

# Toward Excellence

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# NORTHERN MAINE

# Weekly Bulletin



it's a 60s celebration!

NMCC's 1960's Celebration to kick-off our 50th anniversary will take place on **Wednesday**, **January 12**, beginning at 11:00 a.m., in the Christie Gym. There will be lots of fun for all:

- Free lunch from the "NMCC Retro Diner" including burger & hot dog baskets, milk shakes, banana splits, ice cream sundaes and root beer floats
- DJ Bob Collins playing lots of great 60s music
- Live performances by NMCC faculty, staff and students (IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR YOU TO SHOW OFF YOUR TALENT...CONTACT THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE TO TAKE PART.)
- Karaoke for those willing to take to the stage
- 1960s era dances like the Hand Jive and the Mashed Potato
- Hoola Hoop & other contests

Lots of folks have stepped up to lend us items to help set the mood for the party. Now we just need you! **Get in the spirit, dress in 60's style clothes** (best dressed gets a prize!), and come join the fun!



# Welcome Back...

We welcome back all of the returning students and faculty to campus, as well as those new students who are joining us this semester.

For those who aren't familiar with this campus publication... this bulletin is put out weekly by the College Relations Office to share on-campus information with students and faculty. An expanded edition of Toward Excellence is also distributed quarterly to both our on-campus community as well as to about 1,200 college "friends" across the state. This is a great vehicle for promoting college activities and events, and we encourage students and employees to submit information for inclusion in either publication. Simply e-mail the details to info@nmcc.edu, call 768-2809, or stop by the College Relations Office on the first floor of the Christie Building, right off of the main lobby.

Have a great semester and a great year, everyone!

# **Snow Days**

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, as well as on the following:

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

# 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

# **ASC to Expand Service**

Staff in the Academic Success Center will be offering tutoring services via Skype during the spring semester in order to better meet the needs of students with family obligations or traveling distances. Students who are at home will be able to get help using their computer on Mondays through Thursdays, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

To learn more about this new service and how to access it, students are encouraged to attend one of the informational meetings being planned in January. These sessions will be held at noon in the Academic Success Center on the following dates: Monday, January 10; Tuesday, January 11; Wednesday, January 12; Thursday, January 13; and Friday, January 14

To learn more, stop by the Academic Success Center, located just off the Christie lobby.

# Skiing at Big Rock...

NMCC students and employees enjoy a great discounted rate at Big Rock in Mars Hill, 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 \$7.00 per day. Spouses and children living at the home of of NMCC students/employees receive 25% off all Daily Lift Ticket prices when accompanying an NMCC student/employee to Big Rock.

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

# Students Encouraged to Apply for International Exchange with Ireland

The George J. Mitchell Peace Scholarship exchange with Ireland was created jointly by the Maine Community College System and the University of Maine System as a tribute to the Honorable George J. Mitchell in recognition of his efforts to facilitate peace in Ireland and Northern Ireland. Students spend either a semester or an academic year in Cork at the Cork Institute of Technology. The scholarship includes tuition and fees, books, room and board and living expense and travel stipends.

For more information or to apply, students can go to www.mccs.me.edu/student/gm.html or check out the "Mitchell Peace Exchange" on Facebook.

# **Congratulations...**

Winners of the ASC punchcard draw are Vonda McNally and Mark Almon. Valarie Deschesne had the most punches (135), and Mike Lewin won the NMCC bag. Other winners were: Mariah Lemieux-Lupien, Alex Curtain, Sheri Anderson and Steve Beaulieu.

# **Weekly Movie Night**

Movie Nights happen throughout the semester on Thursday evenings in the Reed Commons. The movie playing will be posted earlier in the week with flyers in the resident halls and in the dining commons. This is a FREE event open to all students, employees and their friends/families. Snacks are provided.

Sponsored by Res Life & Aramark

# **Library Notes...**

The library has an **iPad** and **Sony Reader** for loan in the library. It's a great way to test out new technology. There are also two **laptops** for students which are loaned out for two hours for use in the library. Inquire at the circulation desk.

# Events.

### **MONDAY, JANUARY 10**

CED Code Class, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center Skype Info Session, 12:00 pm, Academic Success Center Dutch Soccer Academy, 4:00 - 8:00 pm, Gym Evening Orientation, 5:00 - 6:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center

## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 11**

**CED Code Class**, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center **Skype Info Session**, 12:00 pm, Academic Success Center **Governor's Red Tape Audit**, 1:00 - 3:00 pm, Keegan Room **Evening Orientation**, 5:00 - 6:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12**

**50th Anniversary Celebration,** 11:00 am - 1:30 pm, Gym **Skype Info Session,** 12:00 pm, Academic Success Center

Evening Orientation, 5:00 - 6:00 pm, Hunt Media Center USDA Public Outreach Meeting, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Edmunds Conference Center

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 13**

**Skype Info Session,** 12:00 pm, Academic Success Center **Evening Orientation,** 5:00 - 6:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Center **Movie Night,** 8:00 - 10:30 pm, Reed Commons

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

Skype Info Session, 12:00 pm, Academic Success Center

## **SATURDAY, JANUARY 15**

Pediatric First Aid/CPR, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, CHR 205