



TRiO Center Happenings

NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE, FEBRUARY 22

National TRiO Day is meant to focus the nation’s “attention on the needs of disadvantaged young people and adults aspiring to improve their lives, to the necessary investment if they are to become contributing citizens of the country, and to the talent which will be wasted if that investment is not made.”

As part of National Day of Service, TRiO staff and members of TRiO Club will be participating by volunteering their time and efforts at Tri County Safe Harbor, dedicated to helping victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. While there we will be painting as well as performing minor repairs.

It’s not too late to help and give back to your community. Join us Saturday morning . February 22 at 9:00AM at 905 1st Avenue South, Escanaba. More hands make the work light and the time short. Wear your old clothes and come with a smile. We’ll bring the rest.

We’ve been fortunate enough to have David Fournier of **Fournier Home Repairs & Carpet Cleaning** volunteer his services as well. He is going to donate his time and materials to repair baseboards and shampoo the carpets. Thank you, David!

*“The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.”
~Mahatma Gandhi*



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WILDCAT WEEKEND

TRiO is sponsoring a trip to Northern Michigan University for Wildcat Weekend, **March 22, 2014**. The trip is for TRiO students thinking about transferring to NMU and is **FREE** of charge!

Go here to **[Register](#)**, required on or before **March 18th**. (You will be asked how many will be attending, please respond with one.)

Once you've registered please let a TRiO staff member know that you would like a seat in the van.

We will be making a stop at the Beacon House after this event to drop off donations. Our goal is to **TP the Beacon House!**

All donations are welcome!

"I was planning to go into architecture. But when I arrived, architecture was filled up. Acting was right next to it, so I signed up for acting instead"
~Gilbert K. Chesterton

REGISTRATION FOR SPRING/ SUMMER IS OPEN!

Registration for Spring and Summer 2014 opened on Wednesday, February 5, 2014, 8:30 a.m. EST.

If you need assistance or have questions about which classes you should be taking, stop in and make an appointment to meet with Jill or Jim, they would be happy to help you!

ACADEMIC PLANNING

Have you completed an academic plan yet? If the answer is **no** or **you're not sure** then now is a good time to stop in and meet with your TRiO mentor to plan the shortest, least expensive route to your graduation. Your success is important to us and this is a tool you can use to complete your college career.

Your TRiO mentor can help you come up with a tentative schedule for spring/summer and next fall, discuss academic majors and career goals, address any advising related questions you might have, and get you ready to meet with your official advisor here at Bay.

Are you planning to attend in the Spring and/or Summer semesters? If so, registration is open now at www.baycollege.edu, and the sooner you register the better your chances are of getting the classes you need or want.

WHEN SHOULD APPLY FOR GRADUATION?

Two semesters before you anticipate completing your degree requirements you should complete an [Application for Graduation](#). You will be notified in writing if all the requirements have been met or if you need additional courses that must be completed. **Applications to graduate at the end of winter semester must be submitted by March 1.**

If you created an academic plan with your TRiO mentor and reviewed it with your advisor, check your graduation audit from the Registrar against your plan. In a perfect world and if we have done our job right they should match! Please stop in and see one of us if you have questions about applying or your response from the Registrar.

DO YOU NEED HELP WITH APPLYING TO 4-YEAR SCHOOLS? WE CAN PROVIDE TRANSFER ASSISTANCE

Do you need assistance with:

- * Choosing a major?
- * Selecting and applying to a 4-year school?
- * Preparing a personal essay?
- * Paying an application fee?

If so, TRiO staff are here to help you! There are many services in TRiO to help you be successful in your journey; from selecting courses, to choosing a major, and even how to budget your money.

See Theresa to schedule an appointment to meet with your TRiO mentor to envision and plan the next stage of your college career!



Thursday, March 20,
2014

JHUC Bay Rooms

Noon-3:00 pm

For more
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FAFSA TIME

FREE APPLICATION for FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

It's tax time, which also means it's time to complete for your FAFSA for Fall 2014.

TRiO staff would be happy to help you fill it out, just stop by the TRiO desk and ask Theresa to make an appointment.

You may need information from your parents. Ask them if they claim you on their taxes, if their taxes have been filed for 2013 and if they can help you by filling out their portion.

You should never pay to submit your FAFSA, it is always free of charge at www.fafsa.gov, so beware of scams and/or Web sites asking for money.



BAY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL MARCH 15, 2014

Each year Bay de Noc Community College gives away over \$300,000 in scholarships to students. There are over 250 scholarships available for the fall 2014 semester through the Bay College Foundation. These scholarships are sponsored by friends of the College including staff, faculty, businesses, community organizations and individuals. Students can use scholarship awards to help pay tuition, fees, and books.

Bay College has a new online scholarship application process. By completing the easy online application, students will be eligible to receive any of the scholarships they meet the criteria for. The deadline to apply for scholarships for the fall 2014 semester is March 15. In order to be considered, students must apply at www.baycollege.edu/scholarshipapp.

GET HELP WITH YOUR BAY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

TRIO SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOPS

In conjunction with Bay's scholarship application deadline, Jill Martin will be conducting four [Scholarship Writing Workshops the week of February 24-28, 3:00 - 4:00, in LRC 818](#). Work on your answers to the application questions, get insights on how the application will be evaluated and share ideas with fellow students. TRiO students are motivated and can be winners with this workshop. Stop by the TRiO desk for more information.



“I feel very fortunate to represent Bay College at this annual meeting!”
Jenna Leisner

STUDENT FOCUS:
JENNA LEISNER RECEIVES TOXICOLOGY TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP

We are proud to announce our feature student, Jenna Leisner!

Jenna applied for a conference travel scholarship sponsored by the Society of Toxicology and was fortunate to receive an all expenses paid travel award. This scholarship was open to STEM students interested in toxicology. To be considered a person must be nominated by a faculty and/or a staff ; in this case Jenna was nominated by Brian Black and Jill Martin.

The SOT national meeting is in Phoenix, AZ this year and features a broad range of scientific sessions in a thematic program that provides undergraduate participants with a

unique opportunity to deepen their knowledge in toxicology and interact with leaders in their respective disciplines.

Jenna plans to transfer to the University of Minnesota and eventually get her degree in Mortuary Science.



ABOUT TRiO

TRiO Student Support Services at Bay College is a federal grant-funded organization dedicated to helping first-generation, low-income students and students with disabilities. We provide opportunities for academic, social and cultural development and serve to motivate students toward the successful completion of postsecondary education.

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TUESDAYS WITH TED

Each month in TRiO we host a TED Talk brown bag lunch. It's an opportunity for you to learn about a new topic and meet new people.

In support of the Community Book Read

about Henrietta Lacks, the TED Talks on 2/25 is about Medical Ethics. If you're interested, come to the TRiO common area at noon where we will be featuring this topic on the big screen TV.



TED Ideas worth spreading

TRiO Club Meeting & Comedian Jack Black

February 26th at 6 pm. We will be serving refreshments and discuss upcoming events and travel plans. Following that you are invited to see comedian Jay Black **FREE** of charge!

Upcoming TRiO Club Dates & Events

February

- ◆ 22 - National TRiO Day Service Project
- ◆ 26 - TRiO Club & CAB Event: Comedian Jay Black

March

- ◆ 3-7 - Mid-terms
- ◆ 10-14 - Spring Break
- ◆ 17-21 - Academic Planning w/TRiO Mentor
- ◆ 19 - TRiO Club & Social activity
- ◆ 22 - Wildcat Weekend, NMU, Marquette, MI
- ◆ 24 - Fall registration opens