“Gender Matters: WRC Weekly Digest” for the week of Monday, April 25, 2016 through Sunday, April 29, 2016.

Academic Women’s Forum: A Dialogue and Connection
Tuesday, April 26, 2016 @ 3:30PM—5:00PM
MSU Union Building, Lake Ontario Room (3rd Floor)

This session will expand upon concepts presented in the “Effective Communication & Setting Expectations” seminar through peer dialogue and connection. To RSVP, email health4u@msu.edu. Co-sponsored by the Employee Assistance Program/Health4U, Office of Faculty & Organizational Development, Graduate Student Life & Wellness and MSU Women’s Resource Center.

Communication & Conflict Resolution
Wednesday, April 27, 2016 (Choose one of two sessions)
8:30AM—10:00AM, Chittenden Hall, Room 110 OR
3:30PM—5:00PM, MSU Union Building, The MOSAIC: Multicultural Unity Center (2nd Floor)

Have you ever experienced a breakdown in communication at work? At home? Both? Miscommunication and gender bias in communication can be major causes for conflict in the workplace. Dr. William Donohue, MSU Department of Communication, will provide tips and skills for successfully communicating and resolving conflicts at work to help you be a leader in positive and effective communication. Hosted by the Women’s Networking Association. To RSVP, email wrc@msu.edu or call 517-353-1635.

Estate Planning
Wednesday, April 27, 2016 @ 12:00PM—1:00PM
MSU Federal Credit Union – Farm Lane Branch Community Room
4825 East Mt. Hope Road, East Lansing, MI 48823

At this seminar you will learn about the myths and realities of estate planning. Presented by Attorney, Melissa Allen. To RSVP, sign up at MSUFCU.org or by phone at 517-664-7725. Co-sponsored by MSU Federal Credit Union and MSU Women’s Resource Center.

Take Your Child to Work Day
Thursday, April 28, 2016 @ 8:00AM—3:00PM

There will be several events throughout the day, including tours at various campus locations and a recognition ceremony at the MSU Union Building, 1st Floor Lounge. For more information, view: http://wrc.msu.edu/_files/pdf/tyctwd-tour-guide-2016.pdf.

Survey Invitation
Deadline: Friday, April 29, 2016

The MSU Women's Resource Center is excited to transition into the new WorkLife Office at MSU. In celebration, we would love to hear your stories, memories and ways the Women's Resource Center has impacted your life over the past 24 years. Your comments will be shared at the Women Matter Luncheon on May 2, 2016. We appreciate your constant and continued support. To submit your comments, please complete the survey found here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MSUWRCCelebration or email wrc@msu.edu; use WRC MEMORY in the SUBJ line.
Upcoming Programs @ the MSU Women’s Resource Center:

Women Matter Celebration Luncheon & Program
Monday, May 2, 2016 @ 11:30AM—1:30PM
Wharton Center for Performing Arts – Jackson Lounge (2nd Floor)
Keynote Speaker:
  Dr. Lynette Findley, President, Lynette Findley & Associates, LLC and
  State Coordinator, MI-ACE Women’s Network
Cost: $15 (Includes Lunch)
This year’s theme is “Celebrating the Past, Securing the Future & Honoring the Legacy.” The tradition of honoring colleagues, whether faculty, staff or student, with individual personal reflections of the extraordinary accomplishments that go unacknowledged continues. You are encouraged to pay special written tribute to a colleague whose day-to-day contributions have positively impacted your life and perhaps the lives of others. All written tributes will be displayed during the Women Matter program. Send written tributes to: wrc@msu.edu with “Women Matter” in the subject line by Friday, April 29, 2016.

Questions? Contact the MSU Women’s Resource Center @ wrc@msu.edu or phone 517-353-1635. For additional information, events and programs, visit us online at: http://wrc.msu.edu.

“Advancing Gender Equity Through Education & Resources.” Gender Matters!

Other Event(s) of Interest:

Lights On! Writing Workshop
Thursday, April 28, 2016 @ 3:00PM
Snyder Hall, Room 201
Students will use poetry to celebrate the body. The poems will work to praise the physical selves in the face of the world that teaches women to feel shame. Students will walk away with an instilled sense of confidence and the tools to better love themselves. To RSVP, find the event on Facebook as “Speak Like A Girl Workshop & Performance at Michigan State”. For questions, or additional information, please email: royston7@msu.edu. This event is sponsored by several MSU units.

Speak Like a Girl Performance
Thursday, April 28, 2016 @ 7:00PM
RCAH Theater (Snyder-Phillips Hall)
Speak Like a Girl is a feminist spoken word poetry duo that has been rocking the country with their radical message of self-love. The performance promises to be exciting. For questions or additional information, please email: royston7@msu.edu. This event is sponsored by several MSU units.
Ending The Violence: A Survivors’ Speak Out
Thursday, April 28, 2016 @ 7:00PM
The Listening Ear Office (2504 East Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48912)

This event is intended to commemorate Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Join The Listening Ear as they admire, honor and support survivors as they speak out about their experiences. All survivors and supporters are welcome to attend, and all survivors who would like to speak are welcome to do so. Refreshments will be available. Sexual Assault Counselors will be present. If questions, email: dietzlau@msu.edu.

Families at the Broad: The Michigan Trees
Saturday, May 7, 2016 @ 11:00AM—3:00PM
The Broad Art Museum (547 East Circle Drive)

Branch out and create artwork in connection with the exhibition Tree of 40 Fruit: The Michigan Trees by Sam Van Aken. Sponsored by the Eli & Edythe Broad Museum. For more information, contact The Broad Art Museum at: http://broadmuseum.msu.edu/programs-events/programs-events/listing or call 517-884-4800.

Sistrum Lansing Women’s Chorus 30th Anniversary Concert
Theme: Honoring Our Communities
Friday, May 13, 2016 and Saturday, May 14, 2016
Auctions @ 7:00PM and Concerts @ 8:00PM
Plymouth Congregational Church (2001 East Grand River Avenue, Lansing, MI 48912)
Cost: $12 in advance/$15 @ door

More information can be found at http://sistrum.org.

Drop-In LEGO® Club
Saturday, May 14, 2016 @ 2:00PM—4:00PM
Capital Area District Libraries (401 South Capitol Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933)

Kids LOVE getting creative with the LEGO® collections so drop-in, create and play! Sponsored by Downtown Capital Area District Libraries. For more information, contact the Capital Area District Libraries at 517-367-6300.

Families at the Broad: Be A Tourist
Saturday, June 4, 2016 @ 11:00AM—3:00PM
The Broad Art Museum (547 East Circle Drive)

Don’t forget to stop by the Broad MSU as you can create artwork that show the community a little love. Bring your passport, and get a stamp! For more information, contact The Broad Art Museum at: http://broadmuseum.msu.edu/programs-events/programs-events/listing or call 517-884-4800.