AROUND CAMPUS

SBDC: Retirement Plans for Small Businesses

Financial Adviser Stephen Morath will share the different types of retirement plans available to small businesses from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, in Dillard 274. RSVP for seminar with included box lunch. Registration fee $20. Call the SBDC at ext. 4373 for more information.

Critical Conversations: Managing Difficult Conversations in Your Space

MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center will host the next Critical Conversations Series: Managing Difficult Conversations in your Space at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, via Zoom. The target audience for the Critical Conversations Series is MSU faculty and staff, but the events are open to the entire campus community. Attendees will engage in important conversations regarding race, ethnicity, sexuality, systems of oppression, and other topics that influence the delivery of present-day collegiate education. The series encourages a variety of ways to support today's college student. The conversation will have interactive examples of difficult conversations regarding DEI, and advice on how to manage these conversations. RSVP online for Critical Conversations.

If you are unable to attend, the conversation will be recorded and will be posted on the MOSAIC webpage. For more information, email Ruby Garrett at ruby.garrett@msutexas.edu.

Women’s History Month Empowerment Brunch

10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 26, Quad
A late afternoon picnic to celebrate the women of MSU Texas. Free food, outdoor games, and crafts. Bring your favorite picnic blanket to sit on the grass with friends.

Women in Support & Empowerment: Sister 2 Sister

7 p.m. Monday, March 28, CSC Cheyenne
A time for self-exploration, self-reflection, and self-love as attendees share similar, yet distinctive journeys in college and through life with WISE.

Researching Texts for, by, or About Women

1 p.m. Thursday, March 31, PY 100
A paneled discussion of research studies conducted on women's issues with Associate Professors of English Sally Henschel and Melissa Nivens, Assistant Professor of English Hillary Coenen, Lecturer Shelby Ragan, and Chair of English Jennifer Dawes.

Faculty panel on Ukraine-Russian conflict

MSU Texas faculty will host a roundtable discussion on the events in Ukraine from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 23, in Akin Auditorium. The public is invited to hear from these professors, whose areas of expertise can address the conflict from different perspectives to give an informed overview of the situation. After the discussion, the panel will take questions from the audience. Participants will be John Ashbrook, Chair of the Department of History; Rebekah Dowd, Assistant Professor of Political Science; Kirsten Lodge, Professor of English; Michael Mills, Director of Global Education; and Mike Rattanasengchanh, Assistant Professor of History. Each will speak approximately 10-15 minutes on different aspects of the situation. For more information, contact Ashbrook at john.ashbrook@msutexas.edu.
**SAY HER NAME**
6 p.m. Thursday, March 31, Sunwatcher Plaza
An artistic expression of showcases, music, and performances in memory of Black women who have lost their lives fighting against oppression on global, international, regional, and domestic scales.

These events are sponsored by MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center, Residence Life & Housing, the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas, Sigma Lambda Alpha Sorority Inc., the Department of English, and the Department of World Languages & Cultures. For more information, email mosaic@msutexas.edu or call ext. 4500.

**Presentation workshop**
The Office of Undergraduate Research will host a workshop on Preparing Effective Oral & Poster Presentations from 5-6 p.m. Thursday, March 24, in the Moffett Library 113G. A Zoom link will be available. Contact Julie Scales at julie.scales@msutexas.edu or ext. 6274 for more information or assistance.

**Harvey Art Gallery: Reception**
The Ralph and Juanita Harvey School of Visual Arts will host a reception for the Juried Student Exhibition and Kristen Longo’s exhibition, "Undisturbed Femininity," at the Juanita Harvey Gallery from 6-8 p.m. Friday, March 25, in the Juanita Harvey Art Gallery. Juror Caleb Bell will give a juror’s statement. Bell selected artworks from all the disciplines taught in the art department during the 2021-2022 academic year: ceramics, drawing, graphic design, metals, painting, photography, printmaking, and sculpture. The exhibition will close April 8. The gallery hours are from 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**Redwine Honors Program Toiletries Drive**
The MSU Texas Redwine Honors Program is conducting a toiletries drive for the Mustangs Pantry through March 31 in Bridwell Hall 112 (Honors Lounge). Stop by between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to donate toiletries such as new toothpaste, toothbrushes, razors, shaving cream, deodorant, body wash, shampoo, feminine hygiene products, toilet paper, laundry, or dish soap. Contact the Honors Program Student Council President Amanda Threlkeld at honors@msutexas.edu or call ext. 4534.

**Mass Communication: Centennial Festival of Student Documentaries**
The Department of Mass Communication will present the Centennial Festival of Student Documentaries, Wichita Falls Student Series, from noon-4 p.m. Thursday, March 31, in Legacy Hall’s Multipurpose Room. The MSU Texas Centennial Series will follow from 5-7 p.m. Call 940-397-4670 for more information.

**Phi Alpha Theta Speaker Series: William Bradford Huie**
The Phi Alpha Theta Speaker Series will present Mary Ben Heflin at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 31, via Zoom. Her talk will be “William Bradford Huie, the Truth Seeker: A Retrospective by his Stepdaughter.” Huie was the prolific and controversial author of The Americanization of Emily and The Execution of Private Slovik, which were made into films. As an investigative reporter, Huie frequently wrote about race-related crimes throughout the 1950s-70s. Contact Associate Professor of History Whitney Snow at whitney.snow@msutexas.edu for the Zoom link or for more information.

**Take Back the Night**
Join the campus community from 8-10 p.m. Friday, April 1, in the Legacy Courtyard to become part of a worldwide effort to combat sexual violence and violence against women. We challenge our campus community to end sexual violence in all forms and support survivors in their healing. Take Back the Night is filled with opportunities to learn, engage with resources, and support those who have been affected. A candlelight vigil and march will be followed by booths, food trucks, music, free T-Shirts, and more. Contact Director and Coordinator of Title IX Laura Hetrick at laura.hetrick@msutexas.edu or ext. 4213 for more information.

**Maverick’s Day of Service**
For those who are looking for community service hours to connect with local nonprofits...
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.

or to gain service hours towards tenure and promotion, here is your opportunity. The Office of Student Leadership & Involvement will host Maverick’s Day of Service from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, April 2. Check-in will be from 8:15-8:45 a.m. in the Clark Student Center Atrium. This event provides faculty and staff with an opportunity to volunteer for the day while interacting with students. Faculty and staff are needed to assist with volunteer check-in, drive students to volunteer sites in university vehicles, and onsite campus support.

Register online to volunteer. For more information, contact the Office of Student Leadership & Involvement at ext. 3033 or email student.activities@msutexas.edu.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Phi Alpha Theta Speaker Series

The Phi Alpha Theta Speaker Series will present Cari Casteel, clinical assistant professor at the University at Buffalo, at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, via Zoom. Her topic will be “A Better Mousetrap for your Armpit: Deodorant and Technological Development in the United States.” Contact Associate Professor of History Whitney Snow at whitney.snow@msutexas.edu for the Zoom link or for more information.

Safe Zone Training & Luncheon

Safe Zone Training increase the awareness, knowledge, and skills for individuals and addresses the challenges that exist when one wants to advocate for their LGBTQ peers, family members, friends, coworkers, and themselves. Creating safe zones or safe spaces is a proactive step schools, agencies, and corporations can take to create welcoming, inclusive spaces so that all people are empowered to reach their full potential.

Inclusion Now! will sponsor a Safe Zone Training and Luncheon session from 12:30 p.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, in the Legacy Multipurpose Room. Some discussions will build on previous training sessions and new topics related to the recent orders from Gov. Greg Abbott will be discussed. RSVP to attend Safe Zone.

Contact christopher.damico@msutexas.edu or jonathon.quam@msutexas.edu for more information.

Theatre: Ada and the Engine

The Department of Theatre will present Ada and the Engine by Lauren Gunderson at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 8-9, in the Fain Fine Arts Center Theatre. As the British Industrial Revolution dawns, young Ada Byron Lovelace (daughter of the flamboyant and notorious Lord Byron) sees the boundless creative potential in the “analytic engines” of her friend and soul-mate, Charles Babbage, inventor of the first mechanical computer. Ada envisions a whole new world where art and information converge – a world she might not live to see. General admission tickets are $10. Price is $8 for senior citizens, and military. MSU students, faculty, and staff will be admitted free. Get tickets online or call the box office at 940-397-4393.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Augustine Ezenagu, undergraduate student in mechanical engineering, was awarded the 2022 Ivory Moore Undergraduate College Scholarship named in honor of Mr. Ivory Moore, a retired Texas A&M-Commerce educator and administrator and one of the founders of the Texas Association of Black Personnel in Higher Education [TAPBHE] which sponsors the award.

Alonzo Burris, admissions counselor, and Cammie Dean, assistant vice president for Student Affairs, presented at the 2022 state conference for the Texas Association of Black Personnel in Higher Education (TAPBHE). Their session, titled “First? Only? Few? Strategies for Professional Success at a PWI,” shared considerations and opportunities identified in academic research for professionals of color employed at predominantly white institutions, pointing out critical considerations and key tools for professional development.

Mario Ramirez, director of Student Leadership and Involvement, and Joshua Ysasi, program coordinator of The Priddy Scholars, presented “Resilient & Responsible Student Affairs Professionals Cultivating
Latino Male Student Success through Unofficial Mentorship* at the annual conference for the Texas Association of Chicanos in Higher Education (TACHE). Their session addressed the critical and timely concern about the small percentage of Latino males who are student affairs professionals. Panelists drew upon their lived experiences to discuss their professions in higher education focusing on best practices to cultivate student success. Additionally, Ramirez was elected to the state board as the Plains Region Representative; Ysasi was elected as the Plains Region Co-Rep and the incoming Mentorship chair. Monica Flores, coordinator of student activities, is slated to join the TACHE board as the Vice President of Communications, pending elections.

Students and faculty from the Department of Athletic Training and Exercise Physiology represented MSU Texas at the Texas Regional Conference of the American College of Sports Medicine in Waco, Texas, Feb. 24-25. In a number of the papers presented, faculty and students worked with colleagues from University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio. MSU Texas participants included undergraduate student Alexa Daniel; graduate students Harsh Patel and Leslie Picasio; former graduate students Hayden West and Natalie Delgadillo; and faculty Soon-Mi Choi, Frank Wyatt, and Michael W. Olson.

Presentations included:

Chair of the Shimadzu School of Radiologic Sciences Beth Vealé, Associate Professors of Radiologic Sciences Robert Comello and Lynette Watts, and Assistant Professors of Radiologic Sciences Jessyca Wagner and Kimberly Onstott attended the 47th Annual Conference of the Association of Collegiate Educators in Radiologic Technology (ACERT) Feb. 9-11 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Wagner presented a poster titled “Gathering Faculty Perceptions of Online Education in Radiologic Sciences Programs: Creating the Instrument” and, in her role as ACERT’s President, presided over the annual meeting. Vealé presented “Let’s Talk Technique” and was elevated to Life Member. Watts presented “Content Delivery Tools.” Comello presented “Learning Theories & Theorists” and Onstott presented “Impact of Virtual Scenario-based Branching Simulations among Radiology Students.” Wagner and Comello facilitated the Student Challenge with approximately 400 students in attendance.

Assistant Professor of Radiologic Sciences Rachel Whatley was elected vice president of the Texas Society of Radiologic Technologists. She will be installed into the position at the Annual Meeting in April.