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Greetings from the Office of Multicultural Programs (OMP)!



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Copies of this and past issues are available in our Study Center (Memorial Union 178) and at <http://www.ndsu.edu/multicultural/>. Please check prior issues for opportunities that may still be open/available, as items are not always repeated from issue to issue.



Native American Heritage Month

Native American Heritage month will be in November. Look forward to various events in honor of the heritage month, such as presentations and seminars!

MONDAY, NOV. 17

Conquering it All - John B. Herrington

7:00-8:00 p.m., NDSU McGovern Alumni Center

NDSU hosts the Nation's first-ever enrolled Native American astronaut as he speaks of the challenges he faced and what he did to ultimately live out his dreams.

THURSDAY, NOV. 20

The Struggle: Understanding a Native American Student's Struggle - Dereck Stonefish, Oneida, AIPHRC Research Manager

12:00-1:00, Memorial Union Meadow Room

Understanding Native American Students (NAS) can be difficult at times. Many NAS suffer from several afflictions such as historical trauma, current poverty, and/or culture shock among others. The support systems in place will work if they are modified appropriately and a sometimes "foreign" viewpoint is acknowledged. This presentation will provide suggestions to support NAS as well as some insights from a teacher's perspective (K-12 and Undergraduate level) who survived not only life, but the education system.



New Counseling Group Available for Struggling First-Year Students

The group, #NewtoNDSU, aims to help students deal with numerous aspects related to transitioning to college. From homesickness to study habits, come learn skills and discuss your experiences. This group is free and open to all first-year NDSU students. Please contact Lindsey or Jason if you have questions, at 701-231-7671.

For more information, please visit the link provided:

http://www.ndsu.edu/counseling/groups_classes/



African Student Union

African Student Union is a platform of students coming from different African countries. Students share their African cultural heritage with people coming from other parts of the globe. This group also focuses on building leadership skills, networks and solid friendships. Become a member of this great organization today! For more information, go under the Organizations portal on Blackboard.



White House Summer 2015 Internship Program

The White House Internship Program provides a unique opportunity to gain valuable professional experience and build leadership skills. This hands-on program is designed to mentor and cultivate today's young leaders, strengthen their understanding of the Executive Office of the President and engage them in public service opportunities.

A complete application includes: short answers, two essay questions, a one-page resume, and two letters of recommendation. The deadline to apply for the summer 2015 program is January 11, 2015. For more information and to apply, please visit <http://www.whitehouse.gov/internships>.



Scholarships Available

There are several different types of scholarship opportunities available at NDSU as well as outside of NDSU. There are scholarships for incoming freshmen and transfer students, as well as specific Departmental scholarships for students who have already declared a major. This page also contains links for external scholarship opportunities as well as tips and resources that all students should find useful as they search for and apply for scholarships. Students can find more information at this link: <http://www.ndsu.edu/bisonconnection/finaid/scholarships/> and at this link: <http://www.ndsu.edu/bisonconnection/finaid/scholarships/external/>



Winter Coat Drive and Food Pantry Request

As the cold season returns, please consider donating gently used winter coats and accessories (hats, gloves, scarves, and boots) to the Equity and Diversity Center. Many of our students who come from warm winter climates are unable to purchase adequate winter outerwear at home and cannot afford to purchase these items here. Donations can be dropped off Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm at the Equity and Diversity Center (the Alba Bales House, behind Ceres Hall). The Equity and Diversity Center also hosts an emergency food pantry with items available for any NDSU student in need. Thanks to the generous support of Niskanen Apartments hall government, a freezer was purchased so the Pantry is also able to accept freezable food items. Thank you!



Safe Zone Training

Safe Zone is a program designed to:

- Educate people about sexual orientation and gender identity/expression issues.
- Create a visible network of Allies to provide support to the NDSU lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning (LGBTQ) community.
- Provide accurate information about sexual orientation and gender identity/expression issues and resources within the community.

November 2014: Trainings will be held on Mondays at 12 noon

- Monday, November 17: Level 3 - "Upstander Training"



WGS 340: Perspective in LGBTQ Studies

Do you have an interest in the LGBT community? LGBTQ Programs in teaming up with Women and Gender Studies to offer this 3 credit course in Spring 2015. The course will explore gender identity and sexual orientation from feminist and queer perspectives. The course is taught Tuesdays, 5:00- 7:30 pm. Students can register for WGS 340 via Bison Connection or through Campus Connection.



Tutoring

Students looking for help with their classes can check the tutoring schedule in the Office of Multicultural Programs. Subjects that are available by appointment throughout the week are: English Composition, Writing, English Literature, Literary Analysis, Math, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering, and Electrical Engineering.

Students can check the binder in the office to sign up (at least one day in advance) for a tutoring session. Students who are interested in tutoring are encouraged to volunteer. Contact the Office of Multicultural Programs for more information, at ndsuhq@ndsu.edu.



Diversity Events

Thursday, November 20 (Transgender Day of Remembrance)

Trans* Umbrella Panel Discussion

Noon- 1:15pm, Memorial Union Arikara Room

Wednesday, December 3

Community of Respect Training

8:30am-2:30pm, Memorial Union Rose Room

The Community of Respect seminar teaches participants about cultural differences and encourages them to think critically about the impact of their cultural values on their relationships with others. This training is free for faculty, staff and students. To register, email regina.ranney@ndsu.edu

Wednesday, December 3rd

NDSU's Fall 2014 Animal Assisted Therapy Speaker Series: Patriot Assistance Dogs

Noon, Memorial Union Room of Nations

Speaker: Geoffrey Zehnacker, Veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom & "Luke", his Patriot Assistance Dog
Presented through a collaboration of the NDSU Dept. of Animal Sciences, the Counseling Center, Registration & Records' Military and Veterans Services, the Dept. of Health, Nutrition & Exercise Science, and the Equity & Diversity Center



EVENT CALENDAR: Check out the monthly Diversity Events Calendar, the Diversity Community Calendar & the NDSU Diversity Calendar

http://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/multicultural/EDGO_7639_fall_Diversity_Events.pdf

Also check out the Interfaith Calendar at www.interfaithcalendar.org/

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