

In the Community, December 2, 2020

A Weekly Listing of Diversity and Multicultural Events
From the Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony:
"Diversity, Unity, and Justice Are at the Heart of ACEH"

ACEH was founded in Holland in 1999 and is committed to justice, equal opportunity, cross-cultural understanding, and appreciation for diversity. Members work together to make West Michigan a place where all people are welcomed and respected. "In the Community" is also on the ACEH website www.harmonyalliance.org Check us out under Groups on Facebook, at ACEH – Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony.

Our recently issued "Half-Year Annual Report: Looking Back and Moving Forward" can be found here: ACEH Report,

Dear Readers, your financial support will help us publish "In the Community" next year, provide various kinds of resources, present programs, and--we hope--host our two diverse community gatherings that create connections and friendships in West Michigan. Will you join us as a first-time member? We'll warmly welcome you! If you've been a member in the past, will you consider renewing with ACEH? We would greatly appreciate it.

Dues are \$20 (\$35 for 2 years) for an individual; \$30 (\$50 for two years) for a couple or family; \$40 for a nonprofit group, and \$75 for a business. ACEH is a 501(c)3 organization. Please go to www.harmonyalliance.org and click on Membership.

A warm welcome to new member Diana Nelson and thank you to renewing members Caroline and Fred Van Antwerp.

Events

Now through Dec 14: Documentary: "Angels are Made of Light" on Grasshopper Film (2 hours). Traces lives of young students and their teachers at a school in the old city of Kabul, weaving "modern history of Afghanistan with present-day portraits, offering a nuanced vision of a society living in the shadow of war." Part of Holland's International Relations Commission (IRC) Real Time Film Series. Find more info and streaming links Here See also December 10.

Thurs, Dec 3, 7 pm: Gender Diversity: Outside the Binary. Jennie Mills and Jay Knight offer a virtual conversation that "explores gender including the traditional binary of male and female but also those that fall outside those categories. What do the T, I, Q, A and +'s mean within the LGBTQIA+ community? Part of museum's DEI Cultural Lens Series. Free; adult program. Donations appreciated. Email questions you would like answered to hollandmuseum.org A Zoom link will be sent to registrants. Registration closes at noon on Thursday. Register here.

Thurs, Dec 10, 7 pm: Wrap-up discussion and Q&A with James Longley, filmmaker of the documentary "Angels are Made of Light." Link to register and "Select the Date" of Dec 10

Fri, Dec 18, 7 pm: Virtual meeting of PFLAG Holland/Lakeshore to hear Grand Rapids attorney Christine A. Yared discuss her new book, "Private Lives Public School--Gay Teacher Under Fire," the story of the late Byron Center band director Gerry Crane. To receive a link to this program, email director@outonthelakeshore.org

LIA Welcomes New Executive Director

Lighthouse Immigrant Advocates (LIA) has announced that **Eva S. Alexander** will be its next executive director, following a year of interim leadership by Yah-Hanna Jenkins Leys. To learn more about Eva and LIA, click on this link

Community Opportunities

- (1) Technology Donations Needed: Do you have an old laptop, table, or hotspot that you no longer need? Fennville Public Schools need laptops for students currently trying to learn online, and a community group is coordinating an effort to clean and update used devices to be given to these students. Here are the A, B, Cs of how it works:
- (A) If possible, please remove your personal data and reinstall the operating system. This will save volunteers' time, but if you can't do that, donate the device anyway. (B) Drop off devices this month at Love INC offices in Hamilton (4621 135th Ave) or in Pullman (943 56th St). (C) If you have IT experience and are willing to help, or if you would like more info about this project, contact Cindy at cindy@loveincnwa.org or call her at (269) 751-2533.
- (2) Piping Hot Breakfast on Sundays, 8 am to 10 am: A boxed meal is provided by Macatawa Resource Center to anyone who needs it. Everyone is welcome. Depending on state gathering orders about COVID-19, people may be able to stay for fellowship with community friends and family. At Macatawa Resource Center, 665 136th Ave, Holland; please enter through Door #1.

Links to Anti-Racism Resources

"Not racist" is not enough: Putting in the work to be anti-racist. Click here for the link.

Organizational racism: why unconscious bias training won't fix it. Click here for the link.

White people and workplace diversity training. Click here for the link.

158 articles, videos, podcasts, and websites for understanding systemic racism, compiled by the Smithsonian Institution: Click here for link to Smithsonian resources.

America's Interwoven Histories: The shared history of African Americans and Indigenous Americans is rarely taught. Link to magazine article

The \$16-billion cost of racism in the U.S. Click here for the link.

100 race-conscious things to say to your child to advance racial justice. Click here for the link.

A guide to raising anti-racist kids. Click here for the link.

Black movies for kids. Click here for the link.

Latinx stories for young readers: Click here for the link

Someone's telling a racist "joke"; what will you do? https://www.upworthy.com/white-person-shares-two-lessons-from-stopping-a-racist-joke

Check your privilege: classic list by Peggy McIntosh:

https://projecthumanities.asu.edu/content/white-privilege-checklist

Things that white people say that highlight their white privilege: Click here for the link.

Series of YouTube videos "Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man" hosted by Emmanuel Acho, who discusses race with various guests or answers viewer questions. https://uncomfortableconvos.com/about

13 microaggressions Black people deal with all the time: Click here for the link.

Taking action against white microaggressions: Click here for the link.

The Anti-Racist Starter Pack: 40 TV series, documentaries, movies, TED talks, and books: Click here for the link.

The Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia: Take a virtual tour of collections and resources in this outstanding museum, located in Big Rapids, MI at Ferris State University. www.ferris.edu/jimcrow

<u>Information, Help with Evictions/Foreclosures</u>

https://www.goodsamministries.com/wp-content/uploads/EDP-Tenant-Application.pdf https://www.communityactionhouse.org/foreclosure-intervention https://www.cityofholland.com/249/Tenant-Landlord-Fair-Housing-Information

County and Local Pandemic Links and Resources

https://www.careottawacounty.com/ An "all-purpose" link to resources from government and nonprofit organizations in Ottawa Co. Find info, ways to donate goods or money, volunteer opportunities, more. Or call 2-1-1. In English and in español.

Click for more information about COVID-19 and Ottawa County's Response.

Locations to find food: Click here for the link.

https://www.miottawa.org/Health/OCHD/coronavirus.htm? utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery **Daily updates from Ottawa Co. Dept of Public Health**; links to info about cases; resources for issues, including domestic violence. In English and in español.

Mental Health Resources and Support: Organizations providing behavioral health services during the COVID-19 pandemic throughout Ottawa Co. Visit miottawa.org/cmh:

State Health Data, Governor's Info

Governor's executive orders: https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90499 90705---,00.html

https://www.bridgemi.com/michigan-health-watch/coronavirus-tracker-what-michigan-needs-know-now Links to where families can get food, cash, internet; coronavirus Q&A; unemployment benefits; testing for coronavirus; where kids can get meals.

The state's response and community mitigation strategies: www.michigan.gov/coronavirus

National

The COVID-19 global outbreak situation at www.cdc.gov/COVID19

Jobs and Job Fair

West Michigan Works! https://jobs.westmiworks.org/weekly-hot-jobs/

Pure Michigan Talent Connect: https://www.mitalent.org/find-a-job

Holland Sentinel employment ads: www.hollandsentinel.jobs

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Workforce Employment Specialists: Virtual hiring events: www.teamworkforce.com or (616) 396-3700.

Boys and Girls Club of Greater Holland: https://bgch.org/ Click on About and the various Staff buttons, then "We're Hiring." Resource development director. Junior Room Coordinator, Elementary Program Coordinator, Health & PE Coordinator, Teen Program Assistant, Elementary Program Assistant, Youth Development Professional Sub...

<u>Community Action House:</u> http://www.communityactionhouse.com/jobs Program director to join strategic leadership team. Coordinator of volunteers. Outreach specialist, part-time. Food access associate. Resale logistics. Outreach specialist AmeriCorps member, full time. Food rescue logistics driver. Sunday morning help in Community Kitchen.

Good Samaritan Ministries: https://www.goodsamministries.com/get-involved/jobs/

Front-line receptionist, part-time (20-29 hrs/wk); Spanish language proficiency strongly preferred. COVID eviction response specialists, part-time, temporary.

<u>Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce:</u> https://www.grandrapids.org/your-chamber/join-our-team/ Inclusion program manager.

<u>City of Grand Rapids:</u> https://www.grandrapidsmi.gov/Jobs Public service director. Emergency communications director. Assistant water systems manager. Library assistant (South Region), part-time. Library office assistant. Journeyman line worker (electrician).

<u>Grand Valley State University:</u> https://www.gvsu.edu/jobs.htm IT services technician. Recruiter, Adult and Continuing Studies. Farm manager/educator for Office of Sustainability Practices. Custodian. Greater Ottawa United Way.https://www.ottawaunitedway.org/employment

Hispanic Center of Western Michigan: https://hispanic-center.org/

<u>City of Holland:</u> https://mi-holland.civicplushrms.com/careers/Jobs.aspx Police officer. Building inspector, part-time. Wrestling instructor, part-time. Youth basketball instructor, part-time. Mechanic assistant. Building inspector, part-time. Plumbing and mechanical inspector, full time. Recreation supervisor. Video internship, part-time, paid. Custodian/maintenance for Holland Police Dept, part-time. Police officer. Reserve police officer, part-time. Police cadet. On-call firefighter.

Holland Hospital: www.hollandhospital.org

Holland Museum: www.hollandmuseum.org Education & Community Programs Manager, full-time.

Holland Public Schools: https://hollandpublicschools.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx

Holland Township: www.hct.holland.mi.us

<u>Hope College:</u> https://www.schooljobs.com/careers/hopeedu/promotionaljobs

<u>Lakeshore Nonprofit Alliance:</u> http://lakeshorenonprofits.org/programs-and-services/nonprofit-job-postings. Job openings at local nonprofits.

LG Chem: https://lgenergymi.com/ Thirty+ job openings in Holland, including summer internships 2021.

<u>LIFELine Ministries</u>: Information on available restaurant, factory, sales, and office jobs in West Michigan. Contact Pastor Willie J. Watt Jr. at <u>williewatt@gmail.com</u> or (616) 335-0611.

<u>Meals on Wheels Western Michigan:</u> https://mealsonwheelswesternmichigan.org/get-involved/employment/
Director of operations. Donor stewardship and events planner. Prep cook. Mobile pantry assistant.

<u>MOKA:</u> https://moka.org/ Residential support/direct support professionals, full- and part-time, all shifts, flexible schedules to assist persons with disabilities.

Ottawa Area Intermediate School District: https://www.oaisd.org/ Payroll coordinator, full-time, benefits.

Ottawa County: http://www.miottawa.org/careers.

<u>Saugatuck Center for the Arts:</u> https://www.sc4a.org/arts-outreach-liaison/ Arts outreach liaison, part-time; must be bilingual.

<u>Spectrum Health (Zeeland):</u> https://www.spectrumhealth.org/careers Senior improvement specialist. GAP patient services representatives associates, full-time and part-time, weekends, or full-time, nights. Unit secretary. HIM coordinator associate, Business Service Center, full-time, days. Environmental services, part-time, 11 pm-7 am.

<u>State of Michigan:</u> https://www.indeed.com/q-State-of-Michigan-I-Ottawa-County,-MI-jobs.html Rehabilitation counselor (Holland). Civil rights manager (Grand Rapids). Assistance payments worker (Grand Rapids). MDOT drafting technician (Grand Rapids).

Zeeland Public Schools. https://www.zps.org/employment/ Network manager, full-time (design, development, documentation, implementation/testing and modification of all network infrastructure for the district).

The ACEH Board: C.J. Kingdom-Grier, Viola Jackson, Annette Manwell, Al Minert, H Bin Lim, Kim Lillibridge, Natalie Martinez, Lori Joseph Shaw.

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