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This Month in MSU History

11/1/1974 - Munn Ice Arena opens

11/9/1989 - Breslin Center dedicated to alumnus Jack Breslin

11/10/2012 - Broad Art Museum opens

11/21/1981 - World's first superconducting cyclotron at MSU tested successfully

11/27/1939 - MSU's cross country team won the NCAA championship. The win was MSU's first national title in any sport

Birthdays

11/1 - Lillian Centlivre

11/3 - Maddie Mills

11/3 - Spencer Richardson (Treasurer)

11/3 - Annika Arney

11/4 - Uran Iwata

11/4 - Madeleine Russell (President)

11/12 - Amya Heath

11/22 - Ben Laubach

MSU offers groundbreaking services for blind students

"The Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities is pleased to announce a brand-new initiative launching Fall 2020: RCPD will provide electronic braille displays to incoming blind students who use braille at no cost to them – the first program of its kind at any university in the United States!

Spearheaded by Director Michael Hudson, who saw the challenges students were facing in a changing world where it was not always possible for them to quickly obtain printed braille materials, RCPD offers this option so students may gain instant access to accessible books and other essential campus materials no matter where they happen to reside. "Pursuit of a college degree requires extensive reading and for people who are blind that means braille," said Director Hudson. "This technology will build fluency, speed availability, and grow technical sophistication to assist students in reaching their fullest potential." (continued on pg. 2)



"Electronic braille displays are portable devices which feature strips of pins that raise and lower to generate the dots that comprise each braille cell. Braille readers use this to access a line of text from a document, then when they advance to the next line the pins refresh to display it in braille. In this way, materials can be made rapidly accessible without the challenges of paper braille printing, delivery, and transportation."

- Retrieved from "Pioneering Initiative Welcomes Blind Students to MSU"; found on <https://www.rcpd.msu.edu/news/ability-blog/pioneering-initiative-welcomes-blind-students-msu>

Reminders!

- Spartan Ties and Spartan Study are great ways to get live hours!
 - Spartan Ties is an interactive weekly meet-up for both Tower Guard and RCPD students to meet new people and try new things!
 - Link for more info:
<https://www.rcpd.msu.edu/news/ability-blog/spartan-ties-meet-ups>
 - Spartan Study consists of weekly 2-hr study sessions to assist RCPD students with their studies in various subjects.
 - Link for more info:
<https://www.rcpd.msu.edu/news/ability-blog/spartan-study-sessions>
- Don't forget to vote in the 2020 presidential election on Nov. 3!



"It's not just what we do, but why and how we do it that distinguishes us as Spartans."

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