NAECC PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

1. NAECC 2014 Toy Drive ends Today
2. NAECC “Souper” Wednesday – Cancelled
3. It’s the “FINALS” countdown . . . (full week of activities at NAECC)

PURDUE CAMPUS-WIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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NAECC PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

1. NAECC 2014 Toy Drive

The NAECC is pleased to join efforts to collect new toys and coats for children on the Turtle Mountain Chippewa Reservation in North Dakota.

The “Toys for Turtle Mountain's Annual Toy Drive” collection box will be available at the NAECC through Monday, December 8th at 4:00 pm. We are pleased to partner with the Eiteljorg Museum, please visit their website for details
2. Wednesday, December 10 - CANCELLED
   NAECC “Souper” Wednesday
   6:00 – 7:00 pm | NAECC

3. Monday, December 8 – Friday, December 12
   It’s the “FINALS” countdown . . .

   NAECC is pleased to offer events to help relieve stress during Purdue’s Dead Week.

   Monday
   Einstein Bagels & Dunkin Donuts
   8:00 am until gone

   Tuesday
   “Elf” Movie Marathon & Snacks
   All Day
   Stop by and watch Buddy the Elf and his shenanigans all day or for a few minutes to get you in a holiday state of mind. We’ll also supply movie snacks, i.e. popcorn, candy, pretzels, etc.

   Wednesday
   Chair Massage (Massage Therapist from Rec Sports)
   2:00 - 4:00 pm
   Stop by for a relaxing chair massage to relieve some study tension. Massages will be offered in 5 minute intervals. We can only allow one time slot per person. Call NAECC to reserve your spot.

   Thursday
   Pancake Breakfast at NAECC
   9:00 - 10:30 am
   Join us for some tasty pancakes made by our world class flippers, aka Purdue faculty: Dawn Marsh, Kerry Rabenold, Ken Ridgway, and Stephanie Zywicki.

   Friday
   Therapy Dog Nelson
   8:00 am - 3:30 pm
   At the end of the week of studying, you’ll need some time to relax with Nelson, our therapy-dog-in-resident. He’s our favorite golden lab who frequently visits the NAECC. Thanks to Liz Hansen for sharing Nelson with us.

   All Week
   We have craft supplies out to make holiday cards for Native American Active Military and Veterans from the Choctaw Nation. Stop by anytime. You only need to bring your creativity.

PURDUE CAMPUS-WIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

4. Nominations sought for Dreamer Award
   Deadline: December 31

   Nominations are now being accepted for the 2015 Purdue University Dreamer Award. The deadline is Dec. 31.

   The Dreamer Award is presented annually to an individual or organization within the Purdue community whose contributions embody the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.’s vision of service to others and further the University’s commitment to diversity and inclusion. Retirees and alumni are also eligible for nomination.
Additional information, including submission forms and a list of previous recipients, can be found at www.purdue.edu/dro/mlk.

The award will be presented at 7 p.m. Jan. 15 in Stewart Center’s Loeb Playhouse as part of the University celebration honoring King’s contributions and legacy.

For more information, contact Carolyn E. Johnson, director of the Diversity Resource Office, at 49-47307.

5. **Holidays at the Union**

Holidays at the Union will bring the traditions so many love, including the tree, gingerbread house, Holidays Around the World and Breakfast with Santa.

- **Dec 8** - Christmas tree arrives at PMU about 12:30 p.m. Gingerbread house complete or nearly complete.
- **Dec 9** - Tree lighting ceremony at 11 a.m. Great Hall.
- **Dec 9-10** - Live holiday music. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Great Hall.
- **Dec 10** - Holidays Around the World. Food, music, crafts, etc., associated with holidays from many cultures and traditions. 4-7 p.m. North Ballroom.
- **Dec 13** - Breakfast with Santa indeed offers breakfast at a small cost, but it also offers a free visit with Santa (photos allowed), holiday crafts and story time. Talk about eyes all aglow. 8-10:30 a.m. Great Hall.

6. **Monday January 19**

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service**

Registration: Now – January 12

Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service is an opportunity for students to honor the legacy of Dr. King by serving at local agencies working to impact positive change in the community. Purdue students will serve the community between 9:00AM and 1:00PM. Breakfast and transportation will be provided.

*Register ASAP, as spaces fill up quickly, and there are only 400 spots available.

For more information and to register, click here

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**PROGRAMS, INTERNSHIPS AND EMPLOYMENT**

7. **2015 Summer Research Initiative (SRI)**

University of Maryland, College Park

The University of Maryland, College Park is the flagship campus in the University of Maryland system and is home to first-class researchers and research facilities. The university’s location, just nine miles from downtown Washington, D.C. and approximately 30 miles from Baltimore, provides access to some of the finest libraries, research centers, and professional opportunities in the country.

UMD BSOS Summer Research Initiative (SRI)

Our program provides rising juniors and seniors an opportunity to increase their interest in research careers in the social and behavioral sciences, develop research skills, and learn about doctoral training with the goal of encouraging students to pursue doctoral degrees in the social and behavioral sciences. The program has a special emphasis on population groups underrepresented in these fields (i.e., African Americans, Hispanics, American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders).
Program Details

This 8-week program will be held on the University of Maryland, College Park campus from June 1 - July 24, 2015. Students will be provided a meaningful research experience by working with a faculty mentor in one of our nine academic departments (visit http://www.bsos.umd.edu for department list). We also supplement the research experience with lectures, workshops, and networking opportunities. Students are provided round-trip airfare, meals, room and board in university on-campus housing and $3,150 (before taxes – amount includes stipend and meal allowances).

Basic Eligibility

- Junior or senior status by Fall 2015
- U.S. citizen or permanent resident status
- Intent to pursue a Ph.D. in the social and behavioral sciences
- We are especially interested in applications from students underrepresented in the social, behavioral, and economic sciences

Questions? Visit our website http://ter.ps/BSOSSRI or contact us bsossri@umd.edu
To apply, visit the CIC SROP website, click “Campus Profiles,” and select University of Maryland http://www.cic.net/st

8. Pathways Internship Program Student Trainee (Soil Conservation)
Applications accepted through December 12

Department: Department Of Agriculture
Agency: Natural Resources Conservation Service
Job Announcement Number: NRCS-15-0191-DE-TM

Duties:

- Assists with or performs a wide variety of soil conservation duties such as maintaining accurate field notes, preliminary drafting and sketch work, recording of layout work such as contour lines and field boundaries, determine acreages, assembling maps and aerial photographs, and other related work.
- Learns to performs surveys and set construction stakes for a variety of soil and water practices.
- Assists in program and conservation planning for a variety of soil and water practices such as terraces, diversions, waterways, farm drainage systems.
- Assists in gathering and assembling preliminary data for use in developing and applying basic conservation plans.
- Receives intensive and specialized training in all phases of soil and water conservation and related natural resource conservation programs.

For more information, click here

9. Research Experience for Undergraduates – Riparian Food Webs

I am seeking two undergraduate research assistants who come from under-represented backgrounds for an NSF-funded grant that is seeking to understand food-webs in stream/riparian systems in montane streams of Pennsylvania. Specifically, the project involves the interactions between nesting birds in the riparian zone and invertebrates and fish that reside in the stream. The research is at Carnegie Museum of Natural History’s Powdermill Nature Reserve and is in collaboration with Duquesne University. Field work (mid May to late July 2015) involves searching for and monitoring bird nests, collecting stream insects, and collecting fish. Students will develop an individualized research project to be presented at the Duquesne University Undergraduate Research Symposium in July 2015. Students must be undergraduate ecology/natural resources (or related) majors graduating no sooner than August 2015 and come from a background that is currently under-represented in ecology fields (American Indian or Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, African American, Hispanic/Latino). Pay is $400 per week with free housing.

Contact: Dr. Tim Nuttle, tnuttle@cecinc.com