

# the Update

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## This Week's Events

### Tuesday December 6

*Moffett Library...*  
 Movie: Charlie Chaplin's *The Kid* 5 p.m. Leisure Reading Area

*Fantasy of Lights...*  
 Musical Performances Hardin Lawn  
 Fain Elementary 6 p.m.  
 WFISD Elementary Honor Choir 6:30 p.m.

*Student Government Association...*  
 SGA Meeting 7 p.m. CSC Comanche

### Wednesday December 7

*Moffett Library...*  
 Yoga at Moffett Library 7-8 p.m. Leisure Reading Area

### Thursday December 8

*Office of Alumni Relations...*  
 Finals Tent 9 a.m.-noon Sunwatcher Plaza

*Moffett Library...*  
 Coloring & Button Making 5-7 p.m. Leisure Reading Area

*Athletics...*  
 Women's Basketball vs. Angelo State 5:30 p.m. Ligon Coliseum

*University Programming Board...*  
 Finals Frenzy 7-11 p.m. CSC Atrium

*Spanish Club...*  
 Spanish Conversation 6:30 p.m. Prothro-Yeager 204

*Department of Music...*  
 Jazz Band and Midwestern Singers 7 p.m. Akin Auditorium

*Athletics...*  
 Men's Basketball vs. Angelo State 7:30 p.m. Ligon Coliseum

### Friday December 9

#### Last Day of Classes

*Office of Admissions...*  
 Honors Preview Day 9:30 a.m. CSC Comanche

*Department of Art...*  
 Opening Reception: Senior Exhibition 6 p.m. Juanita Harvey Art Gallery

### Saturday December 10

Final Examinations Begin

## Around Campus

### Moffett Library Finals Events

Moffett Library will sponsor the following activities in preparation and during fall finals:

#### Tuesday, December 6

5-6:30 p.m.: Charlie Chaplin's *The Kid* – silent movie and free popcorn

#### Wednesday, December 7

7-8 p.m.: Yoga

#### Thursday, December 8

5-7 p.m.: Adult coloring pages and button making featuring Moffett's Special Collections

#### Monday, December 12

5-7 p.m.: Therapy dogs from the Obedience Club of Wichita Falls

#### Tuesday, December 13

5-7 p.m.: Charlie Chaplin's *City Lights* – silent movie and free popcorn

#### Wednesday, December 14

5-7 p.m.: Therapy dogs from the Obedience Club of Wichita Falls

## Mark Your Calendar

### Mass Communication

#### Senior Documentary Screenings

The Department of Mass Communication will present screenings of senior documentaries at 3 p.m. Friday, December 16, in Fain Fine Arts Theatre. For more information, call ext. 4670.

### Commencement

The MSU commencement ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 17, in the Kay Yeager Coliseum of the Multi-Purpose Event Center at 1000 Fifth Street. The speaker will be Texas State Representative James Frank.

For more information regarding commencement, call the Registrar's Office at ext. 4116 or visit <http://registrar.mwsu.edu/commencement/>.

## Welcome

### **Syreeta Greene**

Director, Equity, Inclusion and Multicultural Affairs

### **Melissa Poling**

Admissions Evaluator

### **Samantha Mayfield**

Medical Office Coordinator

### **Denissa Pope**

Secretary, Mathematics

### **Christina Britt**

Secretary, Computer Science

### **Kristin Grassi**

Coordinator, ADA Accommodations

### **Shawna Glore**

Secretary, Nursing

### **Wendy Dotson**

Lead Custodian

## Jobs

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### **Custodian**

**Department:** Facilities Services

**Starting Date:** As soon as possible

**Starting Salary:** \$1,655.67 monthly, plus benefits

### **Academic Counselor**

**Department:** Academic Success Center

**Starting Date:** As soon as possible

**Starting Salary:** \$2,814.33 monthly, plus benefits

## In the Spotlight

**Dittika Gupta**, Assistant Professor of Curriculum and Learning, presented a poster session with her former EURECA students, **Nikki Bussue** and **Melissa Whitwood**, in Tucson, Arizona, at the PMENA 2016 conference. She also presented a brief research report and another poster session about her ongoing research on professional noticing of children's mathematical thinking and lesson study in collaboration with four other universities across the United States.

**Darla English, Linda Knox, Kim Long, and Jamie Wilson** from the Office of the Registrar attended the Texas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (TACRAO) conference November 13-16 at Horseshoe Bay Resort in Horseshoe Bay, Texas. English presided at the conference as president, and will serve in 2016-17 as past-president. Knox, Long,

and Wilson served as facilitators for sessions; and Wilson was asked to present as a panelist on a session presented by DigArc, which is the software through which the MSU online catalog is produced. Wilson also served as a panelist on a session regarding the Texas Success Initiative (TSI). Knox serves as chair of the Management, Organization and Professional Development Session Planning Committee, and Wilson serves on the Certification and Legal Issues Session Planning Committee for TACRAO.

The Wilson School of Nursing presented a conference titled The Zika Challenge on November 18. This annual health conference is sponsored by a grant from the March of Dimes during Prematurity Prevention Month and by Sigma Theta Tau National Honor Society for Nursing, Xi Iota Chapter. Speakers included **Karen Polvado, Catherine Pankonien, Robin Lockhart, and Marty Gibson**, all members of the nursing faculty, and Susan Morris, Environmental Health Administrator for the Wichita Falls-Wichita County Public Health District. Planning committee members included **Jane Leach, Lauren Jansen, Daria Close, and Betty Bowles**. An additional presentation titled "Recognition of Symptoms to Prevent Burnout in Nursing" was presented by **Catherine Pankonien**. There were 85 attendees at the conference.