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1. NAECC Hours for Thanksgiving Break

NAECC will close on Wednesday, November 25 at noon for the Thanksgiving Holiday. We will open on Monday morning, November 30.
2. **Monday, December 7 – Friday, December 11**  
   **It's the “FINALS” countdown . . .**  
   All events at NAECC

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

   **Monday, December 7**  
   **Pancake Breakfast**  
   9:00 – 11:00  
   Join us for tasty pancakes made by our world class flippers, aka Purdue faculty.

   **Tuesday, December 8**  
   **Paper Craft: Make Holiday Cards & Origami**  
   1:00 – 4:00 pm  
   We will have craft supplies out. You only need to bring your creativity.

   **Wednesday, December 9**  
   **Elf Movie Marathon**  
   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 snacks, i.e. popcorn, candy, pretzels, etc.

   **Thursday, December 10**  
   **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 (765-494-4540).

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**PURDUE CAMPUS-WIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS**

3. **Participants Needed for Study on Colonialism in Higher Education**

   Dr. Stephanie Zywicki is conducting a research study on colonialism in higher education and is interested in the experiences of Indigenous (Native American/Native Hawaiian/Alaskan Native) students on campus. If you identify as Indigenous and are interested in participating, please email me at szywicki@purdue.edu. The study will consist of two interviews and responding to emailed journal prompts several times throughout spring 2016. Study participants will be compensated $40 for their participation.

4. **Friday, December 4**  
   **Cultural Arts Festival: “#crossingthebridge: Selma 2 Ferguson”**  
   7:00 – 9:00 pm | Loeb Playhouse

   Featuring the BCC Performing Arts Ensembles.  
   Directed by Khari B.  
   Admission: General public, $7; Purdue students, $5
5. **Monday, December 7**  
**Aelous String Quartet**  
5:00 – 8:00 pm | BCC  

Featuring the world premiere of Purdue music faculty member Dr. Allen McCullough’s String Quartet No. 3.

5:00 pm - Open Rehearsal  
6:00 pm - Pre-concert Lecture: "Navigating Musical Modernism"  
7:00 pm - The Aeolus Quartet in Concert  
~ Reception to follow ~

Sponsored by: Black Cultural Center

6. **Monday, January 18, 2016**  
**Dr. King Day of Service – Sign up to serve!**

In Civic Engagement & Leadership Development, we have a guiding mission that calls us to prepare students to facilitate positive change in their local, national, and global communities.

One of our annual programs that helps us meet that mission is coming up in just a few short months!

Dr. King Day of Service is a day of service and community action that takes place on January 18, 2016.

Last year our community was sent to over 20 sites to serve for 3 hours. That’s a lot of work! With that in mind, we encourage you to take this opportunity to share in the vision of a Civil Rights Leader by registering to participate with us!

You can sign up to serve at the following link: [http://www.eventbrite.com/e/dr-martin-luther-king-jr-day-of-service-2016-tickets-19150340183](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/dr-martin-luther-king-jr-day-of-service-2016-tickets-19150340183)

We look forward to joining with the campus for this powerful tradition! Please email bvn@purdue.edu with any questions you have.

“True compassion is more than flinging a coin to a beggar. It comes to see that an edifice which produces beggars needs restructuring.” – Dr. Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., “Beyond Vietnam” Address, 1967

7. **Monday, December 7 – Friday, December 20**  
**Holidays at the Purdue Union**

One of Purdue's longest running traditions, Holidays at the Union will take place from December 7 - 20th. Holidays at the Union features performances by Purdue musical groups and community groups from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm on December 8 and 9. Students can also participate in our Guess the Lights competition, to guess the amount of lights on the Christmas Tree. Celebrate the Christmas season at Holidays!

**Monday, December 7**  
**Christmas Tree Arrives**  
12:30 – 1:30 pm | Union Great Hall  
Christmas time is finally here! Kick off your holiday celebration by watching the Christmas tree arrive at the Union. Come spread Christmas cheer and join in celebrating one of the most joyful times of the year.

**Tuesday, December 8**  
**Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony**  
12:30 – 1:00 pm | Union Great Hall  
Witness the official start to the holiday season at the Christmas tree lighting ceremony. Enjoy live performances by local groups from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm on December 8 and 9.
Wednesday, December 9
Holidays Around the World
4:00 – 7:00 pm  |  Union North Ballroom
Celebrate the winter holidays from all around the world! Learn about Krampus and Nikolaus from Germany, make a spirit bag for the Winter Solstice, brush up on your Hanukkah knowledge, show off your skills with some trivia from around the world, and much more!

Saturday, December 12
Breakfast with Santa
8:00 – 10:30 am  |  Union South Ballroom
Breakfast with Santa is the perfect event for celebrating Christmas with children and families! Celebrate the holidays with your children by making Christmas crafts, listening to a story read by Mrs. Claus, and of course getting a picture with Santa himself! Breakfast will also be available for purchase from Pappy's Diner.

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PROGRAMS, INTERNSHIPS AND EMPLOYMENT

8. Funding Opportunities from Pathways to Science

Paid Summer 2016 Undergraduate Research Placements
Over 800 programs -- NSF REU, NASA and other paid summer research opportunities for undergrads
http://www.pathwaystoscience.org/undergrads.aspx

Financial Support in Graduate School
Fellowships and graduate programs in a wide variety of STEM disciplines:
http://www.pathwaystoscience.org/grad.aspx

For tips on applying and associated resources

For opportunities specifically in the Ocean Sciences
http://www.pathwaystoscience.org/oceanscience.aspx

For opportunities specifically in Engineering
http://www.pathwaystoscience.org/engineering.aspx

9. Summer Research Experience for Undergraduates at Northwestern University
Application Deadline:  February 15, 2016

The Materials Research Science and Engineering Center (MRSEC) at Northwestern University offers a 9-week, paid summer research experience for undergraduates. The students are paired up with some of the leading research professors in science and engineering fields. Research areas include ceramics, polymers, nanocomposites, photonics, nanoparticles, molecular electronics and biomaterials. While there are many REU programs, the NU-MRSEC stands out in offering students an interdisciplinary research experience. Students currently pursuing an undergraduate degree in science or engineering who are US citizens or permanent residents are eligible. The program dates this year are June 20 to August 19, 2016; Applications are due Feb. 15, 2016. Participants are paid a $4500 stipend, a travel allowance, and on-campus housing is provided. For more information, please visit our website:  http://www.mrsec.northwestern.edu/content/educational_programs/reu.htm

If you have any questions, please contact us at mrc-reu@northwestern.edu
10. **Truman D. Picard Scholarship**  
   Application Deadline: January 11, 2016

   The Truman D. Picard Scholarship Program is dedicated to the support of Native American students pursuing a higher education in Natural Resources.

   $2,500 for college students (number of awards varies per year)  
   $2,000 for graduating senior high school students

   For more information, [click here](#)

11. **Native American Natural Resource Scholarship**  
   Application Deadline: January 22, 2016

   The Intertribal Timber Council (ITC), in partnership with the USDA Forest Service Southern and Pacific Northwest Research Stations is pleased to announce scholarship opportunities for Native American students who are planning or currently conducting tribally relevant research in a natural resource issue.

   For more information, [click here](#)

12. **Microsoft Scholarship**  
   Application Deadline: January 31, 2016

   Microsoft awards college tuition scholarships each year to encourage students to pursue studies in Computer Science and related STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) disciplines. Recipients will be awarded in recognition of their demonstrated passion for technology, academic excellence and leadership while working to push the software industry forward.

   We strongly encourage underrepresented groups to pursue STEM fields of study. Because we greatly value a broad range of perspectives and contributions, a large majority of our scholarships will be awarded to female students, underrepresented minority students (African-American, Hispanic or Native American etc.) or students with disabilities. We will review all applications and select final candidates on the holistic basis of eligibility, quality of application, demonstrated passion for STEM, commitment to leadership and financial need.

   For more information, [click here](#)

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**NOTE:** If you would like to include events and programs in the NAECC e-Newsletter, please contact Deb Swihart by email at dswihart@purdue.edu or by phone at 765-494-4540.