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Cooper's Corner Got questions? Ask Tina (tinacooper@bennington.edu)

Are you traveling for Thanksgiving? Make your reservations now (online)! The deadline is NEXT Wednesday, November 18.

- A few travel tips:
- 1. Look at the shuttle schedule BEFORE you book your tickets. You can do this on the website.
- 2. Make your reservation BEFORE the deadline. This will save you \$10!
- 3. If you have ANY questions stop by Student Life. We are here to help!

From my corner to yours,

### Field Work Term and Career Development

FWT registration is due this Friday, November 13. To register, log in to WorkLink and click "register and view your FWT records" located on the right-hand sidebar under header "FWT." If you have questions about your FWT registration, please contact fwt@bennington.edu. Late registrations result in a \$50 administrative late fee and impact your final FWT grade. (The FWT extension request due date has passed.)

**Extended FWT Walk-In Hours.** If you have not yet secured an FWT position, please schedule an FWT Advising session on Genbook ASAP, or come to our walk-in hours Monday-Friday from12:00-2:00 pm. We want to support you with your last-minute FWT planning.

**Still looking for FWT housing?** You received an email with a link to a survey asking where you'll be for FWT 2016. Please fill this out and then view the compiled **student responses,** allowing you to connect to other students in your city.

#### New and noteable FWT 2016 listings. See WorkLink for more...

- 1. Recruitment Intern, Blue Engine, New York, NY (transportation)
- 2. Intern, USArtPartners, NY, NY (paid)
- 3. Volunteer, Planet Drum, Bahia de Caraquez, Ecuador, (room)
- 4. Production Assistant, St. Ann's Warehouse, Brooklyn, NY (stipend)
- 5. Intern, Prison Radio, San Francisco, CA (transportation)

### **Grant Deadlines Approaching**

- **November 16:** Applications for Student Conference Grants will be accepted on a rolling basis. Priority given to presenting students.
- November 16: Applications for the London School of Economics Summer Program Scholarship due.
- January 19: Davis Projects for Peace proposals due. See Noelle Murphy as soon as possible to discuss your project ideas.

Please see Noelle Murphy with questions.

Please email all College Week submissions to collegeweek@bennington.edu by Thursday at noon for inclusion the following week.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- First Years! First Term Plan is due to your faculty advisor next week on November 17. Come to the First Term Plan Reflection Essay Program on Monday, November 9 at 12:45 pm in Barn 240 for a question and answer session for completing your essay.
- Basketball will be happening on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the Village School of North Bennington. A carpool will meet at the Flagpole at 7:00 pm on those days. People interested in playing should contact Charlotte Uden for information and updates!
- Music Festival, an annual eclectic festival of music from across the spectrum, will be held this Tuesday, November 10 at 8:00 pm in the Deane Carriage Barn. Admission is free and all are welcome. See you there!
- Bennington Connects and the Dining Hall are hosting a small version of the Diwali Festival, the Hindu Festival of Light, on campus! Join us on Wednesday, November 11 in the Dining Hall Yellow Room and Purple Room for a delicious dinner and celebrate the victory of light over darkness.
- The **Landscape Films Series** is presenting films by Joeren de Rijke, Willem de Rooij, and Abbas Kiarostami on Wednesday, November 11 at 7:00 pm in Kinoteca.
- This week's Literature Evening on Wednesday, November 11 at 7:00 pm in the Franklin Common Room welcomes Chinelo Okparanta. Short-listed for the 2013 Caine Prize in African Writing, Chinelo is also a 2014 O. Henry Award winner and a 2014 Lambda Literary Award winner for Lesbian Fiction. She is the author of Happiness, Like Water, and Under the Udala Trees.
- PAC presents the second event for Cultural Misconceptions, where students and faculty can get together and discuss a piece of literature pertaining to a particular culture in a non-hostile environment once a month. This event will be on Wednesday, November 11 at 7:00 pm the in EAC 1 classroom to discuss the origins of Thanksgiving Day. If you would like to know more information about the event please contact Carolina Roque or PAC (pac@ bennington.edu).
- Vermont Legislative Series presents: VT Water Forum this Thursday, November 12 from 7:00-8:00 pm in the CAPA Symposium. The Vermont legislature passed legislation that aims to clean up Vermont's waterways. This forum will provide an overview of the statewide plan and discuss how it will improve local water. Panelists will include Lauren Hierl, political director for VT Conservation Voters, Alyssa Schuren, DEC commissioner, and Brian Campion, state senator.
- Applications are now available to live at Bennington College during the Winter Break and/ or FWT. If you are interested, please pick up an application in the Student Life Office. Due by 5:00 pm this Friday, November 13.
- Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy and Readers Theatre continues this Friday, November 13 at 10:00 pm in the UpCaf with its second presentation of Fit the Second. Pajama attire and pillows are encouraged.
- The final **Town Hall** meeting will take place this Sunday, November 15 from 8:30-9:30 pm in the Student Center. The Town Hall is a community meeting of students, faculty, and staff where we will come together to discuss and establish direction on campus-wide issues. For further information, please contact Student Assembly (studentassembly@bennington.edu).





#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

MONDAY,	NOVEMBER 9
12:45pm	First Term Plan Reflection Essay Program, Barn 240
7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous, Dickinson 212
7:00pm	Climbing Wall open, Meyer Rec Barn
7:30pm	Fitness@Bennington, Meyer Rec Barn
TUESDAY,	NOVEMBER 10
All Day	Plan Day: no classes
11:30am	Academic Services presents: Registration Q&A, Down Commons
1:00pm	Archery Club, Soccer Field
1:00pm	Meditation Club, Crosett (upstairs classroom)
6:30pm	Vinyasa Flow Yoga, Meyer Rec Barn
7:00pm	Roller Derby, Greenwall
7:00pm	Climbing Wall open, Meyer Rec Barn
7:00pm	Basketball, Flagpole
8:00pm	Music Festival, Deane Carriage Barn
9:00pm	Bennington Sustainable Food Project, Down Commons
WEDNESD	AY, NOVEMBER 11
All Day	Registration forms due, Dean's Office
12:15pm	Movement Collective, Student Center
5:00pm	Diwali Festival, Dining Hall (Yellow Room and Purple Room)
7:00pm	Climbing Wall open, Meyer Rec Barn
7:00pm	Landscape Film Series, Kinoteca
7:00pm	Literature Evening: Chinelo Okparanta, Franklin Common Room
7:00pm	Cultural Misconceptions: Thanksgiving, EAC 1
8:00pm	Student Assembly, Down Commons
THURSDA	Y, NOVEMBER 12
5:30pm	Dinner with Dean Xenia, Dining Hall (Purple Room)
7:00pm	Basketball, Flagpole
7:00pm	Climbing Wall open, Meyer Rec Barn
7:00pm	Vermont Legislative Series: VT Water Forum, CAPA Symposium
7:30pm	Fitness@Bennington, Meyer Rec Barn
7:30pm	Magic Player's Club, Upcaf
8:30pm	Sacred Harp Singing, Leigh Apartment
9:00pm	Bennington Environmental Action Group, EAC
	NOVEMBER 13
	FWT registration due
	Science Workshop, Dickinson 232
-	Meditation Club, Crosett (reading room)
	Climbing Wall open, Meyer Rec Barn
-	Classic Film Series Screening, Kinoteca Lobby
-	Broadway@Bennington, Dickinson 209
-	Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy and Readers Theater, UpCaf
	Y, NOVEMBER 14
-	Archery Club, Soccer Field
7:00pm	Animation Club, Dickinson 209
	12:45pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm 11:30am 1:00pm 1:00pm 1:00pm 7:00pm

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14 (CONT'D)

7:00pm	Swing and Social Dance Club, VAPA E303
8:00pm	Chess Club, UpCaf
SUNDAY,	NOVEMBER 15
1:00pm	Backgammon Club, Down Commons
1:00pm	Meditation Club, Crosett (upstairs classroom)
2:00pm	Silo, Crosett (upstairs classroom)
5:00pm	South Asian Student Association, UpCaf
8:00pm	Bennington Songwriters Circle, DownCaf
8:30pm	Town Hall, Student Center

#### Bennington ACTS: Community Engagement Updates

If you are still unsure how to become involved with the local community, there is now an updated list of community organizations and engagement opportunities on the College website. From the homepage, click on "Campus Life," "Community," and "Community Engagement" to learn what's out there and what's the best fit for you. If you would like more information about any of the organizations or opportunities, contact Michael Thomson.

#### **Dean X-change**

Updates on some staff and faculty searches happening across campus:

~A Head Chef candidate will be cooking delights this Tuesday, November 10 at 12:00 pm in the Dining Hall.

~Faculty searches are underway in literature, drama, painting, art history, economics, social psychology, and environmental policy and have already attracted a large number of candidates. SEPC is working with the Dean's Office to organize and enhance student participation in the visits of finalists to campus. The majority of these visits will take place during the first weeks of the spring term.

~We are in the process of hiring a new assistant for Student Life. In the meantime Jessica, our interim Office Assistant, Tina, in her new role as Assistant to the Dean of Students, and Kilpatrick Fellow Michael Thomson will be of help when you stop by Student Life. xeniamarkowitt@bennington.edu

### **Open Office Hours**

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE (BARN 125) MARIKO SILVER, President of the College: Fri, 1:00-2:00 pm\* Cancelled 11/13

#### **DEAN'S OFFICE (BARN 123)**

ISABEL ROCHE, Provost and Dean of the College: Mon, 12:00-1:00 pm

DUNCAN DOBBLEMANN, Associate Provost and Dean of Studies: Fri, 12:00-1:00 pm

LAURIE KOBIK, Assistant Dean for Academic Services: Mon & Wed, 12:30-1:30 pm LYDIA BRASSARD, Coordinator for Institutional Diversity and Inclusion: Mon, 1:00-3:00 pm

#### **ACADEMIC SERVICES (BARN 120)**

KATE CHILD, Director of the First-Year Experience and International Student Services Tues & Thurs, 1:00-2:00 pm

KENDRA ERICSON, Director of Study Away and Associate Director of Academic Services: Tues & Thurs, 1:00-2:00 pm (Barn 242)

#### ACADEMIC SERVICES CONT'D (BARN 120)

NOELLE EVERETT MURPHY, Director of Grants and Fellowships and Associate Director of Academic Services: Mon & Tues, 12:30-2:00 pm

ALUMNI RELATIONS OFFICE (BARN 106) Office open hours: Fri, 1:00-2:00 pm

#### FWT AND CDO OFFICE (BARN 112)

HOLLY MCCORMACK, Dean of Field Work Term: Wed, 12:00-1:00 pm FAITH MCCLELLAN, Director of Field Work Term and Career Development: Thurs, 12:00-1:00 pm

Walk-in hours: Tues. & Thurs., 12:00-2:00 pm

#### **STUDENT LIFE OFFICE (BARN 113)**

XENIA MARKOWITT, Dean of Students: Mon, 1:00-2:00 pm JENNA GOLDSTEIN Assistant Director for Student Life: Thurs, 1:00-4:00 pm

*denotes events open to the public student organizations are noted in blue*  Looking for more information on the events listed here? Try the online calendar at www.bennington.edu