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Wednesday, February 12, 2014

On this day...

In 1973 - The State of Ohio went metric, becoming the first in the U.S. to post metric distance signs.

Quote: "An investment in knowledge pays the best interest." - Benjamin Franklin

Fact: The Near Earth Asteroid Rendezvous - Shoemaker (NEAR Shoemaker), renamed after its 1996 launch in honor of planetary scientist Eugene Shoemaker, was a robotic space probe designed by the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory for NASA to study the near-Earth asteroid Eros from close orbit over a period of a year. The five-year, 2-billion mile voyage of the NEAR Shoemaker science probe came to an abrupt and most unexpected ending on February 12, 2001, surviving a four-hour descent to touch down on the surface of the asteroid Eros and live to relay a beacon signal to its home planet.

SPECIAL NOTICES:

WEIGHT WATCHERS @ WORK PROGRAM AT EMU: Do you want to incorporate healthy behaviors into your everyday life? Does one of your resolutions for the New Year involve creating a plan that helps lose and maintain a healthy weight? Do you want to start a new year by eating healthier, increasing physical activity and handling all the daily challenges and barriers encountered to achieve and maintain weight loss? If your answer is “YES” to any of these questions, then Weight Watchers @ Work is the program for you. Weight Watchers @ Work is a program that can adapt to your lifestyle and particular needs so you can reach long-term weight loss success through a more personalized weight-loss experience. The Weight Watchers @ Work program offers an integrated approach that combines smarter eating, healthy habits, exercise and a supportive environment. The Weight Watchers @ Work program will meet weekly on Fridays beginning Friday, Feb. 21, from 12:30 – 1:30 p.m., in room 100, McKenny (HR Training Suite). The cost of the 12-week session is $161.00 (regular price) or $150 (Blue Cross Blue Shield or Blue Care Network Member Discount).

Weight Watchers registration is now online in lieu of on-site registration. To register, click the link below and complete the online form. You have the option to pay with a credit/debit card or an e-check. https://registrations.888-3-florine.com/Atwork.asp?csid=16218 Registration must be completed by Friday, February 14. A minimum of 15 participants is needed for the session to begin February 21. Credit/debit cards or bank accounts will not be billed until the minimum of
15 participants have registered for the meeting. You will receive an email confirmation upon completing registration. A second email will be sent when the payment transaction is processed confirming that you have been billed. FSA cards will not be accepted for payment. To receive reimbursement from your FSA account, please contact Chontae Sylvertooth at csylverto@emich.edu for the proper form.

**ANNUAL VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE:** Members of the Beta Alpha Psi and the EMU Accounting Club at the College of Business of EMU are excited to announce their annual "Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)" program to the community members and EMU students throughout the tax season. For the dates and times and more information, please visit the Annual Income Tax Assistance schedule.

**PLANNED COMPUTING SYSTEM DOWNTIME:** Monthly maintenance of EMU’s computing systems will be performed on Friday, Feb. 14, from 6 p.m. to midnight. During this month’s maintenance program, the following major computer systems will be unavailable:

- Banner
- Banner Self-Service (faculty, student and employee tabs in my.emich)
- my.emich
- BOE
- IRIM (irim.emich.edu)

For a full list of all systems affected please visit IT’s system outage page: [http://it.emich.edu/portal/systems/index.cfm?fuseaction=all](http://it.emich.edu/portal/systems/index.cfm?fuseaction=all)

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](http://emuonline.edu))
- Online Hiring System ([www.emujobs.com](http://www.emujobs.com))
- EagleMail ([mail.emich.edu](http://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 (734) 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.

**MLK PLANNING COMMITTEE WANTS TO HEAR YOUR OPINION:** The EMU Martin Luther King Jr. celebration planning committee would like to invite the campus community to participate in the final meeting to review the 2014 MLK celebration. The meeting will be on Friday, Feb. 14, 1 p.m., in room 300 of the Student Center. All members of the campus community are welcome to participate in a session that will:

- Evaluate individual events that were included within the celebration.
Take comments, concerns, or constructive criticisms pertaining to the overall celebration.

Request suggestions for the keynote speaker for the 2015 celebration.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, but would like to provide your feedback, please feel free to click the following link in order to submit your feedback via the internet.  [http://goo.gl/MvlTcD](http://goo.gl/MvlTcD)

**MIOSHA HAZARD TRAINING SESSIONS:** All EMU employees are required to attend one of the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) Hazard Communication training, including the Globally Harmonized System. Training sessions have been scheduled for the following dates:

- **Thursday, Feb. 20**, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., Halle Auditorium
- **Monday, Feb. 24**, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., Halle Auditorium

To register, go to [environmental_health_safety@emich.edu](mailto:environmental_health_safety@emich.edu) or call 487-0794.

**CAMPUS SAFETY AWARENESS & HAZARD COMMUNICATION TRAINING:** All new 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 have been scheduled for the following dates:

- **Tuesday, Mar. 11**, 8:30 - 10 a.m., room 300, Halle Library
- **Wednesday, Mar. 12**, 1:30 - 3 p.m., room 300, Halle Library
- **Monday, Apr. 14**, 8:30 - 10 a.m., room 300, Halle Library
- **Wednesday, Apr. 16**, 1:30 - 3 p.m., room 300, Halle Library
- **Wednesday, May 14**, 1:30 - 3 p.m., room 300, Halle Library
- **Thursday, May 15**, 1:30 - 3 p.m., room 300, Halle Library
- **Tuesday, June 10**, 8:30 - 10 a.m., room 300, Halle Library
- **Monday, June 16**, 1:30 - 3 p.m., room 300, Halle Library

Please register at [environmental_health_safety@emich.edu](mailto:environmental_health_safety@emich.edu) or call 487-0794.

**TODAY'S EVENTS**

**CAMPUS SAFETY AWARENESS & HAZARD COMMUNICATION TRAINING:** There will be a Safety Awareness & Hazard Communication training session **today, Feb. 12**, 8:30 - 10 a.m., room 300, Halle Library. Presented by the EMU Environmental Health Safety (EHS). Please register at [environmental_health_safety@emich.edu](mailto:environmental_health_safety@emich.edu) or call 487-0794.

**PORTER CHAIR SPEAKER SERIES:** The College of Education is pleased to present the John W. Porter Distinguished Chair in Urban Education 2013-2014 Speaker Series: *Reach, Teach, and Inspire* with guest speaker Dr. Colleen Weick **today, Feb. 12**, 9:30 - 11 a.m., in room 310 in the Student Center. The 2013-2014 Speaker Series is hosted by the Department of Special Education, celebrating a century of excellence. Weick is the Executive Director of the Minnesota Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities of the Department of Administration. She will talk about "Special Education: Where Have We Been?" The lecture will examine the historical attitudes and values that have shaped society’s treatment of people with disabilities from the past to the present. For more information, please visit the [Porter Chair Lecture Series homepage](http://example.com).
MIOSHA HAZARD TRAINING SESSION: There will be a Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) Hazard Communication training today, Feb. 12, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Halle Auditorium. To register, please visit environmental_health_safety@emich.edu or call 487-0794.

INTERNATIONAL CONVERSATION CLUB: The International Student Resource Center presents an opportunity for students and the campus community to participate in conversation with people from all over the world about a wide variety of topics today, Feb. 12, 11:30 -12:30 p.m. and 3:30 - 4:45 p.m., in room 318, King Hall. This event is held every Wednesday. LBC approved. Please contact esl@emich.edu with any questions.

RELATIVITY, SPACE-TIME AND GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM PRESENTATION: The presentation will be today, Feb. 12, at 1 p.m., in room 307 Strong Hall and will explain how GPS will lose its precision navigational capability in just one minute if atomic clocks on GPS satellites were not corrected for effects on clock speed due to Einstein’s Special and General Theory of Relativity. The talk will elucidate the entwined relationship between space-time and matter-energy: Matter-energy tells space-time how to warp, and the (warped) space-time tells matter-energy how to move. Please contact Natthi Sharma at 487-8645 or email at nsharma@emich.edu with any questions.

PANEL DISCUSSION ON ABORTION: Students for Life and Catholics on Campus will present a panel discussion as part of Black History Month entitled "The Abortion Controversy Continues," tonight, Feb. 12, 6:30 - 9 p.m., in room G03 (Auditorium) in Halle Library. The panel discussion will feature pastors, medical doctors and counselors from the community including Diane Brookins as moderator and Lydia Best, Elder Levon Yuille, Travon Clifton, Suzanne Abdallah, and Angela Little. LBC credit approved. Please bring unopened packages of diapers and baby wipes to donate to Family Life Services. For more information, contact Alice Jo Rainville at 487-0430.

"THE SHAPE OF THINGS" AT THE SPONBERG THEATRE: "The Shape of Things" will be performed tonight, Feb. 12, at 9 p.m., in Sponberg Theatre. Due to adult content and language, this production is for mature audiences only. Ticket are $15 regular admission, $12 for students and seniors, $9 for main stage patrons and are available in person at the Convocation Center, the Student Center ticket office or the Quirk Box Office, by phone at 487-2282, and online at www.emutix.com.

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

NOTE: An asterisk denotes a new item.
**EMU FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING:** The EMU Foundation Board of Trustees will meet **Friday, Feb. 14**, at 1 p.m., in room 310AB in the Student Center. The public is welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Maria Cyars at 481-2304.

**THESIS DEFENSE:** Reino Bruner from the Psychology Department, will defend his thesis, "Physiological Measures Differentiate Distinct Domains of Immanent Justice Reasoning," **Tuesday, Feb. 18**, 3:45 p.m., room 327, in the Mark Jefferson Science Complex. For more information, please contact Ashley Stauffer at 487-1155.

**INTERNATIONAL CONVERSATION CLUB:** The International Student Resource Center presents an opportunity for students and the campus community to participate in conversation with people from all over the world about a wide variety of topics. Please encourage your international and domestic students to attend to learn about various cultural views and practices. The group will meet in room 318 King Hall on the followings dates and times:
- **Wednesday, Feb. 12**, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Feb. 19**, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Mar. 5**, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Mar. 12**, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Mar. 19**, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Mar. 26**, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Apr. 2**, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Apr. 9**, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Apr. 16**, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.

Faculty and staff are welcome to attend. Please contact esl@emich.edu with questions. LBC approved.

**LIVE YOUR DREAM - THE TAYLOR ANDERSON STORY:** The Taylor Anderson Story is a story about an extraordinary American who dedicated herself as an assistant language teacher in the Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) program. The event will be held on **Tuesday, Mar. 4**, 6:30 p.m., in the Student Center Auditorium. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and guest speakers will be introduced at 6:45 p.m., and the movie will start at 7 p.m. There will be a Q&A session at 8:30 p.m.

Taylor had been teaching Japanese children until she lost her life during the event of March 11, 2011, the East Japan Great Earthquake. Through her story, we hope to spread the importance of learning other cultures, helping each other and having passion in life. The screening is LBC approved and open to the public. For more information, please contact Sayuri Kubota via email at skubota@emich.edu or by phone 487-0191.

**THIRD ANNUAL SOCIAL WORK ALUMNI LECTURE SERIES:** The Third Annual Social Work Alumni Lecture Series will be held on **Friday, Mar. 7**, 12 - 4:30 p.m., at the Student Center. To register please call 487-8040 or go to [Social Work Alumni Lecture Registration](#).

**2014 EQUALITY SPEAKER SERIES:** The Center for the Study of Equality and Human Rights announces the 2014 Equality Speaker Series. Please join them in room 247, McKenny Hall for one or all of the following:
• **Thursday, Mar. 20, 3:30 p.m.:** Natalie Dove (EMU) and Randal Brown (UNReno) "Promoting Equal Rates of STI Testing for LGBT Individual."
• **Friday, Apr. 11, 12 p.m.** - Stephen L. Rassi (EMU), "Understanding Practice Issues with Transgender People: Listening to Practitioner and Client Voices."

For questions or more information, please contact the Center at [www.emich.edu/equality](http://www.emich.edu/equality) or [equality_humanrights@emich.edu](mailto:equality_humanrights@emich.edu).

### CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

**LUNCH AND LEARN SESSION:** EMU Human Resources is pleased to offer "Do One Thing: Emergency Preparedness for the Whole Community" Lunch and Learn session on **Wednesday, Feb. 19, 12 - 2 p.m., room 100, McKenny Hall HR Training Suite.** Attendees will learn the reasons to be prepared for an emergency and how to take action and get involved. Participants will learn important lifesaving information to become prepared for a successful recovery at home or in the community when an emergency occurs. Facilitator: Erika Mahoney, PEM, Do 1 Thing Program Coordinator and Region 1 Planner, Lansing Fire Department, Emergency Management. Register today through [SurveyMonkey!](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DoOneThingLunchLearn). If you have any questions, please contact Allison Gordon 487-7171 email at hr_tod@emich.edu.

**BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN CONVENTION:** The Behavior Analysis Association of Michigan (BAAM) Convention will be held **Thursday, Feb. 20 and Friday, Feb. 21, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in the Student Center.** The two-day event will feature "The Science of ALL Behavior: Showcasing the Diversity of Behavior Analysis." This year’s keynote speaker is Susan M. Schneider, author of the acclaimed book, *The Science of Consequences: How They Affect Genes, Change the Brain, and Impact Our World.*

The BAAM Convention is a multi-track, multi-session academic and professional meeting with registration open to all. BAAM has been organized to support and promote scientific research on the basic principles of behavior and the extension of those principles to create effective and humane outcome-based therapies with the primary goal of establishing and enhancing functional independent living skills. Please visit the [BAAM Convention Schedule](http://www.emich.edu/equality) for the event and session scheduling and go to [BAAM Registration](http://www.emich.edu/equality) and general [BAAM Information](http://www.emich.edu/equality) for more details.

**LUNCH AND LEARN SESSION:** EMU Human Resources is pleased to offer "Coaching for Success" Lunch and Learn session on **Thursday, Feb. 27, 12 - 2 p.m., room 100, McKenny Hall HR Training Suite.** This workshop will explore a definition of coaching, as well as the benefits and misconceptions about the art of coaching. Participants will learn a structured coaching process model, as well as a toolkit of great coaching questions, checklists and other coaching tools. They will also learn how to avoid common coaching mistakes. The course will cover structured coaching, just-in-time coaching and performance coaching. Many of the techniques in this program can be utilized immediately. This program is very beneficial to managers, but anyone is welcome to the course. Facilitators: Dr. James Gallaher, Chief Human Resources Officer and Anita Schnars, Director, Training and Organizational Development. Register today through [SurveyMonkey!](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CoachingSuccessLunchLearn). If you have any questions, please contact Allison Gordon 487-7171 email at hr_tod@emich.edu.
ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

NEW ENTERTAINMENT DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY MAJOR/MINOR: Sound interesting to you? Explore the preparation offered by the program instruction and the professional choices ED&T is designed to support. Please join ED&T faculty on Thursday, Feb. 13, at 5:30 p.m., at the stage in Quirk, for an open house reception and a program introduction at 6 p.m. Students can stay and see ED&T in action at the 7 p.m. performance of *The Shape of Things*. Student tickets can be purchased for $7. Email pcardell@emich.edu or wkivi@emich.edu for discount coupon and to R.S.V.P. to attend the reception and program introduction.

SESI ENTREPRENEURSHIP CONFERENCE: The Center for Entrepreneurship at the College of Business is proud to present the Sesi Entrepreneurship Conference Friday, Feb. 14, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Student Center. The Collegiate Entrepreneurs’ Organization of EMU is hosting the event and students and faculty are invited to attend the inspirational conference. The Skandalaris Business Plan Competition will also be held at the conference which includes a continental breakfast and a sit-down lunch. The event is *FREE* but online registration is required. All EMU students and faculty and staff are invited to attend. Register by clicking on Sesi Conference Registration or contact Josh Conroy at jconroy3@emich.edu.

PHELPS PHENOMENON!: Step right up, EMU! Phelps Hall will be hosting the PHELPS PHENOMENON program on Sunday, Feb. 16, 6:30 p.m., in the Phelps/Sellers Main Lounge. All EMU students, faculty and staff are invited to this *FREE* carnival experience featuring a magician, fortune teller, games, prizes, plenty of food and photos. For questions, please contact Mya Richardson at tricha15@emich.edu.

2013-2014 STAR LECTURE SERIES WELCOMES VALERIE POLAKOW: The EMU Honors College welcomes Valerie Polakow who will speak on "Foreclosed Childhoods: Poverty, Inequality, and the Violation of Human Rights on Tuesday, Feb. 18, 7 - 8:30 p.m., in the Student Center Ballroom. This interactive session will explore the crisis of childhood poverty, its effect on the daily lives of children and the toxic impacts of social and educational exclusion. Polakow will be the sixth guest speaker at the 2013-2014 Star Lectures: "Manifestations of Poverty" series. For additional information, please contact rebecca.sipe@emich.edu.

ACADEMIC ADVISING AWARENESS WEEK: The EMU University Advising Career Development Center will host a series of career development events as part of Academic Advising Awareness Week. Below is the schedule of events:

- **Career Day - Monday, Mar. 3**, 1 - 3 p.m., in the Halle Library Lobby. This event will provide information on career fairs, resume critiques, jobs on campus, job search resources, internships and figuring out what you can do with your major.
- **Inside LBCs LBC Credit Approved - Tuesday, Mar. 4**, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., 2nd floor of Pray-Harrold. Confused about Learning Beyond the Classroom requirements? During this event, representatives from different departments will be available to answer questions.
- **Support Networks - Wednesday, Mar. 5**, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Student Center Lobby. There will be information available about the different services available to students at EMU, like the Writing Center and Snow Health Center.
• General Education Requirements - **Thursday, Mar. 6**, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Student Center Lobby. Are the general education requirements confusing you? Do you have questions about what's required? Stop by to learn more and play a trivia game to win prizes! For questions or more information, contact Helen Kenney at 487-0400 or email at emu_advising@emich.edu.

**BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARDS LUNCHEON:** The College of Business will host the Business of the Year Awards Luncheon on **Friday, Mar. 14**, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Student Center Ballroom. The keynote speaker will be Donna Inch, chairman and CEO, Ford Land at Ford Motor Company. The luncheon is free but you must register by going to http://www.emich.edu/cob/luncheon/. Tickets and parking validation can be picked up at the registration table upon arrival. Paid parking will be in the lot next to Student Center. Please contact **Shirley Wentz** for more information or if you have questions.

**ARTS, FILM & ENTERTAINMENT**

"**THE SHAPE OF THINGS**" AT THE SPONBERG THEATRE: "The Shape of Things" is a dark romantic comedy with an ending designed to leave audiences wondering where the line between art and reality is drawn, or if it exists at all. The play will be at the Sponberg Theatre on **Wednesday, Feb. 12** at 9 p.m., **Thursday, Feb. 13**, **Friday, Feb. 14**, **Saturday, Feb. 15** at 7 p.m. and **Sunday, Feb. 16** at 2 p.m.. Due to adult content and language, this production is for mature audiences only.

Ticket prices for "The Shape of Things" are $15 regular admission, $12 for students and seniors, $9 for MAINSTAGE patrons, no further discounts apply. Tickets are available in person at the Convocation Center, the Student Center ticket office or the Quirk Box Office, by phone at 487-2282, and online at [www.emutix.com](http://www.emutix.com). Please note that there is an additional surcharge for tickets purchased by mail, phone or online. For more information about EMU Theatre, our season and directions to our theatres visit [www.emich.edu/emutheatre](http://www.emich.edu/emutheatre), fan us on Facebook: Eastern Michigan University Theatre or follow us on Twitter: emutheatre.

**EMU PLANETARIUM ROLLS OUT THEIR 2014 LINE-UP OF MOVIES:** The EMU Planetarium has a new line-up of movies for 2014. Tickets are $5 and are available in person at the door, at any EMU ticket office, online at [www.emutix.com](http://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. Below are the three movies that the Planetarium is featuring for the 2014 season.

"**Back To The Moon For Good,**" offers an exciting, educational fulldome show narrated by award-winning actor Tim Allen. The 25-minute digital film highlights the history of exploring the moon and provides an insider’s look at the teams vying for the $30 million Google Lunar XPRIZE, the largest incentivized prize in history. The stunning visuals and compelling narrative of the show explain the importance of the Google Lunar XPRIZE in encouraging today’s space entrepreneurs and innovators to collaborate toward building a new space economy while
inspiring the next generation to “shoot for the moon.” This movie is appropriate for 13 years and up audience. Show dates and times are as follows:

- Friday, Feb. 21 - 5:45 p.m.
- Saturday, Mar. 29 - 3:15 p.m.
- Wednesday, Apr. 9 - 8 p.m.
- Friday, Apr. 11 - 5:45 p.m.
- Wednesday, Apr. 16 - 8 p.m.
- Friday, Apr. 25 - 7:30 p.m.

"The Little Star that Could," is a story about Little Star, an average yellow star in search for planets of his own to protect and warm. Along the way, he meets other stars, learns what makes each star special, and discovers that stars combine to form star clusters and galaxies. Eventually, Little Star finds his planets. Each planet is introduced to your audiences with basic information about our Solar System. Run time is 35 minutes and is appropriate for all ages, recommended for families. K-6 Education Guides are available. Each “Little Star” show includes “Seasonal Stargazing” with a run time of 7 minutes. Please visit the "Little Star That Could" to see a preview of the movie. This movie is appropriate for all ages. Show dates and times are as follows:

- Saturday, Mar. 15 - 2 p.m
- Saturday, Mar. 29 - 2 p.m.
- Friday, Apr. 25 - 6 p.m.

“Stars,” back for a limited time engagement. Every star has a story. Some are as old as time, faint and almost forgotten. Others burn bright and end their lives in powerful explosions. New stars are created every day, born of vast clouds of gas and dust. Through every phase of their existence, stars release the energy that lights the Universe. Journey to the furthest reaches of our galaxy and experience both the awesome beauty and destructive power of stars. Narrated by Mark Hamill. Appropriate for ages 13 and up. Watch a preview of "Stars" at http://www.sudekumplanetarium.com/shows/STARS/. Show dates and times are as follows:

- Friday, Feb. 21 - 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Mar. 15 - 3:15 p.m.
- Friday, Apr. 11 - 7 p.m.

Check out their Facebook Page at https://www.facebook.com/EmuPlanetarium. For questions or more information, please call Norbert Vance at 487-4146 or email Tom Kasper at tkasper@emich.edu.

**THE VAGINA MONOLOGUES:** Tickets are now on sale for EMU’s 13th annual production of The Vagina Monologues. Tickets are $14 and can be purchased at the Student Center Box Office, Quirk Box Office, or online. Performances will be held at 8 p.m. in the Student Auditorium during the following dates:

- Thursday, Feb. 13
- Friday, Feb. 14
- Saturday, Feb. 15

The award-winning play is based on V-Day Founder/playwright Eve Ensler's interviews with more than 200 women. With humor and grace, the piece celebrates women's sexuality and
strength. Through this play and the liberation of this one word, countless women throughout the world have taken control of their bodies and their lives. For more than twelve years, The Vagina Monologues has given voice to experiences and feelings not previously exposed in public. All proceeds benefit V-Day, Ann Arbor SafeHouse, and First Step. For more information, contact the Women's Resource Center at 487-4282 or emu_womenscenter@emich.edu.

JUSTIN MOORE IN CONCERT AT THE CONVOCATION CENTER: Tickets will go on sale in February for the Justin Moore's "Off the Beaten Path" tour scheduled for Saturday, Mar. 15, at the EMU Convocation Center. Also starring Randy Houser, with special guest John Thompson. For more information on Justin Moore visit www.moorejustinmusic.com.

ATHLETICS
GO EMU EAGLES: The 2013 Fall athletic schedule of events is available for Men's Basketball, Women's Basketball, Women's Soccer, Women's Volleyball, Men's Swim & Dive, Women's Swim and Dive, Wrestling, Women's Gymnastics.

Please visit the EMU Athletics homepage for more information about all Eagles athletic games, schedules, rosters and much more. For ticket information, go to EMU Tickets or call the ticket office at 487-2282. All football games will be broadcasted live on WEMU 89.1.

WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS
- Eagle Invitation, Saturday, Mar. 8, Bowen Field House
- MAC Championships, Saturday, Mar. 22, Convocation Center

WRESTLING
- EMU vs. Buffalo, Sunday, Feb. 16, 1 p.m., Convocation Center

MEN'S BASKETBALL
- EMU vs. Toledo, Saturday, Feb. 15, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Central Michigan, Wednesday, Feb. 26, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Northern Illinois, Saturday, Mar. 1, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Ball State, Tuesday, Mar. 4, 7 p.m., Convocation Center

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
- EMU vs. Bowling Green, Saturday, Feb. 15, 4:30 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Toledo, Wednesday, Feb. 19, 7 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Northern Illinois, Sunday, Mar. 2, 2 p.m., Convocation Center
- EMU vs. Central Michigan, Saturday, Mar. 8, 2 p.m., Convocation Center

REMINDERS

EMU WOMEN'S GOLF LEAGUE: Are you looking forward to spring? Are you a golfer and interested in playing on the EMU Women's Golf League at Eagle Crest Resort? The Women's Golf League plays on Wednesday evenings starting at the end of April and it goes through the middle of August. If you are interested in joining or have any questions, please contact Molly Weir at: mweir@emich.edu or Vicki Reaume at vreaume@emich.edu.

FREE GROUP FITNESS CLASSES AT THE REC/IM & GET FIT CHALLENGE: The 2014 Get Fit Challenge is now open. The annual fitness event has students, faculty and staff competing (in teams of four) for points by attending fitness and nutrition seminars, exercising and learning about healthy lifestyles. Prizes will be awarded based on participation, so all levels
of fitness are welcome. Prize sponsors include Whole Foods, the EMU Bookstore, the Tower Inn and many more! The cost of the program is $40 per team and payment can be submitted any time before registration ends on Friday, Jan. 24. Please visit Register for the Get Fit Challenge or visit the Get Fit Challenge homepage for more information.

The REC/IM has partnered with Residence Life, Campus Life, Human Resources and Student Government to make all Group Fitness classes FREE to EMU students, faculty and staff for the Winter 2014 semester. Registration is required and forms are available on our website or at the front desk. REC/IM Membership is NOT required for the Group Fitness classes. Registration for classes can be completed at any time during the Winter 2014 Semester. Visit Free Group Fitness Schedule or call the REC/IM at 487-1338.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY UPDATES: If your Department Directory listing is not accurate, please send the updated information to: dept_directory@emich.edu. For questions, contact Debra Burke at 487-6895 or by e-mail at dburke15@emich.edu. Please note that personal directory listings are populated by Banner and you will need to contact Academic HR or Staff HR to update personal listings.

POST AN EVENT TO THE EVENTS CALENDAR: To submit a new event, click on Submit an Event, or go to the EMU homepage, then click on "calendars," then click the green button labeled "Submit an Event" (located on the bottom left) and enter your event information. If you need help or have questions, please contact Debra Johnson at djohn144@emich.edu or call 487-2484. All events are subject to approval.

EMU PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS AND REMINDERS: The EMU Police Department facilitates a variety of community service programs focused on safety awareness for our residential halls, classrooms and campus. These include crime prevention seminars, and training sessions and programs on sexual assault and alcohol awareness for faculty, staff and students. EMU Police use high visibility foot patrols, mobile patrols, bicycle patrols and an extensive video monitoring system to help deter crime. It is important to report crimes or suspicious activities immediately -- police have a better opportunity to apprehend suspects and solve crimes.

Please review the information below and report any crimes or any suspicious activities. Reporting a crime or suspicious activity can be done anonymously.

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

Telephone numbers and email accounts listed above are set-up specifically for those who wish to report a crime or information related to a crime. Your identity will remain anonymous.
For questions pertaining to EMU Safety Tips or crime prevention, please contact Police Officer Candace Dorsey, Crime Prevention Coordinator at 487-0987 or by email at edorsey@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

2014/2015 COMMISSION ON WOMEN SCHOLARSHIP NOW AVAILABLE: Applications are being accepted for the 2014/2015 EMU Commission on Women Scholarship. Please download the application at: http://www.emich.edu/finaid/scholarships.php. This scholarship is open to both admitted undergraduate and graduate students who plan to be or are enrolled at least half-time. This is a one-time scholarship for the academic year (the award will be split evenly between fall 2014 and winter 2015 semesters). If you meet the additional required criteria, please submit all documentation by Monday, Mar. 3, 2014. For questions regarding the scholarship, please contact the Office of Financial Aid at 487-0455.

NEW SCHOLARSHIP FUND AVAILABLE: A new scholarship fund is available for students pursuing degrees relevant to work in libraries and related organizations. 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. Applications received by Saturday, Feb. 15 will receive first consideration. Information and application forms are available at the following website: http://www.emich.edu/library/about/romanow-scholarship2/

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