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This Week's Events

Monday October 6

Filing Deadline for May 2015 Graduates

Philosophy Club...
 Lecture: "The Clocks in Our Rocks"
 by Jonathan Price 7 p.m. CSC Shawnee Theatre

Athletics...
 Men's Soccer at Dallas Baptist 7 p.m. Dallas, Texas

Tuesday October 7

Office of Administration & Institutional Effectiveness...
 Imagine Graduation 11 a.m.-6 p.m. CSC Comanche Suites

McAda Graduate School...
 Open House 5:30-7:30 p.m. Dillard 189

Moffett Library...
 Workshop: Don't be a Cheater 7 p.m. Media Room

Student Government Association...
 SGA Meeting 7 p.m. CSC Wichita I & II

Wednesday October 8

Office of Administration & Institutional Effectiveness...
 Imagine Graduation 11 a.m.-6 p.m. CSC Comanche Suites

Moffett Library...
 Student Research Awards Reception 3 p.m. Leisure Reading Area

Moffett Library...
 Workshop: Don't be a Cheater 1 p.m. or 4 p.m. Media Room

Counseling Center...
 Workshop: Four Steps to a 4.0 3 p.m. Sundance Meeting Room

Thursday October 9

Athletics...
 MSU Tennis at USTA/ITA Small College Nationals Sumter, S.C.

Moffett Library...
 Workshop: Don't be a Cheater 11 a.m. Media Room

Athletics...
 Lunch with the Mustangs Noon WFMA

Faculty Forum Series...
 Dr. Dale McDonald 7 p.m. CSC Shawnee Theater

Department of Theatre...
August: Osage County 7:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts Center

Friday October 10

Athletics...
 MSU Tennis at USTA/ITA Small College Nationals Sumter, S.C.

Athletics...
 Women's Soccer at Eastern New Mexico 4 p.m. Portales, N.M.

Athletics...
 Volleyball vs. Eastern New Mexico 6 p.m. Ligon Coliseum

Department of Theatre...
August: Osage County 7:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts Center

Saturday October 11

Athletics...
 Women's Cross Country at Okla. Baptist Invitational Shawnee, Okla.

Athletics...
 MSU Tennis at USTA/ITA Small College Nationals Sumter, S.C.

Athletics...
 Volleyball vs. West Texas A&M 2 p.m. Ligon Coliseum

Athletics...
 Men's Soccer vs. West Texas A&M 7 p.m. MSU Soccer Field

Athletics...
 Football at West Texas A&M 7 p.m. Canyon, Texas

Department of Theatre...
August: Osage County 7:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts Center

Sunday October 12

Athletics...
 MSU Tennis at USTA/ITA Small College Nationals Sumter, S.C.

Athletics...
 Women's Soccer at West Texas A&M 1 p.m. Canyon, Texas

Department of Theatre...
August: Osage County 2:30 p.m. Fain Fine Arts Center

Around Campus

Philosophy Club: The Clocks in Our Rocks

Dr. Jonathan Price, Assistant Professor of Geosciences at MSU, will present "The Clocks in Our Rocks" as part of the Philosophy Club's fall lecture series at 7 p.m. Monday, October 6, in CSC Shawnee Theater. The passage of time is scientifically marked by changes in a system, and its measurement requires a predictable rate, a clock. From its earliest days, geology has been a science of temporal changes. Early geoscientists put

forth a system of relative timing, but lacked methods to evaluate the absolute passage of time. Twentieth-century advances in chemistry and physics provided the means to clock these sequences. The predictable decay of long-lived but unstable radioisotopes and the ability to measure increasingly small quantities of chemical and isotopic constituents revealed timekeepers within rocks and meteorites. These provided a robust estimate of ages, including those of the oldest rocks, the oldest earth material, and the planet and solar system. Modern investigations in geochronology are building on the findings of the 20th century. In addition to increasing the number of dates, improving precision, and reducing analytic volumes, geoscientists are asking diverse questions in deep time. For more information, contact Jonathan Henderson at JHndersonM711@gmail.com.

Mark Your Calendar

Media Monday: Photography

The Department of Mass Communication continues its Media Monday series at 6:30 p.m. Monday, October 13, in the Fain Fine Arts Center. The discussion will focus on photography. Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. in the Fain Fine Arts lobby, followed by the session at 7 p.m. and discussion at 8 p.m. The series is open to media students, high school media students, and their advisers. For more information or to RSVP, contact Bradley Wilson at ext. 4704 or bradley.wilson@mwsu.edu.

Film Series: *Amour* (2012)

The Center for Continuing Education and Dr. Ruth Morrow will present *Amour* at 7 p.m. Tuesday, October 14, at the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU. Georges and Anne are an octogenarian couple. They are cultivated, retired music teachers. Their daughter, also a musician, lives in Britain with her family. One day, Anne has a stroke, and the couple's bond of love is severely tested. Even as the fruits of their lives and career remain bright, the couple's hopes for some dignity prove a dispiriting struggle even as their daughter enters the conflict. In the end, Georges, with his love fighting against his own weariness and diminished future on top of Anne's, is driven to make some critical decisions for them both. The film is rated PG-13. Admission is free with donations welcome. For more information, call ext. 4307.

Academic Workshop: Taming Test Anxiety

The MSU Counseling Center will present a one-hour academic workshop about Taming Test Anxiety at 3 p.m. Wednesday, October 15, in the Sundance Court Third Floor Meeting Room. Professors are welcome to include this information in their syllabi and offer extra credit to students if desired. Students will be provided attendance verification forms. For more information, call ext. 4618.

Business Etiquette Dinner

The Career Management Center and the Dillard College of Business Administration will present a Business Etiquette Dinner from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, October 16, in CSC Comanche Suites. Students will have an opportunity to learn the basics of dining etiquette while networking with local employers. Students should RSVP with Kathy in the Dillard College of Business Administration Advising Center, Room 266. A \$10 refundable deposit is required. For more information, contact the CMC at ext. 4473 (HIRE) or Kathy McGowan at ext. 4002.

WFMA Opening Reception

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU will play host to an opening reception for *Story Quilts: Exploring African-American Cultural and Personal History in the Art of Marion Coleman* at 5 p.m. Friday, October 17, at the museum. A native of Wichita Falls, artist Marion Coleman lives in California and creates art of fiber collage using personal narratives to explore family, history, cultural traditions, and social themes important to her African-American heritage. For more information, call ext. 8900.

Campus News

2014 MSU SECC Winners

The first of five drawings for two \$20 Cinemark Gift Cards was accomplished on October 2 by Judy Salazar of Human Resources. The winners are **Michelle Wells**, Office of Financial Aid; and **Leslie Berryhill**, Center for Continuing, Professional & Distance Education. The next drawings are scheduled for October 9, 16, 23, and 30. **Return your completed pledge form by 9 a.m. Thursday, October 9, to be eligible for the next four drawings!**

2014-15 Campus Directory

Campus directories are now available at the Print Shop for \$3.40 each. The method of delivery (campus mail or delivered) will depend on the quantity ordered.

Email the Print Shop at print.shop@mwsu.edu with the following information to place your order for pick up or delivery:

- quantity
- account number
- location (building/room)

New Baby

Cherith Barham, Secretary in University Advancement, and husband Riley welcomed daughter Kynleigh Rae on September 18. Kynleigh weighed 7.5 pounds.

Welcome

Jake Landon

Strength and Conditioning Coach

BriAnna Satterfield

Museum Collection Manager

Melissa Boerma

Administrative Assistant, Dillard College

Stacy Johnson

Library Assistant III

Pamela Carr

BSN Nurse Educator

Rebecca Mounsey

Admissions Evaluator

Jason Biggs

Admissions Counselor

Velia Lozano

Custodian, CSC

Brittany Coulter

Secretary, Undergraduate Research

In the Spotlight

Fred Stangl, Professor Emeritus of Biology, published a paper coauthored with 10 colleagues from five other schools, titled "Revised checklist of North American mammals north of Mexico, 2014." The publication was an Occasional Paper of the Texas Tech University Museum's Natural Science Research Laboratory. Stangl recently published a paper titled "Sexual dimorphism in the ringtail (*Bassariscus astutus*) from Texas" in the Occasional Papers series of the Natural Science Research Laboratory of the Texas Tech University Museum. Co-authors are recent MSU undergraduate students **Sarah Henry** and **Nick Lamar**, and MSU graduate **Steve Kasper**.