

## *News*

### **Directory Change**

Crystal Primeau, Counseling and Wellness Services, was married to Phil McLeod on Sept. 5. Her married name is Crystal Primeau McLeod, and her new email address is cpmcleod@mtu.edu .

### **Flags Flown at Half-staff Today**

Flags will be flown at half-staff today in honor of Army Spec. Brandon K. Steffey, of Sault Ste. Marie, who died in Laghman province, Afghanistan, while on active duty in Operation Enduring Freedom.

Steffey, 23, who died Oct. 25, was assigned to the 178th Military Police Detachment, 89th Military Police Brigade, III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas.

### **International Food Festival Will Delight the Palate**

The International Club will serve an array of food from around the world at the third annual International Food Festival in the Memorial Union Ballroom on Nov. 14.

Dishes featured will include Bangladesh fried chicken, Moroccan chicken with lemon and green olives, Jamaican ackee and saltfish, and Hungarian ghoulash. Side dishes will include Indian vegetable rice and spaetzels, which are German dumplings. A dessert of nisu, a Finnish sweetbread, will provide a delectable aftertaste.

"This is a delicious way to celebrate the diversity that is such an important part of Michigan Tech," said Sahil Thakkar, an International Club board member. "We hope everyone on campus and in the community will join us."

The meal costs \$12 for students, \$15 for adults and \$7 for children, with children under four years old eating free. Tickets will be on sale in the lobby of the Memorial Union from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Nov. 5 to 13.

### **Auditions for "Proof" are Scheduled**

Tech Theatre will hold auditions for its upcoming production of "Proof" at 7 p.m., Sunday and Monday, Nov. 15 and 16, in McArdle Theatre.

The roles for the Pulitzer Prize-winning play by David Auburn include two women and one man in their twenties.

To prepare for the auditions, scripts can be checked out overnight from the Visual and Performing Arts office at 209 Walker.

The performance dates for "Proof" are Feb. 11-13 and 18-19 in McArdle Theatre, plus Feb. 25 at the Ironwood Theatre and Feb. 27 at the Calumet Theatre.

For more information, contact Roger Held at 487-1080 or at rheld@mtu.edu .

### **Order Your Pumpkin Pies**

Too busy to bake?

Dining Services is holding their annual day-before-Thanksgiving pumpkin pie sale. The nine-inch homemade pies are \$3.25 each and can be ordered at [bake@mtu.edu](mailto:bake@mtu.edu) .

All orders must be placed by 4:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 23. You may pick up and pay for your pies from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 25, in the Memorial Union Food Mall.

## ***Seminars and Workshops***

### **Technical Communication Seminar**

The scientific and technical communication program will host a talk by Associate Professor Karla Kitalong (Humanities) from 4 to 5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 6, in Walker 109. Kitalong will talk about her experiences with technical communication, mixed reality, informal science and usable design. Light refreshments will be served.

### **Chemistry Seminar**

Carol Hirschmugl, from the Department of Physics at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, will present a seminar, "High Spatial Resolution Chemical Imaging Applications in Biology, Geology and Art," at 3 p.m., Friday, Nov. 6, in Chem Sci 101. A discussion period will follow; refreshments will be served; all are welcome to attend.

For more information, click here .

### **BME Seminar**

Kelly Brook Emerton, a senior R&D engineer at Medtronic, Inc. in the spinal and biologics division, will present a graduate seminar, "How Osteocytes Got Me a Job or Lessons I've Learned from MTU to Industry," at 3:00 p.m., Friday, Nov. 6, in M&M U113. Emerton was a member of the first graduating class of the Michigan Tech Biomedical Engineering Department in 2001.

### **Grain Processing Seminar,**

Assistant Professor Lanrong Bi (Chemistry) will speak on "Molecular Engineering Approaches to Deciphering the Genome" at 10 a.m., Friday, Nov. 6, in Chem Sci 102. The lecture series is sponsored by the Department of Chemistry.

### **MSE Seminar**

Assistant Professor Reza Shahbazian-Yassar (ME-EM) will present a seminar, "Real-Time Electro-Mechanical Coupling in One-Dimensional Materials," at 3 p.m., Friday, Nov. 6, in M&M 610.

### **Remote Sensing Seminar**

Steven Ackerman, of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, will present an EPSSI seminar, "Satellite Remote Sensing--Applications to Meteorology," at 4 p.m., Monday, Nov. 9, in M&M U113. The abstract of the seminar is at: <http://www.epssi.mtu.edu/seminar/> .

## ***Regular Features***

### **Job Posting**

Staff job descriptions are available in Human Resources or at <http://www.admin.mtu.edu/hro/postings> . For more information regarding staff positions, call 487-2280 or email [jobs@mtu.edu](mailto:jobs@mtu.edu) .

Faculty job descriptions can be found at [www.admin.mtu.edu/hro/facpers/facvac.htm](http://www.admin.mtu.edu/hro/facpers/facvac.htm) . For more information

regarding faculty positions, contact the academic department in which the position is posted.

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### On the Road

PhD student Weiming Zhao (Computer Science) attended the PGAS 2009 conference in early October at George Washington University and presented his paper, "ScaleUPC: A UPC Compiler for Multi-Core Systems," coauthored by his advisor, Associate Professor Zhenlin Wang.

### New Funding

S. Komar Kawatra (Chemical Engineering) has received \$99,441 from the Florida Institute of Phosphate Research for "Removal of Dolomite from Phosphate Pebble Concentrate by Enhanced Jigging."

### In Print

Graduate student Zezhou Wang and Assistant Professor Shiyue Fang (Chemistry) published a paper, "Bismuth(III) Chloride Catalyzed Cycloisomerization of Enynes," in the European Journal of Organic Chemistry, 2009, 5505-5508. The web link is: [Click here](#) .