



# The TRiO Times

## Student Support Services



## Welcome Back!

Welcome to Fall semester 2007! We hope you had a great summer and are ready to participate in a full 07/08 TRiO-SSS year! Just a reminder of the FREE services available to you as a SSS member:



Professional Tutoring - offered for English, math, computers, biology, and the social sciences



Academic Support Workshops - covering subjects such as resume writing, note taking, and study skills



The TRiO-SSS Grant - free money for school! Qualifications apply; ask your coordinators for details



Cultural Enrichment Activities - come explore with us! Past activities have included musicals, plays, museums, and sporting events



University Visits - trips to various four-year universities around the state of Michigan



Assistance with Transferring, Awards and Recognition, and Student Success Publications



Plus new FREE services for 2007/2008! Look inside this newsletter for details

Feel free to stop by any time to talk with an SSS Coordinator to discuss any and all of your support service options. Remember, all the services we offer are FREE and can only be of benefit to you. We look forward to working with you this year!

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*“We are made wise not by the recollection of our past, but by the responsibility for our future.”*

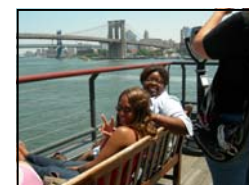
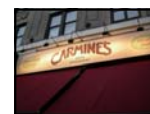
*-George Bernard Shaw  
1856-1950  
Dramatist, Literary critic, Socialist*

# Reward Trip 2007 SSS Visits the "Big Apple" New York City!

The 06/07 Reward Trip to New York City is one that we won't soon forget! Twenty SSS members earned an invitation on the all-expense paid trip to NYC; four days and three nights in the city that never sleeps (and neither did we!)

There was tons to see in New York and each day was packed with activities. Members received guided tours of the historical Apollo Theater and the United Nations building. Members visited Rockefeller Center, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Times Square, the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, the Empire State Building, the South Street Seaport, and Ground Zero. The students also had a chance to ride the subway and had a great time shopping in Chinatown, on 5th Avenue, and Broadway. Members were also treated to a Broadway performance of "The Color Purple" starring Fantasia Barrino. Ask anyone who went about the Italian restaurant Carmine's or Sylvia's Soul Food - delicious!

New York City is a city unlike any other and has left us all with memories for a lifetime. Does this sound like something you would like to experience? Start working toward the Reward Trip 2008; plans are already underway!



## Reminders

### STUDENT PLANNERS

07-08 Student Planners are available to registered SSS members. Stop in and pick up your free planner from your Coordinators today!

### PARTICIPATION POINTS

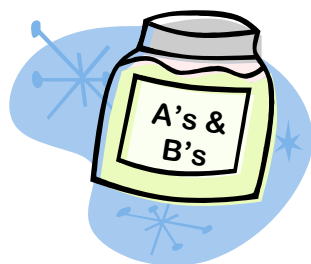
Beginning September 1st, all Participation Points that were earned for the 06/07 year have been erased. Start earning your 07/08 Participation Points now for TRIO-SSS gear and the year end Reward Trip!

# What's New for 07/08?

## SSS Laptop Loan Program

The SSS program now has 10 laptop computers available for loan! These laptops are equipped with WIFI internet access and Microsoft software such as Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. You may use these laptops to complete homework between classes, type papers, or surf the web without having to go to a computer lab.

In order to check out a laptop you must see one of the SSS Coordinators. A Laptop Loan Agreement must be signed each time you use a laptop, and the laptop is not allowed to be taken off campus at any time for any reason.



## SSS Student Handbooks

New for 07/08 will be the distribution of SSS Student Handbooks to all current members. This handbook describes every SSS service available to you along with all SSS policies and procedures. You may be contacted by phone and/or email to set up an appointment to receive and review your handbook.

## Introducing the TRiO-SSS A's & B's Jar

Did you receive an A or a B on a test, quiz, paper, or homework assignment? Bring it in and show Ellen or Sara and your name will be entered into the monthly A's and B's Jar drawing! During the fall and winter semesters we will pull one winner from the jar each month. Prizes will vary from a variety of \$20 gift cards from gas cards to groceries. The more A's and B's you get, the more chances you have to win. Good luck!

## Upcoming Events....



### Fall Harvest Festival Applewood Estate

Join us on Saturday, September 29th from 12 pm to 3 pm at the Applewood Estate for the Fall Harvest Festival! Celebrate the traditions of the season at this event that weaves together art, seasonal displays, entertainment, family activities and tasty treats. Learn about C.S. Mott at the estate he called home and why Mott Community College is what it is today. Bring the kids - this is an event for the entire family!

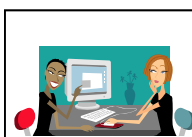
Earn 30 points by attending this event. Call 232 4696 to RSVP by September 21st. We ask, if you are able, to please bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan.

### Michigan State vs. Indiana Football Game



Come cheer on our Michigan State Spartans as they take on Indiana on Saturday, October 13th in East Lansing. Experience the game and homecoming in a university atmosphere. We will meet in front of the Prah Center at 5:00 pm; game time is 7:00 pm.

Earn 30 points for attending this event. LIMITED SEATS! Call 232 4696 to RSVP by October 5th.



Don't forget Coordinator Chat!  
Earn 20 points when you come in on a Chat day. Whenever you see this picture on the calendar, that's a Chat day!

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## Introducing Workshop Wednesdays!



SSS is beginning Workshop Wednesdays - workshops presented by the SSS program on a variety of topics! Sessions will be held in the morning and afternoon so you can fit these workshops around your classes and into your schedule. Members will earn 10 points for attending a workshop session and light refreshments will be served. The upcoming workshops for September and October are:

### Money Sense

Wednesday, September 19  
10 am & 3 pm

Learning Center - Prah Building

Learn to organize and monitor income and expenses, how to set up a budget, the pros and cons of purchasing on credit, keeping track of financial aid, and more!

Call 232 4696 to RSVP by September 12

### Living Well

Wednesday, October 24  
10 am & 3 pm

Learning Center - Prah Building

Identify the impact of personal choices, learn ways to correct negative patterns, identify the benefits of healthy exercise, nutrition, and sleep habits, and receive factual information about stress.

Call 232 4696 to RSVP by October 17

