IN ITS FINAL MEETING OF THE CALENDAR YEAR, CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTED A NEW SLATE OF LEADERS FOR THE COMING YEAR, AND RECEIVED UPDATES ON SEVERAL ACADEMIC AND STUDENT INITIATIVES.

AFTER SEVERAL YEARS OF DECLINING ENROLLMENT, ONLINE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM ENROLLMENT IS UP NEARLY TEN PERCENT FOR THE SPRING OF 2024.

PROVOST NANCY MATTHEWS DESCRIBED EFFORTS TO UPDATE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS TO THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. TWO PROGRAMS, A MINOR IN CREATIVE WRITING AND A CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED FORENSIC STUDIES HAVE COMPLETED THE APPROVAL PROCESS AND WILL BEGIN ACCEPTING STUDENTS AS EARLY AS SPRING OF 2024.

TRUSTEES UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2024.

CHAIR, TRUSTEE TODD REGIS. VICE CHAIRS, TRUSTEES DENISE WILLIAMS-MALLET AND MICHAEL SANDLER.

SECRETARY, MARY JANE FLANAGAN AND TREASURER MARY MORAN HILL.

RENOVATIONS IN WHEELER RESIDENCE HALL AND MERRILL DINING HALL ARE SET TO BEGIN AMONG MORE.

AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE PRESIDENTS REPORT WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE ON THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT WEBPAGE.

MID MICHIGAN HEALTH CARE OFFICIALS ARE URGING RESIDENTS TO GET VACCINES FOR THE FLU AND UPDATED COVID-19 BOOSTERS.

NATIONAL INFLUENZA VACCINATION WEEKS BEGINS TODAY AND THE CENTRAL MICHIGAN DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS JOINING THE C-D-C IN RECOMMENDING ANNUAL FLU VACCINES FOR EVERYONE AGED SIX MONTHS AND OLDER.

C-M-D-H-D MEDICAL DIRECTOR JENNIFER MORSE SAYS NOW IS AN IMPORTANT TIME TO GET VACCINATED QUOTE WHILE THE FLU SEASON HAS ALREADY STARTED, IT WILL CONTINUE FOR MONTHS END QUOTE.

ACCORDING TO MORSE THE VACCINE QUOTE PROTECTS AGAINST FOUR DIFFERENT STRAINS OF FLU, SO EVEN IF YOU HAVE HAD THE FLU THIS YEAR, IT IS IMPORTANT TO STILL GET VACCINATED TO BE FULLY PROTECTED END QUOTE.

BOTH VACCINES CAN BE ADMINISTERED DURING THE SAME VISIT TO A C-M-D-H-D BRANCH.

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT CALL 989-314-7570 OR VISIT C-M-D-H-D.ORG FORWARD SLASH SEASONAL FLU.

WALK IN HOURS HOURS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE EVERY WEEK AT BRANCH OFFICES.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY IS ANNOUNCING A CHANGE IN ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY TUITION RATES.

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL, THEIR SPOUSES, AND DEPENDENTS BENEFIT FROM A REDUCED TUITION RATE, LOWERING THE COST OF EDUCATION FROM 299 DOLLARS TO 250 DOLLARS PER CREDIT HOUR.

THIS INITIATIVE REFLECTS C-M-U'S APPRECIATION FOR THE SACRIFICES AND DEDICATION OF SERVICE MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

THE NEW RATES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE, MARINES, U-S SPACE FORCE, COAST GUARD, AND RESERVES.

ADDITIONALLY, THIS CHANGE APPLIES TO ONLINE AND ON CAMPUS PROGRAMS, MAKING IT EASIER FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL TO ACHIEVE THEIR EDUCATIONAL GOALS REGARDLESS OF LOCATION.

TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE NEW TUITION RATES ACTIVE MILITARY PERSONNEL SHOULD CONTACT C-M-U'S ONLINE STUDENT SERVICES TEAM AT 800-950-1144 OR VISIT THE WEBSITE AT CMICH.EDU FORWARD SLASH MILITARY.

CREWS HAVE INSTALLED THE NATIONS FIRST WIRELESS-CHARGING PUBLIC ROADWAY FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES BENEATH A STREET JUST WEST OF DOWNTOWN.

COPPER INDUCTIVE CHARGING COILS ALLOW VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH RECEIVERS TO CHARGE THEIR BATTERIES WHILE DRIVING OR PARKING ABOVE THE COILS.

THE TECHNOLOGY BELONGS TO ELECTRON, AN ISRAEL BASED DEVELOPER THAT HAS PLACED SIMILAR ROADWAYS IN ISRAEL, SWEDEN, ITALY AND GERMANY.

ACCORDING TO THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE QUARTER MILE SEGMENT OF FOURTEENTH STREET WILL BE USED TO TEST AND PERFECT THE TECHNOLOGY BEFORE MAKING IT AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS.

THE WIRELESS-CHARGING ROADWAY HELPS PUT MICHIGAN AND DETROIT AT THE FOREFRONT OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY OFFICIALS SAID.

A CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY GRAD STUDENT IS STUDYING MOUNT PLEASANT'S SEWAGE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT COVID AND ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE.

CHRIS HAUPT, A BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY GRAD STUDENT IS RESEARCHING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COVID NUMBERS IN WASTEWATER AND HOW IT RELATES TO ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE GENES.

HAUPT'S PROJECT BEGAN IN NOVEMBER 2022 AND HAS BEEN TAKING PLACE AT THE MOUNT PLEASANT WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY.

HE WANTS TO RAISE AWARENESS TO THIS FIELD OF STUDY AND TO THE POTENTIAL THAT WASTEWATER MAY BE A COMMON PLACE FOR ANTIBIOTIC-RESISTANT GENES.