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### Calendar

#### Monday, November 19

**Physics and Astronomy Seminar:** Atomic-scale modeling of material interfaces. Sue Sinnott, University of Florida, 11:00 a.m., 1400 Biomedical and Physical Sciences.

**Chemistry Seminar:** Liyun Zhang, Michigan State University, 11:20 a.m., 136 Chemistry.

**Plant Biology and Plant Research Laboratory Seminar:** Innate immunity in plants. Thomas Boller, University of Basel, Switzerland, 4:10 p.m., 101 Biochemistry.

#### Tuesday, November 20

**Statistics and Probability Seminar:** The psychology of STT 200. Jennifer Kaplan, Michigan State University, 10:20 a.m., A405 Wells Hall.

**CMB Program Research Forum:** Modulation of the T cell immune response to influenza by delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol. Peer Karmaus, Michigan State University, 1:00 p.m., 2245 Biomedical and Physical Sciences.

**Physics and Astronomy Seminar:** Recent electroweak results from D0 experiments. Junjie Zhu, FNAL/SBU, 2:00 p.m., 1400 Biomedical and Physical Sciences.

**Chemistry Seminar:** David Woodbury, Michigan State University, 4:10 p.m., 136 Chemistry.

**Microbiology and Molecular Genetics Seminar:** Bacterial biogeography in aquatic ecosystems: Communities, metacommunities, and the role of dispersal. Byron Crump, University of Maryland, 4:10 p.m., 1415 Biomedical and Physical Sciences.

#### Wednesday, November 21

**Health4U:** Healthy eating: Food for families. Peggy Crum, 12:10 p.m., Lake Michigan Room, MSU Union.

#### Thursday, November 22



**The University will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.**

#### Friday, November 23

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## Announcements

**Biochemistry Club “Toys for Tots” Toy Drive:** In the spirit of the coming holiday season, the Biochemistry Club has decided to take part in a rewarding community service project. Over the next month they will be collecting children’s toys for the Toys-for-Tots foundation. The toys have to be newly bought and unwrapped. It is the thought behind the gift, not the price that counts. Items including coloring books and crayons, lego sets, and anything in between would be much appreciated. Toys for all ages of children are welcomed. Toys can be dropped off in the Undergraduate Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. There will also be a drop box located near the mailboxes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor shortly. If you have any questions regarding this service project, please contact Heather Born at [bornheat@msu.edu](mailto:bornheat@msu.edu), Dennis Miner at [minerden@msu.edu](mailto:minerden@msu.edu), Andrea Stavoe at [astavoe@gmail.com](mailto:astavoe@gmail.com), or Rebecca Kornas at [kornasre@gmail.com](mailto:kornasre@gmail.com).



## Position Vacancies (notices can be found in maroon binder in Room 302A)



An **Assistant Professor of Biology/Animal Development position** is available at **Grand Valley State University**. The successful candidate must have a Ph.D. in Biology, or a related field, and training and experience in cellular and/or molecular approaches to problems in animal development. Candidates who have experience working with diverse populations, demonstrated success in teaching and research involving students, and the ability to teach cell or molecular biology and tissue culture are desired. Excellent communication skills are required. You will be required to teach in a variety of courses incorporating cell/molecular biology and animal development; teach, depending on experience and training, other established undergraduate and graduate courses; participate in scholarly activity; and be involved in community service. Other assignments include advising majors and serving on committees. Research involving students is expected. **Review of applications will begin November 19, 2007.** To apply for this position, please visit <http://www.gvsujobs.org/>. If you have questions, please contact Dr. Sheila Blackman at [blackmas@gvsu.edu](mailto:blackmas@gvsu.edu).

## Position Desired

**Attention All Labs:** Joshua Bilsborrow, an undergraduate attending Michigan State University, is studying human biology. He recently enrolled in the university again to complete pre-medical course requirements while pursuing a second degree. He is interested in a science-based job in a lab in order to learn more about the world and to simultaneously build his resume and reservoir of scientific experience. While Joshua is a human biology student, he is quite open to working in a lab specializing in a field outside of this discipline in order to broaden his scientific horizons. He is very hard-working, motivated, and a fast learner. He currently has a 3.92 GPA. If anyone is interested or has an opening in their lab, please contact Joshua at [bilsborr@msu.edu](mailto:bilsborr@msu.edu).

## Quote for the Week



As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them. ~ *John Fitzgerald Kennedy*

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