

The Update

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Editor's Notes

Please note the change of dates for the following events that were previously published in The Update and the MSU Calendar Events on the website:

- **Band Concert:** Rhapsody and Songs 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, in Akin Auditorium
- **Harvey Art Gallery:** Opening Reception for Rigoberton Gonzalez: Baroque on the Border 6 p.m. Friday, April 4 in the Main Gallery

This Week's Events

Tuesday March 4

Various campus departments...
 Safe Spring Break 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunwatcher Plaza

Study Abroad...
 Informational Meeting (Spain/France) 6 p.m. PY100

Wednesday March 5

Athletics...
 Women's Tennis at Tarleton 2 p.m. Stephenville, Texas

Athletics...
 Men's Basketball vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville 2:30 p.m. Allen, Texas

Counseling Center...
 Workshop: Time Management 3 p.m. Sundance Meeting Room

Philosophy Club...
 Guest Speaker: Dr. John Martinez 7 p.m. CSC Shawnee Theater

Thursday March 6

Athletics...
 Men's Tennis vs. Seminole State CC 10:30 a.m. Ada, Okla.

Athletics...
 Men's Tennis at East Central (Okla.) 3 p.m. Ada, Okla.

Career Management Center...
 Healthcare, Law Enforcement, & Social Services Networking Career Fair 3:30 p.m. Ligon Coliseum

Athletics...
 Women's Basketball vs. Angelo State 6 p.m. Allen, Texas

Friday March 7

Office of Admissions...
 Discover MSU: Gordon T. & Ellen West College of Education

Gunn College of Health Sciences & Human Services...
 Community Health Fair 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Ligon Coliseum

Career Management Center...
 Education Networking
 Career Fair 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. CSC

Athletics...
 Softball at Eastern New Mexico Noon & 2 p.m. Portales, N.M.

Athletics...
 Men's Basketball – LSC Semifinals 2:30 p.m. Allen, Texas

Athletics...
 Women's Basketball – LSC Semifinals 6 p.m. Allen, Texas

Saturday March 8

Redwine Honors Program...
 8th Annual Honors Program Symposium 9 a.m. Dillard 189

Athletics...
 Women's Tennis vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville Noon MSU Tennis Courts

Athletics...
 Softball at Eastern New Mexico Noon Portales, N.M.

Athletics...
 Women's Basketball – LSC Championship 3 p.m. Allen, Texas

Athletics...
 Men's Basketball – LSC Championship 5:30 p.m. Allen, Texas

Around Campus

Inequality – Is Capitalism the Problem?

The Philosophy Club will present MSU's Dr. John E. Martinez, Professor of Economics and Director of the Bureau of Business & Government Research, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, in the CSC Shawnee Theater. Martinez's topic will be "Inequality – Is Capitalism the Problem?" The lecture will be followed with a discussion. This event is open to all students, faculty, staff, and the public at no charge.

Marriage of Figaro

The Department of Music's Opera Theater will perform Mozart's *Marriage of Figaro* at 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 7-8, in Akin Auditorium. Free admittance for MSU students, faculty, and staff with ID. For more information, call ext. 4267.

8th Annual Honors Program Symposium

The 8th Annual Honors Program Symposium will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 8, in Dillard 189 with breakfast

and registration. Student presentations will be from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., followed by a light lunch. A panel discussion will take place after lunch with Dr. Nathan Jun, Dr. Kathleen Roberts, and Dr. Jeff Stambaugh about the following topic: "Define the impact of the Affordable Healthcare Act in terms of economic, political and social justice."

Presentations include "The Alchemist and the Playwright: Ben Jonson, a Shakespearean Rival" by Joseph Hadwal; "Stepping from the Shoulders of a Giant: An Examination into Aristotle's Separation from Platonic Thought" by Jonathan Henderson; "Rotavirus Genotypes Associated with Childhood Severe Acute Diarrhea in Southern Ghana: A Cross-Sectional Study" by Thanh Hoang; "Cameroon" by Emilienne Kwi; "The Sigmoid Curve in Organizations and Leadership" by Caleb Nichols; and "Use of Prosthetics to Enhance Make-Up in *Sweeney Todd*" by Leona Sandiford. For more information, call ext. 4978.

Mark Your Calendar

Media Monday at Midwestern

Beginning this month, the Department of Mass Communication will present Media Monday at Midwestern State University. The session will begin with a light dinner served at 6:30 p.m. followed by a one-hour session from 7-8 p.m. and a discussion from 8-8:30 p.m. All sessions will be at the Fain Fine Arts Center. The event is open to all area college media students, high school media students, and their advisors. Spring sessions will include:

Monday, March 10

The silent feature: Writing better captions by Bradley Wilson, director of MSU student media at the Fain Fine Arts Center

Monday, March 31

Improving your sports coverage by Tobin D. McDuff, KFDX sports director, and Orlando Flores, TRN reporter

Monday, April 7

The art and craft of interviewing by Mary Beth Lee, media adviser at Rider High School

Monday, April 21

To be determined

Monday, May 5

Advisers night out

The events are sponsored by *The Wichitan*, Balfour Walsworth, and the *Times Record News*. For more information or to RSVP, contact Bradley Wilson at ext. 4704 or bradley.wilson@mwsu.edu.

Women's History Month

The Office of Student Development and Orientation will present the following events in recognition of Women's

History Month. MSU's Women's History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by women and a time for recognizing the central role of women worldwide. According to the National Women's History Project, the 2014 theme, Celebrating Women of Character, Courage, and Commitment, honors the extraordinary and often unrecognized determination and tenacity of women. The events of Women's History Month are an opportunity for Midwestern State University faculty, staff, and students to remember and continue to fight for women's rights.

Sexual Violence Seminar:

7-9 p.m. March 10 in CSC Shawnee Theater
Sexual violence is a widespread issue that affects everyone. This presentation will explain how to avoid becoming a victim and what you can do to stop sexual violence.

Desert Flower: 7-9 p.m. March 11 at WFMA

Film in conjunction with the Center for Continuing Education's Film Series.

Pearls and Tea:

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. March 13 in Dillard 189
Enjoy networking with fellow female faculty, staff, and students. Enter in a drawing to win door prizes.

Miss Representation:

7-9 p.m. March 24 in CSC Shawnee Theater
Miss Representation is a 2011 American documentary film that explores how mainstream media contribute to the under-representation of women in influential positions by circulating limited and often disparaging portrayals of women. This film is not rated.

Community Service: Operation Quinceañera

Donate your old fifteen, Sweet Sixteen, or prom dresses all month long! Drop your items in a decorated cardboard box at the Mustangs for Christ, CCC, or in the CSC beside the Student Development and Orientation office. All dresses will be donated to St. PJ's Children's Home for Neglected and Abused Kids. The last day to donate is April 4. This event is hosted by Sigma Lambda Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Events are sponsored by Counseling Center, Continuing Education, University Programming Board, Sigma Kappa Sorority, Sigma Lambda Alpha Sorority, Kappa Delta Chi Sorority, and Office of Student Development & Orientation. For more information, contact Shontesa Jones, Coordinator of Multicultural Services at ext. 4948 or email multicultural@mwsu.edu.

Imagine Graduation

Imagine Graduation will be from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, March 11-12, in CSC Comanche Suites (Atrium entrance). May graduation candidates will have the opportunity to finalize everything related to graduation at one time and in one location. Representatives from the following offices will be present to help students with last-minute plans: Registrar's Office, Business Office,

Financial Aid, The Graduate School, Moffett Library, International Services, MSU Bookstore, Herff Jones, Career Management Center, University Development, Alumni Relations, and Young Professionals of Wichita Falls. For more information, call ext. 4116.

Film Series: *Desert Flower*

The Center for Continuing Education will present the 2009 film *Desert Flower* at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, at the WF Museum of Art at MSU as part of the Foreign/Documentary/Independent Film Series. *Desert Flower* is based on the autobiography of a Somalian nomad girl who was sold into marriage at age 13, fled from Africa, and became an American supermodel. She is now a United Nations spokeswoman against female genital mutilation. This film is rated R. Admission is free, with donations welcome. For more information, call ext. 4756.

Faculty Forum: Evaluationally Relatively Prime Polynomials

The Faculty Forum will present Drs. Michelle Knox, Terry McDonald, and Patrick Mitchell of the Department of Mathematics at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, in CSC Shawnee Theater. They will present "Evaluationally Relatively Prime Polynomials." For more information, contact Suhua Huang, suhua.huang@mwsu.edu; Nathan Jun, nathan.jun@mwsu.edu; or Jonathan Price, jonathan.price@mwsu.edu.

Faculty and Staff Co-Ed Softball

The Department of Recreational Sports will be hosting its annual co-ed softball tournament April 19. Games will be played at the Wichita Falls Softball Complex off of Maurine Street. Recreational Sports will provide bats, softball, and playing fields. Each participant will be responsible for a softball/baseball glove. The deadline to enter via email is 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 11. Contact Joey Greenwood at joey.greenwood@mwsu.edu with a team name and team captain or email your name to be placed on a team. For more information, call ext. 4466.

Geosciences & Environmental Science Colloquium: Dr. Ken Ridgway

The Spring 2014 Geosciences and Environmental Science Colloquium Series will present Dr. Ken Ridgway at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 13, in Bolin 127. Ridgway is professor of earth, atmospheric, and planetary sciences at Purdue University. His research interests include tectonics, sedimentary petrology, and sedimentary petrology. Ridgway will speak about the upper plate response to Cenozoic flat slab subduction processes in southern Alaska and educational outreach opportunities with Native American communities. Admission is free. For more information, contact Dr. Jesse Carlucci at jesse.carlucci@mwsu.edu.

Library Workshops in March

Moffett Library will present the following workshops in March:

11 a.m. Wednesday, March 1; and 1 p.m. & 4 p.m. Thursday, March 13

I can't find it online. What do I do now? Interlibrary Loan and Periodicals

1 p.m. Wednesday, March 26; and 11 a.m. & 4 p.m. Thursday, March 27

We have movies: A guide to the Media Department

All workshops will be in Moffett 212. For more information, call Allison Breen at ext. 4698.

Theatre: *God of Carnage*

The Department of Theatre will present *God of Carnage* by Yasmina Reza at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, March 13-15, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 16, in the Fain Fine Arts Center Theatre. Two sets of parents meet to discuss their children, one of whom has hurt the other child in a playground incident. What begins as a civilized discussion disintegrates into chaos. The play won the Tony Award for Best Play in 2009. Admission is free for students, faculty, and staff. General admission is \$8 and \$7 for pre-college, military, and senior citizens. For tickets or more information, call ext. 4399 or ext. 4393 (box office).

Campus News

Participation in a Research Study

We are looking for participants to include in a focus group as part of a research project conducted by Jane Leach, Betty Bowles, and Lauren Jansen, Midwestern State University nursing faculty. If you took Lamaze classes "back in the day" (1980s), we would like to send you an invitation to participate. If you are interested in receiving an invitation, send an email to Jane Leach at jane.leach@mwsu.edu and she will send you more information.

MSU Team Takes Top Honor at Model UN Competition

Nine Midwestern State University political science students earned Outstanding Delegation in the General Assembly Plenary Session of the 54th Midwest Model UN competition February 19-22 in St. Louis. This was the university's first time to participate in the competition. Model UN is a simulation of United Nations debate in which students play the role of countries throughout the world as they develop solutions to international problems. The MSU team represented the small country of El Salvador. Team members were Emily Baudot, Julie Brady, Amy Brister (head delegate), Alexis Gay, Tiernan

Harris, Brad Hunt, Madi Parker, Ian Potthoff, and Brandi Rhoads. To read more, visit <http://news.mwsu.edu/inews/view.asp?ID=1771>.

Governor Appoints Regents to MSU Board

Gov. Rick Perry has appointed Caven Crosnoe, Nancy Marks, and Shawn Hessing to the Midwestern State University Board of Regents effective February 25, 2014. Their terms will expire in 2020. To read more, visit <http://news.mwsu.edu/inews/view.asp?ID=1772>.

Students Achieve 100-Percent Pass Rate on National Certification Exam

Midwestern State University's Wilson School of Nursing announced that students who took the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification exam achieved a 100-percent pass rate. To read more, visit <http://news.mwsu.edu/inews/view.asp?ID=1770>.

Thank You

The Office of Student Development and Orientation would like to thank the faculty and staff members who helped promote the weCONNECT spring leadership conference on February 22 on campus. Approximately 130 students attended this second annual event with students from Tarleton State University and Cameron University also in attendance. Special thanks to Scott Feldman, Academic Counselor in the Academic Success Center; Ginger Boller, Graduate Assistant in the MSU Counseling Center; and Bradley Wilson, Assistant Professor of Mass Communications, who offered presentations at the conference.

MSU Bookstore News

Calling all iPhone 4/5 owners! The bookstore now has iPhone 4/5 MSU phone covers!

- Faculty needing regalia for May have two options: rental or custom order from Herff Jones.
- Herff Jones has a custom package available through April 7. Rental regalia must be ordered by April 1. Please contact Jenny Denning at ext. 4384 or jenny.denning@mwsu.edu
- We have your MSU Basketball gear to represent in Allen, Texas.
- New items have been added to the clearance rounders – hurry in!
- During spring break week, the bookstore will be open 8-5 Monday – Wednesday and closed Thursday and Friday.

In the Spotlight

Rachel Whatley, senior student in the Associate of Applied Sciences in Radiologic Sciences program, won first place in the Student Research Poster Competition at the Association of Collegiate Educators in Radiologic Technology 2014 Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada. Her poster was titled "Abdominal Compression in Medical Imaging."

Nathan Moran, Professor and Chair of Criminal Justice, recently published a chapter titled "Reserve Policing in Texas: A Historical Overview." The chapter was published in *Police Reserves and Volunteers in Law Enforcement: Global Perspectives*, edited by James F. Albrecht (Taylor and Francis, 2014).

Deborah Garrison, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of The Graduate School, presented a poster presentation February 21 at the Council of Southern Graduate Schools titled "Toward University-Wide Engagement: The Importance of Strategic Planning." Garrison was also elected to the CSGS executive committee.

Sally Henschel, Assistant Professor of English, co-authored an article, "Current State of U.S. Undergraduate Degree Programs in Technical and Professional Communication." The article has been selected as the 2013 Outstanding Article in *Technical Communications*.