THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12
COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic
10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sikes Lake Center

WFMA Family Art Activity
5:30 p.m. WFMA

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14
WFMA Family Art Activity
2 p.m. WFMA

Do you want to share your news or accomplishments with the campus community?

Please submit your information to public.information@msutexas.edu to be included in the next issue.

CAMPUS NEWS

Provost James Johnston named Interim President effective Sept. 1

In its final quarterly meeting before the University transitions to the Texas Tech University System on Sept. 1, the MSU Texas Board of Regents recognized President Suzanne Shipley’s upcoming retirement with the renaming of the Sikes Lake Trail to the Suzanne Shipley Trail.

“Dr. Shipley and her husband, Randall Wadsworth, and their pets have walked this trail nearly every day since they arrived on campus six years ago,” said Board Vice Chair Nancy Marks upon reading of the motion. “This naming is fitting and will remind students, faculty, and community members of her contributions to MSU Texas as they use the trail for years to come.”

The Board also named MSU Provost James Johnston as interim president effective Sep. 1. Johnston began his tenure at MSU in 2003 as Associate Professor of Radiologic Science and served as dean of the Robert D. and Carol Gunn College of Health Sciences and Human Services from 2013 until his appointment as provost and vice president of academic affairs in 2017.

In other action the Board approved the $124 million operating budget for FY22, the addition of a bachelor’s degree in industrial technology and a minor in petroleum engineering. The Board also authorized the president and board chair to finalize a contract for the sale of university property at 917 Midwestern Parkway, formerly the MSU J.S. Bridwell Simulation Center.

Salary merit, equity, and parity adjustment announced

In a letter released August 5, 2021, President Suzanne Shipley announced the following regarding staff compensation:

“We are pleased to confirm that the Midwestern State University Board of Regents at its meeting today approved a 2.5% merit pool for faculty and 2.5% salary increase for staff in their current position before July 1. In addition, the fourth and final year of the staff parity plan has been funded. The parity plan was an important part of the overall compensation study conducted some years ago in addressing salary compression for long-serving staff members.

“Funding has also been approved to address issues of equity and salary compression for faculty. This ongoing concern at colleges and universities across the country is one we will continue to address at MSU. The Provost’s Office is collaborating with the Deans to allocate these funds. We hope that this investment in salary merit, equity, and parity adjustments provides recognition of the service that each and every one of you in the MSU community brings to this special place we call home.”

Read more campus news online at MSU Campus News.

AROUND CAMPUS

Art Around the World

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art continues to host Family Art Activities from Around the World at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays and 2 p.m. on Saturdays. The workshops are hands-on activities and free of charge. These events are part of the Blue Star Museums program and made possible by a grant from the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Italian Futurism
Led by Ramona Stegal and Simon Welch
5:30 p.m. August 12 and 2 p.m. August 14

Spanish Cubism
Led by Daniel Juarez and Chip Kouri
5:30 p.m. August 19 and 2 p.m. August 21

American Abstract Expressionism and End of Summer Bash
August 28
1 p.m. Interactive Drumming by David Cox
2 p.m. AbEx Community Canvas
IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Marcy Brown Marsden, Dean of the McCoy College of Science, Mathematics & Engineering, completed a Diversity and Inclusion Certificate through the ILR program at Cornell University in August 2021.

Associate Professor of Radiologic Sciences Vicki Dillard attended the Virtual 2021 American Society of Radiologic Technologists House of Delegates meeting, June 24-27. The ASRT represents over 157,000 medical imaging and therapy professionals across the U.S. Dillard serves as chair and delegate of the Registered Radiologist Assistant Chapter and her term ends June 27, 2022.

WELCOME
JUNE 2021

Monica Flores, Coordinator, Activities
Teresa Lopez, Project Specialist, Residence Life and Housing
Rick Brown, Assistant Coach, Women’s Volleyball
Emily Simmons, Teller, Business Office
Nicholas Smith, Groundskeeper, Facilities Services
Billy Hall, Groundskeeper, Facilities Services
Adrian McDonald, Assistant Coach, Football
Darla Donaldson, Custodian, Facilities Services
James Pollan, Maintenance Technician, Facilities Services

JULY 2021

Jessica Joplin, Secretary, Art
Deborah Foshee, Secretary, BAAS
Darren Myers, Graduate Admissions Evaluator
Tiffany Childs, Assistant to the Dean, Graduate School
Alexander Regouby, Custodian, Facilities Services
Ryan Fullerton, Auto Mechanic Foreperson

JOBS

An EEO/ADAAA Compliance Employer

Financial Aid Processor/Counselor
Department: Financial Aid
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: $2,276.25 Monthly W/Benefits

Multimedia Specialist
Department: Marketing and Public Information
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: $2,814.34 Monthly W/Benefits

Registrar Assistant II
Department: Office of the Registrar
Starting Date: August 6
Starting Salary: $2,047.08 Monthly W/Benefits

Secretary
Department: Mass Comm and Theater
Starting Date: August 26, 2021
Starting Salary: $1,907.33 Monthly W/Benefits

Admissions Evaluator
Department: Admissions
Starting Date: August 9, 2021
Starting Salary: $1,976 Monthly W/Benefits

Digital Media Specialist
Department: Marketing and Public Information
Starting Date: August 1
Starting Salary: $3,020.67 Monthly W/Benefits

Academic Counselor
Department: College of Science & Mathematics
Starting Date: September 15
Starting Salary: $3,020.66 Monthly W/Benefits

Assistant Director, Student Leadership and Involvement for Fraternity and Sorority Life
Department: Student Leadership and Involvement
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: $3,479.67 Monthly W/Benefits

Assistant to Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs
Department: Office of the Provost
Starting Date: September 1
Starting Salary: $3,020.67 Monthly W/Benefits
Note: Open to current retirement eligible employees only)

Carpenter
Department: Facilities Services
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: $2,531 Monthly W/Benefits
Director, Planning and Assessment
Department: Institutional Effectiveness
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: $6,363 Monthly W/Benefits

Electronics Technician
Department: Facilities Services
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: $2,622.17 Monthly W/Benefits

PC/Network Service Technician
Department: Information Technology
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: $3,095.75 Monthly W/Benefits

Professional Counselor (2 positions available)
Department: Counseling Center
Starting Date: August 1
Starting Salary: $3,479.67 Monthly W/Benefits

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2020-21 Faculty Staff Campaign Review
332 employees, or 50.15%, have given to the campaign. There are 15 departments which have reached 100 percent participation. Learn more at the Boundless Opportunities webpage.

Chief of Police Patrick Coggins is awarded a certificate by Director of University Development Steve Shipp. The MSU Police Department was the fifteenth department to reach 100% participation. Thank you to all of our donors!