

the Update

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This Week's Events

Monday April 29

Athletics...
 South Central Regional:
 Men's Tennis vs. Western New Mexico 2 p.m. MSU Tennis Courts

Tuesday April 30

Department of Music...
 Didzun Student Honors Recital 7:30 p.m. Akin Auditorium

Wednesday May 1

Priority Application Deadline for Summer I

TACT...
 Faculty Retiree Luncheon 11:30 a.m. WF Country Club

College of Science and Mathematics...
 Retirement Reception: Marsha May 2-4 p.m. CSC Kiowa

Thursday May 2

Friday May 3

Last Day of Classes

MSU Cycling...
 USAC Collegiate Road National Championships Ogden, Utah

Athletics...
 Women's Track at LSC Outdoor Championships Canyon, Texas

Athletics...
 Softball vs. Tarleton State 4:30 p.m. Canyon, Texas

Department of Mass Communication...
 Senior Documentary Screenings 3-5 p.m. Bolin 100

Harvey School of Visual Art...
 Opening Reception:
 Juried Student Exhibition
 & Senior Exhibition 6-8 p.m. Harvey Art Gallery

Department of Theatre...
 Festival of Student-Produced
 One-Act Plays 7:30 p.m. Bea Wood Studio Theatre

Saturday May 4

Final Examinations Begin

MSU Cycling...
 USAC Collegiate Road National Championships Ogden, Utah

Athletics...
 Women's Track at LSC Outdoor Championships Canyon, Texas

Athletics...
 LSC Softball Semifinals 2:30 p.m. Canyon, Texas

Department of Theatre...
 Festival of Student-Produced
 One-Act Plays 7:30 p.m. Bea Wood Studio Theatre

Sunday May 5

MSU Cycling...
 USAC Collegiate Road National Championships Ogden, Utah

Athletics...
 LSC Softball Finals 1 p.m. Canyon, Texas

Athletics...
 Women's Golf: NCAA II Super Regional Grand Junction, Colo.

Around Campus

Extended Library Hours

Moffett Library will be open 24 hours until 10 p.m. Friday, May 3, for the last week of classes. Extended hours will also continue beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 5, through 5 p.m. Friday, May 10 for finals. This service is being provided by MSU Greek Life and staff members from Student Affairs, Counseling Center, Wellness Center, Library, and Office of Student Development & Orientation. Hours for the remainder of the spring semester will be as follows:

10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, May 4
 Closed Saturday-Sunday, May 11-12
 8 a.m.-5 p.m. May 13-17

Celebrate Teaching Week at MSU

The last week of Spring semester is "Celebrate Teaching Week" at Midwestern State University. During this last and often stressful week of the spring semester, faculty members are busy grading term papers, preparing final examinations, advising students for early registration for summer and fall, and trying to get material covered in class before time runs out. Starting on Monday, April 29, the university community will take a few moments of "time out" to say thanks to MSU's hard-working faculty members. MSU teachers receive a free cup of coffee from any campus coffee shop along with other treats and surprises. "Celebrate Teaching Week" culminates

on Thursday, May 2, with a free hamburger supper for faculty at the Sikes Lake Center complete with music and door prizes. "Celebrate Teaching Week" was created by The Teaching, Learning Resource Center (TLRC) with the goal of making it an annual event. The "Celebrate Teaching" dinner is TLRC's last gathering of the academic year. Dr. Tiffany Stewart, Dr. Jim Sernoe, Dr. Rebecca Dodge, Dr. Phyllis Behrens, Dr. Jeff Stambaugh, SusAnn Key, and Andrea Williams are members of the TLRC Committee.

The TLRC would like to thank all those who make this week possible: The Deans, Falls Distributing, Jenny Denning of the MSU Bookstore, Jim Sernoe and The Backdoor Theater, and The Kiowa Kooks. For more information, please contact Crystal Boyle at 397-4868.

Mark Your Calendar

From the Department of Athletic Training and Exercise Physiology

The campus community is invited to the following:

- Frank Bourgeois will defend his thesis, "Lower-body strength and power influence performance in change of direction tasks," at 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, in D.L. Ligon 223.
- Sam Broadbent will present his thesis proposal, "The relationship between soccer performance tests and the ranking order of collegiate soccer players," at 2 p.m. Monday, May 6, in D.L. Ligon 223.

Opening Reception: *Earth/Energy and Young at Art*

The Museum of Art at MSU will present an opening reception from 6-8 p.m. Friday, May 10, for *Earth/Energy*, an exhibition of ceramic art from the University of Dallas, and *Young at Art*, the Caldecott Collection of Children's Book Illustrations from its permanent collection. *Earth/Energy* is a group exhibition curated by Dan Hammett, professor of ceramics at the University of Dallas, and will be on display through July 20. *Young at Art* will be on view through August 3. For more information, call ext. 8900.

Campus News

To the Faculty

Commencement will be Saturday, May 11, at Kay Yeager Coliseum. Please meet at 9:30 a.m. at the MPEC in rooms 3 and 4 to line up with your college for the 10 a.m. ceremony. If you need a special seating pass for your spouse to sit in the reserved section #5, contact Jolene Welch in Hardin 114C before 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8.

SGA Election Results

The 2013-2014 Student Government Association elections have concluded. Congratulations to the newly elected officers and class senators for the 2013-2014 academic year.

President - Melody Coffey

Vice President - Leona Sandiford

Secretary - Wendy Frederick

Graduate Class Senator - Michael Webbe

Senior Class Senator - Phillip "Flip" Mundine

Junior Class Senator - Tiernan Harris

Sophomore Class Senator - Matthew Oliver

Freshman Class Senator - Rebecca Stogner

The 2012-2013 SGA executives wish to thank everyone who voted in and supported the election process.

LSC Honors Athletic Training Students

A total of 30 student athletic trainers were recognized by the Lone Star Conference last week as the league announced its annual Athletic Training Student Academic Award winners for 2012-13. Those recognized from Midwestern State were Darien Roach, Jacob Herring, Sarita Adhikary, Victoria Shores, Alicia Cunningham, and Jeremiah Berryhill.

Scholarship Colloquium Winners

The Scholarship Colloquium committee would like to thank those involved with making this year's colloquium a success.

Poster presentation winners were:

First Place – Rinkal Patel, "Lipid and Fatty Acid Composition of Prickly Pear Cactus, *Opuntia Ficus-Indica*;"

Second place – Megan Delgado, James Knightstep and Orecia Williams, "The South American Fire Ant as an Invasive Species in Texas;"

Third Place – Chanez Symister, "Radiology Synthesis and Characterization of Tetra-3,3'5,5' – arylazadipyrromethenes."

Honorable Mention – Earl Clark II, "The Effects of Melatonin on Aluminum Induced ROS in Wheat Seedlings."

Podium presentation winners were:

First Place – Sanjeev Mahabir, "A Qualitative Taxonomic Insect Survey and Similarity Analysis of Some Permanent and Temporary Streams in the Chihuahuan Desert of West Texas;"

Second Place – Cassie Toft and Carter Wallace, "How to Get a Head in Theatre;"

Third Place – Kayla Gray, Kory Holden, and Novelle Williams, "Why International Students Choose to Attend MSU."

Honorable Mentions – Neney Abbey, Alexandra McClung, Eric Smith, Brandi Stroud, and Brady Tyler for "Legacy: Remember, Honor, Serve;" and Matthew

Farmer and Rob Goodfellow for “MSU2U – Android and iPhone Application Development.”

Jobs

An EEO/ADAAA Compliance Employer

Assistant to Director (On campus only – current benefit-eligible employees)

Department: Admissions

Starting Date: As soon as possible

Starting Salary: \$2,400 monthly, plus benefits

Secretary I

Department: Social Work

Starting Date: As soon as possible

Starting Salary: \$1,516 monthly, plus benefits

Secretary I

Department: Respiratory Care

Starting Date: June 1, 2013

Starting Salary: \$1,516 monthly, plus benefits

International Services Specialist (On campus only – current benefit-eligible employees)

Department: International Services

Starting Date: June 1, 2013

Starting Salary: \$2,662 monthly, plus benefits

Library Assistant II

Department: Moffett Library

Starting Date: June 1, 2013

Starting Salary: \$1,516-\$1,675 monthly, plus benefits

In the Spotlight

Bob Harmel and **Mike Patterson**, Professors of Economics, have a paper published in *Business Management Dynamics*. The paper, co-authored with Dr. Dan Friesen of the University of North Texas, Dallas, is titled, “A Spreadsheet Optimization Model for Solving Sudoku Problems.”

Sally Henschel, Assistant Professor of English, co-authored a study with Lisa Meloncon, University of Cincinnati: “**Current State of U.S. Undergraduate Degree Programs in Technical and Professional Communication,**” published in *Technical Communication* 60.1 (2013): 45-64.

“We Grow UGROW: A Model for Undergraduate Research at a Public Liberal Arts University” has been published in *Perspectives on Undergraduate Research and Mentoring*, in a special issue on undergraduate research in the arts and humanities. Authors were **Mitzi Lewis**, **Dale B. McDonald**, **Jane Owen**, and **Magaly Rincon-**

Zachary of MSU, and **Brandon Smith** of Brevard College. The article may be viewed at <http://blogs.elon.edu/purm/we-grow-ugrow-a-model-for-undergraduate-research-at-a-public-liberal-arts-university-purm-2-2/> .