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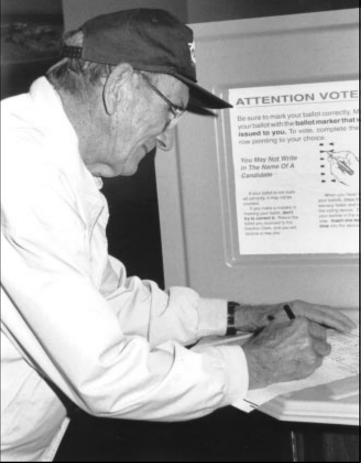


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I Voted: John Rudebock makes use of the voting facilities at OKCCC. The college is an official voting facility for the 119th district which includes Western Heights and Moore.

Campus computers to get Y2K updates

More than 3000 OKCCC computers will be affected

By Melissa Guice Assistant Editor

Plans are in the making for more than 3000 OKCCC computer programs to receive Year 2000 face-lifts.

Popularly termed the Y2K crisis, the Year 2000 dilemma is concerned with recorded numerical dates.

Several dating systems, including OKCCC's, are based on a two-digit year-by-year program. For instance, 1998 is only read as "98" in the database.

The Y2K concern is that when the digits "00" for 2000 are read, a computer will think the year is 1900,

resulting in a number of possible mishaps.

Everything from complete and total mass destruction of the planet to the loss of a mere zillion records on every living human has been suggested as possibilities if the world's computer systems are not Y2K compliant.

In order to ensure that OKCCC's computers comply, John Richardson, director of computer systems development, said the school has

been and is currently testing its programs.

"We started testing our system in early October and preparing it for fall enrollment," Richardson said.

An important time for the systems staff is late March when students begin enrolling for fall 1999 classes because the school's system will be based on a 1999-2000 calendar.

"We will be phasing in components to make the student system compliant," Richardson said.

"It's not like you flip a switch and everything to do with students will be year 2000 compliant, but we are trying." The college's entire system must be compliant by July 1999 because it works on a fiscal year calendar, from July 1 of one year to June 30 of the next.

OKCCC staffers have been working with a temporary programmer who has helped test much of the

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—John Richardson OKCCC Director of Computer Systems Development

school's system.

Included in the testing is the student information system which includes records of enrollment and financial aid. Also included is the finance area and human resources, Richardson said.

With all of the changes being made, staff and students may have questions pertaining to the Y2K problems

Answers will be found through a new web page that is being designed specifically for Y2K questions and concerns.

The web page will accessible via www.okc.cc.ok.us by Christmas 1998, Richardson said.

College to re-shelve 'Tin Drum'

By Melissa Guice Assistant Editor

The foreign film "The Tin Drum" is back on the shelves of area Blockbuster stores and Oklahoma Metropolitan Libraries.

OKCCC's library also plans to re-shelve the movie soon.

The German-made, Oscar-winning movie was taken out of area stores and libraries last year when Oklahoma City Police confiscated all copies after the citizens group Oklahomans for Children and Families (OCAF) claimed certain parts of the movie contained sexually explicit scenes.

Two weeks ago, U.S. District Judge Ralph Thompson ruled that the film did

not meet the criteria for obscenity under Oklahoma's child pornography statute.

The statute states that anyone who knowingly possesses, manufactures, or distributes any film where a minor is engaged in any sexual act shall be guilty, upon conviction, of a felony.

However, the statute makes an exception for bona fide works of art.

Thompson concluded that while the state should continue the fight against child pornography, "The Tin Drum" did not fit into that category because its theme was not sexual and more so, the movie itself was an award-winning

work of art.

Bob Anderson, OCAF executive director, disagrees with the decision.



He said he hopes Oklahoma County District Attorney Bob Macy will appeal the decision.

Jerry Steward, OKCCC's attorney said he plans to put

the movie back on the shelf soon.

"I have read the judge's ruling and we are planning to put it back out any day now," he said.

Meanwhile, students and staff can read the book on which the movie is based.

Three copies of the book, "The Tin Drum," written by Gunter Grass are available in the library.

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Editorial

There's a fungus among us and it is bad news

Suppose some Russians decided potatoes, from which vodka is distilled, were the root of all their social ills. Suppose their government developed a fail-safe version of potato blight and sprayed it over the Rocky Mountains.

Would this be considered just? Or would this spark an international incident?

The fools on the hill would have the United States do the very same thing.

Reps. Bill McCollum (R-Fla.) and Benjamin Gilman (R-N.Y.) have authored the Western Hemisphere Drug Elimination act. The bill passed as a component of the omnibus budget bill.

What this little bit of legislation does is direct money to agencies as diverse as the Department of Agriculture, the Department of State and the Environmental Protection Agency for law enforcement in known drug-producing countries. It also dedicates \$23 million for research on a fungus to kill coca, poppy and cannibis plants. The congress expects a report in early 1999. The crops targeted can supply opiates, "-caine" drugs and marijuana. The majority of cannabis grown globally is used for fiber

Supposedly this mycoherbicide is plant-specific and will not bother plants in adjacent areas or crops planted in locations of prior treatment.

A horticulturist from Cornell University thinks that such bioengineering should proceed with caution. He points out that one year a fungus could look promising, but be a nuisance the next year.

The fungus will be sprayed from airplanes on crops.

Does this sound familiar to anyone out there? Paraquat, a carcinogenic defoliant, was used extensively in the '80s for cannabis eradication.

Oklahoma has begun arial spraying of triclopyr, an untested herbicide, across the state. Vermont has recently discontinued use of triclopyr on its railways, due to environmental concerns.

Despite efforts to eradicate the crops and the "just say no" campaign, some experts estimate the United States has 6.7 million addicts.

People on both sides of the issue agree that these measures need the cooperation of the nations where the plants grow. Money is to be allocated across four different continents for this program.

Can citizens of one nation decide what crops can grow in other nations?

Remember the potatoes?

Why then do we continue to meddle in the internal affairs of sovereign nations and the personal lives of our own citizens?

Coca is not grown in the United States. Neither are opium poppies aside from a few specimen plants. Cannabis grows anywhere, just ask the governments of Iowa or Kansas how much money is spent eradicating ditch weed which any high school bozo can verify is not worth the effort.

Even if the fungus were used only in the United States, how could crop protection be guaranteed?

Too many scientific, political and ethical questions are unanswered.

The fungus is a folly.

-Robyn Lydick
Editor

Teachers matter; we will help pay

To the Editor:

Tomorrow morning more than 51 million children of all colors and ethnic backgrounds will wake up, eat a bowl of Cocoa Puffs, brush, but probably not floss, their teeth and then make their way to public school.

There they will be taught how to read and write and add and subtract and how not to color outside the prescribed lines in geography.

More than 90 percent of their teachers will be white while nearly 30 percent of the students will be minorities.

OKCCC is one of the few two-year institutions that offers an associate degree in pre-education.

To develop a solution to the noticeable lack of minorities in teacher education programs, we applied to the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for a grant to improve the participation and transfer rate of minority students to four-year universities.

We named our grant the Program for Academic Achievement (PAA).

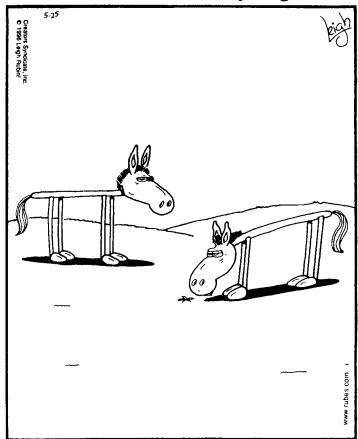
This past summer, the College was awarded \$20,000 to provide support services including financial aid and mentoring, to either minority students currently majoring in pre-education or those who have expressed an interest in the field.

We are pleased this week to announce four 1998 PAA scholarship winners: Angelita Cardenas, Vanessa Esquivias, Yelitza Font-Ponce and Mario Medrano.

Looking for an article?
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RUBES®

By Leigh Rubin



Stick ponies, the special breed purposely malnourished for the selfish sake of children's entertainment If you are interested in applying for one of these scholarships, please call me at 682-1611 ext. 7247 or Myron Mayberry at ext. 7538.

—Mary Ann Merz, Professor of Learning Skills

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Comments and Reviews

Reality collides with pleasantries in 'Pleasantville'

moms vacuuming in their pearls, jukeboxes and chocolate sodas. . . now all you need is a remote control and you've entered Pleasantville.

The town's only recipe calls for sugar and spice, and the only ingredient it's missing is an Oscar.

Pleasantville is a 1950s

White picket fences, sitcom that reruns on TV Time, a fictional Nick at Nite. Geeky Brad (Tobey Maguire) is a Pleasantville iunkie.

> Friday night is the sitcom's marathon and also the night for Brad's promiscuous twin sister, Jennifer (Reese Witherspoon), to have her boyfriend over.

The siblings begin to fight



Tobey Maguire and Reese Whitherspoon

Movie Review

over the remote control and it breaks.

The doorbell immediately rings and it is the TV repairman (Don Knotts). He gives them a different remote control in exchange.

The twins push the remote control and are zapped into the television, where they actually become Bud and Mary Sue Parker from Pleasantville.

Everyday in Pleasantville is the same, and the only thing the people know is happiness and purity.

The Pleasantville basketball team has never lost a game (or missed a basket for that matter), everyone in the town is oblivious to sex, and the firemen have nothing to do except rescue kittens from trees.

So here come Bud and Mary Sue who are really from the 1990s. Once the people find out what exists outside of Pleasantville, their entire world has more color.

Sometimes it practically

takes a punch in the face for me to notice the inner meaning of a movie, but the themes and symbolism are screaming throughout the film.

I think the special effects are definitely Oscar-worthy. Toward the beginning of the film the movie is in black-and-white and as it progresses the characters and objects have more color. At one point the mom's face is in color, then she covers it back to the black-and-white screen

with a powder compact.

The movie makes you look at life and realize, good or bad, how much the world has to offer.

It sends a nice message to get as much out of life as you can.

I do not recommend this

The twins push the remote control and are zapped into the television, where they actually become Bud and Mary Sue Parker from Pleasantville.

movie if you are searching for a comedy, but it will leave you with a happy feel-All in all, the movie was,

> as they say in Pleasantville, pretty swell.

—Erin Christy **Newswriting I Student**

Rappers, Williams take to big screen

Nas, DMX and Method Man are teaming up for the biggest hip-hop event of the last 10 years but you won't find it in your local record

The highly-anticipated first film from video director Hype Williams, "Belly" opened Nov. 4 nationwide.

The film will catapult Nas, DMX, Method Man and T-Boz to the big screen and give a voice to the hiphop community.

"I feel like for a long time hip-hop music has been saying a lot," explains Nas. "To me it's like finally getting a chance to see exactly what all of us is talking about.

An urban update of the Cain and Abel story, "Belly" follows the lives of Tommy (DMX) and Sincere (Nas).

To many in his neighborhood, Tommy is the Ghetto president, a charismatic thug who is everything they aspire to be-

In his unending quest for money, power and respect, Tommy is willing to hurt anyone who gets in his way, including his girlfriend Kisha (Taral Hicks). In stark contrast to Tommy is Sincere, a refined intellectual who likes to read between scores.

As he grows to under-



stand that his wife (T-Boz) and child are more valuable than money, Sincere tries to change his ways.

When life on the street heats up, Tommy and Sincere are forced to choose between their friendship,

their fate and their consciences.

The actors credit the film's realism and its portrayal of African-Americans in making "Belly" different.

"Most movies I see about African-Americans, everything is poor," Taral Hicks

"This movie is not like that. You'll see poverty, because there is poverty everywhere, but the main part and the main characters were shown as really intelligent people put in a different light.

The final hope is that people will go see the film, not just for its cast, but for its story.

"It is a story about today and tomorrow," Nas said.

"I think a story is yet to be told to the youth about the youth right now," Nas said.

"When I read the script, it was everything I wanted to see.

"Belly" is playing at Quail Springs, Almonte, Northwest 8 and Heritage

Test during the break!

Hours of operation for the Test Center during fall break will be:

> Monday, Nov. 23 8 a.m.- 9:30 p.m.

> **Tuesday Nov. 24** 8 a.m.- 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 25 8 a.m.- 8 p.m.

Thursday through Sunday Closed

Enjoy the break!

Leadership program 'beneficial'

By Jamie Johnson **Staff Writer**

Two OKCCC deans, along with two OKCCC professors, are now better equipped to perform their duties since graduating from a leadership program in Mt. Hood, Ore.

Marsha Austin, professor of math; Kathy Cupp, professor of computer science; Mary William, dean of information and technology; and Anna Wilson, dean of science and math, have successfully completed the year-long program at The Chair Academy.

Participants came from all over the United States and Canada.

The program is held in two one-week sessions.

The first week was filled with classes and learning

ticipants go back to their schools and implement the leadership tools they've learned.

participants will go back for another week-long session to discuss additional leadership techniques as well as the successes and failures everyone had encountered over the year.

Williams said the program helps to target and build each individual's own leadership styles and helps to teach the individual how to interact with other people in the workplace as a dean or department head.

"The classes were not lecture-type classes," Williams said.

"They were more of a group exercise type class, so we had the opportunity to not only learn from the person teaching us, but from our peers as well."

Austin said there has previously been no formal training for the responsibilities that her job entails.

She said the leadership program helped her a great deal, allowing her the opportunity to talk with other

eral different possibilities to a solution."

Cupp said one of the things that is stressed at the academy is reflections.

"It's like a journal you keep of what you've done so you can look into the past to help you plan for the future.

Wilson said the workshop was extremely helpful.

"This is by far the most beneficial leadership workshop I have ever attended."

Paul Sechrist, vice president for academic affairs, is responsible for choosing who will to go to the academv.

He said only deans, department chairs and program directors are eligible to attend.

Job, anyone?



Photo by Trent Dugas

OKCCC Computer Science major Irvan Susanto talks with a Southwestern Bell representative at the recent 1998 Fall Employment Expo. Businesses such as Integris, Hertz and Phillips 66 were at the expo recruiting for jobs.



Halloween party-goers dance night away

Right: Jessica Austin,13, left, and her sister Jamie, 10, have attended the college's Halloween party for the past three years. **Below:** Premed major Michele Shults clowns around as Ronald McDonald.

Photo by Ronna Johnson



Photo by Ronna Johnson



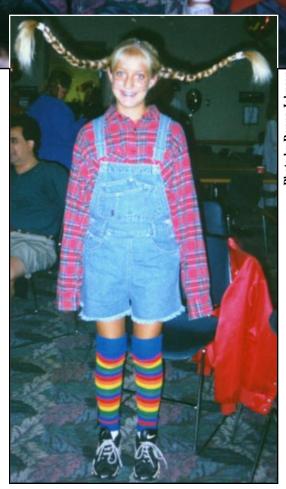
Below: Kasey Jordan, 3, proudly displays her balloon giraffe

made by OKCCC Dean of Planning and resident clown

Annmarie Shirazi.

Photo by Kim Morava

Below: The crowd gets down to the song "YMCA." It's Showtime, a mobile deejay unit, provided the music. Approximately 850 people attended this year's party on Oct. 30.



Above: Tanner Elmore, 18 months, could almost get lost in the crowd in his camoflauge suit. Left: Heather

Left: Heather Williams, 13, had a hairraising time as Pippi Longstocking.

Photo by Ronna Johnson



Photo by Kim Morav

Highlights

African American Student Association hosts slam jam

The AASA presents the Slam Jam 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament Nov. 21 at the college. Deadline to enter your team is Nov. 12. The fee is \$25 per team. For more information contact Z. Chilton at 682-7582.

Health Professions Club announces meeting

The Health Professions Club will hold a general meeting at 12:30 p.m. Nov. 12 in room 3N4.

Latin American group performing at college

The 10-member musical group Barroco Andino will perform a free concert at 7 p.m. Nov. 13 in the theater.

Contemporary library resources class forming now

The one credit hour intersession course English 1003 may heighten your GPA. Contemporary library resources will teach students how to sift through information on the internet. Students will also become familiar with the variety and scope of resources and services available in the OKCCC library. Intersession enrollment is now in progress.

Ski Breckenridge spring break

Students may want to begin thinking about spring break. An OKCCC ski trip to Breckenridge, Colo. is now in the works. The ski trip runs March 15 through 20 and includes transportation, four-nights lodging, three-day lift tickets, drinks and snacks for the bus trip. The cost is \$439. An initial deposit of \$75 is due by Nov. 16. It may be paid Nov. 11 at the ski expo. For more information call 682-1611 ext. 7363.

Tuition fee waiver application deadline near

Spring tuition fee waiver applications are available in the Student Financial Aid Office. Applications must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. Nov. 20.

Flavor of the Nile on Brown Bag menu

The Brown Bag Lunch Series will travel to Egypt with speaker Kahled Habib this week. The Brown Baggers will meet Nov. 12 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in 2P7, main bldg.

Investing in student's education is of prime interest

Scholarship applications for banking and finance majors are available in the office of Prospective Student Services. Application deadline is Dec. 5.

Mini-camps give parents a day off

Mini cheerleading and pompon camp for kids ages 6 to 15 will be held Nov. 14. Cheerleading will meet from 9 a.m. to noon and pompon will meet from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$25 per camp. Call 682-7560 to enroll.

Seminar explores many definitions of happiness

The National Collegiate Honors Council Satellite Seminar, "Happiness in Different Cultures" will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 10 in room 201 of the OKCCC library. The interactive seminar is co-sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa and hosted by Rosalie Otero, director of the honors program at the University of New Mexico. The event is free and open to the public.

OKCCC offers black-and-white darkroom classes

A new non-credit class in black-and-white darkroom techniques is slated for Saturday mornings. The six-week class meets from 9 a.m. to noon beginning Nov. 7. Cost is \$35 with a \$10 lab fee. Call 682-7560 for more information.



SPTAO members provided a photo of the recent college Health Fair Oct. 13. Pictured from left: Stephanie Cox, Trena Whitefield, Nita Franks, Leslie Wagner and Ann Arthur

Cause of pain may be hitching a ride on student's shoulders

By Rica Mitchusson Staff Writer

Some students feel as if they carry the weight of the world upon their shoulders.

Maybe they do.

Excessive weight, uneven distribution or slinging a loaded backpack over one shoulder may be the true culprit.

The Student Physical Therapy Assistant Organization recently hosted a campus health fair. Wearing a back-

pack correctly was a popular and enlightening subject, said Anita Franks, SPTAO president.

Approximately 70 students visited the SPTAO booth.

"Most students swing their pack over one shoulder," Franks said.

"When asked, [students] said it is nerdy to wear the

backpack correctly."

A bendable spine model allowed students to visualize what damage backpacks can cause if worn incorrectly. SPTAO members also weighed and adjusted student's backpacks to fit properly.

Franks said students

"When asked, [students] said it is nerdy to wear the backpack correctly."

—Anita Franks SPTAO President

couldn't believe they were carrying (on the average) 20 to 25 pounds on their backs.

It was eye-opening and apparently made quite an impression, she added.

"Since the health fair I have seen a lot of people using the double shoulder straps," Franks said.

Franks compiled a back-

pack alert sheet which was available at the health fair.

The tip sheet warned against overfilling backpacks or allowing the weight to become uneven.

This may cause low back pain, muscle and neck spasms, poor posture, pinched nerves, muscle

strain and fatigue.

To minimize strain and injury, the tip sheet suggested students buy a backpack with heavily padded straps, and use both straps so that the pack fits snugly to the mid portion of the back.

It also advises students to carry only books that are necessary for that day's classes.

"USA Today magazine printed an article lately that caught my eye," Franks said.

"Their backpack story said the very same things we said."

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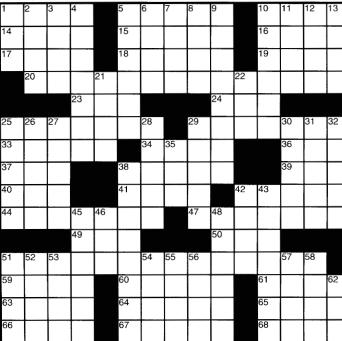
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Carrasco art exhibit on display

By Robyn Lydick Editor

Visiting professor Victoria Carrasco will open her art exibition at 7 p.m. Nov. 10 in the lobby of the OKCCC library.

The event will feature a lecture on her personal and technical process as well as a reception.

Carrasco said she has been working in copper and enamel for 15 years. The process is time

consuming.

The artist builds the piece in layers and fires

the piece in a special

kiln between layers, Ca-

rrasco said.

Carrasco's art is composed of 3-inch by 4-inch copper tiles mounted into murals.

"I re-created these symbolic motifs by using contemporary techniques, aspiring to stimulate a human response," Carrasco said.

Carrasco has been visiting Oklahoma this fall, teaching courses at OKCCC and lecturing at other colleges and universities around the state.

Carrasco is a Fulbright



Victoria Carrasco

Scholar visiting OKCCC from Ecuador.

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Vandalism, thievery plague parking areas

By Nick Spross Staff Writer

Theft and vandalism seem to be coming in bulk form to OKCCC as the holidays draw near.

Crimes ranging from stolen vehicles and personal belongings to vandalism occurred from Oct. 21 to Nov. 2 in OKCCC parking lots.

On Oct. 21 student Mark Vick left his vehicle in parking lot E at 4:45 p.m. He returned at 8:45 p.m. to find his vehicle gone. Stolen was a 1998 Honda Civic with an approximate value of \$18,500.

Another crime occurred Oct. 23 when student Steve Hare left his vehicle in parking lot C. Upon his return, he noticed his vehicle had been broken into.

Damage to the vehicle was approximately \$450. Stolen was a Sony CD player with an estimated value of \$250.

On Oct. 28 student Billy Chaffin left his vehicle in parking lot G.

After returning to it, he noticed his vehicle had been broken into and his speakers and amplifier had been stolen.

The estimated value for the items is approximately \$800.

On Nov. 1, two vehicles were broken into within a matter of hours.

Upon returning to his truck in lot A at 5 p.m., student Joseph Watson found his driver's side window had been broken out and his CD wallet taken. Watson said the thief had tried to get his CD player, but was unsuccessful.

The wallet contained 20 CDs. The estimated value of the window and the music collection is \$350.

Earlier that day student Michael Bearrow returned to his vehicle in lot E to find his radio missing.

Vandalism incidents have also been a problem in the parking lots.

Students Neeraj Khanna and Jeffrey Barrett both had windows broken out by vandals on Oct. 28. Neither noticed anything missing.

The estimated cost to replace the windows is \$100 each.

Keith Bourque, acting head of security at OKCCC, said his office is adding more security in the parking lots.

"We are moving some of our inside patrols outside to patrol the parking areas," Bourque said. "This gives us more people to cover the area."

Bourque also said students should keep personal belongings out of sight.

"Some students leave their stuff out in the open," Bourque said.

"This gives criminals an opportunity to see what they are trying to steal."



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