

College Week

Cooper's Corner
Got questions? Ask Tina
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The Office of Student Life is going through a staffing transition, which is why you have been seeing some new friendly faces at the front desk. In the next few months, you can expect to meet our new Student Life Assistant!

From my corner to yours,



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.

Field Work Term and Career Development

FWT registration is due in two weeks, on November 13. If you have not yet secured an FWT position, please schedule an FWT Advising session on **Genbook** this week, or come to our walk-in hours Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:00-2:00 pm.

FWT registration extension requests are due on November 6. Extensions will be granted on a case-by-case basis and only in extenuating circumstances beyond the student's control.

Need additional funding for your FWT? Go to the WorkLink document library under file type "General FWT Information" for our new guide to "Crowdfunding Your FWT".

New and notable FWT 2016 listings. See WorkLink for more...

1. Communications Intern, Boston Medical Center, Boston, MA
2. Art Support Intern, Eyebeam, New York, NY (transportation)
3. Curatorial Intern, Arnold Arboretum-Harvard, Boston, MA
4. Intern, Bryan Memorial Gallery, Jeffersonville, VT (paid)
5. Studio Assistant, Ebolamusic, Los Angeles, CA (stipend)

Bennington ACTS: Community Engagement Updates

Student Life is providing transportation for the second Bennington ACTS visit to **HIS Pantry food bank** to assist in setting up for clients this Wednesday, November 4 from 9:45 am-12:20 pm. Given that one in four children in Bennington County are food insecure, food banks like HIS Pantry provide a vital service to the Bennington community. We will leave from the flagpole at 9:45 am. **Sign up** in Student Life and contact Michael Thomson with any questions.

Bennington College is teaming up with Williams College to weatherize homes for low-income families this Saturday, November 7 from around 10:30 am-2:00 pm. This initiative, called **Winter Blitz**, is organized by Williams's Zilkha Center for Environmental Initiatives. Williams will be providing the materials, lunch, and training, and Student Life will be providing transportation, so all you need to bring is yourself. Sign up in Student Life and contact Michael Thomson with any questions.

Interested in community engagement? Want to become more involved with local organizations? Come to **Immersed: Fostering Community Engagement** this Sunday, November 8 at 2:00 pm in the Student Center to talk with a panel of students, staff, faculty, and community members who are actively involved with the local community. Afterwards, representatives from local organizations will be available to discuss how you could become involved. Contact Matt Scott with any questions.

Bennington ACTS wants your input! In preparation for Sunday's panel, Bennington ACTS wants your questions and feedback to help sculpt and direct the conversation with panelists. Be on the lookout for a **suggestion box** in Down Commons all week. Any and all feedback is welcomed and encouraged.

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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 on November 13th.
- **First Years!** Spring course registration begins next week. Come to the **Registration Overview Program** this Tuesday, November 3 at 12:45 pm in Barn 240 to learn the difference between 4000 and 2000 level course registration, the registration exemption process, and all the step-by-step basics to strategize for successful registration to build your spring course schedule.
- Peter Aaron and Brooke Allen present: **"Syria: Before the Deluge"** this Tuesday, November 3 from 7:30-8:30 pm in the CAPA Symposium. Architectural photographer Peter Aaron, whose 2009 photographs of Syria are currently on view in CAPA, will show more of his photographs of Syrian sites, many of which are now destroyed or endangered. His wife, Bennington faculty Brooke Allen, will speak with him.
- Do you have questions about upcoming course offerings, new/existing equipment, or film-video-animation screenings on campus? Come to **Moving Image**, an information session regarding video classes, this Wednesday, November 4 from 4:15-5:15 pm in VAPA D204. All are welcome! Hosted by faculty members Karthik Pandian, Kate Purdie, Sue Rees, and Erika Mijlin, and video technician Katie Soule.
- The **Landscape Films Series** is presenting films by Abbas Kiarostami and Lucrecia Martel on Wednesday, November 4 at 7:00 pm in Kinoteca.
- **Poetry at Bennington** presents a poetry reading with Olena Kalytiak Davis this Wednesday, November 4 at 7:00 pm in Tishman. Look for posters with details of Olena's other events!
- Pianists Yoshiko Sato and Christopher Lewis will present a **Beethoven Series** of concerts featuring the 32 Piano Sonatas of Ludwig van Beethoven. This series will begin this Wednesday, November 4 at 8:00 pm in the Deane Carriage Barn with the three Sonatas, Opus 2, Beethoven's own introduction to the world as a solo pianist/composer. The concerts will be held in different venues around Bennington over the next two years.
- Remember, remember the 5th of November... Celebrate **Guy Fawkes Night** with us this Thursday, November 5 with a Guy Fawkes-themed BBQ dinner at 5:00 pm in the dining hall and a bonfire at 6:30 pm at the End of The World (rain location: Tishman). Guy Fawkes night is in commemoration of two British myths: The survival of King James in 1605 and the death of revolutionary Guy Fawkes, now a symbol for protesters and movements like Occupy Wall Street. At the bonfire, we will eat candy, sip hot beverages, and watch *V for Vendetta*.
- Come to the **Robert H. Woodworth Science Lecture with Dr. Tom Seeley** this Thursday, November 5 from 7:30-8:30 pm in the CAPA Symposium. Dr. Tom Seeley will discuss how honeybees use a process that includes collective fact-finding, vigorous debate, and consensus building to choose a new dwelling place. This exploration of animal behavior shows that decision-making groups, whether honeybee or human, can be smarter than even the smartest individuals in them.
- There will be a **film screening** of the 1977 documentary *News from Home*, directed by Chantal Akerman, this Saturday, November 7 from 7:00-9:00 pm in Kinoteca. The film consists of long takes of locations in New York City, set to Akerman's voice-over as she reads letters her mother sent her between 1971 and 1973, when the director lived in the city.
- **Dodgeball!** Congratulations to **Reoccurring Nightmare on First Street** for winning this year's Halloween Dodgeball Tournament! The Best Costume Award goes to **Team AKT-JVJ** for their Skittles costume. The tournament MVP was **Ian Reid**. And a consolatory there, there to **The Sorry Two**. Though they did not make themselves (or others) proud, they surely exhibited a well-seasoned skepticism for effort and hard work that will certainly temper any unrealistic expectations for life in the future. Go get 'em next year!

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NOVEMBER 2 THROUGH NOVEMBER 8

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

- 4:00pm** Soccer practice, Soccer Field
- 7:00pm** Alcoholics Anonymous, Dickinson 212 **P**
- 7:30pm** [Fitness@Bennington, Meyer Rec Barn](#)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- All Day** Registration for Spring 2016 Begins
- 12:45pm** Registration Overview Program for first-year students, Barn 240
- 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 **P**
- 7:30pm** Peter Aaron and Brooke Allen present: "Syria: Before the Deluge" talk with, CAPA Symposium
- 8:00pm** [Classic Film Series, Kinoteca Lobby](#)
- 9:00pm** [Bennington Sustainable Food Project, Down Commons](#)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- All Day** Plan Day: no classes
- 9:45am** Bennington ACTS: HIS Pantry, Flagpole
- 11:30am** Academic Services: Registration Know-How, Down Commons
- 12:15pm** [Movement Collective, Student Center](#)
- 4:00pm** Soccer practice, Soccer Field
- 4:15pm** Moving Image info session, VAPA D204
- 6:00pm** Volleyball, Commons Lawn
- 7:00pm** Poetry at Bennington presents: Olena Kaltyiak Davis, Tishman
- 7:00pm** Landscape Film Series, Kinoteca
- 8:00pm** Beethoven Series: three Sonatas, Opus 2, Deane Carriage Barn
- 8:00pm** [Student Assembly, Down Commons](#)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- 5:00pm** Guy Fawkes Night: BBQ Dinner, Dining Hall
- 5:30pm** Dinner with Dean Xenia, Dining Hall (Purple Room)
- 6:30pm** Guy Fawkes Night: bonfire and *V for Vendetta* screening, End of The World
- 7:30pm** Robert H. Woodworth Science Lecture: Dr. Tom Seeley, CAPA Symposium **P**
- 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](#)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- All Day** FWT Extensions due, FWT and CD Office
- 12:30pm** Reading Series: *Between the World and Me* with Ta-Nehisi Coates, CAPA Faculty Lounge
- 1:00pm** Science Workshop, Dickinson 232
- 1:00pm** [Meditation Club, Crosett \(reading room\)](#)
- 3:45pm** Violin Showcase Concert, Jennings 136 **P**
- 4:00pm** Soccer practice, Soccer Field
- 6:00pm** Volleyball, Commons Lawn

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6 (CONT'D)

- 8:00pm** [Broadway@Bennington, Dickinson 209](#)
- 8:00pm** Martha Hill Dance Concert, Martha Hill **P**
- 9:30pm** PAC Presents: All Dogs + Follies Concert, DownCaf

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- 10:30am** Bennington ACTS: Winter Blitz, Flagpole
- 1:00pm** [Archery Club, Soccer Field](#)
- 7:00pm** [Animation Club, Dickinson 209](#)
- 7:00pm** [Swing and Social Dance Club, VAPA E303](#)
- 7:00pm** Film Showing: *News From Home*, Kinoteca
- 8:00pm** Martha Hill Dance Concert, Martha Hill **P**
- 8:00pm** [Chess Club, UpCaf](#)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

- 1:00pm** [Backgammon Club, Down Commons](#)
- 1:00pm** [Meditation Club, Crosett \(upstairs classroom\)](#)
- 2:00pm** Bennington ACTS presents: Immersed: Fostering Community Engagement, Student Center **P**
- 2:00pm** [Silo, Crosett \(upstairs classroom\)](#)
- 5:00pm** [South Asian Student Association, UpCaf](#)
- 8:00pm** [Bennington Songwriters Circle, DownCaf](#)

Dean X-change

Welcome to a new College Week feature - suggested by students - where Dean Xenia will exchange/update/relay information on Student Life and other institutional efforts for the improvement of the student experience.

First up – this past week, Sexual Harassment & Misconduct Process Advisors and Be Well Peers were trained to provide support in responding to reports of sexual violence on campus. House Chairs also participated in a Title IX training session to learn important information and to help create a broader community response of support to those reporting. Additional training is planned for next week for HCs and Be Well Peers on crisis-response skills. For any questions about this new feature and/or to suggest updates, please email xeniamarkowitt@bennington.edu.

Open Office Hours

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE (BARN 125)

MARIKO SILVER, President of the College:
Fri, 1:00-2:00 pm

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 KOBICK, 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

P 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