

# TEI Council F2F May 2015

## ARRANGEMENTS

This is a space to discuss and publish logistics for a meeting of the TEI Technical Council to be held in Ann Arbor, Michigan 28-30 May, 2015

### Dates

Confirmed dates are Thursday 28 May through Saturday, 30 May, 2015. That is, we will meet on those days. Council members will normally arrive in Ann Arbor on the preceding day (Wednesday 27 May), and may of course stay on an extra night and leave on Sunday 31 May.

### Agenda

See the [Minutes document](#), which incorporates the agenda, a work in progress.

### Weather

[We are expecting typical 'summery' weather.](#) Wednesday-Thursday will be warm and moist, temperatures 60-85 F (15-30 C or 302 K!), with thunderstorms likely late. Friday and Saturday may dry out and cool down to 50-70 F (10-21 C). [in the event, Thu - Fri were warm and humid; Saturday noon it began to rain, and then rained fairly steadily for the next 24 hours, accompanied by an abrupt cool-down to ca. 48 deg F]

### Lodging

Paul has had the UM Library administration reserve a block of ten rooms at the [Bell Tower Hotel](#) on Thayer Street immediately north of North University, for the nights of 27 May through 30 May, on the assumption that any or all could elect to arrive a day early and leave a day late. Council members have been polled as to their actual arrival and departure dates, and the reservations have been made accordingly. The University has paid for all the rooms and will be reimbursed by TEI.

### Meeting Space

Paul has reserved the **Turkish American Friendship room** on the fourth floor of Shapiro Library for business hours on May 28 and May 30. For Friday the 29th, we have been displaced to the building next door (Hatcher Graduate Library), in the **Hatcher Gallery Computer Lab** on the first floor. Hatcher has shorter hours than Shapiro; Hatcher opens at 8 on weekdays and at

10 on Saturday, closes at midnight most days but at 7 pm on Fridays; Shapiro is open “24/7” -- these hours should allow us to meet during normal Council hours, i.e. 9am to 5 or 6 pm on each of our meeting days.

Space for break-out sessions has not been secured. We should be able to scrounge public space, especially in Shapiro. There is less public space in Hatcher, but there is some available in the stacks, e.g. 3rd floor north stacks, or floor BA (?) towards the southwest along the windows. Explore. Don't get lost.

### **Wireless access**

UM supports eduroam, which is probably the best option for most Council members. The MGuest network is available to everyone else. If necessary, we should be able to obtain temporary visitor logins to the MWireless network, but I am told that this provides no real advantages over MGuest (same speed, etc.), unless you need to access resources permitted only to UM students, faculty, and staff.

The hotel offers wi-fi without any extra charge.

### **Getting to Ann Arbor (from DTW)**

*AirRide*. The cheapest and most convenient, if it happens to coincide with your arrival time, is probably the “AirRide” bus service run by the Ann Arbor Transit Authority (AATA), <http://www.myairride.com/>. This costs \$12 each way when pre-booked; \$15 (exact amount required) when not. Unfortunately, this bus no longer stops at the Central Campus bus stop (right down the street from the hotel), but only at Briarwood Mall (three miles south of the hotel) or at the **Blake Transit Center** (less than half a mile to the west). The latter is obviously the better choice. It is about ten minutes on foot from the hotel. See [this Google map](#):

If you do choose to use this bus, and to pre-book, be sure to print out everything and bring it with you, since the paperwork will serve as a ticket to be presented to the driver.

### **Getting to DTW from Ann Arbor**

AirRide schedule departing Ann Arbor...

Blake Center → McNamara (North) Terminal

03:55 → 04:45 (04:35)  
05:10 → 05:50 (06:00)  
06:10 → 06:50 (07:00)  
07:30 → 08:15 (08:25)  
08:45 → 09:30 (09:40)  
10:15 → 11:00 (11:10)  
11:15 → 12:00 (12:10)  
12:30 → 13:15 (13:25)  
13:30 → 14:15 (14:25)  
14:15 → 15:00 (15:10)  
15:15 → 16:00 (16:10)  
16:45 → 17:35 (17:45)  
18:30 → 19:15 (19:25)

<http://www.theride.org/Portals/0/Documents/1SchedulesMapsAndTools/RtMaps/Current/787.pdf>

*Private shuttles.*

List of [shuttles here](#):

*Taxis*

and of [taxis here](#):

## **Meals**

You won't have any trouble finding places to eat and drink within walking distance of the hotel or the library, much, though not all, of it oriented toward serving the student population.

## **Tea/Coffee**

Thu AM and PM. Tea and coffee service provided by Bert's Cafe (Shapiro Library)

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Fri PM. Tea and coffee (and mini-scones) provided by Panera Bread.

## Breakfast

The hotel charge includes breakfast. I don't know of what character.

Beyond that, feel free to explore... Quite acceptable food can be found as close by as the Panera Bread franchise on the corner of North University and Thayer (a 1-minute walk), or the Bruegger's Bagels franchise five doors further west on North University (a 2-minute walk).

## Lunch

I think we agreed to sample the nearby cuisine. Especially that of an especially fast-food sort. Possibilities include, on State St. or adjoining streets,

### Thursday

We'll go jointly to Amer's (see below)

### Friday

Everyone is on his own. Choices include:

- Amer's Deli (gigantic sandwiches and great variety of salads)
- Noodles and Company (variety of noodly dishes)
- Red Hawk Diner
- Potbelly (subs/wraps)
- Bruegger's Bagels (bagel sandwiches)
- Panera Bread (soups / salads / sandwiches)

### Saturday

Return to Amer's, which seems to have become the default choice.

## Evening meals

### Thursday

we'll try for an informal affair at the [house known as Schaffner](#).

I have three cars available for transport, which should be able to carry three passengers each.

Friday

We have reservations for 10 at 6:30 pm at [Silvio's Pizzeria and Ristorante](#), on North University

## Other Restaurants

See

A general list:

eg <http://www.buzzfeed.com/tashweenali/best-restaurants-in-ann-arbor#.fpE11YRox>

A list of Indian food:

[http://www.mlive.com/dining/index.ssf/2014/10/five\\_places\\_to\\_find\\_indian\\_foo.html](http://www.mlive.com/dining/index.ssf/2014/10/five_places_to_find_indian_foo.html)

Below is a very eclectic list based on a few personal recommendations by library staff, supplemented by google searches:

- Sava's <http://www.yelp.com/biz/savas-ann-arbor>
- Mezzevino <http://www.yelp.com/biz/mezzevino-ann-arbor>
- Palio <http://www.yelp.com/biz/palio-ann-arbor>
- Grizzly Peak <http://www.yelp.com/biz/grizzly-peak-brewing-company-ann-arbor>
- Amadeus <http://www.yelp.com/biz/amadeus-ann-arbor>
- Red Hawk Bar & Grill <http://www.yelp.com/biz/red-hawk-bar-and-grill-ann-arbor>
- Conor O'Neills Irish Pub <http://www.yelp.com/biz/conor-o-neills-ann-arbor-2>
- Blue Tractor BBQ <http://www.yelp.com/biz/blue-tractor-bbq-and-brewery-ann-arbor>
- The Grange <http://www.yelp.com/biz/grange-kitchen-and-bar-ann-arbor>
- Jolly Pumpkin <http://www.yelp.com/biz/jolly-pumpkin-cafe-and-brewery-ann-arbor-3>
- Pacific Rim Mani's Osteria and Bar <http://www.yelp.com/biz/pizza-house-ann-arbor>
- Hunter House Hamburgers <http://www.yelp.com/biz/hunter-house-hamburgers-ann-arbor>
- Eata Pita <http://www.yelp.com/biz/eata-pita-ann-arbor-3>
- [Silvio's Pizzeria and Ristorante](#),
- Pizza House <http://www.yelp.com/biz/pizza-house-ann-arbor>
- Suvai Palace (formerly Raja Rani) <http://www.yelp.com/biz/suvai-palace-ann-arbor>

Coffee, &c.

- There's [Bert's coffee shop](#) on the first floor of the Shapiro library, which has light (pre-made) fare like sandwiches, salads, and sushi as well as coffee and pastries. Closed after three on Friday, and all day Saturday.
- [Espresso Royale](#) has locations close to the hotel and the library:
- Or if you prefer gourmet coffee and really excellent pastries with a side of pretentiousness, there is [Comet Coffee](#) in *Nickels Arcade* (between State and Maynard, opposite campus.)
- Of course there's [Starbucks](#) too.
- [Mighty Good Coffee](#) has a mighty good reputation
- [Sweetwaters Cafe](#) is very close, has a following, and emphasizes **tea** more than most.

## Maps

- [Map of central campus](#)
- [Map of the 4th floor of the Shapiro Library](#), where we'll be meeting on Thursday and Saturday:
- [Map of the first floor of Hatcher Library](#), where we'll be meeting on Friday.