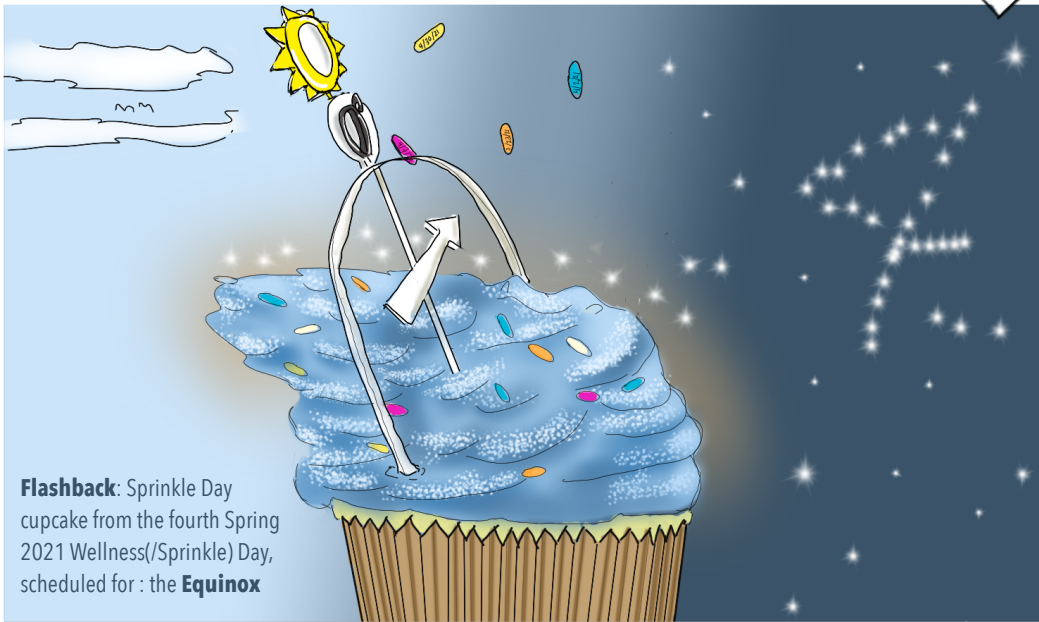
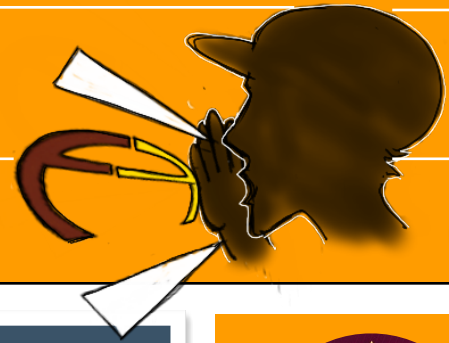


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Your Union Brings News You Can Use!



Flashback: Sprinkle Day cupcake from the fourth Spring 2021 Wellness(/Sprinkle) Day, scheduled for : the **Equinox**

UPCOMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

1

TOWN HALL, YOUR CALL!

Friday, March 25, 12-1:30 p.m.

Link: [Town Hall, Your Call!](#)

Our second Town Hall, Your Call! Is coming up! Please plan to join us to share your thoughts, questions, and concerns from around campus. Your FA Leaders want to hear from you!

2

THE NATIONAL CENTER 49TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

April 11-13, 2022

Via virtual format

This year's conference: **THE STATE OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING and HIGHER EDUCATION**, hosted by HUNTER COLLEGE will be all virtual this year! Donations are welcome! For more information, to register and view the conference schedule: [Conference Information](#)

3

CMUFA's Annual Spring RPT Workshop

Friday, April 8, 2-3 p.m.

Link: [RPT Workshop Link](#)

Have questions about the RTP process? Want advice for putting your materials together for your next RTP application? New to CMU and wondering what you need to do? An experienced veteran with expertise to share?

We will provide an overview of the process, some best practices for assembling materials for an RTP application, your questions, and (we hope) an informative discussion. Join us for any or all of the time as your schedule permits.



CMU 2022 Excellence in Teaching Award-Winners

Our extraordinary faculty members continue to be beacons to students as they make their way through their undergraduate and/or graduate education! Thank you for all you do!

CONGRATULATIONS to this year's WINNERS!

Allison Arnekrans (CED/EHS)



Stephen Juris (BIO/SE)



Keely Stanley-Bohn (TAI/AM)



Jeffrey Weinstock (ENG/LASS)



Masking Policy Changes for the CMU Community Changes Take Effect This Week

President Davies asked faculty leadership, students, and staff to provide recommendations about possible changes to the masking policies in place around Covid and campus-wide mandates. On Friday, March 18, President Davies sent out an email announcing the changes to the campus masking policy. See this link for the current policy: [CMU Health and Wellness page](#).

Some things to note:

- Testing will continue and will be required for the unvaccinated.
- Masks are required in indoor instructional spaces, optional elsewhere (hallways, bathrooms, workspaces*)
- Masking in faculty offices will be up to the faculty.
- Masks should be made available across campus soon.

For our FA members, our union bargained for the [CMUFA Memorandum of Agreement](#) in the Fall Semester, 2021. The agreement allows for members of the bargaining unit to request non-ADA accommodations, using the [Non-ADA Accommodation Request Form](#), for Covid-related issues. If you are uncomfortable being in shared spaces (halls, bathrooms, etc.) with unmasked people because you or people you care for are immune-vulnerable, consider submitting a request to your chair. This agreement is in place for the whole of the semester- use it if you need it, friends!

If you any questions or concerns about masking or requesting non-ADA accommodations (for Covid related issues), please don't hesitate to contact us! You can reach me at my cmich email (garri2ae@cmich.edu) or my non-cmich (gooninproud@gmail.com).



VERIFI1 Update:

While it brings us no pleasure to report this update on the circumstances around the demand for documents from **Verifi1** ([Link to Verifi1 Login](#)), we report that there are no contractual conflicts with the request from CMU. We also asked about a possible extension to the **April 8** deadline, but were informed that, due to CMU's benefit enrollment window/period, the deadline to submit documents would have to remain as indicated.

We have also received many questions about the submission of official documents not recorded in the preferred language. There is a phone number provided by the Verifi1 (855-486-2472 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. ET Monday-Friday). It is advised that if the documents that qualify for dependent verification are not recorded in the preferred language, to call the number above for further instructions.

Please plan to have requested documentation into the system by **April 8, 2022**.

FA to Host Listening Session with the Office of Institutional Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion!

Friday, April 15 from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Find the [WebEx Link](#) here!

The Faculty Association is hosting a virtual listening session related to diversity, equity, and inclusion at CMU. Matt Johnson (our former President!) will be facilitating! Be ready to share insights into ways CMU can better prioritize diversity, equity, and inclusion on campus and related to issues that most directly affect FA members. This is a special session for FA-specific questions and concerns. Our discussion will be used to provide ways for the OIEDI to move forward with essential initiatives. This will be a good discussion! Hope to see you there!

Please [RSVP!](#) here!

First Gen Week

April 11-15th, 2022

Events and Scholarship

Central Bridge (RSO) is an organization that is preparing for **First Gen Week** at CMU with a series of events the week of April 11-15th. Central Bridge is working along with MASS, CLASS, the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE), Organization of Asian Leaders (OAL), and Muslim Students Association (MSA). Additionally, Central Bridge hopes to raise at least \$1,550 for scholarships to be awarded to two incoming first-generation, first-year students for Fall 2022. [Make your donation to the scholarship here!](#)

For more information, please contact Jacqueline Roman, Central Bridge President (roman2j@cmich.edu) or Brittany Fremion (fremi1b@cmich.edu) and Alejandra Rengifo (rengi1a@cmich.edu), faculty advisors.