LOCAL 1950 NEWS
Meeting Times and Places

Membership meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 3
Explorer Rooms
12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.

(A complete list of meeting dates is on page 2)

Executive Board meetings are the Wednesday before the membership meetings. Members are welcome to address the Board during Public Comment.

The Fall 2003 Convocation
Address by Interim President
Michael J. Roy will be held
Wednesday, August 20
at 4:00 p.m. in
Jamrich Hall 102

Hosted by Provost Fred Joyal with remarks from Academic Senate Chair Robert Allbritten and presentation of the 2003 Excellence in Teaching Awards

You and your spouse or guest are invited to join Interim President and Mrs. Roy for a light buffet and introduction of the new Starbucks coffee venue in the LRC Concourse and New Commons (adjacent to Bookbinders)
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

REGIONAL NEWS
Labor Day Events

The theme for 14th Annual Labor Day Festival, hosted by the Marquette County Labor Council, is “UNION” Your Voice at Work”.

The festivities will again feature a parade. Assembly is at 9:00 a.m. (EST) with marchers lining up at the NMU PEIF parking lot and vehicles reporting to the Barry Event Center lot. Marchers may park at the Harbor and take MarqTran buses to the parade line up. Buses will run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

PICNIC

The picnic, held at Mattson’s Lower Harbor Park, will follow the parade. The cost for lunch is $4.00 (includes hamburger and/or hot dog, baked beans, chips, and lemonade). Pop and adult beverages are $1.00. Tickets will be available to those who participate in the parade, from any E-Board member.

NATIONAL NEWS

DOUBLE DUTY FOR MOMS—Today’s mothers are both bread makers and bread winners, caring for children at home and working at outside jobs, according to statistics released just before Mother’s Day by the AFL-CIO Department for Professional Employees. Three of five mothers with children one or younger work full or part time, and a quarter of all families with children ages 18 or younger are headed by single mothers, the statistics showed. (4634)

Women make up 47 percent of the nation’s workforce, up from 18 percent in 1900. Women earn an average of 24 percent less than men—a wage gap that is pushing more women to join unions. Forty-two percent of union members today are women. For more information, visit www.dpeaflcio.org

The guide provides timely information in the fight for global worker justice, including a detailed breakdown of the International Labor Organization’s core labor standards. The guide also describes strategies to improve workers’ rights. For more information, visit www.solidaritycenter.org

THE UNION SHOP ’TIL YOU DROP—Union members can fill their online shopping carts with union-made goods from The Union Shop Online at www.aflcio.org/shop, a website the AFL-CIO launched May 6. Clothing, books, music, videos, posters, note cards and more are available at the online store and at The Union Shop in the AFL-CIO lobby in Washington, D.C.
A LIVING WAGE—Capping a spirited campaign led by the unions, religious and community groups that make up Progressive Maryland, the Prince George’s County (Md.) County Council passed a living wage ordinance on June 3. The law requires companies doing business with the county to pay workers $10.50 an hour. Other Maryland municipalities with living wage ordinances include the city of Baltimore and Montgomery County.

UAW members make items for summer fun and comfort

Whether you’re ready to cool off with a new air conditioner, or buy sports equipment for fun in the sun, you can add UAW-made products to your list.

Here are a few items you might run across this season that are made by UAW members:

In Adrian, Mich., UAW workers at Boilable manufacture pool and spa chemicals. They are members of UAW Local 963, an amalgamated local totaling five units and representing approximately 340 members.

Members of Local 376 in Hartford, Conn. make small handguns, Sporter rifles and commemoratives for Colt manufacturing. For summer comfort, the fine furniture craftsmen of Local 413 in Menominee make all weather wicker furniture for Lloyd/Flanders.

Our members at Local 893 in Iowa make Lennox home air conditioners and, in La Crosse, Wis., some UAW Local 316 members make Kemp’s Ice Cream for Marigold foods.

In Ontario, workers at Hillerich & Bradsby, who are members of UAW Local 251, make Louisville hockey sticks and PowerBilt golf clubs.

If you’re getting ready for summer grilling, our members at Green Manufacturing (Local 172) in Racine, Wis. make burner kits and replacement parts for outdoor gas grills.

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

6 Nita Thomas
7 Terri Williams
8 Norma Miller
9 Diana Waters
9 Carrie Snowaert
10 Randy Krieg
11 Pat Frenn
12 Gary Jerry
14 Mary Beth Reed
17 Jan Nichol
17 Chryl Hemmila
18 Kathryn Malay
18 Stephanie Bengry
21 Michelle Kimball
22 Krystal Rintala
23 Dawn Wilder aka DW
23 Luanne Thurston
26 Sue Cuth
30 Patti Rizzio

Membership Meeting Dates

September 3 - Explorer Rooms
October 1 - Pioneer A & B
November 5 - Explorer Rooms
December 3 - Explorer Rooms
January 14 - Explorer Rooms
February 4 - Explorer Rooms
March 10 - Explorer Rooms
April 7 - Explorer Rooms
May luncheon 19 - Lake Rooms

Position Changes

Sally Casimir to Nat. Amer. Studies
Sally Olsen to HPER
Jean Schultz to Financial Aid
Diane Goethe to the Library
Barb Munson to Rec. Facilities
Kaye Schwartz to Financial Services
Stacy Sommers to the Univ. Center
Kristi Harvala to Sociology

Pauline Gould, Vickie Hedstrom, Terry Johnson accepted reductions.

Tamera Shega, Juliana Clement, and Carol Marjomaki accepted the RIF.

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NewsMax.com is leading the Boycott France campaign because American lives and security is at stake. France has every right to disagree with America, but France has moved from simple dissent to active hostility toward America. French President Chirac warned East European nations that if they side with America, France will oppose their membership in the European Union.

William Safire reported in the New York Times that France has been secretly helping to arm Iraq—and has been helping Iraq build long range missiles. These same missiles may soon be used against American soldiers.

Just as France is exercising its right to disagree, Americans can exercise their right to boycott—and avoid helping companies and countries that do not stand with America.

### French Products and Companies to Boycott


**Dannon (yogurt and dairy foods). DKNY. Dom Perignon. Durand Crystal.**

**Elle Magazine. Essilor Optical Products. Evian.**

**Fina gas stations and Fina Oil (billions invested in Iraqi oil fields). First Hawaiian Bank.**

**George Magazine. Givenchy. Glenlivet (scotch).**

**Hennessy. Houghton Mifflin (books).**

**Jacobs Creek (owned by Pernod Ricard since 1989). Jameson (whiskey). Jerry Springer (talk show)**

**Krups (coffee and cappuccino makers).**

**Lancome. Le Creuset (cookware). L’Oreal (health and beauty products). Louis Vuitton.**


**Nissan (cars; majority owned by Renault). Nivea. Normany Butter.**


**RCA (televisions and electronics; owned by Thomson Electronics). Red Magazine. Red Roof Inns (owned by Accor group in France). Renault (automobiles). Road & Track Magazine. Roquefort cheese (all Roquefort cheese is made in France). Rowenta (toasters, irons, coffee makers, etc.). Royal Canadian.**


**Taylor Made (golf). Technicolor. T-Fal (kitchenware). Total gas stations.**

**UbiSoft (computer games). Uniroyal. Universal Studios (music, movies and amusement parks; owned by Vivendi -Universal). USFilter.**

**Veritas Group. Veuve Clicquot Champagne. Vittel. Vivendi.**

**Wild Turkey (bourbon). Woman’s Day Magazine. **

**Yoplait (The French company Sodiaal owns a 50 percent stake). Yves Saint Laurent.**

**Zodiac Inflatable Boats.**

Cafeterias in the U.S. House of Representatives are offering “freedom fries” instead of you know what.
Two ways to save your favorite summer flowers ...
- Dry them and combine them into striking and long-lasting flower arrangements.

The simplest way to dry flowers --
Gather flowers during the season when they are looking their best, strip the leaves after picking. Bundle the same variety of flowers together into small groups with rubber bands, tightly enough so that as the stems dry the band continues to construct around them. (61-40) Dry large flowers individually. Hang them upside down in a warm, well-ventilated place, out of direct sunlight. Once dried, spray the flowers with hairspray or an aerosol floral sealer to help prevent shedding and shattering. This is especially effective on ornamental grasses. Good flowers to dry are hydrangea, statice, ornamental grasses, cockscomb, and globe amaranth.

- save seeds -- and exchange them with friends and neighbors

The pods are ready for harvesting when they are dry and brittle but before they break open. On a dry, sunny day, after the dew has evaporated, collect the seeds by shaking them onto a piece of paper. It’s important to make sure the seeds are thoroughly dry before you store them in labeled airtight container. Once sealed, store them indoors in a cool, dry place until you’re ready to plant. Many flowers, such as larkspur, nicotiana, cleome, bachelor’s button, and globe amarantha are hardy volunteers, meaning they easily reseed themselves. Leave some of the flower so they will form seed heads. Once mature, shake them over the areas to be reseeded, or just leave the alone and they’ll fall to the ground.

From Saving Summer’s Blooms by P. Allen Smith, Sept 1, 2003 Woman's Day.
Dear Local Members,

As you can see, the Flame has a very different appearance. Please let me know what you like and what you don’t like. Also, PLEASE submit items you’d like included. I am hoping to again highlight offices on campus.

Phyllis 2125

Each issue of the Flame contains the last 4 digits of members’ social security numbers. This month there are 6 hidden in the newsletter. If you see your number, call Rita Leppanen, who will issue a check to you for $5.00.
Kay Mandersheid, Darlene Kyto, and Lorraine Hillock were the winners in the last issue.

Health Quiz Answers:
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Upcoming Events

Monday, August 25 - CLASSES BEGIN
11am - 3 pm - Fall Fest at the UC

Monday, September 1
Labor Day Parade and Picnic

September 12 & 13
Antique Show $3.00

September 28
Knit-In
PWPL 1:00 - 4:00

Garage Sale

Saturday, September 6 & 13
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Karen Smith
1320 High
(corner of Fair and High across Fair from the BEC)
NO EARLY SALES

President Search

Mr. Sam Benedict, member of the NMU Board of Trustees and chair of the university’s presidential search advisory committee, has written a letter for the NMU Community Connection pertaining to the university presidential search. Mr. Benedict wanted the NMU faculty and staff to have the same information he is providing to community members. You can read Mr. Benedict’s letter by going to http://www.nmu.edu/parents/