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Closing out the semester!

We’re excited to bring you our third newsletter of the year. We hope that you will find them both informative and entertaining. The EHHS Office of Diversity Outreach and Development is always open if you need anything. Whether it be academic suggestions or just a good conversation about your plans for the future, feel free to stop in to the office. Our staff is more than willing to assist you as you pursue your education at Kent State University.

To set up an appointment, with N.J. Akbar or Felicia Johnson contact them at ehhsdiversity@kent.edu.

Marvin Gaye

Marvin Gaye made a huge contribution to soul music in general and the Motown sound in particular. As one of Motown’s renaissance men, Gaye could do it all. He wrote, produced and played a variety of instruments. Most of all, Gaye possessed a classic R&B voice that was edged with gritty yet tempered with sweetness. A musical visionary, he conceived of albums as something more than individual songs, whether it be his early collections of show tunes and standards or later thematic masterworks about the state of the world (What’s Going On?), sexual politics (Let’s Get It On) and marriage (Here, My Dear).

See more at: https://rockhall.com/inductees/marvin-gaye/bio/?gclid=Cj0KEQi-AwPCBzEQzrVHeww43pYEB6Q4QzJXko6mpa4Jyfz2OzRMAMj7XQd9KQWJy-ed8csm6-Qz4owx1WP4HQSzJhcoS_A.jpg+FQ1.jpg

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

“The workings of the human heart are the profoundest mystery of the universe. One moment they make us despair of our kind, and the next we see in them the reflection of the divine image.”

Charles W. Chesnutt

Use the hashtag #foodforthought and send us quotes @EHHS_DIV that inspire or motivate you. We’ll feature them in upcoming newsletters with your Twitter account attached.
Food For Thought:
30 Ideas for the New Year

-It’s better to bite your tongue than eat your words.
-Some people grow old before they age.
-Weighing yourself often doesn’t make you lose weight.
-A great reputation is earned everyday.
-When kids are ready to talk, be ready to listen.

Encounter at protest leads to hug for boy, officer

By GOSIA WOZNIACKA

An African-American boy holding a "Free Hugs" sign stood crying in front of a police barricade at a Ferguson rally in Portland. A white police officer motioned for him to come closer. The officer then asked the boy for a hug — and they embraced, the boy's anguished face streaming with tears.

A photographer captured the encounter earlier this week, and the photo has become popular on social media. It's an unusual image as people around the country protest a grand jury's decision to not indict a white police officer in the fatal shooting of an unarmed black teenager in Ferguson, Missouri.

In Portland, both the boy and the officer — 12-year-old Devonte Hart and Portland Police Sgt. Bret Barnum — took unusual steps when they met on Tuesday. The boy's mother Jennifer Hart, who is white, wrote on social media that her son had been struggling with issues of police brutality and racism. Devonte is one of six children adopted by Hart and her wife, Sarah Hart of West Linn, a suburb of Portland.

A day after the decision on officer Darren Wilson in the shooting of 18-year-old Michael Brown, the Harts went downtown "with the intention of spreading love and kindness" by holding signs such as "You Matter" and "Free Hugs," Jennifer Hart said. The family then joined the nearby Ferguson rally.

Read the entire article here:
Looking at the stereotypes within the black community gives us greater insight on why they exist and how they effect them.

What does it mean to be black and Latino in the U.S.? Featuring interviews with Latino actors Laz Alonso ("Avatar", "Jumping the Broom"), Tatyana Ali ("Fresh Prince of Bel Air"), Gina Torres ("Suits, Hercules: The Legendary Journeys") and Judy Reyes ("Scrubs"), musicians Christina Milian ("Dip it Low") and Kat DeLuna ("Whine Up"), and journalist Soledad O’Brien (CNN), among many others.
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• Some Payment Opportunities

HOW TO REGISTER: Students will select and register for a section of the Peer Leader Training Workshop via yourtrainingresource.com

To become eligible for a peer leader position listed above, undergraduate students must enroll in and successfully complete the training workshop offered in the spring semester. You must be at least a second semester freshman at the start of the spring semester and have passed the US10097 DKS First Year Experience course unless otherwise waived by your academic advisor. Students of all majors are welcome.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, visit www.kent.edu/success/currentstudents/peerleaders.cfm or EMAIL newatksu@kent.edu
Volunteers Needed!

January 28th from 4:30-7PM
KSC Ballroom
“The Game of Life” Inequality Simulation

“The Game of Life” is similar to the board game, but acted out with real participants focusing on ourselves deepest stereotypes. We are looking for a few good volunteers to assist as actors/moderators. If you are willing to volunteer to help run a station or serve as an “actor” within the simulation, This program is a part of the university’s MLK Commemorative Events.

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