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Happy Monday, all! I hope your week is off to a great start and that you all had a restful and happy Family and Friends Weekend here in Orono or wherever you’re reading this from! Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month continues with Thursday's Lunch and Learn, our first since before COVID-19 first arose so many months ago. I hope you can join us to listen and learn from some truly inspiring Hispanic leaders right here on our campus.

This Friday also kicks off LGBTQ+ History Month, and we will honor the occasion by once again hoisting the Philly Pride and Transgender Pride flags on the campus mall at noon. We will also stream the flag raising to our Facebook page for those who cannot be present in person.

We were excited to welcome our team of work-study students to staff training Friday evening and you can expect to start seeing them in our centers beginning this week as we confirm their schedules with them. Please join us in welcoming Xander, Auri, Tessa, Mina, Abriah, Alyssa, Maggie, Kalina, and Shreyash to the ODI team! We're happy you're here and can't wait to see what you create with us this year!

Lastly, a reminder that we have implemented a new form on our website for folks who would like to submit their events, programs, job postings, or other information to be included in this newsletter. We are fortunate to reach over 400 inboxes every week and we’re happy to help promote your work as it pertains to our mission of furthering equity, diversity, and inclusion on campus and in our broader community. Please
don't hesitate to reach out if I can be helpful.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy week to come!

All the best,
Rob Jackson
Staff Associate for Diversity and Inclusion

LGBTQ+ History Month
PRIDE FLAG RAISING
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1ST
NOON ON THE CAMPUS MALL
JOIN US WEEKLY ON WEDNESDAYS AT 3PM ON ZOOM FOR LGBTQIA+ SUPPORT GROUP

Starts on September 29th, 2021

SIGN UP BY EMAILING JULIA TANER AT JULIA.TANER@MAINE.EDU

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LUNCH & LEARN!
LATINX HERITAGE MONTH

Featuring Dr. Stefano Tijerina, Sandra Cáceres Tijerina, M.S., M.Ed., and Academic Advisor and Success Instructor, Silvestre Guzmán, M.Ed.

September 30th, 12pm-1pm
Memorial Union 314, Multicultural Student Center

Free Event
All are Welcome

Join the Office for Diversity and Inclusion for a free lunch as we kick off our informal seminar series

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Florida's Board of Education has banned Critical Race Theory. But it's not all that clear if officials know what they voted for...or if activists understand what it is. Michael Moynihan is in Florida, asking the tough questions...like, what part of a fifth grader's textbook is teaching grad-school-level theory?
Maine Bound Adventure Center and the Office for Diversity and Inclusion invite you to participate in the Black Bear Outdoor Leadership Diversified (B BOLD) program, a weekend (overnight) full scholarship retreat for Students of Color. We hope to create a comfortable space where students can explore and grow in their leadership skills developed in the outdoor activities.

Scan here for the application!

Contact: beth.jackson@maine.edu or anila.karunakar@maine.edu

*This program is made possible with generous support from the Alton ’38 and Adelaide Hamm Campus Activity Fund.
Wilson Center Wednesdays
FREE vegetarian dinner & dialog | 6-8pm weekly
67 college ave | outside under the big tent

September 1 | What is Community?
A conversation with Wilson Center Staff

September 8 | Tai Chi
With guest Shiwa Noh | no experience required

September 15 | The Cosmic Walk
A walking meditation with Sister Miriam Devlin

September 22 | Sukkot Celebration
Learn about this Jewish festival | facilitator TBA

September 29 | Art by Committee
A collaborative art project with guest Fred Irons

wilsoncenterorono@gmail.com | https://umaine.edu/wilsoncenter/
BIPOC Focused Leadership

Engage in critical conversations around BIPOC leadership and how to navigate marginalized social identities in relation to leadership roles in white dominant spaces.

DATE: OCT 6 / MULTICULTURAL STUDENT CENTER / TIME: 3-4PM

Please contact sabrina.murray@maine.edu if interested!

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Jose Antonio Vargas, an award-winning multimedia storyteller, is the founder of Define American, a campaign that seeks to elevate the conversation around immigration. Born in the Philippines, Vargas immigrated to the United States at age 12. Stunning the media and political circles and attracting world-wide coverage, Vargas wrote the groundbreaking essay, "My Life as an Undocumented Immigrant," for the New York Times Magazine in the summer of 2011. A year later, he was the author (and subject) of a cover story for TIME magazine headlined "We are Americans — just not legally."
THE WILSON CENTER
INVITES YOU TO OUR WEEKLY

MEDITATION GROUP

Thursdays 6-7PM at The Wilson Center
67 College Ave. in Orono

please bring a mask
all are welcome, beginner and expert

RSVPs APPRECIATED - ZOOM OPTION AVAILABLE BY REQUEST
WILSONCENTERORONO@GMAIL.COM
Solidarity Meeting

A Safe place to find solidarity! A place to share and support each other as students of color at UMaine

Meeting will be held bi-weekly starting 9/15/21 at 2pm
Sign up via attached link

This meeting is offered online for the time being. Students must be physically in Maine to attend.
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OWN PRIDE
FLAG
BUTTON

Everybody is welcome!
October 12 & 14
COE Room 11:30a-1:30p

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AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE CLUB

MONDAYS 6PM-7PM

WHAT'S OUR PURPOSE?
The purpose of American Sign Language (ASL) Club is to get club members comfortable with signing an introduction of who they are/where they come from in order to feel prepared to engage in conversation with deaf or hard of hearing people. Students will be a part of bridging the gap between hearing and Deaf cultures; they will gain new perspective. This preparedness will also come through learning about Deaf culture and the proper use of ASL.

WHERE?
We are currently meeting in front of the bear statue (on the opposite end of the library). When it gets too cold, we will relocate inside!

CONTACT:
Please direct any questions to our President, Morgan Oehler, or Vice President, Shanna Scribner. Morgan.oehler@maine.edu, Shanna.scribner@maine.edu

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Weekly Meetings

Wednesday @ 5pm at the
Multicultural Student Center
3rd Floor, Memorial Union

- Holiday Events and Services
- Jewish Cooking
- Resources and Support
- Shabbat Dinners
- Fun and Games
- Volunteer Opportunities

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To learn more
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or message us on facebook
or on instagram @umainehillel
Asian STUDENT ASSOCIATION
6 - 7 PM every other Friday at Room 312, Memorial Union

WHO WE ARE
We are a student organization who welcomes everyone from different backgrounds to join us for our events.

WHAT WE DO
Join our general meetings for fun games, movie nights, cooking and study sessions. Have fun and make friends along the way!

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