NIOT Weekly Digest – September 18, 2015

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Attached to the Digest is a copy of the Dining Services September newsletter, Diversity & Inclusion.

** NEXT NIOT MEETING IS ON 10/15/15 from 3-5 pm at Bowling Green City State University, BTSU Room 315 **

PLEASE FIND THE ATTACHED LIST OF TIMES AND DATES FOR ALL THE UPCOMING NIOT MEETINGS FOR THE YEAR

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UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITES

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.

Over the next few weeks, NIOT BG will be engaged in a number of activities. We will need volunteers for the following event:
NIOT BG at the Farmer’s Market- September 23, 2015.

Volunteers are needed for:

Set-Up - 2-4

Mid-Day - 5-7

Take-Down - 6:30-8

We will need at least 10 volunteers to help cover the table and to help with the above. If interested, please contact Vicky Kulicke at vickyk@bgsu.edu.

The formal calendar of meetings for the 2015-2016 year has been finalized, please see the attached document. As before, the meetings will alternate monthly between the BGSU campus and the City Council Chambers.

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](http://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](http://www.bgsu.edu/not-in-our-town/video-library.html) These DVDs are available for check out and can be reserved by emailing vkulicke@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).

- **September 21** Author visits BG to promote the Trevor Project. On Monday, September 21 at 7pm, the First Presbyterian Church (126 S. Church St., BG) will host nationally-known author Bill Konigsberg. This visit, co-sponsored by the church, Not In Our Town BG, and the City of BG’s Human Relations Commission, is part of a driving tour Konigsberg is undertaking to raise awareness for the Trevor Project.

  The Trevor Project, founded in 1998, is the leading national organization providing crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) young people ages 13-24.

  Bill Konigsberg joins us to talk about the resources offered by The Trevor Project. Bill hopes to talk with LGBTQ teens and their allies about suicide, depression and bullying. He will be providing information about TTP’s services, reading from his books, and describing his own coming out experience.

  Bill is an award-winning young adult author. His debut novel, Out of the Pocket, won the Lambda Literary Award in 2009. His second novel, Openly Straight, won the Sid Fleischman Award for Humor and was a finalist for the Amelia Elizabeth Warren Award and Lambda Literary Awards in 2014. It also made YALSA’s Best Fiction for Young Adults
List, the TAYSHAS List as a top ten title, the ALA’s Rainbow List, and was a Teens’ Top Ten nominee. His third novel, The Porcupine of Truth, has received starred reviews from Booklist and School Library Journal.

His books are available for checkout at the Youth Services Desk at the Wood County District Public Library.

Prior to turning his attention to writing books for teens, Bill was a sports writer and editor for ESPN.com and The Associated Press. He lives in Chandler, Arizona, with his husband, Chuck, and their Australian Labradoodles, Mabel and Buford.

- **September 21**  We Are One Team (WA1T), a BGSU initiative to promote social justice through sport, will host its inaugural event as part of the International Day for Peace on Monday, Sept. 21 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union, room 201. Please help spread the words and come to join us 😊
WE ARE ONE TEAM
Promoting Social Justice through Sport at BGSU

On this year’s International Day for Peace, the We Are One Team initiative (WA-T) to promote social justice through sport at BGSU would like to invite BGSU and Bowling Green community members to join us for our first panel discussion event of the year.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

PANEL DISCUSSION EVENT

CAN SPORT BE USED TO REDUCE STEREOTYPES AND FACILITATE SOCIAL CHANGE?

MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 21 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM | BTSU 201

The panel discussion will feature a screening of the TEDxTalk “Sport Can Start Meaningful Conversations” by Dr. Andy Billings, Ronald Reagan Chair of Broadcasting at the University of Alabama. The TEDxTalk will provide introductory clips to our discussion, which will be followed by a FAQ session with the audience.

THE PANELISTS

Dr. Krishna Han | Assistant Director, Office of Multicultural Affairs
Chet Hesson | Assistant Athletic Director for Academics & Student Services
Yannick Kluch | Founding Member of We Are One Team
Jasmine Matthews | Former BGSU Student Athlete, Women’s Basketball
Dr. Nancy Spencer | Associate Professor, Sport Management & HMSLS
• **October 2**  The First Presbyterian Church will be providing the food at the LGBTQ faculty/staff social at the Carter House.

Note: BTSU = The Bowen Thompson Student Union

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If you have items that you wish to be included for future editions of the NIOT Digest, please submit to niotbowlinggreen@gmail.com. You may also contact Rev. Gary Saunders (pastorgary@bgpresb.org) or Leslie Galan (lgalan@bgsu.edu).