

NIOT Weekly Digest: January 9, 2015

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JANUARY MEETING REMINDER

The next NIOT meeting will be on Thursday, January 15, 2015 from 2 – 4pm at the BG City Council Chambers. The Chambers are located in the City Administrative Services Building on 304 North Church Street. Minutes from the December meeting and an agenda will be shared prior to the meeting next week. The meetings are open and all are encouraged to attend.

UPCOMING MLK CELEBRATIONS

A number of events and activities are planned as the BG Community honors the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The MLK Celebrations kickoff on Friday, January 16th and continue throughout the following week.

The events include:

Friday, January 16th:

The Human Relations Commission's MLK Program

1:30 pm – 3pm

Keynote by Marshall Rose

Wood County Library, Downtown BG

***PDF of flier is attached*

Monday, January 19th:

BGSU Service Learning hosts their annual Day of Service

8:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Lenhart Grand Ballroom, Bowen-Thomson Student Union

Tuesday, January 20th:

BGSU MLK Speaker: Former BGSU President Sidney A. Ribeau

7:00 p.m.

Lenhart Grand Ballroom

Bowen-Thompson Student Union

SAVE THE DATE: January 22, 2015 & March 6, 2015

On Thursday, January 22nd, NIOT BG will be hosting a discussion on “Black Lives Matter” at the Wood County Public Library (Downtown BG) at 5:30 p.m. More details to come.

On Friday, March 6, 2015, NIOT BG in partnership with other groups will be coordinating an Interfaith Community Breakfast with the theme of “Building Pathways toward Peace together”. More details to come in late January.

NIOT: FACULTY FOCUS SERIES

On January 26th, Dr. Lisa Hanasono will be giving a presentation from 1-2pm in 202 University Hall on service-learning and community-building. Her presentation is part of the Office of Service-Learning's Faculty Focus Series. In addition to chatting about service-learning, she plans to feature some of her COMM 3030 students' NIOT projects and activities at this event. All are welcome to attend! *(PDF of flier is attached)*

SAVE THE DATE: February 28, 2015

The 16th Annual Black Issues Conference, sponsored by the Black Graduate Student Organization and the Office of Multicultural Affairs, will be held on Saturday, February 28th from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., in the Bowen Thompson Student Union. The keynote speaker will be Wes Hall. To Register:

<http://www.bgsu.edu/multicultural-affairs/black-issues-conference/register-for-the-black-issues-conference.html>. The conference is Free to BGSU students; non-BGSU students is \$20; staff, faculty and community members is \$30.

National NIOT Fundraising Effort

NIOT-BG is part of a broader network of local communities that are a part of the NIOT movement. We had the opportunity this summer at the National Gathering in Billings, Montana to interact and engage with these individuals. Over the past few weeks, the National NIOT movement had embarked on a broader fundraising effort to expand its effort to support communities like Bowling Green and others. I can share that they met

and exceeded their goal of raising \$20,000. Thanks to those that were able to contribute.

#LIVENIOTBG

NIOT has introduced a new hashtag **#LIVENIOTBG** as a way to highlight strategies and other ways that individuals are living by the NIOT pledge. Join us in spreading the positive message of NIOT through this new hashtag.

INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

NIOT has three working groups – Outreach Initiatives, Education & Programs and Marketing & Public Relations. We are looking for interested individuals to help with these efforts. If interested, please sign-up via this link: <http://tinyurl.com/lvexb9k>. The respective heads of the working groups on the next steps will contact you.

VIDEO LIBRARY

BGSU and BG now have a video library of NIOT films. A full listing can be found here: <http://www.bgsu.edu/not-in-our-town/video-library.html> These DVDs are available for check out and can be reserved by emailing niot@bgsu.edu.

UPCOMING DIVERSITY EVENTS

An added feature to the NIOT Weekly Digest will be a listing of diversity-related events in the BGSU & BG community for the upcoming week. If you have events that you would like listed, please contact Gary or myself (emails listed below).

Due to the upcoming start of the BGSU Spring semester, the list of programs for the week of January 12th is still tentative. We hope to have a more detailed list early next week.

Tuesday, January 13th

Latino Student Union Kickoff

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Lenhard Grand Ballroom, BTSU

Thursday, January 15th

I.N.T.E.R.S.E.C.T.I.O.N.S.

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., 318 B Math Sciences

Safe Zone Training

5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: TBD

To participate, you need to sign-up at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CxOHAAIndIWRGF5gOQSA5V2hNtXwCtC6uHHny6XMP-Q/viewform>

Friday, January 16th

The Human Relations Commission's MLK Program

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Wood County Library, Downtown BG

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** Please feel free to share this Weekly Digest with interested colleagues and friends. If individuals and groups want to receive the emails, they can sign-up at the NIOT website at www.bgsu.edu/notinourtown or contact Gary or myself. **

If you have items that you wish to be included for future editions of the NIOT Weekly Digest, you can submit to: niot@bgsu.edu.
You can also contact the NIOT Co-Chairs, Ray Plaza (rplaza@bgsu.edu) or Rev. Gary Saunders (pastorgary@bgpresb.org)