

» THIS WEEK SEPTEMBER 3-9

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
University offices closed
in observance of Labor Day

Welcome Back BBQ
6 p.m. CSC North Side

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
Interfaith Fair
11:30 a.m. CSC Atrium

**Leadership MSU Texas
Information Session**
2 p.m. CSC Wichita I & II

**OSPR Faculty Research Coffee Talk:
Intramural Grants 101**
3 p.m. Moffett Library Reading Area

**Moffett Movie Madness:
Back to School**
7 p.m. Moffett Library Reading Area

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
Part-time Networking Job Fair
11:30 a.m. CSC

Women's Soccer at Central Oklahoma
7 p.m. Edmond, Okla.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
Consent Day:
#notonmycampusMSUTexas
9 a.m.-4 p.m. MSU Campus

Men's Soccer vs. Fort Hays State
5 p.m. Shawnee, Okla.

Artist-Lecture Series: Becky Hammon
7 p.m. Akin Auditorium

Reel to Real Series: Higher Learning
7 p.m. Legacy Hall

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
Volleyball vs. Eastern New Mexico
6 p.m. Ligon Coliseum

Food Truck Friday
7 p.m. Mustangs Walk

**Women's Soccer
at Colorado State-Pueblo**
7 p.m. Pueblo, Colo.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
Sikes Lake Cleanup
9 a.m. Sikes Lake

2018 Empower Me! Summit
11:45 a.m. CSC Comanche Suites

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

Men's Soccer at Oklahoma Baptist
7 p.m. Shawnee, Okla.

Football vs. West Florida
7 p.m. Memorial Stadium

AROUND CAMPUS

Engagement Week

The Office of Student Leadership and Involvement will present Engagement Week September 3-8. Learn more at [Mustangs Link](#).

Welcome Back BBQ

The Office of Equity, Inclusion & Multicultural Affairs will host a welcome back BBQ from 6-8 p.m. Monday, September 3, on the north side of the Clark Student Center. For more information, call ext. 4140.

Interfaith Fair

The Office of Student Leadership & Involvement will present an Interfaith Fair from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 4, in the Clark Student Center Atrium. Participants can browse the variety of religious groups in Wichita Falls. For more information, call ext. 3033.

OSPR Coffee Talk: Intramural Grants 101

The Office of Sponsored Programs and Research (OSPR) invites faculty to enjoy coffee and cookies while learning all about MSU's intramural grants. Please join us to ask questions, discuss scholarly and creative project ideas, and learn how to craft a competitive intramural grant proposal. RSVP to Brittany Norman at brittany.norman@msutexas.edu or call ext. 4714.

About Coffee Talks: Any MSU faculty member with an interest in exploring grant funding for scholarly and creative activities is invited to attend the Coffee Talk series hosted OSPR on the first Tuesday of the month. Each Coffee Talk will begin with a brief presentation on a research- or grant-related topic and will end with plenty of time to ask questions and "talk

amongst yourselves" about scholarly and creative endeavors.

A calendar of future Coffee Talks and other events can be found on the [Workshops and Networking page](#) of the OSPR website.

Moffett Movie Madness: Back to School

Moffett Library will present a screening of *Back to School* (1986), starring Rodney Dangerfield at 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 4, in the Leisure Reading Area. Christopher P. D'Amico, a lecturer in Mass Communication, will introduce the film. Free popcorn will be provided. For more information, contact Emily Billings at ext. 4696.

Leadership MSU Texas Information Session

The Leadership MSU Texas Information Session will introduce students the leadership training opportunities available through the Office of Student Involvement. The session will from 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, September 4, in CSC Wichita I & II. For more information, call ext. 3033.

Part-time Networking Job Fair

The Career Management Center will present a Part-time Networking Job Fair from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, September 5, in CSC Comanche Suites. Local employers and nonprofit organizations will be looking to fill their part-time employment and volunteer needs. Employers will be able to speak with students and alumni seeking internships, part-time and full-time employment; interview candidates in a relaxed environment; market your organizational opportunities; and recruit your next great employee. Contact the Office of Student Involvement for more information at ext. 3033.

Consent Day: #notonmycampusMSUTexas

Consent Day at MSU is a chance for all students to stand up and say #notonmycampus. Throughout the day on Thursday, September 6, students will participate in programming, social media campaigns, and activities to show their support for the prevention of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and gender-based discrimination on campus.

Artist-Lecture Series: Becky Hammon

The Artist-Lecture Series will present Becky Hammon, assistant coach of the San Antonio Spurs basketball team at 7 p.m. Thursday, September 6, in Akin Auditorium. Hammon played for the San Antonio Stars and the New York Liberty teams in the Women's National Basketball Association and joined the Spurs as an assistant coach in 2014. She ranks ninth in WNBA history in points, third in 3-point field goals, fifth in assists and 10th in games played. She is the first full-time assistant female coach in any of the four major men's sports leagues. Admission is free to MSU students, faculty, and staff with ID. Tickets are available at the Clark Student Center Information Desk. For tickets or more information, contact the Office of Student Affairs at ext. 7500.

Reel to Real Series: *Higher Learning*

The Office of Equity, Inclusion & Multicultural Affairs will present the film *Higher Learning* as part of its Reel to Real Film Series at 7 p.m. Thursday, September 6, in Legacy Multipurpose Room. The 1995 film stars Jennifer Connelly, Ice Cube, Omar Epps, Michael Rapaport, Kristy Swanson and Laurence Fishburne and expresses the challenges of life in higher education.

The Reel to Real Series introduces and engages MSU students in a variety of topics focused on culturally relevant themes. For more information, email equityandinclusion@msutexas.edu or call ext. 4140.

Empower Me! Summit

The Office of Equity, Inclusion & Multicultural Affairs will host the Empower Me! Summit from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, September 8, in CSC Comanche Suites. The 2018 Empower Me! Summit is a half-day, engaging personalized student welcome geared toward incoming first-year students, especially students who are the first in their family to attend/complete college. New students will learn about relevant and effective strategies to achieve success during their first year at MSU, as well as important academic and extracurricular opportunities and resources to enhance the MSU experience. Lunch is provided, and [RSVP for Empower Me! Summit](#) is required. For more information, email equityandinclusion@msutexas.edu or call ext. 4140.

Food Truck Friday

Local food trucks will be available at the Jesse Rogers Promenade from 7-9 p.m. Friday, September 7. For more information, call ext. 3033.

Sikes Lake Cleanup

Join the Sikes Lake Cleanup Saturday, September 8. Volunteers will meet at 9 a.m. on the east side of Sikes Lake. A free lunch for volunteers will be available after the cleanup. Event sponsors are Rolling Plains Chapter of Texas Master Naturalist, MSU Texas, American National Bank & Trust, and Texas Parks & Wildlife. For more information, email volunteersmu@msutexas.edu.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Mustangs Monday

Join the excitement of Mustangs Monday, an after-hours event featuring opportunities to interact with coaches, administrators and special guests from MSU Texas. The next event is from 5:15-6:45 p.m. Monday, September 10, at the Courtyard by Marriott. For more information, call ext. 4779.

Faculty Forum Series

The Fall 2018 Faculty Forum Series will kick off with Martin Camacho, Dean of the Fain College of Fine Arts; Associate Professor of Art Ann Marie Leimer; and Associate Professor of Spanish Claudia Montoya in a discussion of "Art, Culture, and the Women's Legacy of the Mexican Revolution" at 7 p.m. Monday, September 10, at Burns Chapel. For more information, contact Jonathan Price at jonathan.price@msutexas.edu.

Student Success Series: Edutainer – Robert Hackenson Jr.

Robert Hackenson Jr. will open this year's Student Success Series with his presentation of "Sober Thoughts," a discussion of substance awareness and positive choices, at 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 11, in CSC Comanche Suites. Discussion will center on common college misperceptions and how they cause some students to make poor choices because it's what they think they are "supposed to do in college." Hackenson takes the audience through a roller coaster of emotions with stories and humor while also infusing magic and hypnosis skits in a way that helps to reinforce the educational lessons.

Professional college speaker and "edutainer" Hackenson is internationally recognized for his highly interactive college "edutainment" presentations. For more than 10 years he has been delivering dynamic presentations that

infuse educational lecture with magic and hypnosis that engages and educates. This presentation is a Student Success Series presentation, a series of speakers and workshops selected from today's pertinent topics for college students. For more information, contact Student Transition Services at ext. 4500.

Phi Alpha Speaker Series: Sarah Janda

The Phi Alpha Speaker Series will present Dr. Sarah Janda at 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 11, at the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas. Janda is Professor of History at Cameron University. Her topic is "Prairie Power: Student Activism, Counterculture, and Backlash in Oklahoma 1962-1972," which is also the title of her new book. The event is sponsored by the Department of History and the Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and admission is free. For more information, contact Whitney Snow at whitney.snow@msutexas.edu or ext. 8917.

Lifelong Learning Center Grand Opening

The MSU Texas Lifelong Learning Center will host a grand opening from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, September 12, at 2527 Hampstead Lane. The LLC, opening Fall 2018, offers courses and opportunities on a membership basis for individuals 50 and older who still enjoy learning.

Visit the [Lifelong Learning Center webpage](#) or call ext. 4814 for more information.

Furniture Restoration Workshop

The Center for Continuing Education will host a furniture restoration workshop from 6-9 p.m. Thursday, September 13. Learn how to sand, paint, and finish working with your own piece of furniture. All sanding, paint, and finishing supplies are included. Cost is \$55. For more information or to register, call Continuing Education at ext. 4307 or visit the [Continuing Education webpage](#).

MSU Theatre: *Extremities*

The Department of Theatre will present *Extremities* by William Mastrosimone at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, September 13-15, and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, September 16, in the Bea Wood Studio Theatre. After Marjorie is assaulted by an intruder, she fights back. But how far will she go in her pursuit for justice? *Extremities* examines the fantasy of taking control back after an assault. For mature audiences. General admission is \$5, including students, faculty, and staff. For more information, call ext. 4399 or ext. 4393.

QPR Training for Faculty and Staff

The Counseling Center will present QPR training for faculty and staff at noon Friday, September 14, in Dillard 189. QPR stands for question, persuade, and refer. These are three simple steps that anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR and the Heimlich Maneuver help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help.

The training will be provided by licensed professional counselors from the MSU Counseling Center. It is free to faculty and staff and lasts one hour. A box lunch from McAlister's Deli will be served during the faculty/staff training. Call Christina Gragg at the Counseling Center at ext. 4618 no later than Thursday, September 13, to reserve a lunch.

Stampede the Yard

The Cultural Greek Council will present Stampede the Yard at 7 p.m. Friday, September 14, in Sunwatcher Plaza. Join the CGC for a step and stroll showcase.

Harvey Art Gallery Opening Reception

The Juanita Harvey Art Gallery will present an opening reception for Melanie Yazzie and her exhibit, "Waterways: Monotypes," from 6-8 p.m. Friday, September 14. Yazzie is Associate Professor of Art at the University of Colorado Boulder. She has had more than 100 group and solo exhibitions combined in national and international galleries. Yazzie creates prints, sculptures, paintings, and mixed media works. Her work is on permanent exhibition in the Glenn Green Gallery in Santa Fe, New Mexico. For more information, call ext. 4264.

CAMPUS NEWS

A Message from the Provost

As we begin a new academic year, I would like to announce a change regarding the Redwine Honors Program. When the Assistant Director Juliana Lehman resigned earlier this summer, the current director Dean Watson and I agreed to shift those shared duties to a single person. I'm pleased to announce that Dr. Steve Garrison has agreed to assume the duties as the new Director of the Redwine Honors Program. He brings a strong student centered focus and leadership style to this position and I am confident that under his leadership we will see new growth and success of this wonderful program. I would also like to thank Dean Watson and Ms. Lehman for their work and dedication. The Redwine Honors Program certainly benefited from their insightful

leadership. Please welcome Dr. Steve Garrison to his new role and support him and the Redwine Honors Program as we begin a new chapter.

TLRC - Call for Abstracts

The TLRC Committee of MSU Texas invites its faculty and colleagues to present their engaging teaching strategies and high-impact practices for MSU students. Proposals should include the following:

1. Name of the presenter(s) and an attractive and informative title of the presentation
2. Brief proposal for a 45-50 minute presentation that clearly states
 - Purpose of the presentation
 - Relevance for MSU faculty/Presentation outcomes
 - Brief description of presentation organization
 - Any request for specific presentation equipment and/or facilities, if relevant

The proposal should be relevant to the wider university audience. Submissions should be sent to Dittika Gupta at dittika.gupta@msutexas.edu by September 30. Proposals will be considered based on first come basis. Those selected will be notified via email. TLRC is a monthly showcase for faculty to share and discuss teaching strategies that impact teaching on a daily basis and an opportunity for MSU community to learn and engage in novel ideas from talented individuals who teach, discover, and create at MSU.

Information about the Kissing Bug and Chagas

MSU Texas received word from the Wichita Falls Wichita County Public Health District late on August 28 that an insect was found that tested positive for *Trypanosoma cruzi*. *T. cruzi* is a microbe (specifically a parasite) that causes Chagas disease. Chagas disease is primarily in South America and Mesoamerica. That's where its home is. It is present in many parts of the world, but is uncommon outside of these areas.

The parasite is not transmitted by the bite of the insect. It is transmitted by the bug's feces that ends up on skin broken by the bite, or ends up on a moist surface like the eye or mouth (which while unpleasant to contemplate, is accurate information!). It is a problem primarily because it is a stealthy and uncommon disease that can turn out to be serious. Most kissing bugs won't carry the parasite. Of the kissing bugs that do carry the parasite, most won't bite people. Of those that do carry the parasite, and do bite people, most won't transmit the infection. It is unlikely that any particular individual in North Texas will get Chagas disease, but it could happen. In the entirety

of Texas, 20 people have been infected in the last five years. Given the population of Texas, that makes for a 1 in 1.4 million chance. When someone does become infected with *T. cruzi*, there are typically minimal symptoms. The disease is initially stealthy, but years later may cause severe heart problems, esophagus problems, and colon problems.

The best way to avoid it is to avoid bugs, and avoid attracting bugs. They are attracted to light at night, and bite sleeping people. The best way to avoid risk is to keep windows and doors closed. If you have concerns, talk to a physician.

Wellness Center Information

The Bruce and Graciela Redwine Student Wellness Center fall hours are in effect. The facility is open 5:30 a.m.-midnight Monday-Friday and Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Employees may also visit the [Wellness Center website](#) for information about the Worksite Wellness Program.

Moffett Announces Winners of Library Research Scholars

Moffett Library is proud to announce the winners of the Fifth Annual Library Research Scholars program for undergraduate students.

The winners and their research papers are as follows: First place: Rodrigo Mireles and Conney Vargas - Oxen, Agricultural Productivity and Farm Income in Nicaragua. Recognized researchers Herb McCullough - China's growing influence in Africa; and Brandy Fields, Caleb Acuna, Sheldon Walsh, Okan Lefleur, and William Statham - The design and implementation of a heat transfer system for the pyrolysis of synthetic polymers.

FROM COACH ELDER

It has been an honor and privilege to be the Head Coach for Men's Soccer here at Midwestern State University. Words cannot describe the appreciation I have for all the people who were a part of 18 amazing years, not only as a coach, but also as an instructor at MSU.

Special thanks to the administrators, students, and fans who supported us on and off the field. The credit for my success lies in countless sacrifices made by my past and present coaching staff and more importantly the student-athletes themselves. I have been blessed with many memorable victories, but those were not as important as watching these men grow into great husbands and fathers!

My only regret was I was unable to bring home a

National Championship. But the team plays for one every year, and someday, Men's Soccer will bring home a National Championship to Wichita Falls! I will be forever grateful for my coaching career here at MSU and the opportunity to influence lives. But this was a two-way street. My life was also immeasurably changed—for the better—by the players I coached.

I have nothing but love and respect for all who made my career possible. From the bottom of my heart, I thank you all!

I will always bleed Maroon and Gold!

Doug Elder
MSU Boys Forever

WELCOME

Glezarie Boswell
Internal Auditor

Cassandra O'Brien
Research Analyst, Institutional Research

Jeremy Pick
Strength and Conditioning Coach, Athletics

David Curl
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Jennifer Culipher
Custodian, Facilities Services

Emily Sanchez
Assistant to Registrar

Mandi Peterman
Admissions Counselor

Chelsea Butler
Registrar Assistant I

Mary Martinez
Registrar Assistant I

In the Spotlight

Don Maxwell, Professor of Music, had an article published in the September issue of *Antique Phonograph Society* quarterly publication titled "The Siegel-Myers Correspondence School of Music-An Historical Vocal Teaching Discovery."

Nathan Jun, Associate Professor and Coordinator of the Philosophy Program, has published his ninth book, titled *Proletarian Days: A Hippolyte Havel Reader* (AK Press).

Beth Vealé, Professor of Radiologic Sciences, gave four presentations at the South Texas Association of Radiographers on August 17 in South Padre Island.

The four presentations were "Informatics: What you need to know," "Radiography of the Difficult Patient," "Radiography and Terrorism," and "What to Look for on a Chest Radiograph."

Deb Wynne, Interim Chair and Assistant Professor of Radiologic Sciences, along with **Kevin Clark**, Adjunct Professor of Radiologic Sciences, had their article titled "Sexual harassment in medical imaging" published in the May/June issue of Radiologic Technology, the *Journal of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists*.

Frank B. Wyatt, Professor in the Department of Athletic Training and Exercise Physiology, was recently interviewed by a reporter of *Runners World*, and was published in the July 30 edition. The content and title of the interview/article was "Why You Get Shortness of Breath When Climbing Stairs." The article utilizes quotes from Wyatt and mentions Midwestern State University.