

# TECH TREK

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## SRB Applications Open to All

Are you interested in helping plan student events that happen at MTI? Do you want to be a leader on campus and have an input on what goes on here? If so, apply to be a part of SRB (Student Representative Board).

The purpose of the SRB is to represent MTI students and their interests in an open forum and host activities to encourage fellowship and a sense of community.

If you're interested, please stop in the Center for Student Success and pick up an application form. Applications are due to advisor Mateya Berg by the end of the day, Friday, August 31.



## Accounts Should be Paid In Full

Financial aid refund checks will be available the week of September 24. Emails will be sent to students when the checks are ready for pickup.

You can check the status of your account on MyMTI. Any financial aid coming to you will show on your account.

Also, **all accounts should be paid in full by the end of the day September 5.** If you have not paid your bill or made arrangements, you must do so. See JoDel Batterman in the Business office with any questions.

## Center Provides for Tutoring for All

The Center for Student Success offers free tutoring services for all MTI students.

A career services/advisor and four student success coaches are waiting to help you. Stop in with any of your questions; the Center is here to help you succeed!

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## Golf Tournament Scheduled for Sept. 17

The eleventh annual MTI Golf Classic is scheduled for Monday, September 17, at 3:30 PM at Lakeview Municipal Golf Course in Mitchell.

Golfers of all levels are invited – experience not required. Golfers must have their own golf clubs and must present their MTI student ID. This is a two-person scramble 9-hole event. Registration fee of \$40 includes cart rental and meal. Each golfer needs to personally register and prepay for this tournament. Registration deadline is Thursday, September 13. You can register online at mitchelltech.edu. You must pay your registration fee by the

end of the day September 13 or your name will be removed from the roster.

The purpose of the tournament is to raise money for scholarships. You earn chances for scholarships by entering in the tournament. Here's how you can qualify for the scholarship drawing:

1. Paid entry fee by any MTI student = 1 chance
2. Student partnering with parent/guardian/instructor = 2 chances
3. Student partnering with parent/guardian/instructor who is an MTI alumnus = 3 chances

For more information, contact the MTI Foundation office at 995-7119.

## Rodeo Season Kicks Off

The MTI Mavericks Rodeo Team will compete at the University of Wisconsin/River Falls 54th Annual Falcon Roundup September 7-8.

Team members this year include: Cheyenne Adams, Nicklaus Rettinger, Shelby Hiller, Sutton Adams, Wyatt Kostzewski, Zane Zilverberg, Jace Fritz, Kody Bearbower, Herbie O'Daniel, Lucas Kessler, Nicole Hafner, Tanegai Zilverberg and Tristan Madsen.

Upcoming fall rodeos will be held in North Platte, NE; Ft. Dodge, IA; Sisseton, SD; Fargo, ND; and Ames, IA.

## Reminder from the Registrar

Tuesday, September 4, is the last day to drop a class with a refund. After Tuesday, if you drop a class for any reason, it will stay on your record as a "W".

This does not affect your GPA, but you are still responsible for paying for the course.

The last day to withdraw from a class and receive a "W" is Friday, November 30, at 4:00 PM. After that date, an "F" will be recorded on your transcript if you have failed to formally withdraw.

If you need to withdraw from a course, stop in the Center for Student Success and pick up a form to fill out. You will need your instructor's and advisor's signatures.

## Employees Recognized for Excellence

Two MTI employees were selected by their peers for MTI's highest staff honor. The awards were presented on Monday, August 14.

Seth Weeman, Precision Ag instructor, received the Excellence in Instruction award. Amy Gough, Instructional Technician, was the recipient of the Above and Beyond award. MTI makes a charitable donation in honor of each of them.

Nominees for the Excellence in Instruction award included Lisa Johnson, Rick Kriese, Travis Peterson and Beth Schneider. Nominees for the Above and Beyond award were Michael Benjamin, Clayton Deuter, Stephanie Friesen and Liz Kitchens.

### DON'T FORGET!

The MTI Weapons Policy in the 2018-19 Catalog/Handbook states that **NO** weapons are allowed on campus.

Trap shooters and hunters, leave your rifles, shotguns, and bows at home, safely locked up.

*If you need to make other arrangements for your weapons, please talk to Scott Fossum in the Center for Student Success.*

**Be safe this hunting season!**

**No School  
Monday, Sept. 3  
Labor Day  
Offices will be closed.**



presents the  
SUB BIRTHDAY CLUB!

Stop in the Subway store at 802 N. Sanborn for a free six-inch sandwich with the purchase of a 20 oz. or larger drink during your birthday month. Must present student ID. Offer good only at Mitchell Sanborn Street location. Offer good for students and staff. One sub per person.

### September

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|----|--|----|---|
| 1  | Bradley Hoff<br>Tyler Krueger<br>Parker Mentzer  | 16 | Travis Reimnitz<br>Marla Smith  |
| 2  | Mitchell Bryant<br>April Hall<br>Rebecca Lehmann<br>Trevor Ryan  | 17 | Joseph Beaner<br>Cole Gerlach<br>O'Liveyah Habben<br>Mandy Kobernusz<br>Katie Roberts<br>Tia Schmidt<br>Tegan Stunes      |
| 3  | Ridge Higgins<br>Brandy Peck<br>Carter Peterson<br>Connie Schroeder  | 18 | Ivy Blakey<br>Zintkanan Hare<br>Jesse Lohan<br>Greg Kock  |
| 4  | Chelsea Foos<br>Alexander Kraus<br>Mikayla Maloney<br>Ian Thornton<br>Matthew Williams<br>Jill Greenway  | 19 | Riley McFadden<br>Bobbie Nolz<br>Jordan VanHout<br>Josh Kranz   |
| 5  | Kylee Kessler<br>Nakita Odegard  | 20 | Wiatt Hively<br>Myles Lineberry<br>Brian Roberts  |
| 6  | Kayley Randby<br>Chris Bosma   | 21 | Tyrel Baker<br>Dillon Freeman<br>Aaron Gates  |
| 7  | Sophia Bullard<br>Keller Bultman<br>Nathanael Tanner<br>Kendall Veenstra<br>Paula Morgan   | 22 | Terra Mims  |
| 8  | Dean Haase<br>Nicole Hafner<br>Brady Jaquith<br>Matthew Kern<br>Serenity Laurino<br>Luke Rolfs<br>Trentin Vornhagen<br>Scott Fossum<br>Michelle Graber<br>Lynne Smith<br>Travis Peterson | 23 | Tai Sokoloski<br>Jessica Wingen<br>Lorraine King  |
| 9  | Kameron Cochran<br>Branden Hamann<br>Jordan Thill  | 24 | Amber Broers<br>Zebadiah Bruce<br>Darin Lindgren<br>DeZarae Tollefson<br>Jakob Tovslund                                   |
| 10 | Alixandor Chafee<br>Krishana Kostal<br>Cole Kriech   | 25 | Meyada Maali<br>Laura Steeneck<br>Laura Streff<br>Dillon Van Erdewyk<br>Lane Van Erdewyk                                  |
| 11 | Colton Cavaness<br>Jaxon Guenther<br>Johnnie Hamm<br>Jacob Wolles<br>Baily York  | 26 | Colin Lagge   |
| 12 | Pablo Esqueda  | 27 | Cheyenne Adams<br>Aislynn Bortnem<br>Grace Bultsma<br>Katie Kaltenbach<br>Alex Lyren<br>Garrett Wessel<br>JoDel Batterman |
| 13 | Brandon Chayka<br>Tritt Dingman<br>Rebecca Johnson<br>Logan Ruesink<br>Janelle Guericke  | 28 | Grant Aberle<br>Jazmyn Brinkman-Wall<br>Rebecca Norris<br>Curt Rueckert-Laverty<br>James Ulrich                           |
| 14 | Bristol Cleveland<br>Blake Ferry<br>Austin Reimnitz<br>Gregg Thibodeau   | 29 | Colby Deseive<br>Wyatt Haux<br>Jordan Hurt<br>Courtney Knodel<br>Andrew Stacey  |
| 15 | Matthew Kayser<br>Jensen Maeschen<br>Carter Neuschwander   | 30 | Trey Hage<br>Dijana Muilenburg<br>Kelly O'Bryan<br>Logan Wolter   |

## MTI Counselor Corner

### 10 Tips for College Success!

Here are 10 tips for success that will help you start strong and finish your education.

- Engage in your program.** Start getting some mentoring from department advisors and meet other students.
- Join a club.** It seems that there is a club for every interest out there. Join one. They do cool things and have lots of fun. If you are not sure which club to join, pick one that does public service. Getting involved is a great way to give back to the community and meet positive people.
- Turn off the social media and participate in class.** When I look at the behavior of top students in my classes, the one thing that they all have in common is that they turn off the social media, pay attention, and participate in class.
- Avoid the partying.** College is a time for experimenting with who you are as an adult. Skip the alcohol and drugs. If you want to be successful in college, avoid temptations and pick your friends wisely.
- Exercise and eat well.** Depression is a common problem among students. One of the best ways to avoid depression is to keep a regular exercise regimen and eat healthy foods. However, if you do get depressed, and talking to friends and family doesn't help, do not be afraid to reach out to your school's free counseling center.
- Recognize that you will be overwhelmed.** There will be times that you do not live up to expectations set by you, your family, or your instructors in your courses. Talk to your instructors and tell them what happened and that you could not get the work done. Sometimes you will get a break. But even if you don't, it's not the end of the world.
- Take time to attend important campus events.** Colleges often have special events a few times a semester. Attend them and stick around and meet the guests.
- Get to know some of your instructors.** They understand what you are going through. They have been in college and in work life. But they are also regular people and can be helpful to you.
- Touch base with your advisor.** Stop by and check in once in a while. Doing so will help build relationships with your advisor and they will remember you and give you great advice on things like the best internships or job opportunities.
- Don't go negative.** A common trait among students who are under stress is that they start to complain about everything. Their room is too small. The food sucks. The instructors are horrible. Their advisor is mean. There is nothing right in the world for students that go negative. You have a choice in the way you see every situation. You can complain about things or you can see the good in each moment. Who would you rather spend time with? Someone who complains all the time or someone who is positive? In order to stay out of the negativity cycle that destroys college careers, stay on the sunny side of life.

## Free Homebuyer's Seminar Offered

Crane Realty together with the SD Housing Development Authority will offer a free seminar for potential homebuyers. Even if you feel you are several years away from buying your first home, you will learn valuable information. The presenter is Brent Adney of the SDHDA.

The seminar will be held Saturday, September 15, at 10:00 AM in the Technology Center Room 111.

Attendees can register for some great door prizes including a smart TV and Mitchell bucks.

Contact Janet at 999-7653 or Judy at 770-5072 for more information.