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Weekly Bulletin

Welcome...

We welcome all new and returning students and faculty to campus! It has been an incredibly busy summer, with lots of exciting things taking place. Look for more news on these activities in the quarterly newsletter, which should be out on campus in the next week or two.

For those who are new to campus, let us introduce you to our Weekly Bulletin. It comes out each Monday morning during the semester, other than during the week of breaks. It includes campus activities and the lunch menu for the week, as well as various other brief updates.

Additionally, a multiple-page newsletter is distributed quarterly around campus (for returning students and staff, please note this change from previous monthly editions). This publication covers stories in more depth, including both College and Foundation news.

Both the weekly bulletin and the quarterly newsletter will be distributed in various spots around campus, including: the Christie lobby, outside of the bookstore, the Mailman Building, the library and the nursing wing. They are also distributed via mailboxes to all employees and to resident students.

Anyone who would like to submit information for either publication should see Karen in the development office (just off the Christie lobby) or e-mail info@nmcc.edu.

Again, welcome everyone!

Major Software Conversion to Bring Long Term Benefits

Students and Employees Asked for Patience as Semester Gets Underway

The College is in the process of completing a major transition in the software system that maintains all student and alumni records. For more than a year, a number of staff members have been hard at work making the transition of data as smooth as possible. It has been a tremendous job in scope, and these individuals have put in too many hours to count to make it all happen.

Although their diligence certainly made the conversion easier, certain issues are inevitable with a project such as this, particularly with a "go live" date (August 16) so close to the start of the semester. We apologize for any inconvenience caused to students and employees as a result of this process, and ask for your patience as the semester gets underway and glitches are worked out.

One of the enhancements made is the ability to use college photo ID cards for a variety of transactions across campus. This change and associated security upgrades with the system will require that **ALL** students (full and part-time, new and returning) receive a new student ID and new log in information for access to the College computer systems. Once students have their log in information, they can access their schedules, book lists, etc. directly by going to **my.NMCC.edu**.

Meanwhile, *ALL students, both new and returning, are asked to go to the Edmunds Conference Center as soon as they arrive this week to pick up hard copies of their schedules and book lists.* Students who have not already done so in the past two weeks will then be directed to the library to have their photos taken for new student IDs. Given the new features with the IDs, students will need to bring a government-issued photo ID with them to have their photo taken.

Students must obtain their new student ID before they can transfer funds to a bookstore account in order to purchase books in the NMCC bookstore utilizing their financial aid to help defray the cost.

While this adds a new challenge to the start of the semester, we are confident that once things calm down, students and employees will all benefit from this upgrade in our student information system. Please have patience.

Students are encouraged to take advantage of the computer help sessions being offered over the next few weeks by the IT department. Employees should seek help as needed by their peers who have undergone training.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we get underway... and welcome back!

Welcome Back Breakfast

The Student Senate is sponsoring a **Welcome Back Breakfast** for students on Wednesday, September 1. Stop by the Christie lobby anytime between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and help yourself to some goodies.



Want to learn more about what the Student Senate does and how you can get involved? The student group meets each Tuesday from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. in Christie 201. The Senate is always looking for more members, so stop by and check it out!

Lunch Menu

Monday

Chesapeake Bay Corn Chowder
Tomato Rice Soup
Chicken Double Noodle Soup
Meatball Sub
Spinach Alfredo Ravioli
Spaghetti
Cauliflower
Hot Pastrami Sandwich
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Burger
Fried Chicken Patty Melt
Seasoned Twister Fries
Hawaiian Pizza
Assorted Dessert

Tuesday

Potato & Leek Soup
Minestrone Soup
Chicken Double Noodle Soup
Shepherd's Pie
Baked Macaroni & Cheese
Carrots
Grilled Ckn. & Chili Bowl
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Burger
Fried Chicken Patty Melt
Seasoned Twister Fries
BBQ Chicken Pizza
Mediterranean Beef Panini
Assorted Dessert

Wednesday

Cream of Broccoli Soup
Chicken Vegetable Soup
Chicken Double Noodle Soup
BBQ Pork
Asian Sesame Pasta
Zucchini & Yellow Squash
Batter Dipped Potato Wedges
Italian Burger
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Burger
Fried Chicken Patty Melt
Seasoned Twister Fries
Spinach/Bacon Flatbread Pizza
Whole Wheat Pizza Primavera
Chunky Chicken Salad Sand.
Assorted Dessert

Thursday

Potato Chowder
Chicken & Rice Soup
Chicken Double Noodle Soup
Beef Taco
Tomato Basil Pasta
Corn
Red Chile Mexican Rice
Buffalo Chicken Sandwich
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Burger
Fried Chicken Patty Melt
Seasoned Twister Fries
Taco Style Pizza
Rotini Marinara
Chicken Salad Croissant
Assorted Dessert

Friday

Boston Clam Chowder
Beef Vegetable Soup
Chicken Double Noodle Soup
Singapore Chicken
Stuffed Shells
Broccoli
Herb Roasted Red Potatoes
Asian Shrimp Fajita
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Burger
Fried Chicken Patty Melt
Seasoned Twister Fries
White Pizza Sicilian Style
Vegetable Pasta Mediterranean
Assorted Dessert

Interested in Playing Soccer or Golf?



Students who are interested in playing on the NMCC Falcon's soccer team should come to the practice/tryouts on the soccer field on Tuesday, August 31, at 4:00 p.m.

Those interested in joining the golf team are asked to attend a meeting in the gym on Wednesday, September 1, at 5:30 p.m.



If you are interested in either sport and are unable to attend the respective meeting, contact Lori Googins, director of athletics, at 768-2782 or lgoogins@nmcc.edu.

Swimming at the Indoor Pool...

NMCC students can swim for free at the Presque Isle indoor pool, located next to the Forum. Simply bring your student ID with you and be sure to sign in at the desk. To find out times when the pool is open to the public, you can call 764-2564.

Courtesy of Student Senate

Parking Permit Reminder...

Students and employees who do not have the appropriate parking permits on their vehicles are urged to stop by the business office to complete the necessary paperwork and get their permit. The permits are free, whereas tickets are not...so don't delay!

Have questions?

Whether you are a new student trying to find your way around campus or a returning student with questions on accessing information on the new my.NMCC.edu ...please don't be afraid to ask for help. Faculty and staff are here to help make the transition as smooth as possible. If one of us can't answer your question, we can most likely direct you to the person who can.

Events

MONDAY

Student Computer Help, 1:00 - 5:00 pm, Continuing Ed. Conference Room

Part-time Orientation, 5:30 - 6:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center

Finance Your Future Workshop, 5:30 - 8:30 pm, Keegan Rm.

TUESDAY

Student Computer Help, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Continuing Ed. Conference Room

Part-time Orientation, 5:30 - 6:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center

WEDNESDAY

Welcome Breakfast, 8:00 - 10:00 am, Christie Lobby

Student Computer Help, 3:00 - 5:30 pm, Continuing Ed. Conference Room

Part-time Orientation, 5:30 - 6:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center

Computer Help Available

The IT Office has setup support sessions for students needing basic assistance with common issues: accessing the wireless network, wireless printing, server storage, antivirus installation, etc. These sessions will run from August 30 until September 17 in the Continuing Education conference room (located on the second floor of the Edmunds Building...take the staircase or elevator next to the library's entrance and look for the bright signs that will help direct you there.) The hours of these help sessions are listed below.

Mondays, Aug 30 & Sept 13 - 1:00 to 5:00 pm
Tuesdays, Aug 31, Sept 7 & 14 - 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
Wednesdays, Sept 1, 8 & 15 - 3:00 to 5:30 pm
Thursdays, Sept 2, 9 & 16 - 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
Fridays, Sept 3, 10 & 17 - 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

When seeking help, please be sure you have enough time set aside (computers cannot be left unattended) and bring anything that you'll need: power cables, jump drives, software installation disks, etc.

Extended Hours...

Several areas have extended hours during the first week of classes in order to better meet students' needs:

Business Office	M-H	8:00 am - 6:00 pm
	F	8:00 am - 4:30 pm
Student Services Office	M-H	8:00 am - 6:00 pm
	F	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Bookstore	M-H	7:30 am - 6:30 pm
	F	7:30 am - 4:00 pm

See next week's newsletter for the normal semester hours for these areas, as well as for the hours of the library, media center and academic success center.

Bookstore Note...

If you plan to purchase your books using your student account (financial aid credit), then you must: 1) get your new student ID and 2) go to the business office and transfer funds to a bookstore account.

THURSDAY

Student Computer Help, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Continuing Ed. Conference Room

Part-time Orientation, 5:30 - 6:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center

Aroostook Amateur Radio Club, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, CHR 113

FRIDAY

Student Computer Help, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Continuing Ed. Conference Room

SATURDAY

Aroostook Football League Meeting, 9:00 - 10:00 am, CHR 101

MONDAY - September 6

LABOR DAY - NO CLASSES; COLLEGE OFFICES CLOSED