



# Toward Excellence

# Weekly Bulletin

## Teams Needed for Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament

The NMCC Student Senate is looking for students, employees and community members to take part in their annual "Support Maine Veterans" Volleyball Tournament. This year's tournament will take place on Saturday, April 16, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the NMCC gym.



Teams with one or more players who have competed on a volleyball team will play in a competitive bracket, while the other teams will play in a recreational bracket. All those competing in the tournament will receive a free t-shirt.

Each team of six to eight players is expected to raise at least \$100. Teams or groups donating \$100, but not playing, can be listed as "honorary" teams supporting the effort. All proceeds from this fundraising will be donated to the Maine Veterans' Home in Caribou.

Please rally your classmates, co-workers, friends and family to form teams to compete in this tournament. Team registration forms and pledge sheets are available in the IT office.

For more information on the tournament or making a donation to support the cause, contact a member of the Student Senate or advisor Dennis Albert at 768-2757.

## NLNAC Site Visitors on Campus this Week

The National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. (NLNAC) visit, which was originally scheduled February 28 to March 3, is taking place this week, March 28 through March 31.

The site visit follows an extensive self study process undertaken by the nursing and allied health department. The self-study report prepared by the College is the primary document used by the site visit team, the evaluation review panels, and the Board of Commissioners of NLNAC to understand the nursing program.

The purpose of the visit is to evaluate the nursing program by clarifying, verifying, and amplifying information presented in the self-study report. In the four days the visiting team is in northern Maine, the group will speak with various constituencies involved with and impacted by the NMCC nursing program. Members will spend their time on campus, as well as visit clinical sites in the community and the off-campus centers in Madawaska

and Houlton, where NMCC delivers its associate degree nursing program using distance technology.

Interested individuals are encouraged to participate in a public forum planned as part of the site visit on Wednesday, March 30, at 3:00 p.m. in the Edmunds Conference Center.

NLNAC is responsible for the specialized accreditation of nursing education programs (clinical doctorate, master's degree, baccalaureate degree, associate degree, diploma, and practical nursing program). The organization is nationally recognized as a specialized accrediting agency for both post-secondary and higher degree programs in nursing education. NLNAC accredits all types of post-secondary and higher degree education nursing programs.

Please welcome our visitors to campus. Employees are reminded to please wear their name tags this week, so they can be clearly identifiable to anyone needed directions or other assistance.

## Dinner Event to Feature Rich Heritage of NMCC

The campus community is invited to join in the celebration of NMCC's 50th Anniversary and National Community College Month with a historic presentation, social and dinner on April 11, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Edmunds Conference Center.

The event will feature a special talk on the history of the campus as well as the Presque Isle Army Air Base. The presentation, given by Kim Smith of the Presque Isle Historical Society, will offer alumni, friends, and community members a chance to hear about NMCC's rich history and provide the opportunity for people to learn more about the former Army Air Base, which was located where the College sits today.

The presentation entitled "The Rich Heritage of NMCC" will feature a variety of historic photos from the base as well as the college through the years. The special event will showcase the history of the grounds that now serve as home to the campus.

The evening will conclude with the brief annual meeting of the NMCC Alumni and Friends Organization and the naming of the 2011 Torchbearer Award Recipient.

The public is invited to join in the evening filled with friends, good food, and storytelling. The cost for the evening, including dinner, is \$15. To reserve a seat, contact Shannon Cook in the NMCC Foundation and Alumni office at (207) 760-1188.

## Lunch Menu

### Monday

Tomato Basil Soup  
Turkey Rice Soup  
Chunky Potato Chowder  
Beef Brisket  
Pasta with Sweet Sausage  
Seasoned Broccoli  
Fried Rice  
Bacon Swiss Burger  
Turkey Burger  
Buffalo Fries  
Cheeseburger Pizza  
Milano Wrap  
Assorted Dessert

### Tuesday

Vegetable Chowder  
Chunky Potato Chowder  
Oriental Beef Noodle Soup  
Chicken Pot Pie  
Baked Macaroni & Cheese  
Cauliflower Au Gratin  
Candied Sweet Potatoes  
Italian Sausage Sandwich  
Turkey Burger  
Buffalo Fries  
Spinach & Ricotta Wheat Pizza  
Gr. Panini Smoked Turkey  
Assorted Dessert

### Wednesday

Lentil Soup  
Beef Barley & Noodle Soup  
Chunky Potato Chowder  
Hot Turkey Sandwich  
Beef Ravioli Casserole  
Carrots  
Reuben Melt  
Turkey Burger  
Buffalo Fries  
Gr. Chicken & Broccoli Pizza  
Ham & Cheese Wrap  
Chunky Chicken Salad Sand.  
Assorted Dessert

### Thursday

Italian Wedding Soup  
Very Veggie Vegetarian Soup  
Chunky Potato Chowder  
Beef Taco  
Primavera Casserole  
Mexi-Corn  
Spanish Rice  
Ballpark Dogs  
Turkey Burger  
Buffalo Fries  
Calzone  
Focaccia, Turkey, Cranberry  
Assorted Dessert

### Friday

New England Clam Chowder  
Cream of Broc. & Caul. Soup  
Chunky Potato Chowder  
Fish & Chips  
Gnocchi with Morel Sauce  
Green Beans  
Couscous Pilaf  
Turkey, Bacon, Cheddar Burger  
Turkey Burger  
Buffalo Fries  
Dough Rolletto, Marinated  
Garlic  
Turkey Caesar Wrap  
Assorted Dessert

## Book Signing



A book signing was held on campus on March 22 featuring Heidi Jo Samuel (left), with her cookbook *Boutique Gourmet*, and Glenna Johnson Smith (right), with her book *Old Maine Woman, Stories from the Coast to The County*. The event was coordinated by Gail Roy (center) from the library. The signing was a great success, with more than 35 attending to meet the authors, hear them speak, and enjoy some wonderful goodies made using recipes from Heidi's cookbook. Special thanks to all who cooked for the event!!!

## BINGO



More than 60 took part in the fun at BINGO Night, sponsored by the NMCC Student Senate, last week. There were lots of prizes handed out, with the three grand prize winners being: first place, Wendy Genthner, 3-credit NMCC course; 2nd place, Gabe Cheney, Garmin Navigator GPS; and 3rd place, Andrew McGillicuddy, an 8-person tent. Congratulations to all of the winners, and thanks to all who supported this fun event. Special thanks to Guy Jackson for once again serving as caller for this activity.

## Writing Workshop & READ Poster Unveiling



On March 18, more than two dozen campus and community members participated in a free playwriting/screenwriting workshop offered by Tony Award nominated actor and acclaimed playwright, John Cariani. During the two hour workshop, Cariani (left) talked to the group about his experience as a writer and engaged participants in a variety of writing exercises. The exercise included a group writing activity, individual writing, monologs, dialogs, and more.



Gail Roy, NMCC assistant dean of learning resources, and John Cariani pose after they revealed the newest American Library Association READ poster of Cariani to be displayed in the Edmunds Library on campus.

**We wish a safe and happy Spring Break to our students and faculty. The next edition of the Weekly Bulletin will be on April 11 upon their return to campus.**

## Events

### MONDAY, MARCH 28

**NMCC/UMFK Meeting**, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm, Martin 3rd Floor Conference Room

**NLNAC Nursing Visit**, 12:00 - 4:15 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

**Admissions Testing**, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, MRT 105

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

**Women, Work & Community**, 5:00 - 8:30 pm, Keegan Room

### TUESDAY, MARCH 29

**NLNAC Nursing Visit**, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Martin 3rd Floor Conference Room

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

**NLNAC Nursing Visit**, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Keegan Room

**NLNAC Nursing Visit**, 2:45 - 5:00 pm, CED Classroom

**Youth Basketball of America**, 6:00 - 7:30 pm, Gym

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

**TRIO Luncheon**, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

**Legislative Call**, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Martin 3rd Floor Conf. Rm.

**NLNAC Nursing Visit - PUBLIC COMMENTS SESSION**, 3:00 - 4:00 pm, Edmunds Conference Center

### THURSDAY, MARCH 31

**Real Estate Seminar**, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

**NLNAC Visit**, 8:00 - 10:00 am, Martin 3rd Floor Conf. Room

**Scholarship Luncheon**, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, Keegan Room

**Movie Night**, 9:00 - 10:30 pm, Reed Commons

### FRIDAY, APRIL 1

**Medical Assisting Meeting**, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, CHR 201

**Admissions Testing**, 1:00 - 3:30 pm, MRT 105

### SATURDAY, APRIL 2

**PI Rec Dept. Soccer Tournament**, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm, Gym