AROUND CAMPUS

Speakers & Issues: Spencer Bakich

Spencer D. Bakich will be the next guest of the Speakers & Issues Series at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 21, at the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas. His topic will be “Counterinsurgency in Iraq and Afghanistan: Strategy and (oral) History.”

Bakich is a professor of international studies and the director of the National Security Program at the Virginia Military Institute. He is the author of Success and Failure in Limited War: Information and Strategy in the Korean, Vietnam, Persian Gulf, and Iraq Wars, as well as articles, book chapters, and essays on wartime diplomacy and strategy, coercive diplomacy, American grand strategy, and cybersecurity. He is the recipient of a 2023 Outstanding Faculty Award from the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia.

This event is sponsored by the Libra Foundation, the Wichita Falls Times Record News, KFFU-FM NPR Radio, KFDZ-TV3, and the MSU Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities & Social Sciences. This event is co-sponsored by the Department of History. For more information contact John Schulze at ext. 6249.

MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center Workshops

MOSAIC will host two workshops for training opportunities.

Donuts & Discussions: Title IX & Behavioral Intervention Team discussion will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 22, in the Social Justice Resource Center, Bea Wood 131. Learn more about what BIT and Title IX are, the benefits, and how to handle reporting. Dail Neely and Laura Hetrick will lead this discussion.

The second workshop, Microaggressions Self-defense Workshop will be held virtually through Zoom at 10 a.m., with an in-person session at 2 p.m. in the Social Justice Resource Center, Bea Wood 131. Both are Thursday, March 23. Microaggressions is a verbal or nonverbal slight that impacts an individual who might identify as being from a marginalized or nonmainstream community. This workshop will explain what microaggressions are, examples, and an interactive activity to practice scenarios.

The target audience for these optional educational sessions are MSU Texas faculty and staff, but the events are open to the entire MSU community. For more information and events, visit the Professional Development page. Email Ruby Garrett or call ext. 4500 for more information.

Women in STEM Lecture Series

MSU Texas alumna Krista Moreira is the next guest of the Women in STEM Lecture Series. Moreira will speak at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 22, in McCoy 136. She is a transportation engineer with the Texas Department of Transportation. She received her bachelor’s degree in engineering MSU Texas. Contact Candice Fulton at ext. 4450 for more information.

Faculty Forum: Hardin Professor Lecture

Professor of Mass Communication Mitzi Lewis will present the next Faculty Forum: Hardin Professor Lecture. She will speak about “Taking the Tension out of Attention” at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 22, in Legacy Hall’s Multipurpose Room. Lewis was named Hardin Professor, Midwestern State’s highest faculty honor, in 2021, but the lecture was postponed due to Covid. Contact Jonathan Price at ext. 4288 for more information.

Red River Reading Series: Student Presentations

Red River Reading Series & Sigma Tau Delta will host a special reading event at 7 p.m. Friday, March 24, in Bea Wood 127
TUESDAY, MARCH 28
Men’s & Women’s Tennis at Lubbock Christian
Noon    Lubbock, Texas

Phi Alpha Speaker Series:
Marcus Nevius
6 p.m.    Zoom

FRIDAY, MARCH 31
Men’s Golf
at Hot Dirt Desert Shootout
All day    Goodyear, Arizona

MSU Tennis
vs. Western New Mexico
10 a.m.    MSU Tennis Center

Softball at Oklahoma Christian
4 p.m.    Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Theatre: “Speed Dating Tonight!”
7:30 p.m.    Akin Auditorium

SATURDAY, APRIL 1
Men’s Golf
at Hot Dirt Desert Shootout
All day    Goodyear, Arizona

Men’s & Women’s Tennis
vs. UT Permian Basin
10 a.m.    MSU Tennis Center

Softball at Oklahoma Christian
2 & 4 p.m.    Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Theatre: “Speed Dating Tonight!”
7:30 p.m.    Akin Auditorium

MONDAY, APRIL 3
Women’s Golf at West Texas A&M Desert Invitational
All day    Tucson, Arizona

Men’s Golf
at RJGA Palm Valley Classic
All day    Goodyear, Arizona

The next Update will be published April 3, 2023. Please submit your information to public.information@msutexas.edu by 5 p.m. Thursday, March 30, to be included in the next issue.

(Flanguages Lab). This event will feature readings from Sigma Tau Delta members who will present their papers at the Sigma Tau Delta International Convention in Denver, Colo. These original pieces range from academic essay to personal manifesto to creative nonfiction. Speakers and their topics include Brandon Goins, “Queer LIT on PAR”; Michaela Aleman, “The Sign”; and Breanna Cotner, “Taylor Swift, the Degenerate?” Contact Hillary Coenen at ext. 4058 for more information.

Flute Recital & Music Lecture:
Claudia Anderson

The Department of Music will host Claudia Anderson, associate lecturer, flute, and director of the Grinnell College Fresh Flutes Ensemble, at Iowa’s Grinnell College, in a flute recital at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 24, in Akin Auditorium. At 11 a.m. Saturday, March 25, Anderson will present a lecture in Akin Auditorium on “Being the Agent of Change.” Contact Jessica Hulett at ext. 4243 for more information.

WFMA at MSU Texas:
On the Wall Workshops

Guest teaching artist Daniel Juarez, will conduct the final crosshatching workshop from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 25. Crosshatching is the artistic technique of using parallel and intersecting lines to create an image. Workshops are free with materials provided. Contact the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

Phi Alpha Theta Speaker Series
The Phi Alpha Theta Speaker Series and MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center will present a virtual talk by Marcus Nevius, a specialist in slave resistance, slave-based economies, and abolition, at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 28, via Zoom.

Nevius, associate professor of history at the University of Rhode Island and the author of City of Refuge: Slavery and Petit Marronage in the Great Dismal Swamp, 1763-1856, will present “City of Refuge: An Enslaved Community in the Early Years of the Atlantic Age of Revolutions.” Join the Zoom event here. Contact Whitney Snow at ext. 8917 for more information.

Speed Dating Tonight!
A comic opera

The Department of Theatre will present Speed Dating Tonight! by Michael Ching at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 31 and April 1, in Akin Auditorium. Speed Dating Tonight! is a one-hour interactive opera that is a mixture of musical theatre, cabaret music, American songbook, opera, and folk song. Admission is free. Contact Jessica Hulett at ext. 4243 for more information.

CAMPUS NEWS

UGROW proposals

The Undergraduate Research Opportunities and Summer Workshop is soliciting research proposals for this year’s projects. UGROW is MSU’s faculty-led, student-executed intensive summer research program. Although based out of the McCoy College of Science, Mathematics, & Engineering, it is open to faculty research mentors campuswide. As in years past, UGROW will provide a program in which mentors oversee full-time engagement in a month-long project involving one or possibly two students. UGROW facilitates student exposure to research techniques, and opportunities for presentation and interaction.

UGROW 23 begins May 30 and ends on July 7. The first week provides students with concentrated workshops, and the remaining four weeks are dedicated to the projects. UGROW concludes with a symposium of presentations by student researchers. Participating faculty will receive a stipend; student participants will receive a scholarship on completion of the program.

If you are interested in joining UGROW 23, please send a title and a student-oriented paragraph description of your intended project by 5 p.m. March 22 to ugrow@msutexas.edu. Further details are available at msutexas.edu/ugrow.
MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Percussion Ensemble concert**
The Department of Music will present a Percussion Ensemble concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, in Akin Auditorium. Contact Jessica Hulett at ext. 4243 for more information.

**WFMA: Supporting Indigenous Sisters**
The Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas will present the exhibition “Supporting Indigenous Sisters: An International Print Exchange” beginning April 8. Activating conversations about missing and murdered Indigenous women, 16 artists of diverse heritage draw on their individual and collective experience as women, exposing this present-day dark reality as a catalyst for advocacy and change. The exhibition will be on display through Sept. 30, and is co-curated by Melanie Yazzie, head of printmaking at the University of Colorado Boulder, and Catherine Prose, professor of art at MSU Texas. Contact the museum at ext. 8900 for more information.

**5Kolor Run**
The Redwine Wellness Center and the Title IX office are collaborating on the 5Kolor Run/Walk Wednesday, April 12, to raise funds to purchase hygiene products, school supplies, clothing, and other essential needs for First Step. Registration begins at 5 p.m. and the 5K walk/run begins at 5:30 p.m. on the Suzanne Shipley Trail at Sikes Lake. Preferred registration fee is monetary donation to help purchase needed items. Contact Angie Reay at ext. 4206 for more information.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Assistant Professors of Radiologic Sciences Rodney Fisher, Rachel Whatley, and Shanna Tole presented at the New Mexico Society of Radiologic Technologists on March 3-4. Fisher made three presentations: “Imaging the Endocannabinoid System,” “Scoping Out Your Practice or How to Avoid a Date with the Judge,” and “What Do Those T and Z Scores Mean, A Bone Densitometry Primer.” Whatley and Tole jointly presented “Trauma-Informed Educational Practice” and “Professional Engagement in Medical Imaging and Education.” While at the event, they actively recruited for the bachelor’s and master’s programs in Radiologic Sciences and Advanced Modalities programs.

Assistant Professor of English Hillary Coenen co-presented “Activating Hope with Rhetorical Action” with faculty from Texas Tech University and East Carolina University at the 74th Annual Conference on College Composition and Communication held in Chicago, Illinois, in February.

Four students from the Kimbell School of Geosciences presented at the annual Geological Society of America, South-central Section Meeting on March 13-14. Three graduate students advised by Assistant Professor of Geosciences Andrew Katumwehe presented their work:

- **Anthony Castillo**, “Using ERT and LiDAR to Detect Void Space in Cretaceous Formations at Natural Bridge Caverns in Comal County, Texas.” **Castillo** received the first place award in graduate studies for the OSU TechFest Division.
- **Damilola Ola**, “Using Seismic Data to Understand Rift Evolution in Magma Poor Rifts. An Example of the Albertine Rift.” **Ola** received the first place award for the conference’s graduate student poster presentations.

One undergraduate advised by Geosciences Chair Jonathan Price presented her work from UGROW22:

- **Chelsee Kirk**, “Towards One Lab’s Accurate Resolution of Whole-Rock Major-Element Geochemistry: An Undergraduate Effort.”

JOBS

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**Accountant III**
Department: Business Office
Starting Date ASAP
Starting Salary: $3,604.92 monthly, plus benefits

**Administrative Assistant**
Department: Annual Fund
Starting Date ASAP
Starting Salary: $2,276.25 monthly, plus benefits

**Head Coach, Women’s Basketball**
Department: Athletics/Women’s Basketball
Starting Date ASAP
Starting Salary: Commensurate with experience

**Postal Clerk**
Department: Post Office
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: $1,906.67 monthly, plus benefits

**Publications Specialist**
Department: Marketing & Public Information
Starting Date: ASAP
Starting Salary: $2,814.34, plus benefits