Thursday, November 15, 2012

SPECIAL NOTICES:

* UNDERGRADUATE SYMPOSIUM NOMINATIONS OPEN TODAY: The 33rd Undergraduate Symposium will be held next year on Friday, March 22, 2013. The online nomination process for students to present at the Symposium opens today and you can go to Symposium Nomination Submission for more information. This one-day event is a showcase of students sharing the results of their research and creative academic activities in a conference format through oral presentations, poster displays or Design Expo exhibits. Email Wendy Kivi with questions or for more information at wkivi@emich.edu or call 487-3198.

PLANNED COMPUTING SYSTEM DOWNTIME: Monthly maintenance of EMU's computing systems will be performed Friday, November 16, 6 p.m. to midnight. During this month's maintenance program, the following major computer systems will be unavailable:

- EMU Website (www.emich.edu)
- Banner
- My.emich (including self-service faculty, student and employee tabs)
- BOE
- EMS (Event Planning)
- Axiom
- Linguist List
- Library Card Catalog
- Library Research Database(s)
- Email child account and forward services only
- Red Lantern
- Resource 25
- fsaATLAS
- Service Desk Express
All other systems and services remain AVAILABLE including:

- Wired and Wireless Internet Access (residence halls, offices, and classrooms)
- EMU-Online course management system (http://emuonline.edu)
- Online Hiring System (www.emujobs.com)
- EagleMail (mail.emich.edu)

All planned maintenance for major EMU systems is scheduled in conjunction with the ERP-Business Operations Committee (BOC). The BOC includes representation from various campus units and Faculty Senate. 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.

EMU WILL BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21: As part of the University's campaign to contain costs and conserve energy, EMU is implementing another Energy Savings Day Program. This year, the University will be closed for business on Wednesday, November 21, however, some offices critical to the operation of the University will remain open despite this closure. All staff employees normally scheduled to work on this day will use four hours of vacation or sick/personal time for each eight-hour day. EMU will cover the second half of the scheduled work hours with paid release time. Questions from faculty employees should be directed to Academic Human Resources at 487-0076. Questions from staff employees should be directed to Human Resources at 487-3430.

POINSETTIA SALE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER: The EMU Women's Association Annual Poinsettia Sale offers beautiful, long-lasting poinsettias, fresh wreaths, and garlands to decorate your office or home - they also make great gifts. All proceeds go to the EMU Women's Association Scholarship fund. Last year four scholarships were awarded to deserving students, totaling over $3,400. To place your order, go to Poinsettias Order Form. The deadline for all orders is Monday, November 19. Poinsettia pick-up will be November 29 and 30, at the Welcome Center, Room 121, Halle Library. If you have any questions, please contact Susann deVries, sdevries@emich.edu, 487-2475.

DINING SERVICES CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY: Dining Services is conducting an electronic survey through November 21. Please take a moment to complete the survey and let them know what you think makes EMU one of the best college dining experiences or even what improvements we can make to increase your dining experience. There will be prizes that range from free Advantage Meal Cards to high-end electronics devices that include the Apple IPad 3. For questions or comments regarding the survey, please contact Dining Services or call 487-0418.
WINTER 2013 TUITION WAIVER DEADLINE: The deadline for submitting tuition waivers for Winter 2012 is Wednesday, January 16, 2013. All tuition waivers must be submitted to the Benefits Office, 140 McKenny Hall. You can also fax your waiver to 487-4389. Tuition waivers submitted after Wednesday, January 16, 2013, will not be submitted for approval. For questions, contact Helene Neely at 487-3195, or hneely@emich.edu.

BIG SALE AT EAGLE CREST GOLF CLUB PRO SHOP: The Eagle Crest Golf Club, located at 1275 S. Huron Street is having a blow-out clearance sale on their golf pro shop merchandise. Pro shop hours in November are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and in December the hours are Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Gift cards are also available. For more information, call the Eagle Crest Golf Club at 734-487-2441.

LUNCH AND LEARN WELL-BEING EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR FACULTY & STAFF: The EMU Benefits Office offers the Ceridian Emotional Well-Being Education workshop "Understanding the Difference Between Depression and the "Blues," today, November 15, from 12 - 1 p.m., in the HR Training Suite (100 McKenny). Please call the Benefits Office at 487-3195 to register.

* MAGIC INFORMATIONAL EVENT: All are welcome to attend our MAGIC (Mentorship, Access, Guidance In College) informational event today, November 15, from 1 - 2:30 p.m., in room 320, in the Student Center. MAGIC is a new program at EMU that provides support services to students once in foster care. Our students will work one on one with an Independent Living Skills Coach to develop a plan to achieve success, graduate from EMU, and secure independence. Service opportunities are available. Food and refreshments will be provided. For more information or questions, please contact either Elise Buggs or Joi Rencher at 487-0899 or email at: emu_magic@emich.edu.

* THE COMMONS PRESENTS - THANKSGIVING DINNER: The Commons will offer an "all you care to eat" Thanksgiving Dinner buffet, today, November 15, from 4 - 8 p.m. for only $7.10. Featuring Roasted Turkey, Spiral Cut Ham, Oven Baked Lemon Pepper Tilapia, Corn Bread Stuffing, Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Green Bean Casserole, Baked Sweet Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce and assorted Cheese and Fruit Trays. Save room for Pumpkin Pie and Apple Turnovers for dessert. The Commons will be closed from 2 - 4 p.m. as the staff prepares for the festivities.
RETIREMENT PARTY FOR MORELL BOONE: The campus community is welcome to attend Morell Boone's retirement party, today, November 15, from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m., at Woodruffs, 36 East Cross Street in Depot Town. Please join us in celebrating Morell's 32 years with EMU. There will be light refreshments provided. To RSVP and/or contribute a gift, please contact Rebekah McDow at rmcdow@emich.edu. Contact Don Keller at 487-2295 for any questions on this event.

POST AN EVENT TO THE EVENTS CALENDAR: To submit an event to the Events Calendar, go to the EMU website, click on "calendars," then click on 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 an 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

GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETINGS: Graduate Council meetings will be held during the following dates from 2:15 - 4 p.m., in room 203, Marshall. Contact Susan Anderson at 487-0042 or email at sanderson1@emich.edu with questions.

   Friday, November 16
   Friday, December 14
   Friday, January 18, 2013
   Friday, February 15, 2013
   Friday, March 15, 2013
   Friday, April 12, 2013
DISSERTATION ORAL DEFENSE: Sarah Cline, M.S., from the Psychology Department, will defend her dissertation, "The Development of a Dyadic Assessment for Families Experiencing Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis," Monday, November 19, 2 p.m., Room 327 in Mark Jefferson Science Complex. For more information, contact Ashley Stauffer at 487-1155.

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.

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

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

Activities and Events

*NCNAIR DINE AND DONATE EVENT: The McNair Scholars Program is hosting a Dine and Donate event at Tower Inn on Tuesday, November 27, from 5 - 10 p.m. During the event, 20% of each person's bill will be donated to the program. The McNair Scholars Program is raising money for a spring study abroad trip to London and we could really use your support. Each person must have the flyer with them in order to donate. Please download the flyer from our Facebook page http://www.facebook.com/groups/188394887874847/ under files. Bring a friend! For more information, please contact Kelli Dowd at kdowd@emich.edu or call the McNair Scholars Program office at 487-8240.

THE GREGORY BROTHERS VISIT EMU: Eastern Michigan University's Campus Life welcomes the Gregory Brothers to EMU on Wednesday, November 28, 7 p.m., in the Student Center Grand Ballroom. Masters at the art of social media and marketing, The Gregory Brothers offer a unique, fresh and forward-thinking perspective on how to combine music, technical savvy, and humor to reach millions. Their YouTube series, Auto-tune the News has turned public speakers into pop speakers, catching the ears of The Today Show, Google ZeitGeist, Macworld and Comedy Central. The Gregory Brothers have their own YouTube channel, youtube.com/schmoyoho, featuring their Auto-tune the News series as well as many other compilations. They released "The Bed Intruder Song" on YouTube and quickly rose to stardom reaching Billboard's Top 100, and earned them a gold record.
This is a FREE event and is open to the general public. Please arrive early, doors to this event will open at 6:45 p.m. There will be a Q&A at the end of their presentation. For more information contact Campus Life at 487-3045, ext. 22038, visit campuslife.emich.edu, find us on Facebook at fb.me/EMUcampuslife and check out our Twitter @EMUcampuslife.

* RETIREMENT PARTY FOR PATTY McLEAN: The campus community is welcome to attend the retirement party for Patty McLean, Thursday, November 29, from 2 - 4 p.m., in room 300, in the Student Center. Stop by and help celebrate Patty's 32 years with EMU. Contact Margaret Tsilis at 487-3328 with any questions about this event.

Arts and Entertainment

EMU THEATRE PRESENTS: "WHITE AS SNOW, RED AS BLOOD: THE STORY OF SNOW WHITE": A richly warm and mysterious version of the tale, director Jenny Koppera encourages the magic and depth of V. Glasgow Koste’s adaptation of the traditional story. White as Snow, Red as Blood: The Story of Snow White will be at Quirk Theatre Friday, November 30 and December 1, 6, 7, 8 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, December 2 & 9 at 2 p.m. This production is strongly recommended for audiences ages 8+ as some scenes may be scary for younger audiences. Tickets are $15 regular admission, $12 for students and seniors, $9 for mainstage patrons, and $7 for children ages 8-12, no further discounts apply. Tickets are available by phone at 487-2282, in person at the Convocation Center, the Student Center ticket office or Quirk Box Office. To purchase tickets online visit: www.emutix.com. Please note that there is an additional fee for tickets purchased by phone or online.

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, follow us on Twitter: emutheatre or call our office at 478-1220.

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. 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

CALL FOR PROPOSALS: WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH: Please consider proposing an event for Women's History Month in March 2013. The theme for 2013 Women's History Month at EMU is "Breaking Boundaries: Women at the Forefront of Change." Female activists have been fighting for equality in the workplace, at home, and in every other aspect of their lives for decades. Unfortunately, they are often forgotten in terms of passing on their remarkable history. Women have been the founders of groundbreaking organizations, the heart behind grassroots movements, and the intelligence behind profound discoveries. These women will have the opportunity to tell their stories. All event proposals must be submitted by November 16 through the online Event Proposal Form. If you have questions about this form or the month's events, please contact Suzanne Gray sgray17@emich.edu.
2013 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY CELEBRATION - CALL FOR PROPOSALS: The EMU Martin Luther King Day Celebration Planning Committee invites proposals for academic sessions to be offered as part of the MLK Day 2013 celebration. The theme for 2013 is "Igniting a Generation of Dreamers." The committee seeks academic sessions that explore, analyze, or inform our understanding of Dr. King's legacy, and especially how individuals or groups have interpreted and responded to Dr. King's mission to inspire others to dream and work diligently toward making dreams a reality. Session content may explore the past, present, or future and address various issues, challenges and successes related to the theme and Dr. King's life, work, and legacy.

Each academic session will run 50 minutes and will take place on January 21, 2013. Participants can choose the 2:00-2:50pm time slot, the 3:00-3:50pm slot, or both. Proposals are due no later than midnight on Wednesday, November 21, in electronic format. Please find the application and directions for submission by clicking on MLK Program Proposal 2013 Form. If you have questions, please feel free to contact the academic programs sub-committee chairperson, Dawn Pearcy at email dpearcy@emich.edu.

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.

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 tbuinice@emich.edu. Try a new recipe and help a child.
Scholarships

THE MARGARET M. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN: This scholarship is named in honor of Margaret (Peg) Smith, a community feminist, librarian, EMU alumna, and state athlete, by the contributions of friends and family in the celebration of her 80th birthday in 1994. Peg’s love of literature and literacy was legendary, and she paved a path for women with her own life achievements. The fund enhances the educational advancement of women through a scholarship award.

Eligibility: Any undergraduate or graduate student at EMU who can demonstrate 1) Financial need; 2) commitment to the advancement of women, evidence in a variety of ways, including by not limited to extracurricular activities or activism, enrollment in a women’s studies major or minor or graduate program, or a non-traditional major or minor, non-traditional career choice; and 3) minimum GPA of 3.0. Applications are due on Friday, November 16. Applications are available through the Women's and Gender Studies website at: http://www.emich.edu/wstudies.

SEARCH SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: To find out about current scholarship opportunities, go to search scholarships.

On this day...On this day in 1920 - The League of Nations met for the first time in Geneva, Switzerland.

Quote:“No one succeeds without effort... Those who succeed owe their success to their perseverance." - Ramana Maharshi

Fact:Children's Day is celebrated on various days in many places around the world, to honor children globally. It was established in 1954 to protect children working long hours in dangerous circumstances and allow all children access to an education. The UN General Assembly recommended that all countries should establish a Universal Children's Day on an "appropriate" day. Major global variants include a Universal Children's Day on November 20, however, Children's Day is often celebrated on other days as well.