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## **County Leaders to Kick-Off Regional** Support for Bond Questions 2 & 3

Business and community officials from throughout Aroostook County and the presidents of NMCC, UMPI and UMFK will come together for a press conference on Wednesday, October 3, at 11:00 a.m. at the Northern Maine Development Commission office in Caribou. The event marks the official kick-off for the regional effort to inform people of the significant impact two of the bond issues on the November 6 ballot would have on the region.

Question 2 provides for \$43.5 million for higher education improvements at the University of Maine System, Maine Maritime Academy and the Maine Community College System, while Question 3 provides a \$55 million bond for research and development in Maine.

## **Smoking Survey Reminder...**

Students and employees are asked to take a few moments and fill out the smoking survey, the link to which was e-mailed to the campus on September 25. This survey will be a valuable tool as we continue to address smoking concerns across campus. The negative long-term effects of tobacco products on individuals (and their finances) are well documented. Consequently, the College is concerned about tobacco use, in all forms, on campus. However, we also recognize that tobacco use is a personal decision, and the use of tobacco by adults is not currently illegal. Please take a couple of minutes and complete the survey *prior to October 3*. Thank you for your help!



## **BINGO Night**

Students are invited to come join the fun on Wednesday, October 3, from 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Christie Lecture Hall. Get to know some of your fellow students and possibly win some great prizes!

Sponsored by the Student Senate

## Monday, October 1:

CRMA Course, 8 am - 5 pm, Martin 212

## Tuesday, October 2:

Student Senate Meeting, 12:15-12:45 pm, Christie Lecture Hall

*Yoga*, 5:30-7:00 pm, Edmunds Conference Center **Open Gym**, 7-9 pm

## Wednesday, October 3:

Safety Committee Meeting, 9-10 am, LC Classroom TRiO Workshop - Filling in the Blanks, 12-1 pm, Christie Lecture Hall

BINGO, 6:00-8:30 pm, Christie Lecture Hall Movie Night, 7pm, Edmunds Conference Center

## Thursday, October 4:

High Pressure Boiler Class, 6-9 pm, CED Classroom **Open Gym**, 7-9 pm

## Friday, October 5:

Faculty Senate Meeting, 12-1 pm, Reed Commons Keegan Room

### Student Loan Note...

There are several student loan borrowers who have not completed their Master Promissory notes. When the loans are electronically sent to the financial aid office, these students will not have loan money placed in their student account in the business office, meaning no loan funds for college expenses or student refunds. There are also some students who have holds on their account because they have not completed the loan entrance counseling. This is a federal requirement, and loans will not be released until this step is completed. Stop by the financial aid office if you think this affects you.



#### LUNCHTIME IN THE REED COMMONS

## <u>Monday</u> ŠPECIALS Soup: Tortellini Deli: BLT LINE ENTREES

Grill: Honey Dijon Ckn. Turkey a la King Sheppard's Pie Egg Noodle White Rice French Fries Hot Vegetable Assorted Desserts

#### **Tuesday SPECIALS**

Soup: Chili Deli: Roast Beef Grill: Milano LINE ENTREES

Chili Frito Chili Dogs Baja Chicken Sandwich Chips French Fries Hot Vegetable

Assorted Desserts

#### Wednesday SPECIALS

Soup: Beef Vegetable Deli: Chicken Salad Grill: Pastrami LINE ENTREES BBQ Pork Sandwich

Cheese Ziti Meat Ziti Chips French Fries Hot Vegetable Assorted Desserts

#### **Thursday** <u>ŠP</u>ECIALS Soup: Tomato

Assorted Desserts

Deli: Veggie Feta Wrap Grill: Grilled Cheese LINE ENTREES Ham & Cheese Croissants Tuna Noodle Casserole Chips Wild Rice French Fries Hot Vegetable

#### Friday SPECIALS

Soup: Seafood Chowder Deli: Salami Italian Grill: Philly Steak LINE ENTREES Baked Potato Bar (Cheese, Bacon, Chili, Broccoli) Philly Steak French Fries Hot Vegetable

Assorted Desserts

# Toward Excellence



Congratulations to the NMCC student team for defeating the employees during the annual employee vs. student softball game sponsored by the NMCC Student Senate on September 20. The students won by one run, with a final score of 11-10. "It's no wonder we lost...there were more students in the outfield than blades of grass," joked Senate advisor Dennis Albert, since the student team outnumbered the employee team 2 to 1.

Special thanks to all who participated in the annual student vs. employee softball game on September 20. Playing for the employees were, front from left: Becky Maynard, Dave Wyman, Steve Pierson, Shannon Cook, Dave Guerrette, Patrick Beaulieu; and second row, from left: Jason Parent, James Day, Spencer Bragan, Dennis Albert, Jesse Beaulieu, and Guy Jackson. Playing for the students (back three rows, in no particular order) were: Brooks Brewer, Kellie Osgood, Owen Harding, Jared Peaslee, Nick Hadley, Jeremy Perry, Joe Giberson, Ben Goupille, Bruce Harmon, William Skelton, Justin King, Dave Ford, Zach Pease, Cliff Redman, Josh Boyles, Brian Nadeau, Russell Dahms, and Sean Wiggins. Special thanks as well to Tammy Wyman for serving as score keeper.

## **Safety Tips During an Evacuation**

Fire drills earlier this semester were successful overall, but did raise a few areas of concern that need to be addressed.

- Do not assume "it's just a drill" when the evacuation alarm is activated. While drills are common, real emergencies still happen. Always treat the evacuation as a real emergency and follow the proper procedures.
- Take belongings in your immediate possession with you. It is possible that you may be waiting outside for an extended period or possibly instructed to leave campus. You will not be allowed into the building for any reason until evacuation officials have indicated the building is clear.
- Do not return to the building until evacuation officials have instructed you to do so. Even if the alarm stops sounding, the building may not be cleared. Do not assume when the alarm stops it's safe to enter the building.
- Be sure to evacuate using the area's evacuation procedure route. All primary and secondary routes have been carefully analyzed to ensure they are the fastest, most efficient way out of the building.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping the campus safe.

## TRiO Workshops to Help Students

The Counseling Office, through the TRiO Student Support Services Program, is offering a series of workshops for students. These are scheduled during the lunch or dinner hour for student convenience, and students are encouraged to eat their lunch or dinner during the sessions. Light refreshments will also be provided. *This week's topic is:* 

#### Filling in the Blanks - Wednesday, October 3

Learn how to fill out a job application that will get you an interview. (12-1 pm, Christie Lecture Hall)

The NMCC TRiO/Student Support Services Program receives all of its funding through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education. The grant award for the 2006-2007 academic year was \$235,689. It also receives in-kind support from Northern Maine Community College.

## Free Blood Pressure Screening

NMCC's first year nursing students will be providing free blood pressure screenings on campus on **Wednesday**, **October 3**, from **8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon**. Teams of students will be available in the commuter lounge by the bookstore, in the Christie lobby, and in the mezzanine above the lobby. A "traveling" team will also be available to come to offices or classrooms. To arrange for such a visit, please contact nursing instructor Mary Cornelio at ext. 2746.

#### A Note from the IT Office...

The IT staff thanks everyone who participated in the new student orientation raffle. Congratulations to: Kristina Sevick Barnes, Michelle Perley, Ryan Sanders and Justin Matt for winning. Each received a bookstore gift certificate.

*Just a reminder...* all students are reminded to check their e-mail frequently as important news and updates are sent on a regular basis.