NIOT Weekly Digest – October 23, 2015

** NEXT NIOT MEETING IS ON 11/12/15 from 3-5 pm at Bowling Green City Chambers, 2nd Floor**

Not In Our Town Meetings for 2015-2016

- **November 12, 2015**
  - BG City Chambers
  - 3:00 pm – 5:00pm

- **December 10, 2015**
  - BTSU Room 315
  - 3:00 pm – 5:00pm

- **January 14, 2016**
  - BG City Chambers
  - 3:00 pm – 5:00pm

- **February 11, 2016**
  - BTSU Room 315
  - 3:00 pm – 5:00pm

- **March 3, 2016**
  - BG City Chambers
  - 3:00 pm – 5:00pm

- **April 7, 2016**
  - BTSU Room 315
  - 3:00 pm – 5:00pm

- **May 12, 2016**
  - BG City Chambers
  - 3:00 pm – 5:00pm
  - 5:00pm

- **June 9, 2016**
  - BTSU Room 315
  - 3:00 pm – 5:00pm

- **July 7, 2016**
  - BG City Chambers
  - 3:00 pm –

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UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

NIOT volunteers and supporters are encouraged to show their support by wearing their NIOT t-shirts and buttons to BGSU and Bowling Green city events.

NIOT BG is engaged in a number of activities. We need volunteers for the following event:

- The Rev. Tom Mellott of 1st United Methodist Church and Rev. Gary Saunders of First Presbyterian Church of BG will have a planning meeting for next year’s Interfaith Breakfast on Thursday, October 29th at 8:30am, in Rev. Gary Saunders office.

NIOT BG T-Shirts

The NIOT BG T-Shirts are now available at the BGSU Bookstore for $9.99 + tax. The Bookstore is working on an online order process (once the link is available, it will be shared) and also having the shirts sold in different community locations as well. More details to come on these community locations.

NIOT BG ON FACEBOOK

NIOT BG is on Facebook. Follow us (by liking the page) at Not In Our Town Bowling Green for photos, latest news, and updates. Here is the direct link: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Not-In-Our-Town-Bowling-Green/411179839042009
LOTS OF NEW PICTURES! COME LIKE THE PAGE AND LEARN MORE ABOUT NOT IN OUT TOWN BG!

GIVING TO NIOT BG

NIOT BG can now accept tax-deductible donations and contributions. We have been able to open a formal account through the BGSU Foundation. This will allow individuals and others to donate and contribute funds specifically for NIOT BG initiatives. We also understand that some members of the community may feel uncomfortable in donating funds to a BGSU account. We are working on finalizing an account with the BG Community Foundation and hope to have those details available this summer.
Information about Giving to NIOT BG is now available on the website: www.bgsu.edu/notinourtown. Please consider making a gift today.

VIDEO LIBRARY

BGSU and BG now have a video library of NIOT films. A full listing can be found here: http://www.bgsu.edu/not-in-our-town/video-library.html These DVDs are available for check out and can be reserved by emailing niot@bgsu.edu.

UPCOMING DIVERSITY EVENTS

An added feature to the NIOT Weekly Digest is a listing of diversity-related events in the BGSU & BG community for the upcoming week. If you have events that you would like listed, please contact Gary or Leslie (emails listed below).

- **October 27-30**  BGSU Dining Halloween Events, www.dineoncampus.com/bgsu
  - Oct 27th @ Falcon’s Nest
  - Oct 28th @ Kreischer Late Night
  - Oct 29th @ Carillon Place
  - Oct 30th @ The Oaks Dining
- **November is Native American Heritage Month**  Sponsored by the BGSU Office of Multicultural Affairs. The first event is scheduled for Friday, November 6th, in room 223 Olscamp, from 5:30 – 7pm. A separate announcement will be sent.
- **November 7**  The K.I.N.G.S. of Bowling Green State University would like to cordially invite you to our 2nd Annual K.I.N.G.S. Conference from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Lunch will be provided. The theme for this year’s conference is, “Leaving a Legacy: Groundwork for the Future”. We are also extending this invitation to our Fireland’s Campus and surrounding High Schools. The cost will be $7 for all students including high school students and $10 for all non-students. The event will be held on Bowling Green State University’s Campus in our Bowen Thompson Student Union Building. Registration/Check-In will be in the Multipurpose room beginning at 10a.m. K.I.N.G.S is a student organization that stands for Knowledge is Necessary for Growth and Success, founded in 2012. We are the first African American Male Initiative on our campus. The mission of our organization is to be one that strives for academic and social excellence. We fulfill our mission through uplifting our men by building healthy relationships, increasing student retention rates, as well as enhancing the image of Men of color at Bowling Green State University. Although we are a male driven organization, the conference is open to both males and females with all sessions being inclusive to all. We will have three targeted sessions with three different speakers this year as well as a keynote
speaker. The Keynote Speaker will be Mr. Harold S. Booker who has been teaching in Cleveland Public Schools for almost 20 years. Our first session speaker will be Tim Brown, Author of the book, “Boys Won’t Be Boys,” the title of his session will be, “Your Name is Your Name: Building a Legacy with Your Name.” Our second session speaker will be Andarius Taylor from Saginaw Valley State University and the theme for his session will be, “Relearning how to think Successfully and live Prosperously.” The third session will be led Chris Mitchell Faculty of BGSU titled, “Ordering My Steps.” The last session titled, “A legacy of Love: A Social Perspective” which is facilitated by Dr. Angelo Brown and Mrs. Sheila Brown, Assistant Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

If you have, any further questions or comments feel free to contact Keith Johnson at 313-421-0045 or Jamarius Nelson at 734-673-6295. The link to register for our conference is http://www.eventbrite.com/e/2nd-annual-kings-conference-tickets-18750057928. If you search 2nd Annual KINGS Conference on google you can register that way as well. If you have a large group to register, feel free to send the list to our President or Vice-President. We also have group rates available! In order to receive the group rate you must have 20 or more students and submit your roster by October 20th, 2015. The group rate is $5 per student instead of $7 per student. We look forward to hearing from you all soon!

- **November 15 – 22** Not In Our Town Week – All students and student organizations interested in participating in NIOT WEEK on Campus, should contact Amanda Dortch at adortch@bgsu.edu or Breanna Jones at bijones@bgsu.edu.

- **January 13, 2016** First Undergraduate Diversity Symposium Call for Poster Presentations. Opportunities and Challenges for the Inclusion of Diversity in Higher Education and Society, will be held in the Ballroom of BTSU. The Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship (CURS) invites proposals from undergraduate students of all disciplines on the topic of cultural, ethnic, gender, and racial diversity for our inaugural Undergraduate Symposium on Diversity (USD).

This symposium offers undergraduates students the opportunity to disseminate findings on critical issues within their respective fields. We particularly welcome posters (as well as other types of displays) based on projects conducted by students in undergraduate courses on any topic related to diversity. We are, however, also looking for submissions based on research, scholarly, or creative work conducted by individual students with a faculty mentor. Both group and individual presentations will be accepted.

The top three presentations will be recognized with an award and all presentations are encouraged to be also presented at the annual BGSU Undergraduate Research Symposium to be held on April 23, 2016 in Olscamp Hall. Select presentations will also be displayed in the BTSU ballroom and/or hallways/foyers during MLK Day celebrations on January 18, 2016 (student presenters will have the option, but are not required to be present that day).

Potential topics include, but are not limited to:
- Improving local and global communities through enhancing diversity
- Identity, culture, and power in local and global spaces
• Benefits and challenges of diversity in academia
• Race still matters
• Bullying at schools
• Economic disparity in the US
• The balance of business and personal beliefs
• Shaping the future of global LGBT workplace equality and inclusion
• Continuing to build a female-friendly 21st Century

Please forward this call for presentations to undergraduate students who may be interested in presenting at the conference as well as to faculty who may be conducting course projects related to diversity or who may be mentoring undergraduates students in this area. Please indicate preliminary interest in participating at this event as soon as possible to the email address listed below. Information as to how to register for the symposium will be sent out at the start of the Fall 2015 semester.

Poster Proposal Submission Deadline: Tuesday, November 24, 2015. Final Poster Submission Deadline: Friday, December 18, 2015. For any further information, please contact Dr. Cordula Mora, director of CURS at cmora@bgsu.edu or 419-372-3873.

Note: BTSU = The Bowen Thompson Student Union

Please submit events that you would like NIOT to share in Friday’s Digest no later than 3:00p.m. on Thursday of each week.

http://www.bgsu.edu/not-in-our-town.html