Events: Week of January 23rd

Monday, January 23rd

“2012 Chinese Undergraduate Students Association Spring Festival Gala”
Sponsored by: Chinese Undergraduate Student Association
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Pasant Theater, Wharton Center
A showcase of Chinese art and culture in celebration of the Chinese Spring Festival (Luna New Year). This event will feature a series of performances.

Wednesday, January 25th

“Global Business Club of Mid-Michigan - Global Talent Seminar”
Sponsored by: Center for International Business Education and Research
5:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Corniche Room, Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center
While this seminar is aimed at employers, to educate them about all of the benefits that international students provide, there will be a limited number of seats for international students. This event may interest you if you have had an internship or are on optional practical training. Come to share your experience and hear about various current international and business topics. For details on the seminar and to register please visit:
www.global.broad.msu.edu/gbclub

Thursday, January 26th

“Life in the U.S. - Warm Up to Michigan”
Sponsored by: The Office of International Students and Scholars
11:30 am - 12:30 pm, 303 International Center
The first Life in the US event of 2012 starts with a look at your own new backyard, Michigan! What does it mean to live in a place shaped like a mitten? Representatives from MSU libraries will help you discover interesting facts about the Great Lakes State: its history, people, culture and four seasons of beauty. There will even be fashion tips to help you stay warm and actually enjoy the Michigan winter. (Really!) Pre-registration is required and lunch and refreshments will be provided to all who attend. To register please visit:
www.isp.msu.edu/events

Friday, January 27th

“My Fair Lady and Philomel: Ovid’s Voice in 1964 America”
Sponsored by: Center for Gender in Global Context
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm, 201 International Center
This presentation argues that what made the struggle of women of this time period transformations particularly relevant in 1964 was their affinity with Betty Friedan’s The Feminine Mystique, published one year before.
Friedan wrote: “the time is at hand when the voices of the feminine mystique can no longer drown out the inner voice that is driving women on to become complete” The Feminine Mystique, My Fair Lady, and Philomel all share a quest for “voice” through which women may articulate resistance to a misogynist culture. The flyer is available at: www.gencen.isp.msu.edu/documents

“Unpacking Your Study Abroad Experience”
Sponsored by: Office of Study Abroad
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, 132 Hubbard Hall
This presentation, offered by the Office of Study Abroad and the Career Services Network, will teach students the information and skills they need to effectively present their study abroad experience in their resume and application cover letters, and during job interviews.

“Friday Forum Speaker Series”
Sponsored by: Center for Advanced Study of International Development and Center for Gender in Global Context
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, 201 International Center
Speaker: Dr. Edward D. Walker, Department of Microbiology & Molecular Genetics
Using a region of western Kenya as a study system, this discussion will examine these issues in light of recent findings regarding changes in mosquito populations and malaria parasite populations as the bed net interventions have rolled out. We will also discuss proposed expansion of malaria control through integrated means, such as use of tools in addition to bed nets.

Saturday, January 28th
“Ice Skating at Munn”
Sponsored by: Office of International Students and Scholars

11:00 am - 2:00 pm, Munn Ice Arena
Love to Ice Skate? Want something fun to do with family and friends? You are welcome to join us in our Ice Skating program hosted by University Apartments and the Office of International Students and Scholars. It is free to everyone. Hope to see you there!

Sunday, January 29th
“Chinese New Year Celebration”
Sponsored by: Okemos Public Library
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Okemos Public Library
Join us at the Okemos Public Library for a drop-in celebration of Chinese New Year with games and activities for all ages.

Monday, January 30th
“Optional Practical Training (OPT) Session”
Sponsored by: Office of International Students and Scholars
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm, 303 International Center
F-1 students may apply for one year of work authorization, called the Optional Practical Training (OPT), for use after graduation. We recommend that applications are submitted at least 3 months before graduation. Come learn more about how you can apply for OPT.

Wednesday, February 1st
“Navigating the U.S. Workplace (for International Students)”
Sponsored by: Office of International Students and Scholars and Career Services
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm, International Center Library (CIP 115)
Come hear from Career Services professionals and OISS staff about: job search strategies, how to present yourself in the U.S. workplace, tools that Career Services provides to prepare you for the U.S. workplace and your U.S. work authorization options. Snacks will be provided!

Thursday, February 2nd
“2012 Slavery to Freedom: An American Odyssey”
Sponsored by: Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine
5:00 pm, Kellogg Center, Big Ten A Room
The Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine presents “Slavery to Freedom: An American Odyssey,” which highlights persons who have become icons of the American struggle for civil rights. The Twelfth Annual Visiting Faculty Lecture Series is scheduled for February 2nd featuring, Frederick D. Haynes who is known for his work against racial, social and economic injustice and transforming the lives of the disenfranchised through his job as a senior pastor and activist.
Course in Conversational English as a Second Language for Adults

The M.A. program, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL), is offering classes this Spring in English as a second Language for adults from the MSU campus and Greater Lansing area communities. These classes focus on conversational English, are offered at a nominal cost ($15.00 to cover materials), and serve as a practical teaching experience for our graduate students. Registration will be held on Tuesday, January 24th, beginning at 6:30 pm in Wells Hall on campus. The classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in Wells Hall from March 13th - April 19th.

For more information please contact:
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2012 Richard Lee Featherstone Endowed Prize

The Richard Lee Featherstone Endowed Prize seeks to identify the most outstanding graduating senior to grant an award to be used for “future growth and development, travel, graduate study, or meditation,” to quote one of the Prize founders, Gerald Faverman. The amount to be awarded will be $4,000.

Nomination packets, including the student’s essay and resume, should be submitted by the faculty nominator to the Office of the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, 312 Hannah Administration Building by Friday, January 27, 2012. For nomination procedure and qualifications, please contact the Office of the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education at (517) 353-5380 (email: weberka4@msu.edu) or the Featherstone Society representative, Dr. Jackie Taylor (email: jdiane@comcast.com).