Monday, August 24, 2015

ACADEMICS

- Welcome back to campus, everyone! As the semester gets going, keep these dates in mind:
  - Monday, August 24: **First Day of Classes**!
  - Monday, September 7: **Labor Day (no classes)**
  - Friday-Sunday, September 25-27: **Homecoming/Alumni Weekend**
  - Thursday-Saturday, October 8-10: **Fall Break (no classes)**
  - Thursday, November 5: **Founders Day**
  - Wednesday-Saturday, November 25-28: **Thanksgiving Break (no classes)**
  - Friday, December 4: **Last Day of Classes**
  - Monday-Friday, December 7-11: **Finals Week**
  - Saturday, December 12: **December Commencement**
- For a complete academic calendar, visit our [website](#).
- Also, mark your calendars for the following events:
  - Thursday, September 17: **Constitution Day**
  - Monday-Friday, October 12-16: **LEO registration and degree audit workshop for students**
  - Tuesday, December 1: **Deadline to apply for May graduation**

ADMISSIONS

- Our admissions team has begun recruiting students for the LEC Class of 2020! Know someone who might want to attend LEC? Pass along these dates for our upcoming visit days:
  - Friday, October 16: **Green & White Day**
  - Friday, October 23: **Green & White Day (equine visit day)**
  - Saturday, November 14: **Fall Fest**
- For more information, visit the [admissions page](#). Join the Tradition today!

ATHLETICS

- The Storm is looking forward to a great year. Keep up with the complete schedule of athletic events on the [Storm website](#).
- There have been several new appointments to our coaching staff. Join us in welcoming our new coaches to the Storm family!
  - Grant Lofdahl-men's and women's cross country and track and field
  - Kevin Brenner-men's soccer
  - Kevin Foeman-volleyball
- Mark your calendars for the following teams' first HOME games of their seasons:
  - **Football**-September 3, 7:00 p.m. vs. Ashland
  - **Men's soccer**-September 5, 1:00 p.m. vs. Seton Hill
  - **Women's soccer**-September 4, 4:00 p.m. vs. Bellarmine
  - **Volleyball**-September 15, 6:00 p.m. vs. Alderson Broaddus
- Congratulations to Kevin Hoogenboom who has begun serving as the Coordinator of Development in athletics.
- **Storm Club**: Reintroducing, the "team behind the teams!" All are invited to join the official booster organization of Lake Erie College Athletics.
  - The mission of the Storm Club is to support the athletics programs of LEC, either universally or for a team of your choice. Your membership donation is tax-deductible and provides the best opportunity to support the College's various athletic programs with a single donation.
  - Learn more about member benefits and how your donation will help us meet our goals on the official [Storm Club](#) page.
CAREER SERVICES

• Keep an eye out for #CareerChat days this semester! Students will be able to meet with Career Services staff from 11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m. on select Wednesdays in the Holden stage area to ask questions about resumes, job searching, internships, grad school and more. Mark your calendars for September 16, October 21, November 4 and December 2.

• Mock Interview Day is scheduled for Friday, November 6. Practice your networking and interviewing skills, and get a professional headshot, too! The event will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the B.K. Smith Gallery in Royce Hall for the Fine and Performing Arts. Sign up in the Student Life Office starting Monday, October 26.

• On the job hunt? Follow the LEC Job Board "Storm Central."

• Graduate School Fairs
  - Head to Holden on Monday, October 5 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to visit with admissions representatives from all over the country! A prep workshop for the fair will take place Thursday, October 1 at 4:30 p.m. in Holden 315.

• Career Fairs: Sign Up Today!
  - OFIC Accounting CareerFest
    - Friday, September 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in downtown Cleveland
    - Transportation is provided; sign up in Student Life!
  - Career Fair
    - Thursday, October 8 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Ashland University
    - Transportation is provided; sign up in Student Life!

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

• Plans are underway for the 2015-2016 ideaLabs competition(s), open to all students, as well as for the second annual IMDAT Video Competition, coordinated with Professor Gutierrez and the Digital Media Lab. Watch for future announcements or contact Jeff Eakin and/or Peter Apicella for more information!

• Peter and Jeff are in Holden under the Class of 2015 banner during lunch on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Stop by to chat about your ideas!

FINE ARTS

• This year, the Theatre Department has partnered with Rabbit Run Community Arts Association to create "The Studio Series: Classic and Contemporary." Funded by a $10,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, the series is a collaborative theatrical effort that will involve four productions:
  - "Mass Appeal" by Bill Davis (October 2-4, 8-9, 11)
  - "Misalliance" by George Bernard Shaw (November 13-15, 19-22)
  - "The Elephant Man" by Bernard Pomerance (February 26-28, March 3-6)
  - An Evening of Contemporary One-Acts (April 7-10)

• Christmas Vespers will take place on Sunday, December 6 at 4:30 p.m. in the Helen Rockwell Morley Memorial Music Building.

• Do you like to sing? The Lake Erie College Student and Community Chorus is recruiting new members in all voice ranges! Contact director Mary Crow for more information.

• Calling all flutists! The Lake Erie College Flute Choir is seeking new members. This group is open to any flutist with even minimal experience in playing. Their first rehearsal is Thursday, August 27 from 8:30 a.m. -10:20 a.m. Individuals with scheduling conflicts are still encouraged to join. For more information, contact director Judith Elias.
GRADUATE PROGRAMS

- **Parker MBA Program**
  - The [Parker MBA Program](#) has two information nights scheduled. Join representatives at the Holden University Center of Lakeland Community College on Tuesday, October 13 or Wednesday, January 6. Register today!
  - **CURRENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS:** Are you interested in earning your bachelor's degree and the MBA degree all in 5 years? Check out our [4+1 MBA Program](#).

- **Master of Education**
  - Do you know teachers interested in furthering their knowledge in curricular and instructional issues? Tell them about our [M.Ed. program](#).

- **Physician Assistant Program**
  - The PA program recently held its first White Coat Ceremony on Saturday, August 15 to recognize the class of 2016 as they enter the clinical phase of their education. This is the inaugural LEC PA class who has now completed 15 months of didactic training.
  - Interested in becoming a PA? Learn more on our [website](#).

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- The Center for Leadership and Professional Development is offering 12 new online courses this fall! This format fits the needs of busy teachers who can complete the courses on their own time, and it has consistently received positive feedback from participants.
- For those teachers who prefer face-to-face courses, our on-campus courses begin September 25-26 and are offered almost every weekend through December 4-5. They take place on Friday evening and all day Saturday in the Garfield Center at LEC.
- A complete list of all courses can be found in the [Fall 2015 Professional Development Catalog](#).
- Keep up with our PD program on Twitter! Lake Erie College PD is now on Twitter @LEC_PD. This account will allow for direct communication with educators who are using social media more and more themselves.
- For more information, contact Lisa Strausbaugh or visit the [professional development page](#).

STUDENT LIFE OFFICE

- The Office of Student Life has a great year planned!* Upcoming events include Casino Night, trips to Playhouse Square and movie nights in the Storm Shelter, just to name a few! Coming up this semester, mark your calendars for events such as:
  - September 2: [Student Involvement Fair](#): Stop by the Holden stage from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. this day to see what the student organizations on campus are all about, and even join a few.
  - October 15: [Casino Night](#)
  - October 19-22: [Alcohol and Drug Awareness Week](#)
  - November 9: [Musician Scott Celani](#)
  - December 8: Annual late night study break
- [Homecoming Weekend](#) is scheduled to take place September 25-27 and will include a performance by comedian Derrick Knopsnyder as well as residence hall and apartment decorating competitions. Stay tuned for more information.
- [Storm Shelter Movie Nights](#) will take place every first Friday and third Saturday of the month. Movies will begin at 8:00 p.m., and snacks will be provided!
- [Trips to Playhouse Square](#) are scheduled for the "Book of Mormon" (8/27) and "Secret Garden" (10/18).
- Also, don't forget that [MOUNTAIN DAY](#) will take place one day in the last week of September. Start learning the history of the College and get your teams ready for the treasure box hunt!
- Keep up with the Office of Student Life at @LECSLO on Twitter!

*The aforementioned events are for LEC students only unless otherwise indicated.

AROUND TOWN

- With so many great attractions in our surrounding area, we encourage everyone to take the time to explore! Whether it's a trip to neighboring Cleveland or downtown Painesville, we're sure you'll have a great time.
  - Thursday, September 3 is the [Taste of Painesville](#) in downtown Painesville. Called "the biggest end-of-summer block party in Lake County," the event runs from 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. and will feature local chefs and restaurants. For more information, visit the Downtown Painesville event page.
  - Every Thursday throughout September, head down to Veterans' Park from 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. for the weekly Painesville Farmers Market! You'll be sure to find fresh produce, baked goods, pasta, breads, fruits and more.
  - Fall Fest/Trunk-or-Treat will take place Saturday, October 24 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in downtown Painesville. You'll enjoy a nice run on a brisk October morning, followed by a parade, classic cars and candy.
  - The [Downtown Painesville Holiday Business Walk](#) will take place Tuesday, November 17, and the [Spirit of the Season](#) will take place Saturday, December 5 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Stay tuned for more details on these events.
- Follow us on [Facebook](#) for the latest information on these events and more!