

FOR YOUR INSPIRATION

A Publication of the Office of Residence Life, Division of Student Affairs

OTM WINNERS

October

RA: Patrick Zito, Carpenter Tower

Honorable Mention: Marian Pintar, Mashuda Hall

Student: Joe Mazelin

Spotlight: Father Scott Pilarz, S.J.

Faculty/Staff: Abelardo, Abbotsford

Social Program: Abbotsford Olympics

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NOVEMBER THEMES

Native American Heritage

Novel Writing Month

Pomegranate Month

No Shave November

Peanut Butter Lovers

Raisin Bread Month

Georgia Pecan Month

AIDS Awareness Month

CONTEST WINNERS

BULLETIN BOARD of the MONTH

Gina Steinhilber

Schroeder Hall, 7th Floor

Happy Halloween Bulletin Board



DOOR DEC of the MONTH

Jackie Blake

Carpenter Tower, 15th Floor

Fall Mobile Door Dec



COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT Ideas

BELONG

First Men's Home Basketball Game
Nov. 11, 8pm Bradley Center

It is that time of year again. The first game of the basketball season is an experience that every Marquette Student should be a part of. Encourage your residents to attend or plan a group outing!

To get ready for the basketball game, hold your own pep rally and provide face paint to get your residents in the Marquette spirit!

Still don't have tickets? Buy them at:
<http://tinyurl.com/FAN6MF12>

DISCERN

MU Entrepreneurship Week -
Nov. 11-22

Entrepreneurship week is an annual event that allows students to explore their options as innovators and self-starters. Some of the events for the week include Hackathon Kickoff, CEO Presentations, a lecture on Theology of Work, and much more.

Make sure to register online!
<http://business.marquette.edu/centers-and-programs/ewee-registration>

ENGAGE

2011 Student Leadership Summit-
Nov. 6, 11am-3pm AMU

The theme this year, inspired by Father Pilarz's inauguration, is "Be Ignited." This summit is for students to understand and relate leadership in various ways, such as, understanding themselves as leaders, how leaders play a role in groups, and the need for leadership in the service we do around our community.

To attend, register at:
www.marquette.edu/osd/leadership/summit/index.shtml

THRIVE

Finding God In All Things Retreat-
Nov. 11-13

The Finding God In All Things Retreat invites Marquette students to find God in their daily life through individual reflection, community, conversation, and nature. Cost is \$45 and transportation will be provided.

Fill out the application online:
http://www.marquette.edu/cm/faith/retreats/finding_god_app.shtml

Discover Milwaukee

Holiday Lights Festival

Attend the official lighting ceremony of Milwaukee's decorations for the holiday season. Live music and a fire works show will follow the ceremony. Come join the festivities and enjoy free cookies and hot cocoa!

Thursday, Nov. 17 at 6pm Pere Marquette Park

milwaukeeholidaylights.com

MAM After Dark

Impress Me- View artists live as they create their artwork, participate in a curator led tour, and watch UWM's showcase of screen dances. Even create your own art in an expanded DIY studio! Get your tickets now and get ready to be impressed!

Friday, Nov. 18, at 5:00pm-midnight. \$12 per person

www.mam.org/afterdark

Holiday Folk Fair

Learn about other world cultures through a showcase of their songs, dances, and exhibits. Enjoy the ethnic food from other countries and view various international movies. See the website for the full weekend schedule.

Nov. 18-20, Wisconsin State Fair. \$10 a person

www.folkfair.org

BIG Questions

The BIG Questions Series is sponsored by the Vocations Program in the Office of Student Development. The intent is to ignite a campus-wide dialogue about various concepts and topics related to vocation. Every other week, a new BIG Question will be asked to the Marquette Community. At the end of the week, bring your lunch and join a guest speaker to hear their thoughts about the BIG Question.

"We hope the BIG Questions Series will get students to think about topics related to finding meaning and purpose in life through self reflection and in conversation with others."

- Kate Trevey, Assistant Dean for Leadership and Vocation Programs.

Do you have a BIG Question you want answered? Share your questions and learn more at mu.edu/bigquestions and it might be used in the next series! Be on the look out for BIG Questions!

CONTEMPLATION in ACTION

A REFLECTION by Sara Johnson, Coordinator of Alcohol Programs

When sitting down to compose a few thoughts to share with you this November, I couldn't help stop and think about the numerous coffee chats, group discussions, truths, laughs and jokes, but also trying conversations, the residence life community has shared with me in the past few months. Although many of these conversations are related to the challenges we facing in the residence hall, Marquette, and greater Milwaukee community regarding the primary and secondary impacts of alcohol, I have truly been inspired by the stories each of you as MU community members has shared about your Marquette experience. As fall break, has come and gone, with Thanksgiving break approaching, followed by the inevitable end of the semester, I think it is truly important to take time and not lose sight of who you are, what you believe, and your role is in community.

As members of the Marquette community, I believe we, faculty, staff, and most importantly, you, the students, are called at some level to hold paramount the standard of civility and care for your community. As student leaders, this role at times can be challenging. How do we challenge our friend's behavior? How do we address topics of concern that may not be popular? As resident assistants, you are there to assist your residents and members of your community during challenging times, and are often there for teachable moments, but I would challenge you to consider those teachable moments in your own lives too. If change is going to happen at Marquette, it needs to be a student effort, lead by the student voice, a voice for change, contemplation, and reflection.

When the words *cura personalis* are stated, do our words and actions reflect care for the whole person, emotionally, physically, and spiritually? It is my own hope to elevate the level of conversation regarding the impact of alcohol within the MU community, but this effort cannot be individually undertaken. I need the support of student leaders, to take the lead in challenging campus culture. My passion to address the challenges associated with alcohol and college students began during my own college experience, so what I truly want to leave you with is this: if you have a passion or a concern within this community, address the behavior, statement, or idea. Challenge the campus and community culture. Your passion and vigor may be the needed energy to facilitate change and new developments. What is your passion?