Field Trip to Museum

Many major cities have an intellectual centers filled with galleries, plazas, and museums. Museums are popular points of interest for many tourists to the city. People enjoy visiting museums because they have new things to see, the pride they feel from viewing special items, and the strength of an enriching experience. Michigan has two great museums that will give a great opportunities to know about history, and much more.

**<Henry Ford Museum>**

The Henry Ford is the history destination that brings the American Experience to life. With a rich and diverse offering of exhibits, demonstrations, programs and reenactments, The Henry Ford celebrates yesterday’s traditions as well as today’s innovations. Housing one of the largest collections of its kind ever assembled, the Henry Ford Museum showcases the people and ideas that have filled our imaginations and changed our lives. Encounter ideas that change the world, travel through America’s past, embark on America’s greatest factory tour and more. It all comes together at The Henry Ford, America’s greatest history attraction.

**<Lansing Historical Museum>**

The Lansing Historical Museum is also a good way to know about Metro of Michigan, Lansing. The Lansing Historical Museum has many displays that show Lansing’s growth. They also have many artifacts that show just how much time have changed and how lifestyles have improved. The Lansing Historical Museum takes great pride in Lansing and all its achievements. The museum owns records and pictures of Lansing’s winning softball teams, Lansing’s first public school, a history of the churches in Lansing, and a series of pictures and artifacts on the Lansing airport. The Lansing Historical Museum is a public display of all the great works of Lansing and all its residents.

Many people visit museums because they are wonderful learning centers, they create a sense of pride, and give the viewer a chance to see something new with every trip. A visit to a museum is never a waste. When traveling to a different city, there is a new opportunity to view different artifacts and pieces that you may have never seen before. A museum will broaden the horizon of every visitor.

Written by Jung-Won Lee

The Guardian of “The International Students”

The interviewee of this month is Carol Ann Rzemkowski, the Director of the Residence Hall!

According to her, the Madonna dorm started to have non-American students even before the 1980s and they were Canadians who were here for the deaf programs. However, most of the international students are from Asia, such as Taiwan, Korea, and Japan nowadays and Carol has had a chance to see their real lives more thoroughly and closely for nine years.

It was interesting that she thought the Asian students liked the instant noodles so much and asked if they really ate noodles for every three meals, even for breakfast, in their countries. Although noodles are not the Asians’ main dish, it was understandable why she thought so, based on what the Asian students mostly cook and eat in the dorm. She also observed positively that the Asian culture respects the collectivism. On the other hand, she hopes the international students are not to be afraid of mingling with Americans and participating what the dorm offers, such as bowling/movie night, or dance party. The dorm has tried offering conversation partners with nuns, American buddies, and events for American holidays for the international students. Based on the experience of failure of some events, she is trying hard to make them work better. However, it is important for the international students to stop being afraid of approaching others, because after all, “everybody is different, yet the same!”

Written by Hwa-Jung Ryu

Announcement!!!!!

1. Cooking Demonstration
   Room 1502, April 1 (Friday) 11:00-1:00 PM
2. Henry Ford Museum Visit
   Meet Take 5 Lounge, April 9 (Saturday) 10:00-2:00 PM
3. Garage Sale
   Take 5 Lounge, April 21(Thursday) 11:30-2:00 PM

Compiled by Sun-Kyung Cho

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Young Kwon is from South Korea, and you might have seen his friendly face around campus many times! His major is Forensic Science, and his dream is to work for a forensic center and help solve crimes upon graduation. He has been living in the United States for three and a half years in Houston, Texas. What he likes about the U.S. is that people smile at you on the streets—even if they don’t know you. He also enjoys the well-organized American educational system. However, something that Young doesn’t like about America—that is the necessity to drive a car everywhere. In South Korea he is used to riding a bus or his bike. He thinks it is easier that way.

Young loves Madonna because professors love questions! However, he would prefer the tuition for International students to be reduced. Young’s advice to you is: “When you pass someone—smile! You’ll be surprised how easily you can make friends here. Keep three things in mind—always greet people, keep your promises and be careful with your credit cards! If you do these three things you will succeed in America!”

Written by Tatiana Natsik

The International Festival in February

The International Festival was held at the Take 5 Lounge on February 10 to celebrate the New Year with the whole Madonna family. Everyone enjoyed international cuisine. A local chef demonstrated how to make Japanese Sushi. The participants demonstrated a tea ceremony, sang many ethnic songs, and played their traditional instruments. During the performance, spectators could participate in fortune telling, calligraphy, origami and many more activities. The performance ended with an international fashion contest in which many different countries were represented. Special thanks go to all those who contributed to making this a special day. Next year’s festival is eagerly awaited.

Written by Sun-Gyu Um

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Let’s Learn

“I Love You”

In Arabic أحبك → “A He Bak”
In Chinese 我爱你 → “Wo Ai Ni”
In Japanese あなたを愛します → “Ai Shiteru”
In Korean 사랑해 → “Sa Rang Hae”
In Russian Я тебя люблю → “La Ljbybly Tebja”
In Spanish Te Quiero → “Tay Kyero”

Compiled by Jung-Jun Hwang

The Origin of Easter

Easter is celebrated in the United States every spring Sunday, which varies from year to year. It is a religious holiday that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Easter is a day to attend religious services and gather with your family around a table full of delicious cuisine. Many Americans adorn their Easter tables with honey-glazed ham, roast beef, potato and egg salad, pies, cookies and candy among many more Easter treats. Children are usually given baskets of candy, chocolate eggs and bunnies. Some families prefer coloring real eggs. Children love to egg hunt on Easter Sunday. The parents usually hide the eggs somewhere in the yard-bushes, grass, trees—and the children have to find as many eggs as they can. On the next day, Easter Monday, the president of the United States invites young children to the annual Easter egg-hunt on the White House lawn! This year Easter is celebrated on Sunday, March 27th. Have a wonderful Easter!

Written by Tatiana Natsik

Source: www.holidays.net/easter/

International Student of the Month

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Immigration & Naturalization Service

OFF-CAMPUS WORK BASED ON ECONOMIC NECESSITY

1. To be eligible to apply, the following circumstances qualify for unforeseen economic need: loss of financial aid, scholarship, or fellowship; loss of an on-campus job; large increase in tuition or living expenses; unexpected changes in student’s financial support; medical bills.

2. Student must have been in F-1 status and enrolled full time at least one full academic year (9 consecutive months) at the school currently attending.

3. Student must be able to demonstrate unforeseen financial need.

4. Student must be enrolled full time.

5. Student must have attempted to find a job on campus. If currently working on campus, the student must indicate to BCIS why that job is not sufficient to meet the financial need, and also that the on-campus job will cease on a certain date.

Compiled by Maha Dahdal