at EMU regional sites or EMU-Online are eligible. For additional information and to find the online scholarship application form, go to the Extended Programs and Educational Outreach homepage. 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... On this day in 1929 - America's Great Depression began with the crash of the Wall Street stock market.

Quote: "My great hope is to laugh as much as I cry; to get my work done and try to love somebody and have the courage to accept the love in return." - Maya Angelou

Fact: The National Organization for Women (NOW), is the largest feminist organization in the United States. It was founded on June 30, 1966 and has a membership of 500,000 contributing members. The organization consists of 550 chapters in all 50 U.S. states. The founders consisted of 28 men and women, including Betty Friedan, Pauli Murray and Shirley Chisholm. The organization is a 501(c)(3) and headquartered in Washington, D.C. Their focus is on women's rights, feminism, racism/anti-racism, homophobia and LGBT rights and reproductive rights. The organization's motto is "Taking Action for Women's Equality Since 1966."