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Presentation on History of Star City White Spruce as 1959 National Christmas Tree

In the Christmas of 1959, a 70 foot white spruce from the Parsons Road was selected as the national Christmas tree and officially lit by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

That historic event, the build up to the tree's selection and the events surrounding the tree lighting in December of 1959 will be the topic of a free presentation open to the public and led by Kim Smith of the Presque Isle Historical Society in the Edmunds Conference Center at NMCC on Tuesday, December 7, at 12:00 noon.

Smith will speak briefly about the history of the U.S. President lighting a national Christmas tree, which dates back to 1923, when Calvin Coolidge began the tradition. She will then talk specifically about the 1959 national Christmas tree, which came from the Alice Sprague farm on Parsons Road.

In addition to holding a special place in the hearts of people from Aroostook County, the national Christmas tree that year was unique in that it was the first from a private citizen and not from a national forest and it was the first ever used from east of the Mississippi River.

Stop by the Edmunds Conference Center at noon on Tuesday to learn more!

Class Cancellation Procedure

Did you receive an early morning call on Monday about classes being cancelled? Or did you find out some other way before you actually got ready to head out the door? If not, this information will help.

While the college does not typically close due to inclement weather, in case of extreme weather conditions, classes may be cancelled or the College closed early. Any decision to cancel daytime classes will be made by 6:00 a.m., and the decision not to hold evening classes will be made by 4:00 p.m.

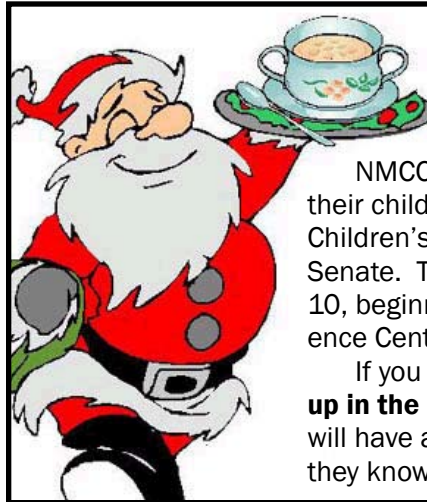
Any College wide closing will be sent to students and employees using

the emergency alert system. Please ensure that your contact information is accurate. Announcements will also be posted on the College's website. *Announcements will also be listed on the following:*

WAGM-TV (Ch. 8/4)	WBPW - 96.9 FM
WCXX - 102.3 FM	WCXU - 97.7 FM
WQHR - 96.1 FM	WCVB - 98.1 FM
WOZI - 101.9 FM	W276AY - 103.1 FM

Please check these resources rather than calling the College.

Remember to allow for extra driving time during your commute when roads are poor. *Drive safely!*



Student Senate to Host Children's Holiday Party

NMCC students and employees are invited to bring their children, ages 12 and under, to the annual NMCC Children's Holiday Party sponsored by the Student Senate. This year's party will be on Friday, December 10, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Edmunds Conference Center.

If you would like to attend, **please sign your child up in the IT Office by Monday, December 6.** Santa will have a present for everyone, so it is critical that they know ahead of time who will be attending.

**Nicely
Made
Christmas
Craft Fair**

**Thursday,
December 9
12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.
Edmunds Conference
Center**

Lunch Menu

Monday

Broccoli & Cheese Soup
Chesapeake Bay Corn Chowder
Floribbean Chicken Stew
Soy Sesame Chicken
Cheese Lasagna
Orange Spiced Carrots
Cheddar Mashed Potatoes
Corned Beef Special Sandwich
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Brgr.
Sweet Potato Fries
Meatball Calzone
Buffalo Bistro Chicken Wrap
Dessert

Tuesday

Kielbasa, Cabbage & Pot. Soup
Tomato Rice Soup
Floribbean Chicken Stew
Stuffed Green Peppers
Baked Macaroni & Cheese
Spinach
Brown Rice
Boca Burger
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Brgr.
Sweet Potato Fries
Hawaiian Thin Crust Pizza
Genoa Salami w/Mozzarella
Dessert

Wednesday

Vegetable Chowder
Asian Beef & Ramen Soup
Floribbean Chicken Stew
French Dip
Eggplant Parmesean
Veggie Blend
Herbed Chips
State Fair Corn Dog
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Brgr.
Sweet Potato Fries
Greek Pizza
Caesar Wrap
Dessert

Thursday

Chicken & Okra Gumbo Soup
Chicken Noodle Soup
Floribbean Chicken Stew
Mexican Beef Fajitas
Cavatappi, Ckn., Portobella
Vegetable Medley
Chipotle Rice
Philly Beef Steak & Cheese
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Brgr.
Sweet Potato Fries
Chicken Parmesean Rolletto
Hummus & Toasted Pita
Dessert

Friday

Beef Barley Soup
New England Clam Chowder
Floribbean Chicken Stew
Zesty Beef Stroganoff
Deep Fried Ravioli
Acorn Squash
Mashed Sweet Potatoes
Fishwich with Lettuce
BBQ Bacon Swiss Mush. Brgr.
Sweet Potato Fries
WW Spinach, Feta & Ham Pizza
Apple Tuna Salad Sandwich
Dessert

SNOW SEASON is coming...

Once again, Big Rock and the Maine Winter Sports Center are welcoming the entire NMCC community to their newly upgraded facilities. NMCC Students and employees enjoy a great discounted rate! [Thanks to the NMCC Student Senate]

Present your valid NMCC ID card to receive the discounts noted below.

- ❖ All NMCC students and employees receive Daily Ski and Snow-Tubing Lift Tickets for a cost of Seven Dollars (\$7.00) per day (must present valid college ID with purchase).
- ❖ Spouses of NMCC students/employees receive 25% off all Daily Lift Ticket prices when accompanying an NMCC student/employee to Big Rock.
- ❖ Children living at the home of NMCC students/employees receive 25% off all Daily Lift Ticket prices when accompanying an NMCC student/employee to Big Rock.
- ❖ Avid Skier? NMCC students/employees may purchase season pass for skiing at a special \$100 rate per pass. Valid NMCC ID required.

Many thanks to the NMCC Student Senate for again sponsoring this activity. For more go to www.bigrockmaine.com/ or call 425-6711.

Skating at the Forum...

Students who present their NMCC student ID card at the door can skate for free at the indoor rink at the Forum. Call the Forum for times at 764-0491.

Courtesy of Student Senate

Events

MONDAY

Dutch Soccer Academy, 4:00 - 8:00 pm, Gym

TUESDAY

Little Feathers, 10:00 - 11:00 am, Gym

Student Senate Meeting, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, CHR 201

PI Historical Society Presentation - History of the National Christmas Tree, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

Healthcare Grant Meeting, 1:00 - 3:00 pm, CED Conf. Room

PIMS, 3:00 - 4:30 pm, Gym

AYBL, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, Gym

NMCC Basketball Practice, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, Gym

WEDNESDAY

Faculty Management Committee, 8:00 - 9:00 am, President's Conference Room

One Act Play - Trifles, 12:15 - 1:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

Student Senate Gift Wrapping, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, Keegan Rm.



Trifles
by:
Susan Glaspell



Presented by:
ENG 231 Women's Lit Class
December 8th, 2010
Edmunds Conference Center
12:15PM

Indoor Ultimate Frisbee Tournament at UMPI

The UMPI Disc Sports Club is hosting an indoor Ultimate Frisbee Tournament in Gentile Hall on Saturday, December 11, and they are looking for teams to take part. They are inviting NMCC students to form a team(s). Teams should have at least five people, but could have more for subs. The cost for team registration is \$50. For more information on playing in the tournament, please contact the UMPI student coordinating the event at jfereshetian@yahoo.com.

NMCC 50th Anniversary Steering Committee Meeting, 2:00 - 3:00 pm, Location TBA

Nominating Committee, 4:00 - 5:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

AYBL, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, Gym

NMCC Basketball Practice, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, Gym

THURSDAY

NESHM, 7:30 - 9:00 am, Edmunds Conference Center

Mini Craft Fair, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center

EC for ME Christmas Party, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, Reed Commons Keegan Room

PIMS, 3:00 - 4:30 pm, Gym

FRIDAY

Medical Assisting Meeting, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm, CHR 201

Husson School Counselors ICV, 1:00 - 3:00 pm, CHR 201

Children's Christmas Party, 6:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

NMCC Basketball Practice, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, Gym