

the Update

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This Week's Events

Monday November 25

Office of Undergraduate Research...
EURECA Faculty and Student Application Deadline for Spring 2014

Student Wellness Center...
Annual Turkey Trot 3:30 p.m. Sikes Lake

Athletics...
Men's Basketball vs. Oklahoma City 7 p.m. Ligon Coliseum

Tuesday November 26

Department of Athletic Training & Exercise Physiology...
Thesis Defense: Sam Broadbent 12 p.m. Ligon Conference Room

Athletics...
Women's Basketball at McMurry 5:30 p.m. Abilene, Texas

Wednesday November 27

No Classes – Thanksgiving Break
University offices close at noon.

Thursday November 28

University closed for Thanksgiving.

Friday November 29

University closed for Thanksgiving.

Athletics...
Men's Basketball vs. Harding (Ark.) 4 p.m. Russellville, Ark.

Saturday November 30

Athletics...
Men's Basketball at Arkansas Tech 4 p.m. Russellville, Ark.

Sunday December 1

Athletics...
Women's Basketball at Ouachita Baptist 2 p.m. Arkadelphia, Ark.

Around Campus

Student Wellness Center Holiday Hours

The Bruce and Graciela Redwine Student Wellness Center will alter the normal hours of operations during the holidays. The holiday schedule will be as follows:

Thursday, November 28 – 5:25 a.m. – 8 p.m.

December 16 – January 12 – 5:25 a.m. – 10 p.m. with the exception of **December 24** (Closed at 8 p.m.), **December 25** (Closed), and **December 31** (Closed at 8 p.m.)

MSU Credit Union Holiday Hours

The MSU Credit Union will close at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, November 27, and will be closed Thursday-Friday, November 28-29. The Credit Union will return to regular business hours Monday, December 2.

Mark Your Calendar

Senior Documentaries

The Department of Mass Communication will present screenings of senior documentaries beginning at 3 p.m. Friday, December 6, in Bolin 100. For more information, call ext. 4680.

Senior Art Exhibition

The Juanita and Ralph Harvey School of Visual Arts will present an opening reception for the Senior Exhibitions from 6-8 p.m. Friday, December 6, in the Juanita Harvey Art Gallery. Exhibits feature a variety of media with each student having his/her own individual theme. The exhibition will be on display through January 10, 2014. For more information, call ext. 4264.

Fantasy of Lights Opening Ceremony

The MSU-Burns Fantasy of Lights opening ceremony will be at 6 p.m. Friday, December 6, on the front lawn of the Hardin Administration Building with live performances, free hot chocolate, and a special visit from Santa Claus. Two new displays will be unveiled this year. The Annual Christmas Band Concert will follow the lighting of the displays at 7 p.m. in Akin Auditorium. The concert is free to the public. After the opening ceremony, the displays will be turned on each weeknight through January 1 from dusk to 10 p.m. and weekends from dusk to 11 p.m. Admission is free; donations to help with maintenance of the display are welcome. For more information, call ext. 4786.

Las Posadas

The MSU BESO and Spanish Club present Las Posadas at 6 p.m. Friday, December 6, in the CSC Atrium. Las Posadas is a traditional Mexican celebration filled with food, music, singing, and piñatas. Open to MSU and the community. For more information, contact Kelly Medellin at ext. 6265 or at Kelly.medellin@mwsu.edu.

Continuing Education Classes in December

The Center for Continuing Education will offer the following classes in December:

- **Tuesday, December 3:** Computer, Basic (2 sessions) 6-8 p.m.
- **Thursday, December 5:** Microsoft Word, Intro (2 sessions) 6-8 p.m.
- **Wednesday, December 11:** CPE: Annual Tax Update (1 session) 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

For more information, call ext. 4307.

Jobs

An EEO/ADAAA Compliance Employer

Assessment Specialist

Department: Institutional Research & Assessment

Starting Date: January 15, 2014

Starting Salary: \$3,833-\$4250 monthly

(Commensurate with experience), plus benefits

Coordinator, Office of Sponsored Programs & Research (Part-time/temporary, non-benefit eligible)

Department: The Graduate School

Starting Date: As soon as possible

Hourly Rate: \$14

Assistant Director, Marketing

Department: Marketing & Public Information

Starting Date: January 1, 2014

Starting Salary: \$4,000-\$4,166.66 monthly

(Commensurate with experience), plus benefits

In the Spotlight

Todd Giles, Assistant Professor of English, took his three EURECA students, Ginger Bartush, Sarah Muschoil, and Cody Parish, to present their research at a special session of the American Studies Association of Texas annual conference at Baylor University on November 14-16. Their session, titled "Postmodern American Identities in the Work of Don DeLillo, Ismael Reed, and Wes Anderson," was the first time in the organization's 57-year history in which undergraduates presented alongside professional scholars and graduate students. All three papers explore issues of postmodern narratological experimentation to better understand issues of identity and postmodern notions of reality. The papers are titled as follows:

- Ginger Bartush: "Accepting the Chaotic: A Search for Identity in Don DeLillo's *White Noise*"
- Sarah Muschoil: "Ismael Reed's *Mumbo Jumbo*: A Creation of a Time Pendulum"
- Cody Parish and Todd Giles: "'The Young Person's Guide' to *Moonrise Kingdom*: Wes Anderson's

Theme and Variations on a Theme and Variations of Benjamin Britten"

Keith Williamson, Medical Director of the Vinson Health Center, has been re-appointed as Clinical Associate Professor in Family and Community Medicine at UT Southwestern Medical School. The appointment was extended through December 31, 2017.

Fred Stangl, Professor Emeritus of Biology, published an article in the November 2013 issue of *Ecology and Evolution* with four co-authors from Texas Tech University, titled "Multilocus analyses indicate a mosaic distribution of hybrid populations in ground squirrels (genus *Ictidomys*)."

MSU nursing students were featured on the KAUZ Channel 6 newscast at 5 and 6 p.m. Thursday, November 21. They were filmed at Presbyterian Manor participating in a group project. Students were challenged to explore the psychosocial aspects of nursing in a long-term care setting. They created a Price is Right game to play with the residents, and the TV crew highlighted how the Manor collaborates and partners with MSU to provide clinical experiences with MSU students. For more information, visit <http://www.newschannel6now.com>.

For Sale

Two new mahogany brown **bar stools** with creamy suede cushion. Two for the price of one. \$125. **Bella Casa vases** are available. Collectors please call for photos. Call Betty at ext. 4325 or 692-0552.

Two **antique side tables** in a beautiful distressed turquoise! \$110 for both. Photos available upon request. Call Brenda at ext. 4400 or 631-0832.