

Toward Excellence Veeklu Bulletin

Are You Ready for Emergencies?

On Tuesday, September 13, a test message was sent to all devices registered in the emergency alert system. Employees and students should have been notified via e-mail, telephone and/or text message of the test.

Did you get the message?

The results of the test alert show that: 5 e-mail addresses could not be delivered to their intended recipient; 72 devices entered did not receive their text message; and 158 phone call failed to reach the person.

That means that more than 23% of the campus is not prepared for an emergency situation. Are you part of that group?

What to Do

If you have not yet opted in:

- Log into https://my.nmcc.edu
- . Go to the IT-Facilities tab
- Pick the RaveAlert Instant Alert option
- Choose OPT-IN to receive emergency notices and storm cancellations
- Enter your information and click

If you have opted in:

- Log into https://my.nmcc.edu
- Go to the IT-Facilities tab
- Pick the RaveAlert Instant Alert
- · Verify your information is accurate and click save

If you need help or have questions about the system, stop by the IT office from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Monday - Friday.

Donation from Dead River Company to Benefit Students

A significant in-kind donation from the Dead River Company given to The Foundation for Maine's Community Colleges will enhance the hands-on learning opportunities at three of the state's community colleges. Three trucks were donated this past week, one each to NMCC, EMCC and WCCC. The diesel trucks represent the initial gift from Dead River Company. Altogether the value of the eleven trucks will total approximately \$100,000. Joining in the announcement at a press conference held in the diesel hydraulics lab at the College were (left to right) Timothy Crowley,



NMCC president; Elizabeth Shorr, president of The Foundation for Maine's Community Colleges; Robert Rice, NMCC diesel hydraulics instructor; and Robert Moore, president of Dead River Company. Behind the group is the truck which was donated to the NMCC campus.



Constitution Day Activities Held

As part of the College's Constitution Day activities on Friday, September 16, Franco-American wood carving artist Tom Cote and his apprentice, granddaughter Jessica, demonstrated their skills during a reception in the library. Joyce Tremblay (seated) from the academic dean's office was among those who stopped by to watch the two at work and to view some of their completed works, which are on display in

the library throughout the rest of the month. Other activities celebrating the day included a special lunch featuring meals representing nations from which large populations have immigrated to the U.S., the showing of a video with Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg on the 14th Amendment, and the chance to take a sample naturalization test.

Students Heading Off to the Races

Four NMCC automotive technology seniors and their instructor, Dan Boyd, have been selected to compete in the first-ever "GearWrench Racing Speed Challenge" on September 23 at the New Hampshire Motor Speedway in Loudon. The NMCC students, and their counterparts from four other colleges, will be competing on three wheels instead of four, and top speed will be determined by a very different kind of pedal power and pit crew effort. The students will race using an adult size Schwinn Tricycle provided by GearWrench and the tool company's Maine product distributor, Bangor headquartered N. H. Bragg. They are practicing this week by disassembling and reassembling the trike, using \$1,000 worth of tools provided by GearWrench, and doing spins to see which of the four students will actually race around a track cre-



ated by the GearWrench Racing Team at Loudon. Partaking in the NMCC Pit Crew and vying for the trike driver title are Hal Cushman (seated), and, standing from left, John Gardner, Joshua Bragdon, and Derek Finnemore (absent from photo), along with instructor Dan Boyd. The winning team earns \$1,000 in GearWrench tools and five pit passes to join the GearWrench 17 Race Team for the Saturday Truck Series Race at the Speedway. The other four finishing teams receive tool sets in various amounts and five tickets to the Saturday race. Good luck to the team!!

Lunch Menu

Monday

Beef & Cheddar Chimichanga Eggplant Permesan Penne, Marinara Sauce Yellow Summer Squash Reuben Panini B T & Cheese on Texas Toast Italian Subs Sauerkraut Kielbassa Soup Corn Chowder Floribbean Chicken Stew

Tuesday

BBQ Pork Sandwich
Spinach Quiche
Burrito Station
California Blend Veggies
Mediterranean Couscous
Philly Cheese Steak
B T & Cheese on Texas Toast
Milano Wrap
Chicken & Wild Rice Soup
Split Pea Soup
Floribbean Chicken Stew

Wednesday

Crispy Breaded Pork Cutlet
Black Bean Stuffed Peppers
Overstuffed Potato
Corn
White Rice
Sausage & Pepper Ciabatta
B T & Cheese on Texas Toast
Vegetable Linguine
Manhatten Clam Chowder
Spicy Vegetable Barley Soup
Floribbean Chicken Stew

Thursday

Chicken, Hunan
Vegetable Enchilada
Taco Salads
Broccoli
Fresh Mashed Potatoes
Grilled Cheese & Tomato Sand.
B T & Cheese on Texas Toast
Rotini Marinara
Jerk Chicken Soup
Cream of Broccoli Soup
Floribbean Chicken Stew

Friday

Farfalle w/Broccoli & Ricotta Meatloaf and Corn Mash Peas Grilled Red Potatoes Pollock Fishwhich B T & Cheese on Texas Toast Pesto Bowties Mexican Chili Soup Cream of Mushroom Soup Floribbean Chicken Stew

Fried Pollock, Creole Sauce

AVAILABLE DAILY

Salad, pizza, hamburgers, garden burgers, hot dogs, chicken sandwiches, grilled cheese sandwiches, french fries and assorted desserts

Vital Signs Clinic

First year nursing students will be taking blood pressures at stations across campus on Wednesday, September 21, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. They will be located in the Christie lobby, on the mezzanine above the lobby, and outside of the bookstore in the Martin Building. Stop by to have your blood pressure checked at no cost and help our nursing students practice their skills!

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 sign in at the desk. To find out when the pool is open to the public, call 764-2564.

Courtesy of Student Senate

Campus Photo Contest

Submit your best photo taken on the NMCC campus and have the chance to win a \$25 gift certificate to the bookstore. (Open to NMCC students only; only one photo submission per person.) All photos must be submitted by Friday, September 30, by e-mailing them to: groy@nmcc.edu.

Incomplete Grades Notice

Students who received a grade notation of I (Incomplete) for Spring/Summer 2011 must have all work completed and submitted to the instructor for the class prior to this Friday, September 23. Failure to complete the class requirements by that date will result in a failing grade for the class.

All students with incomplete course work are strongly encouraged to meet with their instructors. Questions regarding your academic record can be directed to the registrar, located in the student affairs area.

Need New Steps?

Residential construction students are taking orders for outdoor steps. This is a great opportunity for interested persons to get a good deal on steps, while helping our students practice and hone their skills. For more information or to place an order, contact instructor Frank Pytlak at 768-2718 or stop by to see him in the residential construction lab.

Classic Film Series Continues

NMCC instructor Eric Pelkey will be hosting another session of his Classic Film Series this Thursday, September 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the Edmunds Conference Center.

This week's film will be "North by Northwest" from 1959, starring Cary Grant, Eva Marie Saint and James Mason. All members of the campus community are invited to attend. Admission is free.

Message from John Price

Employees will receive John's message in its entirety, but below is an excerpt that we wanted to share with the whole campus.

I will miss all the co-workers who I have had the opportunity to work with the past 35+ years and who were able to put up with me all during that time. Most of all I will miss the classroom interactions with the many, many students who have made teaching an enjoyable experience.

The most current, and very much liked, artifact from NMCC is the nice Boston rocker presented to me on Friday. When I sit in it I will always remember life at NMCC. But don't think I will be spending 24 hours a day sitting in the rocker; I will be back in the classroom as often as I can. I began my career teaching part-time so why not conclude it in the same manner.

Thanks again for letting me be a part of the NM community.

John B. Price, Jr.

Events.

MONDAY

Financing Your Future, 5:30 - 8:30 pm, Keegan Room

Meeting on Wind Turbine, 9:00 - 10:00 am, Martin 3rd Floor
Conference Room

TRiO Workshop - What Employers Want, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Reed Commons Keegan Room

TUESDAY

Foundation Executive Committee Meeting, 8:00 - 10:00 am, Martin 3rd Floor Conference Room Student Senate Meeting, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, CHR 201

WEDNESDAY

PI Industrial Council, 7:00 - 7:40 am, Alternative Energy Ctr. **Vital Signs Clinic**, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Christie Lobby, Christie Mezzanine, Outside of Bookstore

THURSDAY

General Advisory Council, 7:30 - 9:30 am, Keegan Room CRMA Certification Course, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, CED Classrm. Event Planning Meeting, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Keegan Room Regional Project Advisory Group, 1:00 - 2:00 pm, Martin 3rd Floor Conference Room

TRiO Workshop - Decision Making 101, 5:00 - 6:00 pm, Reed Commons Keegan Room

Basic MS Excel 2010, 5:00 - 8:00 pm, CED Classroom PTK Officers Meeting, 5:30 - 7:00 pm, Library Study Room 1 Movie Night, 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Edmunds Conference Center Program Advisory Committee Mtg., 6:00 pm, Reed Commons

SUNDAY

NMCC Falcons Soccer Game vs. EMCC, 1:00 pm, Pl Middle School Soccer Field... Come support the team!