

### Agreement Signed Between Maine Community College System & New Brunswick Community College System

The leaders of the Maine Community College System and the New Brunswick Community College Network were in Bangor on Friday, February 9, to sign an agreement enabling residents of the region to enroll in programs of study offered by local community colleges on both sides of the border. Joining them at the signing ceremony were the Governor of Maine, John Baladacci, and the Premier of New Brunswick, Shawn Graham.

Look for more details about this exciting new agreement in the next monthly edition of *Toward Excellence*, or on the college's Web-site at [www.nmcc.edu](http://www.nmcc.edu).

### Governor to Visit Campus

Governor John Baladacci will be on campus for a breakfast meeting on Monday, February 12. College employees, as well as members of Leaders Encouraging Aroostook Development (LEAD) and Aroostook Partners for Progress (APP), have been invited to join the Governor for breakfast. He will be discussing his education proposal and other areas of concern, with time allowed for a question and answer period at the end of the session.

### NM to Host Legislative Dinner

Most of the senior managers will be heading to Augusta on Wednesday, February 14, to host a legislative dinner for the Aroostook County legislative delegation as well as other legislative leaders. This is an excellent opportunity to discuss important issues facing the college community, sharing both concerns and successes with the group.

#### Monday, February 12:

- Breakfast with the Governor*, 7:30-9:30 am, Edmunds Conference Center
- Admissions Testing*, 8:30-11:30 am, Christie 208
- Farewell Reception for Lisa Corrigan*, 9:15-10:00 am, Christie Lobby
- Foundation Executive Committee Meeting*, 10 am - 12 pm, Edmunds Conference Center
- Indoor Soccer*, 9-11 pm, Gym

#### Tuesday, February 13:

- NMCC/McCains Meeting*, 12-2 pm, CED Conference Rm.
- VITA*, 1-4 pm, Learning Center Conference Room
- Study Group Session*, 2:30-4:30 pm, Snow Hall Conf. Rm.
- Sweetheart Game Night*, 6-9 pm, Edmunds Conference Ctr.
- Open Gym*, 9-11 pm

#### Wednesday, February 14:

- Admissions Testing*, 8:30 am - 12 pm, Christie 208
- Valentine's Day Information/Cake*, 9 am - 1 pm, Bookstore Lounge
- VALIC Meet & Greet*, 10 am - 1 pm, Christie Lobby
- VITA*, 1-4 pm, Learning Center Conference Room
- Study Group Session*, 5-8 pm, Snow Hall Conference Room
- Movie Night*, 9 pm, Edmunds Conference Center

#### Thursday, February 15:

- NESHM*, 7:15-9:00 am, Edmunds Conference Center
- PROBUS*, 10 am - 12 pm, Reed Commons Keegan Room
- Alpha Beta Gamma Meeting*, 11:50 am - 12:30 pm, Martin 213
- NMCC Student Senate Meeting*, 12:15-1:00 pm, Christie Lecture Hall
- Senior Nursing Job Fair*, 12 - 2 pm, Edmunds Conference Center
- VITA*, 1-4 pm, Learning Center Conference Room
- Open Gym*, 9-11 pm

#### Friday, February 16:

- PTK Meeting*, 12:15-1:00 pm, Christie Lecture Hall

What's Happening on Campus...

Weekly Menu

### LUNCHTIME IN THE REED COMMONS

#### Monday

##### SPECIALS

Soup: Tomato

##### LINE ENTREES

Fried Chicken  
Pesto Pasta  
Mashed Potatoes  
French Fries  
Green Beans  
Assorted Desserts

#### Tuesday

##### SPECIALS

Soup: French Onion

Deli: Turkey Club

Grill: Pastrami Rye

##### LINE ENTREES

Macaroni & Cheese  
Hot Dogs  
Cajun Chicken Sandwich  
Rice  
French Fries  
Hot Vegetable  
Assorted Desserts

#### Wednesday

##### Valentine's Day Buffet

Spaghetti & Meatballs  
Alfredo  
Stuffed Shells  
Cheese Sticks  
Bread Sticks  
Garden Salad  
Pasta Salad  
Assorted Valentine's Day  
Desserts

#### Thursday

##### SPECIALS

Soup: Minestrone

Deli: Buffalo Wrap

Grill: Island Jerk Burger

##### LINE ENTREES

Chicken Burger  
Italian Grinder  
Rice Pilaf  
Onion Rings  
French Fries  
Hot Vegetable  
Assorted Desserts

#### Friday

Snack Bar Only

## Student Gatherings...

- The **STUDENT SENATE** meets every Thursday from 12:15-1:00 pm in the Christie lecture hall. All students are invited.
- **ALPHA BETA GAMMA** meets Thursdays from 11:50 am - 12:30 pm in Martin 213.
- **PHI THETA KAPPA** meets Fridays from 12:15-1:00 pm in the Christie lecture hall.
- All students are invited to take part in **STUDY GROUP SESSIONS** on Tuesdays, from 2:30-4:30 pm, and on Wednesdays, from 5-8 pm in the Snow Hall meeting room. Please bring your student ID.
- Students are invited to **MOVIE NIGHT** on Wednesdays at 9 pm in the Edmunds Conference Center. There are weekly drawings for a free movie pass and once a month there is a drawing to win a DVD. Refreshments are provided; **free for all students!**

## Sports...

- The NMCC **hockey team** will play TAMC on Wednesday, February 14 at 7:00 pm at the Forum. *Come and cheer for your team!*
- The Falcons **ski team** is off to a solid start in the Coca-Cola Corporate Racing League. They compete at Big Rock every Thursday night. High scorers for week one, February 1, were Devan Jackson, Jesus Puig, Nick Durette and Michelle Wyman. The team now stands in third place, just two points behind Soderberg Construction. Other Falcon ski/snowboard members are Ben Hebert, Justin St. Claire, Chris Andrews and Dave Wyman. There is always room for skiers or snowboarders that are interested in competing on Thursday nights. Anyone interested should contact Dave Wyman in the IT department.

## Musical Help Needed...

St. John's Episcopal Church in Presque Isle is looking for someone to provide musical assistance (piano, organ or guitar) during its 10:30 a.m. Sunday services. Compensation will be provided and is negotiable. For more information, please contact Dory Smith at 764-4564.

## Congratulations...

Congratulations to NMCC student Rafe Longver, who won the grand prize of a \$100 gift certificate to K-Mart at the Super Bowl Party sponsored by the Student Senate.

## Bowling

Test your bowling skills this Friday at Northern Lanes Bowling Alley. NMCC students that wish to participate will meet at the bowling alley at 6:00 pm. Please bring \$10-15 to cover the cost of shoes and games.

## Newsletter Items...

Do you have items that you would like printed in the Weekly Bulletin? If so, please submit your information to the development office, by calling 768-2809, e-mailing info@nmcc.edu or stopping by the office, just off of the lobby of the Christie Building. The weekly deadline is Thursday by 10:00 a.m.

## Game Night and Valentine's Day Party

There will be a *Healthy Relationships Game Night* on Tuesday, February 13, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the Edmunds Conference Center. Refreshments will be offered, and *Ruby Tuesday* gift cards will be given out as prizes.

Also, on Wednesday, February 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the NMCC Health Center and ACAP are sponsoring a **Valentine's Day Party**. Cake will be served in the bookstore lounge in the Martin Building. Be sure to pick up some informational handouts about healthy relationships!

## Ultimate Variety Show

On Sunday, February 18, the Ultimate Variety Show will be presented at the Caribou Performing Arts Center. Acts include dancers, instrumentalists and vocalists, with both solo and group performances. Tickets are \$4 for students and \$6 for adults. Tickets may be purchased at Ouellette's Variety, Caribou One Stop, Caribou Food Trend, and Pieces of Eight in Presque Isle.

## Auto Tech Raffle

The NMCC Auto Tech Club is selling 50/50 raffle tickets to benefit their annual trip to Detroit. Tickets are \$1 each, five for \$3, or an arm length for \$5. Tickets will be sold in the Reed Commons during lunch or are available from any auto tech student or one of the department faculty. The drawing will be held on March 1.

## A Note of Thanks...

The folks from the IT department recently received the following note of thanks from the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Maine:

*On behalf of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Maine, I want to thank you for your time, interest and hard work in setting up the laptop for our Caribou Wish Child. She was so pleased with the computer, the programs, and the camera, which she will use in college and in her photo journalism career. In her words, "It is soo slick!"*

*We really appreciate all the help you gave us.*

Kudos to the IT staff for making this happen...particularly Robert Smith for all his work on the project!

