

COMING UP

MONDAY, SEPT. 12

Women's Golf at the Swan Memorial
All day Thornton, Colorado

Men's Golf at the Ritz at Mile High
All day Lakewood, Colorado

TUESDAY, SEPT. 13

Women's Golf at the Swan Memorial
All day Thornton, Colorado

Men's Golf at the Ritz at Mile High
All day Lakewood, Colorado

**Hispanic Heritage Month
Self-Portrait Party**
6:30 p.m. CSC Wichita

**Trio of Lost Vultures:
Saxophone Concert**
7:30 p.m. Akin Auditorium

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 14

Staff Senate
3 p.m. Dillard 274

**Women's Soccer vs.
Eastern New Mexico**
6 p.m. Portales, New Mexico

Men's Soccer vs. West Texas A&M
7 p.m. Canyon, Texas

THURSDAY, SEPT. 15

**Suicide Awareness Month
Depression Screening**
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. CSC Atrium

FRIDAY, SEPT. 16

Constitution Day
11 a.m.-1 p.m. CSC Atrium

Volleyball vs. St. Edward's
6 p.m. D.L. Ligon Coliseum

**Hispanic Heritage Month
Viva MSU!**
6 pm. Legacy Courtyard

SATURDAY, SEPT. 17

**Women's Cross Country at
Missouri Southern Stampede**
TBA Joplin, Missouri

Volleyball vs. St. Mary's
Noon D.L. Ligon Coliseum

**Hispanic Heritage Month
"Finding Your Voice" Closing**
1 p.m. WFMA at MSU Texas

Women's Soccer vs. St. Mary's
2 p.m. MSU Soccer Field

Football vs. Michigan Tech
7 p.m. Memorial Stadium

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AROUND CAMPUS



Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage Month begins Sept. 15, the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries, and lasts through Oct. 15.

This commemoration began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon B. Johnson and was then extended to a month-long observance in 1988 by President Ronald Reagan.

Today the Hispanic and Latinx communities make up almost 20% of the U.S. population.

All students, faculty, staff, and the surrounding community are invited to celebrate Hispanic cultures through a variety of events hosted by the MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center.

For a complete list of events visit the MSU Texas [Hispanic Heritage Month](#) webpage. For questions, email mosaic@msutexas.edu.

"30 Minutes with the Expert"

In conjunction with the "Belong, Connect, Discover: 100 Years of MSU Texas Treasures" exhibition currently on display at the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas, the museum is hosting "30 Minutes with the Expert" at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays and 1:30 p.m. Saturdays in September with

university personnel discussing aspects of the exhibition. Upcoming presentations are:

5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, Special Collections Librarian Alissa Russell.

5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, Professor of Radiological Sciences Beth Veale.

1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, WFMA at MSU Texas Curator of Collections and Exhibitions Danny Bills.

Constitution Day 2022

Register to vote or find answers about voting rights from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16, in the CSC Atrium. Call ext. 2864 for more information.

2022-2023 Faculty/Staff Campaign Celebration Lunch

A celebration lunch in support of this year's MSU Faculty/Staff Campaign will begin at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20, in the Quad. First National Bank is sponsoring and preparing the hamburger and fixings meal. For more information, contact the Office of University Advancement at ext. 4539 or email Steve Shipp.

Volunteer opportunity for Childhood Hunger Project

The 1922 Volunteers are back in action this fall to participate in the PowerPacks program at the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank. Volunteers form an assembly line with the goal of filling 300 plastic bags with prepared food items and drink boxes at each session. The items are provided by the Wichita Falls Area Food Bank and distributed to elementary and middle schools in North Texas. This volunteer opportunity is open to the whole campus. Faculty are also welcome to bring student groups.

The first sessions will begin at 3:15 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 22 & 23. Assistant Professor of French Eric Lynch will be the captain on Thursday and Associate Professor of English Peter Fields will lead the Friday session. Each session is

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MONDAY, SEPT. 19

Women's Golf at DBU Classic
All day Denton, Texas

TUESDAY, SEPT. 20

Women's Golf at DBU Classic
All day Denton, Texas

**Faculty/Staff Campaign
Celebration Lunch**

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Quad

**Women's Soccer vs.
Southwestern Oklahoma**

5 p.m. MSU Soccer Field

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21

Men's Soccer vs. Oklahoma Christian
7 p.m. MSU Soccer Field

THURSDAY, SEPT. 22

**Suicide Awareness Month
Share your Stories**
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. CSC Atrium

FRIDAY, SEPT. 23

Family Weekend 2022
6 p.m. Campus-wide

Volleyball vs. UT Permian Basin

7 p.m. Odessa, Texas

SATURDAY, SEPT. 24

Women's Soccer vs. St. Edward's
1 p.m. Austin, Texas

Volleyball vs. Angelo State

2 p.m. San Angelo, Texas

Men's Soccer vs. Lubbock Christian

3:30 p.m. Lubbock, Texas

Football vs. Simon Fraser (B.C.)

7 p.m. Memorial Stadium

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28

**Women's Soccer vs.
Oklahoma Christian**
7 p.m. MSU Soccer Field

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about 90 minutes, depending on how many are participating. Volunteers should wear CLOSED-TOE shoes – not sandals – as the workplace is a warehouse distribution center. At least four or five volunteers are needed for each session, but more would make work go quickly. Volunteers can come to as many sessions as they want.

Contact Fields at [Peter Fields](mailto:Peter.Fields) or ext. 4246 or Lynch at ext. 4733 or [Eric Lynch](mailto:Eric.Lynch) for dates and more information.

Family Weekend 2022

The Office of Student Transition Services will host Family Weekend 2022 Friday and Saturday, Sept. 23-24. Family Weekend is a time for families to join their MSU student for fun and college memories. Events include the Caribfest cultural festival, an outdoor movie, fun and games at the Quad, and family tailgating before the Mustangs-Simon Fraser football game Saturday night. Contact [Angie Reay](mailto:Angie.Reay) by email or call ext. 4466 for more information.

Suicide Awareness Month

September is Suicide Awareness Month at MSU Texas. The Counseling Center provided suicide prevention training sessions earlier in the month with the goal of learning risk factors and warning signs, and creating a campus of care to keep peers safe. A Depression Screening Day will be held from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, at the Clark Student Center Atrium and Comanche Suites. The campus community is invited to submit personal stories about how suicide has affected them. Those stories, which will be made anonymous, will be featured in an art installation on view from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, in the Clark Student Center Atrium. Email [Christina Gragg](mailto:Christina.Gragg) in the Counseling Center to have a story, poem, or personal experience featured. Call the Counseling Center at ext. 4618 for more information.

CAMPUS NEWS

Redwine Wellness Center Fall schedules

The Bruce & Graciella Wellness Center has announced updated information including its [Fall 2022 hours](#), [fitness class schedule](#), and [recreational sports calendar](#).

Directory Tutorial

The webmaster's office has created the [MSU Texas Directory Tutorial](#) to assist with updating directory information. The tutorials are hosted on SharePoint, which will require you to log into Microsoft Office. Tutorials are listed for each action you can take within the directory. For questions or additional support, please submit a ticket to webmasterhelp@msutexas.edu.

Athletic Training staff honored

The Athletic Training staff at MSU was honored by the Lone Star Conference as Athletic Training Staff of the Year for 2021-22. Full-time staff members include Head Athletic Trainer **Gary Diehm**, and Assistant Athletic Trainers **Laura Poston** and **Cassie Ervin**. [Read the full story](#) in the MSU Texas Athletics news.

Faculty Resource Center opens

The Office of Sponsored Programs and Research and the Teaching and Learning Resource Center have opened the Faculty Resource Center in Ferguson 201 to provide one-stop support for MSU teacher scholars. Contact [Brittany Norman](mailto:Brittany.Norman) at ext. 4714 for more information.

WFMA at MSU Texas podcast

The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas will premiere a new monthly podcast written and hosted by Associate Professor of English Todd Giles. Each month in *The Vault Unlocked*, Giles will delve into the collection vault for an artwork to research and discuss. [Read the full story](#) in the MSU Texas news.

Centennial Stories

To honor our Centennial, Channel 6 is airing a series of stories featuring a few of the people who make MSU Texas special. Please check out these Mustangs stories. [KAUZ: Celebrating 100 years with MSU Texas.](#)

Harvey Art Gallery

The Juanita Harvey Art Gallery at Midwestern State University will open the fall semester with two exhibitions – a solo show by Assistant Professor of Art Jason Bly and an exhibition of prints, photographs, and artist-made books from students inspired during their British Studies experience in London this summer. [Read the full story](#) in the MSU Texas news.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Book Plating Ceremony and reception

Moffett Library will host the Book Plating Ceremony to honor faculty who have been tenured and promoted from 3-4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29 in the library. Call ext. 4698 for more information.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Professor **Frank Wyatt** and Associate Professor and Chair **Michael Olson** from the Department of Athletic Training and Exercise Physiology were co-authors, in collaboration with the Department of Physical Therapy at the University of the Incarnate Word, on a paper presented at the National Strength and Conditioning Association annual conference held in New Orleans, Louisiana, in July. The presentation was titled “Muscular power and aerobic capacity are associated with injury risk in women’s collegiate soccer players.”

Roberto Fuertes-Manjón, professor of Spanish, recently presented two papers in Europe. The first, “La valoración de las literaturas regionales en la obra crítica de Juan Valera,” was presented at the 41 Asamblea y Congreso Internacional in Ourense, Spain. The second, “La proyección de la novela negra en el cine del Cono Sur: entre el testimonio y la denuncia,” was presented at the International Conference Cinema-Art, Technology, Communication in Avanca, Portugal.

Computer Science graduate student **Leslie Cook** has been awarded a prestigious Association for Computer Machinery Special Interest Group on High Performance Computing Computational and Data Science Fellowship. Cook was nominated by her research advisor, Associate Professor of Computer Science **Eduardo Colmenares** and also recommended by Assistant Professor of Physics **Preet Sharma**. Cook’s curriculum and an impressive list of accomplishments at MSU Texas, including excellent grades,

participation in Colmenares’ HPC & Deep Learning Research Group and other research groups, a National Institutes of Health summer internship, as well as her great interpersonal skills, she secured this competitive and prestigious fellowship. In 2021, only 11 out of 200 students worldwide were awarded the fellowship, some from larger tier 1 institutions. The fellowship includes a cash stipend of \$15,000 renewable up to two additional year, an award certificate commemorating the achievement, and travel support to the Supercomputing 2022 Conference in November for recognition during the conference awards ceremony.

WELCOME

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JOBS

An EEO/ADAAA Compliance Employer

Police Telecommunicator

Department: Police
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: \$2,443.08

Administrative Assistant/Event Coordinator (Part time, non-benefit eligible)

Department: Office of the President
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: \$18.50 per hour



Even though it's still summer, the Texas lantana (*Lantana urticoides*) shows fall colors in the flower beds north of Redwine Wellness Center. This is the only native lantana species in the state and has performed well during our heat and drought. *Information and photo courtesy of MSU Texas grounds foreperson Jason Cooper.*