

the Update

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This Week's Events

Monday

April 28

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

Counseling Center...
Creative Expressions Group 1 p.m. Counseling Center

German Club...
Film Screening 5:30 p.m. CSC Shawnee Theater

Counseling Center...
Workshop: Career and Educational Development 7 p.m. Sundance Meeting Room

Tuesday

April 29

Department of Athletic Training & Exercise Physiology
Thesis Defense: Shane Cronin 1 p.m. Ligon 216

Counseling Center...
Relaxation & Stress Relief Group 3 p.m. Counseling Center

Wednesday

April 30

Counseling Center...
Social Development & Support Group 3 p.m. Counseling Center

Thursday

May 1

Admissions...
Application Deadline for Summer I

TACT...
Retiree Luncheon 12 p.m. Wichita Falls Country Club

TLRC...
Celebration of Teaching Excellence 4:30 p.m. Sikes Lake Center

Philosophy Club/Freethought Alliance
Lecture: Dr. Peter Boghossian 7 p.m. Dillard 101

Friday

May 2

Last Day of Classes

Athletics...
Softball at LSC Tournament TBA

Athletics...
Women's Track at LSC Championships Kingsville, Texas

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

Department of Theatre...
Student-Produced
One-Act Play Festival 7:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts Center

Saturday

May 3

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Athletics...
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May 4

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Around Campus

Thesis Defense

Shane Cronin will present his thesis defense, "The Comparison of Preseason Testing Protocols: Can We Predict Injury for Subsequent Exposure in Sport?" from 1-2 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, in Ligon 216.

Celebration of Teaching Excellence

The MSU TLRC committee invites faculty and teaching assistants to the Celebration of Teaching Excellence, previously known as Burgers and Beer, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, May 1, at the Sikes Lake Center. The menu includes the Kiowa Kooks' famous burgers and fries, veggie burgers, salad, tea, lemonade, and chocolate cake. RSVP by 7 p.m. Monday, April 28, to Kathy McGowan at kathy.mcgowan@mwsu.edu or ext. 4002.

Dr. Peter Boghossian: Jesus, the Easter Bunny, and Other Delusion: Just Say No!

The MSU Philosophy Club and the MSU Freethought Alliance are sponsoring a lecture by Dr. Peter Boghossian

(Portland State University) titled "Jesus, the Easter Bunny, and Other Delusions: Just Say No!" at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 1, in Dillard 101. Boghossian is a national speaker for the Center of Inquiry and the Secular Student Alliance, an international speaker for the Richard Dawkins Foundation for Reason and Science, and the author of *A Manual for Creating Atheists*. For more information, contact Dr. Nathan Jun at ext. 4128 or nathan.jun@mwsu.edu.

Early Closing

The MSU Bookstore will close at 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 29. For more information, call ext. 4384.

Mark Your Calendar

Retirement Reception

The Gunn College of Health Sciences & Human Services will honor Carol Collins, Assistant Professor of Nursing, and Dr. Kirk Harlow, Assistant Professor of Health and Public Administration, with a retirement reception from 10-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 7, in Dillard 189.

Live at the Lake

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU will kick off its 2014 Live at the Lake Summer Concert Series at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 8. Mike O'Neil will open this year's series. The event is free to the public. For more information, call ext. 8900.

Mass Communication

Senior Documentary Screenings

The Department of Mass Communication will present senior documentary screenings beginning at 3:30 p.m. Friday, May 9, in Bolin 100. For more information, call ext. 4670.

Campus News

New Student Regent Named

Gov. Rick Perry has appointed **Jesse Brown** to serve as the Midwestern State University Student Regent for a one-year term effective June 1, 2014. He is currently pursuing bachelor's degrees in criminal justice and business administration.

Scholarship Colloquium Winners

The following is a list of winners from last week's annual Scholarship Colloquium:

Top Graduate Student Poster Presentation

"Soldiers and Horses" by Ginette Di Domenico, graduate student in Family Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program

Top Graduate Student Podium Presentation

"Comparative Histology among Permian Vertebrates, Arroyo Formation, North Texas" by Kimberly Beck, graduate student in biology program

Graduate Student Podium Presentation Honorable Mention

"Two Themes for Percussion Ensemble" by Adam Lynskey, graduate student in special education program

NASW Student of the Year

Laura Holliday has been chosen the 2014 student of the year by the National Association of Social Workers.

Phi Alpha Theta History Society News

Members of the MSU Chapter of the Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society recently presented papers at the organization's Northeast Texas Regional Student Conference held at Texas Woman's University in Denton, Texas. **Zach Barber's** paper "Justice, Southern Style: The Kidnap and Murder of Mack Charles Parker," won fourth place honors in the category Best Graduate Student Paper. Undergraduate history major **Joseph Hadwal** and graduate students **Jeff Dickey, Rachael Maxon, Brad Morris,** and **Sierra Trenhaile** also presented papers at the conference. History faculty members and Phi Alpha Theta sponsors Whitney Snow and Everett Kindig accompanied the students to the conference and served as session chairs. Trenhaile, Barber, Hadwal, Maxon, and Ryan McKelvy also presented their research at the National Phi Alpha Theta Biennial Conference in Albuquerque, N.M. in January. **Snow, Kindig,** and **Leland Turner** chaired sessions at the national conference.

Director of Human Resources Named

Congratulations to **Dawn Fisher** on her promotion to the university's Director of Human Resources. Dawn was selected because of her experience and job knowledge. She has been with the university more than 15 years and earned both her Bachelor of Social Work and Master of Arts in Human Resource Development from Midwestern State University. She has been serving as interim Director of Human Resources since September 2013.

Staff Senate Election Results

The new 2014-2016 Staff Senate representatives, who will begin their term of office on September 1, 2014, are as follows:

EEO Class 1

Position 1: Mark McClendon

EEO Class 3

Position 1: Reagan Foster

Position 2: Jim Hall

Position 3: Linda Knox

Position 4: Newman Wong

EEO Class 4

Position 1: Sheila Barrett

Position 2: Sue Witherspoon

EEO Class 5

Position 1: Chris Strader

EEO Class 7

Position 1: Shane Black

Position 2: Vinita Bohnenkamp

To the Faculty

Commencement will be Saturday, May 10, 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. Wednesday, May 7.

Welcome

Camille Shepherd

Assessment Specialist,
Institutional Research & Assessment

Brittney Hernandez

Secretary II, Counseling Center

Lynda Cannedy

Business Analyst, SBDC

Jobs

An EEO/ADAAA Compliance Employer

Program Coordinator

Department: Intensive English Language Institute (IELI)

Starting Date: June 1, 2014

Starting Salary: \$3,417 monthly, plus benefits

Admissions Evaluator

Department: Admissions

Starting Date: May 12, 2014

Starting Salary: \$1,776 monthly, plus benefits

Academic Advisor

Department: B.A.A.S.

Starting Date: As soon as possible

Starting Salary: \$1,648 monthly, plus benefits

Secretary II (Open to Current MSU Retirement Eligible Employees Only)

Department: Counseling Center

Starting Date: May 1, 2014

Starting Salary: \$1,684 monthly, plus benefits

Director, Admissions

Department: Student Affairs
and Enrollment Management

Starting Date: August 1, 2014

Starting Salary: Commensurate with experience

Administrative Assistant (Open to Current MSU Retirement Eligible Employees Only)

Department: Academic Success Center

Starting Date: May 1, 2014

Starting Salary: \$2,048 monthly, plus benefits

Thank You

Thank you to my MSU family for your expression of sympathy with prayers, calls, cards, flowers, and kind words during the passing of my mom.

Pam Morgan

Congratulations

Tres Segler, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, and wife Katherine welcomed daughter Arden Holmes on April 14. Arden was 7 lbs, 4 oz, and 19 inches long. Congratulations to the Seglers!

In the Spotlight

The **Department of Computer Science** hosted the 18th Annual North Texas Area Student conference on April 5. Approximately 100 students and 20 faculty members were in attendance for the 28 student presentations. The keynote speaker was MSU CMPS alumnus Ed Blankenship, Visual Studio Project Manager at Microsoft. Others participating in the conference were TCU, University of North Texas, Texas Tech, and MSU's McCoy School of Engineering. Department members participating in the Conference were **Ranette Halverson** (conference Chair), **Catherine Stringfellow**, **Nelson Passos**, **Tim Donovan**, **Tina Johnson**, **Terry Griffin**, and **Richard Simpson**. **Antoinette Brown** was the conference coordinator. Thanks to the departments on campus who provided items for the student attendees.

Faculty from the Department of Computer Science attended the Consortium of Computing Sciences South Central Conference in Austin on April 11-12. Attending and serving as session moderators were **Ranette Halverson**, **Catherine Stringfellow**, and **Tina Johnson**. Also attending were professors **Richard Simpson** and **Shawn Seals**.

Vicki Sanders, Assistant Professor of Radiologic Sciences, presented a lecture titled "Emerging Diagnostic/Therapeutic Techniques and Procedures" at the Central Texas VA Healthcare System in Temple, Texas, on March 15.

Christopher Wertz, Assistant Professor of Radiologic Sciences, presented a lecture titled "Radiology 20/20 Vision: Will Science Fiction Become Reality" at the Central Texas VA Healthcare System in Temple, Texas on March 15.

Betty Bowles, Marty Gibson, and Lauren Jansen, Assistant Professors of Nursing, presented a poster titled "Community Health Fair: A Model of Interdisciplinary Collaboration" at the International Conference on Health, Wellness and Society in Vancouver, British Columbia on March 14-15.

Radiologic sciences faculty, **Vicki Sanders and Donna Wright**, co-authored an article titled "Radiologist Assistants: Best Fit for Medical Imaging" with graduate student **Tia Ten Napel** in *Radiology Management* 36 (3), pp. 22-27.

William Lyons, Instructor of Athletic Training & Exercise Physiology, was recently honored by the Rocky Mountain Athletic Trainers Association (NATA-District 7) with the naming of the William T. Lyons Scholarship. Lyons was a past Wyoming AT association president, District Seven Director (RMATA). Lyons is a member of both the RMATA and NATA Hall of Fame. Lyons is in his third year at Midwestern State.

The article "Material determination using spark observation" by **Tyler Dalke, Jan Brink, and Mark Weller** of the McCoy School of Engineering was published in the *Global Journal of Engineering Education*, Volume 15, Number 3, 2013. WIETE 2013.

Sally Henschel, Assistant Professor of English, co-authored a study with Lisa Meloncon, University of Cincinnati, which was published in the Spring 2014 issue of *Programmatic Perspectives*, the Journal of the Council for Programs in Technical and Scientific Communication: "Of Horsemen and Layered Literacies: Assessment Instruments for Aligning Technical and Professional Communication Undergraduate Curricula with Professional Expectations."

Nathan Moran, Professor and Chair of Criminal Justice, recently presented a three-hour lecture titled "The Lexus and the Olive Tree: Emerging Trends in Global Security Issues." The lecture was presented at Abu Dhabi University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

Congratulations to **Kimberly Long**, the latest recipient of the Staff Senate's You Make a Difference award. See how she did it by visiting to the Staff Senate webpage at <http://www.mwsu.edu/staffsenate>.

Mary Wines, Dyslexia Therapist, was recently named to the Board of Directors for the Academic Language Therapy Association (ALTA). ALTA is a national profes-

sional member organization dedicated to the remediation of written language skills. This is the governing body for anyone in the country who wants to become a dyslexia instructor.

From the Bookstore

Faculty should forward submissions for summer/fall textbook information to James as soon as possible.

Contact Jenny at ext. 4384 for rental regalia for May commencement ceremony.

The Bookstore will order fall books earlier and keeping them longer, so this information is vital for our students.

Bookstore hours for finals:

May 3	7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
May 5-9	7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
May 10	7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

For Sale

Close to MSU, single story **townhome** for sale: 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, garage, covered patio, assn. pool. Available at end of June. 940-447-4686