



Toward Excellence

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Wii Tournament Week

Students and employees are encouraged to take part in the Wii Tournament being held this week courtesy of the Connect-to-Complete group.

The tournament will be held daily from Tuesday, April 10, through Friday, April 13, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Edmunds Conference Center. Sign up for the time that works best for you and your team!

Teams of four will be competing for best scores in the student versus faculty and staff tournament. Games will include both golf and Mario Kart.

In honor of Alcohol Awareness Month, competitors will be playing wearing "beer" goggles, so that they get an idea of the impact that being impaired has on coordination.

To learn more or sign up for a time slot, stop by the Academic Success Center.

April is Community College Month!

Lots of great activities are scheduled throughout the month at the College. To learn more, pick up one of the brochures around campus or go to www.nmcc.edu.

Creative Writers Reading Series Gets Underway

Members of the campus community and the public are encouraged to the Creative Writers Reading Series that gets underway this week in the library. Each week a noon-time session will feature a guest writer as well as students from the college.

The reading series will take place on three consecutive Wednesdays, April 11, 18, and 25. Each session begins at noon and lasts for about an hour. Students who are in the Creative Writing class will each participate by briefly reading their own original work, followed by a guest speaker. The guest speaker for the day will read a passage from their published work and then answer questions about the work, their experiences as a writer, or other areas of interest the audience members may have.

"Maine is fortunate to have a wide range of talented writers," said Jan Grieco, NMCC instructor and coordinator of the reading series. "I am impressed with the number of professional writers who are willing to share their writing styles and experiences with the public and students attending NMCC."

The guest author this week is fiction writer Morgan Callan Rogers. She is a native Mainer from Bath, who now

splits her time between coastal Maine and South Dakota. Her debut novel, *Red Ruby Heart in a Cold Blue Sea*, introduces a spirited young heroine coming of age in coastal Maine in the 1960s. It has been published in Germany, where it won a Reader's Choice award in general literature, and it will be published in both Spain and Australia in 2012.

Callan Rogers holds a BA in English and an MFA in Creative Writing from the University of Southern Maine.

The April 18 reading will feature poet and artist Melissa Crowe. Non-fiction writing will be the theme for final session in the series on April 25, with Jen Blood, who writes across the genres.

After each of the sessions, the featured guest writer will be speaking to students in Grieco's Creative Writing class. They will critique her students' work, share with them the process to becoming a professional writer, and discuss where they receive their inspiration from, as well as answer any other questions the students may have.

Please join us at noon in the NMCC library on Wednesday.



Come join the fun...

Mocktails at Monte Carlo

**Thursday, April 12 ~ 6:00 p.m.
in the Edmunds Conference Center**

Enjoy a tasty, non-alcoholic drink while trying your luck at some games of chance! Use your "winnings" to bid on great auction items!



Lunch Menu

Monday

Grilled Bacon, Tomato & Cheese Sandwich
Beef Burgundy
Med. Tuna Bruschetta
Oriental Beef Noodle Soup
Minestrone Soup
Roasted Corn & Potato Soup
Buttered Noodles
Broccoli
Vegetable Enchilada

Tuesday

Grilled Vegetable Quesadilla
Zesty Turkey Tetrazzini
Ham & Cheese Sub
Chicken & Wild Rice Soup
Minestrone Soup
Vegetable Barley Soup
Roasted Potatoes
Steamed Onions & Peas
Szechuan Tofu

Wednesday

BBQ Turkey Sandwich
Baked Rotisserie Chicken
Italian Sub
Muligatawny Soup
Broccoli & Cheddar Soup
Six Onion Soup
Red Mashed Potatoes
Stir Fry Vegetables
Polenta with Broccoli Rabe

Thursday

Bacon Bleu Burger
Spicy Spareribs
PB & J with Apples
Chipotle Chicken Tortilla Soup
Broccoli & Cheddar Soup
Split Pea Soup
Baked Beans
Glazed Carrots
Tofu Pho

Friday

Texas Bacon Grilled Cheese
Baked Flounder
Corned Beef Wrap
Manhattan Clam Chowder
Broccoli & Cheddar Soup
Vegetable Soup
Yellow Rice
Roasted Root Vegetables
Vegetable Lo Mein

AVAILABLE DAILY

Deli Station & Salad Bar
Pizza

Hamburgers
Garden Burgers
Hot Dogs

Chicken Patty Sandwiches,
Grilled Cheese Sandwiches,
French Fries
Assorted Desserts

Vote for Shining Star

Students and employees are encouraged to nominate a student from the graduating class to represent that class as a 2012 Shining Star. The person who is selected will be honored during NMCC's homecoming activities in September, and his or her poster will join the "constellation" of 50 stars that are currently on display in the campus hallways.

Nomination forms are being distributed this week or can be picked up in the counseling office. Please take a moment to nominate a student/classmate that you feel would be a good "star" to represent the class of 2012!

Nomination forms must be submitted to Cindy Albert in the counseling office by Monday, April 30.

Last Day to Drop a Class

Friday, April 20, is the last day to drop a class without academic penalty. Students who feel it is in their best interest to drop a class must fill out the drop form before the end of business on April 20. After that date, drop forms will NOT be accepted, and the student will receive a grade that will be calculated into his or her grade point average. Questions can be directed to the registrar, located in the student services area.

Easter Guessing Contest

Congratulations to NMCC students Nate Woods and Megan Ouellette for winning the Easter guessing contest sponsored by the Student Senate prior to spring break. Nate was the winner for jar #1, with a guess of 257...just five short of the actual of 262. Megan won for jar #2, with the correct guess of 162. Both won a \$50 gift certificate to Walmart.

Newsletter Items...

Do you have items that you would like printed in the Weekly Bulletin? If so, 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 deadline is Friday by 10 a.m.**

Events

MONDAY

Screening Committee, 10:00 - 11:30 am, Martin Conf. Room
TRIO Luncheon, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Edmunds Conference Ctr.
MSEA Meeting, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Hunt Classroom
EMS Advisory Meeting, 3:00 - 5:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

TUESDAY

Houlton High School Tour, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Wii Tournament, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.
Res Life Dept. Meeting, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Keegan Room
Student Senate Meeting, 12:15 - 12:45 pm, CHR 201
Screening Committee, 2:00 - 3:30 pm, President's Conf. Rm.
Intramural Volleyball, 8:30 pm, Gym

WEDNESDAY

Wii Tournament, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.



Students Take a Tasty Trip

NMCC students, from left, Scott Bouley, Alicia Gagnon, Mason Rossignol, Porscha Williams, Jessica Tyler, Kyle Doody, Katrina Boyles, Janelle Nickerson and Nicholas Welch joined residential life staffer Elizabeth Pelkey in traveling to Easton on March 28 to check out the maple production operation of The Maple Moose. The group were treated to a private tour of the facility, including the Maple groves where the sap is collected via a vacuum system and the sugar shack itself. Owner CJ King explained the process and answered students' questions. By far, the favorite part was the taste testing of various maple products, including maple syrup, maple butter, and maple taffy made on snow. This day trip was organized by NMCC residential life staff.

Volleyball Teams Needed

The Student Senate needs teams to take part in their "Support Maine Veterans" Volleyball Tournament on Saturday, April 21, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the gym. The tournament raises money for the Maine Veterans' Home in Caribou. Teams can be comprised of on- or off-campus players. All players will receive a tournament t-shirt. Each team of six to eight players is asked to raise at least \$100. Teams are encouraged to sign up before April 21, but it is not required. Registration forms and pledge sheets can be picked up at the IT office.

Student Senate Meeting

The Student Senate meets at 12:15 p.m. each Tuesday in Christie 201 (in the nursing wing). All students are invited to attend and have their opinions heard.

Campus Facilities Meeting, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, Keegan Room

Creative Writers Reading Session, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Library

Choral Practice, 12:00 - 1:00 pm, CHR 203

Admissions Testing, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, MRT 210

THURSDAY

Wii Tournament, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

Bio-Mass Meeting, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Martin Third Floor Conference Room

Baseball Umpires Meeting, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, CHR 108

Mocktails at Monte Carlo Night, 6:00 - 9:00 pm, Edmunds Conference Center

FRIDAY

Wii Tournament, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Edmunds Conf. Ctr.

Admissions Testing, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, MRT 210